

# Off The Scoreboard



## Victorian Basketball Scoretable Association

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Well another season has come along yet again. Turn the page ....

This editorial will be short, and thankfully it's regarding a topic about which we're all very passionate – the Victorian Basketball Scoretable Association.

After taking a year off "Newsletter" duties, I decided to nominate again for a position on the Committee at this year's Annual General Meeting ... and I was accepted.

Granted Committee work is voluntary, and can sometimes feel a little thankless, however the feeling of making a difference and being a part of the action, all makes it worthwhile in my humble.

Sadly however, I feel the need to have a little vent. It dawned on me at the recent AGM, that there appears to be a certain lack of interest from some of our membership. Many members seem a little quick to complain on some key issues, and yet are very reluctant to put their hand up when asked to volunteer alternatives and ideas, or indeed themselves for Committee positions. Not to mention nominating their colleagues for awards and recognitions.

Now I promise you all, I'm not wearing my "grumpy pants" today. I just can't help remembering that of all the AGM's I've attended, I've never witnessed the Committee having more than one candidate for any Committee position. Remembering the Committee is in place to represent our membership, and this definitely feels a little wrong in my opinion.

I'll concede that most of us have other interests, family and friends, and lives outside of basketball. Many of us are also happy to simply work our prospective Associations each weekend, go home, and then repeat for the duration of season. Honestly right now, that's me in a nutshell as well.

Those of us currently carrying out our various Committee roles, do so, because we love what we do and we know that we're helping our sport move in positive directions.

The best part is this: basketball as a sport, is going through some incredibly exciting and positive discussions and changes right now, and this extends to the very core of our parent and governing bodies, including the Referees Association (V.B.R.A.) and Basketball Victoria. Grass roots hoops has never been stronger, and the elite levels are growing at a rate that we haven't seen in a long time. As an integral part of the "Technical Officials" body that this sport relies on, we all have the capacity to assist this change.

So in saying all that, and knowing that I may make some of my colleagues a little grumpy, or I might be voted out at the next AGM, I implore all our VBSA members to consider nominating for a role on the Committee at a future AGM. Would you like to make a difference?

To polish things off .... the VJBL "Classic" will once again be happening over the long weekend of 12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> June, so be prepared for a "call to arms" from Leah and Karen in the coming weeks. This year's "Classic" will be jointly hosted by the SBC, Boronia (Knox), and Dandenong Basketball Stadiums.

As always I encourage any/all feedback and future article pieces would also be greatly appreciated please.

Callum McCluskey  
Newsletter Editor

## Out and About ...

Scoretable Team & the NWBL Red Dust Healers - Shepparton 17th April 2016

From left rear:  
Kerry Monro  
Lynne Perovic  
Bev Suter  
Debbie Coulson  
Callum McCluskey



## For Your Information - Avis Scullin

1. We recently had Level 1 and 2 Scoretable Courses. I found it disturbing that we had an Official at the Level 2 course who had not done a score sheet.

It is the responsibility of Association Convenors to ensure their Level 1 Official has had experience in all positions, except Chair.

I would remind Level 3 & 4 Officials that when they work with a Level 1 Official they should assist with advice and sign off the Level 1 card if this is a satisfactory performance. This is for Level 1 only. **After signing the card you need to notify me on [vbasa50@yahoo.com.au](mailto:vbasa50@yahoo.com.au) of the date and position passed.**

I would also take this opportunity to apologise to the Level 1 participants at the Dandenong Level 1 course for the mix up of the room used. VBSA arranged the accommodation with Dandenong. It was to be 2 rooms with table and chairs for 50 people. If you attended this course then you know this did not happen. We will look seriously at using this venue again during this Tournament week end.

2. **Would you like some scoresheet experience??**

If you are having problems getting experience in using the FIBA score sheet then I extend an invitation to you to come to the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC) any Tuesday night.

This is a domestic competition with qualified Officials on 10 courts. To arrange attendance please call Avis on: 0412 146 389.



