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2012 Annual Report



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President's Report



2012 was another year of solid financial performance and increased use of our facilities by the University community. It was also a year of many extraordinary competitive performances by our clubs and individual athletes. These achievements are even more noteworthy when it is realised that the year saw an unprecedented level of disruption to the training and playing schedules of most of our many sports.

The ongoing construction of the University's Charles Perkins Centre led to a completely unanticipated immediate demolition of the H.K. Ward Gymnasium and the eviction of the many clubs for whom it was a training base. We were also hugely inconvenienced by the construction of an access road for the Perkins Centre encroaching on the St. John's Oval playing fields to such an extent that they were unusable. This was despite us alerting those responsible for the building works to the need to relocate these fields well in advance of construction work commencing. Our pleas fell on deaf ears.

Loss of the use of H.K. Ward and the two playing fields at St. John's meant the forcible relocation of clubs to inconvenient off-campus locations as well as creating significant over-usage problems with our remaining playing fields. We are concerned that some clubs might suffer ongoing loss of members because of the fact that they have had to operate away from campus.

Of course, the problems caused by the Perkins Centre construction are only one dimension of our clubs' problems with lack of venues.

Our elite rowers have now been without a home since the destruction of the Linley Point Boat Shed about a decade ago. Our men's and women's soccer teams have to play all their matches off-campus at considerable cost. They are experiencing what the equally large hockey club has had to put up with since time immemorial. The lack of a hockey pitch means that not only are all games played at remote locations, but also all their training has to take place off campus often at very remote locations and inconvenient times. We have the preeminent athletics club in Australia but absolutely no

training facility. And we are not much better served aquatically. Our men's and women's water polo clubs and our swimming club operate in our pool which also serves as an important income generator for Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness. Again, a lot of training has to be conducted off campus.

Fortunately some partial relief to our problems is at hand. The playing fields at St. John's are now back in use, although access to them from campus necessitates a circuitous journey. Most importantly we are on track to move into a magnificent extension to the Sports & Aquatic Centre which will accommodate most of our indoor clubs. We are grateful to the University for providing us with such a fine structure as part of their compensation to us for the loss of H.K. Ward. We are still trying to reach agreement with the University on a starting date for the new facility to be built on Oval No. 2. The completion of this project will mean that we have some sporting infrastructure of which we can be very proud and which will serve us well in the decades to come.

But despite our standing as the number one sporting university in Australia, and indeed far beyond, we continue to operate with sporting infrastructure which is markedly below the standard of many other universities, and of course many private schools. The only way in which this situation will be remedied is through the generosity of our legion of sporting alumni to whom we are now turning unashamedly.

Bruce Ross
PRESIDENT



Executive Director's Report

2012 was a crazy year. It was one of the best, and yet one of the worst years for SUSF in a long while.



Why was it so bad? Put simply, many of our facilities were put under enormous strain by building works associated with The University's construction of the Charles Perkins Centre ("CPC"). Oval No. 1 flooded on several occasions, as did The Arena gym due to a blocked storm water pipe on the construction site. St. John's Oval was shut for a large portion of the year due to the ground works finishing late due to heavy rain over the summer of 2011/2012. We were informed in December 2011 that H.K. Ward was to be demolished in early 2012 to make way for the CPC and we spent the rest of the year without that facility – many of our clubs were forced to use rented facilities off-campus with very little time to adjust. To make matters worse, the facilities being built to replace some of H.K. Ward were delayed due to significant contamination and in-ground services problems. If any one of these facility issues occurred in "normal" year, it would be considered a disaster. For all of these issues to occur in the same year, it was nothing short of a train wreck. The time, resources and money that were diverted from our normal operations to deal with these issues were extensive. Thankfully the end is in sight, and the new facilities at the Sports & Aquatic Centre are due to open in July 2013. The flooding issues have been resolved due to the repair of the storm water pipe, and St. John's Oval is back in use. The worst is hopefully behind us, and we move on to better things.

Why was it so good? They say that adversity often brings out the best in people – it draws them together and hardens them for battle. 2012 will go down as one of the best years SUSF has ever had in terms of sporting achievement. Despite the issues associated with our facilities, a number of our clubs had, arguably, the best year in their history. To put that in perspective, that means, for some clubs, the best year they have had for over a century. Rather than use the lack of facilities as an excuse, our clubs and the people within them steeled themselves to ensure victory rather than defeat. I will start with the Football (rugby) club – 2012 saw every grade and colts team either win the major premiership or the minor premiership, with first grade, second grade, third grade, fifth grade, colts 1 and colts 2 all winning their respective grand finals. In addition the club won the club championship and the colts' club championship. In their 149 year history, I would argue it is their best season to date. Congratulations to President David Mortimer, Vice-President Andrew Wennerbom, first grade Coach Todd Loudon, Director of Rugby Todd Dammers, and all of the coaching staff, Executive General Manager Baden Stephenson, major sponsor Buildcorp and the Sukkar family, Marketing &

Events Manager Gill Elphinston and all of the players, for an incredible season and best wishes for the 150th anniversary of the club in 2013.

Our cricket club won the 2011/2012 first and second grade premierships and celebrated the elevation of Ed Cowan to the Australian test cricket team. Again, in 148 years of history, I'm not sure there has been a finer cricket season. Congratulations to Mick O'Sullivan, Gary Whittaker, Geoff de Mesquita, the coaches and players for an amazing season of cricket in trying circumstances. Our women's hockey club won their first ever senior women's hockey first grade title – easily their biggest achievement to date – congratulations to President Andy Elton, the players and coaches. Our athletics club had its best year on record, winning multiple state titles and producing more top flight athletes across more events than ever before – well done to all of the athletes and to our inaugural Director of Athletics Dean Gleeson.

Our Soccer Football Club, now boasting 35 teams, had across-the-board success in both juniors and seniors, men's and women's – arguably one of their best seasons ever – congratulations to President Andrew Bray, Director of Soccer John Curran and Operations Manager Nathan Kosmina. And of course, being an Olympic year, SUSF fielded a record number of athletes at the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics, with 24 Olympians (10 of them rowers) and 7 Paralympians – if Sydney Uni were a country we would have had the 81st largest team (out of 208 countries competing at the Games) and would have finished 39th on the medal table, equal with Mexico and Georgia. A huge congratulations in particular goes to Murray Stewart for winning a gold medal in the K4 1000 canoe sprint, the first Sydney Uni Olympic gold medal since Sydney 2000. Last but not least, our Boat Club had a wonderful year, culminating in the victory over Melbourne University in the Edmund Barton Cup, an Oxford-Cambridge styled race that was held this year on Sydney Harbour – again, a great result, and full credit to Chris Noel and the athletes involved, and of course, placing 10 rowers on the Olympic team (from both our Boat and Rowing Clubs) is pretty impressive. These are just some of the incredible results from just some of our incredible clubs – please take the time to read the individual club reports contained within this Annual Report to get some idea of the depth and quality of the clubs and the athletes within them.

Our mission statement at SUSF is to be the leading provider for University-based sport, fitness and recreation services in the Asia-Pacific region. That means that we are always striving to do things better than we have ever done



them, and to maximise every opportunity to improve and excel. To do that, we need great people, and that is certainly one of the great blessings of being at SUSF – our people are first-rate. I am probably in a better position than most to assess the number of hours our staff, coaches, administrators, sponsors and volunteers put in to SUSF, many of those hours being outside what would be considered “normal” working hours. Many of our events and games are held after hours or on the weekends, and so many people give up their time to make sure that we are presenting ourselves the best that we possibly can. It’s not simply the number of hours that our people put in, it’s also the quality of those people and their pursuit of excellence that make the difference. I want to thank everyone, particularly our volunteers, for the time and effort that is poured into SUSF, its clubs and activities, fundraising and sponsorship, in so many ways. We simply couldn’t do what we do without the dedication of so many people.

Speaking of people, I want to thank the SUSF Senior Management team for another great year. Once again we lifted the bar in terms of professionalism, excellence, leadership and responsibility, in line with the SUSF values and the goals that we set each year as a team. For the first time since SUSF began as a merged entity in 2003, we retained every Senior Manager for the full year, a sign that our staff retention policies are working (in addition to our overall record low staff turnover figures). Each department set a fresh record (or records) in 2012, and some did so despite the facility issues mentioned above. It wasn’t just our clubs that suffered from the lack of facilities – a number of SUSF’s programs and initiatives were dented or put on hold whilst we awaited the completion of the SUSAC extension, and yet our Senior Managers and their staff simply found a way to adapt, and in most cases succeed, in spite of the disruption. To that end, I wish to single out Stephen King and the Programs & Participation department, and Dave Shaw and the Operations Department, who soldiered on without H.K. Ward, and assisted with the move to the Australia Street Warehouse. The attention to detail and hard work required to ensure this ran smoothly was extraordinary. It was a very difficult year, and both of these areas managed to do the best they could in the circumstances – I would also like to thank our Grounds team and those who helped clean up in the facilities after each of the floods. Ed Smith also assisted with the move, and, in a year of lots of building, was invaluable in providing SUSF with his expertise and knowledge in all things related to construction of the SUSAC extension, and our tenancies. Matt Phelps and the High Performance section managed to win a huge amount of silverware as detailed above. It would have been easy to use the lack of facilities as an excuse, but that’s not in Matt’s nature. Neither is it in Leonie Lum’s nature to give up, and our Elite Athlete Program went from strength to strength in

2012 largely due to her methodical approach and her wonderful people skills. Charlotte Churchill excelled with all of our commercial and legal issues, human resources, media enquiries, WH&S, contracts and various other issues that were handed to her, with her usual grace and professionalism. Jess Laycock and her team set fresh records for website hits, marketing campaigns and organised brilliant dinners for the Sports Awards and Blues Dinner. Aleksandra Pozder and the finance team looked after our hard-earned money brilliantly, and in a year when our revenue was affected by the closure of H.K. Ward, we managed to stay afloat – well done Aleksandra. Last but not least, Rod Tubbs and his staff held more functions than ever to earn SUSF and its clubs valuable funds, whilst also drawing in several more named sporting scholarships, keeping our sponsors happy and building our war chest for new facilities – thanks Rod for a job well done. I enjoy working with each Senior Manager and am amazed at what is achieved every year both in the individual departments and as a team.

Finally I would like to thank all of the people at The University of Sydney who help us out every year in a multitude of ways that often go unheralded. The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Michael Spence, has been a wonderful support to our organisation as usual. The construction of the Sports & Aquatic Centre extension would not have been possible without his backing and that of numerous staff within campus infrastructure services. To that end, I would also like to thank Greg Robinson, Vic Simsic, Tony Cox, Andre Stevanovic and Phil Sorbello for assisting with the SUSAC extension and with a variety of other issues regarding our buildings and grounds. Deputy Vice-Chancellor Derrick Armstrong, and his Portfolio Executive Director David Pacey have been a wonderful help with the transition back to the SSAF funding, and Richard Fisher, Shauna Jarrett, Tim Dolan, Ann Brewer, Marian Theobald and Tracey Beck (and her team) all assisted SUSF in a variety of ways – thank you all.

2012 was a difficult year for our staff and clubs and I want to acknowledge their patience and understanding during this time of demolition and construction. 2013 is shaping up to be a much brighter year, and if what has been built so far is any indication, the new facilities will be worth the wait.

As always, I wish to thank my wife Tash and my kids Maddy, Amber, Violet and Daniel for your love and support and for allowing Daddy to attend so many events..

God bless,

Rob Smithies
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Blues Association Report

2012 was a year of change for the Blues Association, with the introduction of a new Committee structure and distribution of portfolios to each of the Committee members.



Adoption of the new structure saw the establishment of the positions of Marketing Coordinator; Club Liaison Coordinator; Social Media Coordinator; as well as promoting the previous treasurer role to the Financial Manager position. While we held our usual reunion functions during the year and managed to raise more funds for our three perpetual sporting scholarships, we moved into a strategic planning phase, debating such topics as: membership issues, the merits of our annual program and how we could market the Association better to the younger Blues and Golds.

We were pleased to sponsor three sporting scholarship recipients again in 2012: Sam McConnell (swimming), Oliver Skelding (soccer) and Gabrielle Woodhouse (volleyball). I congratulate the three students on their progress this year. I also take this opportunity to congratulate three of our Sydney Uni Blues who received honours on the Queen's Birthday weekend 2012 and on Australia Day 2013: Stuart Boland AM (rugby Blue 1966), Ros Fischl (nee Eisenberg) OAM (golf Blue 1964) and Chris Noel OAM (boat Blue 1971).

Our functions were not quite as well attended this year, which prompted the Committee to review our aims with the program. Nevertheless, 20 young Blues attended our Friday Night Fever event at The Grandstand watching the first grade Sydney Uni rugby team play on Friday 18 May; while about 50 members attended the Reunion Cocktail Party, formerly known as the Pin Function, on 20 July, which was held a bit earlier this year due to the timing of the London Olympics. Naturally, the Olympics formed our theme for this event and guest interviewer Andrew Coorey drew some interesting stories from three of our Olympians: Robin Bell (canoeing), Alexandra Croak (diving) and Sancha Donald (volunteer at the 2000 Games). This prepared us for the following month when we would be cheering on the 31 Sydney University students and graduates who were chosen to represent Australia in London. Pins were presented again this year but only to those who had not previously received their pin over the past decade. The giant raffle conducted on the night raised nearly \$1,000 towards the scholarship fund but profits were down on last year because of fewer people attending.

The Blues Association Golf Day at St. Michael's course on 10 October saw 60 golfers in action on a lovely spring day. My thanks go to Rod Tubbs and his assistants, Ashleigh Walden and Keesja Gofers, for their excellent

coordination of the event as well as to Mac and Pam Chambers who sat at the 12th hole to sell raffle tickets and helped us raise \$1,400 for our scholarships.

Finally, the year ended with the traditional Blues Dinner held in the Great Hall on 17 November. Once again the event ran smoothly and was enjoyed by all those in attendance. On behalf of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Ann Brewer garbed the new Blues and Golds and presented the Blue of the Year awards. 21 Blues and six Golds were announced on the night with the winners of the Blue of the Year Awards being Ryan Edwards (boat) and Jessica Fox (canoe). The highlight of the night's entertainment was the segment conducted by Greg O'Mahoney who interviewed three of our Olympic and Paralympic representatives: Angie Ballard, Ed Fernon and Prue Watt. Angie, Ed and Prue gave their insights into preparation for the Games, life in the Olympic Village, and what the crowds and atmosphere were like at all the London venues. Once again the St. John's College Choir led the audience in singing the traditional songs "Gaudeamus" and "The Varsity" followed by their own choice "An Irish Blessing". My thanks go to Helen Polus for her very professional coordination of the event as well as to Cheryl Collins and Mac Chambers of the Blues Association for their assistance with the presentation of blazers and certificates.

I would like to extend my thanks to the members of the Blues Association Committee this year, namely: Eric Carter, Ben Chiarella (one of the first two Gold recipients elected to the Committee), Cheryl Collins, Clive Cooper, Nick Davies, Brendon Hyde, Gillian Ting, Andrew Wennerborn (a Gold and Blue), Mehmet Yagci (who unfortunately had to miss most of the year because of illness in his family) and Mac Chambers (archivist). In particular, I want to point out the contribution made by secretary, Cheryl Collins, and retired member Rod Tubbs. Without Cheryl's energy and efficiency the Association would simply not function. Rod served for over 10 years on the Committee and left us with the legacy of the restructure plan – thank you Rod for your drive and leadership, we already miss you and your great ideas. I finish by thanking Rob Smithies and the staff of SUSF who supported our ventures during the year.

Ann Mitchell
PRESIDENT





'Blue & Gold' Report

Being an Olympic year, 2012 was an especially busy one for the 'Blue & Gold' Club.

THE POSTPONED 2011 'BLUE & GOLD' XMAS HAMPER GOLF DAY

On Wednesday 8th February 2012, the postponed 2011 Xmas Hamper Golf Day was staged at St. Michael's Golf Club. For the second time in its 15 year history, the Chancellor's Cup was won by the Southern Design team with an outstanding score of 126 stableford points – an accumulation of the best three stableford scores on every hole.

Competition was also intense for the "Best Dressed Team" award. The Men About Town caught the eye with a uniform which comprised SUFC/Buildcorp jumpers, footy shorts and socks, head gear and an amazing array of strapping and bandages.

Murray Hartin, our resident bush poet/storyteller at this event, was in sparkling form. Murray won a standing ovation for his original and highly amusing poems on the "Drinking Olympics" and "Yoga Classes at Lennox Head".

