



WELCOME TO THE 2014/15 WARRANDYTE VENOM REPRESENTATIVE TRYOUTS



WHAT IS WARRANDYTE VENOM?

Warrandyte Venom is a representative program for basketball players with age groups in boys and girls, including U12s, U14s, U16s, U18s and U20s. Additionally, the club has Youth and Senior teams in the Victoria-wide Big V competition. Players aged from 8 (born 2005) upwards are welcome to attend Venom tryouts in October in anticipation of being selected to play for Venom in the 2014/15 season.

Warrandyte Venom plays in the Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL) on Friday nights and is a year-long competition, breaking for school holidays. The VJBL does not have a Winter and Summer season like most domestic competitions.

Warrandyte Venom commenced in 2006 and has since grown into one of Victoria's largest representative basketball programs, which included 32 junior teams and 4 senior teams in the 2013/14 season. Due to a number of factors, including a great family-friendly club culture, experienced coaches, a clear player pathway from juniors through to seniors and, importantly, very affordable registration fees, the Venom program has more than tripled over the last seven years.

During the current season, the club has enjoyed fantastic success once again – five teams at Victorian Championship level, more than 25 junior players experiencing senior basketball in the Big V.

One of the key ingredients behind the Venom's growth and success is the number of experienced coaches, including a number of senior team coaches and players. We have very clear selection policies and treat every player equally. Our program is led by the WBA Coaching / Playing Director.

Warrandyte Venom encourages players from all domestic clubs to come and tryout, along with current Venom players and any player at another representative program looking for a change. It's important to note that Warrandyte Venom encourages players to continue participating with their domestic club, we do not force players to change domestic clubs, rather we focus on supporting ALL domestic clubs.

The club also has a successful USA Tour program in place with many players going on basketball tours each December to different parts of the United States. We also have teams competing in a range of tournaments, including Adelaide Easter Tournament, along with the highly regarded Australia Day and Queen's Birthday Tournaments.

Most of all – the Warrandyte Venom program is a friendly, communicative and accepting place to play representative basketball. We encourage feedback and input. We enjoy members and supporters coming together at a number of social events each year. We also understand the need to deal with issues if they arise and to provide solutions and assistance when and where needed. To help our players develop and progress we also offer specialist programs each term like the Warrandyte Basketball Academy and Specialist Sessions with Senior Coaches.

We look forward to another successful week of tryouts this October and look forward to continued growth and success across all age groups at the club. Welcome to the 2014/15 Warrandyte Venom year, it's great to have you with us!