## VBSA State Convenor's Big V Report

Again a very busy year for the Victorian Basketball Scoretable Association (VBSA). We started the Big V season with 10 Associations having less than 5 Scoretable Officials. We consider 5 to be the minimum number of Officials required to cover games. We have again run courses but not as many as needed as we rely on Associations contacting us for these.

The VBSA Committee, Coaches and Educators in an ideal world, would like to see every Association with at least 10 qualified scorers each season. This may be a dream but VBSA has the knowledge and the people to help make it happen for your Association. We do however require the co-operation of Clubs in encouraging club supporters to become Scoretable Officials.

Three of our Level 3 Officials, (without any input from the Committee) made the decision to mentor a club in each of their areas that was having a problem. These Officials went to games to assist on game day, were available with advice on the best way to set up a roster and anything else that came up. All of this as a volunteer. No payment was asked for nor given. We are an Association with limited finances. Our members pay a yearly affiliation fee which we then have to get the most out of. We try to ensure each Scoretable Official is evaluated every season at least once. We keep Officials up to date with a quarterly Newsletter.

If a Scoretable Coach stays overnight after visiting a venue, (e.g. Wodonga ) they pay their own motel accommodation. We are able to assist with a small amount of travel reimbursement. This is dedication not seen very often.

We will again run a Level 1 and Level 2 Scoretable course at the Big V Tournament in 2016.

We would like to thank the Nunawading Association for their allowing us to use their venue for meetings and courses.

Please feel free to contact VBSA at [vbasa50@yahoo.com.au](mailto:vbasa50@yahoo.com.au) for anything further.

Greg Liebelt

*Victorian Basketball Scoretable Association - State Convenor*



## 2016 Australian Championships - U18 & Kevin Coombs Cup

I would like to thank VBSA for giving me the opportunity to represent the Victoria Basketball Scoretable Association at the U18 Championship held in Forestville, Adelaide last month.

May I congratulate Renae Narcis from Basketball Australia along with her team, for all their hard work and professionalism with the running of these championships. Well done.

To the Referee Commissioners and their teams of Referees, a fantastic job by all of you.

To all the volunteers on both Scoretable and Stats, well done.

For those who may not be aware, Basketball Australia nominate the category of official each state are to provide in order to share the duties and have all states contributing to the Championships – as you can see from the following table :

OFFICIAL NOMINATIONS		
	U18 Championships	U16 Championships
	Forestville: 16-23 April 2016	Kilsyth: 2-9 July 2016
NT	Scoretable	Statistician
QLD	Statistician	Scoretable
SA	Home State	Statistician
WA	Statistician	Scoretable
ACT	Scoretable	Statistician
NSW	Statistician	Scoretable
Tasmania	Scoretable	Statistician
Victoria	Scoretable	Home State

It's hard to explain the experience you gain from these 8 days of basketball. It is rewarding and makes you grow as a person. You line up at the airport and look around for someone you recognize – ah, there are some Referees I am familiar with. Now you know who to stay with when you arrive at the destination and awaiting to be picked up. Being out of your comfort zone and not knowing people around you. Rooming with persons you have just met as you open the room door. It doesn't take long before you've organized what you're doing on the first night and have the instructions for the first pickup in the morning. Then it is a week of coordinating getting to and from the venue.

To work with persons you have not met before, working as a team to facilitate a week of basketball for some twenty-four plus teams all wanting that elusive gold medal to hang around their neck on the eighth day, is challenging yet rewarding.

I found a number of things done that differed from what we here in Victoria have been educated to follow whilst performing our Scoretable duties. After meeting and working with Trevor Baker from South Australia, it was felt that a National body should meet to discuss procedures of the Scorebench as this has not happened since 2004. Lyn Wieland who did a fantastic job in coordinating Scoretable throughout these championships also said,

*“We should champion Basketball Australia to reconvene the Score Table Committee of John Martin, Libby Woods and Trevor Baker to update the score table manual which was last done in 2005. Then we would have a definitive answer on what we should be doing as each state does things slightly different. Not a question on who is right or wrong, but to have us all working on the same page.”*

We saw some great games of basketball. I thoroughly enjoyed the wheel chair games. The players' skills, tactics and determination made fantastic viewing. At half time in the men's gold medal game, some able bodied athletes tried to play the game in a wheel chair – this was not the same.