ATHLETICS LUNCHEON

On Friday 17th February – the day before the Sydney Track Classic – 140 athletics' enthusiasts attended the 2012 'Blue & Gold' Athletics Luncheon at WatersEdge Restaurant.

Early in proceedings, Athletics Australia's International Liaison Officer, Maurie Plant, conducted impromptu interviews with two international champions – the Kenyan 1500m world record holder, Asbel Kiprop, and the reigning Olympic gold medallist – American discus thrower, Stephanie Brown-Trafton. Both won their respective events at the following evening's Sydney Track Classic.

Greg O'Mahoney moderated a lively panel discussion with the world's former number one ranked sprinter, Marlene Mathews; Maurie Plant; and James Templeton – the very successful manager of a small group of outstanding Kenyan-born runners.

Greg O'Mahoney's second panel comprised two of the world's leading 800m runners – three times USA champion, Nick Symmonds, and our very own Lachlan Renshaw – the two times Australian 800m champion.

The 2012 'Blue & Gold' Athletics Luncheon generated a lot of goodwill and raised significant funds towards a Sydney Uni Athletics Club tour to the USA in April 2014.

OLYMPIC DINNER

The 2012 'Blue & Gold' Olympic Dinner was held in The Great Hall on an exceptionally wet Tuesday 17th April – precisely 100 days before the Opening Ceremony of the 2012 London Olympic Games.

In attendance were three Sydney Uni prominent Olympic officials (John Boulton, Chris Fydler and Peter Kerr) and 19 Sydney Uni Olympians, whose experiences spanned 60 years (from sprinter John Treloar who first competed at the 1948 London Olympics through to our 2008 Beijing Olympians).

The keynote speaker was Chris Fydler, the Deputy Chef de Mission of the 2012 Australian Olympic team. He indicated that organisation for the London Olympics was well and truly on schedule. Chris confirmed that Australia would be sending a team of 400 athletes; together with 250 staff to the London Games and that we would be represented in 24 of the 26 sports at the able-bodied Olympics.



During the evening, Adam Spencer moderated two extremely entertaining panels. The first of these was made up of gold medal-winning Sydney Uni Olympians – Chris Fydler (swimming), Matthew Mitcham (diving) and Debbie Watson (water polo).

Adam's second panel featured three of Sydney Uni's aspiring London Olympians – Sarah Cook (rowing), Ed Fernon (modern pentathlon) and Sarah Stewart (wheelchair basketball).

Despite the inclement weather, all of the dinner guests were imbued with the Olympic spirit and they left The Great Hall with umbrellas up, but with smiles on their faces.

SOCCER FOOTBALL DINNER

On the evening of Friday 8th June, approximately 220 Sydney University Soccer Football Club (SUSFC) supporters descended on Doltone House for the annual 'Blue & Gold' Soccer Football Dinner.

The first entertainment segment involved Adam Spencer matching wits with:

- former Federal Sports Minister and recently appointed Sydney FC Board member, Mark Arbib; and
- Chief Executive of the Australian Professional Footballers' Association, Brendan Schwab.

This panel tackled tough questions on the future of football in Australia; on our failed World Cup bid; and on the pending cross-town rivalry between Sydney FC and a new Western Sydney A-League franchise.

Adam's second panel comprised:

- John Kosmina, the then Adelaide United coach; the scorer of an amazing 25 goals in 60 appearances with the Australian Socceroos and the father of the current SUSFC Operations Manager, Nathan; plus
- Tom Sermanni, the current coach of the Australian Women's Soccer team and a former professional player in Scotland, England, Australia and New Zealand.

This panel covered stories about football in the 1970's; the current Asian Champions League; the possibility of a future Women's World Cup in Australia; and the unusual topic of street signage in the outlying Sydney suburb of Glenwood!

The room was full of past players from many different eras, including our 1993 premiership team which chose this occasion for a 19 year reunion!

Let's hope that it becomes an annual reunion from now on.

One money spinner that night involved the sale of 50 bottles of quality wine at \$50 per bottle. All bottles were numbered and the owner of one of them got to win a state-of-the-art plasma TV set. The winning bottle was owned by popular SUSFC benefactors, John and Joan Segal, who promptly donated the television set back to the club – the epitome of a "win/win" situation!

RUGBY LUNCHEON

The 16th consecutive staging of the annual 'Blue & Gold' Rugby Luncheon was held on Thursday 14th June at the Four Seasons Hotel.

The entertainment commenced with Adam Spencer dissecting the International, Super 15 and Club rugby seasons to that point in time with:

- Dan Vickerman – a Sydney University lock forward since 2000, during which time he has earned 92 Provincial Rugby caps and 63 Test Rugby caps;
- Tom Carter – a versatile Sydney University back who, at the time of this lunch, had played 78 games (in which he scored 16 tries) for the New South Wales Waratahs and a further 123 Sydney Uni first grade games, which had yielded him another 72 tries; and
- Jack Farrer – a former Sydney Uni Football Club (SUFC) and Melbourne Rebels player, who was then the Director of Colts Rugby at the Sydney University Football Club.

There was considerable discussion about Dan Vickerman's solitary try in 155 matches at either Super Rugby or Test level. This was counter-balanced by insights into his playing experiences at no less than three Rugby World Cups.

In the much anticipated annual 'Blue & Gold' Debate, the Low-Life Academia team of Adam Spencer and new comer Ivan Ah Sam negated the proposition that: 'Not winning the 2011 World Cup was the best thing that could possibly have happened to Australian Rugby'!

Affirming the proposition, the Gentlemen of Rugby team featured two of Australia's foremost rugby aficionados – Greg O'Mahoney and Rob Carlton.

Although the Low-Life Academia case was once again based on superbly constructed arguments, brilliant rebuttal and exceptionally clever wit, none of these attributes impressed the totally biased adjudicator – former Australian Rugby Union (ARU) President, Mr. Phil Harry – who awarded The Gentlemen of Rugby their 16th consecutive "surprise" victory!

OLYMPIC CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

At the Four Seasons Hotel on Friday 7th September, Mr. Rob Smithies, the Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness Executive Director and Dr. Michael Spence, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University, acknowledged the magnificent performance of our athletes at the 2012 London Games. Sydney Uni athletes won seven Olympic medals (one gold, three silver and three bronze) and seven Paralympic medals (one gold, four silver and two bronze).

Sydney Uni Arts/Law graduate, Greg O'Mahoney, moderated two extremely entertaining panels of Sydney Uni Olympians. The first of these involved two Sydney Uni medal winners at the London Olympics plus a Sydney Uni Olympian of yesteryear:

- Jessica Fox – silver medallist in the 2012 women's kayak slalom K1;
- Kaarle McCulloch – bronze medallist in the 2012 women's cycling team sprint; and
- Peter Hadfield – decathlon competitor at both the 1980 Moscow and 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games.

Greg O'Mahoney's second panel comprised:

- Brooke Pratley – silver medallist in the 2012 women's rowing double sculls;
- Thomas Whalan – four time Olympian and London quarter finalist in men's water polo; and
- Murray Stewart – gold medallist in the 2012 men's canoe K4 1000m sprint.

Murray was introduced by way of a replay of Gordon Bray's 2GB call of the K4 1000m gold medal race. Brooke Pratley explained the many difficulties that she and her partner Kim Crow had encountered in the lead-up to the London Olympics. Brooke completely dismissed the myth that athletes are disappointed to win Olympic silver medals. She also provided some heart-warming anecdotes about the support she received from her hometown of Crookwell.

Thomas Whalan talked about the progress that the Australian men's water polo team has made against the dominant European nations over the four Olympic Games in which he has competed.

Murray Stewart was a very modest gold medallist. He accredited the K4 1000m success to a full four years of strategic planning, experimentation with personnel, analysis of opposing crews and good old fashioned, hard competition.

WATER POLO LUNCHEON

On Friday 14th September, the 2012 'Blue & Gold' Water Polo Luncheon was staged at the Four Seasons Hotel. This function has consistently gained in popularity over the last three years. The numbers attending have increased from 22 (at the 2009 Water Sports Luncheon) to 110 in 2010, to 170 in 2011 and to 220 in 2012.

The panel moderator on this occasion was Rhys Muldoon, the multi-talented Australian thespian, who has long been a star of stage, screen and television. To children under the age of 5, Rhys is instantly recognisable as Mr. Play School! To most of the audience, Rhys was instantly recognisable as Mark from the current Channel 9 drama, *House Husbands*.

The first Muldoon panel comprised Sydney Uni's 2000 Olympic swimming gold medallist and 2012 Deputy Chef de Mission, Chris Fydler, plus Sydney Uni's most recent Olympic gold medallist, canoe kayaker Murray Stewart. The audience was thoroughly entertained as Rhys probed for each of the panellists' thoughts and emotions during the course of their triumphant Olympic gold medal races. At one stage, Chris Fydler commented: "Rhys, we've been going for fifteen minutes and I haven't even left the blocks yet!"

The second Muldoon panel involved 2012 Olympic water polo bronze medallist, Holly Lincoln-Smith; her coach and former Sydney Uni Lions

stalwart, Ryan Moar plus our four-time water polo Olympian and one-time Cleo Bachelor of the Year, Thomas Whalan.

Much of the credit for this highly successful function belongs to the Sydney Uni Men's Water Polo Club (SUMWPC) President, Antony Green, and principal function organiser, James Young.

AUSSIE RULES GRAND FINAL LUNCHEON

The annual 'Blue & Gold' Aussie Rules Luncheon was moved from its traditional first month of the season timeslot to the day before the AFL Grand Final (28th September), when the interest level of Aussie Rules enthusiasts is at its highest.

However, as the Sydney Swans continued their successful progress through the final series, many of this function's traditional supporters made plans to be in Melbourne.

The eager anticipation of a room full of Sydney Swans supporters intensified when former Swans defender Brad Seymour relived his 1996 AFL grand final experience with Adam Spencer.

Adam's second panel comprised two players who took part in the 2005 and 2006 AFL grand finals.

Amon Buchanan was a dynamic midfielder who became a Sydney Swans hero when he kicked the winning goal of the 2005 grand final. He was also one of the best players in the 2006 grand final, which the Swans tragically lost by a single point!

Craig Bolton also played a key role in both of those games. He also won Australian selection on two occasions and was appointed to joint captaincy of the Sydney Swans.

Adam, Amon and Craig drew numerous analogies between the highly successful 2005/06 Swans teams and the Swans side of 2012. Very prophetically, they predicted a close and hard-fought game in which the Swans would ultimately triumph over their more favoured opponents!

SUSF/BLUES ASSOCIATION GOLF DAY

As usual, the 2012 SUSF/Blues Association Golf Day was held at St. Michael's Golf Club on Wednesday 10th October. 15 teams of four players per team took part in the main event – a team competition involving the best two stableford scores of the four players on every hole.

The winning team had a most impressive 95 stableford points and comprised four somewhat irregular golfers who represented Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness. Anthony Ellison had a day out with 40 individual stableford points, but he was very ably assisted by Matt Phelps, Ed Smith and Rob Smithies.

The runners-up were Team Phillips with 93 stableford points. In third place with 92 stableford points was the University of New South Wales team.

Once again, there were a couple of additional "events within the event". The Sydney Uni team won the University Sports Administration Challenge from very well-dressed teams from UNSW and UTS. Dick Hendriks won the Archbishop John Bede Polding Golf Cup (for current and past St. John's College students). Michael Gillespie was the Polding Cup runner-up and his son Simon was the leading St. John's College student for the second consecutive year.

The Singles winner was John Trowbridge with a career best 42 individual stableford points off his club handicap of 20. Anthony Ellison (40 points) was second and Stephen Parker (39 points) was placed third on a countback from Ivan Cottom and Dick Hendriks.

CRICKET LUNCHEON

The 2012 'Blue & Gold' Cricket Luncheon was held at the Four Seasons Hotel on Wednesday 14th November. The Sydney University Cricket Club Team of the 1990's was announced and those present were acknowledged on stage.

Adam Spencer moderated a very entertaining panel discussion with Alex Blackwell, Stuart Clark and Mike Coward. Discussions centred on the Southern Stars' retention of their World Twenty20 title; on the Sydney Sixers stunning win in the international Champions League Twenty20 final; and on the upcoming Test matches against South Africa, Sri Lanka, India and then England.

2012 XMAS HAMPER GOLF DAY

On Wednesday 28th November, the 2012 'Blue & Gold' Xmas Hamper Golf Day was staged at St. Michael's Golf Club. For the first time in its 16 year history, the Chancellor's Cup was won by the Buildcorp Interiors team with an outstanding score of 130 stableford points – an accumulation of the best three stableford scores on every hole. The other teams to register a podium finish were Southern Design (the 2011 winner) and AKM Projects (last time's third placegetter).

Competition was also intense for the "Best Dressed Team" award. The Men About Town looked a little bedraggled after completing the entire 18 holes in kilts, sporrans and tam-o'-shanters. However, their creativity won them the 2012 Best Dressed title.

This time, Murray Hartin delighted the audience with his original and highly emotive or amusing poems on "Paterson and Lawson", "Rain from Nowhere" and "Turbulence".

WNBL FLAMES/WOMEN IN SPORT LUNCHEON

The 2012 'Blue & Gold' WNBL Flames/Women in Sport Luncheon was held at The Boathouse on Blackwattle Bay restaurant on Wednesday 5th December. Adam Spencer moderated two exceptionally entertaining panels of guest speakers.

The Women in Sport panel comprised Kristina Keneally, the former NSW Premier and now the CEO of Basketball Australia, and Prue Watt, our visually impaired swimming gold medallist in the SB13 100m breaststroke event at the 2012 London Paralympic Games. Both Kristina and Prue were very engaging panellists.

The second panel comprised three of the star players from the 2012/13 Southern Design Sydney Uni Flames team – Olympic silver medallist, Rohanee Cox; 3-point specialist, Sarah Graham; and our dynamic USA import, April Sykes. All three girls were very at ease with Adam's questions, which stimulated lively and thoroughly entertaining discussion.

We'd like to think that this function helped to inspire the Flames to a remarkable victory over the Canberra Capitals just two days later, by an incredible margin of 46 points!

Rodney Tubbs

CORPORATE & ALUMNI RELATIONS MANAGER



Commercial & Regulatory Report

The Commercial & Regulatory department was established in November 2011, and 2012 proved to be a significant year for the development of the department as its functions continued to evolve to meet the needs and execute the strategy of SUSF.



SUSF is a unique and complex organisation in which the needs of both professional and amateur sport and athletes must be addressed. In addition to this, the issues related to the provision of not-for-profit and commercial recreation services must be managed. During 2012, the development of my department saw it deliver commercial, legal and transactional strategy, support and advice across SUSF's diverse operations including: 450+ staff, 47 sporting clubs, 300+ elite athletes, commercial facility operations, and childcare and recreation services.

A significant development in 2012 was the change to the organisational structure and staffing in order to reflect the role of commercial and regulatory in the management of SUSF staff and departments.

In July 2012 the human resources function of SUSF was incorporated into the department, with Nicole Pearson being appointed as the new HR Coordinator.

This restructure reflects the fact that the sporting and commercial success of our organisation is the result of over 450 individuals who work together to achieve SUSF's mission. Providing our staff with the best possible support, management and development both personally and professionally is

extremely important to me, and a critical element for our continued success given the dedication of our staff members.

Human resources and employment-related matters were consequently a significant focus for 2012. A complete audit of all human resource operations within the organisation was conducted and a substantial portion of the year was devoted to addressing legacy issues and ensuring an effective human resources management program was implemented.

This included the refreshing and restructuring of SUSF's performance management and review process, HR audit systems, employment agreements and documentation, recruitment procedures, and legislative and insurance compliance protocols. In addition to this, a strong foundation of policies, procedures and documentation was established.

By the conclusion of the year, key milestones achieved included:

- the launch of an industry-leading new club coach recruitment and contract program;
- the effective negotiation of professional athlete player contracts;
- the creation of a new employee and volunteer employment system and contracts;

- the development of a suite of over 150 new staff policies and procedures to be launched on a new staff intranet and HR portal developed entirely in-house;
- the implementation of a new performance management and staff development program; and
- a restructure of the recruitment and retention of staff within our high performance department to ensure SUSF manages coaches and athletes in a manner that reflects the elite sporting environment in which we operate.

These achievements have ensured the effective management of a significant number of legal, compliance, insurance and contractual issues related to our organisation; in addition to progressing SUSF in its goal of making our regulatory function best practice not only within the sporting industry but in the broader marketplace.

