



CHECKERS BASKETBALL CLUB

Coaching Announcement 2014

Women's Basketball gets a boost with a Key Coaching Appointment in 2014

The Club is proud to announce the appointment of **Gavin Kilgour** as it's Women's Head Coach, spear-heading the reinstatement of a Checkers Women's Premier team in 2014. It's been several years since Checkers entered a team into the Women's Premier competition, preferring to wait until it could appoint a coach with the *vital calibre and commitment* required to successfully develop the players with the goal to meet their full potential.

Getting to know Gavin...



"I started playing Basketball at the age of 9 and have since been involved in all forms from administration, refereeing, playing and also coaching in my 25 year career. Checkers Basketball is my home Club, and proudly so. I started playing for them at 15, coached a stand-alone team for 5 years before taking on board a Player/Coach role after that. Before I left to move to Australia, I was in a mentored program where I coached the Under 20 side and assisted with Women's Premiers for 3 years. The Under 20 team qualified to the Semi-Finals all 3 years and the Premiers won a final and were runners-up in my last year.

I then moved to Australia where I coached representative teams and higher-level local basketball. I was an Assistant Coach with the Gold Coast Women's QBL side before becoming the Head Coach of the Gold Coast QBL Development League team where the side went from bottom of the league to semi-finalists in the 2 years I coached them.

I hold a Basketball Australia Level 2 and a Basketball New Zealand Level 1 Coach's Accreditation.

My goal for the future of the Club is to of course to win but for now it is to have a competitive team on the floor. We are going to be committed to returning Checkers to the top group of the CBA Women's Premier competition. To do this, we will be placing the development of our players and coaches both within the Club and Schools in our catchment at the top of our list. This will allow us, over time, to focus more work on the skill, knowledge and fundamentals required to be a top team and not spend as much time on basic skill to just play.

I am looking forward to the challenge and satisfaction of developing quality basketballers for such a prestigious Club as Checkers which fully supports the development of it's members."

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Wish to register your interest in participating in Women's Premier basketball in 2014?

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Other potential grades for 2014 available at Checkers Basketball are:-

- Men's Premiers (Saturdays)
- Men's Under 23s (Saturdays)
- Men's First Division (Sundays)
- Men's Midweek (Wednesdays)
- Women's First Division (Sundays)
- Women's U20s (TBC)
- Women's Midweek (Wednesdays)
- Women's Social Masters League (Wednesdays)