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Welcome to Warriors season 2015-2016

GO WARRIORS!

Two junior tournaments completed, the CBL season well underway, and our own tournament just around the corner - it's all happening at Wang Warriors.

Congratulations to all teams and their coaches for a fine start to the season. With a number of teams reaching the grand final at Echuca and Swan Hill, as well as many teams achieving some wins, the season ahead is looking very promising.

The CBL teams are also to be congratulated for their efforts so far. The women clocked up 3 impressive wins in their first 3 games before succumbing to Wodonga last weekend and the men are also 2 from 4. The first home game in Ocotber saw a great crowd which was appreciated by our players. Plenty of home games coming up - Please see the CBL draw in this newsletter, including the duty roster for junior teams.

Our Tournament is not far away! Conducting this tournament is a massive task, so big thanks in advance to all parents and CBL players who are required to give up a bit more time and effort to make the tournament work - see details overleaf. It's our chance to shine on and off the court!

Have a look at the lists of young stars making thair mark on the basketball scene in this newsletter - very impressive! Go Warriors!

Have you visited our website? Have you Liked our Facebook page? Have you signed up to Team App? There's literally hundreds of Warriors photos waiting for you to view! Plus all the latest news

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our tournament is nearly here! 20, 21 & 22 Nov

Our very own tournament is fast approaching. Some fast facts:

- **Our tournament is fun!** It is the best example of teamwork that you will see all year!
- Our kids get to play in front of a crowd the atmosphere is fantastic. Bring the grandparents!
- Our tournament is fun! did I already say that? It's also an enormous task. The tournament is run by Wangaratta Basketball Inc: including Board members, Warriors committee and parents. There are many many details to prepare including the fixture, registrations, recording, referees, catering, etc etc. This year we have a record number of teams - more fun/work!
- The Wang tournament is a MAJOR fundraising venture for Wang Basketball and profits go towards the Warriors program, development opportunities for all our players, uniforms, clinics etc etc.

As outlined at the start of the Warriors season, it is an expectation that parents will assist by way of:

contributing to the Tournament raffle (see right) usual match scoring roster

- Door duty/court supervisor duty or raffle duty or BBQ duty (each team will be allocated timeslots to cover). Expect to complete between 2 and 4 hours duty per player in your family.

- assistance with other aspects such as set up and clean up if you can.

* Every effort is made to co-ordinate duties so that it fits in with the draw, however the time and location of your duty may not be "ideal" - please understand the difficulty in pleasing everyone and also the importance of attending on time etc. We really appreciate your assistance and know you will enjoy being a part of a great event. Door duty really only requires your 'presence' and isn't hard. There will also be the usual scoring roster.



Warriors **MONSTER RAFFLE**!

Get ready - the Warriors MONSTER RAFFLE is here! One of the major fundraising activities for Warriors is the raffle at our Wangaratta tournament. The money raised from the raffle helps to subsidize the costs of tournament fees, and supports all our programs for the benefit of our players.

The raffle consists of approximately 6 prizes which are broken down into different categories for example:

Food hamper Beauty pack BBQ pack Wine/Chocolate hamper Sports pack

We ask if families could help by donating an item towards the raffle. This can be something small from home (non perishable) or perhaps you know a local business that could donate some goods.

All items can be brought to training days and given to your Team Manager.

Some other fun facts:

* There will be some games on Friday evening (around 6 or 7pm). Warriors coaches have already nominated availablility. Further details to come.

* We will be using courts at Benalla, Wang High School, Galen and Ryan Ave. Wang teams will be playing in Benalla - we will confirm who are the lucky ones soon.

* Stadium scoring will be used at all courts. If you see anyone looking anxious about it please offer your assistance.



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congratulations

Jamboree

These young stars were selected to attend the Jamboree in Echuca following the Under 12 Skills Days. Hope you enjoyed the amazing Jamboree experience! Well done also to Jack Roach who was awarded a scholarship to attend as a referee and Bec Dickson who attended as coach.



