



Winter Basketball 2009/2010 Newsletter #13

Tuesday February 16, 2010

Overview Of The Past Week

First of all I would like to begin by saying THANK YOU to all the coaches that are putting in such hard work this year to help your child improve. The athlete's are showing great improvement in a short amount of time, which is very exciting, and encouraging heading into the future.

What a weekend, we had two buzzer beaters to put two different Salem Swish Teams into the Championship Game!

On Sunday morning our 5th grade girls Salem Swish Team was down by 1 with 8 seconds remaining in the semi-final game when Brenna Redman drove to the basket and had her shot come off the left-side with 2 seconds left and Jaylene Montano grabs the offensive rebound shoots it back up and in for the win! Congratulations to the 5th Grade Girls Salem Swish Team for going on to win the championship. I am so proud of these girls who have improved leaps and bounds in such a short period of time. The parents have also been very supportive in our efforts.

Sunday evening in Eugene our Salem Swish 4th Grade Boys West Salem Team found themselves down by three with a few seconds left with the ball in the semi-finals and Kyle Greeley hits an amazing three point shot as time expired to send the game into overtime! The 4th grade boys West Salem team went on to win the game, and followed it up by capturing the championship! Great job guys. You can view pictures of the 4th Grade Boys Championship Picture on our homepage.

The 6th/7th Grade Salem Swish Team competed in a 7th/8th Grade Tournament and took 3rd place. The 3rd place game was a close one as Corey Roos and Trevon Sterling made big free throws down the stretch to hold off the Keizer Celts. This team has also improved greatly since the beginning of the season.

Congratulations to our 4th Grade Boys South Salem Team for going 2-2 in the Eugene Tournament this weekend. Coach Soper and Coach Bennett feel the boys are improving and moving in the right direction.

Both 8th Grade Boys Teams competed this weekend, with 8th Grade Wilson team competing in the Eugene Tournament and 8th Grade Boys Barchus Team competing in the President’s Day Tournament. For parents that do not know the President’s Day Tournament is one of the most Competitive Youth Basketball Tournaments in the nation, it hosted 8th grade teams from Arizona, California, Indiana, Chicago, Washington, and many other places around the United States.

Corvallis Tournament This Weekend

The teams scheduled to participate in the Corvallis Tournament this weekend are; 8th Grade Wilson, 8th Grade Girls (Burks), and 6th/7th Boys (Burks)

Tournaments Remaining

Level 8 (Girls)	Corvallis Tourney	February 20-21	Corvallis, Oregon
Level 8 (Girls)	Lincoln City Tourney	February 27-28	Lincoln City, Oregon
Level 8 (Girls)	Seaside Tourney	March 6-7	Seaside, Oregon
Level 8 (Girls)	Lincoln City Tourney	March 13-14	Lincoln City, Oregon

Level 8 (Wison)	Corvallis Tourney	February 20-21	Corvallis, Oregon
Level 8 (Wilson)	Seaside Tourney	March 6-7	Seaside, Oregon
Level 8 (Wison)	Lincoln City Tourney	March 13-14	Lincoln City, Oregon

Level 6/7	Corvallis Tourney	February 20-21	Corvallis/Albany
Level 6/7	Seaside Tourney	March 6-7	Seaside, Oregon
Level 6/7	Lincoln City Tourney	March 13-14	Lincoln City, Oregon

Level 5 (Girls)	Seaside Tourney	March 6-7	Seaside, Oregon
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Level 5 (South Boys)	Lincoln City Tourney	March 13-14	Lincoln City, Oregon
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2nd Annual Parents and Coaches Basketball Game

Back by popular demand is the 2nd Annual parents and coaches basketball game. Parents you have been waiting 365 days to redeem yourself from last years sub par performances so the time is now to start practicing! Last year we had over 20 parents and coaches participate this year I look for an even larger field.

What is the parents and coaches basketball game? It is the single biggest all-star game to the NBA where are parents and coaches can showcase their basketball skill or lack off in front of their kids, so now their kids can yell at them from the sidelines☺

This year I am going to form two different divisions, a RECREATIONAL DIVISION which will be meant for people who just want to run up and down and have a little fun, and THE COMPETITIVE DIVISION meant for people who think they still have game.

Email me if you are interested in participating in this game, there will be food, music, and tons of fun this year. Please specify RECREATIONAL OR COMPETITIVE NEXT TWO YOUR NAME. We will play (2) 25-minute running halves and there will be officials for this game. I will be choosing the teams for this event. These games will be taking place on Thursday March 11, 2010 @ the West Salem Courthouse. The RECREATIONAL GAME will be from 4:30- 5:30 pm directly followed by the COMPETITIVE GAME from 5:30-6:30 pm. Please come out and support this fun event!

End of the Salem Swish Winter Basketball Season

The tournament on March 13-14, 2010 will be the end of our basketball season. This year we will do the end of the season awards and banquet a little different. Each coach will set up a time for their own end of the season awards. All awards and banquets will be done the week of March 8 through March 11, 2010. To keep it simple I will encourage coaches to have their end of the season awards during the same time as their class that last week. This may not work out for each coach so please check your email.

Spring Basketball Information

I will be sending out an email this Thursday explaining our Spring Basketball Program, it will include cost, days of the week, etc. I will send out the email on Thursday @ 3 pm. There will also be flyers and posters available at our clubs with spring information.