

# SABRESNAPSHOT



## FINAL WRAP UP

### HEAD COACHES NOTE

We've already started tryouts for 2023, which is completely crazy!! It has been a thrill to see so many children back playing basketball at a rep level post-pandemic. In 2022 we had 41 teams playing across both boys and girls programs this season and we experienced a number of successful teams across different age groups and both genders. Congratulations to all of the teams that made their respective finals series' and particular congratulations goes to the teams that won their Grand Finals. It's just reward for a great season. Importantly, our club is extremely healthy and looking to make more improvements into 2023.

The club wouldn't be successful if it didn't have the support and assistance of the people that make everything work. Simon and Nathan are grateful that we can do this job, working daily with likeminded people who are passionate about basketball and player development. This is what makes it enjoyable for us.

So to that end, we want to thank all of the coaches who were with us in 2022. Coaching basketball at the VJBL level in Melbourne takes up a lot of time and energy. The majority of our Sabres coaches are volunteers or parents willing to help out. We want to recognise their sacrifice and the guidance and expertise they provide to their players.

We want to thank all of the parents for driving their children to games and practices. Late Friday night games across Melbourne during winter when we'd prefer to be getting ready for the weekend can be challenging for all of our families. Your efforts don't go unrecognised.

Finally, our players who have worked hardest on the court since tryouts in late 2022. Thank you for early morning training sessions, late night games, tournament weekends, juggling multiple sports, trying to complete school-work, holding down part time jobs and also spending time being kids. We've seen great growth in the program because of you and the sacrifices you have made to improve yourselves.

If you can walk off the court each time you train and know that you gave your best effort and that you tried new things (even if it meant you made some errors) then you can be sure you're on a path to improvement. The VJBL calendar doesn't give you any respite, but the important thing for now is to get some rest and be ready for 2023!

**Simon Giovannoni and Nathan Crosswell.**

### NBL1 WOMENS COACH



**The Southern Basketball Association are pleased to announce that Jacqui O'Neill has been appointed Head Coach of the Sandringham Sabres NBL1 Women's team for the 2023 season!**

**Jacqui has signed the dotted line and is continuing her coaching journey at the Sabre-Dome!**

*"We are looking to build upon the 2022 season and push for finals next season!" - Jacqui O'Neill*

**The SBA are currently in the process of re-signing NBL1 players and coaches ready for the 2023 season, and are very optimistic about this upcoming season.**

**Make sure to stay tuned on social media for all the upcoming re-signings.**

**Well done Jacqui! Go Sabres!**



## SENIOR PRESENTATION AWARDS

### NBL1

#### **WOMEN**

Coach's Award: Georgia Pineau

MVP: Funda Nakkasoglu

#### **MEN**

Coach's Award: Tom O'Brien

MVP: Shea Ili

### VYC

#### **WOMEN**

Coach's Award: Jazmine Grollo

MVP: Abby Riggs

#### **MEN**

Coach's Award: Ryan Heath

MVP: Campbell Blogg

### U20

#### **WOMEN**

Coach's Award: Abbey Smith

MVP: Zoe Bedford

#### **MEN**

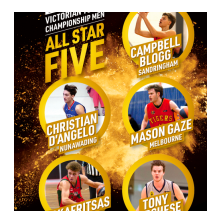
Coach's Award: Rory Williamson

MVP: Wilson Amos



## Shout out to Shea & Campbell:

Firstly, a big congratulations to Sabres superstar, Shea Ili for coming away from the 2022 NBL1 South awards night with the following awards: MVP, defensive player of the year and All Star Five, what an incredible season. Congratulations also to VYC young gun, Campbell Blogg for cleaning up with Big V MVP, Leading Scorer and All Star Five. What an impressive season!



## VJBL/VC FINALS RESULTS

12.1 Girls: Top 6	14.3 Girls: Champions
12.1 Boys: Top 6	14.4 Girls: Top 4
12.2 Girls: Top 4	14.4 Boys: Champions
12.2 Boys: Top 5	14.5 Girls: Top 4
12.3 Girls: Champions	16.2 Girls: Top 4
12.3 Boys: Champions	16.2 Boys: Top 5
12.5 Girls: Top 3	16.3 Boys: Top 4
12.5 Boys: Top 4	16.4 Boys: Top 5
12.6 Girls: Top 3	18.1 Girls: Top 4
14.1 Girls: Top 8	18.1 Boys: Top 4
14.1 Boys: Top 8	18.4 Boys: 2nd Place

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## U14 GIRLS NATIONALS

Congratulations to our Under 14.1 Sabres Girls (players, coaches, staff and parents) on qualifying for the 2022 Australian Under 14 Club Championships to be held in Sydney, NSW September 25th to 30th.

