



Dear Parents and Players of Ball Up Sports,

This is one of the most difficult emails we have ever had to put together as a group. We are writing to you as Coach James, Coach Sammy, Coach Murray and Coach Harrison.

We sincerely apologise for the cancelled sessions and the lack of communication this week. It is with deep regret that we have to tell you the very sad news that our best friend, colleague and founder of Ball Up Sports, Ross Carlton, sadly passed away over the weekend. This has been a very difficult week for us all and we appreciate your understanding and patience.

As many of you know, Ross was an extremely kind hearted and giving person. He was unique, loyal, passionate and committed to changing basketball in this country and this love changed so many lives. It breaks our heart to tell you that a decade of Ball Up Sports must sadly come to an end. Ball Up Sports will no longer be able to operate because Ross was the sole Director meaning the business will need to close and be liquidated.

We have deleted all future payment requests so no money will be debited and no action is needed by you. However if you would like to [login to Pay Subs Online](#) and delete your direct debit you can do so here: [https://paysubsonline.com/club\\_software\\_membership\\_sign\\_in.aspx](https://paysubsonline.com/club_software_membership_sign_in.aspx)

January 2007 was the first ever Ball Up session and we are so proud and grateful for all of the memories and achievements we have shared with parents, schools, and the thousands of children who have been a part of the program over the years. We understand how sorely missed Ross will be, and we thank you in advance for your kind wishes. If you do contact us, please understand there may be a delay in response from us during this difficult time.

The love for coaching that Ross shared with us all will never be forgotten. We hope that some coaches will be able to continue a basketball club in some format and we will be in touch in the New Year about our plans.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding.

James, Sammy, Murray, Harrison

Mad Love Always

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