Of particular note is the financial efficiency with which we have completed these projects. The majority of this progress was achieved through the utilisation of our internal resources and the effective management of our external advisors with whom we have now developed strong relationships.

The regulatory component of the department continued to make excellent progress during 2012 in the effective management of litigation, transaction, trademark, and competition law matters with several successful 'wins' and a significant increase in the organisations transactional and financial efficiency in managing such matters.

The compliance and internal governance element of my department continued to develop rapidly throughout the year. With over 450 staff, hundreds more dedicated volunteers, as well as the fact that our organisation operates in the sporting, recreational and childcare industries – compliance with legislative amendments as well as new forms of regulation was a constant focus. In addition to managing the requirements of employment law and modern awards on a day-to-day basis, the implementation of the Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010 and changes to child protection and work health safety legislation had critical impacts upon SUSF's commercial and club operations. Throughout 2012 I worked with all our business units to ensure the requisite level of staff education and implemented protocols to ensure compliance.

The governance of our sporting clubs, in conjunction with Club Development Manager Tristan Liles, also made significant progress.

2012 was also an extremely productive and exciting year for the commercial operations of SUSF. Working closely with Rob Smithies, the negotiation and execution of a significant number of commercial agreements across sponsorship; supplier and support services; higher education funding; and national sporting and athlete bodies was successfully achieved.

Whilst substantial financial investment in SUSF's infrastructure and facilities was a hallmark of 2012, the volatile broader economic climate and the sport and recreation industry also necessitated a review of several key business units in order to ensure SUSF capitalised upon all possible commercial opportunities. Reviews of the structuring, staffing, marketing, and financial monitoring of SUSF operations have been implemented with significant steps to continue into 2013 during which time the results will begin to be reflected in our financial benchmarking and reporting.

Together with the senior management team, significant progress was also made in reviewing and reducing costs and expenditure within the organisation to ensure that it's operating as efficiently as possible.

None of the progress made in my department in 2012 could have been achieved without the support and commitment of every staff member throughout the year.

My department's goal to make SUSF's regulation and commercial operations industry-leading and increasingly professional; whilst true to the spirit of the athletes, students, community members and volunteers, is

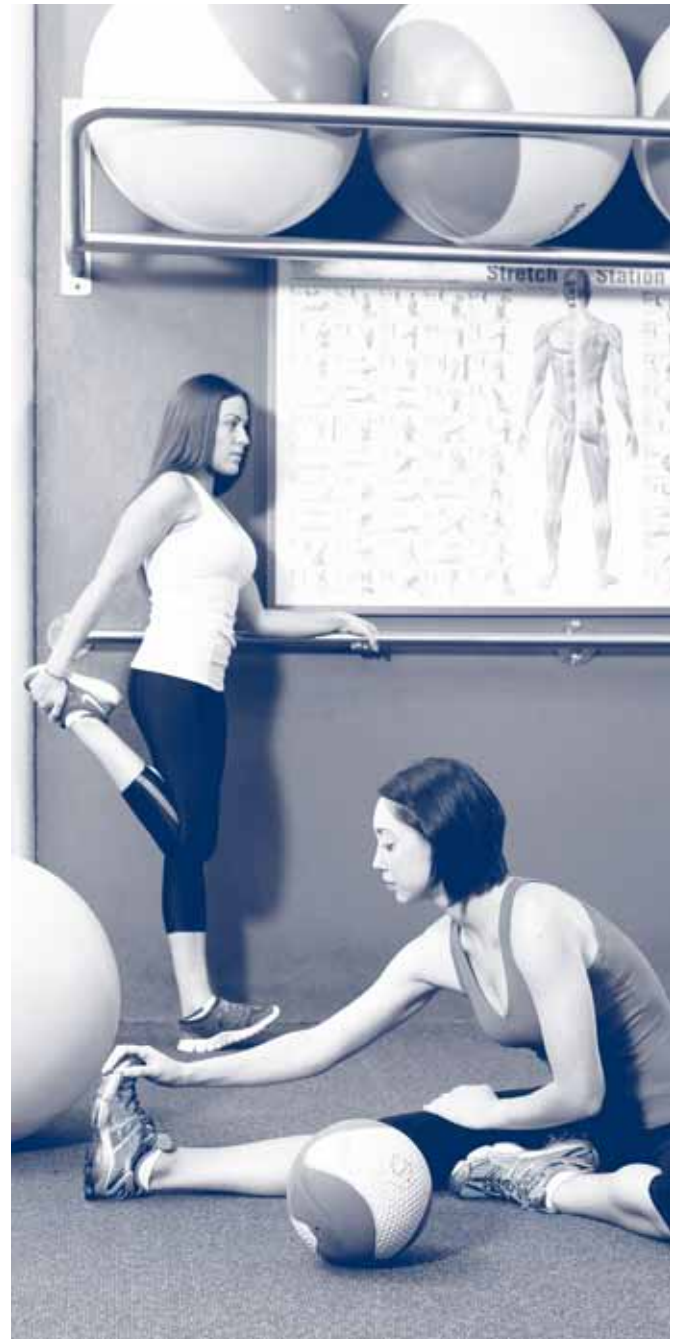
one that Rob Smithies and I work together as a team to achieve on a daily basis. Thank you Rob for your continued support and commitment to the department and its strategy.

The diverse nature of my role has also meant that during 2012 I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to work with nearly every member of staff and across all business units within the organisation. It has been a year of substantial change and challenges for our staff and the commitment, support and professional generosity extended to me by the entire team has been critical to the progress made during the year and indicative of the unique culture of our organisation.

The success and mission of the commercial and regulatory department and our organisation is founded not in any one individual but every staff member of SUSF, and it is upon this foundation that I hope it will continue to evolve in 2013.

Charlotte Churchill

COMMERCIAL & REGULATORY MANAGER



High Performance & Club Development Report



2012 continued the progression of the High Performance (HP) & Club Development unit from 2011 and further ensconced SUSF as one of the main providers of athletic talent within Australia.

The department identified that we needed to enhance our HP foundations to ensure long term and sustained success into the future.

The Elite Athlete Program (EAP) focused on devising a set of policies and procedures that will enable the program to meet the needs of the 400 plus athletes we service each year. The program also worked tirelessly to build a suitable database from scratch which will provide a great management tool for EAP staff and in the future provide immense value to the entire department.

The Physical Preparation staff desired to maintain the current delivery of service and standards to our athletes and clubs. The team also enhanced various programs for our athletes to endeavour to provide that edge in performance for our teams and individuals.

The Club Development Manager Tristan Liles devised numerous standards which SUSF requires from our clubs. Initially, clubs were slow to jump on board with the administrative requirements but through the diligence of the Club Development Manager, other SUSF staff and our club administrators, we have achieved a much more streamlined administrative process and enhanced support to our clubs.

All HP staff engaged in various professional development opportunities during 2012. This included conferences and seminars, coach accreditation and in-house discussions. SUSF is certainly fortunate to have market leaders involved or attached to our clubs and organisation which we are able to call upon to educate our staff in up-to-date best practice methods in sport management.

Overall, 2012 was a year of consolidation and building the foundations of our athletes and clubs. Continued use of the SUSF resources and the expertise of our staff will ensure continued strong results by our athletes and clubs in the future.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The staff within the High Performance department continually display great leadership and work ethic to their members in a bid to create an environment of excellence. Our staff is our greatest resource and are largely responsible for the accolades our clubs regularly achieve.

After minimal change in personnel in 2011, 2012 saw some alteration in personnel and/or further improvements to our club human resources.

This occurrence allowed for a period of review, implementation and the refinement of structures to enhance the objectives of the organisation.

The Sydney Uni Hockey Club (SUHC) welcomed Scott Barker as the new Director of Hockey in January. Scott took over from inaugural Director of Hockey Aaron Oman. Scott's pedigree and knowledge has seen vast improvement in the preparation and technical ability of our hockey players.

The Coaching and Development Manager, Sydney Uni Flames, Peter Lonergan resigned in May. After a thorough review, SUSF appointed Cameron Nichol as Sponsorship Manager. Cameron provides sponsorship expertise for the Flames and SUSF.

The Sydney University Women's Rowing Club (SUWRC) lost their Senior Coach – Development, Gonzalo Briones, and promoted well credentialed Debbie Fox to the position of Head Coach. The club sourced a replacement for Debbie and recruited the experienced Chris Holliday to the role of Assistant Coach.

The Sydney University Australian National Football Club (SUANFC) continued to evolve their resources in 2012 to meet the needs of the NEAFL competition. Tim Air continued as the Commercial & Community Operations Manager, Phil Wingate assumed the role of Football Operations Manager and Daniel Gilmore was appointed as High Performance Manager of the club. In October, Head Coach Roger Moten resigned from his position. Daniel Gilmore will coach the club in 2013 with Tom Ayton taking on the role of High Performance Manager.

At the end of 2012, Todd Loudon and Todd Dammers announced their resignations from Sydney University Football Club (SUFC). In late 2012, Chris Malone (Head Coach), Jack Farrer (Director of Rugby) and David Haigh (Director of Colts) were appointed for the 2013 season.

Longstanding Athletics coach, Dean Gleeson increased his involvement with Sydney Uni Athletics Club (SUAC) and the athletes in 2012. Dean commenced in a new part-time role of Director of Athletics. The new role reflects the requirements to manage and coach a club of their size and the increased quality of athletes at the club.

Former longstanding Sydney Uni Women's Water Polo Club coach Ian Trent returned to the club taking up the part-time role of Director of Women's Water Polo and National League Head Coach.

Jaime Gomez commenced a part-time role with the Sydney University Soccer Football Club (SUSFC) in late 2012. Jaime will provide further administrative support to the 700 plus members in the club.

Bobby Folan resigned from his position of Head Coach of the SUSF High Performance Swimming Program in September 2012. This position was restructured and Scott Talbot was appointed to the role of Senior Coach starting in early January 2013.

ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

With around 400 elite and talented student athletes across over 35 sports being offered a scholarship from SUSF, 2012 was a year full of activity for the Elite Athlete Program (EAP). We were pleased to assist such remarkable individuals in their concurrent pursuit of excellence in their sport and studies and were immensely proud of their achievements both on and off the sporting field.

Of the numerous sporting achievements by members of the EAP in 2012, standout performances included:

- Representation by 25 past and current SUSF scholarship holders at the London Olympic and Paralympic Games with medal wins to several athletes such as: Murray Stewart (canoe sprint; M. Architecture (2011)), Prue Watt (AWD swimming; B. Science), Jessica Fox (kayak slalom; B. Arts (Media & Communication)) and Sarah Stewart (wheelchair basketball; PhD Philosophy);
- Super Rugby and Australian Sevens representation by Thomas Kingston (B. Commerce/Laws), David Dennis (Graduate Diploma in Commerce), Daniel Halangahu (M. Commerce), Bernard Foley (B. Economics), Tom Carter (M. Exercise Science (Strength and Conditioning)), Patrick McCutcheon (Diploma of Surveying), Dean Mumm (M. Commerce), Nathan Trist (M. Philosophy), Nick Stirzaker (B. Commerce/Law), Greg Jeloudev (B. Liberal Arts & Science), Tomas English (B. Arts & Science) and Trent Dyer (B. Education (Secondary: Health Education & Human Movement));
- State representation in the Australian Hockey League by Nina Khoury (B. Commerce/Laws), Georgina Morgan (B. Applied Science (Exercise Physiology)), Mathilda Carmichael (B. Medical Sciences), Cara Simpson and Hollie Webster (B. Applied Science (Exercise & Sports Science)). These athletes also played pivotal roles in the winning Sydney University team who took out the Sydney Women's Hockey League Metro 1 competition;



- Ed Cowan (B. Commerce/Laws), former SUSF scholarship holder, who made his debut in test cricket for Australia and Scott Henry (B. Sports Business) who represented New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield; and
- Ryan Edwards (M. Commerce) and William Raven (B. Liberal Arts & Science) who represented Australia at the 2012 World Rowing U23 Championships.

Outstanding results in academia reflected those achieved in sport. To recognise their ongoing exceptional achievements in 2011, the 2012 Vice Chancellor's Scholarships for academic and sporting excellence were awarded to Andrew Giltrap (athletics; B. Science (Adv.)) and Jaimee Kennedy (basketball; B. Education (Secondary: Health Education & Human Movement)), both who successfully completed their undergraduate degrees at the conclusion of 2012. To acknowledge their terrific performance in the HSC, the 2012 Senate Scholarships for outstanding school leavers were awarded to Jessica Fox (kayak slalom; B. Arts (Media & Communication)) and Jonathan Vaux (rugby; B. Commerce/Arts).

SUSF scholarship holders as a group performed incredibly well in their studies in 2012. Of those EAP members enrolled at Sydney University, just six absent fail and 25 fail grades were recorded after semester 1. This was a marked improvement from the same period in 2011 where there were 12 absent fail and 39 fail grades recorded. Semester 2 saw only two absent fails, but 43 fail grades. Several of these fail grades were, however, successfully appealed. Again, this indicated an improvement in the academic performance of EAP members in comparison to semester 2, 2011 which saw seven absent fail and 31 fail grades. The academic average of those EAP members enrolled at Sydney University was 59.69 from semester 1 and 64.57 after semester 2.

Elite Athlete Program members at The University of Sydney were enrolled in degrees across a broad range of faculties, but as in 2011, the largest numbers were represented in Health Sciences, Business, Science, Arts & Social Sciences, Education & Social Work; and Engineering & IT.

The ratio of females to males on scholarship (for both USYD and non-USYD students) was approximately 129:236 (2011 ratio = 110:220). Approximately 232 EAP members were enrolled in undergraduate degrees, while about 32 were postgraduate students and five were engaged in other tertiary studies (2011 = approximately 280 undergraduate, 50 postgraduate).

There was little change to the variety of support services provided to EAP members in 2012; however there was an increased usage of certain services such as tutoring. Over 2012 there were 230 requests for tutoring assistance, with the highest request periods in March and August. Overall, students received 1,073 hours of tutoring. Susie Burrell and Paul Penna were engaged as our dietician and sport psychology service providers. There were a total of 127 appointments with Susie – rugby being the sport with the greatest representation, followed by rowing. Over \$20,000 was provided to Sydney University athletes for international travel grants. Three and a half permanent full time staff members continued to provide invaluable support and service to members of the EAP in 2012. Kim Cardile vacated the position of Elite Athlete Program Assistant Manager in January and we welcomed Libby Clouston in early February as the Elite Athlete Program Coordinator – Senior. Additionally, Nick Halliday was promoted to the position of Elite Athlete Program Coordinator from Elite Athlete Program Administrator.

The Elite Athlete Program recognises the ongoing generosity and support of The University of Sydney, scholarship donors, sponsors and partners in our ability to assist Sydney University student athletes to achieve excellence in their sport and studies in 2012. Outlined in the corresponding figure are the members of the Program as at 13 April 2012 and our key scholarship supporters. With summer and winter World University Games scheduled for 2013 as well as a number of key Sydney University student athletes on-track to complete their tertiary studies, we look forward to an exciting and successful year ahead.

Leonie Lum

ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM MANAGER



PHYSICAL PREPARATION DEPARTMENT

The Physical Preparation department in 2012 provided quality support to underpin our club teams with specific strength and conditioning programs to maximise the development of our athletes. The department employed best practice protocols to test athlete's improvements in key areas to develop and maintain the highest possible standards.

The department expanded the delivery of SUSF highly regarded Elite Development Squad (EDS) programs. Rugby, cricket, rowing, soccer, Flames and netball continued to maintain a high quality EDS program; while AFL, swimming and hockey each developed a comprehensive EDS program for their members. Athletes from athletics, surfing, wrestling, snow sports, boxing, fencing, water polo and many others were supported with an individualised program to assist with their physical preparation.

SUSF provided additional funding to increase the resources available to our staff to supply cutting edge programs. Staff utilised new agility poles, squat belts, power bands and medicine balls to prepare specifically for their chosen sport.

The department also engaged third and fourth year Health Science students from Cumberland Campus on internships to assist with their course requirements and testing of athletes. This relationship was fruitful for both parties and will continue in 2013. Additionally, staff successfully developed a relationship with Bath University (UK) which would enable two students to complete a 12 month internship with SUSF. The inclusion of the two interns has resulted in greater delivery of programs to our athletes. SUSF will endeavour to ensure further interns from Bath University support the department.

