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Ivanhoe Knights Basketball Club

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President's message

As President of this great club I'm very proud of both our players and the many volunteers that keep our operations running smoothly. We're a club that welcomes all comers - the experienced and the inexperienced, the super-competitive and those who play primarily for fun and fitness.

Unlike some other clubs, we don't believe in 'win at all costs'. Sure we want our teams to win, but we also want them to enjoy their games and to learn good sportsmanship.

In registering to play with the Knights every player and parent or guardian agrees to abide by the rules and codes of conduct of this club and the Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association (EDJBA). Those guidelines are based on 'respect' - respect for the players, coaches, the officials and other spectators.

This means you applaud good play, regardless of which team shows it. You don't coach from the sidelines or on the court and you don't dispute decisions or call instructions to the referees. If you're scoring, you refrain from barracking.

In general, our players demonstrate a very high standard of sportsmanship. Sadly, this is not as often the case with their parents and supporters. As president of the club it is one of my duties to attend disciplinary proceedings involving breaches of the EDJBA Code of Conduct. It may surprise you to learn, that more parents appear before the disciplinary tribunal than players. This comes with consequences - you can be banned from attending games.

Children learn from their parents, so I urge all parents of Ivanhoe Knights players to set a good example. It takes a lot of goodwill and effort to run a sports club. If you can help out, please do.

Go Knights!

Tim Butler

Key Dates 2016 Winter Season

Saturday 16 April

Round 1 (grading game)
Skills & Drills clinic begins

Saturday 23 April

No games due to Anzac Day weekend

Saturday 11 June

No games due to Queen's Birthday weekend

Saturday 27 August

Semi finals

Saturday 3 September

Preliminary finals

Saturday 10 September

Grand finals

Sunday 11 September

Presentation Night

[Winter Season dates available on the EDJBA website](#) (PDF)



New Knights website—check it out

At long last the Ivanhoe Knights has a new website!

Same address

You can still find our website at: www.ivanhoeknights.org

The structure of pages, however, is very different. If you have bookmarked pages from our old website on your computer, you will need to change those bookmarks.

New look

The website has a completely different look. It's clean, modern and easy to find your way around.

New features

There are many new features, which will make it easier to find the information you want.

These include:

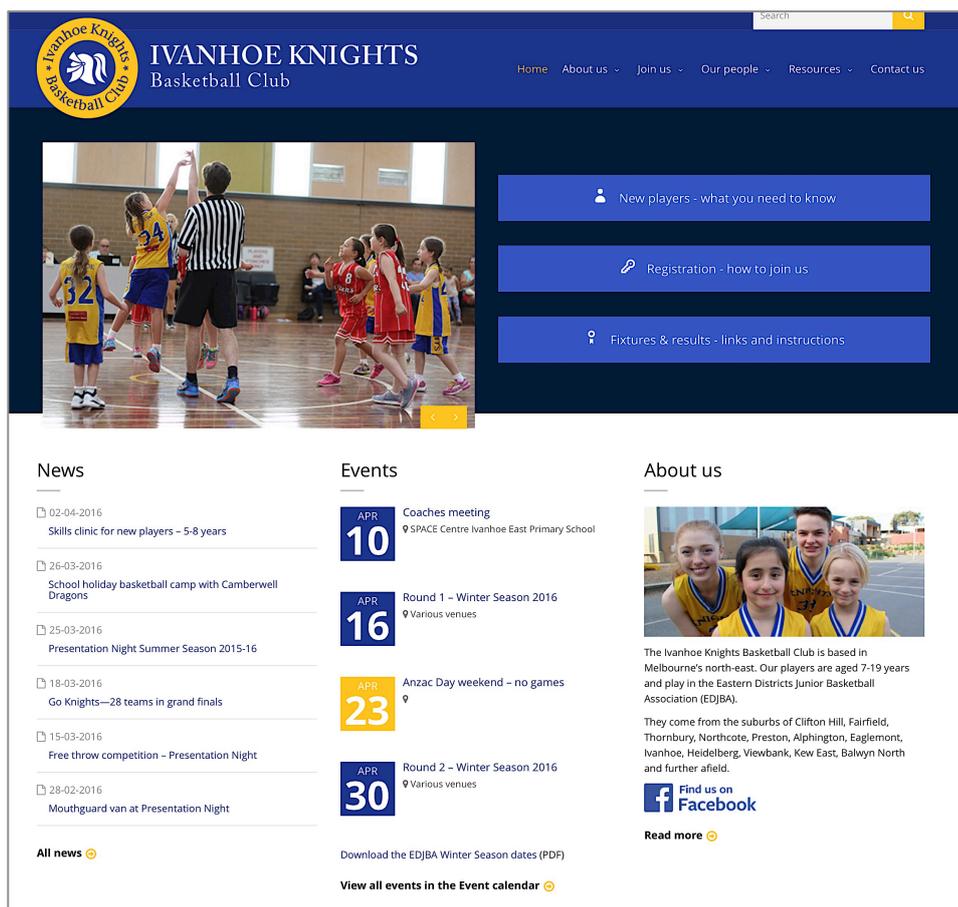
- **Search facility** - enter key words into one of the search fields and you will get a list of results
- **Google maps** - for venues, events and our uniform supplier
- **Hot buttons for newcomers** - to the right of the image carousel on the home page
- **News channels** - more ways to view our news including news postings, newsletters, an event calendar (add events to your Google or iCal calendars) and Facebook links
- **Photos** - lots more photos and it's easier to view them.

