



Geraldton Basketball Association

# newsletter

DECEMBER 2013

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Merry Christmas

Welcome to the second edition of the GABA Newsletter for the 2013/2014 season.

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## A message from Mark Heron

Dear Members,

What a busy time it is for everyone at the moment and the GABA is no exception. The stadium certainly comes to life at 3:15 every weekday afternoon. It is great to see the enthusiasm of the Junior Delegates and coaches, preparing their teams for weekly games.

I would like to thank all the referees at the GABA who do a wonderful job, in what is a very challenging role. The Referee Development Program is something that I believe is a very important platform to improving our referee standards over the next few years. This program gives the GABA the opportunity to move away from a 'club based' referee system, to a GABA run referee system in a few years' time. As a general rule, the players, coaches and spectators treat our referees in the right manner, however, there are a few cases where some people go overboard with their reaction to calls. There are many calls in basketball where half the players and half the crowd will disagree with a referees decision. It's a tough sport to umpire. We cannot play basketball without referees, so please respect the referees and thank them after every game!

We are right in the middle of our GABA representative sides competing at the BWA State Championships in Perth. It was uplifting to see the teams in their new uniforms and a great feeling to have our junior teams be aligned with our senior team, the Geraldton Buccaneers. I wish all teams competing over the next few weeks the best of luck and I hope they all have a rewarding experience. I would like to thank the coaches and managers for all the hard work they put in. Not only are they super busy on the weekend the teams are away, but the preparation and organisation of the teams is a huge effort. This year is the first year we have had our Under 19s team represented at the State Championships and we also have achieved our goal of having an assistant coach assigned to each team. We also have 13 referees represent the GABA at these Championships. Last year, we didn't have any referees at these Championships. Congratulations to everyone who is involved in the BWA State Championships.

Another new initiative this season has been the introduction of the "D" League. This Under 20s Development League has allowed our athletes a transition competition between junior and seniors. We have had 35 players compete hard every Sunday afternoon under the watchful eyes of their coaches; Darren Winterbine, Clayton Dann, Charles Thurkle, Mat Wundenburg and Luke Wrensted. The grand final will be played on Friday 20th December at 6:00pm and I encourage everyone to come down and watch these teams compete for the prizes donated by Sportspower.

I wish you all a safe and happy festive season and I look forward to seeing you all back on court after the break.

**Mark Heron**

Regional Development Officer

## Mid West Sports Awards

This year the GABA Association saw a number of our outstanding players, officials and coaches nominated in various categories for the Mid West Sports Awards.

### COACH OF THE YEAR

Helmer Wilhard  
Jasmine Bowley

### SENIOR SPORTS STAR OF THE YEAR

Mat Wundenburg  
Amy Williamson

### JUNIOR SPORTS STAR OF THE YEAR

Charles Thurkle  
Abbie McDonald  
Brayden King

### OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

Tania Newey  
Jenni Winterbine

### TEAM OF THE YEAR

Chapman Valley Men's Division 1

*All nominations only (no winners)*

**Mid West Sports Federation**  
Hall of Fame Inductee - Ben Pepper



## GABA Office Closure

Closed Monday 23rd December 2013

Re-open Monday 6th January 2014

Senior fixtures conclude  
Thursday 19th December  
2013 and recommence  
Monday 6th January 2014.

Junior fixtures conclude  
Sunday 15th December  
2013 and recommence  
Friday 7th February 2014.

