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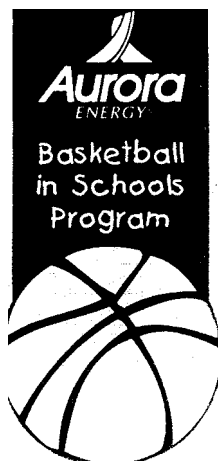
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BASKETBALL TASMANIA HONOUR ROLL

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TASMANIAN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT – 2011

Presented for the consideration of the 66th Annual General Meeting of the Association, held at Campbell Town on 29th February 2012.

1. COUNCIL, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS The Council met twice as required by the Constitution (February and November). The Board met on ten occasions (all face to face), monthly with the exception of December and January.

The Technical Officials and Competitions Commissions both operated during the year and reports on the activities of both Commissions are included as part of this document. The Participation and Development Commission, held its inaugural meeting during the year however it was unable to become operational. A constitutional amendment designed to reduce the size and role of the commission was put forward by the Board in December but failed to gain sufficient support and is to be reconsidered at tonight's meeting.

2. BASKETBALL AUSTRALIA As an active member of Basketball Australia, Basketball Tasmania was represented at the many national meetings, seminars and teleconferences during 2011, including the following:

- BA Annual Meeting
- State/Territory CEOs
- BA Associations Commission (State Presidents)
- BA Summit
- NITP Head Coaches

3. NATIONAL COMPETITION Four teams represented Tasmania in the various South East Australian Basketball League conferences. They were:

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| - | Women | : Launceston Tornadoes |
| | | : Hobart Lady Chargers |
| - | Men | : North West Thunder |
| | | : Hobart Chargers |

Unusually, none of the four sides featured in post-season play with the Hobart Chargers getting closest, finishing only one place outside the South Conference top four. The Thunder and Tornadoes both finished seventh on their respective ladders while the Lady Chargers were substantially more competitive than in their inaugural season although only finishing one place off the bottom of the ladder in 12th place.

A unfortunate negative feature of the year's activity occurred when it was revealed that the Launceston Tornadoes were carrying a substantial debt and were in danger of collapse. To its credit, throughout the crisis the club was able to keep a positive slant on things and with significant support from its community and from the SEABL itself, it has survived at this point. The job is far from over, however the club is in a far better position than it was six months ago.

Tasmanians featured in the SEABL annual awards, including:

- Hugh Greenwood (Chargers) – South Conference Youth Player of the Year
- Tiri Masunda (Chargers) – 3rd in South Conference Youth Player of the Year
- Shawntes Gary (Thunder) – All SEABL South Men's Team
- Shawntes Gary (Thunder) – 2nd in South Conference MVP

The Tasmanian teams were also well represented by players in the top ten in various statistical categories, including:

- Chargers – Derick Nelson, Greg Dilligard, Hugh Greenwood, Mark Nash, Mark Banovic
- Thunder – Shawntes Gary, Eric Gaff, Nick Haywood

- Tornadoes – Mia Newley, Molly Lewis, Desiree Glaubitz
- Lady Chargers – Myra Donkin, Tocara Ross, Kylie McCauley, Shantrell Moss.

The SEABL also celebrated the 30th year of its existence in 2011. Part of the celebrations included the naming of 30 year men's and women's all-star teams and a team of each decade.

Players who spent at least part of their career with one or more Tasmanian SEABL teams and were named in a team of the decade included David Biwer, Ben Harvey, Kauai Wakita, Mandy Buchanan (nee Bonney), Jessica Bibby and Desiree Glaubitz. Mark Chivers was named coach of the 2000's team of the decade.

Named in the 30 year men's and women's all-star teams were David Biwer, Jessica Bibby and Kauai Wakita.

4. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS/STATE TEAMS Tasmania was represented in all of the six under-age championships played between States, these being Under 16 & Under 18 and Under 20 Men and Women.

Teams competed in both Australian Under 14 Club Championships with North and North West qualifying for the boys' event and North West and South for the girls'.

In addition, Tasmania was represented at the Australian School Championships by the winners of the Tasmanian Secondary Colleges Championships, Guilford Young College in the men's and The Don College in the women's division.

Tasmania also fielded a team in the men's division of the Australian Ivor Burge Championship for Players with an Intellectual Disability which was played in Maitland, NSW concurrent with the Australian Under 20 Championships.

A summary of performances is as follows:

- U/20 Men 6th of 8, 2010 6th (8), 2009 7th (7), 2008 7th (7), 2007 7th (8)
- U/20 Women 6th of 7, 2010 7th (7), 2009 5th (7), 2008 5th (6), 2007 8th (8)
- U/18 Men 14th of 14, 2010 12th (14), 2009 8th (14), 2008 10th (14), 2007 10th (14)
- U/18 Women 7th of 14, 2010 6th (14), 2009 10th (14), 2008 13th (14), 2007 7th (14)
- U/16 Men 4th of 14, 2010 9th (14), 2009 10th (14), 2008 13th (14), 2007 4th (14)
- U/16 Women 8th of 14, 2010 11th (14), 2009 11th (14), 2008 10th (14), 2007 12th (14)
- U/14 Boys Club North West 12th North 17th of 24, 2010 17th & 22nd, 2009 10th & 15th, 2008 15th & 18th, 2007 13th & 14th of 20
- U/14 Girls Club North West 10th, South 18th of 24, 2010 17th, 18th & 20th, 2009 22nd & 23rd, 2008 17th & 19th, 2007 16th & 21st
- Australian School Championship (Men) Guilford Young 8th of 8, 2010 8th (8), 2009 5th (8), 2008 5th (8), 2007 8th (8)
- Australian School Championship (Women) Don 5th of 8, 2010 6th (8), 2009 8th (8), 2008 3rd (8), 2007 7th (8), 2006 7th (8)
- Ivor Burge Men 5th of 7, 2010 7th (7), 2009 6th (6), 2008 6th (7), 2007 7th (7)
- Ivor Burge Women DNP, 2010 DNP, 2009 DNP, 2008 DNP, 2007 DNP

The standout performance undoubtedly came from the Australian U16 Championships with the Tasmanian Junior Men's side turning in one of the best ever performances by a Tasmanian side to finish in fourth place, along the way, missing out on a place in the gold medal game courtesy of a three point semi-final loss. To put this into context, the Australian U16 Championship was first played in 1955 and in the 55 years since, Tasmania has played in three semi-finals.

Tasmanian referees were appointed to all events and more detailed comments are contained in the Technical Officials Commission report. Performances of note were those of Chris Ellis (U18 gold medal game) and Andrew Johnson and David Farmers (U20 bronze medal games after both officiated U18 bronze medal games in 2010) and

Cameron Whiteley who was appointed to the U18 bronze medal game, following on from his bronze medal game appointment at the 2010 Australian Schools Championship.

5. FINANCE It is pleasing to report a significant turn-about in Basketball Tasmania's financial performance in 2011. It was reported in 2010 that the financial position had deteriorated significantly for a variety of reasons, in particular in the area of program costs and that on the recommendation of the Board, Council approved a 2011 budget which has addressed many of the issues. It was also reported that a number of areas continued to be under close scrutiny and that program reviews were continuing.

The measures put in place together with additional Federal Government Participation Program funding through Basketball Australia has seen BT's net assets increase by some \$25,000 and the Board (in particular, the Finance Committee) and management and staff are to be congratulated on their contribution towards this turn-about.

The detailed financial statements are included as part of these reports.

6. TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT State Government grants continue to be of high importance to the success of most of Basketball Tasmania's programs and the 2011 Sports Development Program grant of \$50,000.00 as documented in the financial statements, is vital to our operations.

It is pleasing to note that after many years of "marking time" there will be an increase in the SDP cap in 2012 to \$60,000, a variation which is welcomed albeit well overdue.

The support by the Tasmanian Institute of Sport is also sincerely acknowledged.

7. REGISTRATIONS For the purpose of this report, "Total Membership" is defined as playing membership plus non-playing officials and volunteers plus Aussie Hoops program participants. Following on from the reported 5% decrease in total membership in 2010 it is extremely gratifying to report a very healthy increase of 17.8% to 9332 in the 2011 calendar year.

The increase is spread evenly across both genders with the slightly greater increase in female participation resulting in the percentage of female participants increasing from 46% to 47%. It is believed that no other major sport in Tasmania has anywhere near this proportion of male and female participation rates.

It was reported last year that the reduction in membership in 2010 was predominantly restricted to the junior age-groups and it is therefore pleasing to note that the 2011 increase is largely in the junior categories.

Regionally, the increase has been evident in all three regions. The bulk of the increase is in the South and North with a smaller increase in the North West.