Help

Can't find what you want on the new website?

Look in the footer and you will find a section called 'Site guides'. It includes:

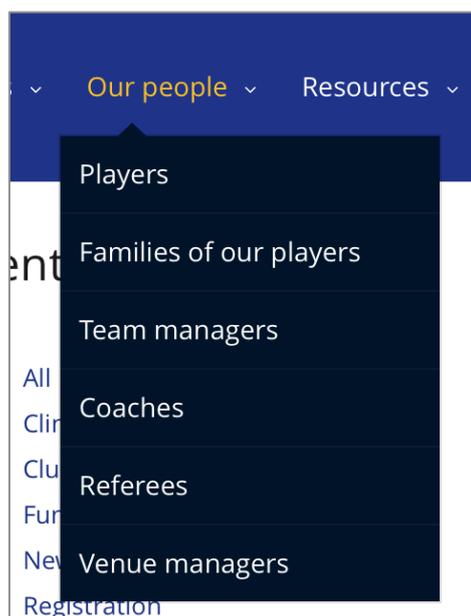
- [a site map](#)
- [tips for using the website.](#)



Dedicated people pages

We've tried to make the website structure as simple as possible, but we recognise that there are distinct groups of people associated with our club who each need different information.

Have a look at the page that best applies to you.



Our first life members

At our last Annual General Meeting in November 2015 the club's constitution was amended to provide for life members.

Two life members have subsequently been recognised - Bill Rewell, our Venue Supervisor, and Yvonne Cornell, our Referee Supervisor.

Mr Rewell received his life membership at the AGM in November and Ms Cornell received her life membership at the Summer Season Presentation Night on 20 March 2016 (see image right - Ms Cornell with Knights President Tim Butler).

Winter Season Registrations

This season we have about 520 registered players in 70 teams. There are 27 girls teams and 43 boys teams.

Committee changes

Paula Paziotis is the new Uniform Secretary. Paula is responsible for singlet number allocation and managing our relationship with uniform supplier AND1. She can be contacted by sending an email to uniforms@ivanhoeknights.org.

For more information about our uniforms go to <http://ivanhoeknights.org/uniforms>.



Knights girls team triumphs

An Ivanhoe Knights girls team achieved outstanding results in the Eltham Dandenong Basketball Tournament - (EDBBT) in January 2016.

The EDBBT is the largest youth basketball tournament in the world and takes place every Australia Day weekend. This tournament is mainly for representative (rep) teams but they do encourage domestic teams to participate. We felt this would be the best way to get our teams up and running prior to the resumption of the summer season.

The Ivanhoe Knights team that entered this tournament was made up of players from the following girls teams U16:1, U16:2 & U14:2 girls with our youngest player being **Bella Sherrin** who had just turned 13-years-old.

In a low scoring affair the Knights would prevail by just 3 points to advance to the grand finale. The team then faced another rep team in Collingwood 02. This was our 7th game in 3 days and with the batteries pretty much flat the girls gave everything they had (it was like a football match for most of it) but just couldn't get over the line going down 33-12 in the decider.

Thanks to all of the team (pictured left): **Charlie Santi** (Tournament captain), **Caitlin Sanelli**, **Chelsea Borg**, **Sophie (Lion) Uwland**, **Niamh Healy**, **Mia Albano**, **Nicola Rizzo**, **Lucinda Rizzo**, **Bella Sherrin**, and **Olivia Marshall** (Marcellin).

Coaches: **Larry Sherrin** & **Angela Santi**.



Summer Season 2015-16



Left - Boys 12.6
Bottom left - Girls 08.1
Bottom right - Girls 14.1



Banksia Stadium update

By Tim Butler, President

It is over five years since the Education Department closed Banksia College and locked us out of the two basketball courts we were using there. The courts fell into disrepair, with vandalism, and were demolished late last year.

Since that time a number of Knights committee members have been lobbying the council to buy the land and to build a new multi-court stadium on the site.

