



OFF THE SCOREBOARD

Season Up & Running

Well, the 2008 season has started! Games commenced this weekend just past and the long weekend heralds another competition that requires plenty of assistance from ardent scorers! Hopefully everyone has a nice set of new pens, plenty of enthusiasm and are ready for an enjoyable season.

The Scoretable AGM was held on Sunday, 24 February with the majority of the committee returning to carry on the good work. A report of the AGM and the Convenor's meeting is included in this edition of the Newsletter.

Congratulations are extended to Pam Smith and Ian Collings for their sharing of the Scorer of the Year 2007 award. Both members have a great history of involvement with basketball and the scoretable and the nominations for both Pam and Ian

were of such high standard that the committee could not rate either as a single outstanding candidate for the award, and decided that the award should be shared.

Level one and level two schools will be held at Frankston on Saturday and Sunday respectively this long weekend for all those aspiring to become scoretable officials and for those who want to further their scoretable involvement. I look forward to catching up with many officials at the VBL tournament being held over the long weekend at Frankston and meeting many new friends during the weekends activities.

All the best for the coming season and the committee hopes that everyone enjoys a happy and successful season of scoring the best game on the planet!

Avis' Blog Site

Avis Scullin has again organized a blog site for convenor's to use should they need officials at short notice or for members who are looking for games to work at. The Procedure for either is as follows:

- Convenors who are requesting officials for games need to email Avis at: vbsa_blog@yahoo.com.au with the date, time, venue, number of games, payment details and, more importantly, any contact details necessary to make arrangements.
- Avis will then post for the last time at 12.00 noon on the Friday before the game.
The URL of Avis's blog site is: <http://scoretable.avis.blogspot.com.au> (no www needed).
- If you find games that you are able to work at, you then need to contact the convenor of the Association and make the relevant arrangements.
- Please note that if you fail to attend any appointment with any Association you can and will be held accountable for your failure to attend. It is a reportable offence for any official not to turn up for an appointment.

Official Pay Rates 2008

The following are the Basketball Victoria Technical Official recommended pay rates which are applicable from 1 March 2008.

Scoretable Domestic Rates

Regular Season

Level 0	\$5.00
Level 1 & 2	\$6.00
Level 3 & 4	\$8.00

Finals

Level 0	\$8.00
Level 1 & 2	\$9.00
Level 3 & 4	\$11.00

VJBL – Regular Season

Level 1 & 2	\$11.00
Level 3 & 4	\$13.00

Finals

Level 0	\$12.00
Level 1 & 2	\$18.00
Level 3 & 4	\$22.00

MMBL – Winter Season

Level 0	\$10.00
Level 1 & 2	\$12.00
Level 3 & 4	\$14.00

MMBL – Finals

Level 0	\$12.00
Level 1 & 2	\$16.00
Level 3 & 4	\$18.00

MMBL – Summer Season

Level 0	\$10.00
Level 1 & 2	\$12.00
Level 3 & 4	\$14.00

SEABL & Big V

Level 1	\$18.00
Level 2	\$20.00
Level 3 & 4	\$22.00

These Scoretable rates are recommended and only apply to qualified scoretable officials and only when officially appointed by the controlling Association or League. They do not apply to volunteer scorers in domestic competition, even if they are qualified.

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Diary Dates

VBL Tournament

8 - 10 March 2008
Frankston Basketball Stadium

Level 1 & 2 Schools

Saturday, 8 March 2008 – Level 1
9.00am sign-in for 9.30am start
VBL Tournament at Frankston

Sunday, 9 March 2008 – Level 2
9.00am sign-in for 9.30am start
VBL Tournament at Frankston

Under 18 Australian Championships

5 - 12 July 2008 in Ballarat

If available or contemplating scoring contact Mark Valentine via email at mark.valentine@ballaratbasketball.com or phone during office hours or Vicky Lowe email lowevic@hotmail.com or phone

If you have any dates that you would like published in 'Diary Dates' please email to the Editor at vbsa50@yahoo.com.au.

VBSA Committee

Convenor: Ian Collings

Secretary: Trina Dearthcott

Treasurer: Gretta Jamieson

Registrar: Chris Creek

Events Secretary: Gail Dunlop

Newsletter: Doug McRae

Property: Karina Creek

Educators: Avis Scullin/Carol Flint

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Congratulations – Pam Smith

As well as being one of the two successful nominees for Scoretable Official of the Year, Pam has also been nominated for, and accepted into, Life Membership of the VBRA.

A brief bio of Pam's involvement and achievements in basketball will help people understand why she is held in such high esteem:

Her first International game was in Melbourne, 1986 at the Gold Cup World Championships for Wheelchair Basketball.

She has worked at NBL games every year since its inception. Pam has also worked at ABA games for over 25 years, and Big V since it started.

We cannot say that Pam belonged to any particular Association as she was prepared to "have pen will travel". This included one year to Adelaide and another to Canberra for Australian Junior Championships.

