



2022 State Champs/ 2023 WABL Briefing for Parents

Updated Wednesday 31 August 2022

This briefing document is long, but it's essential that all parents read it in full if their child wishes to gain selection in a **2023 Perth Redbacks WABL team**.

Current WABL parents - you must read this document as our selection/team formation processes from State Champs >> WABL are different to last season.

Aspiring WABL parents - if you're not sure what WABL is and whether it's the right program for where your child is currently, this document will answer those questions and more.

If you have any questions after reading through this document in full, please direct them to kelly@perthredbacks.asn.au

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Key dates for your diaries

Wednesday 31 August 2022	Registrations for Perth Redbacks State Champs Trials <u>open</u>																														
Friday 30 September 2022	Registrations for Perth Redbacks State Champs Trials <u>close</u>																														
Wednesday 12 October 2022	Pre-trial briefing for all parents (Zoom)																														
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Sunday 30 October	State Champs training starts
18/19/20 November 2022	State Champs Competition Weekend Division 2 and 3: Under 13 and Under 15 Boys
25/26/27 November 2022	State Champs Competition Weekend Division 2 and 3: All Girls Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, Under 17, Under 19
2/3/4 December 2022	State Champs Competition Weekend Division 2 and 3: Under 11, Under 17, Under 19 Boys
9/10/11 December 2022	State Titles Competition Weekend Division 1 (Championship Division) for all age groups and both genders
Sunday 29 January 2023	Perth Redbacks 2023 WABL Trials

What is WABL?

The WA Basketball League (WABL) is WA's elite junior basketball competition. It is the next level up from Domestic basketball.

Domestic basketball is played *within* a basketball association. It is not selective. Anyone who wants to play in a junior Domestic competition can play, so long as they can find a team to play in.

WABL is played *for* your basketball association. You have to be selected to play WABL for your basketball association.

WABL gameplay is much more structured than Domestic gameplay. In WABL, players are expected to play 'team basketball' over 'me basketball'. They will often be called on to play roles that prioritise the needs of their team over their individual needs. Players who are very dominant in Domestic competition and are highly individual can take a while to adjust to the structured, team-first environment of WABL.

There are 13 basketball associations that field teams in WABL:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Cockburn Cougars● East Perth Eagles● Eastern Suns (Kalamunda)● Hills Raiders (Mundaring)● Joondalup Wolves● Lakeside Lightning● Mandurah Magic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Perry Lakes Hawks● Perth Redbacks● Rockingham Flames● South West Slammer (Bunbury)● Warwick Senators● Willetton Tigers
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Each association can enter up to four teams (10 players per team) in each of the following age categories, boys and girls:

- U12 (players born in 2012/2013/2014)
- U14 (players born in 2010/2011)
- U16 (players born in 2008/2009)
- U18 (players born in 2006/2007)
- U20 (boys only - players born in 2004/2005)

Each age group has up to five divisions:

- Championship Division
- Division 2
- Division 3
- Division 4
- Division 5

Each division has up to 10 teams in it.

What WABL is not

WABL is not a participation program that is available to all comers. WABL is selective. If you miss selection, there is an opportunity to gain the skills and knowledge you need for future selection by playing in a Domestic junior basketball competition and by seeking individual skills development.

WABL is not for players who are unable to commit the time and energy required to compete at the representative level. All WABL players must respect the fact that their selection means someone else has missed out and honour the privilege of that selection accordingly.

WABL is not for individuals whose happiness in the program is overly dependent on: winning, playing with certain friends, playing under certain coaches and being given a certain amount of court time. All representative team environments come with challenges and payoffs. Players who are not able to effectively manage the challenges will struggle to achieve the payoffs.

Perth Redbacks WABL Program Goals

The PBA WABL Program is a high-performance pathway program with the following two goals for its players:

1. *Provide players with an avenue that facilitates them **reaching their basketball potential***
2. *Provide players with an avenue that facilitates them **reaching their potential as people***

1. An avenue to reach their basketball potential

For some players, their potential might be achieved simply by securing and maintaining a place in the Perth Redbacks WABL program. For others, it might be securing a 'Team 1' selection for their age group. Others will have the potential to achieve state team selections and/or go on to play NBL1/make National teams/play professionally.