I was privileged to be the Scorer at the women's gold medal game – Vic Metro v Qld South. Both Vic Metro girls and boys proved too strong for everyone as they both won the gold.

Thank you again, for this opportunity to represent VBSA at such an event.

Yours in basketball,

Wendy Middleton  
V.B.S.A. Secretary



## Important Note from the Treasurer

HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR 2016!?!?

All Membership fees for the 2016 season should now have been paid, yet some are not.

Have you received your membership card? Does your Association pay your fees? If not, ask your Convenor “why not?”, and ask where your membership card is. If this is becoming a sadly familiar pattern for you, then maybe paying your own fees independent of your Association might be your best option. Either way, please make sure you’re aware of your responsibilities.

The VBSA Annual Fee form is attached to this Newsletter, and can always be found in the Members Only area of our website:

[www.vicscoretable.org.au](http://www.vicscoretable.org.au)

All the appropriate banking and payment details can be found on this form.

At the end of the day, the VBSA is a not-for-profit organisation. If you are not financial by now, you may not be allowed to officiate games, it’s that simple..

Please everyone, we’re all on the same team here. Help us help You.

Cheers and regards,

Gretta Jamieson  
*Treasurer*



## 2016 Events Calendar

National Wheelchair Basketball League (NWBL) - Round 6 and 8  
21st - 22nd May, 11th - 12th June 2016  
Kilsyth, Victoria 3137

VJBL McDonalds National Junior Classic  
12th - 13th June, 2016  
State Basketball Centre, Boronia Stadium and Dandenong Basketball Centre

2016 U16 National Championships  
2nd - 9th June, 2016  
Kilsyth, Victoria 3137

Victorian Special Olympics  
9th - 10th July, 2016  
Pakenham, Victoria 3810

WNWBL (Wheelies) Round 4  
29th - 31st July, 2016  
Kilsyth, Victoria 3137

2016 Olympic Games  
5th - 21st August, 2016  
Rio, Brazil

2016 Paralympic Games  
8th - 17th September 2016  
Rio, Brazil

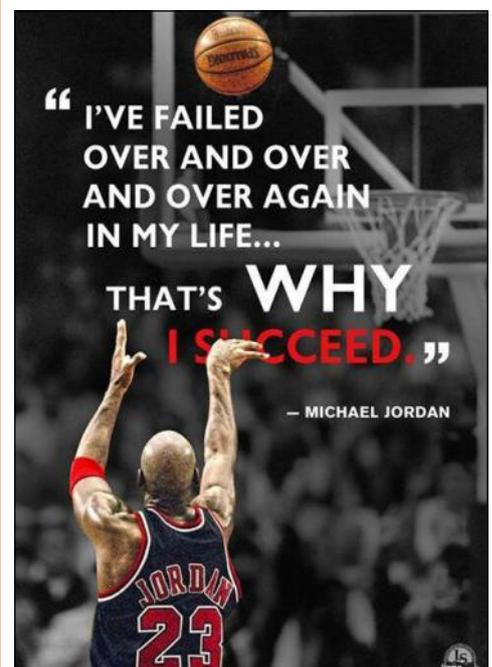
SEABL Grand Finals  
Beginning 10th September 2016  
To Be Confirmed

U14 Boys & Girls Club Championships  
26th September - 1st October, 2016  
Newcastle and Maitland, NSW

## Test Your Rules of Knowledge

(Look up the answer and Article Number to each of the following questions.)

- Q. Two players arrive 5 minutes after the game has started. Their names are not on the scoresheet. Can they be added. ?
- Q. On a throw-in Blue 7 hands the ball to Blue 8 who is on the playing court. Is this legal?
- Q. On a throw-in Blue 5 passes the ball towards the basket and it lodges between the ring and the backboard. What comes next?



