

OFF THE SCOREBOARD

Season 2007 Draws to a close

The basketball season has once again drawn to a close and from all accounts has again been a very successful season for everyone involved.

Congratulations are extended to Daryl Lynch, Christine Lynch, Kelly Lynch, Grant Lynch, Trina Dearthcott, Barry Cole, Patricia Collings, Leah Collings, Megan Thornton and Chris Creek for an excellent year resulting in their selection to the scoretable for the Finals held on the weekend of the 25th and 26th of August.

August 20th saw the Australia Post Boomers take on the New Zealand Tall Blacks in Melbourne with involvement for a number of our members.

By way of brief introduction, my name is Doug McRae and I have only just taken over the editorial position for the newsletter.

As I write this editorial, I am sitting in an apartment at the Shanxi Technical & Vocational Institute in the city of Taiyuan, Shanxi Province in China.

The TAFE college I work for is working cooperatively with a number of colleges in China and I get to visit them from time to time.

Considering the vast population of China, it is amazing to walk through the college grounds and note the two most popular sporting pastimes amongst the students – basketball and table tennis.

The quadrangle has six basketball courts and at break periods individual ad hoc half-court games are played at every available hoop with table tennis squeezed in between the courts.

Basketball is certainly doing well around the globe!

Douglas McRae, Editor

Annual Scoretable Dinner



The Scoretable Christmas Dinner will again be held at Henry's International Restaurant, Shop 1, 63 Stud Road, Bayswater commencing at 7.00 pm on Saturday, 10th November.

This is a great night out and not to be missed! Great food, great wine (or BYO wine and beer) and great company.

Plan to arrive early to have a really enjoyable night or just come for dessert and coffee if other commitments are unavoidable.

A deposit of \$10.00 per person is required when booking but is deducted from your bill at the end of the night.

Please call Gail Dunlop on 0411 728 834 to arrange your booking.



Taiyuan quadrangle during a "quiet" moment

2008 Annual General Meeting

ADVANCE NOTICE!

Please note that the following positions will be up for re-election by members at the upcoming Annual General Meeting on Sunday, 26 February 2008. Nomination forms will be included with the next 'Off the Scoreboard Newsletter or downloaded from the VBSA Website at www.vicscoretable.org.au

- VBSA Convenor • Treasurer • 3 x General Committee positions.

Why not play your part in the administration of your Association!

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Basketball Australia – Hall of Fame Inductee

The 2007 Basketball Australia Hall of Fame inductees included VBSA Life Member and past Convenor Avis Scullin. The official report from the Basketball Australia website is reproduced below.

The Committee, on behalf of all VBSA members, congratulates Avis on her well-deserved recognition.

Basketball Australia was honoured to announce on 21st August 2007, the 14 individuals who were to be inducted into the 2007 Basketball Australia Hall of Fame.

The third Hall of Fame dinner saw the inductees from across all areas of basketball including athletes, officials, coaches and contributors recognised for their remarkable impact on the sport in this country.

Avis Scullin began as a referee in 1974 and has been involved ever since. She was involved with the Australia Games in 1985, the 1986 and 1998 Gold Cups in Melbourne and Sydney, the 1997 FIBA World Under 23 Men's Championship and was a technical official at the 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

In 1989 she led an initiative to develop a National Scoretable

Committee which was successfully established in 1990, and for which she worked as Secretary for many years.

She was President of the Diamond Valley Basketball Association for nearly a decade, becoming the first female to hold such a position in metropolitan Victoria. She was also Commissioner of the South East Australian Basketball League for sixteen years from 1982 until 1998.

Avis is pictured here with her award at the Scoretable Coaches' Luncheon recently.

Diary Dates

Annual Scoretable Dinner

Saturday, 11 November 2007
Henry's Restaurant, Bayswater

Scoretable Conveners Meeting

Sunday, 26 February 2008
Nunawading Stadium

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, 26 February 2008
Nunawading Stadium

Watch this space throughout the upcoming 2008 season for details of those tournaments requiring Scoretable Officials.

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VBSA Committee

- ♦ **Ian Collings**)
Convenor
- ♦ **Trina Dearthcott**
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Newsletter
Educator:
- ♦ **Val Lethaby**

Test Your Rule Knowledge!

1. Red 4 commits a personal foul, this is his fourth foul and he is substituted. The Referee beckons Red 5 into the game. As Red 4 leaves the court, he verbally abuses the Referee. A Technical foul is called on Red 4. Is this foul recorded against, the Player, Bench or Coach?
 2. The Red Coach requests a substitution of Red 11 to replace Red 15. Can this be allowed?
 3. A Technical foul is called on Blue 5. Red 7 is to take two shots and Red team has the ball from the centreline. After the shots, two members of both teams request a substitution. When will these substitutions be allowed?
 4. Red team has been in control of the ball for 15 seconds when a Double foul is committed by Red 4 and Blue 5. After signalling the fouls to the Scorer, the Referee awards the ball to the Red team for a throw-in. Should the Red team be awarded a new 24-second period?
- Answers will be published in the next edition of the newsletter.*



VBSA Convenor's Corner

After approaches from several members regarding the Association Convenor's role and duties, I have reproduced the chapter from the VBSA Operations Manual for the benefit of all members. This Manual has been distributed to all Association Convenors and should be passed to the new Convenor if the position changes hands.

