



Administrators Network

NEWSLETTER



Welcome to 2010.

Welcome back to what will no doubt be another power packed year around all of the associations. It is no doubt the *lull before the storm* for a lot of you as the new year and competitions begin again very shortly.

I trust that you all had an enjoyable and safe festive season and look forward to the year ahead.

This year is a very exciting one for our sport, as it is a world championship year and nearly all of our national teams are competing at some stage. No doubt this will be a bonus locally, as we may be lucky enough to secure some lead up games before our teams take off in search of medals. Make sure that if you get the chance, get along and check out what we now know, are some world class athletes.

Of course domestically our national leagues are starting to get to their business ends of their seasons. The NBL and the WNBL are heading towards play-offs and all of the teams are fighting for positions.

And not to forget our local competitions, whether starting new seasons, or half way through, and our representative seasons, are all eagerly anticipated by players, coaches and spectators right across the width and breadth of our state. Good luck to you all.

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Hume City secures funding

The Broadmeadows Basketball Association has been very pro-active in the latter parts of 2009, when it secured some funding from the **Association Development Grants** for its Hume Basketball Network program.

The program is aimed to assist its member clubs in the various aspects of operating sporting organizations. Quarterly workshops will be conducted where club delegates can learn specific subjects such as: Writing a successful sponsorship proposal, Player Recruitment and Management, Applying for Grants, Administering your Club and Strategic Planning.

Congratulations to Hume City for showing this initiative and assisting its members in educating them about the business side of running a sporting club.



Colac – heading in the right direction

The Colac Basketball Association has been working with Basketball Victoria on their three year strategic plan which will have the association heading in the right direction for 2010 and beyond.

The Colac Basketball Association Committee attended a workshop on the 11th of November 2009 facilitated by Karen Pearce, Manager Strategic Operations, Basketball Victoria and Trevor Newcombe, Association Development Officer, Basketball Victoria. The key aim of the workshop was to identify and establish a strategic framework in line with Basketball Victoria's Strategic Plan 2009 – 2012 that will specifically assist the growth of basketball within the city of Colac and its surrounding areas, as well as assist with the key priorities and objectives of Basketball Victoria's Strategic Plan to maximise growth across all participatory areas in Victoria.

Completing the strategic plan has been a real priority for this committee. Colac has over 1000 players in the association and this equates to nearly 9% of the total population of the city, one of the highest ratios in the country. Creating the strategic plan to help guide the development of basketball in Colac is extremely important, particularly for their junior players, referees and coaches. The plan helps by identifying ways which can improve how the association is run and how they can minimise costs to participants.

After continuing consultation, the final Strategic Plan was delivered to the Colac Basketball Committee in mid December and was enthusiastically taken on board. The implementation of this strategic plan over the coming years will see Colac Basketball continue its proud tradition and build to a fantastic future.

2010 Funding

Basketball Victoria has again allocated some funds for local associations to access as part of its Association Development Grants, however to ensure that the funds are allocated in the best possible way, we have not yet decided on which format this allocation will take place.

Please stay tuned until we decide how best to distribute these much needed funds to worthy associations.

Positions Available

Basketball Victoria has some positions that have become available within our HoopTime programs.

You can check out the details on the Basketball Victoria website.

Strategic Planning

Does your association have a Strategic Plan? Do you need assistance in creating your Strategic Plan? Do you know where you are heading in the next three, five or ten years?

Basketball Victoria's Association Development Officer, Trevor Newcombe may be able to help. If you need some help in developing your plan, drop Trevor an email at [Basketball Victoria](mailto:Trevor@BasketballVictoria.org.au).

BVAN

The Network is growing? At last count, we had over a mammoth 160 members in the Basketball Victoria Administrators Network. However, we want more! So if you know of any members of your association, committee or team, that would like to become a member, encourage them to do so.

It is easy to do, just drop Trevor Newcombe an email at Basketball Victoria and you too could get on the basketball information super highway!



Referee Recruitment

Having trouble recruiting referees? Not enough new starters to get a 'green shirt' program going?

Heard in the corridors of power from an association way north of here, maybe even another state, that made their entire current crop of U14 representative players undertake the next beginner referees course.

Want to know more, then drop Trevor Newcombe an email at Basketball Victoria.

New court markings

FIBA has advised that new court markings will take effect in international competition after the World Championships in 2010 and FIBA recommends that the new markings come into effect for National competitions after the Olympics in 2012.

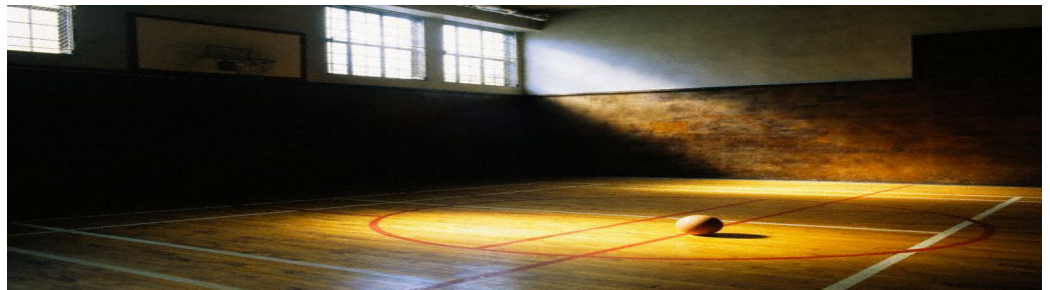
There are three changes to court markings:

- Introduction of a rectangular shaped keyway;
- Extending the distance of the 3 point line to 6.75m (it is currently 6.25m);
- Introduction of a "no charge" semi-circle under the basket.

Given that the qualification for the 2012 Olympics will be played with the new court markings, the national leagues will introduce these changes in the 2010/11 seasons, so that players can prepare for the qualification series (to be played in 2011). Similarly, it is envisaged introducing the changes at national junior championships and Australian Club Championships in 2011.

However, it is also intended that the 6.25m 3-point line will be retained, for U14 Australian Club Championships and perhaps the U16 National Championships.

Further information regarding the new court markings, can be found on the Basketball Victoria's website under the Associations tag and Rules of Basketball heading.



Coming soon!!

Basketball Victoria is in the process of producing a series of informative booklets that will assist associations in managing their business.

This 'How to' series will look at five of the most requested areas of assistance, those being:

- How to write a Strategic Plan
- How to create a Marketing Plan
- How to create a Sponsorship Plan
- How to write a Successful Grant Application
- How to create a Volunteer Management Plan

Keep an eye out for the launch of these manuals, BVAN members will be among the first to know.

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The Basketball Victoria Administrators Network (BVAN) is available for all administrators; voluntary and paid; whether they are competition administrators, committee members, office bearers, program coordinators, volunteers and other interested people, to discuss and share information.

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