Basketball in Bendigo

From programs to domestic basketball to the elite. Much of the information in one handy guide.





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Welcome to the Bendigo Basketball Association

The Bendigo Basketball Association (BBA) offers opportunities to people of any age and ability to be a contributor to Basketball in Bendigo.

Whether it's a 4 year old learning to catch, through to our semiprofessional players or being an official there is a place for you in our great game.



The Bendigo Basketball Association domestic competition, the Junior Braves and Senior Braves, together with all the volunteers combine to just under 4000 people. Basketball is an important part of the history of Bendigo and its sporting landscape.

This publication includes information on the:

- Bendigo Basketball Association Domestic Competition
- Programs for young children
- Junior Braves representative program
- Senior Braves representative program
- Access All Abilities program
- Refereeing
- Other technical officials e.g. scoretable
- Volunteering
- Coaching
- School events
- Holiday programs
- Other basketball areas

The Bendigo Basketball Association also has a website at www.bendigo.basketball.net.au where further information may be found and up to date news stories.

We thank our major partners the Bendigo Bank, Champions IGA, Elgas and Interact Us together with all our other sponsors.

For further queries about Bendigo Basketball, please see our <u>contact page in this booklet</u> with further information on staff and Board Members.





About the Bendigo Basketball Association Domestic Competition

The Bendigo Basketball Association (BBA) Domestic Competition provides competitions from the Under 8's through to our Senior competitions on different nights of the week.

Teams are graded and placed into grades or divisions. Therefore our objective of finding a player a team that matches their ability may be met.

Currently the BBA Domestic Competition has close to 400 teams. The competition is run by the staff from the Bendigo Stadium Sports Office and is overseen the Board of the Bendigo Basketball Association and Domestic Competitions Committee.

We strongly recommend Junior teams affiliating with one of our clubs who are structured incor-

porated associations in their own right. To be classed as a club you must apply and have 7 teams. Our current clubs include:

- Aztec Tigers Basketball Club
- Beavers Basketball Club
- Celtic Basketball Club
- Generals Basketball Club
- Girton Grammar Basketball Club
- Phoenix United Basketball Development Club
- St Francis of the Fields Primary School Basketball Club
- Strathfieldsaye Basketball Club



For contact details of these clubs, please go to page 9 in this booklet.

In our senior grades we have club teams and also independent teams. Independent teams are made up of friends, work colleagues or just a group of people with a similar basketball that play in the sport who have a Team Contact and arrange all areas of the team.



Nights of Play

Although subject to change from time to time the nights of play are as follows for the following competitions.

Day/Evening	Male Competition ***	Female or Mixed Competition ***
Monday	A Grade Men	Under 10 Girls Div 1, 2 and 3
	B Grade Men	Under 14 Girls Div 1, 2, 3 and 4
	C Grade Men	A Grade Women
	D Grade Men	B Grade Women
	E Grade Men	C Grade Women
	F Grade Men	
	G Grade Men	
Tuesday	Division 2 Men	Under 16 Girls Div 1, 2 and 3
	Division 3 Men	Under 18/20 Girls Div 1, 2 and 3
	Division 4 Men	
	Division 5 Men	
Wednesday	Division 1 Men	Under 12 Girls Div 1, 2 and 3
	Under 14 Boys Div 1, 2, 3 and 4	Division 1 Women (previously D Grade)
	Under 16 Boys Div 1	Division 2 Women (previously E Grade)
	Under 23 Men	Mixed Social Competition
Friday	Under 10 Boys Div 1, 2, 3 and 4	
	Under 12 Boys Div 1, 2, 3 and 4	
	Under 16 Boys Div 2, 3 and 4	
	Under 18 Boys Div 1, 2 and 3	
Sunday	Sunday Men's 1	Mixed Competition
	Sunday Men's 2	
	Sunday Men's 3	

*** Extra Divisions and grades may be added or subtracted from the competition dependent on team numbers.

*** Under 8's day/night of play to be advised in near future.

Venues

A vast majority of domestic basketball games are played at the seven court Bendigo Stadium. During 2017 the Stadium will expand to 10 courts.

From time to time where the stadium is booked for other events there may be games at stadiums in Kangaroo Flat, Maiden Gully, Bendigo, Flora Hill and Strathfieldsaye.

