

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE 2017 ASIANHOOPS.COM TIP-OFF CLASSIC

Saturday & Sunday, November 4-5 Sportika Sports Manalapan, New Jersey www.sportikasports.com

YOU'RE INVITED

On behalf of ASIANHOOPS.COM, we would like to invite your team to participate in the 2017 ASIANHOOPS.COM Tip-Off Classic to be held on the weekend of November 4-5 at Sportika Sports in Manalapan, New Jersey, the most talked about basketball facility (7 courts) in New Jersey.

This tournament looks to bring Asian basketball teams from the East Coast together for basketball, friendships and fun.

ASIAN BASKETBALL HISTORY

In the 1980's, 90's and early 2000's, weekend basketball tournaments were the norm. Events were held at universities such as Cornell, Syracuse, RPI, Albany, Stony Brook, St. Johns, Rutgers, Drexel, Temple, LaSalle, Columbia, UPENN, UMASS, Boston U., George Mason, University of Maryland, just to name a few. Hosted by Asian students and their college clubs, these events were highly anticipated and extremely well attended by players, friends, and families. The chance to travel outside of the local community was something special.

The TIP-OFF CLASSIC will look to feature nine (9) divisions of play on three (3) courts: Boys 9u, Boys 11u, Boys 13u, Boys 15u and Boys 18u. Other divisions include: Men's Friendship, Men's Open, Womens and Men's 35+. Each team is guaranteed to play in at least three (3) games.

<u>Teams interested</u> in playing should contact me asap via email: <u>rockits@asianhoops.com</u> to inform me of your team's intentions of participating as only a limited number of spots are available in each division. You can also contact me at 917-687-5876 (DENNY LEE – tournament organizer) for confirmation or questions.

Visit www.asianhoops.com for more information

HOW TO SIGN UP

DEADLINE: October 13, 2017 or when divisions are filled, whichever comes first

NOTE: Due to the number of courts (3) and numerous divisions, teams will be accepted on a first paid basis. Only checks paid prior to deadline or payment by credit card, paypal or Chase Quickpay will be accepted. Absolutely, no payments will be accepted on the day of the tournament.

THREE WAYS TO PAY ONLINE: To guarantee or reserve a spot for your team immediately and before the divisions are filled, go to <u>www.asianhoops.com</u> and:

- 1) Pay by credit card (*please note that there will be a handling charge of \$9.00-\$10.00*)
- 2) If you already have a paypal account, then you can save on handling charges by sending the entry fee amount to <u>rockits@asianhoops.com</u>.
- 3) Transfer funds through CHASE QUICKPAY. Transfer the money to <u>rockits@verizon.net</u>.

After payment, please send an email to rockits@asianhoops.com with your team name and division playing in so that I can reserve a place for your team. Your team is accepted to play after a confirmation email is sent to your team.

Final rosters are due on Monday, October 27. This will ensure ample time for any player eligibility issues. Please download a roster sheet, fill it out completely (needed for insurance purposes) and email it back in pdf format to: rockits@asianhoops.com

COSTS: Each team is guaranteed to play in at least three (3) games throughout the weekend with teams advancing to the playoffs/championship round playing in 4-5 games.

\$330.00 (ALL MEN'S DIVISIONS) \$300.00 (BOYS 18U, BOYS 15U, BOYS 13U, BOYS 11U, BOYS 9U, WOMEN'S)

DIVISIONS OF PLAY: (all teams will be required to assist with scorekeeping at least 1-3 times over the weekend).

Saturday, November 4, 2017

BOYS 9-UNDER (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where it all begins for the future stars of Asian basketball.

BOYS 11-UNDER (limit 4-6 teams) – This is where the kids begin to love to play.

BOYS 13-UNDER (limit 4-6 teams) - This is where you start seeing the potential of these rising stars.

BOYS 15-UNDER (limit 4-8 teams) - This is where the hoop dreamers emerge as the future stars of Asian basketball

Sunday, November 5, 2017

BOYS 18-UNDER (limit 6-8 teams) - It's the boys chance to shine as the best up and coming ballers get to showcase their skills.

MEN'S OPEN (limit 8 teams) - this is where the best teams from New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington, Toronto and the east coast compete for bragging rights. This is the division where many former/current high school/college standouts compete against the best. Bring it on. (Very competitive)

MEN'S FRIENDSHIP (limit 8 teams) - for those teams that play occasionally and are somewhat competitive.

MEN'S 35+OVER (limit 4-6 teams) - This division is for all the dads and those who still love to play the game.

WOMEN'S OPEN (limit 6-8 teams) - Another opportunity for the Women/Girls to hoop it up

TOURNAMENT FORMAT – All teams play in at least 3 games

4 TEAM DIVISION: Each team will play the other teams in their division during the preliminaries. The top two teams with the best won-loss record will advance into the championship game.

6 TEAM DIVISION: Teams will be divided into two groups of three teams. Each team will play the other two teams in their group. After completion of the preliminary games, your team will be seeded 1st, 2nd or 3rd according to your won-loss record. The top two teams from each group advances into the playoff/championship round. The teams seeded third in each group will play in a friendship consolation game.

8 TEAM DIVISION: Teams will be divided into two groups of 4 teams. Each team will play the other teams in their group during the preliminaries. After completion of the preliminary games, the top team from each group will advance into the championship game.

GAME SCHEDULES: Will be posted on <u>www.asianhoops.com</u> on Wednesday, November 1, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY: Only players of at least 50% East/Southeast Asian descent are eligible to participate in the tournament. The definition of a player of East/Southeast Asian decent is as follows: at least one parent must be of 100% East/Southeast Asian heritage. (Nationalities are as follows: Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans, Vietnamese, Thai, Cambodian, Burmese, Malaysian, Indonesian, Singaporeans and Japanese) The burden of proof is on the player. If a player's eligibility is challenged, then he/she must present documentation that is legible (questions - please email us). Exception: Players of South Asian descent (Indian, Pakistani, Bangladesh) will be accepted to play on a case to case basis (proof of ethnicity must be submitted by October 27th) in the following divisions: Boys 18U and Men's divisions. Contact the tournament coordinator prior to registration.

AWARDS: Individual trophies or Championship T-shirts will awarded to all 1st place championship teams. 2nd place teams will receive a team trophy.

Tournament hosted by asianhoops.com

QUESTIONS??? Please contact Denny Lee, rockits@asianhoops.com or 917-687-5876.