



Another exciting representative season to celebrate! 2023 was full of hard-fought battles, nailbiting buzzer beaters, tears of joy and frustration, and the many moments that unite us as proud Tigers. It's a pleasure to have our community together to celebrate the efforts of our Junior and Senior teams.

It was a busy season with eight Junior and two Senior teams representing the Shoalhaven this year. Many teams achieved success with championship winners across various divisions and age groups. Every team played with heart and passion, and I hope each player felt a connection to the Tiger spirit.

As you look through the booklet, please take a moment of gratitude for the army of people who make it all possible. The commitment of everyone involved in our Representative Program is inspiring.

Thank you for being a part of the Tigers 2023 Representative Season. Enjoy this moment of celebration and we look forward to seeing you all back on the courts shortly for 2024 rep trials.

Rachel Martin
Chairperson
SBA Board

PRESENTATIVE PLAYER SELECTIONS BEYOND SBA

Congratulations to the following players on their selection to Basketball NSW (BNSW), Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS), and Public Schools Sporting Association (PSSA) programs and teams.

Braydan Daly - IAS
Kate Speer - BNSW D League
Lucas Evison - South Coast PSSA

Selection to represent beyond SBA is also a nomination criteria for the Junior Representative Player of the Year Award. We look forward to seeing who has received the award in 2023!

We encourage all Shoalhaven representative players to trial for these opportunities - you'll build skills and make new friends who share your competitive basketball goals.

UNDER 12 GIRL

Proudly sponsored by Mortgage Choice Shoalhaven

Competed in Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Christine Campbell | Assistant Coach: Bree Martin | Manager: Amanda Volpatti

Players: Camilla Addison, Isabelle Andrews, Isobel Campbell, Eva Fulginiti, Addison Goff, Kenzie Marshall, Grace Seller, Ramona Volpatti.

Awards

- MVP - Isobel Campbell
- Player's Player - Camilla Addison
- Most Improved - Isabelle Andrews-Mueller

Results

- Barrengarry Conference: Runners Up
- John Martin Country Tournament: Third (Division 3)



UNDER 12 BOYS

Competed in Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Simone Hackett | Assistant Coach: Jacinta Donaldson | Manager: Jane Hird

Players: Noah Claven, Randira De Silva, Ryan Donaldson, Tyson Drewe, Joshua Edwards, Harley Hackett, Brendan Hird, Clancy Soeters-Clark, Tyler Exton.

Awards

- Most Consistent - Randira De Silva
- Coaches Award - Clancy Soeters-Clark
- Encouragement Award - Noah Claven



UNDER 14 GIRLS

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Competed in Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Misty Wood | Manager: Amanda Volpatti

Players: Armani Dias, Larissa Guy, Georgia Hayburn, Lexie McRae-Brumfield, Jaide Sutherland, Tessa Volpatti, Bella Yusef, Scarlett Waldmann, Iris Zarella.

Awards

- Player of the Year - Scarlet Waldmann
- Coaches Award - Tessa Volpatti
- Most Improved - Lexie McRae-Brumfield

Results

- Barrengarry Conference: Champions
- John Martin Country Tournament: Pool winners (Division 2)



UNDER 14 BOYS

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Competed in Southern Junior League, Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Leighvi Dennison | Assistant Coach: Ben Royston Manager: Alisha Exton

Players: Stephen Alfano, Benjamin Anderson, Jayden Barnes, Liam Dennison, Cameron Donaldson, Brandon Exton, Xavier Exton, Lachlan Field, Max Kiehl, Diesel Romeo, Lyall Swindlehurst, Lincoln Witting.

Awards

- MVP - Lincoln Witting
- Best Offensive Player - Stephen Alfano
- Player's Player - Cameron Donaldson

Results

- Southern Junior League: Third (Division 2)
- John Martin Country Tournament: Division 3 Champions



UNDER 16 GIRLS

Competed in Southern Junior League, Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Kelly Doll | Assistant Coach: Clinton Holloway | Manager: Michelle Coleman

Players: Bridget Coleman, Bethany Dennis, Sidney Fordham, Chloe Holloway, Kasia McRoary, Zali Morris, Katie Seller, Kate Speer, Evie Svensson, Alissa Timmins.

Awards

- MVP - Kate Speer
- Coaches Award - Evie Svensson
- Most Improved - Bethany Dennis

Results

- Southern Junior League: Division 2 Champions
- Barrengarry Conference: Champions
- John Martin Country Tournament: Division 2 Runners Up



UNDER 16 BOYS Division 1

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Competed in Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Luke Royston | Assistant Coach: Jaden Hodder | Manager: Mel Daly

Players: Braydan Daly, Ethan Dennison, Alex Field, Harry Frew, Mitchell Parrott, Nate Rees, Toby Royston, Blayne Rumble, James Speer, Will Roulestone, Mitchell Exton.

Awards

- Player's Player - Toby Royston
- Defensive Player of the Year - James Speer
- Most Improved - Nate Rees

Results

- Barrengarry Conference: Division 2 U18B Champions



UNDER 16 BOYS Division 2

Competed in Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Jaden Hodder | Assistant Coach: Steve Nikolovski | Manager: Danielle Warner

Players: Stefan Babic, Cody Chater, Marcus Francis, Jake Gilmour, Lachlan Hurd, Tom Peterson, Jet Saken, Noah Sharkis, Noah Vaughan, Allan Brookes, Aswan Harvey-Aziz, Ethan Nikolovski.