Fees or Playing Costs

Dependent on the age group you play in there may be some differences with game costs. Below is a summary of fees:

Player Insurance

- \$43 Player Insurance when paid on-line
- \$55 Player Insurance when paid at the Sports Office

CLICK HERE TO PAY INSURANCE

- All players must pay insurance before they take the court.
- Insurance lasts for you to play in 2 seasons
- Insurance is paid on-line. See <u>www.bendigo.basketball.net.au</u> for further information.

Note: That clubs may have a registration fee. Please contact the individual club.

Team Entry Fees

Team entry fees are paid when entering your team on-line through the basketball website.

- \$30 Junior Independent teams. Club affiliated teams are free.
- \$60 Senior Independent teams. Club affiliated teams are free.

Senior Team Bond

A Senior Team Bond is payable when a team first enters the competition. If the team does not participate in future seasons this is fully refundable less any outstanding costs.

• \$120 Senior Independent teams. Club teams do not have to pay a Bond.

Player Game Fees

Each player that takes the court pays games fees to cover the cost of 1 or 2 referees and the costs of running the stadium and competition in general.

- \$40 U10's Team Game Fee
- \$55 U12's to U18's Team Game Fee
- \$65 Senior competition Team Game Fee

Forfeits

Budgeting of the competition and game costs are set around all teams competing each week. Therefore if teams have to forfeit there are still fees that must be paid as follows:

- \$40 Junior team that forfeits with more than 48 hours notice.
- \$80 Junior team that forfeits with less than 48 hours notice.
- \$60 Senior team that forfeits with more than 48 hours notice.
- \$120 Senior team that forfeits with less than 48 hours notice.

Teams that forfeit more than once may be removed from the competition as the last thing the competition wants is people turning up for games and they are unable to play. Players also give up work to participate in their recreational pursuits.

By-Laws

The BBA Domestic Competition has set a by-laws that governs the competition. The by-laws can be found on the competition website at <u>www.bendigo.basketball.net.au</u>.

Fixtures and Results

All fixtures/game times are available on our website at www.bendigo.basketball.net.au. Just click on the fixture/results link and follow the prompts to the draw you require.

If prior to the season you know there are dates or times that your team is unavailable to play then contact the Sports Office at least 3 weeks before the start of the season. We cannot make any guarantees of a work around if a Bye is in the draw, but most schools know their schedule 6/12 months ahead with school camps, excursions and events.

Age Groups

Below we have listed the age groups for the current and upcoming season. It is calculated around the year you were born. Note all players on the court are no more than 2 years apart and one year you may be a younger player but within 12 months you become one of the older players.

Age Group	Summer 2015/16	Winter 2016	Summer 2016/17	Winter 2017	Summer 2017/18
Under 8's	2009,2010+	2009,2010+	2010,2011+	2010,2011+	2011,2012+
Under 10's	2007,2008+	2007,2008+	2008,2009+	2008,2009+	2009,2010+
Under 12's	2005,2006	2005,2006	2006,2007	2006,2007	2007,2008
Under 14's	2003,2004	2003,2004	2004,2005	2004,2005	2005,2006
Under 16's	2001,2002	2001,2002	2002,2003	2002,2003	2003,2004
Under 18's	1999,2000	1999,2000	2000,2001	2000,2001	2001,2002
Under 20's	1997,1998	1997,1998	1998,1999	1998,1999	1999,2000
Under 23's	1994-1996	1994-1996	1995-1997	1995-1997	1996-1998

Seasons

Basketball in Bendigo consists of a Winter and Summer season that resolves around the school terms.

The Winter season play during Term 2 and 3 of the school year with a break for school holidays.

The Summer season play during Term 4 and 1 of the school year with a break for school holidays.

Entering a team into the BBA Domestic Competition

All teams are entered on-line via our website at <u>www.bendigo.basketball.net.au</u>.

If you are entering a new team or adding players to an existing team please ensure you have the name and email addresses of each of the players.

There is a video tutorial on our website and also instruction sheets available on how to enter teams.

Teams entries normally open at the start of the last round before finals for the following season. We highly recommend you enter immediately as the competitions quickly fill up.

Players Looking for a Team or Teams Looking For Players

Frequently we get requests from individuals to join a team or teams requiring more players. A list of names and contact details is contained within the website at www.bendigo.basketball.net.au and on the Stadium Noticeboard.

Alternatively go the club contact list in the booklet on page 9 and especially if you are a junior player speak directly with the clubs.

Uniforms

All teams must wear the correct playing uniform after grading games finish otherwise a 5 point penalty (to a maximum of 15 points) does apply. Club affiliated players need to contact their club about uniforms. For uniform clashes there are bibs available to loan for your game at the Sports Office, which must be returned before leaving the Stadium.