2. Provide all players with the opportunity to achieve their potential as people

Playing representative sport at any level sees players faced with challenges that drive personal growth. These might include:

- Having to work effectively with all kinds of different personalities
- Having to work effectively with people who don't have the same commitment and drive you do
- Having to play for a coach who does not see you the way you see yourself
- Dealing with poor performances personally
- Dealing with poor performances as a team

- Dealing with great performances personally or as a team, but still not having a result go your way
- Dealing with perceived 'unfairness' - court time, referee calls, coach decisions, bad luck etc.

It's not possible for every player who represents Perth Redbacks to play in a Championship Division team, go on to play NBL1 or play professionally.

It IS possible for every player who represents Perth Redbacks to learn personal and life management skills that they will take with them into every aspect of their lives - now and in the future. The Perth Redbacks WABL program will seek to provide resources and opportunities that facilitate this.

Perth Redbacks WABL Program Aspirations

The PBA WABL Program aspires to the following and uses these aspirations in conjunction with the goals of the program as a guide for making decisions around coach and player selections within the program:

1. *Have our 'Team 1' for each age group/gender:*
 - a. *Qualify into Championship Division*
 - b. *Finish top 6 (make finals)*
2. *Have Perth Redbacks WABL players achieve selection in State Development Programs, State teams and our NBL1 teams.*

Perth Redbacks WABL Player development pathways

The Perth Redbacks WABL program is a high-performance pathway program in our club. [This document](#) details the pathways available to Perth Redbacks WABL players.

What is State Champs?

The Basketball WA State Championships (State Champs) is a series of carnivals that run over four weekends from the end of November through to mid-December.

Every Perth-based and country-based basketball association (club) is invited to enter **up to five teams** in each of the following age groups, girls and boys.

- U11 (players born in 2012/2013/2014)
- U13 (players born in 2010/2011)
- U15 (players born in 2008/2009)
- U17 (players born in 2006/2007)
- U19 (boys only - players born in 2004/2005)

What does State Champs have to do with WABL?

Every association treats State Champs differently.

For Perth Redbacks, 2022 State Champs will be a key part of our selection process for 2023 WABL teams.

Everyone who is selected in a 2022 Perth Redbacks State Champs team is guaranteed a 2023 WABL playing or train on spot with us (except U20 men as we are unsure how many U20 Men's 2023 WABL teams we will be fielding at this stage).

Our 2022 State Champs teams will closely approximate our 2023 WABL teams but will not be our final 2023 WABL teams. Our 2023 WABL teams will be finalised at our WABL trials in January 2023.

To be clear:

- If you are selected as a train on for State Champs, you can push your way into a playing spot after WABL trials. The reverse can also happen - if you achieve a playing spot for State Champs, this may become a train on spot after WABL trials.
- There is also likely to be player movement *between* teams after State Champs. This means that, for all intents and purposes, every State Champs training session and game is a trial for WABL 2023.
- There will be **limited to no capacity** to achieve selection in a Perth Redbacks 2023 WABL team if you do not attend our 2022 State Champs trials and achieve selection in a team there.

When are State Champs trials?

Trial 0

Friday 14 October @ Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre

Age group	Time
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U15 Boys – New to Redbacks (Born 2008/2009)	6pm to 7.30pm
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Trial 1

Saturday 15 October @ Loftus Recreation Centre

Age group	Time
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Sunday 16 October @ Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre

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2022 State Champs >> 2023 WABL Trial info in more detail

(Dates, age group breakdown and team formation guidelines)

U11 Boys State Champs > U12 WABL

Players born in 2012, 2013, 2014

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 1 - Sunday 16 October

- Open trial - all current and new to Redbacks players invited
- Cuts will be made after this trial

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

- Closed trials - only triallists invited from Trial 1 to attend
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 - **Team 1** - Best team
 - **Team 2** - Second best team of top age players + 2 top age train ons
 - **Team 3** - Best team of bottom agers
 - **Team 4** - Second best team of bottom agers + 2 bottom age train ons

WABL

WABL Trial - Sunday 29 January (one trial only)

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- At our discretion, we can invite extra players to this trial if we have the capacity to bring in more players (for example, if players leave the program after State Champs).
- Aim of this trial is to finalise four teams of 10 + 4 train ons for WABL:
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 - **Team 4** - Second best team of bottom agers + 2 bottom age train ons

U13 Boys State Champs > U14 WABL

Players born in 2010, 2011

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 0 - Friday 14 October

- Open trial - any player who is new to Redbacks (did not play WABL for us in 2022) MUST attend this trial.

