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FALL 2016



IMPORTANT DATES

Girls' Practice Begins
November 7

Boys' Practice Begins
November 14

Girls' First Game
November 15

Boys' First Game
November 22

Hall of Fame Selection
January 8, 2017

WBCA Executive Board
Winter meeting
January 29, 2017

FAST BREAK NOTES

Membership

As of right now our membership is 2493. If you have not done so, please renew your membership. Strength in numbers has allowed us to be in the top six states in total membership.

Closing the Gap

After the dust settled on the 2015-2016 season, the top six largest state associations were: Michigan (5100), Texas (5099), Ohio (3788), Wisconsin (3601), Iowa (3141), and Indiana (2067). All of the other state associations are under two thousand members. Congratulations Wisconsin coaches! Let's continue to grow and get better.

Good Guy Award

The award goes to Jim Jones, official photographer for the WBCA. Jim works countless hours on behalf of the organization. Besides taking all of the photos for the WBCA events, if I need something done, I can always call on Jim to make it happen. Thanks Jim, it is appreciated!

New President

Dan Bureson of Mineral Point will finish his term as President of the WBCA in January 2017. Dan has done an outstanding job as the President. Fortunately, Dan will be stay on the board as Chairperson of the WBCA Hall of Fame selection committee. I am so proud to call him my good friend. Nicole Sutter of Oshkosh West will be the new President.

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FALL SHOWCASE

The WBCA Fall Showcase had over 300 boy and girl varsity players participate at JustAgame Fieldhouse on October 1st. It was excellent basketball and Coach Brad Bestor should be congratulated for running a first class event.

WBCA CORPORATE SPONSORS



FAST BREAK NOTES *Continued from page 1*

Website Upgrade

Ryan Kartos and Dennis Semrau will be in charge of the WBCA website. Changes are being made for the many pictures of the WBCA events and updating of all information on the site. Coming soon, there will be basketball articles by Dennis Semrau, longtime sports writer for the area sports. Also, we hope to have a "Play of the Day" that I know coaches will love. Check it out at www.wisbca.org

Am I A Member of WBCA?

If you're in doubt as to your membership, you can check on it by going to the following links.

Membership by Name: www.wisbca.org/hsmemberlookup

Membership by High School: www.wisbca.org/hsmembership

***NHSBCA**

The WBCA was represented at the NHSBCA meetings in Kansas City on July 12, 13, 14 by WBCA Executive Director, Jerry Petitgoue and Assistant Director Ken Barrett. The NHSBCA was started 11 years ago with 6 states attending. The NHSBCA now has over 32 states. The purpose of the organization is to work together to improve high school basketball throughout the country.

2016 HALL OF FAME AND AWARDS BANQUET

The 2016 Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, October 24th at Glacier Canyon Lodge of the Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells. There were nearly 700 in attendance. Twenty-eight high school coaches, assistant coaches, referees, friends and boy and girl players were honored in the categories listed for induction into the WBCA Hall of Fame. Awards were also presented in the 300, 400, 500, 600 wins category, longevity awards for 25 and 35 years, state champions, tribute awards, the "Eli Crogan Award", the "Steve Randall Award", Assistant Coach and Athletic Director of the Year. The evening culminated with an award ceremony and video that honored each of the twenty-eight inductees. It was an evening to remember!

MIDDLE SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

The WBCA is looking for a middle school coach to serve on the WBCA Executive Board. Steve Kaiser of Cuba City has resigned from the board because he retired from basketball coaching. If you know someone, female or male, who wants to get involved, please email or call me. I would like to have this position filled by January 1st.

2016 FALL CLINIC NEAR RECORD TURNOUT

The 2016 WBCA Fall Clinic turned out as one most attended and successful clinics in its history. The confines of Just A Game Fieldhouse allowed for over 750 attendees and record number of vendors. This was only out surpassed by the clinics headed up by Coach Majerus and Coach Izzo.

The clinic speakers that were presenting were Coach Greg Gard and Coach Jonathon Tsipis from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Coach Lavall Jordan of UW-Milwaukee and Coach Pat Juckem from UW-Oshkosh. We would also like to thank Coach Mike Schalow from Kaukana and guest speakers Steve Becker, Jim Meyers, Doug Stampfli, and Jason Otter. A HUGE thanks, for coming back, goes out to Coach Dick Bennett. It was a true pleasure to have him comeback and speak to the state coaches. COACHES thank you for putting on such a highly productive display of basketball.

