

## **Scoretable Newsletter**

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I would like to begin by thanking everyone for a job well done at the Under 16's held at Warwick in July. From all reports it went smoothly and we covered games and performed our duties well. Thanks especially to Nathan and Eleanor for coordinating the week.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year period.

### **Diary Dates**

<b>SBL 2018 season starts</b>	<b>16 March 2018</b>
<b>WABL Season starts</b>	<b>29 April 2018</b>
<b>SBL Blitz Warwick</b>	<b>3 and 4 March 2018</b>
<b>Level 3</b>	<b>15 February 2018</b>
<b>Level 2</b>	<b>1 March 2018</b>
<b>Level 4 SBL Coordinators, NBL, WNBL</b>	<b>8 March 2018</b>
<b>Grand Finals SBL</b>	<b>31 Aug/1 September 2018</b>

**Country centres should contact me to arrange training dates.**

Everyone will need to register their attendance and pay BWA for all courses in 2018.

**Please note there have been rule and procedure changes as a result of the FIBA meeting in Switzerland and everyone will be required to attend an update session during 2018. These changes have been implemented in the WNBL and NBL in 2017/18 season.**

The SBL may introduce these rule changes. I will confirm all changes before the season commences and during the training sessions.

### **Sign Off**

You will have a chance to sign people off for shot clock at the SBL Blitz for the upcoming WABL season please use this if you can.

### **Email Address**

If you have an email address or recently changed it or your street address then I would ask you to please take the time and contact BWA with your new contact details.

### **Under 20's Terrigal NSW**

The organisers are looking for scoretable officials there is no travel/accommodation subsidy but if you are over that way you might like to help out. Contact Mathew Skinner [MSkinner@gcbss.com.au](mailto:MSkinner@gcbss.com.au)

## **Congratulations**

The winner of the BWA Scoretable Official of the Year 2017 is Nathan Robertson. Here are a few words from Nathan about his journey:-.

“Having first started out playing basketball I soon picked up a whistle and became an official. Although I spent many years as a referee officiating WABL games and many State Championships, I then found myself further involved with the sport by joining the scorebench team at Stirling in 2000.

Over the years I have officiated at various SBL Clubs, National Championships, NWBL, WNWBL, NBL and WNBL games. I have also been selected to officiate 4 times at the SBL Grand Finals.

Most recently I was given the task to coordinate the scorebench officials for the Under 16 National Championships held at Warwick Stadium. I would like to thank everyone who assisted over the course of the Championship with special thanks to Eleanor Clarke for helping make my job that much easier.

Finally I would like to thank Carilyn Holmes and her late husband Reg for giving me the opportunity to become a scorebench official. I'd also like to thank Libby for all her efforts with training, development and encouragement to reach higher levels.  
Regards Nathan”

## **FIBA Appointments**

Selections have now been made for the Commonwealth Games in 2018. A number of people nominated and I have been advised only 2 have been selected from each State except Queensland. This was very disappointing for those that have missed selection but hopefully there will be more opportunities in the future.

Congratulations to Peta Holmes and Emma Roberts on their selection. I have been told that a former West Australian Nathan Fenn (now residing in Adelaide) has also been selected.

I have recently been contacted by the Commonwealth Games organisers to be a Scoretable Coach for the Games.

Natalie Moiler was selected by Basketball Australia and officiated in the Boomers v Japan qualifier in Adelaide in November.

Libby