I take this opportunity to advise all Convenors that if they have not received this manual, they should advise the Secretary at vbsa50@yahoo.com.au and a copy will be emailed out.

Regards

Ian Collings, State Convenor

Local Association Convenors Role

- Liaise with Club or Association regarding Scoretable Officials required and the maintenance of Scoretable equipment.
- Liaise with the Association Competition manager to ensure the game fixture is always up to date.
- Attend, or delegate to attend, the VBSA Convenors Meetings and General Meetings.
- To communicate, as soon as practicable, to all Association Scoretable Officials information on all decisions and motions passed at VBSA Convenors Meetings and General Meetings.
- Maintain a contact list of all qualified personnel and affiliated members.
- Keep a record of all evaluations received by their members.
- To fairly roster qualified and affiliated Scoretable Officials for games as per the Association game fixture, and ensure all Officials are in correct uniform.
- Distribute the roster to all Officials who will be assisting at games. This roster is necessary to ensure Scoretable Officials are covered by Insurance.

- Arrange and conduct a Level O course, for domestic scorers, when required.
- Contact the VBSA Educator and arrange a Level 1 or Level 2 course when required:
 1. Convenor to book at least one month in advance, prior to first date provided – 3 dates to be provided.
 2. Education Officer to organise a coach and decide on the date.
 3. Education Officer to notify Convenor of the date.
 4. Education Officer to arrange for Treasurer to mail out an invoice for \$110 (incl. GST) for the course.
 5. Course payment of \$110 is to be in the hands of the Treasurer at least one week prior to course date.
 6. This is fully refundable if one week's notice of cancellation of course is given.
 7. Secretary to arrange information to be placed onto the VBSA web site and email Convenors with same information.
- 8. Travel costs are to be paid on the day of the course. If there are travel costs incurred the Education Officer will notify the Convenor one week prior to the course of the travel cost.
- 9. The onus is on the Convenor to make sure they have enough people to attend.
 - Ensure all level 2 applicants are ready to undertake the course.
 - Liaise with the VBSA to recruit new members.
 - Collect monies for affiliation fees and forward to the VBSA secretary at the address on the invoice.
 - The VBSA recommend the Association Convenor has an annual meeting of their local membership to collect fees and listen to any concerns re the VBSA to be taken to the VBSA AGM.
 - Any change in the position of Convenor must be notified to the VBSA Committee in writing on the Association letterhead.

Answers to Winter Quiz

- Q1. The foul (T₂) is recorded on both the player and the team.
- Q2. A diagonal line in the new score, the players number recorded in the space and circled.
- Q3. This is recorded with a P₂.
- Q4. This is recorded as a C₂, but not recorded as a team foul.
- Q5. This is recorded on the Coach as a B₂ but is not recorded as a team foul.
- Q6. The made basket is recorded with a filled circle over the new score and the player's number beside it.
- Q7. This is recorded with an X in the space provided.
- Q8. A diagonal line in the new score with the player's number recorded beside it.
- Q9. This is recorded as a T₂.
- Q10. This is recorded as a U₂.

Coaches' Corner

The 2007 season has come to an end and the coaches are looking forward to a well-earned rest after a very busy season of visiting associations all over Victoria.

A total of 42 associations were visited and in excess of 200 evaluations were conducted. This was a mammoth task for a small band of dedicated Coaches.

Approximately 90% of Feedback Sheets were returned, with 100% of these, giving positive feedback on the coaches' comments/performance.

Level 1 schools were held at Frankston (Big V Tournament), Blackburn, Shepparton, Bendigo,

Traralgon and Cranbourne with approximately 90 new scoretable officials commencing.

Level 2 schools were held at Frankston (Big V Tournament) and Bendigo with 20 officials taking the next step.

A Level 3 school was held in June with 14 officials successfully completing a gruelling day at Nunawading stadium.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches for their tireless efforts throughout the season, congratulate the many Scoretable Officials for their performance for the games they were

evaluated on and their acceptance of the Coaches and their comments and congratulate all who attended the schools and gained successful passes.

For those of you who have a rest over the summer months, enjoy it! For those, like myself, who do not have a rest, the main thing is to keep enjoying what you are doing. For without the enjoyment, it becomes a tiresome task and slip-ups creep into our performances.

Have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year, I know I will, with our new grandson to spoil, and I hope to see you all again in 2008 at a Basketball Stadium, doing what we love, scoring a game of Basketball.

Val Lethaby, VBSA Educator

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Order Quantity												

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Order Quantity												

Sleeveless – Grey Polar Fleece Vest — \$22.00 + Postage & Handling of \$5.50												
Allow extra size to go over uniform	cm	110	115	120	125	130	135	140	145	150		
Order Quantity												

Name Badges – \$6.60												
Christian Name:												
Surname:												
Street Name:												
Suburb/Town/Postcode:												
Home Association:												
Registration No:												

This order form should be posted to: **The Secretary, VBSA, P.O. Box 247 Blackburn 3130**

All cheques should be made payable to: **VBRA Scoretable Account.**

All prices as at 16 August 2007. All prices, including postage, are GST inclusive.