Thanks needs to go to the Cardinal Stritch Basketball team for all there on the court execution. This physical display of the what the coaches present makes a big difference compared to other national clinics. A great appreciation to Ryan Kartos and staff for setting up and carrying out all the registration. A final thank you also needs to go out to Dave Royston and his staff, at the JAG, for allowing the WBCA to use such a facility. It truly allows for a great 'tip-off' to the season.

Best of luck in the upcoming season!

Jim Blaine Fall Clinic Co Director

Jon Nedelcoff Fall Clinic Co Director

WBCA EXTENDS MEMBERSHIP OFFER TO ADMINISTRATORS

The Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association is offering a one year complimentary membership to Wisconsin Athletic Directors, Principals and Superintendents. Many of these people are former coaches and friends of basketball. We welcome them and would like their input on how we can help improve the sport of basketball in the state.

If your administrators would like to join the WBCA, all we need is their e-mail address so they can receive our newsletter and a mailing address where we can send their membership card.

A membership form is on the bottom if this sheet. Please detach and send to:

Jerry Petitgoue, WBCA Executive Director

218 S. Lincoln St.
Cuba City, WI 53807

Check one of the titles: A.D. Principal Superintendent

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another basketball season is rapidly approaching. It is always an exciting time of the year and it never gets old. It doesn't matter whether you are a rookie coach in your first season or a veteran coach, there is something about that first day of practice. This year the WIAA has approved, on a one year trial basis, three halves per night for all teams with no wavers required. The WIAA will monitor this closely, so let's not abuse it. A reminder, that the varsity warm-up time will now be 15 minutes instead of 20 minutes this year.

Another outstanding clinic was put together by Jim Blaine and Jon Nedelcoff. I don't think many believed that we would match last year's attendance total, but we did and then some. What an outstanding line-up they were able to put together from start to finish. The Thursday night social at Buffalo Phil's continues to be a great hit as well.

This fall we also welcomed another outstanding group into the WBCA Hall of Fame. Twenty-eight new inductees entered the WBCA Hall of Fame. Jerry and Joan Petitgoue do an outstanding job with the Hall of Fame banquet each and every year.

I was fortunate to take part in the check presentation at the Milwaukee Bucks MACC Fund game vs. the Chicago Bulls recently. During the half-time ceremony the WBCA presented the MACC Fund a check for \$140,000. This was our largest donation to date to the MACC Fund, and it was an appropriate amount considering it is the 40th anniversary of the MACC Fund. We were able to make such a large donation due to the efforts of our All-Star players and coaches, along with the efforts of our boy's All-Star co-chairs Mike Huser and Tony Scallon and our girl's co-chairs of Loren Homb and Sam Mathison. Since 1978, the WBCA has given the MACC Fund nearly 2.5 million dollars.

Since this will be my last newsletter as president, I would like to thank the many dedicated people who serve on the executive board. They give up four Sundays per year, devote countless hours and energy to the game of basketball in our state. It starts at the top with the hard work of Jerry Petitgoue and his wife Joan. They do more for the WBCA than any of us realize.

Finally, I would like to welcome Niki Sutter of Oshkosh West as our incoming president and Dan Witter of Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln as the incoming vice-president. Both are outstanding individuals who will make this great organization even better.

Respectfully yours,

Dan Burreson

Mineral Point High School

P.S.

Please renew your membership if you have not already done so. If you have, thank you and encourage others to do the same.



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December 3 – Wilderness Black Ice Classic
4-5th Boys and Girls

**Capitol v. South Central Conference Crossover
December 3**

12:50 PM - Lake Mills v. Mauston - Girls
2:30 PM - Lake Mills v. Mauston - Boys
5:50 PM - Luther Prep v. Nekoosa - Girls
7:30 PM - Luther Prep v. Nekoosa - Boys

December 4 – Dunkin' Donuts Early Winter Classic
6-8th Boys and Girls

December 10 – The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic
7-8th Boys and Girls

**Capitol v. South Central Conference Crossover
December 10**

12:50 PM - Cambridge v. Wisconsin Dells - Girls
2:30 PM - Cambridge v. Wisconsin Dells - Boys
5:50 PM - New Glarus v. Adams-Friendship - Girls
7:30 PM - New Glarus v. Adams-Friendship - Boys

