



BASKETBALL ACADEMY

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An Exciting Year Ahead!

After a very successful year last year, Basketball Academy staff have set new goals and challenges for this year's teams. These goals are reflected in our expectations for Basketball Academy students on and off the court. We believe in challenging each other, supporting our teammates and **'Running as One'**.

Due to a very successful year last year, 2022 will bring tougher opposition for our students. With the invitation to again compete in the Southside Premier League (SPL). A competition which allows our junior and senior teams to play against quality opposition from across South East Queensland. Along with the SPL, students will be participating in the interschool basketball competition and the Champions Basketball Schools of Queensland (CBSQ). The CBSQ is the highest level of school basketball offered in QLD.

In preparation for these competitions we look forward to working hard on the court. With weekly training sessions and specialized coaching clinics. Coaches include players from the Red City Men and Women's NBL1 team.



Our year 7 and 8 teams have made a positive start to their high school basketball careers. The delayed start and recent weather events have not dampened their enthusiasm. On the court students have been focusing on skill development, while in the classroom year 7s have learnt about the changes in adolescent bodies. Year 8s have learnt the positive nutrition requirements for athletes.

Our local interschool competition started in term one. The year 7 teams have displayed some great skill and team work. This currently has both girls' and boys' teams sitting 2nd in the competition.

The year 8 teams started exactly where they left off from last year. With their gameplay speed and teamwork having positive results. The year 8 boys team currently sit 2nd, while the year 8 girls are undefeated and in 1st place.

Term two will see junior students engage in basketball specific fitness testing. While in the classroom students will learn about the effects drugs and alcohol have on the human body.



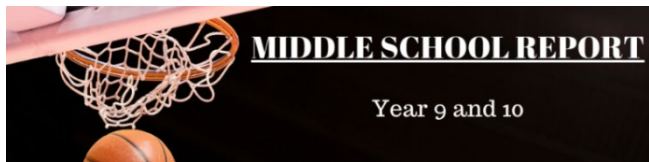
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The year 9 and 10 teams have focused training sessions on transition, speed and skill set. These sessions have paid off with our year 9 and 10 girls teams showing great improvements from last year's interschool competition. Currently both teams sit 2nd on the competition ladder.

As for the boys, who are both 2021 interschool champions they are also having success. Currently both teams sit in 2nd place with one round in the competition to go.

We have had some great results like the year 10 boys beating last year's runners up Brisbane Bayside by 50 points. Our year 9 boys also recorded an impressive win over Wellington Point, given the boys were short on players due to illness. They ended up winning by 20.



A reminder for our Junior Basketball Academy students (years 7-9) our compulsory Basketball uniforms are ready to order/purchase from our uniform shop.

Thank you to those who have already put an order in, please contact the uniform shop for an update. These uniforms are required for training and competition games.



Training session times are as follows:

Monday 3 – 4pm: All Boys
Wednesday 3 – 4pm: All Girls

These sessions will see junior and senior teams split up to focus on age appropriate skills, fitness and gameplay. We ask that students let coaches know if they cannot make a training session. Notifications can be made to coaching staff either face to face or via email. Please note team selections for SPL and CBSQ are based on training attendance, skill, behavior and effort.



The senior interschool season has moved to a gala day format this year. This has given our squads more time to train and prepare for our games. Both male and female teams have been focusing on mastering the fundamental skills and team strategy in both offense and defense.

Term 2 will see the first of two gala days for our Basketballers. This will be a great opportunity to test our basketball skills against local school and prepare us for the state titles later in the year.



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Sponsorship News

Welcome to our newest sponsors Simon Salm Property Sales!

Simon has forged himself a position in the front ranks of Queensland's leading Real Estate Sales Executives with a formidable reputation and an impressive track record of sales and achievement spanning 27 years in the Bayside area. He continually ranks in the top 10 agents in RE/MAX Australia and more recently achieved Number 1 Sales in Australia for May 2013.

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Simon is one of those people you can't imagine doing anything else but real estate sales - his passion for the industry, his enthusiasm for achieving results and the loyalty to his clients and colleagues all announce that Simon is an extraordinary real estate professional.

If you're thinking of putting your home on the market and want a stress-free selling experience put your trust in local agent Simon Salm. Quite

simply, you will experience exceptional results because Simon will go that extra mile for every property, every time!



The Southside Premier League (SPL) competition is an invitational competition, which provides high level basketball from schools within South East QLD. Each school must enter four teams in the competition. A senior boys and girls, which contains players from year 10 – 12. The junior boys and girls involves players from year 7 – 9.

