

## MEET OUR NEW REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER FOR THE MID WEST

Basketball WA is pleased to announce the appointment of Dan Hunt as our new Regional Development Officer for the Mid West.

Dan continues the great work that has been done in the region by Marcus Alipate over the past 12 months, thanks to our partnership with the Geraldton Amateur Basketball Association. Marcus has decided to pursue new playing and career opportunities and we would like to thank him for the way he has represented basketball in the region and we wish him all the best with his future endeavours.

Dan is a local legend in the Mid West having played 382 SBL games for the Geraldton Buccaneers and being part of the Buccs Inaugural Championship in 2000. His son Liam recently completed a family double, helping the Buccs to their second SBL title last year, with dad watching on proudly as Liam claimed grand final MVP honours. Dan has a distinguished playing career having come through the US High School and College system, before playing professionally in Germany and Australia. After a stint back in the States to support his sons' playing careers, Dan has returned "home" to Geraldton and is excited about this opportunity to continue to develop basketball in the region.

Dan will be responsible for the development of basketball across all our regional Associations in the Mid West, as well as extending out into parts of the Gascoyne, such as Carnarvon, where we now have a new Association.

Basketball WA is also happy to announce that we have extended Samantha Dell'Orso's contract in the Pilbara so that she can continue the great work she has been doing up north. Sam has been instrumental in setting new high performance standards in the region through the Pilbara Performance Program, which has seen a surge in representative talent breaking into our high performance teams. Sam also successfully piloted the Pilbara Classic last year, which brought Associations together from across the region (and as far afield as Exmouth) to learn, compete and share with one another.

Dan and Sam's appointments continues Basketball WA's ongoing commitment to country basketball.



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