December 11 – The Shoe Box Christmas Shopping Classic
4-6th Boys and Girls

December 17 – Milwaukee Bucks Shootout
5-6th Boys and Girls

**Capitol v. South Central Conference Crossover
December 17**

12:50 PM - Wisconsin Heights v. Westfield - Girls
2:30 PM - Wisconsin Heights v. Westfield - Boys
5:50 PM - Poynette v. Wautoma - Girls
7:30 PM - Poynette v. Wautoma - Boys

December 18 – Milwaukee Bucks Shootout
4th and 7-8th Boys and Girls

December 23 – Monk's Alumni Classic
Adult Men and Women

**JustAgame Holiday Shootout
December 27**

2:15 PM - Waunakee v. Kettle Moraine - Girls
4:00 PM - Onalaska v. Janesville Parker - Girls
5:45 PM - Eau Claire Regis v. Sauk Prairie - Boys
7:30 PM - Janesville Parker v. La Crosse Logan - Boys

December 28

10:45 AM - Varsity Consolation Game - Girls
12:30 PM - Varsity Championship Game - Girls
2:15 PM - Consolation Game - Boys
4:00 PM - Championship Game - Boys

December 29 – College Mini Meet Shootout
7-8th Boys and Girls

JustAgame Holiday Classic

December 29

1:00 - UW Stout v. Bethel University - Women
3:00 - UW Oshkosh v. Carleton College - Women
5:00 - UW Stout v. Central College - Men
7:00 - UW Whitewater v. Lawrence University - Men

December 30

11:00 - Carleton College v. UW Stout - Women
1:00 - Bethel University v. UW Oshkosh - Women
3:00 - Central College v. UW Whitewater - Men
5:00 - Lawrence University v. UW Stout - Men

Swing Family Showcase

January 7

Games and Teams TBD

January 8 – Rookies Fastbreak Shootout - 4-8th Girls

January 9 – Monday Night Madness
JV and JVR Boys and Girls

January 14 – Moosejaw Shootout - 7-8th Boys and Girls

Tri-State Border Battle

January 14

12:30 PM - Dells v. St. Charles MN - Boys
2:15 PM - Ripon v. Spring Grove, MN - Boys
4:00 PM - Hortonville v. North Scott, IA - Boys
5:45 PM - Fort Atkinson v. TBD - Boys
7:30 PM - Owatonna, MN v. Pleasant Valley, IA - Boys

January 15 – Pizza Pub Shootout - 4-6th Boys and Girls

January 21 – Rookies Shootout - 4-8th Boys

January 21

12:50 PM - Brillion v. Riverdale - Girls
2:30 PM - Westby v. Markesan - Boys
5:50 PM - Brodhead v. Wisconsin Dells - Girls
7:30 PM - Royall v. Southwestern - Boys

January 22 – Great Wolf Lodge Winter Shootout - 4-8th Girls

January 28 – Wilderness Jump It Up Classic - 4-8th Girls

January 28

12:50 PM - Assumption v. St. Francis - Boys
2:30 PM - Randolph v. Blackhawk - Girls
5:50 PM - New Berlin West v. Holmen - Boys

January 29 – Wilderness Jump It Up Classic - 4-8th Boys

February 4 – BWD Classic - 4-8th Boys

February 4

12:50 PM - Valdars v. Dells - Boys
2:30 PM - Tri-County v. Valdars - Girls
5:50 PM - Royall v. Blair-Taylor - Girls
7:30 PM - Royall v. Blair-Taylor - Boys

February 5 – BWD Classic (15U-18U Girls) – Volleyball

February 11 – Dunkin' Donuts Midwinter Classic
4-6th Boys and Girls

February 11

12:50 PM - Assumption v. Barneveld - Boys
2:30 PM - Assumption v. Barneveld - Girls
5:50 PM - Palmyra-Eagle v. Fall Creek - Girls
7:30 PM - New Lisbon v. Fall Creek - Boys

February 12 – Rookies Block Party (13U-16U Girls) – Volleyball

February 17 – Home School State Tournament

February 18 – Moosejaw Shootout - 4-8th Boys

February 19 – Moosejaw Shootout - 4-8th Girls

February 25 & 26

Wisconsin Collegiate Conference Final Four - Men & Women

February 25 – Mt. Olympus Shootout - 7-8th Boys and Girls

February 26 – Mt. Olympus Shootout - 4-6th Boys and Girls

March 4-5 – The Showcase – Volleyball

March 11 – WBCA Grade School State Championship
4-6th Boys

March 12 – WBCA Grade School State Championship
4-6th Girls

March 18 – WBCA Grade School State Championship
7-8th Boys

March 19 – WBCA Grade School State Championship
7-8th Girls

March 25-26 – Monk's March Madness Classic
4-8th Boys and Girls

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-Volleyball Championships - October

-Final Four Mens & Womens Basketball Tournament- February

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For a \$20 donation you can have your achievement on the walls of the WBCA Hall of Fame at the JustAgame Fieldhouse. Each donation will be given a 6x3 inch plaque in the Hall of Fame.