Our three full-time staff, Martin Harland, Tim Leahy and Tristan Sharp, must be congratulated for their dedication in assisting athletes to meet their strength and conditioning goals. Their expertise and passion for strength and conditioning is certainly reflected in the presence our teams command when they take the field of play. Credit must be awarded to our part-time staff: Paul Luchi, Tom Carter and our interns Daniel Cosenza (USYD),

Daniel Tilley (USYD), Amy Meyer (USYD), Ross Jeffs (Bath) and William Procter (Bath) for their support roles in servicing the very growing number of athletes and sports that require the expertise of our experienced Physical Preparation team.

AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY SPORT

Eastern Uni Games (EUG)

Tamworth was the host city of the 2012 EUG. The students were treated to some clean country air and fantastic brand new facilities.

Sydney University sent a team of 120 students in the sports of basketball, futsal, golf, lawn bowls, touch football and ultimate frisbee. Tamworth was a great host city as the facilities and ovals were top quality and quite close together, making the drive around town that little bit easier. Our teams had mixed results with the highlights being the women's touch securing gold; women's basketball and men's touch taking the silver; and ultimate frisbee and men's basketball taking bronze.

Snowsports

The Snowsports team were back in Mt. Buller for the 2012 Australian Uni Championships. We had a team of 41 athletes covering all disciplines that ranged from giant slalom to cross country to the rail jam. Mt. Buller really put on a show for the first few days of competition with bright blue skies and some fun snow conditions. The weather then turned on us later in the week with miserable conditions and rain lashing the mountain. However, the team still had great plans to defend their overall title they won in Thredbo the year before. Tom Lewis was our standout performer for the week jointly taking out the Alpine Male Champion award with Nick Karlowatz of UTS. Millie O'Brien took out the gold in the female snowboard giant slalom in a dominant display. Nicole Wilson was amongst the medals in the alpine giant slalom (bronze) and the super g (silver). Eliza Graham had another great year with silver in the moguls. Lara Rotokam also secured silver in the female snowboard rails. Not to be outdone, Alex Podgorski claimed silver in the men's skier cross. The team finished a respectable second overall to Melbourne Uni.

Australian University Games (AUG)

In 2012 it was Adelaide's turn to host the largest multi-sport competition outside of the Olympics and the Commonwealth Games. Sydney Uni sent 35 teams competing in 25 different sports with a total of 425 athletes. SUSF provided five staff plus two full-time and one part-time coach to help with the week's activities. The team were bunkered down in the pristine Adelaide Shores Resort for the week. It was always going to be tough backing up the effort of 2011 when travelling a little further away from home. Our teams still gave it a good shot and competed with great spirit and integrity. Of the 35 teams we sent, 12 of them won gold medals: athletics (men and women), women's badminton, women's football, women's golf, women's hockey, men's judo, women's rowing, rugby 7's, women's tennis, and men's and women's water polo. Eight teams finished with silver: men's and women's cycling, men's fencing, handball, men's hockey, men's swimming, women's taekwondo and women's volleyball. Four bronze medals to men's badminton, men's basketball, kendo and sailing continued the Sydney Uni medal spree. We were up against very strong Melbourne and Monash University teams who secured first and second respectively. We finished third on a count back to bronze medals. Although the result did not go our way, as always the team thoroughly enjoyed the week and I'm sure we will be back with a vengeance at the 2013 Games on the Gold Coast.

Triathlon

Sydney Uni was crowned 2012 Australian University Triathlon Champions in Kingscliff, northern NSW. Our team had some great results across the board, including yet another silver medal to James Goswell.

Distance Running

Sydney Uni managed to continue the good form of athletics and take out the second spot on the overall ladder in the Australian Uni Championship Distance Running event. The highlight of the event was a silver medal to Debra Christian in the women's half marathon.

Tristan Liles

CLUB DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

CLUBS DEPARTMENT

Servicing the vast number of clubs within SUSF has been a highlight during 2012 with many exceptional outcomes achieved by clubs.

In late 2012, the swimming program underwent a transformation with the re-creation of a program of excellence in partnership with the NSW Institute of Sport. The program will provide our athletes and coaches with the vast array of resources of both NSWIS and SUSF. The program will launch with highly experienced swim coach, Grant Stoelwinder as the Head Coach. We will welcome highly credentialed coach, Scott Talbot to the program in early 2013.

The Sydney University Football Club was crowned champions once again in the first, second and third grades as well as first and second colts. This culminated in the club also receiving the club championships in the grade and colts competitions.

The Sydney University Cricket Club also completed the first and second grade double for the first time in 100 years. The Belvidere Cup was retained for the leading team in first grade.

The Sydney Uni Hockey Club women's Premier League team wrote their names in the record books by creating history as the first team to win the League Championship in the clubs history.

Congratulations to the Sydney Uni Handball Club who qualified to compete in the Super Globe handball tournament in Qatar. The team was the first Australian representative to compete in this international club competition.

Some other highlights were:

- The huge interest and increase in membership of the Sydney University Cycling Club (velo);
- The outstanding performance from the Sydney University Boat Club men's eight to retain the "Edmund Barton" trophy over arch rivals Melbourne Uni in the annual Australian Boat Race;
- Funding an AUG team manager's workshop on risk management techniques before the 2012 games;
- Funding presentations to all EUG and AUG athletes called "Dangers of a Night Out" to outline the consequences of anti-social behaviour before the 2012 games; and
- The Sydney Uni Netball Club started a development program which has introduced a level of professionalism into the club and the sport at the State League level.

I will not be commenting on the success of all our clubs in this section as this will be addressed in each club report.

I must acknowledge all staff for their support in 2012 and especially thank our Executive Director, Rob Smithies and President, Bruce Ross for their guidance during the year.

Matthew Phelps

HIGH PERFORMANCE MANAGER

Marketing & Membership Report



2012 was a big year for the Marketing & Membership team, with more and more exciting opportunities and the chance to work on projects with most departments within SUSF.

A new position was created within the marketing team for the SUSF & Flames Sponsorship Manager, into which Cameron Nichol has stepped seamlessly. Andrew Tilley, Assistant Marketing Manager, began to take on more of the media and communication activities, and Costa Popolizio, Graphic Designer, continued to provide high-quality design and multimedia work for SUSF and its many clubs.

The marketing team worked particularly closely with the Operations team of Anthony Ellison and Paul Reynolds, who provide invaluable support with facility promotions and general business operations. We also collaborated on many of the Programs & Participation department's activities, seeking out new opportunities to promote SUSF wherever possible.

The 2012 Olympics was a highlight for the year in terms of the promotion of our athletes and the Elite Athlete Program (EAP), with Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness sending 31 athletes to the Games – 24 Olympians and seven Paralympians.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGNS

In 2012 the Marketing & Membership team focused on some new membership initiatives in order to freshen up the SUSF offering and tailor our campaigns even more so to our specific target markets.

1. Free Personal Training when you go Gold

In our continuous effort to create awareness within the community market, we launched a new personal training promotion. This campaign had a number of objectives: to appeal to community members, promote the full benefits of the gold gym pass, and to create more leads for personal trainers to build that area of the business.

Overall, this campaign increased gold passes by 61% (164 vs. 101) for the four week promotion period. Due to its success, a major promotional campaign will be a staple for the January period in the future.

2. O Week

As historical figures have proven, O Week is our most profitable time of the year and each year we aim to beat the previous year's target. Unfortunately in 2012, the three-day O Week event was hampered with rain. Although the

event itself didn't deliver the desired results, week 1 of the semester set a brand new record for operations revenue.

One of our offers that tied in with O Week this year was the new 'Uni Pass' promotion. This promotion was instrumental in achieving a substantial increase in revenue on the previous year's week 1 results. With a t-shirt giveaway with every annual membership sold, and the new gym pass promotion, this was a great event to build awareness within the University community.

3. Uni Pass

As mentioned, in 2012 we introduced the Uni Pass campaign. This promotion was tailored specifically for university students who are on campus for both semesters but not the holiday period – essentially a 9 month pass.

The results of the Uni Pass promotion surpassed all our expectations, with almost 400 passes sold during the two week promotion period. This was a really effective campaign in terms of marketing spend – a budget of approximately \$5,000 generated just over \$191,000 in revenue for the O Week and week 1 period.

The benefits for students purchasing this tailored pass are clear, but internally there was some concern that this would cannibalise the Semester 2 Pass promotion. However, this was not the case and we broke fresh sales records for this campaign.

4. 2 for \$29

Following on from a successful start to the year, the 2 for \$29 campaign was launched in May, targeting both students and community members. This was an effective promotion, with more of a focus this year on the conversion of the trial customers to a longer term pass. Overall, the conversion rate was up on the previous year, with over 23% of trial customers converting to some type of pass.

5. Semester 2 Pass

The Semester 2 Pass is now a permanent fixture on the promotional calendar. Although the Uni Pass promotion was launched in 2012, there

was still a market for the Semester 2 Pass promotion. This tailored pass for university students and staff appeals to international students who may only be here for a semester, and students who don't want to commit to longer term passes or who aren't here over the uni holidays.

The campaign broke fresh records this year, with the number of new customers beating last year by 55%. Existing members whose pass may have expired or who chose to switch to the Semester 2 pass was also up by almost 15% last year.

6. Bring a Friend & Extend

The Bring a Friend & Extend promotion achieved such great results in 2011 that it was launched again in 2012. The objectives of this promotion were to create awareness within the community and the University, foster word-of-mouth referrals and overall, increase membership. While we did achieve these objectives, even with a more attractive offering the market didn't respond to this campaign as well as they had the previous year. Pass sales were standard for the time of year, and the offering will need to be even more incentivised for next year.

7. Member retention & communication

During 2012, I worked closely with Kevin Desai, ICT assistant, and Anthony Ellison, Sports & Aquatic Centre Operations Manager, on a member retention tool to communicate with our existing members. A series of newsletters were devised and programmed to automatically be sent out to expiring members in an effort to remind them and increase retention rates. This has worked well as we continue to communicate with our members and seek feedback on their SUSF experience.

A focus for 2012 was also coordinating some customer service and sales training for our casual staff team, to build on their selling skills. An external training company ran a 1 day training course, which was really beneficial for staff.

We also held a 20 plus year member lunch to offer our long-term members a small reward for their loyalty towards SUSF, which assisted in our member retention, and was greatly appreciated by these members.

Throughout the year our member newsletter was also sent out monthly, with various nutritional information and updates. A focus of our member communication in 2012 has also been the new Sports & Aquatic Centre extension that is due for completion in July, 2013. We are excited to keep members up-to-date with the extension works and plan on a big launch next year!

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

The marketing team manage the website and social media, but we couldn't do this without the assistance of various other departments, and we are continually focused on creating a site that is relevant and up-to-date with information for our various audiences – members (community and students); potential members (community and students); club members and potential club members; customers enquiring about short courses, school holiday camps, first aid courses, participation programs; and, sponsors and advertisers.

In 2012, over 322,000 visits were recorded at www.susf.com.au, compared to almost 275,000 the year before. This equates to over 944,000 page views throughout the year in 2012, averaging over 78,000 page views each month and almost 27,000 visits per month. Thanks to the dedication of Andrew Tilley, the SUSF website continues to go from strength to strength and remains an accurate source of information for visitors.

Our website advertising continued to grow, with two companies approaching us to promote themselves on the SUSF website. This will continue to be a revenue stream for the marketing team into 2013, and when time permits, something we will be able to put more focus on.

Our Facebook and Twitter pages are an effective communication tool, and continue to be steadily on the increase. As of the end of 2012, we had over 1,700 likes on Facebook, and 270 Twitter followers.

ROAR

The quarterly ROAR magazine is one of SUSF's most important marketing tools, and it underwent some changes in 2012 to keep it fresh and relevant for our various target audiences.

We featured a wide range of sporting clubs every issue, tailoring for clubs of all sizes; and a range of high profile athletes including Belinda Snell, Ed Fernon, our SUSF Olympic athletes and our Shute Shield winning Rugby Club.

Advertising remained steady with The University of Sydney Business School, Toyota, Co-op Bookshop and Bupa all featuring in various issues.

The magazine featured more fitness features and nutrition stories, and our spring issue had a strong Olympic feel to it as we celebrated our Sydney Uni athlete's achievements. These improvements will continue into 2013 as the magazine continues to be more appealing and professional than ever before.

EVENTS

Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness were involved in a number of events in 2012. We supported the University's Info Day in January, Open Day in August and Life at Sydney in October. SUSF were also invited by the University to participate in the O Week and Re O Day activities where we hosted a BBQ for international students in both Semester 1 and 2.

We worked together with the Student Union on O Week, and then had the opportunity to promote SUSF via the Semester 2 Re O Day in Eastern Avenue. Both events were very effective in generating awareness and increasing membership sales.

SUSF hosted its own Family Open Day event in October, where we showcased all SUSF has to offer to the broader community and their families. This day was great for extra exposure and on-selling of other programs.

A fantastic event that was organised by the University, SUSF and the Sydney University Boat Club was The Australian Boat Race. This event is now a permanent fixture on the sporting calendar and celebrates the rivalry between Sydney University and Melbourne University. The event began on Friday 2 November with the traditional 'Weigh In' and concluded with the race on Darling Harbour on Sunday where the Sydney Uni men's crew took home the trophy.

SUSF also hosted our own two marquee events in 2012 – the annual Sports Awards, held in April, and the Blues Dinner, held in November. These events are a great branding opportunity for Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness and a chance for us to showcase our athletes to SUSF supporters and the University. My thanks go to Helen Polus and Ashleigh Walden for their cooperation and assistance with these events.

KEY PROGRAMS & CLUBS

One of the areas we continued to develop and focus on in 2012 was the engagement with our sporting clubs and internal programs to ensure they received the marketing support they required to drive their goals. Due to the constant strive for professionalism in our organisation and particularly our department, we have seen many more Clubs request assistance from marketing which then in-turn improves their professionalism and ability to attract members.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Rob Smithies and the management team for their support; to Andrew, Costa and Cam for a fun year working together; a big thank you to the operations and facilities team; and most importantly, to the customer service staff for their continued support with sales and marketing in 2012.

Jessica Laycock

MARKETING & MEMBERSHIP MANAGER

Operations Report



2012 was another strong year for the operations department under trying circumstances. H.K. Ward Gymnasium closed in late January and we decamped to a nearby warehouse. A blocked stormwater drain caused flooding on Oval No. 1 and at The Arena Sports Centre in late March. These and other factors contributed to revenue contracting for the first time in many years.

On the plus side, we set new records for sales in week 1 of both semesters on the back of our Uni Pass and Semester 2 Pass promotions. Several significant improvements were made to our ICT infrastructure and we made solid progress on the detailed specification and construction of the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre (SUSAC) extension.

CAPITAL WORKS

The first half of the year was one of delay and frustration with capital works. Works on the Charles Perkins Centre (CPC) damaged a major stormwater main. During the first quarter, several heavy rains resulted in the Arena gym being flooded twice and Oval No. 1 flooding several times, often to the height of the white picket fence. The former resulted in gym closures for three-four days on each occasion. Thankfully the stormwater drain was repaired by the end of March and there were no further incidents of flooding for the remainder of the year.

One highlight from the repeated flooding was the cleanup effort from the flood on Thursday March 8, 2012. The entire oval was underwater to a depth of approximately one metre before the pumps cleared this out overnight. Brilliant weather the next day dried out the outfield, but the pitch

was still damp, putting a charity cricket match on Sunday in doubt. After frantic negotiations, a helicopter was organised to dry the wicket. It arrived around 5pm on the Friday evening and hovered over the wicket for about an hour. The Sydney University Cricket Club played cricket there on Saturday and the charity match went ahead on Sunday as well! A good result and a credit to all involved.

The University's program of works to upgrade the St. John's College fields commenced in late 2011 and was severely hampered by the wet summer. Originally due to finish in time for the winter pre-season, the project finished way overdue. The turf on the rugby oval was completed in time for matches from early June. However, the turf on the soccer oval was laid too late for it to grow and bind properly. So unfortunately we did not get to make use of this oval at all during winter. These delays disrupted our sporting clubs and our external hirers, resulting in reduced revenue and increased costs of going elsewhere.

Very late in 2011, the University advised us that the CPC works revealed the soil under and around H.K. Ward Gymnasium was poorer than anticipated. This presented a very real risk that the building could crack as excavation and piling works progressed. We would need to evacuate in early



2012 or the CPC would have to be delayed until the SUSAC extension was completed. SUSF and the University entered into an arrangement whereby the Grandstand on Oval No. 2 would receive funding from the CPC project in return for ceasing operations in H.K. Ward by January 31, 2012.

We sourced alternative venues, primarily a warehouse on Australia Street, Camperdown. We decamped from H.K. Ward Gymnasium and bumped into the warehouse over a period of about two weeks. A BBQ was held to mark the end of the gymnasium's life just prior to this. Demolition was completed by the end of May, bringing an end to over thirty years of sport at this facility.