A conscious decision was made heading into 2011 to connect with competitions within the school area which had previously not been included in Basketball Tasmania's membership and participation numbers. The increase in membership and participation has been largely as a result of this action however even after removing the effect of this initiative, the increase has been in the order of 6 to 7%, more than enough to negate the 2010 decrease.

To put the longer term growth into perspective, in the six year period from December 2005 to December 2011, membership has grown by 34.7% from 6929 to 9332, an average of around 5.8% per year.

8. REFEREE APPOINTMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT Will Hunt and Chris Ellis were selected to attend the 2011 National Referee Development Camp at the AIS along with referee coach Robert Jago.

Other interstate referee development activities included the Victorian Junior Classic, the June Nunawading Tournament, the Australian Country Junior Cup (four referees) as well as all Australian Championships.

Another interstate development activity worthy of note is that as part of a Basketball Australia initiative, Basketball Tasmania funds the attendance of a statistician and a scoretable official to attend either the Australian U16 or U18 Championships.

Finally, the retirement of Tasmania's most experienced and highly qualified referee Tony Webb should be noted. Tony's contribution as a role model for Tasmania's referees cannot be overstated and his departure leave an immense hole to be filled.

Other aspects are covered in the Technical Officials Commission report.

9. STAFFING/OFFICE The three way agreement between Basketball Tasmania, Basketball Australia and Tasmanian Institute of Sport continued with Justin Schueller continuing to fill the position of TIS Basketball Coach. This arrangement was reviewed and subsequently extended in 2011 but will be subject to further review in 2012.

Myra Donkin and Craig Taylor shared the position of Community Basketball Development Officer for the first half of the year until Myra's resignation in August to move interstate. Craig Taylor has continued to fill this position for the remainder of the year and subject to budget approval, it is proposed that this position become full time early in 2012 utilising funding from the Federal Government Participation Program grant.

The Launceston office accommodation arrangements for the Participation and Development Assistant (Adele Styles) continued. This also provided a stadium base for the TIS Basketball Coach.

With the support of the Southern Tasmanian Basketball League, the state office (General Manager David Scott and Admin Officer Angela Mills together with the community development staff) relocated to the Warrane Sports Centre in early 2011, more than a decade after moving to Sport and Recreation House. Through this arrangement, we have been able to access significantly larger office and storage space at a slightly lower cost than that previously paid for Sport and Rec House.

10. JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM The Basketball Tasmania Junior Development program continued to operate along similar lines to recent years with the various levels incorporating the TIS Program, National Intensive Training Program, State Team Programs, Regional Programs, Isolated Areas and Smaller Association Programs, Local Association Development Programs and Schools Program.

As always, the efforts of the coaching staff and the many network coaches together with squad managers, athletes and their parents, in ensuring the successful continuation of these programs, is very much appreciated by the Board and basketball fraternity at large and most importantly, by the players of the future. In particular, the financial contribution made by parents should be acknowledged as without this, many of our programs would simply not exist.

A restructure of the Basketball Australia High Performance Pathway took place during the year and this created an opportunity to review the various levels of the BT Junior Development Program. A detailed report on the revised program is contained in the report from the TIS Basketball Coach.

11. TASMANIAN OLYMPIC COUNCIL/TASMANIAN SPORTS FEDERATION

Membership of the TOC continued with the General Manager being appointed Basketball Tasmania's representative. TasSport continues to be in recess.

12. MARKETING/SPONSORSHIP Aurora Energy Pty Ltd continued as the naming rights sponsor of our Primary School Development Program. The partnership with Aurora is by far Basketball Tasmania's most significant sponsorship and it is pleasing to note that after the completion of 13 years of support from Aurora and a further two from Hydro, the relationship is still as healthy as ever and is now heading into year 16.

The Ricoh Hobart Business Centre, Remy's Coaches and Madison Sport (Molten) continued to make a valuable contribution to our operations.

13. CONCLUSION After the concerns brought about by the financial and membership issues which were reported following the 2010 year, the highlights of 2011 must be headed by the increase in membership together the magnitude of the financial recovery.

That we were able to recover so quickly from such a poor year is tribute to the invaluable efforts of the many hundreds of volunteers spread throughout the state as well as to my staff, all of whom I sincerely thank.

It would also be remiss of me not to recognise the contribution of our sponsors and in particular Aurora Energy, Madison Sport (Molten) and the Ricoh Hobart Business Centre.

I will single out Aurora for specific mention as 2011 marked the 15th year of our enduring partnership which commenced under the Hydro Electric Commission banner in 1997. This is recognised nationally as one of basketball's longest standing sponsorships while the Aurora Basketball in Schools Program itself is recognised as a best practice model Australia-wide.

David Scott
GENERAL MANAGER
(on behalf of the Board of Basketball Tasmania)

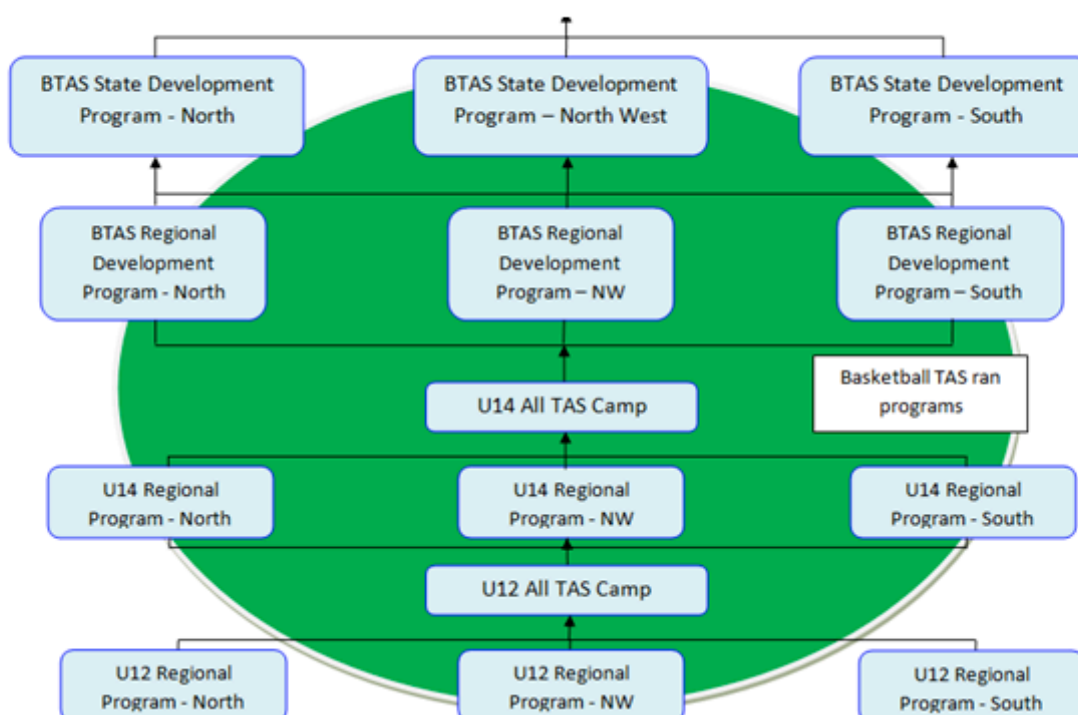
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High Performance Pathway Re-structure (NITP/SDP)

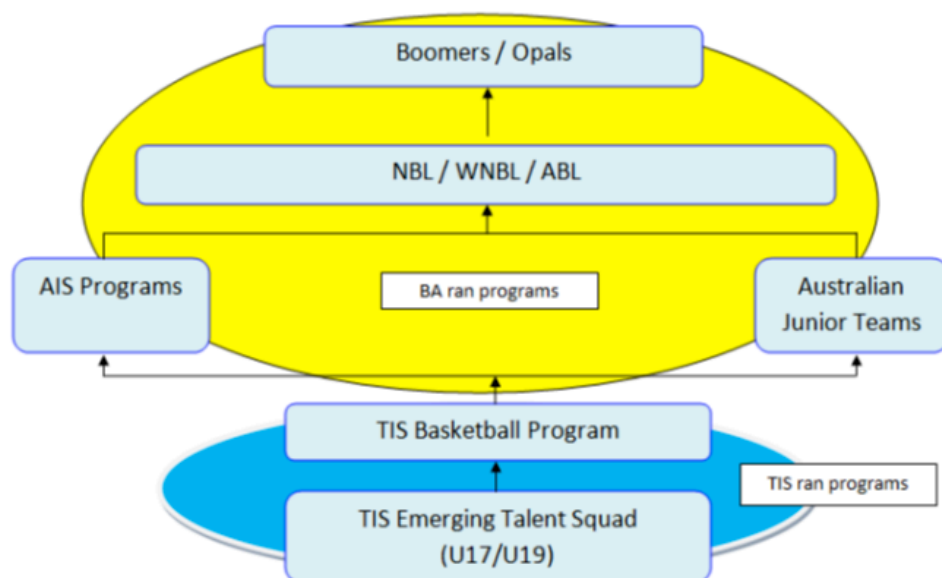
2011 saw Basketball Australia redefine the High Performance Pathway within the Nation and as a result the National pathway within Tasmania was re shaped to better stream line athletes into the Elite end of the National system and within Tasmania the TIS Basketball program.