Trial 1 - Sunday 16 October

- Closed trial - only current Redbacks players invited + any players invited from Trial 0

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

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- Aim of this trial is to select four teams of 10 + 4 train ons for State Champs:
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WABL

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 - **Team 2** - Second best team of top age players + 2 top age train ons
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 - **Team 4** - Second best team of bottom agers + 2 bottom age train ons

U15 State Champs Boys > U16 WABL

Players born in 2008, 2009

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U17 Boys State Champs > U18 WABL

Players born in 2006, 2007

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 0 - Friday 14 October

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Trial 1 - Saturday 15 October

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Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

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- Aim of this trial is to select three teams of 10 + 2 train ons for State Champs:
 - **Team 1** - Best team
 - **Team 2** - Second best team
 - **Team 3** - Third best team + 2 train ons

WABL

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 - **Team 2** - Second best team
 - **Team 3** - Third best team + 2 train ons

U19 Boys State Champs > U20 WABL

Players born in 2004, 2005

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 1 - Sunday 16 October

- Closed trial - only current Redbacks players invited (unless there is someone the NBL1 program wishes to bring in)

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

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- Aim of this trial is to select three* teams of 10 + 2 train ons for State Champs:
 - **Team 1** - Best team
 - **Team 2** - Second best team
 - **Team 3** - Third best team + 2 train ons

* Our capacity to select a Team 3 is dependent on there being a coach available to take this team.

WABL

WABL Trial - Sunday 12 February (one trial only)

- Closed trial - only those players selected for us at State Champs are invited.
- At our discretion, we can invite extra players to these trials if we have the capacity to bring in more players (for example, if players leave the program after State Champs).
- Aim of this trial is to finalise two* teams of 10 for WABL:

- **Team 1** - Best team
- **Team 2** - Second-best team + 2 train ons

* Our capacity to select a Team 2 is dependent on there being an appropriate coach available to take this team.

U11 Girls State Champs > U12 WABL

Players born in 2012, 2013, 2014

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 1 - Sunday 16 October

- Open trial - all players invited regardless of whether they've played WABL for us before or not

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

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U13 Girls State Champs > U14 WABL

Players born in 2010, 2011

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 - **Team 4** - Fourth best team + 2 train ons

U15 Girls State Champs > U16 WABL

Players born in 2008, 2009

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- **Team 1** - Best team
- **Team 2** - Second best team
- **Team 3** - Third best team + 2 train ons
- **Team 4** - Fourth best team + 2 train ons

U17 Girls State Champs > U18 WABL

Players born in 2006, 2007

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 1 - Saturday 15 October

- Open trial - all players invited regardless of whether they've played WABL for us before or not.

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

- Open trial - all players invited regardless of whether they've played WABL for us before or not. (All players seeking selection must attend both Trials 1 and 2.)
- Aim of this trial is to select two teams of 10 for State Champs:
 - **Team 1** - Best team
 - **Team 2** - Second best team + 2 train ons

WABL

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- At our discretion, we can invite extra players to these trials if we have the capacity to bring in more players (for example, if players leave the program after State Champs)
- Aim of this trial is to finalise two teams of 10 + 2 train ons for WABL:
 - **Team 1** - Best team
 - **Team 2** - Second best team + 2 train ons

U19 Girls State Champs

Players born in 2004, 2005 (This team dependent on an appropriate number of girls trialling and an appropriate coach being available.)

STATE CHAMPS

Trial 1 - Saturday 15/Sunday 16 October

- Open trial - all players invited regardless of whether they've played WABL for us before or not.

Trial 2 - Sunday 23 October

- Open trial - all players invited regardless of whether they've played WABL for us before or not. (All players seeking selection must attend both Trials 1 and 2.)
- Aim of this trial is to select one team of 10 for State Champs:
 - **Team 1** - Best team + 2 train ons

WABL

- At this stage there is no U20 Girls WABL competition in 2023. If that changes, we will keep the parents of 2004 and 2005-born girl players updated.