Looking ahead, 2013 will bring an end to much of this disruption. The SUSAC extension will be completed in August, giving us brand new facilities. This will allow us to bring many of our clubs back on campus from the warehouse and elsewhere. We also have plans in place to renew our cardio equipment in both the SUSAC and Arena gyms with the latest technology. Both of these upgrades will make a big difference to our offering to members.

TENANTS

Responsibility for tenants shifted to our new Property and Projects department this year and that report will cover this in more detail.

In brief, we worked with Ralph's Café at The Arena Sports Centre to ensure a smooth renovation to the Café with minimal interruption to our operations. We also oversaw the change of ownership at the SUSAC Bistro.

FACILITIES BUDGET

The following summary is based on the un-audited financial figures for 2012. For the full story, please refer to our Annual Financial Report. As part of our new account codes, we took the opportunity to restructure our accounting to more closely match the way we operate our business. This will make year-on-year comparisons a little difficult this year.

In terms of our budget, profit is dominated by SUSAC (our primary profit centre). Our other centres make smaller but still significant contributions. SUSAC brought in \$2.152m, down just 0.7% on 2011. However expenses were also down, at \$1.788m, down 14.2% versus 2011. Consequently, the centre finished with a profit of \$348.5K, an improvement of 23% over last

year. Our programs, such as group fitness, personal training and swimming, are now accounted for separately. They were previously accounted for within SUSAC, but there are no solid figures to compare to. Together, they returned a combined profit of \$135K.

The Arena Sports Centre, H.K. Ward Gymnasium and The Ledge are now accounted for separately, whereas previously they were all combined. Individual comparisons are meaningless in this instance, especially with the closure of H.K. Ward at the end of January. Suffice to say, revenue and profit contracted and this is reflected in the department's bottom line.

Grounds, our primary cost centre, had another excellent result. The unavailability of the St. John's rugby oval reduced our revenue and our expenditure. Expenses were reduced from \$782.8K to \$733.7K, or 6.3%.

Our other small centres, the Boatsheds, the Grandstand Bar and the Robyn Webster Sports Centre (RWSC) all traded similarly to 2011. The RWSC was the pick of the bunch, improving profit by 17.4%.

Overall our total departmental profit decreased by 26% when compared with 2011, shrinking from \$587.7K to \$433.2K. There are several factors at play here. The main factor is the disruption to our facilities due to the loss of H.K. Ward Gymnasium and the delays on St. John's field renovations. These had direct impacts on revenue as well as indirect impacts as we allowed clubs to use our remaining facilities at no cost rather than taking revenue from commercial bookings. These comfortably account for the reduction in profit.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

It was a productive year within ICT as we oversaw hardware upgrades, new software and staff training.

The year started with the successful launch of our new financial account codes in conjunction with the finance department. This project developed new systems during 2011, ready for our 2012 financial year. Several small tweaks to the codes were required during the year and the feedback was very positive. In addition to the lists of codes available online, we developed a simple web application to allow staff to look-up codes by name in order find the corresponding account number.

In our communications/server rooms we undertook two major hardware upgrades. First, we upgraded our switches to support gigabit (GB) network speeds. This dramatically improved the speed of moving large files around our network, e.g. during backups. Our servers reached the end of their lease and warranty period. We upgraded them to more powerful servers, consolidated our storage into a new Storage Area Network (SAN) and then migrated our existing virtual machines to the new equipment. This process

took over a month but was virtually seamless from our staff's point of view.

Our ICT assistant, Kevin Desai, expanded our in-house suite of web applications. We continued to develop our EAP database; created the account code lookup tool; created a new promotions monitoring tool to provide us with detailed daily updates on unit sales and revenue during promotions; and created a retention tool to automate electronic reminders to members whose passes were approaching expiration or had expired.

During the course of 2012, we ran 16 internal training sessions on general PC use, spreadsheets and the use of our issue tracker. Based on attendance this equated to about 90 hours of staff training.

STAFF

Operations staff continued to be relatively stable. For the past three years we have turned over five or fewer staff and 2012 was no exception. The area experiencing most changes was the grounds team. Two of our groundsmen, Peter Brouwer and Ryan Pappas, moved on; while Greg Donachie completed his apprenticeship and is now a qualified greenkeeper. During the year we took on three new apprentices, Matthew Kappos, Julian Parkinson and Isaac McDonald.

Elsewhere, Kevin Desai, our ICT assistant, left to travel to America. Vanessa Smith, our longstanding swim coach also decided to move on. Anthony Ellison, our SUSAC Operations Manager, also moved to the country with his partner. We are currently trialling staff in new and/or modified roles to evaluate how to best manage these changes. This trial will complete in early 2013.

Our grounds team was once again awarded hosting rights for various cricket finals. This is an outstanding effort and Ray Hunt and his team are to be congratulated.

My thanks to all the staff at the University who have assisted with our capital works program. My continuing thanks to Campus Infrastructure and Security (CIS) staff for all their assistance with facility maintenance, especially Phil Sorbello, Martin Ayres, Anthony Cox, David Dunn and Mark Moeller.

Thank you to all my fellow senior managers, in particular those who I collaborate with the most, Ed Smith (Property and Projects), Jess Laycock (Marketing and Memberships) and Charlotte Churchill (Commercial and Regulatory).

And finally, I am indebted to all our operations staff for such an outstanding year, in particular, John Moloney, Paul Reynolds, Anthony Ellison, Ray Hunt and Leon Talay.

David Shaw
OPERATIONS MANAGER





Programs & Participation Report

The Programs & Participation team (P&P) faced one of its most challenging years in 2012, with a focus on strengthening participation across all programs in an economy that was tightening its belt on discretionary spending, along with the capital developments at the University restricting our venue and program capacity. However, these challenges were met with a range of new initiatives and promotional strategies, which not only secured a strong budget surplus for the department and an improvement on 2011, but also record participation.



The evolving nature of the department saw us appoint a new Community Programs Manager, Kristee Arkle after an internal promotion of the incumbent, and we also welcomed additional support in our Customer Service and Administration role, with Clementine Churchill and Lucy Rennick joining Edwina Hay. The integration with other SUSF departments has been crucial, with P&P working closely with the marketing team to launch an SUSF-wide approach to engaging the local business community and collaborating on a program to increase our engagement with schools.

The financial performance and participation figures achieved were all the more encouraging given the loss of one of our major facilities. Most affected were our school holiday camps, however this program has consolidated its gains in previous years, while improving camp quality in line with new legislation.

Other major successes to make special mention of:

- An increase in the number of Sydney Uni staff participating in our programs, including over 100 in first aid and CPR, and the launch of staff pilates;
- The highest number of first aid and CPR enrolments since 2008, including the highest CPR enrolments on record;
- Record participation numbers for lunchtime social sport and interfaculty sport; and

- Increased involvement from our affiliated campuses in various sporting activities.

At the end of 2011, the department set a series of Top 5 targets, to be achieved by the end of 2012. These targets vary from administrative efficiencies to revenue generating, and we are pleased to have achieved the majority of them in 2012.

- 1 At least three University departments and/or faculties to use SUSF as their preferred supplier of first aid courses;
- 2 The number of special events/activities that we run for local schools/ community groups and local businesses to double from 2011;
- 3 To increase revenue and participation by 10% in the areas of: short courses, lunchtime social sport and first aid;
- 4 Have 18 clubs actively involved in our programs and activities; and
- 5 Have a systematic approach to attracting corporate groups and local businesses, and for them to then engage with SUSF programs and activities.

We are pleased to have solidified and expanded on our relationships throughout the University, which have been a contributing factor in our success. In regards to our first aid courses, we now have strong relationships with the Education faculty, Human Movement, Dentistry, Medicine, as well as the University OH&S and CIS departments. Our scope to offer more events this year was limited by venue capacity. Despite this, we did increase our number of special events through greater involvement with the Social Inclusion Unit; collaborating on University Pathways events with AIS, and running a teacher development day with Lidcombe campus. Participation levels in our short courses, lunchtime social sport and first aid programs were very pleasing which saw a slight increase in revenue generated.

2012 OVERALL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

ITEM	2012 Budget	2012 Actual	2011 Actual
Revenue	\$846,012	\$709,027	\$818,322
Expenditure	\$820,592	\$626,372	\$758,734
Net Income	\$25,420	\$82,655	\$59,588

Just as important to the P&P department is the level of participation in our programs, and this is where we have seen our most success. Of particular focus was the exposure to international students and University staff. Interfaculty sport and lunchtime social sport set fresh records this year, which gives us a great basis to grow awareness of other offerings at Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness. Furthermore, our first aid and CPR programs, overseen by Kate Gould, brought the highest number of enrolments since 2008.

It is excellent to see a representation of students (domestic and international), University staff, community members, parents, children and businesses all involved in our programs.

INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORT

RAWSON

COLLEGE	CRICKET	SWIMMING	ROWING	RUGBY	SOCCER	TENNIS	BASKETBALL	ATHLETICS	OVERALL
St. Andrew's	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	39
St. John's	3	3	1	3	3	0	0.5	0	13.5
St. Paul's	0	1	3	0	1	3	0*	3	11
Wesley	1	0	0	1	0	1	0.5	1	4.5

ROSEBOWL

COLLEGE	NETBALL	SWIMMING	ROWING	HOCKEY	SOCCER	TENNIS	BASKETBALL	ATHLETICS	OVERALL
St. Andrew's	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	54
St. John's	7	3	1	1	5	5	3	5	30
Sancta	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	6
Wesley	3	1	3	5	1	1	5	1	20
Women's	0	5	0	3	3	3	1	3	18

2012 intercollegiate sport provided us with excellent contests between the colleges. The event days associated with each sporting event continue to receive excellent support from the college community, with many volunteers called upon during the year. The logistics and operation of each event was pleasing, with no major issues experienced on the various match days. Congratulations to St. Andrew's College for winning both the Rawson and Rosebowl competitions for the third year in a row. Andrew's were victorious in all Rawson sports, and all Rosebowl sports except for netball.

Other than the Rawson and Rosebowl sports, a number of social sports were played during 2012. AFL made a return and touch football was held during week 1 of Semester 2, which started the semester off with an enjoyable social competition. The annual Sydney University Cricket Club (SUCC) XI v Intercol XI Twenty/20 Cricket match was won by SUCC, and Manning Bar hosted the annual Intercol Boxing night.

The sponsorship by Cynergex of Intercol Sport for 2012 provided first aid support throughout the year, and represented significant savings for the sporting budget. The sporting budget recorded a surplus of \$4,000.

The year was rounded out with the Intercol Sports Dinner held at St. Andrew's College. Apart from presenting the Rosebowl and Rawson Cups, Camilla Phillips (Sancta Sophia College) was named Convenor of the Year for Tennis and Hockey; Crissy Grun (St. Andrew's College) was named Sportswoman of the Year; and Cameron Patrick (St. Andrew's College) was named Sportsman of the Year.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Our level of involvement in our Community Programs and Special Events increased in 2012, however we were unable to double the figures achieved in 2011. The number of Social Inclusion Unit events increased with contributions from our fencing club, martial arts clubs and rock climbing facilities. Following the success of the University Experience Days in 2011, we also facilitated a University Pathways day with the Association of Independent Schools. We continued to run enjoyable and successful sports activities days for schools such as Ascham, while also coordinating a corporate sports day for employees of the Lifehouse RPA.

AFFILIATED CAMPUSES

2012 was successful for the Affiliated Campus program with the greatest involvement from the students in recent memory. SUSF committed to providing additional funding to the faculties in 2012, and this was met with a renewed energy and enthusiasm from the campus sport representatives. Medicine were the most active, hosting a number of swimming, rugby, basketball and soccer events between their various clinical schools. SUSF also made facilities available for pilates classes, as well as providing funding for regional schools in Orange to participate in social sport activities. Nursing coordinated their annual rock climbing event at The Ledge; The Conservatory of Music received funding for various yoga and Alexander Technique classes held at the Conservatory; The College of the Arts at Rozelle also participated in yoga classes and held an inter-school soccer competition; while Dentistry also hosted various sports days at the University. P&P also assisted the veterinary school at Camden with a refurbishment of their gym equipment, and provided funding for yoga classes.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Education Programs, overseen by Kate Gould, comprising of first aid, CPR and the sports and exercise science programs for high school students had an excellent 2012. Net income was increased on 2011, and participation has increased. While first aid revenue was slightly down on 2011, this was made up for by the significant increase in CPR enrolments, topping the previous record by over 100 participants. Having solidified relationships within the University, and on the back of greater staff registrations, the education programs recorded their equal highest participation since 2008.

We continued to use the facilities provided by the Education faculty for our schools programs, and have shifted our first aid courses to the excellent facilities at Sancta Sophia College. With the full replacement of our healthworks room (formerly at H.K. Ward) still some time away, we are in need of a suitable on-campus alternative should the Education facilities become unavailable.

FIRST AID PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

COURSES	2012 BUDGET	2012 ACTUAL	2011 ACTUAL
Apply First Aid	482	450	469
Apply First Aid Refresher	109	97	68
CPR	105	88	58
CPR Refresher	120	153	65
Total	816	788	660

EXERCISE SPORT SCIENCE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

COURSES	2012 BUDGET	2012 ACTUAL	2011 ACTUAL
Module 1	450	440	392
Module 2	550	500	521
Module 3	490	436	483
Module 4	405	271	388
Module 5	0	42	0
PASS	30	84	0
SLR	30	0	0
Special Events	0	1	0
Sports Medicine & Taping	110	176	129
Taping	0	14	29
First Aid (Schools)	48	8	51
Total	2113	1972	1993

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

School Holiday Program

Of all the programs affected by the loss of H.K. Ward, the school holiday program was the hardest hit, losing 30% capacity from the autumn camp period onwards. As a result, the logistical coordination of the program, along with maintaining camp quality was a priority as we shifted hundreds of participants to a new venue for 2012. This was achieved via regular coordination with our facility managers and prioritising those camps which would offer the greatest range of opportunities for our customers. As a result, popular camps such as netball and basketball were forcibly reduced, while camps such as hockey were removed due to a lack of suitable wet weather facilities.

Administratively, the Community Programs Manager, Kristee Arkle, invested a lot of time into updating all camp policies and procedures, as well as identifying suitable hiring requirements for future camp staff. With the ACECOA regulations coming into action in 2013, we have made sure we comply with all relevant legislation. Apart from these procedures, we continue to improve our online services, our customer feedback channels and camp activities.

Overall, the school holiday program recorded 3,011 enrolments, compared to 3,412 in 2011. Total revenue fell from 2011 to 2012, however net income remained positive. We were able to make efficient use of our staffing in 2012, and significantly reduced administrative costs by moving the majority of our marketing to online communication. As the majority of

enrolments are repeat customers, we focused on this in 2012, but will look to increase our market base in 2013.

We should also recognise the important relationships we continue to maintain with our key sponsors Kingsgrove Sports and Sydney Markets.

PERIOD	2012 ATTENDANCE	2011 ATTENDANCE
Summer 2011/12	952	938
Autumn 2012	695	836
Winter 2012	734	927
Spring 2012	630	724
Total	3,011	3,425

School Sport

Four secondary schools and two primary schools were involved in the school sport program in 2012. These schools included St. Mary's Cathedral School, Sydney Secondary College – Balmain Campus, Ascham School, Concord High School, Paddington Public School and Bridge Road. Each school participated in various activities including kickboxing, cheer leading, rock-climbing, cricket, touch football, T-ball, ultimate frisbee and soccer.

This year we had two school activity days. One was Ascham School, a returning customer who came to SUSAC with 85 students for one day and they participated in various activities. The other school was a new customer, Concord High School, who approached us independently to run a team building day for their year 9 students. We had 90 students attend the day and had very positive feedback. Both of these days were run successfully and contributed significantly to the revenue in school sport.

UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

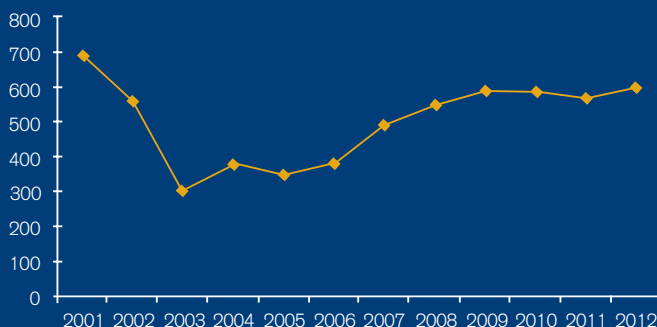
The University programs, run by Elizabeth Martin, carried on from 2011, recording similar or increased participation and financial figures. The only significant difference for 2012 was due to SUSF capital works and the introduction of the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF), which prompted us to introduce early bird offers and University/member prices. In 2012 there were considerable improvements continually made to the administration processes and in particular the way that all programs were promoted with the use of a detailed marketing plan.