The underpinning component of the States system introduced a Regional Development (RDP) tier and State Development (SDP) tier to sit above the already existing Under 12 and Under 14 regional programs.



This saw the appointment of three new State Development Coaches: Sarah Veale in the North, John Fox in the North West and Craig Taylor in the South.

A second new tier was added in between the State development tier and TIS Basketball Program, known as the Emerging Talent Squad (ETS). The ETS tier is for those athletes identified by the TIS basketball coach as having potential as an Australian athlete at international level but have not yet obtained an Australian profile. ETS members are also a part of the SDP or Regional programs and would be the bridge state development tier to scholarship tier.



Basketball Australia's Skill Proficiencies of an Australian Athlete continued to be promoted throughout the 2011 restructure and implementation of these values was achieved with great success which is evident by the number of athletes that represented in State Teams and at Australian Camps from the program. These skill proficiencies are outlined below;

You have to be able to make the open shot

You have to be able to run the floor...both ways

You have to be able to rebound.... both ends

You have to be able to defend your player when they have the ball

(To do this you have to be able to play in the appropriate stance)

You have to be able to beat your man off the dribble

You have to be a high percentage foul shooter

Australian Country Cup 2011

In January of 2011 Tasmania's involvement at the Australian Country Cup was increased to 100 athletes over 10, 9 coaches and 6 managers represented Tasmania at the tournament.

The tournament is designed with the purpose of developing athletes and coaches' for National Championship play and standards. Our teams competed as bottom age teams against top age athletes as an initial stepping stone in 2010 and this year we were able to have teams competing as top age and bottom age teams.

Results at the tournament were a reflection of the successful structure within the state over the past few years. Over the 10 teams we achieved a 50% win/loss record with our U18 Top age Girls and U16 Top age boys both achieving third places in the championship.

Our involvement in this tournament is the most vital tournament for our athlete's development and our future success at National Championships. We have begun to overtake some of the more traditionally stronger states and continued involvement in this championship will assist us in achieving medal success at National Championships.

Our athletes competed at a high standard with all teams improving over the course of the week.

NITP Athletes of the year 2011

NITP Female Athlete of the Year – Grace Lennox

NITP Male Athlete of the Year – Matt Brazendale

North Development Female Athlete of the Year – Olivia West

North Development Male Athlete of the Year – Isaac Devereaux

North Advanced Female Athlete of the Year – Liz Howe

North Advanced Male Athlete of the Year – Nic Laycock

North West Development Female Athlete of the Year – Georgia Buchwald, Courtney Middap

North West Development Male Athlete of the Year – Connor Hind

North West Advanced Female Athlete of the Year – Maddie Pringle, Mariah Payne

North West Advanced Male Athlete of the Year – Kyle Clark

South Development Female Athlete of the Year – Amy Onaca

South Development Male Athlete of the Year – Ambrose Eugster

South Advanced Female Athlete of the Year - Grace Lennox

South Advanced Male Athlete of the Year – Tanner Krebs

NITP Dedication Awards for 2011

North – Emma Davy, Will Smyth

North West – Kelsey Johnstone, Claye Wilcox

South – Ash Onaca, Darcy Ramm

NITP Graduating Athletes for 2011

North - Isaac Dale, Emma Davy, Ric Howard

North West – Irini Alexiou, Matt Brazendale, James Deegan, Josh Kay, Haylee Saunders, Claye Wilcox

South – Josie Greenwood, Michael Klapsis, Ash Onaca, Darcy Ramm, Michael Woods, Matthew Young

State Team Programs

Tasmanian State teams improved placing in all teams on the previous year's results with the exception of the U18 Men.

The highlight was our U16 men finishing 4th.

Under 20 Women Place: 6th

Head Coach: Dan Krebs
Assistant Coach: Andrew Onaca
Manager: Sandra Morgan

Under 20 Men Place: 6th

Head Coach: Justin Schueller
Assistant Coach: Denis Lockley
Manager: Sarah Veale

Under 18 Women Place: 7th

Head Coach: Rebecca Dick
Assistant Coach: John Fox, Sarah Veale
Manager: Michelle Schumann

Under 18 Men Place: 14th

Head Coach: Peter Stanwix
Assistant Coach: Jody Denison, Andrew Hannaford
Manager: Gina Hills

Under 16 Women Place: 8th

Head Coach: Michael Johnstone
Assistant Coach: Steve Kaine
Manager: Jen

Under 16 Men: Place: 4th

Head Coach: Keith Bragg
Assistant Coach: Dave Zerna
Manager: Josh Salter

Under 14 Girls Results

North West: Place: 10th
South: Place: 16th

Under 14 Boys Results

North: Place: 18th

North West:

Place: 11th

TIS Program

This period saw the program restructure to follow the new direction of Basketball Australia and the National High Performance direction.

The program has allowed for a far more focused and improved daily training environment which is greater assisting athletes in obtaining Australian representation. The nomenclature structure (see below) which has been implemented in all Institutes of sport and National Sporting organisations, has been adapted and accommodated for Tasmanian athletes that are professional, that are based out of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS), our Tasmanian based athletes and up and coming athletes that showed potential in being a TIS scholarship holder.

TIER	CATEGORY	BASKETBALL INTERPRETATION
1	World Class Athlete (WC)	An athlete that is a member of a Senior National team which is ranked top four in the world.
2	International Class Athlete (IC)	An athlete that is a member of a Senior National team
3	Developing International Athlete (DI)	An athlete that is a member of a Junior National team / AIS Scholarship Holders
4	Potential International Athlete (PI)	An athlete that has potential to become an IC athlete within 4 - 7 years / SIS-SAS Scholarship Holders
5	Emerging Talent Athlete (ET)	Athletes that are involved in State Development Programs that show long term potential but have not yet met criteria for a Potential International position.

The structural change has seen a quicker progression in the new scholarship holders for 2011 and allowed the TIS basketball program to be seen as one of the leading programs in the nation.

The year saw improved results at National Championships, with all TIS scholarship holders representing Tasmania at state level in their respective teams and the largest intake of new scholarship holders due to outstanding results at the Under 16 National Championship. Tayla Roberts, Isabelle Morgan, Katelyn Brooks, Hugh Greenwood and Ben Richmond, all represented the state in Under 20's, both sides finishing 6th. Irini Alexiou, Josie Greenwood, Grace Lennox represented in the Under 18 girls side that finished 7th, while Matt Brazendale, Michael Woods and Matt Zerna represented in the Under 18 boys. Ric Howard did not compete due to injury.

The new scholarship intake which occurred on August 1st saw eleven new athletes be identified for an Australian profile and a TIS scholarship.

The TIS basketball program is grateful for the ongoing support received from Basketball Australia and Basketball Tasmania.

Program Highlights

Hugh Greenwood and Tayla Roberts continued to lead the way in their respective genders, not just in relation to the TIS but in relation to the Nation in general. After a very strong individual showing at the 2010 U17 World Championships, Tayla quickly cemented her position with the U19 Australian Gems women's team that competed at the World championships in Chile in July 2011 where they claimed 4th place. Tayla was second in scoring and rebounds for the Championship.

Hugh Greenwood continues to shine as Australian Basketballs future star, continuing to be involved with the Australian Boomers Senior National squad. Hugh was also named captain of the U19 Australian Emus team that competed at the World Championships in Latvia in July 2011 where they claimed 5th. Hugh was also named in the All Star 5 as a top performer in the Championship.

Grace Lennox was rewarded for her outstanding efforts with her first Australian representation with the U17 Women in the FIBA Oceania qualifiers against New Zealand. Grace held Australia win the series 3 – 0. She will now look to cement her place in the 2012 U17 World Championships in the Netherlands in August of 2012.

Finally Ben Richmond was rewarded for his hard work and perseverance with an AIS scholarship in June of 2011. Ben has established himself as the best "shooter" in the nation and has made the most of his scholarship to date.

Off Court Highlights

The Athlete Career and Education (ACE) program lead by Stewart Pither found new ways to help advance the athletes off court skills. Workshops were held on time management, marketing and advertising, which saw the athletes needing to create their own TV advertisement and an education workshop on College recruitment and the Education pathway.