**Please check**  
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## BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM LISTS BOYS

Under 12s	Under 13s	Under 14s	Under 15s	Under 17s	Under 19s
Josh Cripps	Kurt Crudelli	William Galvin	Jed Edwards	Dylan Myers	Grady Tomelty
Liam Bennett	Sam Carroll	Len Papertalk	Coby Ryan	Brayden King	Josh Moore
Josh Hunt	Oakley Criddle	Coby Lee	Rhys Willock	Jesse Muir	Justin Hyde
Shaeden Edwards	Michael Wright	Alex Ducas	Jy Stone	Dwayne Nevill	Jack Stone
River Joseph	Eli Grant	Gaz Gutsa	Jordan Ferguson	Gabriel Parfitt	Farren Parfitt
Ben Luckhurst	Daniel Jacques	Logan McGregor	Brendan Stone	Kyle Smith	Mitchell Royce
Corey Harvey	Kye McPhee	Stuart Beros	Dempsey Joseph	Joe Iaria	Daniel Simpson
Jack Eastough	Elliot Bennett	Theo Bennett	Brin Teakle	Jesse Lee	Cody Purcell
	Bohan Teakle	Max Murphy			Jordan Wallace
	Johnnie Narkle	Oliver Haste			
<b>Coach Dayle Joseph</b>	<b>Coach Brett Giles</b>	<b>Coach Daniel Thomas</b>	<b>Coach Jack Stone</b>	<b>Coach Charles Thurkle</b>	<b>Coach Helmer Wilhard</b>
<b>Ass Coach Jason Luckhurst</b>	<b>Ass Coach Rhys Willock</b>	<b>Ass Coach Aaron Ducas</b>	<b>Ass Coach Justin Hyde</b>	<b>Ass Coach Justin Hyde</b>	

## BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM LISTS GIRLS

Under 12s	Under 13s	Under 14s	Under 15s	Under 17s	Under 19s
Sophie Butcher	Mary Burke	Allee Bartlett	Darcy Kerr	Madi Broadhurst	Annie Ducas
Kayley King	Ella Hoefhamer	Gemma Dix	Joely Carroll	Darby Colley	Abbie McDonald
Natalya Seelander	Jessica Glynn	Breanne Bonney	Caitlin Wilson	Dayna Cooper	Chloe Vince
Annalise Pappin	Charlotte Marquis	Tayla Broadhurst	Kacie Crabb	Emily Monaghan	Tegan Yates
Phoebe Coulthard	Abby Maynard	Abbey Wilson	Tehani Holland	Erin Tapscott	Lauren Stone
Laura Williamson	Lacey Tondut	Erin Els	Kiah O'Brien	Hannah Clarke	Sharni Dix
Courtney Zappara	Sophie Vince	Emma Burke	Lily Pepper	Messina Tully	Taylah Royce
Saphire Holland	Emily Winterbine	Alicia Kennedy	Kate Crudelli	Sian McDonald	
Sophie Simpson	Kayla Butcher	Kyteesha Cross	Tess Gurski-Howell		
Macy Altham					
<b>Coach Kym Coulthard</b>	<b>Coach Jenni Winterbine</b>	<b>Coach Peter Dix</b>	<b>Coach Ross Worthington</b>	<b>Coach Amy Williamson</b>	<b>Coach Jasmin Bowley</b>
<b>Ass Coach Lauren Stone</b>	<b>Ass Coach Gerry Tondut</b>	<b>Ass Coach Liz White</b>	<b>Ass Coach Dayna Cooper</b>	<b>Ass Coach Annette Cooper</b>	

## BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & COUNTRY WEEK TRAINING

### WEEKEND OF 7th & 8th DECEMBER

<b>Under 12 Boys</b>	Dayle Joseph	Away in Perth			
<b>Under 13 Boys</b>	Brett Giles	Finished			
<b>Under 14 Boys</b>	Daniel Thomas	Sat 7th Dec	5:30pm – 7:30pm	GABA – Court 3	
<b>Under 15 Boys</b>	Jack Stone	Away in Perth			
<b>Under 17 Boys</b>	Charles Thurkle	Sat 7th Dec	5:30pm – 7:30pm	GABA – Court 1	
<b>Under 19 Boys</b>	Helmer Wilhard	Sat 7th Dec	3:30pm – 5:30pm	GABA – Court 1	

## BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & COUNTRY WEEK TRAINING

### WEEKEND OF 7th & 8th DECEMBER

<b>Under 12 Girls</b>	Kym Coulthard	Away in Perth			
<b>Under 13 Girls</b>	Jenni Winterbine	Finished			
<b>Under 14 Girls</b>	Peter Dix	Sat 7th Dec	5:30pm – 7:30pm	GABA – Court 2	
<b>Under 15 Girls</b>	Ross Worthington	Away in Perth			
<b>Under 17 Girls</b>	Amy Williamson	Sat 7th Dec	3:30pm – 5:30pm	GABA – Court 2	
<b>Under 19 Girls</b>	Jasmin Bowley	Sat 7th Dec	3:30pm – 5:30pm	GABA – Court 3	

Please Note: 3 Courts are available on Sunday morning – Please book with Mark

## BWA REFEREE LIST 2013

### 30th Nov / 1st Dec

Zaide Higgins  
Joel Newey  
Michael Wright

### Referee Coordinator Mark Heron

### 7th / 8th Dec

Tyson Farrell  
Emily Monaghan  
Lauren Stone  
Dylan Myers

### Referee Coordinator Mark Heron

### 14th / 15th Dec

Tyson Farrell  
Kyle Harvey  
Leigh Ninnis  
Jesse Lee  
Adrian Bartlett

### Referee Coordinator Cheryle Walton



## BWA State Championships 2013 - Results

### UNDER 13 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

v	East Perth	<b>Loss</b>	14	-	30
v	Wanneroo	<b>Win</b>	35	-	22
v	Stirling	<b>Loss</b>	6	-	44
v	East Perth	<b>Loss</b>	31	-	45

### UNDER 13 GIRLS DIVISION 2

v	East Perth	<b>Win</b>	30	-	8
v	Wanneroo	<b>Loss</b>	6	-	20
v	Perry Lakes	<b>Loss</b>	13	-	24
v	Australind	<b>Loss</b>	20	-	23
v	Stirling	<b>Win</b>	32	-	7
v	Wanneroo (SEMI-FINAL)	<b>Loss</b>	7	-	29





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Boys & Girls U13's in action at the 2013 BWA State Championships.





Geraldton Basketball Association



## School Holiday Basketball Fun Day



Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

9:00am – 3:00pm

Ages - 5 to 13 years



Cost - \$50 (which includes lunch from Subway)

“Aussie Hoops” style camp for the younger players.

Lots of competitive games - including a 3 on 3 comp for the older players

Conducted by Development Officer & Buccs Head Coach – **Mark Heron**

& athletes from the **Geraldton Buccaneers Young Guns Squad**

## Great Prizes      Heaps of Fun



For bookings or enquiries please email

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or call the GABA office – 9964 5255



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## Referees Update

There have been a number of referees who have recently completed their Level 1 referee course. The course consisted of a 10 hour theory module followed by a practical assessment, which are being completed now.

Darryle Mazzuchelli	Michelle Olden
Ashley Purcher	Mark Heron
Jesse Lee	Michael Wright
Brett Giles	Charles Thurkle
Mick Jones	Joel Newey
Adrian Bartlett	

## Referee Development Squad

GABA currently has 28 referees and 5 Referee Coordinators who have joined the Referee Development Squad. The squad is aimed at developing the overall skills of the referees through received feedback from the Referee Coordinator while they are umpiring a game.

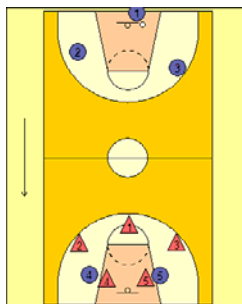
For more information, or if you are interested in joining the squad, please email Mark Heron on [rdo@geraldtonbasketballassociation.com.au](mailto:rdo@geraldtonbasketballassociation.com.au).

