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New State Basketball Centre

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Basketball Victoria will receive a new headquarters after it was announced that \$7 Million dollars from the State Government and \$7 Millions dollars from the Federal Government would be allocated to a new State Basketball Centre.

The State Basketball Centre will be located in an exciting new sports precinct to be located in High Street Road adjacent to Eastlink.

Basketball Victoria CEO Wayne Bird said "This is recognition of our sports importance in the Victorian community and we thank both the Federal and State Governments for their support of our continually growing sport".

"Facilities are important for all sports and we applaud the efforts of the Knox City Council and Knox Basketball Association for their collaboration and initial planning of this project".

The \$27.65 million project, which is being managed by the Knox City Council, will provide a centre for basketball and soccer. It will also serve as a first-class sporting facility for the eastern region of Melbourne and surrounding areas.

The State Basketball Centre will also serve as the headquarters of Basketball Victoria and Knox Basketball Inc and help encourage development of professional and recreational basketball.

Marketing Sponsorship & Communications Workshop

Following the success of the recent Basketball Managers Victoria Trade Show and Convention, Knox and Dandenong Basketball Associations have teamed up in conjunction with Kangaroo Photos to conduct a one-day interactive workshop on the areas of Marketing, Sponsorship and Communications. The workshop will be held on Tuesday 2nd June at Dandenong Basketball Stadium from 9.00am - 6.00pm.

Basketball Victoria fully endorses this initiative. Our Vision states: "Through collaboration and cooperation we will build and strengthen capacity to ensure basketball is the sport of first choice." One of our Strategic Priorities is: Marketing and Communication - Increase understanding of our sport and its value throughout the community.

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**PUT THE BOUNCE INTO YOUR
MARKETING, SPONSORSHIP &
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY**

By coming together as a sport and sharing our knowledge with one another, we can with ONE collaborative effort ensure that we continue to grow and develop as the leaders our sport demands and deserves.

The workshop is complimentary for up to 5 participants per Association. To register all you need to do is go online to <http://www.kangaroo.eventbrite.com>

Emu's to host 4 Nations Tournament



In an exciting coup for Australian basketball fans, forty-eight of the world's best junior basketballers will descend on Melbourne to take part in the Under-19 Four Nations Tournament from June 26-28, 2009.

Teams from Spain, Greece and France will take on Australia's Under-19 team, the Emus, at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, hosted by Basketball Australia in partnership with Basketball Victoria.

The event will be the final chance for the Emus to prepare for the FIBA U19 World Championship for Men to be held in Auckland, New Zealand from July 2-12.

The jousting juniors from the top ten internationally ranked* countries Australia, Spain and Greece might have the edge on world number 17 France but the nation that triumphs in Melbourne will get to take bragging rights into the World Championship.

All four teams have a strong reputation at the Under-19 level with each able to boast a podium finish in the previous three Under-19 World Championships; Spain claimed the title in 1999, Australia won in 2003 with Andrew Bogut and Brad Newley, while France and Greece won Bronze in 2007 and 2003 respectively.

The Australians will be led by Head Coach Marty Clarke, who coached the Emus to fifth place with an 8-1 win-loss record at the 2007 World Championship in Novi Sad, Serbia.

The winner of the Four Nations round robin tournament will be decided on win-loss records and points differential. LIVE STATS will be available for the event on the Basketball Australia website.

The team to contest the Four Nations tournament and World Championship will be announced shortly.

Tournament Schedule

Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre, Aughtie Dr, Albert Park

Friday 26th June 2009

6.00pm Spain v Greece
8.00pm Australia v France

Saturday 27th June 2009

6.00pm France v Spain
8.00pm Australia v Greece

Sunday 28th June 2009

2.00pm Greece v France
4.00pm Australia v Spain

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Tickets are available now from Basketball Victoria on 9927 6666

Ticket Prices

Per Day

Adults \$10

Children \$4

Families (2 adults/2 children) \$25

Tournament Passes (all 3 days)

Adults \$25

Children \$10

Families (2 adults/2 children) \$55

*International ranking in the FIBA World Rankings for Men combines rankings of Senior and Junior teams.

BV Inclusive Grants Program

Basketball Victoria is keen to support projects that influence the involvement for people with disabilities to participate and enjoy basketball. Grants are now available for associations looking coordinate projects that positively influence participation of basketball within their community for participants with a disability.

Examples of projects include:

Playing:

- To increase participation through the development of new programs
- To fund the enhancement of current programs to become inclusive and adaptive for the wider community

Coaches:

- To fund current coaches to participate in adaptive coaching courses or clinics to further develop their skills and encourage retention
- To fund new coaches in the sport, e.g. parent(s) of new participants, to participate in referee courses or score table courses

Administration / Volunteers / Committee Members:

- For education and training opportunities for improved club programs (in relation to participants with a disability)
- To educate in safety and risk management

For more information, please contact Matthew Dunstan at Basketball Victoria on 9927 6666 or email matthew.dunstan@basketballvictoria.com.au



Opals depart for China

Basketball Australia is pleased to announce the 16 athletes selected for the Opals team that will tour China and Europe in May.

The team was selected following a successful training camp at the Australian Institute of Sport from April 2-5 and includes 2008/09 Women's National Basketball League MVP Rohanee Cox and fellow Olympians Emma Randall and Alicia Poto.

Making their Opals debut on the tour will be Natalie Hurst, Elyse Penaluna and Liz Cambage.

