



The Howling Wolf Issue 11 -December 2006

2006-07 HOLIDAY BREAK

As the 2006 year end fast approaches, the committee would like to wish all players and their families a safe and enjoyable break over the festive season. The last games for 2006 will be on the weekend commencing the 16th December 2006 and the first game back in 2007 will be on the weekend of the 3rd February 2007.

All the teams are progressing well and I'm sure that all the players will be continually practising during the holidays.

This season the Brighton Wolves are really standing out with most players wearing their t-shirts to matches and using their sports bags. I'm sure that other players from other teams would be envious of this new initiative by the Brighton Wolves.

THE INAUGURAL PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST

In November, we held our inaugural President's Breakfast with Jason Akermanis as the main attraction. The morning was a tremendous success with over 270 people in attendance. This was a fantastic result given that there was only a 3 weeks form when the idea was raised to the actual event taking place.

If you did not attend, you missed a fantastic morning and the event was very well represented by a strong corporate base. This is a way the President and the Committee believes that we get additional funds into the club instead of always looking at getting the mums and dads of the club to keep putting their hands in their pockets to support the club. The committee are totally behind this type of event that also gives the Brighton Wolves additional exposure to the wider community.

Next year we have to have another top speaker to entertain people. There will be more

notification of when the event will occur (stayed tuned next year).

COACHES CORNER

Can't handle the thought of six weeks with no ball?

Love training so much that life seems incomplete without it?

Don't despair, help is at hand.

WOLF PACK SUMMER SHOOTAROUNDS

All welcome, current players and new members, all skill levels (groups split by age when appropriate)

Weekly, starting first Wednesday of 2007. Times and venues to be confirmed.

Keep an eye on the Wolves Website in the week leading up to Xmas for details.

Coach Rho

Recruitment of New Players

We are still keen to improve and extend our recruiting of new players to our Club and would particularly like to entice some more girls along to establish teams – any members with daughters who don't play, or friends of daughters who do play, do please try hard to foster an interest in basketball – we would love to increase the size of the girl's competition.

The Brighton Wolves have been assigned the following schools as feeder schools for our club from the McKinnon Basketball Association:

Brighton Beach Primary School
Brighton Primary School

Hampton Primary School
Sacred Heart Primary School
Sandringham Primary School
St Finbars
St James Primary School
St Joan of Arc
St. Marys

anyone who has children in their care early in the New Year and then we will have all future coaches checked.

If you have any queries, please contact one of the Committee Members.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PLAYERS AND PARENTS

Attached to this Newsletter is the Associations Player and Parent code of conduct. Could you all please read this and ensure that your children understand and abide by it.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

This membership is one of the cheapest going around and your kids are the ones who will benefit. The committee would like to get additional people on to the committee or to help on things such as this newsletter, the web site, special events, etc. No previous experience is required; please contact any one of the committee members.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

The State Government has bought in legislation where adults who have children in their care for a period of time need to have a check undertaken. In relation to adults who coach children's sports, the checks will not be required until 2009. The Committee has decided that we will undertake checks of all the Brighton Wolves coaches and

SPONSORS

Brighton Wolves Basketball Club is seeking companies or people to sponsor the Wolves. There will be exposure through our regular newsletters, the Wolves web site etc. Come on board and help make the Brighton Wolves the best club in the Association

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PLAYERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

Basketball is intended to be a recreational activity for enjoyment and health. This code of conduct has been developed by Basketball Victoria to give participants some guide to the expectations it has on those participants. It is intended to assist everyone to obtain the maximum benefit and enjoyment from their involvement in basketball. As a result, the quality of participation will be improved so people are more likely to start and continue their involvement in basketball. Enjoy!!

- 1. Understand and play by the rules.**
- 2. Respect referees and other officials.**
- 3. Control your temper.**
- 4. Work equally hard for yourself and for your team.**
- 5. Be a good sport.**
- 6. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.**
- 7. Play for the "enjoyment of it" and not just to please parents and coaches.**
- 8. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.**
- 9. Be prepared to lose sometimes.**
- 10. Listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it at practice and in games.**
- 11. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.**

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- 1. Encourage your children to participate for their own interest and enjoyment, not yours.**
- 2. Encourage children to always play by the rules.**
- 3. Teach children that an honest effort is always as important as a victory.**
- 4. Focus on developing skills and playing the game. Reduce the emphasis on winning.**
- 5. A child learns best by example. Applaud good play by all teams.**
- 6. Do not criticise your or others' children in front of others.**
- 7. Accept decisions of all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability.**
- 8. Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance.**
- 9. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.**
- 10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.**
- 11. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators.**
- 12. Keep children in your care under control.**
- 13. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.**