Short Courses

Total enrolments for short courses exceeded budget and were up 44 from 2011 figures. By running extra University staff only courses, as well as summer and winter courses we were able to exceed budget. In 2013 we will look to expand when the new facilities open in Semester 2. The number of University staff/members was 510 (84%) and community was 95 enrolments (16%).

Financially, short course net income increased on 2011.

ENROLMENTS BY YEAR



Lunchtime Social Sport

Lunchtime social sport beat a record this year with the most number of teams in the program. In Semester 1 we had 73 teams enrolled, as the majority of competitions sold out. The sports that were run this year were soccer, mixed soccer, netball and touch football. In Semester 1, netball sold out with 12 teams registered, but was followed by a drop to 7 in Semester 2. In 2013 there is potential to expand the lunchtime competition with the capital works taking place at SUSAC. Budget was exceeded this year (\$14,200) with more revenue and expenditure kept to a minimum. This has been a great year in terms of quality for this program, with improvements in the way of competition administration (online enrolments and draws) as well as sponsor partnerships with Coca Cola in Semester 1 and the 'Sports Café' Semester 1 and 2.

Interfaculty Sport

Interfaculty sport had great success in 2012, once again exceeding 1,000 participants. Coordinating closely with the faculty sports representatives, a constitution was finalised in 2012 with many new sports added to the competition. Touch football, ultimate frisbee, soccer and the 5km run all had over 100 participants with many students and staff getting involved. In 2012 on average there were 9-10 faculties competing in each event which was down compared to 2011 events, but participation rates were higher. The sports that were added this year were: squash, rock-climbing, cricket, and an extra touch football event. Lizzie Mittiga (semester 1) and Trevor Yiu (semester 2) oversaw the program as interns, with Trevor returning in 2013. The Emily Small Shield was won this year by Education and Social Work.

	2012	2011
Semester 1	652	579
Semester 2	606	545
Full Year	1,258	1,124

Customer Service and Administration

The Customer Service and Administration (CSA) role within P&P continues to evolve with increased attention placed on social media and marketing to add to the customer service and program administration responsibilities. This year, the role was shared by Edwina Hay, Clementine Churchill and Lucy Rennick. The move towards online communication has meant that online bookings are increasing and reducing the number of phone calls received. Updating the website to provide relevant and accurate information also reduces the number of phone calls made by parents.

All lunchtime social sport and short course enrolments are done online with only one or two phone calls a week received. Approximately three to five bookings are made at a facility. With an email sent out prior to all programs starting, customers generally receive all the relevant information and go online if they have any further queries, thus reducing the amount of time spent on the phone.

As a means of increasing first aid and CPR enrolments, a database of childcare centres will be created. Once this is completed, we will contact them with information regarding first aid and CPR qualifications, along with the new Anaphylaxis and Asthma courses.

We also aimed to increase our exposure to the University community and approximately eight faculties were targeted and communication was made with their staff to confirm we could promote SUSF in their buildings. We are also already utilising Facebook, Twitter, and University of Sydney e-newsletters. The intention is to use these marketing channels to an even greater level, whilst keeping on-brand and relevant.

Stephen King

PROGRAMS & PARTICIPATION MANAGER



Projects & Property Report

With the increased workload associated with building the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre (SUSAC) extension, relocating H.K. Ward facilities to the Australia Street Warehouse, planning the Oval No. 2 redevelopment and improving our tenancy portfolio, SUSF created the position of Property & Projects Manager in March 2012 and I was honoured to be appointed.



PROJECTS

The SUSAC extension

The extension of the Sports & Aquatic Centre was the primary focus for the Projects team in 2012. Once complete in July 2013, the extension will add two basketball courts, a 730 seat grandstand, two change rooms, a 300 m² group fitness/function room, a 230 m² dojo and a 170 m² boxing gym. This project represents the greatest leap forward in sports infrastructure at the University since the construction of the Sports & Aquatic Centre in the late 1990's.

The SUSF project team spent most of 2012 consulting with clubs and other stakeholders and then advising on and refining the design of the extension. Meanwhile on site, the Buildcorp construction team and Campus Infrastructure Services (CIS) dealt with the latent conditions of contamination and services diversions which were causing significant delay and cost overruns to the project.

The first concrete piles for the extension were poured in mid-September

and by the end of December the floor and walls of the dojo and boxing gym were complete. At the time of writing, the project is on track for completion in late July 2013 with all of the walls, floors and the structural roof steel in place and the first of the roof panels being installed.

The Australia Street Warehouse Gym

In late December 2011, the University informed SUSF that the H.K. Ward Gymnasium would be demolished by February 2012. Within the space of five weeks, the SUSF Operations and Project teams combined their energies with those of CIS to identify, lease and build a temporary H.K. Ward replacement gym in a warehouse in Camperdown.

Since February 2012, the Australia Street Warehouse Gym, located near the corner of Parramatta Road and Australia Street, has been warmly received and well used by the Sydney Uni Boxing Club, our various martial arts clubs, the Sydney Uni Table Tennis Club and a variety of other SUSF stakeholders. SUSF will relocate the facility into the SUSAC extension upon its completion in July 2013.

The Oval No.2 Redevelopment

Coinciding with the announcement of the demolition of H.K. Ward, the Vice Chancellor wrote to SUSF granting his approval for the construction of a grandstand on Oval No.2 and committing \$4.5 million towards the project.

Throughout the first six months of 2012, SUSF worked closely with CIS to develop a concept for the grandstand that was both functional and affordable. CIS put the project on hold in the second half of 2012 pending the resolution of issues associated with the University's capital expenditure program.

PROPERTY

Responsibility for the management of our leasing portfolio shifted to our new Property & Projects department in March this year.

Highlights of 2012 from a property management perspective include:

- the complete refurbishment of Ralph's Cafe in the Arena Sports Centre;
- the transfer of the Bistro Cafe business to a new tenant in SUSAC;
- the bedding down of a new tenant in (and improvements to) the Mint Cafe;
- finalising the successful renewal of The Boathouse restaurant sub-lease;
- an increase in the SUSF rent roll of approximately \$150,000 per annum; and
- the receipt of 100% of the SUSF rent roll.



SUSF's success in its property and projects portfolios in 2012 came largely as a result of the strong collaboration between all of the departments. In particular, the input of the Executive Director, Robert Smithies, the Operations Manager, David Shaw, and the whole High Performance & Club Development team has meant that the common problems associated with a project not meeting its end user expectations have been avoided.

From the smaller projects, such as Ralph's Cafe, to the largest SUSF project in our history, SUSF has taken a strong and positive step into the future.

Ed Smith

PROPERTY & PROJECTS MANAGER



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STAKEHOLDER

Association Heads Independent Girls Schools	Goals 2002	St Andrews Cathedral School
Australian Badminton Academy	Indoor 5's Futsal Incorporated	St Mary's Cathedral College
Boston University	International Grammar School	St Mary's School
Botany Bay Pirates	Kambala Girls High School	Sydney Magic
Christian Brothers Lewisham	Little Kickers	Sydney Secondary College - Balmain
Darlington Public School	North Newtown Public School	Sydney Shuttle
Domremy College	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	Uni of NSW Outdoors Club
Glebe Basketball Association	Social Inclusion Unit, Sydney	University of Sydney, WHS
	Special Olympics	

CUSTOMERS



COLLEGES & HOUSING

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources	Law (Sydney Law School)
Architecture, Design and Planning	Medicine (Sydney Medical School)
Arts and Social Sciences	Nursing and Midwifery (Sydney Nursing School)
Business (Business School)	Pharmacy
Dentistry	Science
Education and Social Work	Sydney College of the Arts
Engineering and Information Technologies	Sydney Conservatorium of Music
Health Sciences	Veterinary Science



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USYD Students
Community Members
SUSF Clubs
SUSF Sponsors

OPERATIONS

Boatsheds
Australia Street Warehouse
Robyn Webster Sports Centre
Squash and Tennis Courts
SUSF Swim School
SUSF ICT
SUSF Maintenance & Grounds
Sydney Uni Sports and Aquatic Centre (SUSAC)
Tennis Program
The Arena Sports Centre
The Grandstand
The Ledge Climbing Centre

HIGH PERFORMANCE & CLUB DEVELOPMENT

ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

AFL (M)
AFL (W)
American Football
Archery
Athletics
Badminton
Baseball
Basketball
Boat
Boxing
Canoe
Cricket (M)

Cricket (W)
Fencing
Golf
Gymnastics/Cheerleading
Handball
Hockey
Judo
Kendo
Karate
Kendo
Mountaineering/Rockclimbing
Netball
Rowing

CLUBS

Rugby League
Rugby Union (M)
Rugby Union (W)
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Ski
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AFL - Men

Celebrating 125 years since its establishment, the Sydney University Australian National Football Club (SUANFC) is a unique football club within the landscape of Australian Football, not only here in Sydney, but also nationwide. Providing for over 200 senior aged footballers, not only is SUANFC one of the state's largest senior Australian Football clubs, but it also has the greatest offering – catering for U18 football and senior aged football at the social and participation level through to the professional standard of the nationally recognised State League North East Australian Football League (NEAFL).

The club endeavours to provide the best football environment possible, aiming to make this a long term sustainable offering, through an environment focused on the development of both the footballer and the individual. The Executive and Committee of 2012 recognises there are exciting challenges ahead as SUANFC aims to deliver the opportunity for young and talented footballers to achieve the highest possible honour as an Australian footballer as much as foster the sport of Australian Football through the University environment.

On and off field in 2012, the club has grown from within and out of its own ranks. Working with a group of footballers and volunteer administrators inherited out of the context of the Sydney AFL experience and supplanted into the dual environs of SAFL and NEAFL, and the club has blooded players and volunteers alike, building for 2013 and beyond.

The example of future champion SUANFC footballers, born and bred through Sydney University is best represented by one; the dedication shown by our senior players to an expanded High Performance Program as well as an intensive NEAFL football calendar and two; the determination and discipline of our fifth grade golds, who pushed up from below, showing players at all levels the spirit of clubmanship required to drive the necessary performance to bring home a premiership flag. First year coach, Gus Stephenson and golds captain, Nigel Tao are congratulated for a very impressive season.

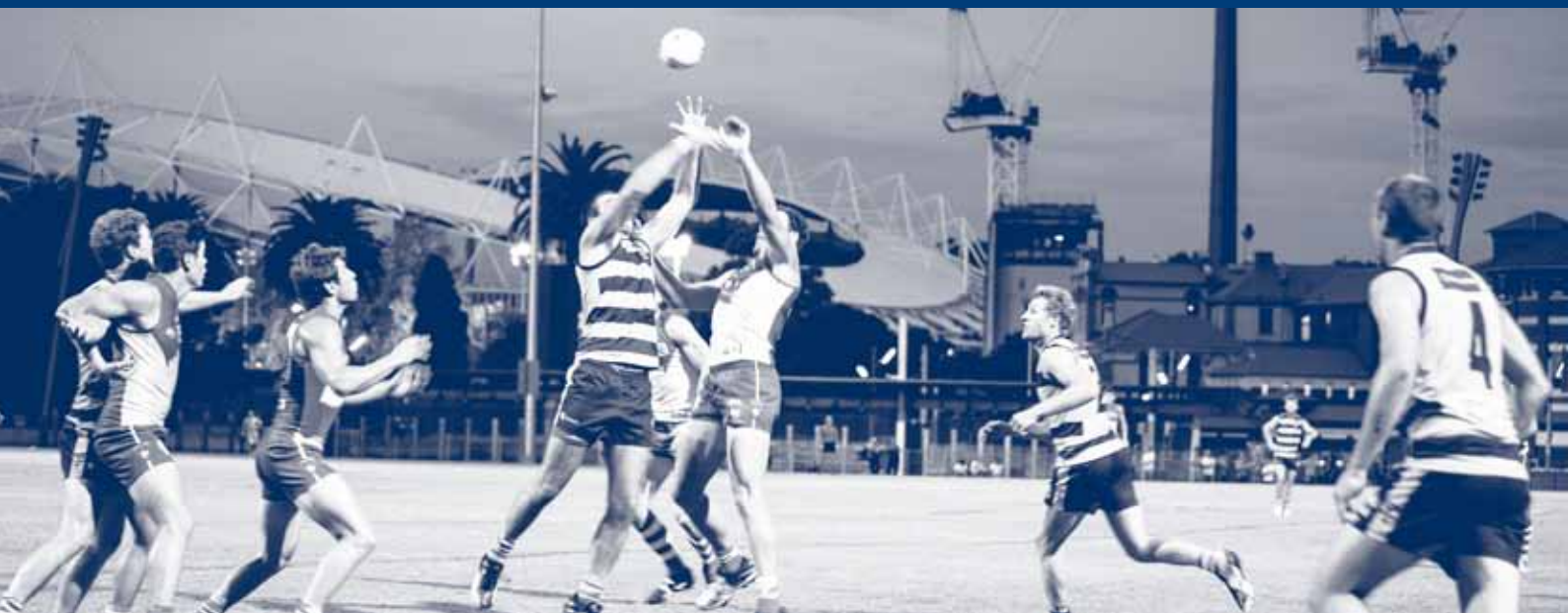
Roger Moten guided SUANFC's senior players through a hardworking, tough induction to state league football, whilst under the tutelage of Daniel Gilmore and with the full support of SUSF, the clubs elite and talented athletes executed a high performance program catering for up to 40 footballers, including 23 SUSF funded scholars across the U18s, premier division players and of course the inaugural NEAFL footballers.

For the clubs NEAFL and premier division players, and indeed the graduating U18s, the results of this hard work will come as immediately as 2013. Nick Barton, Haydn Karutz (fast becoming a great clubman) and Benny White must be thanked for the time and work contributed to guiding the premier division group through the second half of the season.

20 years post coaching the club to its first ever Sydney Football League first grade premiership (the then SAFL premier division), Rod Carter signed as the clubs fourth U18 SUANFC Colts Coach. Recognised as an elite junior development coach, Rod was able to bring a group of U18 players with varied talent levels through a challenging season to miss the grand final by just one game and finish a very commendable third.

After a brilliant regular season, with two minor premierships and no side finishing lower than third, having all three of the clubs blues, reds and golds sides make finals was a great result! However with some introspection, there is some work to be done so that the club can ensure all the hard work in reaching finals is rewarded with the indelible memory of grand final victory. Coaches Fintan O'Connor and Rowan Barnes will have valuable insights to pass on to incoming 2013 blues and reds coaches as the club thanks each for their year of hard work at the helm.

Chas Wilkinson
PRESIDENT



AFL - Women



2012 was another strong year for the Sydney University Women's Australian Football League Club (SUWAFLC) as the Sydney Uni Bombers solidified their position as one of the top teams in the competition.

During the pre-season the Bombers hosted the inaugural University Cup, a gala day of matches between Sydney Uni, UNSW, Macquarie Uni and UTS. The Bombers won the tournament and proved that 2012 would be a competitive year for the team. The University Cup was a great success and will be carried on as an annual pre-season event.

With a substantial core of returning players, and an excellent haul of new recruits, the Bombers displayed a great standard of on-field performance throughout the season. With 10 wins and four losses, the Bombers finished the regular season in third position. The Bombers breezed through the first round of the finals, making their way into a second consecutive grand final in convincing style, winning the semi-final by 78 points. The Bombers faced up to the Balmain Dockers in the grand final, who had been undefeated in 2012. The Bombers started well and played aggressive and committed football. A tightly fought first half saw Balmain go into the half time break with a three point lead. Unfortunately the Bombers could not hang on and lost the game in the second half.

Despite the grand final defeat, 2012 was a good year for the club on and off the field. A record number of Bombers represented NSW during the year and Libby Sadler was part of the high performance academy with the All Australian squad. Una McKay was selected in the Team of the Year and Sandra Janjetovic and Alice Fresle were nominees for the Rising Star of the Year award.

The club was pleased to welcome two new sponsors onboard this year – The Rose of Australia Hotel and Manoosh Pizzeria. Both these partnerships were a great success and the Bombers look forward to continuing the relationships into 2013. We would like to thank them both for their support throughout 2012.

