

From the General Manager's Desk – Mark Rogers

Welcome to 2018

Welcome to the 2018 Basketball year. It has already been a busy time with players, coaches and administrators away in Australia at the Australian Country Cup. This event is an elite event and only one of two Basketball Australia promote that is not part of their national programmes. Congratulations to all involved.

On a National level, BBNZ have announced the venues for the two Tall Black world cup qualifiers. It is great to see one of these in the Bay (Rotorua on 28th June). We have also had a player involved in the NZ under 17 women's trails. The team picked from this camp will go to Minsk (Bela Russia) in July. We host our first BBNZ event of the year with the 3x3 Secondary School nationals over 22 to 24 March.

Locally our Under 15, under 13 and Under 11 representative programme starts this Sunday (11th February) and our development programme commences the week after. Please see later in this newsletter for more information. Term one competitions are either started or are starting in the next two weeks, please check the website for information on all our leagues.

Also of interest to TCBA locally is the discussions underway about the future of TECT. You will see a very basic summary of the discussion later in the newsletter. TECT have been a great supporter of TCBA and the potential for their funds available for grants trebling as soon as 2019 could be great for our community. I urge all Trustpower consumers to read the information below and on their website and have your say in the debate.

Yours in Basketball.

Mark Rogers

Congratulations to the following players for their selection to BBP Koru tour.

Mariah Gardener-Hano, Hayley Morgan, Rangikahiwi Cooney, Hayley Dawson, Anahera Palmer, Tayla Taupaki, Sienna Taikato, Katilyn Morrell, Briarley Rogers, Landen Monks, Kameo Wagner, Seth Whinney, Kaia Berrigde, Max Cosgriff, Trevel Gardiner-Hano, Haamiora Joseph, Miringiwai Gardiner.

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Also, to our two referees, Darcy Hika Munroe and Tamatea Bennett

U11, U13 & U15 Representative Trials

The trials for these age groups will be held at QEYC on Sunday 11th February. See below link for details and information on how to register.

http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/media/1235/2018-flyer-rep-trials-u11-u15.pdf



Jamboree 2017

In November we had eight players head off to Australia with the BBP Jamboree. Players spent 3 days in Albury before heading down to Melbourne for another 3 days of action packed basketball.





Changes to TECT Funding

The TECT Trustees believe now is the right time to look at how TECT can be future-proofed and as such have put a proposal to TECT consumers for consultation.

- The proposal is:
 - TECT will transfer its assets to the TECT Charitable Trust which will solely be a provider of grants for community groups.
 - From 2019 there would be three times more funding available for community initiatives and groups
 - The TECT cheque would change
 - TECT Consumers receive a one-off \$2,500 payment in 2018 (equivalent of 5 years of TECT Cheques), as well as five more years of TECT cheques worth approximately \$360 each year
 - That's about 10 more year's worth of cheques
 - From 2023 there would be no more TECT Cheques
- The proposal is a good balance of the interests of TECT's Consumers today, with the interests of tomorrow's community.
- Consumers have until 1 March 2018 to provide TECT with feedback
- Based on the feedback TECT Trustees will then put a final proposal to TECT Consumers in April to vote on.

For more information see the below link to TECT'S webpage: <u>http://www.tect.org.nz/tect-proposal-2018</u>

U17 & U19 Representative Trials

We held our 2018 Representative Trials in November 2017 to allow our older teams more preparation time and to align with other zonal associations. It was a fantastic large turnout of trialists especially in our U19 Men group. Our squads then went on to participate in a three-week programme before being named into teams. Training for these teams will commence again in early February.







Midnight Madness 2017

What an evening, basketball, wacky customers, basketball, pizza/fizzy/ice creams/lollies, basketball, prizes, basketball, fun/laughter/music and of course some more basketball.....



TCBA 2017 First Picks



The Pink team having a pre-evening sugar rush



Some of the fun of the evening

Venue Controllers Wanted

We are looking for enthusiastic sensible people to help run our Leagues in the evenings. Would suit parent or mature student.

http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/news/expressi ons-of-interest-for-venue-controllers

Walking Basketball

Following on from 2017 we are once again, offering Walking Basketball at ASB on a Thursday Morning starting Thursday 1st February at 9.30am.

Navigators

See our Term 1 Navigators flyer http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/development/navigators

Leagues 2018

Our Summer Primary league start Monday February 19th February. This year we will be adding Little League to our Primary Summer and Spring Leagues. For draws, results, information and photos please check out our webpage or our Facebook page: <u>http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/</u>

https://www.facebook.com/taurangacitybasketballassociation2.0/

http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/media/1176/walking-basketball-flyer-feb-2018.pdf

Join us on Facebook to see our up-coming events

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