# Test Your Knowledge

*Answers From the December Newsletter*

- Q. Blue 7 shoots for a field goal, he is fouled by Red 4. The basket counts, the referee calls the foul and a bonus shot. Blue 7 elbows Red 4 who retaliates. The referee calls unsportsmanlike fouls on both Blue 7 and Red 4. Blue 7 makes a remark to the referee who then calls a technical foul on Blue 7. What would be the procedure from here?
- A. **Blue 7 has his free throw. The penalty for the unsportsmanlike fouls are cancelled ' A Red player takes the free throw for the Tech and the ball is then inbounded by Red. The Arrow is not changed.**
- Q. After the start of the game the officials discover that both teams are playing in the wrong direction. What should happen now?
- A. **Read Interpretations Page 6 Art 9-6 for the answer.**
- Q. Is there a time limit for replacing a player who has committed their fifth personal foul?
- A. **Yes, 30 seconds Art 19.3.6**



## 2016 Pay Rates



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### Appendix 3

#### Scoretable Rates as at 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016

LEVEL	0	1 & 2	3 & 4
Domestic (finals only)	\$9.50	\$10.70	\$13.10
MMBL	\$11.90	\$14.20	\$16.70
MMBL Finals	\$14.20	\$19.00	\$21.50
VJBL VC Finals	\$14.90	\$19.50	\$22.60
All other Finals	\$12.80	\$15.40	\$17.40
SEABL, VBL & Big V			
LEVEL	1	2	3 & 4
	\$19.00	\$21.00	\$23.00

Scoretable Officials Affiliation fee \$25.00



## VBSA Committee

Convenor:	<b>Greg Liebelt</b>
Secretary:	<b>Wendy Middleton</b>
Treasurer:	<b>Gretta Jamieson</b>
Registrar:	<b>Douglas McRae</b>
Events Secretary:	<b>Leah Collings</b>
Events Assistant:	<b>Karen Carmody</b>
Newsletter:	<b>Callum McCluskey</b>
Property:	<b>Raelene Dorning</b>
Head Educator:	<b>Avis Scullin</b>

**Note:** Contact numbers for committee members are all available in the *Members Only* area of the **VBSA website** at:  
[www.vicscoretable.org.au](http://www.vicscoretable.org.au)



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## Uniform / Name Badge Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Association: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The garment measurements are for Half Chest. This measurement is done by laying the garment on a flat surface and measuring horizontally directly under the arm. To achieve the best fit, it is recommended that you measure an existing top and/or jacket (as required) to determine the best size for you. **The Committee will not accept responsibility for members ordering the incorrect size.**

Polo - Black, Short Sleeve, Orange Panel and Piping - \$35.00									
Size	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
cm	51	55	57	59	61	63	65	67	69
Order Quantity									
<b>Total Number of Polo(s):</b>									

Jacket - Black Micro-Fibre, Long Sleeved, Orange Panel and Piping - \$110.00									
Size	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
cm	53	56	61	66	71	76	80	84	88
Order Quantity									
<b>Total Number of Jacket(s):</b>									

<b>Postage and Handling</b>	<b>Polo and Jacket: \$13.40</b>	<b>Jacket: \$13.40</b>	<b>Polo: \$8.25</b>
<b>Total Postage:</b>			

Name Badge (Please Choose and Tick Appropriate Box)			
Standard Name Badge - \$8.50		Deluxe Name Badge - \$15.00	
Christian Name:			
Surname:			

All cheques to be made payable to: "VBRA Scoretable Account".

Direct Credit payments for uniform and name badge orders are welcome. **Please note that all orders cannot be processed or despatched until we have received both your order form in the mail, and your cheque/money has been cleared.**

Direct Credit Banking details: "Bank/Institution: Bendigo Bank, BSB: 633-000, Account Name: VBRA – Scoretable, Account Number: 128 108 016, Reference: (Member Number & Name)"

**\*\* All prices correct as at 22nd August, 2013. All prices, including postage, are GST inclusive. \*\***

**Important note: Please allow 28 days for delivery on All orders!**