School (for Coach & Players) : _____

Colors (for Coach & Players): _____

Player/Coach/Official	Years	Points/Record/Games
Bob Sample	1997-2001	1,343 Points
Joe Sample	1978-2000	525-341
Jim Sample	1985-2013	1500 Games Officiated
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If you need more space please use back of sheet or attach another sheet. Each player, coach or referee requires a \$20 donation. Checks made payable to:

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 Attn: Hall of Fame
 5509 Schluter Rd
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Please allow some time after submittal for your plaque to be displayed. For coaches or players we reserve the right to ask you for documentation or school authorization of your record.



WBCA DONATES \$140,000 TO CELEBRATE MACC FUND'S 40TH YEAR!



On Saturday, October 15th, members of the WBCA Executive Board, along with Alex Van Dyke (WBCA All-Star and current UW-Oshkosh men's basketball player), and Coach Dave Lindow (East Troy and WBCA All-Star game top fundraiser) had the distinct honor of presenting MACC Fund President Jon McGlocklin with a check for \$140,000.

The \$140,000 donation was part of a celebration of the MACC (Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer) Fund's 40th year. Next to the Milwaukee Bucks, the WBCA is the longest standing sponsor of the MACC Fund. The WBCA celebrated its 39th year as a partner with the MACC Fund, and we couldn't be more proud to be involved with such an amazing organization. We would also like to recognize and thank John Cary, the MACC Fund's Executive Director, and a WBCA Executive Board Member, for his passion and commitment to both organizations.

Throughout the history of the partnership, the WBCA has donated nearly \$2.5 million. Our donations each year have contributed to critical research funds, and we have seen the 5-year survival rate of childhood cancer and blood disorders increase from 20% to 80%! Every WBCA member should be proud of this! Thank you for giving hope to the children!

MACC FUND DONATIONS:

2011	\$118,000
2012	\$125,000
2013	\$130,000
2014	\$115,000
2015	\$125,000
2016	\$140,000

MACC FUND

The WBCA has proudly supported the MACC Fund through our all-star games since their inception in 1978. In those 40 years we have raised over \$2.4 million, including \$140,000 this past summer. You can find out more about the MACC Fund by visiting their website: maccfund.org.





The National High School Basketball Coaches Association is the National Voice of Action for High School Basketball Coaches

Focusing on the REAL Benefits of Sports in our High Schools

Our society has gradually moved into a dangerous area with scholastic sports – a movement of “how can I be promoted?” “*What can you do for ME?*” “*How can I become even more exposed for scholarship consideration?*” As someone that has coached in Michigan for nearly four decades, I find this very concerning. Competing in athletics is supposed to be a part of the “educational pie” for young people - another vehicle to assist in the teaching of the “life lessons” needed to navigate the difficult waters our existence on planet Earth will bring all of us. Developing character, learning how to bounce back when things go badly, understanding how to sacrifice for our “teammates,” showing compassion, demonstrating courage and toughness when called upon, being honest, ethical, and creating an “honorable” demeanor as we move forward – THESE qualities are what our youth should be focusing on; not winning a game, getting their names in the newspaper, earning a scholarship, and relishing in the false perception that they are an “elite” athlete.

How did we start straying from these basic principles of amateurism, playing for the love of the game, and the pure joy these types of involvement bring? Money always seems to work its way into everything. There are those that decided there was money to be made at the expense of young people and their parents – let’s convince people that the only way they can realize their dreams (stardom / college / professional ball) is to “specialize” (focus on one sport only) and play year-round for clubs and travel teams. “*You’re an elite player already, so let’s join with other GREAT prospects and play against teams from all over the country. Now, it will cost you some significant money, but consider this a NECESSARY investment for you to reach your goal. Forget your high school, your friends that have played with you from an early age, and the coaches that really cannot help you achieve your dreams – you need to think of yourself!*” PURE SELFISHNESS! That’s the lesson here.