The continued support and outstanding work by the Sports Performance unit and Strength and Conditioning has assisted our athletes to achieve higher standards and compete at the highest levels.

2010 / 2011 TIS Scholarship Holders

Elite Tier

Hugh Greenwood and Tayla Roberts

Shadow Tier

Irini Alexiou, Matthew Brazendale, Katelyn Brooks, Kyle Clark, Josie Greenwood, Ric Howard, Grace Lennox, Isabelle Morgan, Ben Richmond, Michael Woods

Invitational Tier

Matt Zerna

2011/ 2012 TIS Scholarship Holders

Tier 1 and 2 - Professional

Tayla Roberts, Hugh Greenwood and Adam Gibson

Tier 3 – AIS Scholarship

Ben Richmond, Ric Howard

Tier 4 – TIS Scholarship

Georgia Buchwald, Liz Howe, Sarah Jaeger, Grace Lennox, Courtney Middap, Mariah Payne, Amy Onaca, Matt Brazendale, Callum Barker, Kyle Clark, Joe Chilcott, Ric Howard, Tanner Krebs, Nic Laycock, Kai Woodfall

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Aussie Hoops

Week one of the GHBA Aussie Hoops program commenced on 9/4 at the Moonah sports centre. 53 eager young basketballers attended the "come try for free day" keen to start their basketball experience and meet the Hobart Lady Chargers new import Shantrell Moss. The program was run over 7 weeks, using Hobart Chargers imports and players as extra coaches throughout the duration of the program. However more support from clubs was needed to ensure the children had a pathway into a rostered competition, and in that respect we met with the GHBA committee at their monthly meeting 10/5 with the result that they sent to their clubs further requests urging their support to which little was forthcoming with the exception that Phoenix club provided a volunteer presenter when CBDO was unable to attend.

Basketball Australia released a new Aussie Hoops pack that arrived in July. The pack now comprises of a reversible singlet, basketball and a smaller bag.

For the future we must give consideration as to when the various associations want to run Aussie Hoops particularly with other areas also now keen. A structured approach also to getting in touch with schools eg. in southern Tasmania only eastern shore schools for Clarence, western shore for GHBA etc.

Earlier in the year we met with Huonville primary school to discuss an in-school Aussie Hoops program and we launched it with the support of school staff and Hobart Chargers Imports the third week back of term two.

This year a major focus has been to provide more pathways for children into basketball through the Aussie Hoops program. Progress has definitely been made in the state, and the results from this show in our participation numbers at the end of the year with 510 children participating.

Hobart, Clarence, Bridgewater, Huonville, Kingston, Latrobe, Deloraine, Smithton, Ulverstone, Scottsdale and Launceston all conducted sessions.

It should be noted Active After Schools Communities are, in conjunction with Basketball Australia, running a pilot nation-wide, in Tasmania Ulverstone association and Phoenix club in Hobart ran in 2011, utilising Aussie Hoops style delivery to link students from the AASC program with the club system as registered players.

Aurora Basketball in Schools Program

Numbers were slightly down from previous years with 113 schools participating but over 6,780 children experiencing the opportunity to expand their basketball skills and interest.

Lauderdale primary school hosted the Aurora program launch 20/4. Former student Hugh Greenwood was the special guest along with SEABL players from the Hobart Chargers men's and women's teams. A clinic was run for the school children by CBDOS with their assistance. There was some good televised media coverage.

All three regions helped co-ordinate the SEABL imports commitment to the program giving students a wider variety of basketball expertise. Many thanks to Shawntes Gary, Eric Gaff, Molly Lewis, Shantrell Moss, Tocara Ross and Greg Diligard, also local presenters Rhonda Price, Katelyn Mainwaring, Dylan Warren, Stacey Poke, Myra Donkin, Tiri Masunda and BJ Radcliffe.

The program had a brief rocky period with confusion in schedules from imports however we feel we gained a handle on the communication and did not see any problems thereafter.

King and Flinders Islands trip completed 23/9 was a highlight. Craig Taylor and Hobart Chargers player and Aurora presenter BJ Radcliffe attended the Aurora sponsored trip and conducted skills sessions at both district schools which were very well received by children who would not usually see basketball coaching at this level.

The funding of the 2012 program has been confirmed by Aurora. This coming year we are working on an initiative to follow up schools in conjunction with local associations to the view of delivering further sessions paid for by the school and/or association with the aim of increasing overall participation rates. Also looking at subsequent AASC involvement particularly for younger children as a transition into Aussie Hoops and clubs.

Community School Rosters

At the opening of Lauderdale primary school gym discussions were held re a roster incorporating Lauderdale, Rokeby, Cambridge and South Arm primary schools. We followed up these schools and discussion with Rob Smith representing Clarence BA and all were initially very keen to be included. However this eastern shore roster was subsequently cancelled due to a perceived lack of interest from the schools. This will be followed up for possible inclusion term one 2012.

The community roster proposed for the Derwent Community reached its last stages of planning and commenced on the 4/5. The roster was run for 8 weeks breaking for school holidays and was run under the Aussie Hoops banner. Venues for the program were the Brighton PCYC and the new gym at the Jordan River Learning Federation (old Bridgewater high school). The Derwent Community Roster was run in conjunction with AASC, Bridgewater PCYC and the Hobart Chargers and was a massive success. Over 90 children from East Derwent Primary, Gagebrook, Herdsman Cove, and St Pauls participated and feedback was fantastic.

With the success of this project we will in turn look at other community clusters and start planning for future rosters, beginning with Clarence in 2012.

Approximately 12 children from the program entered a PCYC team in the Clarence Spring Roster which again highlights the impact the roster has had on the children.

We would be keen to speak with other regions about the possibility of running similar clustered rosters with the support of AASC and the local PCYC in that area.

Coach Development

During the year we developed (temporary) revamped level O & 1 courses in line with BA's upcoming implementation of the new coach education and development program. This includes delivery of "Basketball for Everyone" at the base junior (club) level. Held level O course Tasman DHS 13 high school students went off very well they will coach their primary school student teams.

CBDOs inclusion on the new BTas Participation & Development Commission will see many new opportunities arise to proactively source course participants as this is a main agenda item of that group.

Level O completed for Claremont College 12 participants.

Awaiting further developments from next BTas P@D meeting and 31/7 STBL "Be Part of the Solution" meeting to finesse future courses in conjunction with these bodies. LO and L1 courses completed for Clarence association in October.

We participated in BA education telecon 28/10 with BA national education manager and state representatives. Timelines set in place for the new year for delivery of illicit drugs training and development of new coaching syllabus.

Level 1 courses completed Launceston 19/11 and Smithton 27/11.

Met with STBL's coach development standing committee 22/11 and conclusion reached that the concept of wherever possible the linking of all coach/player development through access to the standard Tasmania National Pathway skills development curriculum is supported. This is an agenda item for discussion with the other two regional bodies.

Referee Development

Level O course ran at Kingborough sports stadium 27/3.

Meeting was had with Rodney Heartley President of the STBOA regarding the length and content of a level O referee course. We clarified the issues and have agreed the course should not take longer than 3 hours.

It was agreed that whenever STBOA or BTas received requests for courses they would refer to the other entity so as to ensure delivery of content remains consistent and for any mutual assistance.

Craig Taylor completed Level 1 referee coach's course to assist future delivery. Several names on BTas wait list have been directed to STBOA who are ran a course 8/10. This is hoped to engender further good relations with this group.

Conducted LO course at Queenstown 12/11.

Local official's associations are being prompted to push more at a regional level.

Manager Development

Completion of Regional Manager's Manual (an appendix to the Regional Handbooks) occurred during the year, and presented to respective u14 team managers in readiness for the upcoming national club championships.

Manager's Manual was also presented to BTas Board for feedback. In 2012 we are to develop a course based upon the manual's content.

This manual is work in progress and any contributions, thoughts or suggestions are most welcome.

Player Development

In-school sessions were held with students of Beaconsfield and Exeter primary schools 15/4.

Cosgrove High School availed of two sessions for some development training for students who have chosen to play basketball within their school structure.

Grenadiers u10/u12 skill's sessions were also attended.

Meeting held with Michael Haynes BA Community Basketball GM 19/5 re looking at greater involvement with AASC schools possibly leading to Aussie Hoops and new rosters.

Meeting held 3/6 with Chris Symons (then) chair of (proposed) GHBA rostering and grading sub-committee with the intention of furthering u10/u12 player opportunities and development, and ensuring a continued pathway from u14 to TIS level. This includes delivery of "Basketball for Everyone" at the base junior (club) level. An invite to clubs was to be progressed to form such sub-committee and provide a proposal to GHBA - subsequently STBL took on this role in conjunction with southern associations and formed the restructured Basketball Hobart Juniors.

Two clinics run with students from Claremont College to assist with the upcoming entry into state championships.