The girls have done an amazing job qualifying for this tournament. It has been a big 2022 for the team, after qualifying for Victorian Championship (VC) and competing in the National Junior Classic.

The coaches and players have worked incredibly hard to get to this point and everyone within the Sabres program is extremely proud of the effort they have put in.





## JUNIOR PRESENTATION DAY



### U12s

1. Girls MVP: Milly Surkitt | Coach's Award: Imani Duggan
1. Boys MVP: Hugo Washington | Coach's Award: Daniel Sonogan
2. Girls MVP: Sara Tsousids | Coach's Award: Eliza Oliver
2. Boys MVP: Fergus Riddle | Coach's Award: George Aujard
3. Girls MVP: Bonnie Lagan | Coach's Award: Zoe Sedunary
3. Boys MVP: Eden Molony | Coach's Award: Callan Duddy
4. Girls MVP: Abigail Morris | Coach's Award: Milla Beames
4. Boys MVP: Fletcher Ballinger | Coach's Award: Tom Kelly
5. Girls MVP: Summer Lettieri | Coach's Award: Juliette McDonald
5. Boys MVP: Freddie Gibbs | Coach's Award: Harry Bright
6. Girls MVP: Maya Withington | Coach's Award: Kennedy Grant
6. Girls MVP: Sam Murray | Coach's Award: Jaxon Tuffin

### U16s

1. Girls MVP: Josephine Friend | Coach's Award: Bianca San Jose
1. Boys MVP: Zach Veneziano | Coach's Award: Kaleb Johnson
2. Girls MVP: Lily Ballarin | Coach's Award: Roos Feekman
2. Boys MVP: Zach Kovac | Coach's Award: Aaron King
3. Girls MVP: Isabella Smith | Coach's Award: Poppy Nowak
3. Boys MVP: Alex Crawford | Coach's Award: Felix Pigott
4. Girls MVP: Bella Blanche | Coach's Award: Bella Clarkson
4. Boys MVP: Tommy Beveridge | Coach's Award: Tom Hutchison
5. Girls MVP: Georgie Miller | Coach's Award: Costanza Gelso

### U14s

1. Girls MVP: Madi Ryan | Coach's Award: Tessa Finch
1. Boys MVP: Max McGlone | Coach's Award: Ashton Coleman
2. Girls MVP: Sienna Widger | Coach's Award: Mackenzie Beaumont
2. Boys MVP: Sonny Lockyear | Coach's Award: Oscar Luxmoore
3. Girls MVP: Amelie Dixon | Coach's Award: Evie Taylor
3. Boys MVP: Ben Nish | Coach's Award: William Meehan
4. Girls MVP: Lily Parry | Coach's Award: Olivia Renkin
4. Boys MVP: Angus Aujard | Coach's Award: Lachlan Donohue
5. Girls MVP: Mia Starow | Coach's Award: Grace Ling
5. Boys MVP: Ethan Jones | Coach's Award: Samson Ivanidis
6. Boys MVP: Alex White | Coach's Award: Lachlan Angus

### U18s

1. Girls MVP: Hannah Wickstrom | Coach's Award: Violet Gittus
1. Boys MVP: Cody Goonewardene | Coach's Award: Elliott Brown
2. Girls MVP: Ella Ongarato | Coach's Award: Sophie Crofts
2. Boys MVP: Josh Clark | Coach's Award: Aiden McFarlane
3. Girls MVP: Matilda Cowell | Coach's Award: Poppy Pearson
3. Boys MVP: Rhys Starow | Coach's Award: Liam Broad
4. Boys MVP: Christian Ballarin | Coach's Award: Lachlan Brien

## SABRES FOR LIFE . . .

**Congratulations to the following, on graduating out of the Junior Sabres program with your final year of Under 18s in 2023.**

**We recognise your commitment and dedication to the Sabres program since Under 12s and are pleased to now call you all "Sabres for Life".**

### Girls

**Ella Razga, Hannah Wickstrom, Christina Roberts, Kate Godden, Remi Harris, Leah Allen and Mia Callow.**

### Boys

**Aiden McCarthy, Jack Scalzi, Elliott Brown, Alex Hopkins, Heath Williamson, Declan Johns, Alexander Starvroulos, Jack Clarke, Josh Clark and Rico Morrison.**

**On behalf of the SBA staff and the SBA board, we congratulate you and thank you for all your efforts.**

**GO SABRES!**



## NEW COURTS UPDATE

It's now half time on works to expand Bayside's basketball facilities at Sandringham Family Leisure Centre Basketball Stadium, and we thank you for your continued patience as we deliver this significant project.

This week from Monday 12 September, access to the eastern carpark is closed for up to four weeks so we can safely undertake trenching and excavation for the stadium services and new carpark lighting. We are staging the works to reopen sections of the carpark as soon as possible for staff and visitors to park at the Centre.



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