

### A note from the President

Welcome back from the holiday break, and we hope you enjoy the rest of the season.

We have made a number of changes this season, with the introduction of the new reversible singlets. Thanks to Liz Zahra and some great donations from supporters, we have been able to replace all singlets at no cost to you or the Club. I am sure our team managers are the most happiest, but maybe anyone who has had to wear a clash top which resembled a dress, or a very undersized singlet. Yeah!

We will be donating our old singlets to a selected charity, so if you no longer want your old singlet, we would be happy to have them.

### The Club

Willy Magic has 17 teams playing at Altona and 3 teams playing at Westgate. We are always interested in new players and hope to provide a positive and supportive Club for every skill level of basketballer.

### Coaches Corner

We are starting with one of the most important philosophies of kids teams sports..

..."Coaches are going to teach young players a lot more than how to shoot a basketball or how to use a pick-and-roll, there are a lot of life lessons players will learn on their journey through participation in youth sports. These life lessons are by far the most important part of participation in youth sports. Not winning a few basketball games

or making a highly competitive team."

As coaches, it's our duty to do our best to instill as many of these life lessons in our players as we can.

### Parents Corner



Lets focus on #10..

### 4 Reasons Why Parents 'Sideline Coaching' Must Stop

#### 1. Confusing Players with Conflicting Instructions

This leaves the child in a tricky situation...

- Who should they listen to?
- Which adult do they choose to make happy?
- Which adult do they choose to disappoint?

Players are forced to choose.

#### 2. Stealing Their Decision Making Opportunities

Learning how to make smart basketball decisions through experience is crucial for basketball development.

#### 3. Takes Authority and Respect Away From the Coach

If a coach is willing to volunteer their time to coach your son or daughter, please let them do the coaching.

#### 4. Coaching the Referees

When coaching from the sidelines, some parents do more than scream out instructions to the players on the team...

There are many who decide to yell at referees, too.

Here are a few of the main negatives to doing this:

a. You're teaching your child to make excuses

When your child notices you complaining to the referee, they'll feel like they're allowed to do the same thing.

Instead, teach them to immediately move onto the next play.

### Coming Up

- End of Winter Season will be week starting Wed 4 Sep, or Fri 6 Sep and Sat 8 Sep
  - Elim Final will be starting Wed 11 Sep
  - GF will be played the week starting Wed 18 Sep
  - Summer Season starts after Term 3 holidays Wed 9 Oct
- PLAYING IN SUMMER, let us know.**