

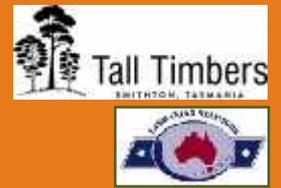
# THUNDER NEWS

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# TALLTIMBERS THUNDER

LOCATED AT SCHWEPPE'S ARENA  
ULVERSTONE



## MEMBERSHIP/ADMISSION/TICKETING

Our online membership set-up is now fully functional and can be accessed via our Facebook page or the membership tab on the Thunder homepage. After a few technical glitches, it is now full steam ahead and numbers are building quickly. Don't forget the first 100 members in 2018 go into the draw for a night's accommodation for two at Tall Timbers with breakfast included. Our door prices for 2018 will remain the same as last year:-

Adult: \$13 Concession: \$9 Junior: \$6

This has now enabled us to also set our season ticket prices, with a suitable reduction made to allow for the decrease in home games from 12 to 10, (plus any finals). This option is only available to financial members and it is not an online feature. Payment can be made by credit card, direct debit to our account or in the old-fashioned way; pay cash to our Treasurer or via a Committee member.

Adult: \$110 Concession: \$75 Junior: \$50

Our membership merchandise items are on order and we will have packs ready for distribution before our first home game on the 7<sup>th</sup> April.

## UNDER 20 NATIONAL TEAM

Congratulations to all Thunder staff and players who recently participated in the national Under 20 championships in Gosford, New South Wales. We certainly had a strong representation with our Thunder coaching and management crew of Sam Armstrong, Nick Haywood and Ryan Carroll making a seamless switch across to the Tasmanian role and joining current Thunder players in Brady Armstrong, Matt Beurmann, Kobe Jackson and Tre Armstrong. Competition was super tough as always but the team did chalk up a win and all our guys certainly had their moments and would have benefited from the experience.



## ALL-STAR MATCH

Thunder will play a part in the upcoming charity basketball game on the 17<sup>th</sup> February at the Devonport stadium. The match will help to raise much-needed funds for Ovarian Cancer Australia and we encourage everyone to get along and support this worthy cause while watching top line basketball between our North West men and women's players and a combined squad from Launceston.

From Mitchell Anthony NLD

Sleep Style

**NORTH WEST ALLSTARS**

**NORTHERN ALLSTARS**

All funds raised go directly to **THE PINK LADIES** and **OVARIAN CANCER AUSTRALIA**

**Mens game 6pm**  
**Womens game 8pm**  
**Devonport Stadium**  
**Saturday 17th February**

Fill the stadium with **PINK** and **TEAL**  
in support of your team and charity  
Incentives for patrons dressed in supporting colours

**SPORTSPOWER**  
BURNIE 6431 2266  
PRESENTS

**Sea For 107.7** **7AD** **Todd Rogers Signs** **Harvey Norman ELECTRICAL** **NWBU Inc.**  
**The Advocate** **WIN** **Justine Keay MP** **STARTRACK**

Thunder will naturally have a number of their players participating, with each NWBU club contributing two players to the playing squads. Our Thunder committee will be running a courtside bar during the game, and as the whole stadium is licensed, patrons will be able to enjoy a cleansing ale in their grandstand seat while supporting the coastal contingent. There will be some great raffle prizes on offer as well; so dig deep and help raise some valuable funds to assist those in need.

