

# COURTS 5 to 8

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## CEO UPDATE

Welcome to the first edition of 'Courts 5 to 8'.

The SBA will be producing this newsletter monthly to keep all our members up to date on the progress of the construction of courts 5,6,7 and 8. I can confirm that the Lloyd Builders site offices are now in place at the rear of the stadium with work already commenced on clearing vegetation to start ground works.

These ground-breaking works are a significant moment in the history of the Southern Basketball Association, over 10 years in the making. This will increase our court map to:

Southern Basketball Centre	8 courts
Parkdale Secondary College	3 courts
Mentone Grammar	2 courts
Mentone Secondary Girls College	2 courts
Cheltenham Secondary School	2 courts
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 courts</b>

Our Autumn 2022 season has now commenced, I know I speak on behalf of all our members it's time for basketball to be played without any further delays or interruptions. Let's hope that the worst of Covid is behind us and we can keep everybody on the courts playing, coaching, refereeing, scoring, and watching.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors for their continued support during the trying times of the last two years; we really appreciate it.

Stay up to date with Courts 5 to 8.

Craig Weir

CEO

Southern Basketball Association

## Groundworks commenced January 2022



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome back for 2022!

I hope everyone has had a restful break and is ready for a big year. While the COVID situation is still with us, we have been very pleased with the way the SBA Operations team are managing all that is required in trying circumstances. A big thank you to those of you that have been supportive, patient, and respectful during this time.

It may be now realistic to think that we could see 'normal' conditions return for our basketball community in 2022. Fingers crossed! It was a massive bonus to return to the courts late in 2021 to play 7-8 games in our domestic competition, along with getting our junior representative program moving again. A big thank you once again to our hard working Operations team, and all coaches, team managers, parents and our players. 2022 will be a busy one basketball-wise ... all of our Domestic competitions are due to commence

for our Autumn 2022 season, along with our Junior VJBL representative program. Our NBL1 and Big V seasons start shortly as well. On that note, we are looking forward to making some exciting recruitment announcements for our NBL1 teams, so stay tuned.

The construction of our new four courts is underway and truly is becoming a reality now. Very exciting times ahead and we'll keep you posted on progress during the year. We are also shortly releasing our updated SBA Strategy for 2022-2024 – once we have presented it to our Domestic Clubs, Life Members and Coaching staff to ensure everyone is aware of where our efforts will be channeled as we grow the SBA over the next three years and beyond.

Looking forward to it.

Phil McFarlane

President

Southern Basketball Association

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