Finals

All players must have played 6 games to qualify for finals. These are published at the end of the season on the basketball website. Anyone who has not qualified due to an injury can supply a medical certificate prior to the end of the last round game to request permission. Conditions in our bylaws apply including that you still must have at least played in 25% of your teams games.

Stadium Scoring

The BBA has a computerised scoring system for most games during the season. Information on how to operate this is on the scorebenches and also on our website. Please ensure you only tick those players taking the court for the game or else you will be charged for those players. Additionally as soon as the previous games concludes go to the scorebench to tick the players so when the referee arrives for the game it may start immediately.

First Aid

Basic first aid is available at the Sports Office. Band aids will not be handed out to cover piercings. Ice for first aid is available from the Sports Office as well.

Working With Children Card and Member Protection Declaration

It is a Basketball Victoria (BV) requirement with anyone that is 18 years + and that is coaching and managing a basketball team with players under the age of 18 must have a Working With Childrens Card and a Member Protection form completed, which can be found under 'Forms' on our website. Even if your own child is playing in the team it is a requirement under BV regulations. If you belong to a club a photocopy of your Card and Member Protection Form must be provided to your club. If you're an independent team then provide this to the Sports Office.

Bendigo Basketball Association Domestic Competition Clubs

The Bendigo Basketball Association is made up clubs (incorporated clubs or schools that have 7 or more teams) in the domestic competition.

The domestic clubs make a fantastic contribution to Bendigo Basketball and their Committees, Coaches and Volunteers are critical to the sustainability of our competition.

The BBA strongly endorses all Junior players join a club where many of the coaches are accredited and make every effort to keep up to date with latest trends and developments in the game.

The clubs all have a website, which most can be viewed via www.bendigo.basketball.net.au in gaining contact details and information about their club.



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BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

McBiddy Ball

What is the program about?



McBiddy Ball is a program designed for children under the age of 8 who want to **IIII IOVIII** IL learn basic basketball skills and fun games that assists social interaction, fitness, gross motor skills and ball handling development. If their ball skills are already good we suggest the Aussie Hoops Program which is a more advanced program.

When does the program run?

The program runs during school terms on Tuesday and Thursday from 4.15pm to 5pm at the Bendigo Stadium. Look on the website for other dates the stadium is not available.

How much is the program?

The program costs just \$2 per session per child.

Is there a registration form?

There is a short registration form or go to 'Forms' on the basketball website and complete the on-line form.

Does my child have to go to every session?

There is no need for your child to go to every session. Many children come once a week or fortnight. Games and skills are repeated on a regular basis as we believe practice makes perfect and it provides the child the chance to improve specific skills and gross motor skills.

Does my child receive anything for participating?

Your child is provided a sheet that is marked off and after attending 11 times they receive a small gift from McDonalds. Passes to Bendigo Braves games are also handed out from time to time.

Is my child able to play in a competition team after attending?

Attending McBiddy Ball will certainly assist your child with many skills needed to play in a team. Catching, passing, dribbling and shooting are some of the skills practised. We suggest also the Aussie Hoops program which is the next step after McBiddy Ball to assist with the transition into a team.

Who to contact to find out more?

Contact Brock Rogers: Ph.: (03) 5440 6221 Email:<u>brock.rogers@bendigostadium.com.au</u>



BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

Aussie Hoops

What is the program about?

Aussie Hoops in Bendigo is a program designed for children from the ages of 6 to 10 who want to learn basic basketball skills that assists ball handling skills, dribbling, passing, shooting. The program is recommended for all children who are almost ready to play in a team, in a team already and trying to improve their skills, or simply those children wanting to experience basketball. The program revolves around fun basketball activities and at different times practice games between the children.



When does the program run?

The program runs during school terms on a Wednesday from 4.00pm to 5.00pm at the Bendigo Stadium. Look on the website for other dates the stadium is not available.

How much is the program?

The program costs \$85 for a term which will be between 8 and 10 weeks. Included in the price is a Aussie Hoops backpack, basketball and training singlet.

For children returning to the program for a second term the cost is \$65 (prices subject to changes by Basketball Australia)

Is there a registration form?

All registrations are completed on-line. Go to www.aussiehoops.com.au

Is my child able to play in a competition team after attending?

Attending Aussie Hoops will certainly assist your child with many skills needed to play in a team. Speak to the contact persons below on how to be placed into a team.



Who to contact to find out more? Contact Brock Rogers on: Ph.: 5440 6221 Email:brock.rogers@bendigostadium.com.au

BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

Access All Abilities

What is the program about?