Learning how to perform representatively in a sportsmanship manner, playing with ethics, competing honorably, being humble in victory and courageous in defeat – these are always going to be much more important than stardom and gaining a scholarship! Who are you? Do you have character? How do you answer these important questions, and are you involved in sports for the right reasons? Are the best players on your team the best “team players?” Are they enjoyable to play with? What about academic performance and appropriate social media use? / have young people learned these all-important skills? ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS! We adults must be adult-like, model appropriate behavior each and every day, and keep our youth and their perspective of themselves realistic and appropriate. There are no guarantees other than the opportunity to participate. That’s it, and if a youngster happens to become good enough, then maybe he or she could become part of the 2%-3% that leave high school each spring and get some sort of financial aid (athletics) their freshman year in college. But the lessons they learn from their high school participation (in as many things as they can) will become part of their very existence and remain with them their entire lives. Dave Ginsberg

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LEARNING FROM OBSERVATIONS AND PRACTICE

By Terry Erickson, Ridge and Valley Commissioner and member of the Executive Board of the WBCA

As we all strive to become better at the craft of officiating, sometimes we forget very simple things that contribute to our success on the court. As an evaluator, and both a high school and college official, I have observed hundreds of officials over the years, all with varying degrees of proficiency and skill levels.

I have identified a short list of common items that I have observed which may need improvement as we prepare for the 2016-2017 season. They apply to all of us as we work to improve the quality of our game.

Problem # 1 - Spot of Foul Mechanics and Signals

It is imperative that a definite procedure in officiating mechanics be used when a foul occurs. The NFHS Officiating Manual identifies this procedure. My observation is that often times, (a) the official does not inform the player that he/she has fouled. (b) The official does not indicate the nature of the foul by giving a preliminary signal at the spot of the foul. (c) The official does not properly inform the table personnel of the foul indicating jersey color, number, both verbal and hand signal. A suggestion is to get in front of the mirror with the officials manual open. Remember: signals at the spot of the foul and at the reporting zone are two distinct items.

Problem # 2 - Staying with Perimeter Shooters

One of the hardest habits to break as a novice official is the desire to “follow the ball” instead of keeping a focus on your primary coverage area. This tendency carries over to shooters as well. Whether it is shooters on the wing, in the corners, or anywhere on the court, many officials tend to (a) turn their head and focus away from the shooter well before the play is completed. (b) Follow the ball flight instead of watching the defender and airborne shooter until the play is over. (c) Miss illegal contact after the play is completed, sometimes allowing even borderline intentional/flagrant contact. So, stay with the shooter until the play is over. Trust your partners to watch the other players on the floor.

Problem # 3 – Developing a Patient Whistle

The skill of creating a “space in time” between an official’s signal/whistle and the actual violation or foul occurring is a key best practice for all officials to learn. I often observe an official blowing the whistle at the exact time a foul is occurring. This creates many problems. (a) Anticipation causes the official to often blow the whistle early. (b) Sometimes the play turns out different than anticipated. (c) There is no turning back now. Experienced officials develop a knack for allowing a tiny fraction of a second to mentally evaluate the play before signaling the whistle. This allows time to allow the play to continue without interruption.

I hope these observations and suggestions will assist you in your goal of having a successful 2016-17 season on the court.

It certainly is possible for basketball referees to get into the same magical zone that players are often times fortunate to find themselves in. It’s simply mental discipline.

Officials can have a stretch of games where the pace slows down and players are positioned in just the right spots on the court to provide the perfect angle to view the action on the floor. Your whistle is seemingly hard-wired to every foul and every violation. It’s as if the coaches and players don’t even know you are there.

But just as easy and mysteriously as you entered this zone of ease and perfection, the pace and style of the very next game can completely change. As a result, you may find yourself ejecting from that zone based on a series of mental distractions. You begin to self-destruct.

Distractions can be external issues such as work, family, health, or fatigue. Or it may be internal issues such as problems with your partner, the timer or scorekeeper, or the coaches, players and spectators. Any of this can completely knock you off of your game, and if the stars line up against you, the results can be disastrous.

Here are some thoughts in disciplining your mind to avoid self-inflicted distractions.....