We attended Scottsdale community sports day 3/11.

We also attended North East community sports day at Bridport Primary School 3/11. St Helens DHS and Queenstown association offered free clinics - this as part of our focus on looking after outlying areas.

CBDO is available to assist coach and player development across the state.

Discussions were held with Reclink Australia to the view of providing disadvantaged children and adults the opportunity to become involved in our sport through training sessions and possible referee development.

The arrangements made with Reclink commenced 17/10 however were not well attended. We are reviewing this arrangement for 2012 offering 3 on 3 competition. Also in conjunction with Reclink Craig and BJ Radcliffe from Hobart Chargers visited local Risdon prison on a weekly basis to deliver basketball sessions.

Sports Medicine

We met with Susan McLeod of Sports Medicine Australia 3/5 with the view of commencing a program to initially assist regional u14 and state team managers in this area. SMA very keen to assist and provided some useful resource material for us to review and develop a pack for managers. The intention is to progress this to associations and clubs down the track.

Special Olympics

We attended gala day for wheelies and the intellectually disabled 9/4. Meetings with Lennon White of SO and Kevin Faulkner (wheelies) led to taking sessions at skills days around the state.

The skills days were a great success catering for over 150 ID children. These were supported by local SEABL imports. We also visited a higher needs school where participants were all in wheelchairs; great feedback from their carer's and school liaison Carolyn Richard.

We engaged in interaction with Ausrapid, Anglicare and Basketball Vic to the view of promoting IB championships 2012 for both men and women participation. Unfortunately the women did not get off the ground, we are working to have them participate in 2013 championships to be held in Tasmania.

Aussie Hoops style sessions conducted at Hobart PCYC and Elphin for over 20 ID children was a great hit.

High School Roster

18 southern high school teams commenced a roster 6/10 and all worked well - there had not been a roster for many years.

The roster was completed 1/12, feedback from schools was very positive, and we are embarking on similar term 1 2012.

No School No Play

Delivered BA's push on this to Jordan River Learning Federation (Bridgewater Senior School grades 9-12) 13/10. This in conjunction with BA's NSNP engagement officer; we also attended meetings with likely partners discussing sponsorship and resource allocation. Sessions to run in term 2 2012 aimed at "at risk" children, ie indigenous/underprivileged/not attending school.

Liaisons continue with BA's engagement officer re putting plans in place to extend program to other schools in third term 2012.

National Sport Volunteer Strategy

We attended 28/9 forum, brainstorming ideas and providing comment in respect to this Australian Sports Commission initiative around volunteer management primarily. 2012 we are looking to go out to associations with support material.

Basketball Tasmania President's report for 2011

It is my intention to give a short overview of the activities of Basketball Tas during 2011, please refer to the in depth report provided by General Manager David Scott for full details.

2011 has been a very satisfactory year for Basketball in Tasmania, with continued growth in our registration numbers covering now the primary, high school and college non registered participants as well as some great work being done by our affiliated members in all regions. Growth of numbers in the South has been instrumental in our excellent results with the North and Northwest maintaining numbers and small increases in some of their affiliates.

The overall performances of our top levels of basketball was satisfactory, with the State U/16 boys team being the standout with their 4th place in National championships setting the standard for future teams participating. Other high performance levels saw our TIS athletes, state development and now regional development athletes all achieve high standards and the performances of the other State junior teams reflected the hard work being done at this level.

TIS Head Coach Justin Schueller is to be congratulated for leading in this area and the regional coaches, network coaches and other people who make this all happened should also be recognised for their efforts and hard work. The one area of concern at this level is the current high costs for participants and their families, which is something that Basketball Tasmania will be addressing in our Country Cup/State Team discussion paper which will commence in March 2012. It is hoped we can come up with a formula whereby all players and families regardless of circumstance can achieve their dreams and reach the highest levels possible. We certainly do not want to lose players or let players or parents slip through because of excessive costs. We need to get this right.

I want to thank the three regions run under the auspices of the STBL, NTABA and NWBU for their control of regional basketball and the manner in which they support State and National programs. It is of great benefit to Basketball Tasmania to have the structure we currently enjoy.

The development area of our game is most important and the regional Under 12 and 14 programs are great stepping stones for introduction to higher levels and putting your name up for future reference. We must continue to grow in these areas.

I would also like to congratulate and thank Lyn Butt and the Technical Officials Commission which has responsibility for referees, scoretable officials and statisticians. Without them our game does not operate. Also thanks to Julie Thomas and her Competitions Commission for the running of State programmes and much more. Also Andree Greenwood and the new Participation and Development Commission, which is being fine-tuned numbers wise, but has important roles to play covering the State Team Officials Selection Panel and player and coaching areas and will only grow and have a significant input to better Tasmanian Basketball in the future.

Thank you also to the remaining Board Members Tim Leedham, Sally Keeley and Helen Oakman for their work and input and to the members of the BTas Council for the control and guidance of basketball in the State.

I want to thank and congratulate David Scott of the professional manner not only in doing his job, but in the way he is able to listen to all regions, treats everybody equally and certainly has the best interest of basketball in this state as his first priority. His connection with BA and the other states is very strong and well received by his peers. Thank you to all the other members of the BTas staff and to our Aurora and Aussie Hoops presenters for all the hard work and hours that you put in.

Thank you also to the State Government through Sport and Recreation Tasmania and the TIS. Sincere thanks also to Aurora Energy P/L for its continued support of the Aurora Basketball in Schools Program and to other corporate sponsors and all that assist in presenting basketball in Tasmania.

In conclusion we must continue to fine-tune our delivery, whether that be in development programs, state team programs, regional competition and local domestic programs.

Finally, my appreciation of our volunteers who collectively make sure basketball in Tasmania is enjoyed by all, is affordable to all and entertaining to all.

Lou Cox
PRESIDENT, BASKETBALL TASMANIA

Basketball Tasmania Registration and Membership Statistics 2011

To see the 2011 membership statistics with gender and age-groups broken down to individual association level, please follow this link:

- [State Totals, NWBU, STBL, NTABA and individual North Western, Southern and Northern Associations.](#) Note that State and North West are under one tab and South and North under the other.

TASMANIAN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
01 JANUARY 2011 TO 31 DECEMBER 2011

RECEIPTS

2010 (\$)		2011 (\$)
7974.02	Balance brought forward 1 January 2011	6872.09
53000.00	Tasmanian Government (SRT) Sports Development Grants	53000.00
37022.30	Basketball Australia/ASC Grants	66000.06
5750.00	Employment Subsidies	6750.00
32000.00	Commercial Subsidies	37371.05
9199.48	Equipment Sales	11472.05
76138.96	Course/Participant Fees	64757.77
205937.61	Player Registrations	220429.99
3681.74	Association Affiliations	4090.83
31725.27	Player Contribution - Camps (Contra)	104895.43
36504.26	Amex/Airline Accounts etc Recoveries (Contra)	36801.26
736.25	Bank Interest, Credit Card Surcharge	397.58
29484.66	Conduct of Events	30276.17
22500.00	Temporary Cash Advances from Regional Councils	0.00
58467.85	Contra Account	43500.00
2788.00	Sundries	3210.00
52369.73	GST Collected	63420.95
665280.13		753245.23
	PAYMENTS	
30072.84	National Affiliation Fees	30780.50
3740.19	National Meetings	1738.53
123151.96	Operational Expenses, incl Admin Salaries & On-Costs	126875.76
109160.08	Tech Staff Expenses, incl Salaries & On-Costs	126954.97
1000.00	President's Honorarium	1000.00
35483.94	Insurance	31352.19
3156.28	State Meeting Expenses	3616.74
663.27	Commission Expenses	935.73
657.14	Staff/Board Professional Development	190.91
19635.79	State Teams	28730.68
94459.37	Player Development	63222.01
407.23	Referee Development	2536.37
1443.82	Coach Development	1258.74
40099.96	Player Costs - Camps (Contra)	92007.77
6138.79	Stock Purchases (for Resale)	2653.00
44750.01	Amex/Airlines Accounts for Recovery (Contra)	51868.12
1912.72	Bank Fees	1110.14
25344.49	Conduct Events	25292.36
360.00	Police Checks	405.00
0.00	Repayment of Temp Cash Advances from Regional Councils	22500.00
60954.31	Contra Account	45930.00
2495.60	Sundries	5228.64
36342.25	GST - Input Tax Credits	39426.97
19979.00	GST - Net Paid to Australian Taxation Office	20748.00
6872.09	Balance carried forward 31 December 2011	26882.10
673605.64		753245.23

Lou Cox
PRESIDENT

David Scott
GENERAL MANAGER

TASMANIAN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION INC
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