Congratulations Brodie Paul Tyler Barker Sam Maher Ella Masters Billie Stemmer

National Intensive Training Program

This is the Basketball Victoria High Performance Program. Each Wednesday a group of NITP athletes from around the region, receive specialised training in Benalla. Athletes aged 14 to 18 are included in this development program, identified though selection camps, state team selection etc.

Congratulations to our local NITP athletes: Liam Wright Jack Woodall Jalen Barker Lachie White Chloe Storer





Gold Nugget Camp & Southern Cross Challenge (SCC)

The Academy Program culminates in a selection camp, from which a small number of players were selected to attend the Gold Nugget 2 day camp in Shepparton, joining players from throughout Country Victoria. This year all three of our players who attended the Gold Nugget Camp gained selection to represent Victoria Country at the Southern Cross Challenge in January. Selection into these teams is a great achievement as players are selected from thoughout the state to play at the highest level possible in this age-group. Well done to ...

Morgan Byrne (U14) Charlie Young (U14) Zali Young (U15)

Australian Country Junior Basketball Cup (ACJBC)

Recently a number of our Under 16 and Under 18 players attended trials for selection into the Victoria Country teams to attend the Australian Junior Country Cup in Albury in January.

It was fantastic to see so many of our players attending the trials.

Selection in these teams is a massive ahievement. In the Under 18 age-group, selection for Country Cup is also the first stage of selection into the Vic Country state teams.

Chloe Storer was selected in the Under 16 age-group, and **Lachie White** was selected as emergency in Under 16 boys, while **Liam Wright** was selected in the Under 18 age-group.

SCC & ACJBC Coaching appointments

A number of our coaches are continuing their professional development by taking up coaching opportunities in Pathway programs/at State level. Congratulations to **Emma Henry** who is Assistant Coach for the Vic Country Under 18 girls team (2016). Emma will also coach at the ACJBC, along with **Scott Butler** (AC-JBC Under 14 girls) and **Bec Dickson** (SCC Under 15 Girls) and **Jacqui Henry** who is Mentor coach at SCC. It's fantastic for our program that coaches continue to take up these opportunities - well done!



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Come along and support your team



CBL HOME GAME DUTY ROSTER

Junior Teams have been allocated one home game in which they have to cover the door duty and provide floor wipers. More information will be provided by your Team manager - please make yourself available to assist.

Sunday 18 October Under 16 Boys Div 1 and 2

Saturday 28 November Under 18 Boys

Sunday 29 November *CBL Games held in conjunction with local Grand Final Day Under 14 Girls Div 1 & Div 2

Sunday 6 December *no duty team - Shepparton Tournament. CBL men to cover duties

Saturday 12 December Under 16 Girls

Sunday 13 December Under 12 Boys

Saturday 19 December Under 14 Boys Div 1 & Div 2

Sunday 20 December Under 12 Girls

Saturday 16 January Under 18 Girls

New Warriors uniforms

Arriving any minute now!!! Thanks for your patience. A reminder of what's coming and how it will be "rolled out" (depending on when each item arrives)

1) Playing uniforms will be sorted first and issued to Team Managers

2) Players will be sized up and allocated their Polo Tops (Warm Up tops) and Training Singlets. The Polos will be issued via Team Managers.

Training Tops will be sent off for screen-printing (sponsors) and then issued via team managers 3) Orders will be placed online for the following:

* Hoodies \$45 * Backpacks \$45 * Parent polos \$35

There will be sample sizes available at the courtmasters desk or via Warriors training. Some old uniforms will also be available for order (at a reduced cost)

Stay tuned for more details!

can you help? As you can see there is a lot going on at the moment (tournament, grand finals, CBL) - stretching our colunteers to the limit. If you can pitch in in way we would love to have your help. Please contact us via the warriors email - warriors@ wangarattabasketball.org.au