The SPL Gala Day saw our four teams travel to Cornubia to take on Brisbane Adventist College and Mabel Park. Our junior girls had a great day winning both games. While our junior boys had a slow start in game one resulting in a loss, they lifted the intensity in game two taking out the win. The senior girls started the competition with a hard-fought win over BAC, however went down in game 2, in what was a very physical game. The senior boys played hard but it just wasn't their day going down in both games.

Round 3 our senior teams played Brisbane Christian College. The senior boys were by far the shorter of the two teams. However, they focused on the basics fundamentals of the game and played with a lot of heart, winning 50 – 32. Our senior girls were hit heavily by illness this week, however the girls played hard leading the entire game. But a last second shot from BCC meant our girls had to share the points, finishing 26 all.



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Mr Powell - Academy Coordinator

Coaching - Year 7 Girls, Year 8 Girls, Yr9 Boys, Yr10 Boys, Open Boys, Senior SPL Boys.

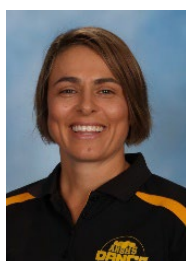
Favourite Teams - Miami Heat, Brisbane Bullets



Miss Farrell

Coaching - Year 9 Girls, Year 10 Girls, Junior SPL Girls

Favourite Team – Brooklyn Nets



Mrs Carmody

Coaching - Senior SPL Girls

Favourite Team - LA Lakers



Mr Fitzpatrick

Coaching – Year 7 Boys, Year 8 Boys, Open Girls, Junior SPL Boys

Favourite Team - Chicago Bulls

REDCITYROAR

Red City Roar have signed Gareth Lyle for the 2022 Coles Express NBL1 North season. Lyle was a mainstay for Red City's most successful junior team when the Association was formed in 2019. He was part of the first RedCity Roar junior team to play its way into Division 1 at the State Championships in January 2020. In 2021, Lyle made the jump to QSL in the senior ranks and had some white-hot performances, including a couple of 40 point games.

Lyle is an intelligent player with great skills and competes on every play regardless of the challenge in front of him. He is a player and coach of the Alex Hills Raiders Basketball club and a product of the Alexandra Hills State High School Basketball Academy.

Speaking about Lyle's signing, General Manager Peter Pollock said: "Now that RedCity has a pathway to NBL1 we are excited to watch Gareth develop and get this opportunity. "Providing a pathway was a big part of the reason our clubs were formed and we hope to see many more of our juniors with the same approach that Gareth has, making that transition from Junior Representative to QSL and onto to NBL1."



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- May 5th SPL Round 2 @ Cornubia (Thursday)
- May 12th SPL Round 3 @ Runcorn SHS (Thursday)
- May 26th SPL Round 5 @ Cornubia (Thursday)
- June 2nd SPL Round 6 @ Cornubia (Thursday)
- June 9th SPL Round 7 @ Marsden (Thursday)
- June 16th SPL Round 8 @ Marsden (Thursday)
- SPL Finals TBA – Dates July 21st & 28th (Thursday)

Opens CBSQ - 15th – 18th September

Juniors CBSQ (Gr 9-10) – 13th – 16th October

Sophomores CBSQ (Gr 7-8) – 27th – 30th October

*Specialist Coaching Clinics will also be conducted throughout the year. Dates for each year level will be confirmed and students will be notified.

Individual Accolades

While all of our teams have had some great success so far this year, a few individual members have accomplished even more achievements. Isabella, Hana and Hunter are all members of our year 7 group were selected in the 10 – 12 years Bayside District representative team. These students competed at the Metropolitan East tournament, with Hana being named as a shadow player for the Metropolitan East team! Well done Hana, Hunter and Isabella.

Fernando from our open boys team also gained selection into the open Bayside team, where he competed well. A great achievement given Fernando has another opportunity next year.



Gareth a 2021 Basketball Academy graduate has been signed to play with the Red City Roar NBL1 Men’s team. This is extremely impressive given Gareth’s age. His selection into the NBL1 competition is a first for our Academy, a great result given we started in 2020. We look forward to creating pathways for our students in the future. If you would like to support Gareth and the Red City teams in the NBL1 season, please see our partners at Red City Roar for ticketing information. Congratulations Gareth and good luck!



Sponsorship Opportunities

We are looking for the support of local businesses to help build our program through financial or product-based sponsorship. If you know of someone or a company who may be interested, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Basketball Academy Coordinator, Nathan Powell, by email at npowe50@eq.edu.au for a ‘Sponsorship Info Pack’.