- If you feel the weight of a missed call, take a deep breath and force yourself to calmly process the situation. Move on from the call and don't live in the past. Be determined not to be in a similar situation for the remainder of the game.
- Monitor and stack your thoughts as if you were an evaluator in the stands observing the action. This may provide a clear perspective to your performance.
- Don't attempt to dig yourself out of a hole. Simply cut your losses and make the correct ruling. Do not compound your mistake by committing another with a "Mascara Mike" improvised ruling.
- Display enjoyment in the opportunity to work the game. Be approachable, joyful and energetic knowing that it is a privilege and honor to be an official. It should be a fun experience.

The game of basketball requires officials to make 75-100 decisions in a single game. A decision to NOT blow your whistle is still a decision. All of these call into question your judgement, a determining factor in your success. Your officiating avocation is hard enough without putting yourself in a precarious situation by allowing distractions to compromise your ability to work a good game.

When we think of preparing for the long basketball season, we typically focus on playing rules, floor coverage, mechanics, points of emphasis and basic strategy of the game. Reviewing these principles should assist in defining what a player can and cannot do on the basketball floor, as well as reinforce basic positioning in order to observe player actions and proceed when an infraction is detected. This requires studying, listening, observing, practicing and welcoming feedback from observers and assignors.

Unfortunately, an equally important preparation component to game basketball officiating is missing for a growing number of officials. That component is the Mental Preparation.

Just like athletes who master the mental skills and discipline necessary to achieve a high degree of success, officials also need to focus on the mental aspect of the game. Let's explore.....

- **A Sound mind in a Healthy Body.** The length of the season can be a physical and mental drain. As you wear down physically, your mental state also suffers. In order to sustain a high degree of proficiency, thereby consistency bringing your A game to each contest throughout the season, proper nutrition, adequate rest, an in-season conditioning program, appropriate stretching, and limiting alcohol consumption will keep your body and mind consistently prepared for a peak performance.
- **Mastering the Art of Concentration.** This is fundamental to making proper decisions in a fast moving game. Focusing on relevant cues during the game, anticipating future plays, reacting to crowd noise, and listening to angry coaches and/or players all jeopardize your concentration. In addition, boredom from a lop-sided game can be a possible detriment to concentration. Equally challenging is the fear of making a mistake and ruining a game, or moving forward after a difficult or controversial call. Mental discipline and concentration will assist you rise above these situations.
- **The Mental Pre-game.** This is part of your pre-game conference with your crew. The ability to eliminate unhealthy pre-conceived feeling about players or coaches that can impair or bias your judgment needs to be discussed. And, distractions from all external issues such as family, job, weather or travel needs to be left outside the gymnasium door. A good pre-game will bring your mental level of activation to the proper level with the goal of focusing on the task to be accomplished.

Mental preparation will take you to a controlled state of mind which can assist you in making the best possible decisions. When practiced and mastered, you will officiate with a renewed sense of self-confidence leading to a "season and a career of significance."

WBCA HALL OF FAME & BASKETBALL MUSEUM

JustAgame Fieldhouse
200 La Crosse Street
Wisconsin Dells

If you're a Wisconsin High School basketball fan or a history buff the WBCA Hall of Fame at JustAgame Fieldhouse is a must visit for people of all ages. JustAgame Fieldhouse is located in downtown Wisconsin Dells and is open year round. The Hall of Fame is not only a place where you will see all coaches, players, referees and friends of the game inducted into the Hall of Fame, but much more. You will find the history of Wisconsin High School Basketball with stories, photos, jersey's, and more throughout the 57,000 square foot facility. Here's just a sample of what you will see at the WBCA Hall of Fame;

- Coaching won-loss records.
- Players scoring records.
- Mr. and Miss. Basketball award winners.
- Hall of Fame inductee's dating back to 1979.
- Jersey's from over 250 Wisconsin High Schools.
- Over 1,300 players that scored over 1,000 career points.
- Coaches who have exceeded the 300 win plateau.
- Pennants representing each State Championship.
- State Tournament programs from past years.
- Enough stories on the history of Wisconsin High School basketball to keep you reading for many days.
- History from the first State Tournament held in 1916 to present day.



While visiting the Hall of Fame you may also want to catch a game or two. JustAgame has more than 75 youth tournaments each year along with over 50 varsity high school games, and over 25 college games including Div. 2, Div. 3, and Junior College teams playing on the 1,700 seat Court of Champions. JustAgame is open every day Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:00. It is also open most weekends while tournaments and games are taking place and also many evenings. You may call 608-253-6787 for more information. Don't miss this stop.



