

Girls selected

TWO Cowaramup teens are among 28 athletes from around the region to be in the South West Academy of Sport's first basketball squad.

Sisters Rikki Cameron (13) and Jess Cameron (15) were officially inducted into the high performance program at the South West Sports Centre recently and will now participate in talent development training.

They are the only locals in the squad, and the extra commitment will mean more travel to Bunbury each week.

However, they are both happy with the honour.

Academy chief executive Bernice Butlion said training will take place in Bunbury and Busselton, with individual and group sessions for both junior and senior members of the squad.

"This arrangement will give the athletes a real opportunity to excel in their sport and compete with others of a similar skill level," she said.

"The program builds on a current development program overseen by Basketball South West and will continue to provide opportunities for talented



TOP BASKET: Jess (15) and Rikki (13) Cameron in their Academy shirts.

young basketball players to achieve excellence in sport."

The program will be co-ordinated by Basketball South West administrator Kathy Hawkins, who will liaise with coaches to ensure the best outcomes for athletes.

"Athletes involved in the program will receive training by specialist coaches as well as tuition in areas such as strength development and life skills," she said.

Other members include players from Busselton, Bunbury and Eaton.

The South West Academy is affiliated with the WA Institute of Sport.