



BASKETBALL ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER – Terms 4, 2022

Another Successful Year

2022 saw a number of 'firsts' and successes stories for our Basketball Academy. Our female teams had a particularly fantastic year with the open and year 8 girls winning the district finals. This was the first time one of our girls teams were crowned the district champions! Our Junior girls also achieved silver medals in the Southside Premier League and the Champion Basketball Schools of QLD (state titles). This is a great achievement given the Academy is only in its third year.

Our boys also had success in our interschool competitions with three of our teams claiming the silver medal. Our junior boys also claimed the bronze medal at the Champion Basketball Schools of QLD (state titles).



Our year 7 & 8 students have set the bar very high for next year. The boys teams finishing with the silver medal in interschool, a bronze medal in the Champion Basketball Schools of QLD and a 5th place in the SPL competition.

Our girls finished with a medal in every competition throughout the year. They received a gold in the interschool competition, a silver in the SPL and CBSQ tournaments. This was an extremely positive year for our junior girls. We look forward to building on their success in their remaining years at high school.

Our year 7 & 8 students also worked extremely hard off the court. Working through the HPE curriculum as a class. This has allowed student to build on our Academy culture 'Run As One'. Students completed units on how to keep fit and healthy, healthy eating and community based health.

During practical lessons students focused on basketball fundamentals, fitness, team strategies and gameplay. We would like to thank Mr Peter Pollock and Mr Gareth Lyle from RedCity Roar for running sessions throughout the year for our junior students.



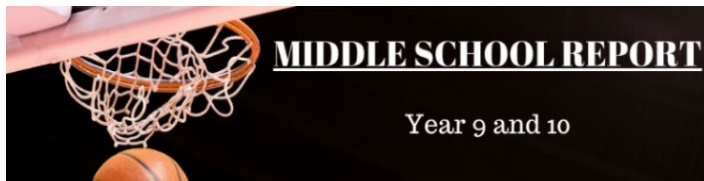
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MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

Year 9 and 10

Our year 9 and 10 teams also had success this year. They competed at the CBSQ Junior competition. Both teams competed in Division 2. This was a first for our girls team. This competition is the highest level of basketball offered in QLD.

The girls had a tough competition with players getting injured or unavailable due to illness after day 1. However they showed a lot of grit and determination to compete at each game. There was some fantastic improvements with in the four days which was a real positive. We look forward to competing again next year with a full team.

Our boys also played well, qualifying 2nd in their pool and gaining a spot in the quarter finals. The boys came up against a red hot Ambrose Tracey College who ended up beating us in a close game. Our boys backed it up with an impressive win over Somerset College. This meant we got to play Mansfield SHS in our final game. It was a back and forth type game with the lead changing frequently. Unfortunately our boys went down to finish in a very respectable 6th position.

We are looking forward to improving on both our girls and boys junior teams in 2023. Thank you to all the students for being dedicated to training and 'running as one', which has set the bar high for our future junior teams.



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Sponsorship News

Welcome, our newest sponsor Betta Auto Hire Cleveland. Cameron and the team at Betta Auto Hire originally operated out of a local service station in Cleveland with only a few cars and utes for hire. Before long, Betta Car & Ute Hire became a Trusted Family Owned and Operated Local Business. Then, in 2004, they moved into 215-217 Bloomfield Street Cleveland. This was a great opportunity allowing their business to expand its fleet of vehicles from cars and utes to incorporate vans, minibuses, trailers, trucks and more!

If you need a vehicle be sure to see Cameron and the team at Betta Auto Hire. We look forward to working with you in the future and would like to thank Betta Auto Hire for their support in 2023.



REDCITYROAR

Crowd Favourite Re-signs!

Gareth Lyle returns as a 'rostered player', after an impressive season as a 'development player' in 2022.

Gareth had a massive QSL season, and took advantage of the opportunities presented to him in the NBL1. He led the NBL1 North conference in points per minute played, providing a spark that lit up the scoreboard at every opportunity.

The cameo performances impressed the crowd and he has established somewhat of a cult following among the home fans!

Coach Colby Stefanovic had this to say about his development over the season, "It's exciting to sign a RedCity Junior Player that has been with the club since U12s. He has had an outstanding season with me in the Queensland Youth League. I am excited to see the contribution Gareth will bring to our team next year!"

From GM Peter Pollock, "I can not help but get excited when I see Gareth take the floor for the Roar. He coaches at Club level, he referees, his family all support the club in different roles at NBL1 and club level and when you see someone like that getting their opportunity it is just great to see".

Gareth was a member of the Alexandra Hills State High School Basketball Academy throughout his high school life. We would like to wish him the best for the upcoming NBL1 season.



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Sports Award Breakfast

This year our Sports Awards had a shake up, with our ceremony moving off campus to the Alexandra Hills Hotel for a breakfast.

The Award ceremony was a hit with the students and parents in attendance. It is a great opportunity to share our stories of success with the school, community and sponsors. We were also able to recognise individual students via various awards throughout the ceremony.

We would like to congratulate the following award winners:

River City Glass Most Valuable Players:

Hunter & Isabella
Ayden & Brianna
Orlando & Kaitlyn
Tanielu & Meah
Fernando & Mikayla



The REMAX Simon Salm Defensive Player of the Year:

Ethan & Hana
Josiah & Lily
Joel & Abbey
Jack & Ella
Ky & Kodi



The RedCity Roar 6th Player of the Year

Max & Trisha
Louis & Briella
Adam & Ella
Xavier & Isabella
Khiarn & Natalie



The Most Promising Junior Players:

Zac & Abbey

The River City Glass Junior Starting 5 Girls:

PG – Brianna
SG – Isabella
SF – Kaitlyn
PF – Lily
C – Hana



The RiverCity Glass Junior Starting 5 Boys:

PG – Orlando
SG – Josiah
SF – Sam
PF – Louis
C – Joel



The RiverCity Glass Senior Starting 5 Girls:

PG – Mikayla
SG – Tara
SF – Meah
PF – Kodi
C – Kyela



The RiverCity Glass Senior Starting 5 Boys:

PG – Sam
SG – Ky
SF – Fernando
PF – Tanielu
C – Nick



Team of the Year:

The Junior SPL Girls



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The Junior Basketball Rewards Day

December 6th was our annual Basketball Academy Rewards Day. This day is an opportunity for students to have fun, show off their skills and bond with other Basketball students.

Students from years 7, 8 and 9 were all mixed together to create teams for a 3x3 half court basketball competition.

There was great skills shown throughout the day and a healthy competition. Congratulations to the Heat for claiming first prize (a basketball and Dominos voucher), the 76ers for finishing runners up (drink bottle and dominos voucher) and finally the Raptors for claiming the bronze (drink bottle).



3rd Place - Raptors



2nd Place - 76ers



1st place - Heat

Thank you 2022!

A massive shout out to our school community for your continued support through the year. Also a massive thank you to parents and students. Without your continual commitment and dedication to the program in 2022, success would not have been possible.

To our fantastic sponsors, River City Glass, Simon Salm Property Sales, RedCity Roar, Dominos and Costa's Seafood Café. Plus our new sponsors Betta Auto Hire. Thank you for your support, our program requires assistance from the local community in order to be successful and provide students with fantastic opportunities.

Finally thank you to our coaches Mrs Carmody, Miss Farrell, Mr Fitzpatrick and Basketball Academy Coordinator Mr Powell. Congratulations on another successful year. We look forward to continue climbing the basketball ranks in 2023! We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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'.



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