WBCA – MEMBERSHIP FORM – 2016-17

School / Organization: _____

Notes:

- Boys & Girls may NOT be on the same staff membership.
- Each coach must have an address listed, preferably their home address.
- The majority of our communications are now through email, if you don't list an email your staff members will not receive information and newsletters from the WBCA.

Membership (check below)

- ____ Individual Membership – Boys Coach - \$50
____ Individual Membership – Girls Coach - \$50
____ Staff Membership (Up to 10) – Boys Staff - \$100
____ Staff Membership (Up to 10) – Girls Staff - \$100
____ Referee: \$20
____ Friend of the Game: \$20
____ Youth Coach: \$20
____ Lifetime Member (retired coach): \$100

Individual / Staff Member Information

	Name	Home Address (w/ city & zip)	Email (required)	Fall Clinic?
1				yes no
2				yes no
3				yes no
4				yes no
5				yes no
6				yes no
7				yes no
8				yes no
9				yes no
10				yes no

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Eye in the Sky Sports has revolutionized live streaming and video on demand for athletics. Eye in the Sky Sports partners with schools to live broadcast every home Volleyball, Basketball, and Wrestling event to viewers anywhere in the world, watching on any device. All events are also recorded for video on demand and game film analysis for coaches.

Benefits

- **No out-of-pocket costs for schools**
- No cameramen or announcers needed – **NO WORK for the school!**
- Every home event is live streamed and recorded
- Viewers can watch on any device from anywhere in the world
- Coaches have free access to recordings for game film analysis
- Possibility of earning revenue for your programs

How it Works:

- Eye in the Sky Sports will install a high definition camera in the school's gymnasium
- You supply us with a schedule of events
- We take care of 100% of operations remotely (no cameramen or announcers needed)
- Camera is stationary and the picture captures the entire court and a scoreboard at all times
- We will live stream and record the events you supply to us
- Coaches receive free access to recordings for game film analysis
- Viewers can tune in from anywhere in the world on any device
- Viewers purchase tickets to view the events and we share part of the profits with your programs

Advertising

- We sell advertising packages in your communities. A list of businesses and contacts that support your programs is greatly appreciated.
- The advertiser receives:
 - o A logo and link on our website
- Your programs receive a portion of all advertising sales in your community
- **Your School may opt out of Eye in the Sky Sports selling advertising for an out of pocket annual fee**

Profit Sharing

- For each ticket purchased and advertisement sold, the school receives a portion of the sales at the end of basketball season each year.
- There is a \$200 operations fee that is deducted from the school's profit sharing check for the operations, storage, and coaches/players access to game film
If for some reason there is not enough revenue to cover the \$200, the school does not owe out of pocket to cover the difference. The school would then not receive a check.

Coming Soon

- Viewers can Pre-Purchase tickets to events
- DVR Feature for viewers – viewers will be able to pause, rewind, and return to live video while watching live streams. If they purchase after the event has already begun they will be able to rewind and watch from the start.
- Coach and player user accounts – recordings will be automatically delivered to each coach and player account for viewing after the event is over.
- Live Scoring updates - there will be a scoreboard phone app. One person during each event can run this app and it will live update our schedule/results tab on the website and also show a "TV-like" scoreboard on the live streams for viewers.

(There will be out of pocket fees for the following optional features.)

- Video editing tools – coaches and players will have the opportunity to edit game film for teaching purposes, or for creating their own highlight films to share on social media accounts.
- Game Exchanges – Easily share game film with opposing coaches that are also partnered with Eye in the Sky Sports.

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Basketball season is upon us. I'd like to share a few things with you as you begin to prepare for the upcoming season:

1. All coaches, at all levels, are required to watch the basketball rules video and take the Part I basketball exam. The video and exam are posted on the WIAA website. Please use the email address and login information that your AD has listed for you in the WIAA Online School Directory. Please make all of your assistants aware of this requirement — good to get this taken care of prior to the start of the season.

2. Again this year, we will be running the 3-Point Challenge in conjunction with the State Tournaments. Travis Wilson, from WSN, will be tracking the 3-Point Shooters through the course of the season. He has probably already sent you an email requesting information on your team for the Basketball section of the WSN website. I'm sure you've also received

instructions on how to login and enter the information for your team. Contestants in the 3-Point Contest will be based on statistical information entered into the WisSports.net database. Most of you are already familiar with how to do this, as stats entry on WSN is also required by the WBCA (Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association) for All-State and All-Star Game nominations, is required by many conferences, and schools as well. If you have questions on how to enter stats on WisSports.net or need additional information on how to do so, please contact Wisconsin Sports Network at info@wissports.net. Please be sure to include your name, school, and sport you coach when you contact them.