The Access All Abilities program started a number of years ago by the Generals Basketball club and now is overseen by the staff of the Bendigo Stadium with others.

The program is run for those with an intellectual disability to practice basketball skills, play a game amongst other and occasionally attend tournaments and represent Bendigo.

The program also allows participants to practice gross motor skills and socialise amongst their peers.

The program has also been successful in having participants realise their full potential and participate in the mainstream junior and senior competition in the past.

What age is the program for?

Currently the program runs with people mainly between the ages of 18 and 59, although we in the current program we have some teenagers who are doing well.

When does the program run?

The program runs during school terms on a Monday on Court 6 from 4.00pm to 5.00pm at the Bendigo Stadium. Look on the website for other dates the stadium is not available.

How much is the program?

The program costs \$5 per week. Current participants have been aided with the assistance of a government grant where they received a playing shorts, playing singlet and polo top valued at \$85.00 for just \$30.00. There is still some stock left.

Is there a registration form?

There is a registration form that can be obtained by ringing the phone number below. It also requests information in relation to the intellectual disability and how the coaches can best assist the participant to be a valuable member of the group.

Who to contact to find out more? Contact Brock Rogers on: Ph.: 5440 6216 Email:<u>brock.rogers@bendigostadium.com.au</u>



TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Referees

About the Referees?

The Bendigo Basketball Association is officiated by referees from the Bendigo Basketball Referees Association (BBRA). The BBRA has some of the most highly credentialed referees in the state who are currently officiating in state based competitions. The BBRA also has referees just learning the game just like our players.

How old do I need to be to be able to referee?

The preferred age is 12 years and up.

Is there training to do before I may become a referee?



When referees first start they will complete a Level 0 Referees course. This will provide the basics for them to officiate at our most junior levels. Naturally if you have also played the game this will also provide you a good grounding in being able to officiate. Most referees to begin with will wear a green shirt.

Green Shirt program?

The green shirt program signifies a referee in training. Just as players do they take a while to pick up the skills and knowledge to play the game. The referees are no different. During the green shirt period you will be assessed by coaches and once gaining the necessary skills and knowledge you will progress to wearing the normal black and white stripes like all the other referees.

Are referees paid?

Referees are paid. Not only having the opportunity to stay fit and enjoy the sport and be an important part of it you also get remunerated. Depending on your skills and knowledge and then being assessed will determine your rate of pay. It is a great way to have a casual or part-time job and be part of a sport.

Who to contact to find out more? Contact Brock Rogers: Ph.: 5440 6216

Email: brock.rogers@bendigostadium.com.au

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Scoretable Officials and Statisticians (Technical Officials)

About the Scoretable Officials and Statisticians?

The Bendigo Scoretable Officials and Statisticians are a crucial part of Bendigo teams participating in the South East Australia Basketball League (SEABL), Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) and the Big V Basketball competitions.

When Bendigo plays home games we are required to provide those people you see on the side of the court scoring, operating the scoreboard and shot clock, holding up the fouls players have received and completing the stats you see live on the web as the game is being played.

Additionally when other large tournaments or even national games come to Bendigo we often supply the staff for these games.

It is the best seat in the house.

Is there training to become a scoretable official and statistician?

Training is provided for anyone starting and there are strict procedures and protocols that need to be met as being part of the team. The teamwork between these technical officials is a key to a good operation.

Are Scoretable Officials and Statisticians paid?

They are paid and these amounts slightly differ depending on the level you're at. Approximate amounts of pay normally vary between \$18 to \$22 per person.

Who to contact to find out more?

Contact Brock Rogers who will put you in contact with the local supervisor of the Bendigo Scoretable Ph.: 5440 6216

Email: brock.rogers@bendigostadium.com.au



JUNIOR BRAVES REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

Junior Braves

What is the program about?

The program is for the junior part of the Bendigo Braves Basketball Club and is known as the Junior Braves. The Junior Braves enter teams from Under 12's to our Country Basketball League (CBL) teams.

What competitions do the Junior Braves play in?

The Junior Braves during any season will participate in a number of events such as:

- Basketball Victoria Country Championships ('A' teams only)
- Tournaments held around the state, which are normally in the October to April period. These events may include Swan Hill, Shepparton, Wodonga, Castlemaine, Southern Peninsula, Ballarat etc. Teams will normally attend 5 to 6 tournament per season.
- If the team wins the Basketball Victorian Country Championship this could lead on to state or national based championships.
- The Under U14 and U16 'A' teams also play in the Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL) which teams mainly come from the Melbourne metropolitan area. This is



played on a Friday evening and games can be held in places such as Bendigo, Geelong and throughout metro Melbourne and sometimes further.