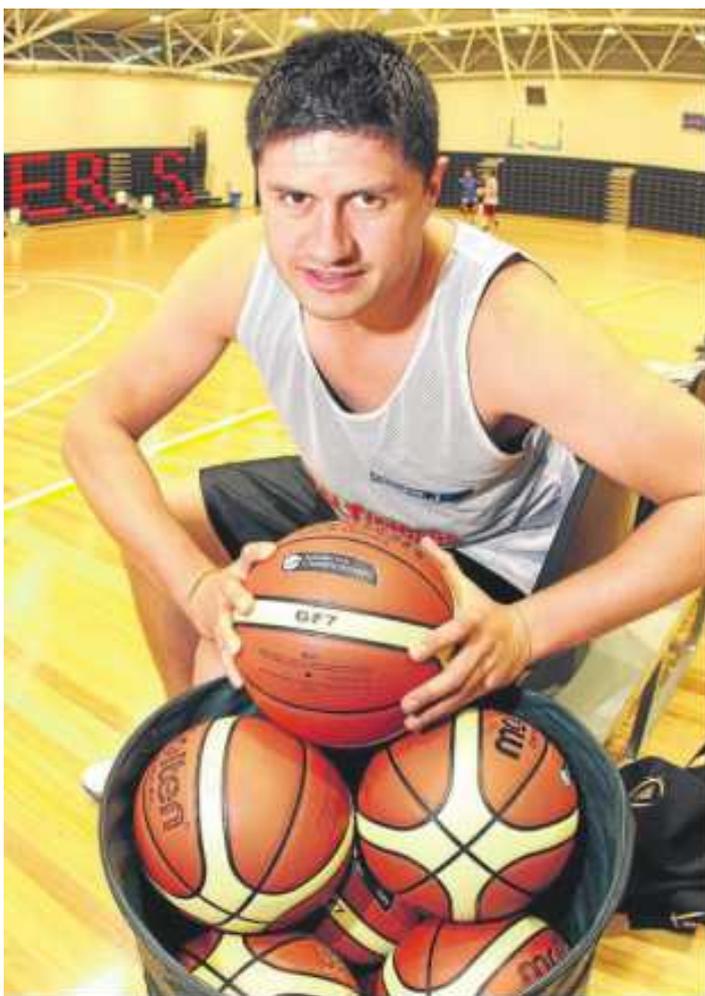
## SCHOOL CLINICS

Our school clinics coordination team of Deb Lynch and Kirsten Archer have been flooded with requests for Thunder visits to local schools as part of our State Government clinics program. We currently have over 70 requests, with new expressions of interest arriving on a daily basis. If you have a little tacker at a local school and they haven't been scheduled for a visit, have a word to your Principal or PE teacher and do some lobbying; it would be a shame to miss out. Thunder players Ben Richmond, Lachie Barker, Mason Bragg, Jeremiah Ingram and Darcy Malone will all be involved and the sessions will be heaps of fun as well as focussing on basketball fundamentals. Presenters will also provide information on upcoming events and programs at all local NWBU clubs, including Aussie Hoops, and there will be lots of giveaways on offer.

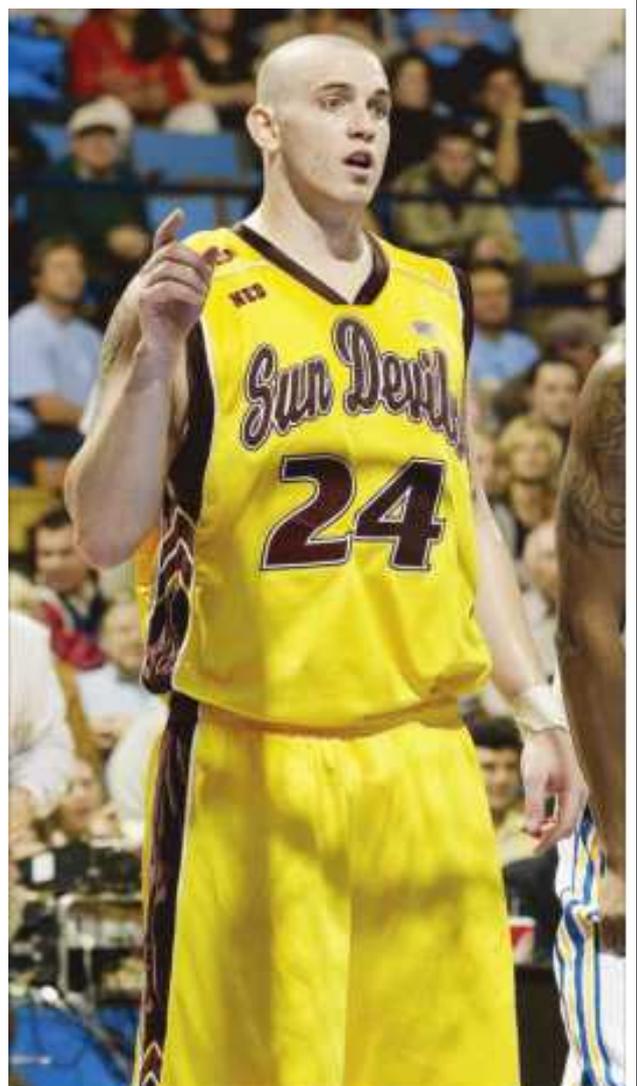
## OLIVERS'S CUP

The pre-game Oliver's Cup tournament for our U12 teams will again be held this year and strong interest has already been shown by the majority of coastal clubs. Our very generous sponsor Scot Postlethwaite has outlined a further cash incentive for those involved. The winning teams in both boy's and girl's divisions will be given the opportunity to draw a "cash envelope" from a hat, with the potential to receive \$50, \$75, \$100 or \$200 for their respective clubs. A very nice bonus for our successful teams and a big thank you to Scot and the Oliver's team.

## HISTORY



WHEN Michael Rowlands snapped his patella tendon and tore his anterior and cruciate ligaments in 2005, it was supposed to be the end of his basketball career. The fact he will play his 100th SEABL game with the Tall Timbers Thunder tomorrow is an amazing story. Picture: Stuart Wilson. ■ MARTIN AGATYN reports, Page 71.



IMPORT: American basketballer Justin Allen on court for the Arizona State Sun Devils. Allen has signed to play for the North-West Thunder for 2006. Picture: Getty Images.



**ON THE MEND:** Instrumental to the Thunder, Sam (left) and Ben Armstrong each suffered a groin injury in the last week but should both be fit for this weekend's game. Picture: Stuart Wilson.