3. The brackets for this year's tournament are set with the exception of Division 1, Sectional #1, which still needs to vote on their tournament bracket design. Otherwise, you will be seeding the groups as they are currently shown on the WIAA website. The dates for the seeding meetings are as follows: Girls Seed Meetings: Saturday, February 11 or Sunday, February 12. Boys Seeding Meetings: Saturday, February 18 or Sunday, February 19. You are required to attend a face-to-face meeting so please block your calendar now.

4. Change for this year are minimal as are the NFHS rules changes. Here are a few of the ones I want to draw your attention to: A. All games at the high school level will be played in halves. The varsity games are 2-18 minute halves. JV and frosh games should be 2-16 minute halves unless your conference has made a decision to modify the length. We will be reducing the warm-up time for varsity games from 20 minutes to 15 minutes. Please remind your AD and clock operator of this change. The change from 20 to 15 minutes was made to make the length of the warm-up consistent from the regular season through the state tournament and many coaches felt that 20 minutes was just too long. B. The mercy rule applies to all high school level games — after 1/2 of the second half has been played, and there is a 40 point differential, the clock will run continuously with stoppage only for time-outs and end of game free throws. C. All players at the high school level will be allowed to play 3 halves per night. NO WAIVERS are required. And, no waivers for additional halves will be available. Entry into a half counts as one half. Varsity starters should not be playing in lower level games. The intent of this change was to provide every school with options to play athletes at multiple levels if the need arose because you do not have enough players to fill teams — the expectation would be that the majority of your players would only need to play in two halves per night. We will be closely monitoring this allowance during the year. We hope that coaches will not abuse this allowance by playing quality players in lower level games to simply win the game. As the varsity head coach, your leadership will be critical to the continuation of this allowance.

5. Once again, we need you to rank your varsity officials following the completion of games. I use this information to assist in assigning tournament officials. Please provide me with the feedback so the best possible officials are working the tournament series games. Officials are NOT able to see the ranking that you provide.

6. During the school basketball season, athletes may participate in a skills contest with approval of the school. Specific skill contests (punt, pass and kick, shooting contests, e.g., free throws, 3-point, drive, chip and putt) isolate separate skills outside of the traditional competition setting and are allowed. The skill contest may not include physical contact or extreme fatigue as the actual sport competition. There can be no school coach involvement. All other eligibility rules including amateur status apply.

7. Athletes may compete in not more than two nonschool competitions with school approval during each regular sport season. The contest(s) will not count against the individual maximum for the athlete in that sport. Nonschool competition will not be allowed during the respective WIAA tournament series in a sport. A student becomes ineligible in a sport for the remainder of the season for competing in more than two nonschool games, meets, or contests in the same sport during the season of practice and competition established by the school. The penalty may be reduced upon request of a school on the basis of documented extenuating circumstances. WIAA approval is not required — just school approval. The event, however, must be approved by the school prior to the athlete participating in it. Be careful with this one — make your athletes aware of this new rule but that there is a need for school approval prior to them participating in any such an event. For more information, please review the Q&A found here: http://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Eligibility/Non-School_Participation_Q&A.pdf

8. Finally, the Spalding TF1000 Classic ZK basketball will be the official basketball for the sectional and state tournament games this year. The ZK has been added to the description of this ball — but it is the same ball that we have used over the past few years. I've been told that the Spalding TF1000 Classic is no longer available — you need to get the Spalding TF1000 Classic ZK.

9. All information for the upcoming season has been updated on the WIAA website — basketball pages. You can access the 2016-17 Season Summary form, etc. now so that you can get some of the paperwork done prior to the start of the actual season.

Good luck — let me know during the season if I can be of assistance to you. Remember, high school sports is all about providing student athletes with the opportunity to participate and have a positive experience. The positive experiences they have will be the foundation for them to be successful in their futures. Keep them involved!!! Your leadership is needed more than ever in high school sports — consider the time commitment and sacrifices your upperclassmen have put in over the years. Keep them involved as key components in your program so that your younger players see that commitment to the program is recognized by you.

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