

# TOC NEWSLETTER

## What's happening? Big V Ref Edition

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### What is the TOC / TOD?

The TOC is the Technical Officials Commission (previously VBRA) with the following positions:

Chair: Rod Bush

Members:

- Steve Chadd
- Ron Clarke
- Helen Pawsey
- Michael Phillips
- Ray Hunt (BV Nominee)
- Greg Liebelt (BV Nominee)

The TOC guides the overall structure and strategy of the Technical Officials for Victoria.

The TOD is the Technical Officials Department with the following positions within Basketball Victoria:

- TO Manager - Bill Mildenhall
- TO Development (Country) - Karin Berry-Smith
- TO Development (Metro) - Tim Mils
- TO Appointments - Jo Chu
- TO Administration - Nathan Williams

The TOD is responsible for the operational duties for Technical Officials in Victoria.

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**TOC GENERAL MEETING**

Eighty attendees witnessed the TOC annual awards being presented to Victoria’s best and brightest referees and especially those who have toiled for decades to earn our prestigious Life Memberships and Recognition of Service Awards.

TOC (VBRA) LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Ian Collings (Scoretable)  
Howard Dandy (Geelong)

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE AWARDS

Terry Jackson (Albert Park)  
Robert Miller (Geelong)  
Matthew Cervelli (Blackburn)  
Melissa McKay (Blackburn)

Henry Perazzo Award – Male Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Jon Chapman (Nunawading).

Wally Pattison Award – Female Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Sarah Carey (Nunawading).

Bob Scott Award – Country Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Leeann Burton (Bendigo).

Paul Wiltshire Award – Male Senior Panel Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Aydin Baker (Mill Park).

Sharon Arnold Award – Female Senior Panel Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Bianca Knight (Knox).

Les Dick Award – U/23 Victorian Metro Male Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Kody Wood (Ringwood)

Ron Burgess Award – U/23 Victorian Metro Female Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Meaghan Ryan (Knox).

Rod Bush Award – U/23 Victorian Country Male Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Jordan Royal (T’gon).

**Big V Info - Panels**

The Technical Officials Department (TOD) met last month and discussed the current state league panel system at length and unanimously agreed that it is important that we are able reward and advance those referees who show potential and are willing to work hard to reach the elite level of competition. For this to occur we need to show a clear and reliable pathway at state level that best represents this process. The breakdown of our panel now consists of our SEABL referees (panel 1 to 3) and our BIGV referees (panel 4 to 7). Panel 8 will be our Friday night (VJBL) only referees which we will include and distribute in the next few weeks.

Some criticisms of the previous structure meant that the promotion of referees took too long due to the number of panels so with the introduction of both a mid-season and end of season review we will potentially see an increase in the movement between panels for referees.

The TOD recognises that the Big V competition provides many challenges for referee’s week in week out and that there may be a requirement for our more experienced referees to be rostered to games at any level of competition where their skill set and experience is required.

The TOD would like to emphasise that regardless of which panel referees are placed on, it is a requirement that every referee fully concentrates on their own performance and work hard to demonstrate the need for promotion rather being too concerned as to which level of game they have been appointed to.

The process to assess panels and make finals selections is currently being reviewed and this will be communicated to all referees in the coming weeks.

Below is a guide only to how the rostering is appointed each week.

Panel 1- 4	Panel 5	Panel 6 & 7
SCM	D1W	D2M
SCW	VYCM	D2W
D1M	VYCW	YL1M
		YL1W
		YL2M
		YL2W

It is important to note that rostering can vary from time to time depending on a referee’s performance, availability and/or geographical location.



Gail & Jimmy Ralph Award – U/23  
Victorian Country Female Referee of  
the Year  
Awarded to – Aimy Freeman (Moe)

Neil Bradbury Award – Referee  
Advisor of the Year  
Awarded to – Craig Dullard  
(Mornington).

Keith Vaughan Award – Referee  
Branch of the Year: Large (over 100  
members)  
Awarded to – Knox Branch.

Gordon Busby Award – Referee  
Branch of the Year: Medium (between  
50 & 100 members)  
Awarded to – Mornington Branch.

Pat Crowe Award – Referee Branch of  
the Year: Small (under 50 members)  
Awarded to – Coburg Branch.

Kevin Winter Award – Male Domestic  
Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Graeme Nixon (Knox).

Marg Gorman Award – Female  
Domestic Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Melissa Ross (Coburg).

Bill & Ray Hunt Award – Male  
Domestic Junior Referee of the Year  
(Under 23)  
Awarded to – Tim Bulman (Knox).

Lexie Lattanzio Award – Female  
Domestic Junior Referee of the Year  
(Under 23)  
Awarded to – Jasmine Milne (Coburg).

Bill Mildenhall Award – Rookie  
Referee of the Year  
Awarded to – Allie Evans (Coburg).

TOC Chairman's Award – Awarded to  
– Jordan Royal (Traralgon).

## Big V - Reimbursement

Thank you for your patience during the first two months of the Big V Reimbursements. We are now up to date with processing the information. The expense reimbursements for March, April and May have been processed (May going in this week).

You would have received an email with the breakdown of reimbursements for April (match and travel). We are aiming to send out the summary after each reimbursement.

Travel Claim Link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1C5cpxaOVdExG1IKVTVAK8U4BxXD6PfyGrbr463O7gw8/edit>

This form allows you to submit your claim for travel reimbursement. The form is required to be submitted within 7 days of the date of travel. The claim for travel reimbursement will need to be approved by the Referee Appointments Officer before payment is made.

We have pre-determined the KM's travelled based on Referee Branch Location to the location of the Stadium where the game is being refereed. This is calculated using google maps and is always the most direct route regardless of tolls or traffic.

These are the following options relating to your travel claim:

### With Partner:

Means you are rostered to a game more than 75kms away, with a partner from a similar location or on the way to the venue. The expectation is that you collect the partner and drive them. If this occurs the submission should only be from the driver and entitles the driver to 100% of the claim.

### Separately:

Means you are rostered to a game more than 75kms away, with a partner from a similar location or on the way to the venue however you choose to travel separately. If this occurs, there will be two submissions however it only entitles each of you to 50% of the claim.

### Alone:

Means you are rostered to a game more than 75kms away and your referee partner is not from a similar location or isn't on the way to the venue. If this occurs, there will be two submissions and each driver is entitled to 100% of the claim.

## Big V - Referee Feedback Form

We are introducing a Referee Feedback Form. The purpose of the form is to provide each referee an opportunity to communicate on any aspects of the game / venue that are not covered in a formal report.

This form will cover areas such as:

- Facilities
- Game Commissioner Responsibilities
- Crowd Behaviour
- Coach Behaviour
- Team Bench Behaviour
- Team Behaviour
- Score Table
- Comments in relation to Referee Partner
- Comments in relation to Referee Coaches

Most of the areas will have the following; Unsatisfactory / Standard / Above Standard as options to select and where relevant additional comments.

The form is not compulsory however the more information we have, the better we can determine trends or areas requiring development / improvement. Each area of the form is optional so if you only have feedback in relation to facilities, you do not need to complete the other sections.

This form does not replace a formal report form however it does replace any phone calls, texts or emails. This allows all the data to be collected in a central location and enable us determine trends or anomalies. If we believe the form highlights concerns for further discussion, we will make contact with the relevant referee/s.

If you have a specific issue that you require a formal response to, you need to do this via email.

Link to the Big V Referee Feedback:

<https://form.jotform.co/71278705305860>

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