



## **SBL COACHING CHANGES**

The Wanneroo Basketball Association would like to advise that we have a new look coaching group at the Joondalup Wolves from 2015 onwards.

After 2 years in charge of our Men's State Basketball League Team which included a 2013 Grand Final appearance Craig Friday has stepped aside as Head Coach of the Joondalup Wolves.

The WBA are excited to announce the return of our 2011 SBL Championship winning Head Coach Ben Ettridge.



2011 SBL Championship Winners: Head Coach Ben Ettridge/ MVP Greg Hire

**Craig Friday** "This is an amicable agreement for me to step aside and let Ben be the Boss again, I'm one of Bens assistants with the Aussie Rollers & it's a great opportunity to work together in a partnership that has delivered success at the highest level. This will also allow me to spend more time with Kennedy Kereama at the West Coast Waves & ultimately with my 2 daughters".

Along with Assistant Coach Craig Friday, Ben's staff will also include his current Aussie Rollers Assistant Luke Brennan, the return of his 2011 Assistant Ryan Benson, Current Physio Ryan Campbell and Team manager Donna Ironmonger.

Ben was previously appointed Head Coach of the Joondalup Wolves at the start of the 2011 SBL season which resulted in our 1<sup>st</sup> Championship in 18 years.



At the end of 2012 Ben was relocated to NSW by Basketball Australia to continue preparations as Head Coach of the Aussie Rollers for the 2014 Wheelchair World Championships in South Korea which ultimately ended in a Gold Medal for Ben & his Aussie Rollers after defeating USA 63-57.

Ben has now relocated back to Perth with his Family & will also prepare his Aussie Rollers for the 2016 Paralympics from Perth.

**Ben Ettridge** *"My family and I are excited to be back with the Wolfpack. I thank the Wanneroo Basketball association and all involved in the SBL program for the opportunity and faith they are placing in my staff and I.* 

I cannot wait to work with Craig, Luke, Benno, Cambo, Donna and the boys. We have quality veterans in Seb Salinas, Trian Iliadis and Robbie Huntington and some great kids in Ben Ironmonger and Jordan Wellstead. We have an exciting group, and I think we will give it a good crack again in the near future. We are now looking for a couple of quality individuals to round out our roster".