FUNDS

	Total funds as at 31 December 2011	\$20696.12
(\$4976.52)		

REPRESENTED BY:

Current Assets

6872.09	Cash at Bank	26882.10	
9058.34	Stock on Hand	20755.01	
<u>22350.18</u>	Debtors	<u>32826.59</u>	
<u>38280.61</u>		<u>80463.70</u>	

Less Current Liabilities

49825.25	Creditors	66737.68	
(11544.64)			13726.02

Investments

12414.12	Provisions Account	13790.10	
10030.00	Less: Provision for LS Leave	<u>11700.00</u>	
<u>2384.12</u>			2090.10

Fixed Assets (at cost)

4775.00	Office Equipment	5695.00	
<u>9585.00</u>	Other Equipment	<u>10179.00</u>	
14360.00		15874.00	
<u>10176.00</u>	<u>Less Accumulated Depreciation</u>	10994.00	
4184.00			4880.00

NET ASSETS

<u>(\$4976.52)</u>	<u>(LIABILITIES)</u>	<u>\$20696.12</u>
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Lou Cox
PRESIDENT

David Scott
GENERAL MANAGER

BASKETBALL TASMANIA

COMPETITIONS COMMISSION REPORT 2011

During 2011 The Commission met at Longford with representatives from all Regions. Angela Ashcroft as Secretary has worked hard over the past year and as such I would like to thank her for all of her assistance. During 2011 we have as a commission worked as a group to attempt to achieve the following:

- Amended Rules & Regulations for State Championships were addressed again and finalised and have now been completed and are forwarded to each Association conducting the event on our behalf
- Ball sizes for Tournaments were again discussed and it has been decided that size 5 ball for under 10's, size 6 for all girls, all U12's and U14 boys and the remaining boys will use a size 7 ball.
- Division 2 State Schools Championships were not held, as per the previous decision by the Commission's recommendation for 2010 that due to financial reasons this event was not financially viable.
- The introduction in Under 14 State Championships of 2 Division 1 Teams from the North & the same from the South introduced in 2010, continued to create issues however the Commission stood by their policy and the State Championships were successful in 2011. When faced with the issue of less than 2 teams competing, the Commission was adamant to associations that the rules could not be changed. By sticking with our policy, this prevented any issue becoming a major problem. It was proven that the decision made by the commission was fair state-wide, the Commission were united in the decision made to reiterate our policy.

Thank you to all the regions for hosting State Championships & Regional events during 2011. The assistance of all assures us of successful Championships.

Without the tireless work of David Scott for liaising with the respective Associations prior to and at times during events the Championships would not be conducted to the high standard that they are. Frustrating I am sure is the word especially as teams are known to withdraw at the last moment. The Commission would like to thank you for your continuing hard work. David has shown great passion for junior basketball and without his continued input and support, I am not sure events like Championships would be as successful as they are.

To the Commission Regional Representatives, Raelene Salter, Gina Hills, Lyn Butt & Annette Lutwyche, Kim Rainbird, Julie Doran and Angela Ashcroft thank you for your hard work in the past 12 months and especially the support you have given me as I have endeavoured to attend as many Championships as possible.

We look forward to 2012 being productive for Tasmanian Basketball and successful in all facets.

Julie-Anne Thomas
Commissioner
Competitions Commission

BASKETBALL TASMANIA TECHNICAL OFFICIALS COMMISSION

2011 REPORT

This year started with the annual Tri-Action day which was held in Launceston. It was a large turnout which was very pleasing to see and Tim Mills also addressed the group in his role as SEABL referee commissioner.

Australian Championships:

It is pleasing to see our referee's continuing to develop and performing well at National Championships and other Tournaments this year.

AIS Camp: Will Hunt, Chris Ellis & Bob Jago (Referee Coach)

Under 20: Andrew Johnson (Men's Bronze Medal Game) & David Farmers (Women's Bronze Medal Match)

Ivor Burge: Jason Featherstone

Under 18: Chris Ellis (Women's Gold Medal Game), Maree French, Cameron Whiteley (Men's Bronze Medal Game), Aaron Clements

Under 16: Jake Doyer & Will Hunt

Under 14 Boys: Hannah Martin, James Westwood

Under 14 Girls: Ben Tyeson & Joe Lade

College: Joe Lade, Ronnel Riggs

We were also able to send referees inter state to other tournaments and this has given some of our referees added exposure and experience.

Four referees were given the opportunity to attend the Country Cup held in Albury. They were: Will Hunt, James Westwood, Joe Lade and Ronnel Riggs, and I'm sure they all learnt quite a bit from this education given. It is highly recommended that referee's and a referee coach attend the country cup and not to the Zebra Tour for future years. It should be noted that in 2012 we will be required to send eight referees and two referee coaches to Country Cup.

As part of the NRDP program Will Hunt, Chris Ellis and Bob Jago (referee coach) attended the AIS Camp and these referees did very well in an unusual environment of 3 people officiating and the exposure to a much higher level of competition.

State Championships:

All the events seemed to run smoothly, however the lack of intermediate officials attending these events continues to be of a concern and SEABL referees have been required to referee some games instead of referee coaching. We continue to encourage others to travel out of their region and comfort zone to improve their officiating, but referees find it hard to give up a weekend of work to referee for the payment they receive compared to working. I strongly urge the Competitions Commission to look at the payment schedules and incentives for our up and coming referee's.

Our U/14 Regional play off's continue to attract more referee's than required, which is exciting to see so many young referee's trying out for 4 spots to the Australian Club Championships. It's really encouraging to see everyone developing each year and challenge the next level of referee's. The U/12 Regional group are now looking to grasp the opportunity to step up and be counted. The hard work Stephen McLaren, Andrew Bradshaw and Bruce Ellis and Andrew Johnson put in to these groups every year is just outstanding and I'm sure the referee's value from the experience passed on. I'm already looking forward to seeing some more new smiling faces attend the regional play off's and Australian Championships next year.

Referee Coaches:

An emphasis needs to be placed on recruiting more referee coaches state wide. This will achieve two main outcomes;

- a) Strengthen the education that is available for referees at all levels of the game,
- b) Give Basketball Tasmanian a wider base, in terms of young, enthusiastic referees to draw from.
- c) It was pleasing to see the number of referees that did the referee coach course in Hobart.

State Courses:

Successful referee clinics and courses have been held in all regions and this needs to continue for them to further develop and progress to higher levels.

Score table courses have been held this year and each region is looking at new ways to encourage more people to undertake this thankless task.

It continues to be difficult to attract statisticians and we are looking at perhaps focusing on obtaining more teenagers to have a go in the coming year.

General:

2011 saw the retirement of the state's most experienced and respected referees. Tony Webb retired from all national and local leagues after amassing over 100 NBL matches, over 350 SEABL matches (for which he still holds the record for most SEABL matches ever officiated) and more than 800 NWBU games (also a record). As Tony leaves refereeing, hopefully more of our referees will be given the same opportunities to excel as he has done otherwise the ramifications are potentially catastrophic.

Our other elite referees Stephen McLaren, Martin Parker, Chris Ellis and Andrew Bradshaw continue to perform well at SEABL level and their professionalism and support they give to the other panel members Matthew Jago, Andrew Johnson Cameron Whitely and David Farmers is to be commended. This year saw a few new faces on the SEABL panel which included Ronnel Riggs, Aaron Clements, Peter Hodgetts and Maree French. Steve is hoping to add two more to the women's panel.

Challenges we face this year will be encouraging new referees all around the State as numbers are low.

Trying to get referees to travel and give up one day for Action Day so we can all get together at least once a year.

Getting volunteers to do score table and Stats Courses we will have to do courses this year as we have a National Championship in 2013 and need more people trained up..

I would like to thank Stephen McLaren, Andrew Bradshaw and Bruce Ellis and Andrew Johnson for their continued support and time they give to improve the standard of officiating in Tasmania. The countless hours they spend behind the scenes are very much appreciated. Thanks to all the score table people and statisticians who volunteer their time every year to keep our games running smoothly.

I'd also like to thank Basketball Tasmania for the ongoing support they give to our commission, therefore allowing our officials to further their knowledge and develop to higher levels.

We look forward to the challenges 2012 brings.

Technical Officials Commission
Commissioner
Lyn Butt

Basketball Tasmania - Participation and Development

Annual Board Report – 2011

The Participation and Development Commission had its inaugural meeting in July 2011 with its newly elected members representing each region and Basketball Tasmania. Due to the constitutional requirements currently the Commission is made up of 18 members with only 8 being able to attend this first commission meeting.

It was evident from this meeting and confirmed by the General Manager in attendance that the Participation and Development Commission just about covers everything that Basketball Tasmania does currently. It was recognised and agreed that due to size and content of the Commission's business a Terms of Reference and the Commission's priorities needed to be formalised. In summary the following functions were identified.