## Rule of the week

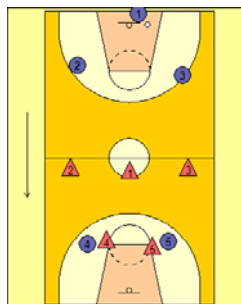
### Points of Emphasis – Under 9s & Under 11s

(in relation to the court balance rule and the 'no zone' rule)

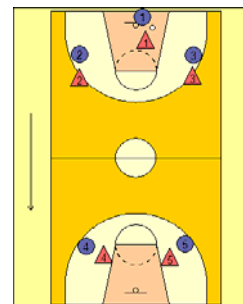
- 1) Players must be encouraged by the coaches and referees to get to the designated court balance areas without compromising the 'flow' of the game.



Under 9s



Under 11Bs



Under 11As

- 2) Players are not allowed to play a zone defence. The basic definition of a zone is to cover an area, rather than a player. If defensive players are not match up in a man to man situation, it is a violation. (Help defence still allowed)
- 3) Players are allowed to double team and trap, as long as the player who is creating the double team, comes from a 'man to man' defensive position, not a zone position. The main thing to look as it is: "Where has the double team come from?"
- 4) If players are being double teamed, they must be encouraged to pass to the open player. In theory, the court balance rule should allow for players to have the space required to get open.
- 5) The 'mercy rule' is in place for under 11A games. If a team is winning by 15 points or more, all defensive players are required to drop back behind the half court line when the offence has an out of bounds possession in their backcourt.

**These rules have been approved by the GABA Rules Committee who believe these 'local rules' will benefit all players in the GABA Junior Domestic Competition, as well as our Representative Teams.**



# 'D' LEAGUE GRAND FINAL

Friday 20th December @ 6pm

There will be warm ups and preliminary rounds for the 3 point shootout beginning at 5:30pm

**SPECTATORS WELCOME!**

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Coach Luke Johns, Nagle Representative Team



Primary School Basketball Competitors



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# Primary School Basketball Camp

GABA recently hosted a primary school basketball competition, with a strong competition represented by 12 teams.

Both the girls and boys teams from Nagle Catholic College will now represent their schools in Perth.

Congratulations must go to all 17 teams who competed in the first Geraldton Schools Association Cup. This is a state wide event for Primary Schools to compete for the chance to play in the State Final in Perth. All schools participated in great spirit, with sportsmanship and competitiveness on display all day. A huge thank you must go to members of the Geraldton Buccaneers Young Guns Program and the GABA Referee Development Clinic who gave up their time to referee and score throughout the whole day. Below are the results from the carnival.

## Boys Division

Nagle Catholic College 1	6 Wins	0 Losses
Bluff Point Primary	6 Wins	0 Losses
Dongara District High School	4 Wins	2 Losses
Nagle Catholic College	4 Wins	2 Losses
Waggrakine Primary School	3 Wins	3 Losses
Allendale Primary School	2 Wins	4 Losses
Rangeway Primary School	1 Win	5 Losses
Geraldton Primary School	1 Win	5 Losses
Beachlands Primary School	0 Wins	6 Losses

## Grand Final

Nagle Catholic College 1 defeated Bluff Point Primary 19 – 17  
**MVP Alex Ducas**



Alex Ducas with Mark Heron

## Girls Division

Dongara District High School	6 Wins	0 Losses
Nagle Catholic College	5 Wins	1 Loss
Rangeway Primary School	4 Wins	2 Losses
Allendale Primary School	4 Wins	2 Losses
Waggrakine Primary School	2 Wins	4 Losses
Bluff Point Primary School	2 Wins	4 Losses
Geraldton Primary School	1 Win	5 Losses
Beachlands Primary School	0 Wins	6 Losses

## Grand Final

Nagle Catholic College defeated Dongara District High School 11 - 3  
**MVP Taylor Broadhurst**



Taylor Broadhurst with Mark Heron



Nagle Catholic College Girls Division Winners



Nagle Catholic College 1 Boys Division Winners

# Buccaneers Update

The Sun City Plumbing Geraldton Buccaneers are very pleased to announce that Bennie Lewis will be joining the team for the 2014 Season. Bennie has just signed in the NBA-D League and will join the Buccs in April. Last year Bennie played in the SBL with the Perth Redbacks averaging 23points, 6 rebounds and 4 assists per games.