State Champs Divisions for Redbacks teams

- All our 'Team 1s' will compete at State Titles (the final 'Championship' weekend of State Champs)
 - The aim for State Titles teams is to finish top 4 and automatically qualify for Champs Division in 2023.
- Our Team 2s will play in Division 2 at State Champs
- Our Team 3s and 4s will play in Division 3

State Champs court time expectations

- There can be no court time expectations at **State Titles** (Team 1s) - we are playing to win and given we will be running teams of 10, it's possible there will be games where players 9 and 10 may receive limited to no court time. Players 9 and 10 will, however, receive the benefit of training with Team 1 under the 2023 WABL Team 1 coach throughout the State Champs campaign.
- The expectation for State Champs teams 2/3/4 is relatively equal court time unless the team wins their first two games and is in the mix for finals.

Club expectations of players

All players are expected to abide by our [players' code of conduct](#).

Players are expected to attend all scheduled training sessions unless unwell. Injured players are still expected to attend training.

Club expectations of parents

All parents are expected to abide by our [parents](#) and [spectators'](#) codes of conduct and our [zero-tolerance behaviour policy](#).

Parents will be expected to volunteer for scoring duties during State Champs and the WABL season. (Training can be provided prior to the start of the season.) Every team will require a parent to volunteer as a team manager.

Time commitment involved with State Champs

Players are required to attend **up to three trials sessions** over the course of:

- Friday 14/Saturday 15/Sunday 16 October 2022
- Sunday 23 October 2022

State Champs training will then be held for 2 hours, every Sunday leading into your State Champs competition weekend starting on Sunday 30 October.

State Champs competition will take the form of 4-5 carnival games (more if your team makes finals) over an entire weekend. The State Champs competition weekends are:

- **18/19/20 November 2022** – Under 13 and Under 15 Boys (Division 2 and 3)
- **25/26/27 November 2022** – Girls Weekend – Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, Under 17, Under 19 (Division 2 and 3)
- **2/3/4 December 2022** – Under 11, Under 17, Under 19 Boys (Division 2 and 3)
- **9/10/11 December 2022** – State Titles – All Championship Divisions across all age groups

Time commitment involved with WABL

WABL trials will take place on Sunday 29 January 2023.

The **WABL pre-season** then starts in the first week of February with two sessions a week, one mid-week and one on Sunday. All players are expected to attend all training sessions without exception.

The **WABL grading tournaments** are then held at the end of February/early March. The grading tournaments for most age groups are held on two days over consecutive weekends. (i.e. Saturday on weekend 1, Sunday on weekend 2.)

At the completion of the WABL grading tournaments, all teams continue to train twice a week until the end of Term 1.

After that point, training goes to once a week, on an afternoon/evening during the week.

The **WABL regular season** starts on the final Sunday of the Term 1 school holidays. One game per week is played every Sunday for 18 weeks (with a one-week break during the July school holidays).

WABL finals then run for three weeks after the regular season concludes.

Bottom line: the time commitment for WABL is significant

WABL is a representative competition where players are selected over others. If selected in a WABL team, players are expected to honour that selection and prioritise their WABL commitments over their commitment to other sports. Players are expected to attend every training session and every game, even if injured.

Financial commitment for State Champs

All players will be required to pay the following:

- Trial fee - ~ \$30
- State Champs fee (if selected) - ~\$110

- Uniform items (if selected and the player doesn't already have these)
Red playing shorts: \$55, Training singlet, \$30.

Financial commitment for WABL

All WABL players are required to pay the following:

- Trial Fee - ~ \$30
- Pre-season Fee - ~\$138
- Season Fee - ~\$440
- Game Fee - \$15 per game (the WABL regular season has 18 games)
- Uniform items:
 - For games – Redbacks red WABL playing shorts (\$55).
 - For training – Redbacks black training shorts (\$50) and Redbacks reversible training singlet (\$30).
 - If your child wishes to wear a jumper or warm-up top while warming up for a WABL game, it must be a Perth Redbacks hoodie (\$50) or warm-up top (\$60)