- To advance the development of quality coaching across Tasmania.
- To create a Coaching Development framework for Tasmanian Basketball Coaches.
- To identify, discuss principles and prioritise core learning areas and create the framework to implement this development framework.
- To assist in identifying junior and female and male basketball athletes throughout Tasmania from 14-17 years of age.
- To identify a network of coaches throughout Tasmania (Regional and State) to work with and deliver the State and Regional Development Program (ex NITP) to identified athletes.
- To improve, develop and advance these coaches particularly their expertise in delivering technically applied coaching competencies.
- Introduce a Statewide Senior and u23 League/tri-series.
- Co-ordinate the selection of State team coaches and personnel and provide consistent and transparent policy to coaches, athletes and parents.
- The implementation and distribution of the State Team Handbook for athletes and parents.

Subsequent failed attempts to organise two further P&D meetings revealed the problem of the current structure being much too big and unnecessarily cutting across other Commissions under the Basketball Tasmania Board. It was also felt, from the first commission meeting that the major focus area for the Participation and Development Commission for Basketball Tasmania should be Coaching and player development. Player development to cover elite development and also participation development (expansion).

The constitutional changes proposed will reduce the membership by almost half to 9 and will primarily consist of

The office bearers – Commissioner and Secretary (2)

One coach and one player (currently or recently retired) from each region (6)

One member of Basketball Tasmania's Participation and Development Staff (1).

In summary, the Participation and Development Commission's identified primary role has previously been the responsibility of the State Head Coach and General Manager with limited/minimal external input, future planning, written and consistent guidelines and processes. It was felt that the Commission's valuable resources and personnel were not utilised this year and therefore the regions were not represented in decisions as they should of been. Consequently this meant exclusion in the communication and planning of Basketball Tasmania's 2011/2012 programs, policies and appointments which sits logically in the P& D Commission's portfolio and responsibilities. It is anticipated that the proposed constitutional changes and reduction of members to the commission for 2012 will make a difference, by being able to meet on a regular basis with a required quorum, and therefore using the commission for the purpose it is intended. The 2012

Commission's objective is to work co-operatively with Basketball Tasmania staff, being more pro-active in developing new, or enhancing existing coaching and player programs within Tasmania.

On a more positive note and from speaking to many of our members throughout the regions the Commission's role and intentions have been overwhelmingly well received and anticipate much further action and active progress will continue. It is my hope and intention to continue in the role as Commissioner and to progress further the integral role and objectives of the Basketball Tasmania's Participation and Development Commission in 2012.

Andree Greenwood
Participation and Development Commissioner
Basketball Tasmania 2011

February 2012

SOUTHERN TASMANIAN BASKETBALL LEAGUE
PRESIDENT'S REPORT
FEBRUARY 2012

2011 has been a huge year for the STBL with tremendous progress being made in becoming more united and dedicated to working together for the benefit of all. It started with the Strategic Planning meeting in July 2010 where we received a very clear message from Associations and Clubs as to where we should be putting our attention and resources. The Board of Management took these messages on board and presented papers for discussion at a meeting of stakeholders that we called "Be A Part of the Solution – Not A Part Of The Problem" held on 31 July 2011, very professionally facilitated by Michael Haynes of Basketball Australia. This meeting was very united and supportive providing clear direction to the Board of Management which has taken on board, and acted upon, the messages given.

The first outcome progressed was the establishment of the STBL Communication and Stakeholder Engagement Plan setting a platform for good communication between the STBL and the Leagues, Associations and Clubs in Southern Tasmania, and with this now in place we should see all stakeholders being fully conversant with the various developments in Basketball across Southern Tasmania.

The next step was to establish STBL Standing Committees as a direct link between the various sectors of our sport and the STBL. These Committees are chaired by STBL BOM personnel but the members of the Committee are key members of Associations and Clubs, so that all views are able to be presented, considered, and by general consensus taken forward to the STBL for consideration – thus providing a much closer liaison between us all. These Standing Committees mirror Basketball Tasmania's set up of having Commissions and are to address the issues identified as being high priority at the 31 July meeting.

We have three **Standing Committees**:

- **Competition Standing Committee** chaired by Angela Ashcroft. Through the excellent cooperation of Greater Hobart Basketball Association (GHBA) and City of Clarence Basketball Association (CCBA) and their associated clubs, real progress is being made towards achieving a Basketball Hobart Junior roster for this year.

This is an exciting development and the STBL looks forward to observing where this may eventually lead. The goodwill of the CCBA and GHBA to this process has been instrumental in the progress made to date and they are to be complimented and thanked for their positive approach and involvement.

- **Coach and Development Standing Committee** under Chair Tim Leedham. This Committee handled the touchy issue of Chargers Development Squads playing in the SBL roster and the question of whether or not to have a Division 3 roster was resolved by agreeing to replace Division 3 Senior Men with an Under 23 Roster.

Getting junior rosters running on the Western side of the river and another at Brighton in a similar fashion to CCBA are further aims of this Committee. Tim is now considering whether to recommend splitting this Committee in two – Junior Participation Standing Committee to resolve the junior rosters at Brighton, the Western Shore and possibly assisting New Norfolk with theirs and another Standing Committee involving Coaches and how we can tap into their expertise and coordinate the way we develop our sport in Southern Tasmania – this has the potential to be a huge factor in how we are to move forward from a coaching perspective.

The STBL believes it is important that juniors are all taught agreed basic

fundamentals at the different age groups so that as the players progress through the age groups so too do their basic skills e.g. Coaches at say U16's should have players up to a certain standard and not spend time holding back their other team members to coach those that do not have the skills required at that level. By the time players are ready for the Chargers Development Squad they should all have the basic fundamentals required at that level. Tim also chaired a meeting between the STBL, Chargers, and Basketball Tasmania so that all parties would be acquainted with the new Basketball Tasmania State and Regional Development programs.

- **Officials Standing Committee** chaired by Glenn Shaw. This committee provides a two way flow of information between referees, bench officials, statisticians and the STBL. It is hoped that through this committee further progress will be made in development, training and coaching of officials with the ultimate aim of increasing the number and qualification of all officials in Southern Tasmania. This will ultimately increase our number of qualified officials to National and SEABL standard. Like players, the greater the number, the more that will rise to top and that's got to be good for the sport.

The STBL is optimistic that these Standing Committees will provide the mechanism to further unite our sport, so that Governments, Councils and the Community will no longer be able to ignore us.

Paid Administrator:

One of the priority issues to come out of the "Be a Part of the Solution – Not a Part of the Problem" meeting was the need for a paid Administrator to take some of the workload off our volunteers and to address issues that are not currently being addressed because of the heavy load carried by our volunteers.

The STBL BOM agonised over this issue for a long time before concluding that rather than employing an Administrator, because our income is insufficient to sustain such a person, we would contract specific tasks that need to be progressed and which are not being done at present. The BOM see this as a way of also helping support the Chargers as their personnel are capable of managing some of the tasks that we have identified as requiring attention e.g. establishing an U10 roster on the Western Shore, progressing a junior roster in the Brighton area, progressing the Chargers/STBL Academy in partnership with the Regional Development Programme. The STBL is hopeful that by contracting out specific tasks real progress will be made in developing the sport while at the same time assisting the Chargers remain viable and competitive by providing contract jobs that their key personnel can undertake for us.

U23 Rosters:

The STBL supported the expansion of the U23 roster and included women for the first time. These rosters, the men managed by Nick Webb and Andrew Hannaford, and the women managed by Andree Greenwood and Babs Robinson, were extremely successful and saw many younger players taking to the court with more experienced players. The major difference for most players was participating in a roster where the teams were not club based, but chosen so as to form teams of even strength/ability. It was clearly evident from the start, that the vast majority of players saw this as a positive and were keen to improve their individual and team skills against teams of similar strength. It brought out the best of their competitiveness, often against their good friends, and they appeared to enjoy every minute of it. The women's roster also used this as training ground for Referees, and to give players experience in coaching, bench and Statistician duties.

Hobart Chargers:

The close link between the STBL and The Chargers continues to strengthen. The most recent and exciting strategic development in Southern Tasmania has been the development of a strategic alliance between the STBL and Hobart Chargers. The STBL and Chargers are developing an agreement that unites the two major groups but still allows them to operate autonomously but to also combine the efforts of both groups that will see for the first time a whole of basketball unified body in Southern Tasmania. This development should have significant benefits when discussing and canvassing support of State and Local Government.

The STBL and Chargers have again joined together to tender for the National U20 and Ivor Burge Championships to be held in February 2013.