• We also for our more senior players enter a team in the CBL. This season goes from approximately October to March.

When does it cost to play in the Junior Braves program?

The registration fee is currently \$100 and there may be discounts for multiple children. On top of this you will have the costs to attend tournaments where overnight stays are required. Uniform will also be required that will incur a fee as well as petrol and food for when you are away.

How and when is selection of the teams completed?

Try-outs are normally held in August and are advertised on the Bendigo Basketball website. There is normally 4 try-out days and players will be selected from these sessions as well as coaches observing them during domestic basketball games. Selections are normally finalised by the end of August. Registration of the try-outs is online.

How many teams are selected?

The number of teams in each age group can vary but it is normally 2 teams for both males and females in each age group. Development players may also be selected to form Development squads who may participate in less events.

Coaching in the Junior Braves?

Maybe a Domestic basketball coach wants to take their coaching to the next level. Applications will be requested on the website normally around May.

Who to contact to find out more?

There is a Junior Braves section at <u>www.bendigo.basketnall.net.au</u> Alternatively contact the Junior Braves and Braves Administrator Nathan Williams on: Ph.: (03) 5440 6245 Email: <u>nathan.williams@bendigostadium.com.au</u>

SENIOR BRAVES REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

Bendigo Braves

What is the Bendigo Braves about?

The Bendigo Braves is our representative teams that represent the senior area of the Bendigo Basketball Association.

How many competitions do our Braves teams play in?

Our senior most teams are the Bendigo Braves and the Bendigo Lady Braves who both participate in the South Eastern Australia Basketball League (SEABL). This is the premier winter competition in Australia with the season running from March to September.

Below our Senior teams we have our Young Braves and Young Lady Braves. Both these teams participate in the state based Big V competitions in the Youth League. The Youth League is for Under 23 teams.

Can I become a member of the Braves?

The Braves teams have a large supporter base and supporters can become members. See the Bendigo Braves website for more information or Bendigo Stadium Sports Office on how to become a member.

Crowds often vary between 500 to 1000 people although during some finals the crowds have topped the 2000 mark.

How can I help out in the club?

The Braves are always looking for volunteers. This can be a more formal role on our Braves Committee to assisting as a Team Manager, usher or in a variety of other ways.

What can you expect when you attend a Braves game?

Braves game night is an exciting event. Cheerleaders and other entertainment often showcases local talent or community organisations from around Bendigo.

The success of the Braves?

The Braves organisation as been part of many National Championship wins. Individually players have also gone onto national honours from Braves or Junior Braves teams. Just naming a few but these include Kristi Harrower, Kelly Wilson, Glen Saville, Matt Campbell and Matthew Dellavedova.

Who to contact to find out more? Contact Nathan Williams on: Ph.: (03) 5440 6245 Email:<u>nathan.williams@bendigostadium.com.au</u>



Matt Dellavedova (front right) in his days in the Braves program

COACHING

Coaching within the Bendigo Basketball Association

Why coach?

Do you have a love for the sport and want to contribute to continuous improvement or success? The Bendigo Basketball Association has many different levels of coaching from the under 8's grass roots to our Senior Braves representative teams. We will always welcome new coaches?

Do need to be accredited to coach?

If coaching Juniors you will firstly require a Working With Children's Check. You do not need a formal accreditation to coach basketball but we highly recommend you do. There are often free Level 0 coaching courses being run every 3 months in Bendigo that you can attend to sharpen up on any existing skills you have.



What levels may I coach at?

There are Domestic clubs playing in our Domestic Basketball competition always looking out for coaches as our competition continues to grow. This may be from the Under 8 level through to the Under 18 level.

Our Domestic Coaches if they choose may then apply to be part of our Junior Braves representative program. To apply to coach in the representative program it is not a compulsory requirement to coach a Domestic team but it is preferred.

Opportunities once you progress from the junior representative program could include Braves senior teams or if not going that far at Basketball Victoria Country Skills Days. The sky is the limit though as our Director of Coaching was an Assistant coach with the Australian Under 19 team during 2015.

Who to contact to find out more?

