

ROWVILLE ROCKETS MOST VALUABLE PLAYER VOTING

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The club encourages you to participate in voting for the team's Most Valuable Player award.

Points are awarded;

- 3 points for the player you consider to have had the most outstanding performance in a game,
- 2 points for the person who in your opinion plays the next best,
- 1 point for the third best player in the game.

The most outstanding player is not always the person who scores the most points in the game. Basketball is a game of offence and defence and both parts of the game make up the final result. Scoring baskets is important, but there are other aspects that should be considered.

Offence, a number of aspects should be considered in the voting;

Dribbling – it is sometimes taken for granted, but it takes skill and courage to dribble the ball from the back court (defensive end) and get passed the opposition players.

Passing – ability to effectively pass the ball to a player who is in position to score.

Rebounding – retrieving the ball after a shot at goal has been made. Getting rebounds allows the team to remain in offence and attempt to score again.

Scoring – is important in determining the games outcome, but some goals shot can be more highly regarded, especially if the scorer has to get past the opposition or scores from a difficult position (ie. 3 point shot)

<u>Defence</u> is as important as offence, as defence can sometimes win the game, especially when the defence shut out the opposition from scoring. The following aspects of defensive play should be considering in voting;

Guarding the opposition – it is important in most one on one situations that the defence restrict the offence from receiving a pass through close guarding or preventing the pass being made.

Stealing the ball – taking position of the ball with a steal means that the opposition must move back to defend their goal and reduces their chance of scoring. Stealing the ball can lead to a fast break in offence which allows the team to gain an advantage.

Rebounding – defensive rebounding stops the opposition from scoring. It gives the players' team possession and allows them to move the basketball up into offence.

Another consideration when voting for the MVP, is the player's attitude towards coaches and game officials (referees and the score bench). Basketball can be a very intense game, but players should respect the officials of the game.

Hope you enjoy watching the game as much as the players enjoy playing.

Regards

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