Pam was a referee in the early days at Knox and managed the Knox Raiders Women's ABA team. She has, and always will be the consummate professional and expects the same

standards from her fellow officials.

Pam has been a member of the Victorian Scoretable Education group for 10 years as both an Educator and a Coach. She became Treasurer of the Scoretable Association in 1997, a position she held for the 11 years.

Pam was a member of the Scoretable Officials who worked in Tasmania during the Women's World Championships in 1994. Some of her accolades include:

Melbourne 22 and under World Championships in 1997
Sydney Gold Cup in 1998
Sydney Test events in 2000
Olympic Games 2000
Paralympics 2000
Melbourne World's Masters
Melbourne Deaflympics
Melbourne Pacific School Games



Pam with Gabrielle Hore and Jo-Anne Davis at Frankston stadium

AGM Report

The following officials were elected:

Convenor: Ian Collings

Treasurer: Gretta Jamieson

Committee: Gail Dunlop, Karina Creek and Douglas McRae

- Scoretable Official(s) 2007: Ian Collings and Pam Smith
- Life Membership of VBRA awarded to Pam Smith
- Positions up for election next year are: Secretary, Registrar and 3 committee positions Discuss with the individuals in these positions if you would like further information.
- Next AGM – 22 February 2009 at a venue to be advised.

VALE Marlene Tate

Sadly, we were advised by members of Broadmeadows basketball that they had recently lost Marlene Tate on 15 December 2007 due to complications of diabetes.

Marlene will long be remembered by those who knew her as a long-standing, dedicated official who was always willing to lend a hand when required and was a very conscientious scoretable official.



VBSA Convenor's Meeting

- Polo vests will be sold for \$15.00 all inclusive. These will be written off the accounts.
- Avis' Blog Site is back up and running. If convenors require scoretable officials to assist with games, they should email their request as per the details on Page 1 of this newsletter.
- Anyone interested in becoming a Scoretable Coach should follow the procedures in the 'Expression of Interest' opposite.
- Level '0' Microsoft Powerpoint slide presentation is available. Contact VBSA Educators Avis Scullin or Carol Flint at vbsa50@yahoo.com.au
- When booking a Level 1 or 2 Scoretable Course, Convenors should provide information as to whether the venue has a Laptop PC and Data projector available.
- Set up a section on the Convenor's Web Site with FAQ's. These can then be looked at when the End of Season Convenors meeting is held.
- Avis Scullin is putting together a history of the VBSA.
- The June Convenor's meeting has been transferred to the end of the season. The next one will be on the 31 August 2008 at a venue to be advised.

Answers to previous quiz

These are the answers to the quiz which appeared in the Summer 2007 edition of the VBSA Newsletter.

Q1. Notify the Referee that the Substitution has taken place. However, there is no rule that says that the player must notify the scoretable of the player that is taken off. Article 19.

Q2. A. The correctable error cannot be corrected at this stage. Article 44.2.1

B. There is time to correct the error, until the ball becomes live after the first dead ball. Article 44.2.1

Q3. Nothing, you are not responsible for the eight second count in the back court.

Q4. As soon as possible, at the next dead ball.

These will be the last of the quizzes I pose as I am no longer the VBSA Educator. I hope you have found these quizzes have reinforced some of your knowledge as a Scoretable Official.

Val Lethaby

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

To attend a course for the position of
LEVEL ONE SCORETABLE EVALUATION COACH

Pre-requisites:

- Must be a current financial member of the VBSA
- Must be fully accredited at Level 2.
- Must be committed to the program
- Must have good communication and literacy skills
- Must be able to complete all paperwork and written evaluations within the timeframe required.

The position of a Scoretable Evaluation Coach requires that person to be committed, be able to communicate effectively and be able to travel when required.

Program:

- Attend a workshop in April
- Attend 3 games with an accredited evaluation coach
- Attend 2 games as the evaluation coach with a coach in attendance.
- All the above must be completed satisfactorily to gain accreditation.

If interested, please email the following details:

VBSA Membership Number
Name
Postal Address
Home and Mobile Telephone Numbers

To: vbsa50@yahoo.com.au

Or mail to P.O. Box 247, Blackburn Vic 3130 by 31 March 2008.

WANTED!
Your articles/photos
for the next
VBSA Newsletter
Email to: vbsa50@yahoo.com.au



Uniform/Name Badge Order Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Association: _____ Registration No: _____

Long Sleeved – Rugby Tops — \$60.50 + Postage & Handling of \$5.50												
Chest Width (2.5 cm below arm hole)	cm	95	100	105	110	115	120	125	130	136	141	146
Back Length (Collar to Hem)												
Order Quantity												

Short Sleeved – Polo Tops — \$46.20 + Postage & Handling of \$5.50												
Chest Width (2.5 cm below arm hole)	cm	100	104	108	112	116	120	126	132	138	144	
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.