

Perth Wildcats Support Perth Redbacks' bid for 12-court Stadium

The Perth Wildcats have today endorsed a petition tabled by the Perth Basketball Association (Perth Redbacks) that highlights:

- The challenges faced by families and players in accessing indoor courts in Perth to play and train.
- The urgent need for a new 12-court stadium in the inner south east metropolitan region of Perth.

"Basketball as a sport continues to grow at an amazing pace in WA, and we need more courts in our community to support this. Perth needs continued investment in multi-court competition spaces to support basketball in our local communities as well as providing opportunities to host state and national events," said Danny Mills, General Manager of Basketball at the Perth Wildcats.

"The Perth Wildcats, like many basketball associations in Perth, face challenges finding courts for players to train and develop. Perth Wildcats' commitment to the next generation of NBL players through the Wildcats Academy utilises many courts in Perth. A new stadium so close to the CBD would significantly ease the challenges faced and support the development of the next generation of NBL players", said Mills.

The Perth Basketball Association was founded in 1964. Len Vlahov (father of Andrew) and Ric Longley (father of Luc) represented the Perth Redbacks in those early days. Both Andrew and Luc would go on to play junior basketball for the Perth Redbacks. Perth Wildcats legends Andrew Vlahov and Shawn Redhage have both won SBL Championships with the Redbacks.

Other names that have played for both clubs include:

Jesse Wagstaff, Dewey Michaels, Kyle Bowen, Matthew Earp, Jamie Baker, Alex Loughton, Adrian Majstrovich, Eddie Cecins, Brad Cecins, Ian Frame, Andrew Lewis, Nik Lackovic, Craig Evans, Paul Pochintesta, Rob Cassir, Michael Vigor, Joel Wagner and Jarrad Prior.

The Perth Wildcats encourage the wider basketball community to support the campaign for a New 12 court Indoor Stadium and sign the petition today.

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