



Basketball NSW Country Committee

28th Country Junior Tournament
June 7,8,9 2008



Newsletter #1

Welcome to our 40th Year of Country Basketball and the 28th Junior Tournament in its current format.

1. Tournament Draw

The draw has for the first time been completed prior to a found of Wester and Southern Junior Leagues, hence grading has been difficult.

Thanks to all those Associations who responded to the Gradings within age groups. Your help was greatly appreciated.

The draw will be on the Basketball NSW Website as of Sunday May 4th, 2008:
www.nswbasketball.net.au

Nominations are similar to last year and at several venues extra courts will be used.

E.g.

Bathurst

Charles Sturt University – Sunday only

Newcastle

Court 7 becomes Courts 4 and 5 on several occasions

Berkeley / Shellharbour

Under 18, Under 16 games will overflow to Illawarra Sports High School – Northcliff Drive, Berkeley – Saturday / Sunday

Dubbo 14M3 are keen to swap up to 14M2 and 12W1 Eurobodalla would like to drop to 12W2. If an Association is interested, contact:

Scott Balsar

0412 770 713

Ph: 4422 5131

Fax: 4422 5162

scott_balsar@nswbasketball.net.au

Vacancy – 12W3

Room for an extra team here. Contact Scott Balsar.

2. Referees – list required

The Committee is trying to put the Referees roster together next weekend but we cannot do it without lists of officials.

Excuses are hot air!!

Please send lists to:
PO Box 293
BERRY, NSW 2535

OR

Scott Balsar
Fax: 4422 5162
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URGENT URGENT URGENT

Associations are reminded of the requirements for Referees to appear as rostered. Coaches and/or players can be used to referee but if they are nominated they are responsible to carry out their role.

Associations failing to nominate the required number of officials at a venue will FORFEIT all games at the weekend.

3. Scoretable For Your Games

Each team is responsible to provide 2 officials per game.

Please assist by being co-operative and on time. Don't blame the team officials who do the right thing when errors occur, when your team has failed its responsibilities.

4. Grades Involving Six Teams

Teams in grades of six teams will play five games in the pool. Either:
2 games Saturday and 3 games Sunday

OR

3 games Saturday and 2 games Sunday

Watch the draw carefully

5. Outstanding Fees

The usual offenders still have fees outstanding.

NO PAY – NO PLAY!!!

Late fees will be charged after this week. Teams will not be allowed to participate if the matter is not attended to.

Please send to:
Country Director
PO Box 293
BERRY, NSW 2535

Do not send to Basketball NSW

Please make all cheques payable to: NSW Country Basketball

6. Promotion of Good Sportsmanship

At the end of all games, it is requested that all teams will:

- Shake hands
- Captains will shake hands with referees and thank score table officials

7. Sports Rage

Coaches and parents be warned. Abuse of any kind towards players, referees, officials will not be tolerated and action will be taken.

A Zero Tolerance programme is in place as are codes of behaviour for coaches, players, officials, parents and spectators.

8. Enquiries

Please direct ALL enquiries to:

SCOTT BALSAR
(02) 4422 5131
0412 770 713

Do not direct enquiries to BNSW
Only enquiries from Associations will be attended to.
Coaches seeking to change draw, grade etc will not be
attended.
ONLY Association Secretaries

9. Under 14 and Under 12 No Zone Rule

The rule will apply to all grades in each age group. After a warning, the coach will be issued with a personal technical foul. If the breach occurs again, a second person and disqualifying foul shall be given.

Ignorance of the rule is not an excuse.

10. Maps of Venues

Find enclosed.

Please distribute to relevant team officials.

11. ACT

ACT teams are in the draw and have the right to win events. However, in the Under 14 age group they cannot take a NSW qualification position to the National U14 Club Championships. Therefore playoffs for position 3 and 4 are in the draw.

Country teams #1 and #2 will qualify for the Club Championships as will metro #1 and #2 but a play off series for positions BNSW #1-#4 is required July 19th at a Country venue.

12. Accommodation

On arrival at a venue, team managers will be required to notify the venue organisers of their accommodation and mobile phone numbers for contact.

13. Withdrawals

At the time of going to print, there have been no late withdraws.

Teams pulling out will:

- Forfeit nomination fees
- Incur a \$200 fine
- Place future participation in jeopardy

14. Illawarra Sports High School

Is a two court venue, approximate 10 minutes from Berkeley (U16M) 20 minutes from Albion Park.

15. Court Supervisors

We are still a little short of helpers at Shellharbour, Illawarra Sports High, Berkeley and Maitland.

Volunteers will be gladly accepted, even if it is for half a day.

Contact Scott Balsar: 0412 770 713.

See you at the Tournament. Best wishes to all.

John F. Martin
Tournament Director