## Buccs Squad 2014

- Shamus Ballantyne
- Carter Cook
- Jayden Crowe
- Clayton Dann
- Michael Edwards
- Alan Ehte
- Justin Hyde
- Jesse Lee
- Bennie Lewis
- Gavin McLaren
- Dylan Myers
- Jordan Myers
- Aaron Ralph
- Jack Stone
- Charles Thurkle
- Grady Tomelty
- Jordan Wallace
- Luke Wrensted
- Mat Wundenburg



**Head Coach**

Mark Heron

**Assistant Coaches**

Aaron Ducas

John Gray



Bennie Lewis



Aaron Ralph



Mat Wundenburg



Carter Cook



## Codes of Behaviour

### Parents:

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, don't force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children to always play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities
- Respect officials decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.



Jordan Myers slam dunk!



Erin Cooper in action

### Coaches:

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at a young player for making a mistake or not coming first.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport and teach your players to do the same
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All young people are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Avoid overplaying the talented players; the just-average need and deserve equal time.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of players.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Encourage players to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of the physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young people.
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person's regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

## MEN'S DIVISION 1 CURRENT LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	PTS
1	Chapman Valley	9	9	0	18
2	Olympians	9	7	2	14
3	Pumas	9	5	4	10
4	Trades	9	4	5	8
5	Railways	10	5	5	8
6	Hawks	8	1	7	2
7	Stateside	8	0	8	0

## WOMAN'S DIVISION 1 CURRENT LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	PTS
1	Pumas	9	9	0	18
2	Trades	9	7	2	14
3	Stateside	8	5	3	10
4	Railways	10	5	5	10
5	Chapman Valley	9	2	7	4
6	Olympians	9	2	7	4
7	Hawks	8	1	7	2

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## MEN'S DIVISION 2 CURRENT LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	PTS
1	Olympians	8	8	0	16
2	Pumas	8	7	1	14
3	Chapman Valley	8	4	4	8
4	Trades	8	3	5	6
5	Railways	8	3	5	6
6	Stateside	7	2	5	4
7	Hawks	7	0	7	0

## WOMAN'S DIVISION 2 CURRENT LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	PTS
1	Pumas	8	8	0	16
2	Trades	8	7	1	12
3	Hawks	7	4	3	8
4	Stateside	7	3	4	6
5	Chapman Valley	8	3	5	6
6	Railways	8	2	6	4
7	Olympians	8	0	8	0

## Senior Countryweek - 1st to 3rd March 2014

For further information or to submit team nominations please speak with Denise or Mark on 9964 5255 or email [admin@geraldtonbasketballassociation.com.au](mailto:admin@geraldtonbasketballassociation.com.au) by Friday 17th January 2014.

## Pumas



### Senior President:

Dayle Joseph  
Mobile: 0407 950 947

### Junior Delegate:

Michell Olden  
Mobile: 0439 938 980

## Olympians



### Senior President:

George Nobilo  
Mobile 0437 155 531

### Junior Delegate:

Sandra King  
Mobile: 0417 986 139

## Hawks



### Senior President:

Marilyn Heberle  
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### Junior Delegate:

Kylie Glew  
Mobile: 0447 382 260

## Railways



### Senior President:

Joel Newey  
Mobile: 0407 474 404

### Junior Delegate:

Chris Kunesch  
Mobile: 0408 459 603

## Trades



### Senior President:

Michael Jones  
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### Junior Delegate:

Jacque Winton  
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## Chapman Valley



### Senior President:

Teehani Reynolds  
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### Junior Delegate:

Kelly Burton  
Mobile: 0427 205 202

## Stateside



### Senior President:

Wayne West

### Junior Delegate:

Wayne West  
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