After three years, Head Coach Krissie Steen is headed for a change and will not be with the Bombers in 2013. The Bombers reached two grand finals under Steen's coaching and she put in countless hours of effort, enthusiasm and passion for the club. The Bombers thank Steen for all of her hard work over the last three years and wish her all the best for her future endeavours.

Bombers player awards: Jennifer Lew (Best and Fairest), Alex Roberts (Club Person of the Year), Mai Nguyen (Players' Player), Alex Roberts (Coach's Award), Melita Morriss (Rookie of the Year) and Tania Lenon (Golden Boot).

Ashlee Morgan
PRESIDENT

American Football

What a finish to the 2012 season! Well done to the players, coaches, support staff, player's families and supporters. The Sydney Uni Lions continue to make history by continuing an unbeaten run with another perfect season and supported by a solid effort with the Cub's forcing their way into their grand final, which is making the club the most dominate gridiron club in the history of New South Wales gridiron and potentially Australia.

In 2012, the senior team (the Lions) recorded its 10th consecutive NSW Championship with a 38-0 win over the UTS gators in Waratah Bowl XXIX. No other team in any other state over the 30 year history of the sport in Australia has won more than five consecutive state titles.

In claiming the 2012 Gridiron NSW title, the Lions won all of their 14 games and scored an average of 54.0 points per game, while allowing only 11.4 per game. At season's end the club was on an unbroken 83 game winning streak, having gone the last six seasons undefeated. Prior to a single loss in 2006, the club was on a 33 game winning streak. Over the past 10 seasons, the Lions have won 122 games while suffering only 2 losses.

Alex Watson, the starting halfback for the Lions, was named the MVP of Waratah Bowl XXIX and also received the award for Gridiron NSW's Best Offensive Player for the 2012 season.

The club had 21 players and two coaches selected in the New South Wales representative team (the Wolfpack) for the 2012 Australian Gridiron League. The head coach of the Wolfpack (Stephen Dunne), seven starters on offence and four on defence of the Wolfpack were from the Sydney Uni Lions. The respect for the Lions players was also shown with three of the four captains coming from the Lions team. This followed on from the most recent Australian representative team (the Outback) chosen for the 2011 IFAF World Cup held in Austria, where five of the 11 starters on offence, two captains, and the defensive co-ordinator for the Outback were from the Sydney Uni Lions.

In addition to its senior team, the club also fielded a junior U18 team (the Cubs) in the Gridiron NSW Colts Division. The Cubs won their play-offs where they were defeated by the eventual runner-ups, the Central Coast Sharks.

The Sydney Uni Lions are the dominant team playing gridiron in Australia and the club is recognised as setting the benchmark for producing players and coaches for state and national representative teams.

In 2012, the Sydney Uni American Football Club had 68 active senior members associated with the Lions and 33 active junior members associated with the Cubs – both teams growing by over 20%. The club also had four players holding SUSF sporting scholarships.

The club held a Super Bowl function in January – a formal pre-season club dinner attended by about 60 people at the Grandstand Sports Bar in August and a couple of informal social functions at a sponsoring pub throughout the season.

James Gifford
PRESIDENT



Archery

In 2012 the Sydney University Archery Club (SUAC) implemented a host of strategies, including a controlled environment for shooting; an improvement in logistics and administration; and the aim to create a central source of information. As a result, the club experienced an enjoyable and great year.

With the allocated budget and fundraising throughout the year, SUAC purchased new bows for club members to use. Other purchases included arrows, strings, a metal detector, arrow rests and plungers.

The club maintained the budget by allowing the executive team to make decisions regarding where all funds should be prioritised, and having members fundraise a substantial amount (over \$650) to help fund future target purchases.

Currently the SUAC has over 40 members that are all active in partaking in various events, such as training, fundraising, maintenance on equipment, and keeping the storage area presented with professionalism. The club holds aspirations to continue increasing regular members and one day have an indoor shooting area.

There was great progress for the club, including achieving the following:

- The club's community grew stronger than ever with the support and aid of the members to fundraise, maintain equipment and safety;
- New rules were placed to further safeguard anyone that that was within range of the field;
- Professional coaching became available to allow archers to improve their posture and technique (thanks to Don Chiou);
- SUAC became a sister club to UNSW Archery – allowing the club's archers to shoot both indoor and outdoor;
- Club contacts were on call at all times;
- SUAC created a location link on Google maps; and
- The club created an atmosphere that was light and friendly.

The club would like to mention and give special thanks to the following people and groups, whom without their support in 2012; SUAC would not have been able to achieve their goals:

- St. Paul's College – for allowing access to their facilities;
- Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF) – for providing financial support and allowing the club to be in operation;
- SUAC executive team – for volunteering their time and effort to all aspects of administration, maintaining equipment and keeping the field safe;
- SUAC members – for being part of the archery community of SUAC and NSW; and



- Sydney Uni staff and students – those that support the club by informing others of SUAC and purchasing goods from fundraising stalls.

David Kwak
PRESIDENT

Athletics

2012 was a phenomenal year for the Sydney University Athletics Club (SUAC). Wins at both summer and winter club competitions; the most dominant display by the club at Australian Uni Games (AUG) in the event's history; a clean sweep by the women's team at State Relays on the track; and a string of success overseas in international competition makes for arguably the most successful year in the club's history.

In early January SUAC fielded its strongest ever lineup of athletes at the 2011/12 Summer Club Premiership and were rewarded with a comprehensive victory in the NSW Open Pennant Championship, the club's first win in this event. SUAC recorded 3810 points, with rivals UTS Norths finishing second with 3346.5.

At the NSW Club Championships the club finished second to UTS Norths in both the men's and women's competition.

The NSW State Track and Field Championships saw SUAC take home 12 medals over the weekend. Jack Colreavy and Milly Clarke won the men's and women's 3000m steeplechase respectively. Angela Ballard continued to show her class as she won the 200m, 400m, and 800m wheelchair treble. Joshua Ralph took silver in the men's 400m. SUAC also collected a swag of bronze medals over the weekend with Andrew Giltrap taking home two (shotput and javelin), Alix Kennedy and Ben Cranney in the discus, Jo Dawson in the 400m hurdles, Jacqui Fry 100m hurdles and James Nipperess in the 1500m.

At the NSW Masters Championships SUAC's Larissa Stanley won the 800m and 1500m in the 35-39 age group, Piyush Kumar won the 30-34 years 100m, Mark Heiss took home silver in the 800m, and Andrew Heil secured silver in both the 400m and 1500m in the 30-34 age groups.

SUAC's Milly Clark won her first national title at the National Championships as she won the women's 3000m steeplechase, with James Nipperess finishing second in the men's event. Angela Ballard won the 400m and 800m wheelchair races and took home silver in the 100m and 200m. Anneliese Rubie (third in 400m) and Alix Kennedy (fourth in discus) were also strong performers. Kennedy's result earned her selection in her first Australian team – she finished fourth in a development meet.

The highlight in international competition was Lara Tamsett's 14th place at the World Half Marathon Championships. Tamsett also won the City2Surf for the second time. Nick Hough ran second at the World Junior Athletic Championships, and fifth in the 4x100m. Club Captain Lachlan Renshaw recorded six Olympic B-qualifiers, which sadly meant that he narrowly missed Olympic selection. Renshaw went on to finish third behind (now) Olympic Champion David Rudisha at the Paris Diamond.

At the NSW Winter Premiership, SUAC's men successfully defended their Winter Premiership. The club had wins in the Adidas Ten, NSW X-country Relays, NSW Half Marathon Championships, NSW Cross Country Championships and NSW Short Walks, and finished second in the NSW Road Relays and NSW Short Course Championships. There were a number of notable performances; including Hugh Williams who gained selection in the Australian team for the Ekiden Relays in Japan.

At the 2012 AUG SUAC's 60 athletes produced the most dominant performance in the events history – winning the men's, women's and overall competition, with both the men's and the women's teams scores alone being good enough to win the overall competition. The men's and women's medley teams and the women's 4x400m teams broke the AUG record.

SUAC had its best ever weekend at the NSW State Relay Championships. On the women's side of the program (excluding the walks) SUAC won every track race and finished third in the 4x javelin. On the men's side of the program (excluding the walks) the club finished first or second in every track race and third in the 4x discus and second in the 4x javelin.

The club also boosted member numbers and held its inaugural interstate track meet with the University of Queensland, which SUAC also won.

SUAC would like to very much thank its hard working committee for their efforts over the past twelve months and the ongoing support the club receives from SUSF which is greatly appreciated.

Dean Gleeson
DIRECTOR



Badminton



For the Sydney Uni Badminton Club 2012 was a year full of unexpected and inspiring challenges. Since the clubs establishment, H.K. Ward had been the home of the clubs sessions, trainings and competitions. With the demolition of H.K. Ward the club faced its first challenge early in the year by relocating to a temporary venue, while the extension of Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre (SUSAC) is being constructed to replicate our facilities. Despite the relocation, the clubs finances remain in a favourable state.

Every year the club hosts a competition inviting members from the wider Sydney badminton community of different grades to participate. Instead of an individual based competition, the new venue prompted a new team based event. The event ran successfully over the course of a weekend, showcasing peer support and togetherness.

Another major event in the clubs calendar year is the Australian University Games (AUG). Hosted in Adelaide, the club achieved its best results in recent years for both the men's and women's badminton team from Sydney Uni. The men secured bronze thanks to their stable team line up and hard-working efforts. In an unprecedented outcome, the women's team won their first gold medal. The display of support and sportsmanship from both teams is also worth an honourable mention. In addition to the team's success, three members of the team were presented with Green and Gold awards – honouring the top athletes of the sport. The club hopes that both teams continue their AUG success in the years to come.

An eventful 2012 has paved the way for a new era in 2013. The highly anticipated arrival of the new year will not only provide the club with better facilities at SUSAC, but also additional courts to assist the expansion of the club and changes required for it to improve. The club would like to thank all of its members for their endless support throughout the year.

Elena Kwok
PRESIDENT

Baseball



2012 played host to a fantastic season from the Sydney Uni Baseball Club (SUBC) both on and off the field. As usual, the club entered a team into each grade of the Sydney Winter Baseball League as well as a fourth in the Pacific Coast Baseball League.

Despite various hurdles throughout the year, the club managed to dominate the majority of the competition and finish an impressive third in the Club Championship. This was only possible through the contributions made by all teams and the dedication of Head Coach Barry Hoare and his coaching staff.

In addition, third grade bounced back from their devastating grand final loss in 2011 to take out the 2012 grand final with ease (9-4), with Scott Moran receiving the award for Most Valuable Player.

After an extremely successful regular season – the Cynics managed to go undefeated through all 18 rounds – second grade were not able to make it through to the grand final after suffering a disappointing one run loss in the preliminary final to their arch nemeses, Petersham.

First grade unfortunately missed making the play-off series by half a game, as three teams tied for the final place in the finals.

The Cynics managed to retain the Uni Cup for an extraordinary sixth straight season, despite valiant efforts by the UNSW team to dispossess them of the prestigious cup.

The club would like to congratulate young Cynic, Dean Aldridge, on his signing to the Detroit Tigers franchise in 2012. Dean has been an invaluable member of the club and we hope that he is able to return to play for the club when not required in America.

SUBC's annual 'Ladies Day' event was again a resounding success, with over \$650 raised for charity (Northcott Disability Services) and countless mums, wives, girlfriends and other ladies pampered throughout the day.

Perpetual award winners for 2012 include Ivan Turnbull (Jennie Finlay Encouragement Award), Andrew Franklin and Ben Warnock (Pam Garrett Award – 'The Stump'), Scott Cameron (Jack Mould Award – Club MVP), Joshua Goldsmith (David Hynes Award – Club Batting Champion), and Will Symons (Club Golden Glove). Following an extravagant display of hitting prowess by numerous players in the club, a decision was made to inaugurate a new perpetual award – The Swan Award – going to the player with the most extra base hits throughout the season. The winner of this award was Joshua Goldsmith.

The club thanks the coaches for 2012 – Barry Hoare, Jason Moir, Luke Goldsmith, Mark Stanley, and Clay Aldridge – whose efforts were clearly shown in the outcome of each team, and the executive committee who assisted in the smooth transition to a new (and hopefully temporary) home ground.

Jasper Odgers
SECRETARY

Basketball



The Sydney University Basketball Club enjoyed a successful year across its multi-faceted output into the Sydney University community.

The club offered a variety of options for players of all skill levels; from the high level, representative Eastern University Games (EUG)/Australian University Games (AUG) teams, to the competitive intervarsity teams and finally, the social level pickup games offered twice a week on campus.

The men's representative team experienced a successful year in intervarsity tournament play, finishing in third place at both EUG and AUG, under the exceptional instruction of the Sydney Kings Assistant Coach, Shannon Seeborn. The women's team enjoyed similarly successful campaigns, finishing third and fourth at EUG and AUG respectively, whilst also picking up star recruits and ensuring a successful platform on which to build in the coming years.

The intervarsity teams (two teams in the men's and women's divisions) were a great opportunity to involve members of the club who missed out on selection in EUG/AUG teams. These games were held weekly out at courts in Mascot and with the women's teams winning the competition, they were a staple in the club's push to boost memberships.

There were further social teams entered into the externally run women's competitions in Alexandria, focused on increasing female participation in basketball for those who missed out on either the representative or intervarsity teams, whilst simultaneously reinforcing the social side to our agenda. Recognising this as an invaluable tool to increase club numbers, teams will not only be entered again into the women's competitions this year, but also, for the first time, into the men's competitions in Alexandria.

To round out our program, the club conducted open pickup sessions two mornings a week at the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre courts, with the aim to provide any of the club members with the opportunity to train, play and meet with similarly athletic-minded people in a professional-level facility. While this was an important aspect at the start of both semesters, the number of attendees fell dramatically as the semester wore on. This is largely due to the unavailability of the courts at times outside of scheduled class hours. While this again may be a problem in 2013, the opening of a new facility at the end of July, as well as the already solid base of membership, should provide reason enough to again see this become a major part of the club's program.

Nick Connell
PRESIDENT

Boat

As usual the club began 2012 with the annual training camp at Taree from 3-15 January. The camp is final preparation for the main competition phase of the season beginning with the NSW Small Boats Regatta in late January, the NSW Rowing Championships in mid-February, then the National Rowing Championships in early March.

For the 10th year running Sydney University won the Honours Trophy for the leading scoring club at the NSW Championships. The club also won their eighth Elite Men's Eight Championship of NSW in succession.

Highlights of a great performance at the National Championships in Perth were the explosive win of our U23 eight after a poor row in the heat. The club also won gold in the U23 men's single, double and quad sculls. Combined with the women's club, Sydney University achieved seven gold, four silver and two bronze medals.

In the Interstate Regatta held at the end of the National Championships, the NSW King's Cup eight achieved its fifth consecutive victory. Seven of the nine crew members were from Sydney University. NSW also won the Interstate men's and women's youth eights with five Sydney Uni Boat Club (SUBC) athletes in the winning men's youth eight.

The Nationals were followed by a Selection Regatta for the London Olympics and the U23 team to race at the U23 World Championships in Lithuania. Sydney University had six male athletes and two male reserves plus three women athletes selected in the 2012 Olympic team. Sasha Belonogoff and Ryan Edwards were selected in the Australian U23 quad scull along with their coach and SUSF Rowing Director Mark Prater. They won a bronze medal in the World Championships.

The club sent a development U21/U23 eight to Canada for a three week tour which included racing in the Ontario Championships and the major

Canadian Henley Regatta. The eights finished second at the Canadian – an excellent result for the crew and the future development of SUBC athletes.

Post Olympics many of SUBC's senior rowers decided to take a break after many years of intensive training. The club was invited to participate in the Gallagher Great Race on the Waikato River in early September. In a dramatic race the SUBC crew came from behind at the final bridge to overtake favourites Waikato University and become only the second visiting crew in 11 years to win this prestigious event.

The Australian Boat Race for 2012 returned to Sydney on a new main harbour course from Woolwich to Darling Harbour. The event was filmed for the first time for television and shown on Fox Sports, Sky New Zealand, The Australian Network and on ESPN Asia reaching 32 countries with 420 million home subscribers. Once again the Melbourne University women were too strong, although their winning margin was considerably smaller. The Melbourne University men's crew was strong, but under stroke Fergus Pragnell the SUBC crew hit an early rhythm and maintained a four second lead on the finish line at Darling Harbour.

The club operated throughout the year from the University of NSW boatshed at Tarban Creek, Gladesville and wishes to record its thanks to the UNSW Boat Club for its assistance in making space for the club to train. The DA for the new boatshed on the Lane Cove site of the one destroyed by fire in 2006 is now ready and, subject to approval by the University Building and Estates Committee, will be lodged with Lane Cove Council in April/May of 2013.

