

Marie Strike

Marie's interest in netball started in 1943 when she commenced playing at school. She continued playing after leaving school until she married in 1952.

After have a break to have family, she got involved in netball again by coaching school teams in 1964, and enjoyed success in this field.

She was instrumental with another mother, Val Jaeger, in teaching netball skills to the infants school students at Sacred Heart School in the late sixties and early seventies.

In this period she was responsible for the registration of all the Santa Maria Teams in the local competition.

Marie was a State Age selector in the late seventies, and she was involved as a Manageress for State Age Team from 1974 to 1979. Her caring nature was evident over this time as she was always pampering the girls.

Marie continued with the Association as the Senior Competition Secretary until 1982, when she resigned due to family commitments.

In addition to being involved with the local Association, she has also assisted the Girl Guides by carrying out examining duties for netball, in the eighties.

Marie was tempted back into the netball arena in the late 80's when she assisted with the coaching of an under 8's team form Holy Family School.

Over the years Marie has seen many developments in netball in Orange, and even though she is no longer actively involved in the sport, netball holds a special place in her life.