In China the World Champion Opals will compete against the world number five-ranked Chinese women's team in a three game series on May 15, 17 and 19; their first appearance with Head Coach Carrie Graf at the helm.

Following the China series the team will travel to Europe for a camp in Varese, Italy from May 20-23.

The Opals will then head to the Czech Republic to play the women's national team, ranked seventh internationally, in two games on May 25-26.

A friendly game against Hungary (world ranking - 24) on May 28 in Paris will be a warm up for an international tournament in the city from May 29-31, where the Australians will compete against the Czech Republic, Hungary and host nation France (world ranking - eight).

Team for China Series

Alicia Poto, Kathleen MacLeod, Rohanee Cox, Abby Bishop, Elyse Penaluna, Samantha Richards, Carly Wilson, Liz Cambage, Marianna Tolo, Eva Afeaki, Deanna Smith, Emma Randall.

Head Coach: Carrie Graf

Assistant Coaches: Karen Dalton & Michele Timms

Manager: Renae Maycock

Physio: Rachael McAlister

Dr. Sandra Mejak

Team for Europe series

Alicia Poto, Kathleen MacLeod, Rohanee Cox, Abby Bishop, Elyse Penaluna, Marianna Tolo, Eva Afeaki, Deanna Smith, Hollie Grima, Emma Randall, Jenna O'Hea, Renae Camino, Natalie Hurst.

Head Coach: Carrie Graf

Assistant Coaches: Cheryl Chambers, Peter Buckle

Manager: Renae Maycock

Physio: Rachael McAlister



Healthy Hoops Nutrition Session

Nutrition Session - Diamond Valley

Basketball Victoria and Diamond Valley Basketball Association would like to offer a Healthy Hoops Nutrition session outlining basic nutrition information for players, coaches, officials and parents alike.

What the session covers:

- *Food groups, what they contain and why we need them
- *What to eat in the lead up to a game, on the day and for a good recovery
- *How to prepare for tournaments
- *Managing games late a night

Date: Wednesday 17th June, 2009

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm

Location: Diamond Valley Sports Complex, Civic Drive, Greensborough
(Mel Ref 11 : A10)

Cost: \$10 per person

Additional Information:

- * Registration is required to attend the session
- * The session is lead by an accredited and practicing dietitian

For further information or to register, contact:

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Junior Rangers Shine for chance to represent Australia

The Dandenong Basketball Association would like to congratulate their Junior Rangers who were selected in the 25 player squads to represent Australian at the Men's and Women's U/17 World Championships in 2010.

Owen Odigie, from the Championship boys program and Carley Mijovic, Hannah Kaser, Rosemary Fadljevic, and Jacinta Vandenberg from the Championship girls program were selected after their outstanding performances at the recent Australian National Junior Championships.

"The Dandenong Junior Rangers program has worked hard to develop their players and provide them with the opportunity to gain the skills necessary to take their games to the next level. Seeing players rewarded with selection at the junior National level gives a great sense of pride to the Association and their coaches" said Elite Programs Manager, Mark Hewish.

The players will attend a selection camp at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra from the 15th – 18th June.

The Dandenong Basketball Association is very proud of their achievements and wish them all the best throughout the selection process.



Notice of Annual General Meeting

The 2009 Annual General Meeting of Basketball Victoria will be held:

At: 10.00 am

On: Sunday 31st May 2009

At: Parkview Hotel, 562 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne 3004

All affiliated associations and Leagues, Commissions and Country Council are entitled to send a delegate to the meeting. Voting entitlements are in accordance with Article 13.1 of the Basketball Victoria Constitution.

Notice of Business

Any association wishing to raise matters of business for discussion at the meeting must give written notice of the business to the Chief Executive Officer at least thirty-five (35) days before the meeting. *Notice of business received after 5.00 pm on 27th April will not be considered.*

Nominations for Executive Committee

Nominations for the positions of Vice President (2 year term) and two (2) General Members of the Board for 2 year terms must be lodged on the form attached and be received by the Chief Executive Officer at least twenty-one (21) days before the meeting. *Nominations received after 5.00 pm on 11th May 2008 will not be considered.*

Draft Agenda

- 1) Open and welcome
- 2) Apologies
- 3) Minutes of last Annual General Meeting (accepted at November State Conference) and November State Conference
- 4) Receive the Annual Report
- 5) Receive the Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts
- 6) Receive any other report from the Board
- 7) Elect the Office bearers and the General Members of the Board
- 8) Receive and consider the statement required by section 30(3) of the Associations Incorporation Act
- 9) Appoint the Auditor for the following year
- 10) General Business
 - (a) Tracking against Strategic Plan
 - (b) VJBL By-laws
 - (c) Participants Protection By-laws (Heat Policy)



Wayne Bird
Basketball Victoria Chief Executive Officer
26 March 2008

Upcoming Events

BV Annual General Meeting	May 31
Marketing Sponsorship & Communications Workshop	June 2
Healthy Hoops Nutrition Session at Diamond Valley	June 17
U19 Four Nations Tournament	June 26, 27 & 28

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Please send your contributions to Ashley Stewart by the 20th of each month for consideration. We would like Insight to be an integral part of communication between Basketball Victoria and its partners. We would appreciate and value your feedback.

Please note: If your Association contact information or VBRA – Branch Contact Information is out of date, please contact Ashley Stewart on (03) 9927 6666 or email ashley.stewart@basketballvictoria.com.au.

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