

## PAKENHAM

BASKETBALL  
Newsletter

May 2026

## From the President

Well, it seems as though the year is flying as we hit the end of May!

Firstly, to any new members to Pakenham Basketball domestic program, whether a player, coach or parent, Welcome. We hope you are excited for some winter basketball!

It is great to see the Junior Warriors team's enjoy some success throughout the VJBL season, with many strong performances so far this season! It is also great to be able to have all teams back training at Cardinia Life on a Sunday morning. It definitely gives the stadium a buzz!

Our Big V teams continue to represent the club proudly, delivering some big results throughout the season so far. It has been exciting to sign some new players in Clare Camac and Harry Love, as well as welcome Grace Graham back to the Women's team!

The club would again like to thank Aron Pantano for the work he put in with the Championship Men's team. We wish Aron all the best for the future.

And, as we head towards the middle part of the year, planning for the next season of JCC, CBL and VJBL is beginning to get underway! Keep an eye out for details coming soon.

## Domestic

We are well into the regular season of our Winter Domestic competition now! It has been great to see so many teams return for another season of basketball, throughout both our Junior and Senior competitions.

Thank you to all Grade Secretaries, who assisted in our Winter grading process. We appreciate the extra hours you spent at the stadium throughout the first 4 weeks of the season! We also want to thank all of the clubs for their contributions to the grading process.

We are excited to see the growth and improvement that is bound to come from this next season of basketball!

## WHAT'S COMING UP!

## Important Dates

June 6-8

- Kings Birthday Long Weekend

June 30

- u12's & u14's Warriors Elite Camp

July 6

- Beginner Basketball Camp
- Domestic Basketball Camp

July 9

- u12's Shooting School
- u14's Shooting School
- u16's & u18's Pro Workout



## Holiday Camps

With only about 4 weeks until the Term 2 school holidays begin, it's time to start booking into those beloved school holiday activities! You don't have to look far though, because we have you covered!

We have 7 camps running between June 30<sup>th</sup> - July 9<sup>th</sup>, including our under 12's & u14's Warriors Elite Camp, Beginners basketball camp, Domestic basketball camp, u12's and u14's Shooting School, and u16's and u18's Pro Workout!

Head to our facebook page for more details on how to book in!

## Big V

### Youth League

Our Victorian Youth Championship Teams are well over half way through the season.

Our Youth Women currently sit with 2 wins, however continue to see improvements week after week. The women gave Dandenong a scare at home in round 9, sticking right with the Rangers until the last quarter. The Youth Women welcome Diamond Valley to Cardinia Life in round 12, hoping to make the most of that home court advantage!

Our Youth Men added to their win tally in round 9, beating Hume City by 6 points at home, with Mitchell Zeunert finishing with 19 points and 13 rebounds. The men meet Diamond Valley in round 12, at Cardinia Life.

## Warriors

It feels as though we've only just started our VJBL Season, but we are flying through it as we enter the second half of VJBL26!

It has been fantastic to see all of the game results come through on our Friday VJBL facebook post, so keep them coming!

Congratulations to all players that have been awarded a GYG Award. There has been a strong theme of effort, attitude and perseverance with these award winners so far, which as a club we love to see! Keep up the great work!

Don't forget to visit our merchandise shop to stock up on the winter woolies for those cold stadium nights!

### Championship

Our Championship Men and Women's are both currently sitting within the top half of their respective ladders as we move into the second half of their seasons.

Our Championship Women have been enjoying some on court success, getting wins against Bellarine, Bulleen and Warrnambool throughout May. The women were excited to welcome Grace Graham back into the team, after her success playing in the UK. There was also an exciting signing for the team, with Clare Camac joining the Warriors for the rest of the season! Clare has an extensive basketball resumé, which was evident to see when she delivered a huge block in the dying seconds of overtime against Bellarine, to help seal the win!

Our Championship Men continue to chip away at the wins tally, taking wins over McKinnon, Warrandyte, Wyndham and RMIT throughout May. The Men also bolstered their on court stocks with the signing Harry Love. Harry joins the Warriors from the Ringwood Hawks, where he was part of their NBL1 team.

Once again, welcome to the Warriors, Clare and Harry!

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