Awards

- Best & Fairest - Ethan Nikolovski
- Player's Player - Marcus Francis
- Encouragement Award - Noah Sharks



UNDER 18 BOYS

Competed in Southern Junior League, Barrengarry Conference & John Martin Country Tournament

Coach: Damian Rees | Assistant Coach: Dom Petre | Manager: Maree Evison

Players: Gaveen De Silva, Oliver Driscoll, Lucas Edison, Keegan Feehan, Tighe Fordham, Oliver Higham, Azriel McMillan, Ashton Morris, Harry Petre, Jalen Rees.

Awards

- Player's Player - Lucas Evison

Results

- Southern Junior League: Division 2 Runners Up
- Barrengarry Conference: Division 1 Champions
- John Martin Country Tournament: Third place



2023 Graduating Players

- Ariel McMillan
- Ashton Morris
- Gaveen De Silva
- Harry Petre
- Julie McMillan
- Keegan Feehan
- Lucas Evison

WARATAH YOUTH MEN

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Competed in Spalding Waratah League

Coach: Paul Lindeberg | Assistant Coaches: Rohan Duddy & Sasha Wolter | Managers: Shane Hilaire & Nicole Papadimas

Players: George Buist, Jack Callaghan, Hayden Curley, Isaac Dell, Mitchell Falcke, Angus Glendinning, Bailey Hilaire, Eli Matic, Jamaal McRae-Hurdle, Rory Shepherdson, Corey Walker.

Awards

- MVP - Eli Matic
- Player's Player - Mitchell Falcke
- Best Defensive Player - Mitchell Falcke



BARRENGARRY WOMEN

Competed in Barrengarry Conference Opens

Coach: Belinda Morris | Manager: Amanda Volpatti

Players: Christine Campbell, Alannah Forde, Simone Hackett, Bridget Kellett, Kate Leung, Bree Martin, Darcy Martin-Weisse, Madalyn Owen, Mary-Jane Toole, Haelee Trenerry, Layla Volpatti.

Awards

- MVP - Simone Hackett
- Coaches Award - Alannah Forde
- Most Improved - Layla Volpatti

Results

- Barrengarry Conference: TBA after finals on Sunday 27 August



ASSOCIATION AWARDS

The awards below were nominated by the Tigers community and evaluated against the nomination criteria by an independent panel. [The full criteria can be viewed here.](#) Where there were no nominees or the nominees did not meet the criteria, no award is given. A summary of the nominations has been provided for each award recipient.

Junior Representative Male Player of the Year – Lucas Evison

Lucas represented the South Coast PSSA at the CHS Boys State Championships. He demonstrates good sportsmanship at the domestic and representative level.

Senior Representative Male Player of the Year – Eli Matic

Eli was a high scorer for our Youth Men this year and has a scholarship to play in the USA. He is an encouraging role model to younger players and demonstrated his commitment to the Tigers on the recent Bunnings BBQ.

Senior Representative Female Player of the Year – Simone Hackett

Simone is the women's lead scorer and a natural leader in the team. Her tenacity makes an impact in offence and defence. Simone goes above and beyond by refereeing multiple games between playing and contributing to the Tiger's success as an association in many ways.

Representative Coach of the Year – Christine Campbell

Christine received numerous nominations all praising her commitment to the U12G, the Tigers, and basketball as a sport. Throughout the season she has built a culture of belonging and supported every player to succeed as an individual. On game days, she sets an example of respect by interacting positively with the opposition and officials. Christine's coaching style has gifted the girls on her team with inspiration and empowerment that will last a lifetime.

Representative Referee of the Year – Layla Volpatti

Layla's dedication to refereeing saw her selected to represent NSW as a referee at the 2023 Australian All Schools Basketball Championships in Perth and South Coast PSSA at the Tri-Schools Tournament in Sydney. She refereed at SJL & Barrengarry for the Tigers this season and was awarded the Grand Final Game at the CHS Boys State Championships. Layla's nominations also cited her positive attitude, her role as a mentor to younger referees, and her commitment to refereeing junior and senior domestic comp each week.

Representative Team of the Year | The Ryan Walsh Memorial Trophy – Under 12 Girls

These young Tigers have had a fantastic season on and off the court. The team received numerous nominations citing the girl's impressive Tigers spirit. This was evident in their enthusiastic support for other teams, the positive sportsmanship that was reported by opposing teams, a cheerful approach to fundraising with raffles and the 100 Club, and their flexibility around training options. Half of the team was in their first season, one came straight from Aussie Hoops, but they took it all in their stride to the finish as Runners Up at Barrengarry and 3rd at Country Tournament.

REFEREES

Waratah League, SJL, Barrengarry Conference, and Country Tournament all require each nominated team to provide a qualified referee. With SBA hosting the majority of Barrengarry Conference rounds we had to dig deep this year to cover an increased number of rounds.

While the teams and coaches are putting in the hard work at training, this energetic group were facing fitness tests and additional training. The preparation and length of the season require a sustained commitment from our referees and we appreciate everyone whether they did one game or many. It was an exciting season with some of our junior referees doing their first SJL games and many of our referees being awarded finals in recognition of their skill. Well done!

Thank you to the following referees for supporting our players by sharing your time, energy, and skills:

Alex Field	Amanda Volpatti	Ben Weissel	Cameron Donaldson
Cooper Martin	Darcy Martin	Emily Cornford	Gary Williams
Grace Armstrong	Greg Davids	Hilary Thomas	Jacinta Donaldson
Joshua Higginson	Kate Fairbairn	Kate Speer	Katie Seller
Lara Timmins	Layla Volpatti	Lincoln Witting	Misty Wood
Oliver Higham	Sandy Kolednik	Simone Hackett	Tony Armstrong



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