

SPECIALIST



Specialist Hoops Basketball Melton

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'No-one gets left behind'

Aim: To provide a long-term program allowing people with a disability to play an organised sport within a safe, controlled environment while developing new skills, including physical agility and social communication.

Who We Are

The idea for Specialist Hoops Basketball Melton has been developed by Emily Attard, a long-term basketball competitor. Emily, from Melton, plays at senior levels with Melton Basketball, playing Big V Women's Division 2. She is also an A Grade referee with Melton Basketball and coaches a range of teams at domestic level.

Emily has developed a passion for sharing the joy and camaraderie that she has found through her involvement in basketball. She has already run a successful one-day holiday camp at Melton Recreational Centre (in September 2017). Specialist Hoops Basketball Melton has been registered as a business name to facilitate the process of establishing the program. Emily would like to see it develop into a registered not-for-profit organisation. Eleven weeks into the program Specialist Hoops was recognised both at the Melton City council community awards night as well as taking out the inaugural Girls Got Game Perpetual Trophy this trophy is awarded for contributions to advancing women, volunteers and referees within Basketball Victoria. Emily received the award in the company of many olympians and female pioneer Betty Watson OAM for the establishment and running of Specialist Hoops Basketball.

More information can be found at: www.specialisthoops.com

Background

Thousands of young players across the country enjoy playing basketball at many levels.

Unfortunately, there are many children who do not have the opportunity to join in team sports because of a wide variety of impairments, such as physical limitations or developmental challenges, such as autism.

We believe that basketball is a sport that can be enjoyed by people of all abilities. All that is needed is the will to provide the right environment and support.

Basketball is a relatively low-cost sport in terms of equipment and there are many courts available in both sporting stadiums and schools. This means that the program can be launched and expanded at minimal investment and risk.

We have 'in principle' support from Basketball Victoria.

The Program

The program is directed towards two age demographics, being children aged 5-15 and 16+ and participants will be encouraged to become involved and active. There is also the opportunity to expand the program as funding and facilities become available.

We will be advertising the program through organisations such as Western Autistic School, Melton Special School, other primary and secondary schools in the region, and any other groups we can identify that provide services or support to the target group.

We envisage the program beginning with a pilot group of 10-20 children meeting on a Friday evening for one hour at Melton Recreation Centre.

The first four sessions will introduce the participants to the sport of basketball. Following the introductory sessions, the aim is to establish a competition. Each session will start with 20 minutes of learning new skills and warm ups followed by a 40-minute game.

The participants' abilities will be assessed and developed by accredited coaches. The children's parents or guardians will be required to sign the standard Basketball Victoria consent form ("Permission to Play") and provide the coaches with appropriate medical background for each child. After the pilot program is launched, further programs will be established to meet demand as required. Each program will run during school terms.

We have six coaches willing to be involved as volunteers with the initial 20 participants and we have the ability to bring in more coaches as demand grows. All coaches and support personnel will have Working With Children accreditation and are currently actively involved with Melton Basketball Association.

Available Sponsorship Packages

Specialist Hoops is always looking for new sponsors to assist with keeping the program going and keeping the cost low for participants. Donations and sponsorship funds will be directed towards improving the Specialist Hoops program. You can find our available sponsorship packages below.

Gold Package

\$5,000

- Full set of Game tops with your Company's Logo/Name printed on them. (For participants.)
- Full set of 10 Specialist Hoops polos (With your Company Logo/Name printed on them.)
- 2 Collapsible promotional banners with your Company's Logo & Name printed on it, to be shown at Specialist Hoops sessions.
- Your Company mentioned on all Media exposure of Specialist Hoops. (Including Social Media)
- Your Company's name and logo on the Specialist Hoops Website.
- Access to our closed Facebook group for sponsors/members.
- Membership cards with your name on them. (Cosmetic item)

Silver Package

\$2,000

- Full set of Game tops with your Company's Logo/Name printed on them (For participants.)
OR Full set of 10 Specialist Hoops polos (With your Company Logo/Name printed on them.)
- 1 Collapsible promotional banners with your Company's Logo & Name printed on it, to be shown at Specialist Hoops sessions.
- Your Company mentioned on all Media exposure of Specialist Hoops. (Including Social Media)
- Your Company's name and logo on the Specialist Hoops Website.
- Access to our closed Facebook group for sponsors/members.
- Membership cards with your name on them. (Cosmetic item)

Bronze Package

\$750

- Your Company mentioned on all Media exposure of Specialist Hoops. (Including Social Media)
- Membership cards with your name on them. (Cosmetic item)
- Access to our closed Facebook group for sponsors/members.
- Your name on the Specialist Hoops Website.

Social Membership

\$100

- Membership cards with your name on them. (Cosmetic item)
- Access to our closed Facebook group for sponsors/members.
- Your name on the Specialist Hoops Website.