The STBL brokered a change for the SBL roster to come under the auspices of the Chargers, thus completing the requirements necessary for the Chargers to qualify for a proposed National Development League that is to replace the SEABL.

Benefits from this closer alliance will be immediately evident when, commencing 2012, the STBL representative teams will be called "Hobart Chargers" at State and National Championships and we have applied to have them play in the Chargers colours. This closer relationship will build Basketball's exposure and will bring great benefit to us all.

Junior Development Programs:

This year saw very successful u12 and u14 programs in the south of the state. Our U12 boys and girls had the good fortune to be coached by Craig Taylor whose expertise was clearly demonstrated in the impressive improvement they made during the program. This is an area that we aim to focus on for without the basics being taught correctly we are not going to be able to develop our junior talent to their full potential.

Our U14 Boys program was coached by Andrew Hannaford, Nick Webb and Matt Cooke. Again the improvement throughout this group of boys was excellent. Lack of height we can't do much about, but we can and did definitely improve our skills and intensity. A group of boys travelled to the Nunawading tournament and were very successful.

Our U14 girls proved that hard work pays off and they qualified for the National U14's again. Willy Joseph was head coach with Brad Simmons as his assistant. Both the girls and the boys played in the local U16 competitions to help prepare them for the more intense games that they were to face. Once again this has proven to be a success.

The STBL owes a huge amount of thanks to all our coaching staff for their time and dedication to the program.

State and Southern Championships:

In 2011 the south ran the Southern Primary Schools and the Southern High Schools Championships. This was the first year that the Southern High Schools combined male and female athletes in both division 1 and 2 over the same weekend. This resulted in long days, but gave our athletes the opportunity to watch others.

The STBL also hosted the State Primary Schools, the Tasmanian U14 Championships and the College Championships. Scorebench proved to be a challenge for the College Championships as the tournament was scheduled on the same weekend as the AFL Grand Final. Overall all our tournaments progressed smoothly, due to the great team we have, who work together to utilise our strengths.

Warrane Stadium:

To assist Basketball Tasmania through a difficult financial position the STBL offered to up-grade its office space at Warrane stadium to provide Basketball Tasmania with more space and at a much lower cost. The upgrade has improved the amenity considerably and we hope the staff at Basketball Tasmania is pleased with their new home.

We have also started on upgrading the dressing rooms and toilets - long overdue, and we have plans to upgrade the backboards and provide more shooting rings around the perimeter of the court to assist with training.

The BOM comprised:

- elected members: Vice President Mandy Finlayson, Angela Ashcroft, Catherine Mallett and Tim Leedham
- Co-Opted Members: Glenn Shaw and Kim Rainbird
- Appointed Members: Ivan King (CCBA President), and Brett Johnstone (Chargers Board Member and now their new President).

This has not been a "Yes" BOM – they have stated their opinions and have been open to alternative views. They have all contributed generously, often giving alternative views, but all contributing for the betterment of Southern Basketball. Especially pleasing, is that they all listened, considered and debated the various views put forward without getting up tight or making it personal. I believe I am right in saying that by this open and frank discussing of issues we were able to resolve matters amicably, even though probably each of us changed our view on different aspects after listening to the debates. They have truly been a great team to work with and I thank them sincerely for their invaluable contributions.

Kevin Baddiley
7 February, 2012

NTABA Presidents Report 2011

It is with pleasure I write this report for 2011. I have enjoyed working with a group of people who are here for basketball and do the things that no one else wants to. By getting a little extra money this year our under 12's will have new tops to play in.

Highlights for 2011

Having Two referee Courses and Score table course.

Our under 14 boys conducted themselves very well at Nationals on and off the court and did us proud.

Our under 12 program has seen a lot of budding players coming through and we hope this continues.

Our under 14 program has started for 2012 and the coaching staff are just about to do the cut to get ready for camp and regional play off's we wish them well. But the girls program is very low on numbers; we might not have enough for two teams and we need to look at why.

Our under 12 girl's program has started but we have been unable to find a suitable coach for the boy's but still working on it.

Thank you for the co-operation of our member associations Deloraine, Scottsdale, Baptists, Launceston Seniors and Launceston Juniors but in particular Launceston Juniors. Without their continued support our juniors would not have the opportunity to play regional or state championships which shows their commitment to basketball in the north.

Thank you to the delegates who give up there time to come to the meetings.

To Basketball Tasmania for there ongoing support to NTABA.

I would like to thank the regional coaches and staff for their time and effort.

To Adele Styles for the score table courses to Andrew Bradshaw and Andrew Johnson for Referee Courses and working with our referees through out the season and have offered to do so again in 2012.

Referees and NTBRA - we need to work on more volunteers to keep this going and to work on getting more referees in the North and referee coach's courses.

I would like to thank the executive for continued support for basketball. A special thank you to Mr Heath Butt for his tireless effort working for basketball on the Elphin board and seeing basketball is looked after and the Coaches Panel. To Julie Thomas for being the Northern Coordinator for Aussie Hoops to Annette for her work in all areas of basketball and support in what ever she is asked to do.

In 2012 we have Referee and score table courses at the end of February and we will have coaches and ongoing courses as needed.

Once again let's not lose sight of what we are here for to make basketball a success in the North.

Lyn Butt
President NTABA

North West Basketball Union President's Annual Report 2010-2011

The North West Basketball Union has completed the 2010/11 year in fine style, with a strong roster in both men's and women's divisions, followed by an exciting final series, which were well supported by the basketball public. The roster and finals displayed the professional, competitive nature of our roster and was a credit to all eight clubs.

Congratulations to Wynyard men and Ulverstone women's teams on winning the grand finals, and to the runners-up Ulverstone and Devonport, I am sure you will be there in the finals next year.

Both grand finals had the spectators thoroughly engrossed in the contest, and were a true show case for our game on the coast.

Well done to all the trophy winners, merit certificate, service to basketball certificate and new Life Members who complimented the annual dinner with their awards. Trudy Pearce and Tony Webb thoroughly deserved their life member's awards.

The under 22 roster is working very well, with all clubs providing competitive teams, and another avenue for players to show their skills. We should experience a great final series during November in this roster.

Congratulations go to both North West Regional under 14 teams who displayed they were capable of mixing it with the best in Australia, by finishing 10th (Girls) and 12th (Boys) respectively out of a 24 team competition. Both end results were a true reflection on how the North West junior programs are working and a credit to the coaching staff of both teams. Well done both groups and we hope for similar results next year.

Whilst on the junior programmes, the North West Basketball Union Junior Board led by Gina Hills has completed very successful junior rosters, in U/12, U/14, U/16 and U/18 grades, culminating with a magnificent display of finals. It was a great credit to all clubs on the number of teams in the rosters, and the manner in which they were presented.

I want to thank the tribunal for being available, although not required, we appreciate the fact that you are willing to assist.

Thanks again to Scott and Suzy Wilson for again delivering the website in a professional way and look forward to venturing into the future with Facebook.

The North West Basketball Union Referee's panel had a much better year than previously, although one small problem during finals did not help their cause. I felt the standard of refereeing during the roster was more than acceptable, and once things were resolved during the finals, they finished the year in style. Congratulations to all the referee's that made up the S.E.A.B.L panel, led by Tony Webb, who has set a magnificent example for all referee's to follow.

The North West Thunder programme under the presidency of Gerry Callander has worked diligently off the court to provide a sound financial year, whilst on the court the team did not finish the year as they would have liked. Suspensions, injury and the loss of key players left the team relying on just a few, with Shawntees Gary and Nick Haywood being stand-outs. I am sure Coach Phil Thomas will have the team fired-up next year.

I want to thank Sally for her outstanding work as G.M. She always has the North West Basketball Union ticking over beautifully and her rapport and co-operation with all the clubs make the North West Basketball Union the strong progressive body it is. Robert Bourke has been an excellent financial advisor during 2010/11, keeping our finances under control, putting us in a very healthy position, so that I believe, we can distribute a dividend to the clubs again this year.

To Margaret Nothrop, who liaises with the referee's, runs score-bench officials and sits on the North West Basketball Union executive, my thanks for your support and work during 2010/11.

To Martin Parker and Chris Ellis for your work in leading the referee's during the year, I hope the ref's can have a strong leadership group next year.

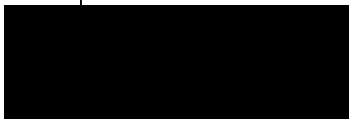
Overall this year has shown the North West Basketball Union to be a strong body, able to react quickly if things go off course, also being able to adjust to meet the needs of our S.E.A.B.L teams, sometimes to our own detriment, so let's hope we can all get on board for another great year and a Saturday night grand final.

Thank you to the club delegates, for your work at club level, at North West Basketball Union board meetings and I look forward to working with you all again next year.

L.A Cox
Chairman



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