The council eventually bought the land, and committed \$7 million to build a 4-court stadium. The budget for the development was \$11.5 million

Last year, the State Government, through the Sport and Recreation Department turned down an

application for funding. This club put a proposal to council for funding of up to \$2.5 million, which has been rejected. The project is now in limbo

A proposal by La Trobe University to build a sporting precinct on Kingsbury Drive, including basketball courts, is being considered by council officers as an alternative to their promise to build at Banksia. The LaTrobe proposal is of limited benefit for our club, and it is likely that it will drain government funds from the local community where they are already in short supply.

We are continually looking at alternative venues, with several options being investigated, but the prospect of a new home at Banksia in the near future is currently looking unlikely.

Grand final results

Congratulations to all our players who made it through to the 2015-16 Summer Season finals. Of the 72 Ivanhoe Knights teams that competed, 52 made it to the finals, 28 teams into the grand finals with 16 premiers.

GIRLS

08.1	Premiers
08.2	Runners up
08.3	Runners up
10.4	Premiers
10.5	Premiers
10.6	Runners up
12.4	Premiers
12.6	Runners up
12.7	Premiers
14.3	Premiers
16.1	Premiers
16.3	Premiers
20.2	Runners up

BOYS

08.3	Runners up
08.5	Premiers
10.3	Premiers
10.6	Runners up
10.7	Runners up
12.1	Premiers
12.3	Runners up
12.7	Runners up
12.8	Premiers
14.1	Runners up
16.5	Runners up
16.7	Premiers
18.2	Premiers
20.1	Premiers
20.3	Premiers

Representative basketball

Rep Basketball is the name given to the competition run by the Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL), with games on a Friday night played throughout the state. Teams may play as far afield as Bendigo to Geelong, Dandenong to Sale.

About 30 players from Ivanhoe currently play in this competition, through teams organised by other clubs, including Bulleen, Camberwell, Darebin and Collingwood.

The Ivanhoe Knights is investigating running teams based within our club, to provide more convenient training opportunities and easier access for Ivanhoe players.

Playing rep is a step up from domestic and with the additional court and training time allows our players that want to do this to further develop their basketball.

We are making progress towards having our own rep association and we hope to enter some teams in the Summer 2016-17 season.

If you are interested, please contact Chris Wignall or Carl Ziebell from our committee or send us a message through our website at:

<http://ivanhoeknights.org/contact-us/>

Tips for a great season

Absence from training and games

Let your coach know as early as possible if you won't be at a training session or game. If a team is short of players for a game, either the coach or team manager may have to find fill-in players from a younger age group—this is easier to do with advanced notice.

Training sessions

Please bring a water bottle and the correct size basketball for your age group to every training session. Having a water bottle on hand saves a fair bit of time during a training session. Many drills require one ball per player.

What size basketball?

All girls' age groups and boys in the age groups of U8, U10, U12 and U14 use the size 6 ball. Boys U15 and older use the size 7 basketball.

Barracking during games

We love parents barracking, but be careful not to cross the line towards instructing players during a game. Coaching and instructing players during a game is the prerogative of the coach only. It's noisy on a basketball court and we want to encourage the players to tune into the voice and guidance of their coach.

The same applies to the referees. You are not permitted to call instructions or negative comments to the referees.

Be on time

Aim to arrive at games 10 minutes prior to start time and at training 5 minutes prior to start.

Thanks Refs!

Please continue to offer your support to all of our referees remembering that many of them are only youngsters. All our new referees undergo accreditation with the Victorian Basketball Referees Association and are supervised during games. Adults can also become referees. If you are interested, please contact Yvonne Cornell by email refs@ivanhoeKnights.org.

Contact us

You'll find all our contact details on the Ivanhoe Knights website at

www.ivanhoeKnights.org/contact-us

Did you know?

You can check fixtures, results and ladders on the EDJBA website.

Just go to our website:
www.ivanhoeKnights.org

Click on *Fixtures & results* (button to right of main image carousel on home page or look under 'Resources')

Games times will be online as soon as they are available. Or you can set up an automatic email to remind you when your games are.

During grading, game times are published weekly and ladders aren't published until after grading matches are finished.

Our Committee

President Tim Butler
Vice President Carl Ziebell
Secretary Pam McColl
Treasurer Mark Gao
Assistant Treasurer Clare Kinden
Uniform Secretary Paula Paziotis
Coaching Director Michael Follacchio
Coaches Liaison Clive Vickers
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Newsletter Editor Judy Hughes
Venue Supervisor Bill Rewell
Referees Supervisor Yvonne Cornell
Training Venue Coordinator Rachel Mansfield
Finals Trophies Coordinator Rachel Mansfield
Screening Officer Trevor Horbach

Boys

Registrar Ian Holm
TML (U8-U13) Rob Sloan
TML (U14-U20) Fance Traicevski
Team Selection Coordinator—Chris Wignall

Girls

Registrar Karen Horbach
Girls Team Manager Liaison Helen Wells
Team Selection Coordinator Tom O'Brien