

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DECK

Dear Sponsors and Supporters,

A big weekend of games with playoff hopes still alive for the SBL Clippers Ladies and our QBL Phoenix Clippers Men. Congratulations on a great effort this season from all our coaches to have very competitive teams. The

Noosa Cyclone have also shown great development with the ladies program really coming to the fore at the back end of the season and plans already coming along for the Caloundra Heat to make its way back to SBL next season.



A huge congratulations to Ishoa-Jade Cook on being inducted into the Clippers Centurion ranks and her appointment as Administration Officer for the Clippers Basketball Club. She replaces our very hard working De Irving who has stepped down to help our club with upcoming special projects. De has done a fantastic job in establishing new administration processes and we thank her for the huge hours she has volunteered over and above the her normal duties. We would also like to welcome Deb Stingel to the part time position of Competition Manager and have already seen improvements from her appointment to this valuable role.

With only a week and a bit to the end of the regular season and the closing of the Clipperdome for the redevelopment it is time for all our supporters to come out and enjoy the old shoebox one more time. Don't miss a minute of our August 6th programme with 4 fantastic games tipping off at 1.30pm.

This Sunday we have a working bee to pack up the majority of our Clippers memorabilia and excess operating stock so please come along for a couple of hours from 10.00am. The following Sunday after the QBL game that could decide the finals make up is our last chance to pack up as the demolition crews come in at midday. This means saying goodbye to the old grand stand and decades of its contribution to the best atmosphere in the QBL competition. A new grand stand is still in the funding stage so please dig deep and donate at our Online Oz Funding site via our website.

Whilst on the Clippers Website check out the faces of our wonderful sponsors who make it possible to have a Senior rep program, and please support them if the opportunity arises.

Let's bring it home Phoenix Clippers.

SHANE TRUSCOTT

COACHES CORNER WITH BRAD SIBRAA QBL MENS HEAD COACH 2016

Well the Clippers SBL Men travelled down the Highway to play the Brisbane Spartans and the issues that we have been having all season again come back to bit us. The Clippers SBL Men had a real hard time playing at 10am Sunday Morning, if we want to be a power house in the SBL we have to be ready to play at any time. The Clippers SBL men get another chance when we travel to Ipswich on Saturday and the guys have had a great week on the Training track and we are read to go.



Our BRAND NEW 3 court stadium is just a few months away BUT we still have a lot of work to d es, your working boots, gloves and Please bring along packing box any wheel barrows or trolleys that you may have avai We have a lot of packing up to do!!!!! We need to store our rich history and operating gear or it may by lost forever.....

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COACHES CORNER WITH GREG KENT QBL WOMENS HEAD COACH 2016

We had a mix weekend of games. Friday was a night things just didn't go right for us. We battled hard as we do each week. But came up short. Saturday night was a different story. We took the capitals to over time in a game of guts and determination to get the win but we didn't get the win. It was a game to be proud of as we had players playing with sickness and injuries and we still had a chance to win in the last few seconds of the game. So onto Ipswich this Saturday. We will be playing with pride as we do each game. We still have injuries and some of

our ladies are still battling illness. But we will not use this as an excuse. I know our ladies will play their hearts out trying to finish the season with a couple of wins.

I would like to thank all our supports and sponsors that show up each home game and cheer loud for our club and your players. We really do appreciate it.



Ishoa-Jade Cook makes it into the Centurion Club

A big congratulations goes to Ishoa-Jade Cook on playing her 100th QBL game with the Clippers on Friday night, and becoming the 14th member of the elite Clippers Ladies Centurion Club.

Ishoa started her basketball journey at 12 years of age with the Clippers. In 1998 and 1999 she was selected into the Queensland U16's team to play at the National Championships and then again in 2002 and 2003 in the U20's team. From 1999 to 2001, Ishoa was selected into the prestigious Development Squad at QAS (Queensland Academy of Sports). In 2001 Ishoa represented Australia playing in the Oceanic Games.

Ishoa started her QBL journey with the Clippers in 1999. During her career with the Clippers, Ishoa has received the Club's Purple Heart Award on three occasions. This

award is a Coaches Award presented to the player who demonstrates the qualities that we all admire, leadership, hard work and a never say die spirit.

Ishoa has been captain of the Clippers QBL womens team since 2012 A quintessential member of our Club, congratulations Ishoa on your Centurion achievement.





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COACHES CORNER WITH WARWICK MEEHL QBL MENS HEAD COACH 2016

The team struggled with size in our 1st game of the weekend v Southwest. We have displayed a weakness all year on the boards and despite addressing it often we did not step up when it counted. We also struggled to score and managed our lowest total for the year. There is no excuse for this we simply came out flat and at no point did we manage to pick up the intensity. The following day v Brisbane we came out and played well shooting a high percentage and competing well from the outset. We led by 10 at 1 point and were down by 10 later in the game. We rallied well and were in the game until a couple of plays went against us late and the game slipped away. I think fatigue from the night before was a factor but not an excuse. In the end we made significantly more turnovers than Brisbane and this was the key reason we lost the game. This week has been difficult with a number of niggling injuries and illnesses meaning we have not had a full team training yet. We will have to simply step up on game day and compete.

