

# Off The Scoreboard



Scoretable

## From the editor

Well .... What a difference a year makes!

By the time you read this newsletter, you will have well and truly been back in the throes of scoring for your association, and in a lot of cases doing an amazing job going out to assist other associations who have not come out of 2020 so well in respect to returning members.

We have not quite hit the depths of winter so the cold Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons spent in freezing basketball stadiums are still upon us ... aaahhh the memories!

The last year of newsletters have been somewhat 'fluffy' in content, but a lot of fun to put together. Hopefully you will find this newsletter a bit more informative in respect to basketball and more particularly about scoring!

Enjoy the read, and as always, please never be shy about sending a contribution in to

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**Julianne Van V**

Life is meant to be enjoyed, and to live life to the fullest you must always look on the bright side. The cup isn't half empty, it's half full!



The year started with the **Annual Reporting Meeting (ARM)** on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February, and like we had got used to, it was part in person and part on-line via zoom. Following the theme of this newsletter and seeing the positive, this allowed members from across the state to be involved in the ARM, regardless of where they were geographically located. We possibly had the largest attendance ever.

There were the usual formalities of welcome, apologies, attendance, acceptance of previous minutes, business arising and reports given by our state convenor, treasurer and head educator. The election of office bearers went ahead.

Unfortunately, as there was no season of basketball in 2020, there was no award for Scoretable Official of the Year. Likewise with the seasons of 2020 and 2021 being combined and being seen as one season there were no Years of Service Awards presented.

The VBSA Rules of Operation were presented with amendments and general business was conducted.

The meeting closed and we could all go about our day – me – I was at Phillip Island, so could go out to a lovely brunch!!

## Your 2021 VBSA committee

The committee can be contacted by email: [vbsa50@yahoo.com.au](mailto:vbsa50@yahoo.com.au)

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## Update from our registrar

Our membership has remained nominally high with 571 financial members. Notwithstanding that number, quite a number of association convenors have reported that quite a few members have advised them that they do not wish to be on a regular roster but are quite happy to fill in for emergencies as and when required.

Their request makes rostering quite difficult as it is much easier having a large number of scorers rostered so that the impost of scoring virtually every weekend isn't being born by one or two scoring out of necessity. Takes the enjoyment of scoring away and turns it into a much more onerous task. Always nice to be able to have a week or three off so you can still enjoy a social life!

Last year I ran a check on the database regarding members who's WWC had expired. As no one had been doing anything much

with junior sport for 2020, quite a number of scorers had not taken a look at their WWC card and didn't realise it was out of date. I ran a check via the Department of Justice website and picked up a number of members who had renewed their card but do not have the VBSA listed as an employer, so the renewal notice sent out to each listed organisation was not sent to the VBSA PO Box.

I emailed all the members who remained on the list and just about all of them have renewed their cards and sent me a scan or a photo of their new card via [vbsa50@yahoo.com.au](mailto:vbsa50@yahoo.com.au). At this moment in time, there remains six members who are ineligible to score and they are at one of the following associations: Bellarine, Casey, Kilsyth, McKinnon and Mildura.

Due to there being no elite basketball played in 2020, the year will NOT count toward the annually

presented Years of Service Awards normally presented at the ARM in February of each year. I have made adjustments to the database to ensure that financial membership for the year 2020 is removed from the count of Years of Service. So, if you were expecting to reach a milestone this year, you will probably be one year short of the requirement.

Thank you to all members who have advised of changes to their circumstances such as postal address, email address and WWC renewals. I did pick up one member who I guess got married as their surname on the VIT list has changed - it does show the level of information that is saved on all the databases that we have to provide information to on a regular basis.

Yours in basketball,  
Doug McRae  
VBSA Registrar



# Scorer's kit



Ever wondered what you should **ACTUALLY** bring with you when you are rostered to come and score?

Below is a guideline but may help you to literally 'kit up' before coming to a game. Far better to be prepared, be independent, and even more so when helping out at a non-home association.

*It is a requirement that you carry your Working With Children Card (or equivalent) if over 18, and your VBSA membership card to all games.*

And ...

VBSA name badge (worn above the logo on your uniform or jacket)

## If you are a trainee or level 1 scorer

- Permanent red and blue/black pens (biro and thin) AND SPARE red and blue/black pens – particularly if on the score sheet
- Short ruler (optional)
- Tiny calculator (optional)
- Pencil case
- Reading glasses if needed!!!
- Alcohol wipes and hand sanitiser if required personally



## Level 2 scorer

In addition to level 1 scorer above ...