Contact Jonathan Goodman our Director of Coaching: Email:<u>jonathan.goodman@bendigostadium.com.au</u>



OTHER AREAS OF BENDIGO BASKETBALL

Bendigo Basketball Board, their sub-committees and staff

The Bendigo Basketball Association (BBA) is governed by the Board of the Bendigo Basketball Association. There are 9 elected Directors who oversee the areas of Domestic Basketball, the Junior Braves, the Senior Braves and the Bendigo Basketball Referees Association.



In the areas mentioned above there are also sub-committees where volunteers specialise in each of these areas mentioned above. These sub-committees also have elections.

The BBA also has an agreement with the Bendigo Stadium to manage the day to day operations of all areas of basketball. The staff work from the Sports Office at the Bendigo Stadium and include the Executive Manager of Sport, Domestic Competitions Co-ordinator, Braves & Junior Braves Administrator as well as a Sponsorship Manager.

Volunteering

The Bendigo Basketball Association and its affiliated clubs and teams has in excess of 700 volunteers. The volunteers may include but are not limited to areas such as, coaching or being a team manager for a domestic basketball team, club committees, fundraisers, age group co-ordinators, game night helpers, BBA sub-committees, technical official advisers, drivers, physios, uniform co-ordinators and more.

Whether it's the Bendigo Braves, the Bendigo basketball Association in general or one of their affiliated clubs if you have some spare time then drop into the Sports Office.

Bendigo Spirit

Although not under the management of the Bendigo Basketball Association or Bendigo Stadium the Bendigo Spirit are the local national team. The Spirit play a crucial part within the pathway of local players making it to a national competition. The Spirit are also an important tenant of the Bendigo Stadium through most of the Summer.

For information about the Bendigo Spirit including membership, games and other important club information, please see http://www.wnbl.com.au/index.php?id=21

Basketball Victoria Country (BVC)

The Bendigo Basketball Association and Bendigo Stadium has an outstanding relationship with Basketball Victoria Country (BVC). Many of the BVC Championship events are held at the excellent facilities of the Bendigo Stadium.

Additionally many BVC Skills Days and programs are also run out of the Bendigo Stadium to assist our local players and others in the region taking the next step in their pathway.

OTHER SCHOOL OR CHILDREN PROGRAMS

McDonalds Braves Supercamp

McDonalds and the Braves or Bendigo Basketball have held a long-term relationship that have been greatly beneficial to the sport. McDonalds have been proud sponsors of the Braves Supercamp.

The Braves Supercamp is held in the Term 1 and 2 school holidays and provide opportunities for school age children to participate in a 2 to 3 day camp at the Bendigo Stadium. Facilitated by leading Braves and Lady Braves players the children always have loads of fun.

Look to the Bendigo Basketball website for when on-line registration begins.

McDonalds In Schools Basketball Programs

Once again McDonalds plays a fantastic part in Braves and Lady Braves players going into school to provide children the experience to learn basketball and develop their skills.

The program reaches children who may never have the chance to play the sport and many of our current day Braves players can remember the day when the Braves visited their school.

If schools are interested in a clinic then just contact the Sports Office of the Bendigo Stadium.

McDonalds Sideline Challenge

Another program funded by McDonalds that provides primary school aged children the opportunity to play modified games at the Bendigo Stadium. School teams take their spot in this one day event free of charge.

Sideline Basketball is played in teams of 10 where 5 players play as normal and 5 space equally apart along the sideline. When the defending team gets a rebound they pass it to the sideline where they pass uninterrupted to the offensive end who then pass the ball back into the court. Every child touches the ball in this modified game. At half-time the sideline change with the on-court players.





OFFICE DETAILS, STAFF AND HOURS

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Feedback

We prefer feedback in writing and particularly those areas where further action may be required. Emails may be addressed to the persons below but if you are not sure email the sports.office@bendigostadium.com.au

Hours of operation

The Sports Office is open as follows:

Monday 9.15am to 10.00pm. Tuesday 9.15am to 9.00pm. Wednesday 9.15am to 9.00pm. Thursday 9.15am to 5.00pm. Friday 9.15am to 9.30pm. Saturday not normally open Sunday 4.45pm to 8.00pm.

Phone Sports Office (03) 5440 6213 Stadium Reception (03) 5440 6201



BBA Board

The current Directors of the BBA Board are:

Mark Lennox (President), Ben McCauley (Vice-President), Daniel Nancarrow (Treasurer), Eain McRae, Terry Davies, Belinda Holden, Martin Spottiswood, Stacie Wright. Brock Rogers although not part of the Board acts as Secretary. To contact these Directors, please contact the Sports Office.

Sports Office Staff

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