- Current rule book with interpretations, current Points of Emphasis
- Timer for scoring timeouts – one that can record seconds, perhaps has a beeper and can be reset easily (has memory capability)
- Spare batteries
- Foul bats – numbers 1 to 4 black on a white background, number 5 - red on a white background
- Holder for the foul bats – old fashioned toast racks are great – can pick them up from op shops!
- Back pack or bag to carry everything in!



## Level 3 scorer

In addition to level 1 and 2 scorer above ...

- Clip board
- Spare, blank FIBA score sheets and Summary Sheet.



## Special events update

Wendy Parsons reported that NBL1 had 30 Scorers and was a successful season scoretable wise with NBL1 being very happy with the scorers supplied for their season.

We currently have the University Basketball program and is progressing well from a VBSA perspective and are well represented by VBSA Members.

Queen's Birthday Classic still to be organised and waiting for some details before sending out a request for those interested in score table duties for this event.



From the 10<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April the Under 18 National Junior Championships were held at Wyndham, Eagle Stadium.

It was bumpy at times (it always is!!) but everyone pulled together to help out where needed all week, and the job got done. Overall the tournament was a big success and a great effort by all the officials involved helped to play a big part in that.

A big thank you to Dean, Allison, Wyndham Basketball, Eagle Stadium and staff for their hospitality and hard work for the long week.

### Some snapshots from the week ...



# From our Head Educator



The Big V season is well underway the coaches have started conducting evaluations and thus far they seem to be going fairly well. The evaluations indicate that most people have picked up where they left off in 2019, but some have shown a little rustiness. Newly trained members, both from the 2020 schools and the 2021 schools are getting much experience and are starting to develop good skills and practices.

So far this year we have conducted 3 Level 1 Schools and planning is well under way for Level 2 schools and a Level 3 School.

The Level 2 School(s) will be conducted over the Queen's Birthday long weekend. Level 1 Members who have been fully evaluated are invited to register their preferred date and location by clicking on the link below.

<https://form.jotform.com/VBSACOACH/Level2-EOI>

**Level 3 School:** Invitations to attend a workshop in July will be sent to all fully evaluated Level 2 Members in June. The workshop will go through the expectations and techniques required to pass the Level 3 Exam.

We expect to hold the Level 3 school after the end of the Big-V season (Late August/Early September)

**You don't need to see the whole staircase,  
just take the first step**

*Martin Luther King Jr*



## Quiz answers

1. A foul on Red 6 by Blue 9, is Blue Teams 5<sup>th</sup> foul. During the stoppage after the foul, Red 6 is substituted by Red12. Erroneously the ball is awarded for a side ball throw in. At the next stop in play the error is identified, and the two free throws are awarded to Red. Who takes the Free Throws?

**Answer: Red 6 Must Re-enter the game to take the free throws. (Article 44.2.5)**

2. Red 10 commits an Unsportsmanlike foul on Blue 15. Simultaneously Blue 15 commits a Disqualifying Foul on Red 10. Is this a Double Foul? What are the Penalties?

**Answer: Yes they are. (Article 35.1). No free throws are awarded (Article 35.2)**

3. Red 6 has ended his dribble. Before passing, Red 6 places the ball between his legs and fakes a pass. Is this legal?

**Answer: No, it is not. (Article 13, Interpretations 13.1)**

## Quiz questions



1. During the pre-game warm-up, team A player commits a technical foul. The technical foul shall count as one of team A fouls in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter?

**True or False?**



2. With 12 seconds on the shot clock, A1 passes to A2 in their front court. The ball is deliberately kicked by a team B player. The shot clock shall be reset to 14 seconds for team A?

**True or False?**



3. Team A is awarded a throw-in, instead of 2 free throws. Team A passes the ball to another player on his own team who scores a field goal. Before the ball becomes live again, the error is recognised. Can the error be corrected at this time?

## Helpful links

[Link to home page of VBSA website](#)

[FIBA Documents](#)

[VBSA Facebook Page](#)

[Link to order VBSA uniform / name badge](#)

[In-House Level 1 Evaluations](#)

## Calendar dates

14 June – Queen’s birthday

25 June – end of term 2

17 July – Youth League finals commence

31 July – Big V finals commence

21 August – NBL1 finals commence

## Do you remember how to access the Members Only area of the VBSA website?

To log in, the **user name** is your firstname.surname

The **password** is 6 digits long and is your VBSA membership number, preceded with two 00’s (eg: 001234) or three 000’s. (eg: 000789)

Any problems logging in, please send an email to [VBSA50@yahoo.com.au](mailto:VBSA50@yahoo.com.au)

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