SUBC's coaches for 2012 were Rowing Director Mark Prater, Senior Coach Rick van Hooydonk and Development Coach Alistair Matthews. The club was fortunate to have assistance and advice from former national coach and Olympian Harald Jahrling through the year.

Thanks to the many people who supported the club in 2012, especially the support team at SUSF and the clubs alumni and parent group. The club was also fantastically assisted by the University in staging the 2012 Australian Boat Race. In particular by Tracey Beck, Jocie Evison and Kathleen Dalziel of the Alumni Relations and Events department, Jessica Laycock of SUSF and the direct support of the Vice Chancellor Dr. Michael Spence.

Tom McCann
PRESIDENT



Boxing



Losing H.K. Ward Gym – Sydney Uni Boxing Club's (SUBxC) training facility for the last 50 years – and being moved to a temporary facility one kilometre away from campus, did throw out a different challenge to the usual start of a University semester. SUBxC responded with a higher intensity of coaching for those that braved the distance to the transitional training facility in Camperdown.

Superb work by coaches Dennis Moffatt, Ashgahr Ali Shah, Rocky Cavallaro, Greg Stanton and George Pellis brought victory at competitions and success in highly enthusiastic, well organised training sessions.

Johnny Lewis, head coach of SUBxC, commented that "It's great to see that the time and effort given generously by these coaches has been rewarded not just with competition wins but with a steady increase in those looking to take up boxing for the first time as a fitness regime." Johnny Lewis himself is to be recognised for over 12 years of service to the club with the presentation of a Gold award at the Blues Dinner in November in the Great Hall.

Asghar Ali Shah's knowledge of ringcraft and training methods has had an immense impact on the rise in skill levels.

In October, four boxers – James Robinson, Masod Khwaja, Tom Fernon and Aleksandr Martynenko – represented the University at the Boxing

NSW State Titles in Wollongong. It was SUBxC's largest team for some time for a state competition. Progressing through to the finals, Tom Fernon won decisively in the 69kg welterweight elite open division by 24-11 and Aleksandr won the 81kg elite open division. Tom Fernon is now a graduate with majors in history and sociology.

The boxers will now have an opportunity to progress to the Australian Titles next February in Adelaide. The national titles are used as a stepping stone towards selection in the next Commonwealth Games in 2014 in Glasgow.

Also going on to great success in 2012 have been our competitive women boxers coached by George Pellis. Leonie Lum, who had her first competitive fight at the start of the year, competed for the lightweight state title in September where she challenged a 6' 3" title holder in her home town of Wangi Wangi. Leonie won by TKO two minutes into the fourth and final round of her competition. In November, Leonie undertook further advanced studies at Gleason's Gym in Brooklyn, New York under the watchful eye of champion coach Darius Ford. Gleason's Gym opened in 1937 and was where Muhammad Ali trained in the 1960's.

Also doing extraordinary feats is Nadine Apetz, a PHD graduate student from Germany. Nadine has won in the German national titles and is the current German title holder in the welterweight division. In October Nadine defeated Mattie Schuster in Canberra, the latter going for selection to the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow 2014. Nadine is heading back to Germany in November to successfully defend her German national welterweight title. Nadine currently has taken up an offer from UWS to study in her field of neuro sciences. "I hope to stay at Sydney Uni Boxing Club and continue preparation to citizenship and hopefully to represent Australia in Glasgow in 2014." Nadine's next goal is to then qualify for the 2016 Rio Olympics.

Patrick Cunningham
PRESIDENT

Canoe

In 2012 the Sydney University Canoe Club (SUCC) experienced its strongest year in a decade. Membership reached around 80 after a strong recruitment drive at O Week, and numbers continued to trickle in over the year as word of mouth spread to friends and friends of friends. The club's income has been well spent on two new sea kayaks and three new creek boats, as well as long needed repairs on some of the racing and sea kayaking fleet.

The most popular activities were the regular harbour paddles out of the boatshed at Blackwattle Bay. On most weeks of the year there were three trips going out per week, meaning that hundreds of hours of experience were spent on the water in this way.

Some of the more competitive took to K-racing to push their distance paddling. Andrew Pratley, Peter Edney and Richard Barnes were regularly training at Wednesday evening Lane Cove sessions and competing in the PaddleNSW marathon series. They also all participated in the Hawkesbury Classic. Peter Edney won the TK1 open class in his first attempt. In 2013 Pratley, Edney and Barnes will tackle the 404km Murray Marathon – Australia's longest kayak marathon – as a 'warm up' for their crossing of the Bass Strait.

Another coup for the club in 2012 was the revived relationship with Victoria Park Pool for eskimo rolling sessions. A couple of times a month the club's novice paddlers were thrown in the pool, tipped upside down, and coached carefully by more experienced paddlers. This important step of skill building has meant that beginner's river trips have been led on the Barrington River and various sections of the Shoalhaven. Many intermediate paddlers have also been taken through their paces at regular trips to the hectic Olympic whitewater stadium at Penrith.

The highlight for the club's whitewater crew was the Snowy Mountains Safari which coincided perfectly with the snowmelt from the mountains and 10,000 megalitres being released from the Jindabyne dam. 10 paddlers tackled a raging section of the Snowy River that has only seen action a few times since the dam was built in the 1950's. Also ticked in that exciting week were tight and frigid sections of the Thredbo River, the foreboding gates of the Murray River, the lovely Mitta Mitta in the Victorian Alps, as well as the steep and exciting Cobungra and Bundurra.

Easter also saw a four day river trip down the swollen Shoalhaven gorge all the way through Bungonia. In 2012 Jiri and Catherine Svec will tackle the Franklin River in Tasmania. Meanwhile, Björn Sturmborg, Pete Harvey and Mic Cavazzini will be honing their skills at the New Zealand Kayak School in Murchison.

Finally, canoe polo has also seen a revival after years of neglect. In 2012 there were five regular representatives from SUCC battling it out on the training pool at Lidcombe every Tuesday night, and there is potential for the club to become once again competitive next year.

Many of the club's committed and enthusiastic general committee will be staying on in 2013, so the signs are positive for an even more action packed year.

Jiri Svec
PRESIDENT



Cricket - Men



It is 100 years since the Sydney University Cricket Club (SUCC) were successful in first grade and second grade in the same season, but that memorable outcome was the highlight of 2011/12.

First grade had a wonderful year. As defending premiers they were able to achieve back to back premierships in a grand final against Randwick-Petersham. The performances of Stuart Clark, Stuart MacGill, Greg Mail and Scott Henry were very impressive for Sydney Uni to overcome Randwick-Petersham's four Australian representatives – Simon Katich, Usman Khawaja, Nathan Hauritz and Bert Cockley. First grade lost the Twenty20 final to Randwick-Petersham and were minor premiers and semi finalists in the 50 over competition which reflected a high level performance over the season. Captain Greg Mail and the senior players did a wonderful job in maintaining such a consistent standard.

The second grade team under Tom Kierath did a superb job to win the final outright and achieve another premiership. Tom led from the front and his century in the final was a pivotal factor in the win. The fast bowlers also did a great job of defending the low first innings total on a green top. It was a great team effort.

Despite the fact that fourth grade were minor premiers and fifth grade made the final, SUCC were unable to win the club championship. Peter Murray led the fourth grade team exceedingly well, as did Matt Skinner in fifth grade. Third grade performed well but could not secure some additional victories that would have better reflected some of their talent and help them make the semi finals.

It was pleasing to see the improved performance of the AW Green Shield team which narrowly missed a place in the semi finals. The boys performed well and had great support from their parents and friends.

SUCC must acknowledge the incredible individual performances of Greg Mail and Ian Moran in first grade. Their ability to perform so strongly with bat and ball is reflected in the remarkable statistics of the season. It was great to see Ian recognised by his inclusion in the Sydney Sixers squad and he played a major role at the end of the competition. Stuart MacGill was also a key player and Scott Henry was part of the squad. Congratulations to all those players on their success and to Stuart Clark as CEO. Scott Henry also made his first class debut for NSW and we look forward to his further development as a first class player.

Tom Kierath also had a magnificent season, especially with his batting. He rescued his second grade team on a number of occasions and his first grade experience was vital in leading the team to a wonderful premiership.

The club's success is built on a vast array of support. SUCC owes a lot to Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness – especially the senior management. A special mention and thanks must go to Ray Hunt and the ground staff who prepared the grounds so well and enabled us to play despite massive amounts of rain and drainage problems around the university. Their efforts to stage the 20 over final when the ground was under two feet of water the previous day was remarkable and acknowledged by other teams and the Sydney Cricket Association.

SUCC are grateful to the sponsors, the board members, and volunteers who assisted in the canteen as well as the parents and friends who supported the teams at functions.

A special acknowledgement must be made of the Director of Cricket Gary Whitaker. He has contributed to the success of the club through rigorous pre-season preparation, organisation of effective practice, special coaching for developing players and the promotion of the game in schools and junior cricket. Similarly, Geoff De Mesquita as Operations Manager has managed links to Cricket NSW and Sydney Cricket Association, worked closely with sponsors and has been king of the canteen.

SUCC thanks Dave Stanton for his efforts in helping the club to stream matches live, his broader support with the photography and videos for the club's annual dinner.

The club will strive to continue the success on the field in 2012/13 and look forward to assistance from the club's supporters in achieving this outcome. If SUCC can emulate or extend the success achieved in 2011/12 the club will have done well.

Michael O'Sullivan
CHAIRMAN

Cricket - Women



The rejuvenation of the Universities Women's Cricket Club (UWCC) was completed this year when the club entered teams in all grades of the Sydney Women's Grade Competition – first, second and third grade and the Brewer Shield, as well as having two teams in the Junior Rivers Competition. This marked the fulfillment of UWCC's recruitment strategies and the active pursuit of strategic goals over the past three years.

However, 2012-13 was not an easy season, as so many of the club's players had to miss club games because of state and national commitments. Players from lower grades were promoted in their absence each week in order to get a full first grade side on the park and the club is very proud of how these members performed and supported each other so that first grade could qualify for the finals.

Congratulations go to Alex Blackwell and Rachael Haynes, who played significant roles in Australian victories at the T20 and One Day International

World Cups. Both of these players, together with Kara Sutherland, were also members of the winning NSW Breakers team that created history with victories in both the Women's National Cricket League (WNCL) and T20 competitions during the season. Congratulations must also go to other club members who represented in the WNCL: Sara Hungerford, Kate Owen and Alison Parkin (ACT) and Erin Burns (TAS).

There were also several younger members selected for state and city teams this season. Congratulations to Clara Iemma who represented NSW at the U15 National Championships and to Sarah Darney, Maisy Gibson, Rachel Li and Emily Mifsud who played in the U18 City and Country teams. Sara and Maisy went on to represent ACT and NSW U/18's respectively. There was also a large contingent of players who were part of the NSW Cricket Academy – well done to all those girls.

The main problem in 2012 was finding coaches for all teams. Despite conducting a Level 1 Coaching Course in the pre-season, advertising for paid coaches and asking Cricket NSW and Sydney Cricket Association for assistance, UWCC could not find people to take on regular coaching roles in the lower grades and Brewer Shield. Unfortunately, Caitlin Rawstron moved to Canberra this year and could not continue to coach third grade, while Brewer coach Prue Jacobson had to resign because of family reasons just before Christmas. In this situation, Head Coach James Walsh did what he could to help out as did the senior players and some guest coaches. UWCC thanks all of those who stepped in to fill the coaching breach, including Maryanne Germanos who did a great job looking after the junior teams every weekend.

The big positive of the year was the club's improved financial position – the result of constant research and application for grants by Secretary David Mifsud. David secured grants from the Commonwealth of Australia – Federal Government Volunteers Grant, Cricket Australia/Sydney Cricket Association Clubs Grant and is waiting on approval of a few others at State level. David also locked in a new sponsorship with Scolarest for hopefully the next three years. This will enable UWCC to place more coaches next year and to employ a part-time administrative person.

Thanks again go to Josephine and Tony Sukkar of Buildcorp for their continued support and advice, to the Toxteth Hotel at Glebe for generously hosting the season launch, and to Mizone for the supply of drinks at the games.

UWCC thanks SUSF and UNSWSA together with their respective men's cricket clubs for their assistance, as well as the SCA Women's Committee and Kate Evans at Cricket NSW for their efforts in conducting the grade competition.

Other achievements this year have been: the comprehensive review of our strategic plan at the end of last season and the production of a much more professional-looking document to guide us over the next three years; participation in Pink Stumps Day which successfully raised funds for the McGrath Foundation; the Christmas party at the Camperdown Bowling Club which involved all club members; and the award of an SUSF Gold to Alex Blackwell for her outstanding service to the club over a decade. These events added to a good feeling of teamwork within the club that helped produce success on the field.

Finally, UWCC thanks all club members and their families for their involvement this year, especially those who managed or scored for the teams. Thanks also to the committee members who helped with the various administrative and policy matters. Without our volunteers, there would be no club!

Ann Mitchell
PRESIDENT

Fencing

Looking back over the past twelve months, it's clear that 2012 proved to be a very challenging year for the Sydney University Fencing Club. The poor weather at O Week at the beginning of the year took its toll on the number of club members and the club's administrative committee underwent a complete re-shuffle halfway through the year once John Chow, the former President, made the decision to focus on his new venture, the Sydney Sabre Centre.

Despite these challenges, club fencers had many notable successes in 2012. At the Australian University Games, our fencers took gold in the men's epee team competition, silver for the foil and bronze for the sabre team events. In the individual competitions, John Downes also won bronze medals in the men's foil and epee, while Patrick Daley and Sam Mooney-Grant finished sixth and seventh respectively in the men's individual foil.

Sydney University fencers also had great successes on the Australian Fencing Circuit. Jess Brooks won the gold medal in women's sabre at the D H Mackenzie Memorial (AFC#1). Nick Davies won the men's epee event at the Robyn Chaplin Memorial (AFC#2), while Anna Kovacs took silver in the women's foil event and Harriet Jordan bronze in the women's sabre. Margarita Sokolovskaja won the women's foil event at the Western Australia International Tournament (AFC#3). Lastly, a mention needs to be made of Katherine Kwa, who finished fifth at the women's foil competition at the Australian Junior National Championships.

In the year ahead, the club's administrative committee is looking to address weaknesses identified over the past year and much of the work has already begun. The club has renegotiated its hall hire arrangements at the Arena Sports Centre with Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness in order to decrease costs and ensure fencers are using facilities more efficiently.

The club is also looking to build a more comprehensive training program for senior fencers. From mid-February 2013, Bill Ronald, one of the most experienced coaches in Australia and a former Olympian, will be running a strength and agility training program. This session will be open to all club fencers, but will primarily aim to provide overall fitness training to the club's senior fencers, which the club has not been in the position to provide in the past.

Margarita Sokolovskaja
PRESIDENT



Flames



The Southern Design Sydney Uni Flames enjoyed a successful 2012 season both on and off the court.

After failing to make the play offs in the 2010-11 season, the Flames recruited well in the off season with the acquisition of Olympian Belinda Snell. Belinda returned to the Flames after successful seasons in Europe and joined stars Alicia Poto, Eva Afeaki, Katie-Rae Ebzery and Amy Denson to provide a competitive team in season 2011-12. The team got off to a flying start with

an 8-2 win loss record. Unfortunately a knee injury to Eva Afeaki in December severely hampered the effectiveness of the Flames "biggs".

The Flames made the play offs finishing the regular season in fifth position but were unfortunately defeated in the elimination final by the Townsville Fire.

The Flames, with the support of Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF), continues to provide opportunities for student athletes to balance elite sport with tertiary education and career advancement. The team fielded seven players from NSW, including five players who were completing studies at The University of Sydney and a further three engaged in tertiary study.

Some of the on-court highlights included the selection of Belinda Snell to the 2011/2012 WNBL All-Star Five and Alicia Poto who was awarded WNBL Defensive Player of the Year.

The Sydney Uni Flames had two representatives at the 2102 London Olympics – Belinda Snell playing for the Australian Opals and Natalie Stafford for Great Britain. The Opals came away with a bronze medal.

Katie-Rae Ebzery finished a strong season with selection into the Australian 3v3 team that competed at the inaugural 3v3 World Championships in Athens, Greece. Katie played a pivotal role in the Australian women's team winning a bronze medal. Squad member and Academy athlete Vanessa Panousis was also selected in the Australian U/17 team that competed in the World Championships in July.

The Flames played 11 games at the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre and were able to increase both season ticket sales and general admission numbers during the course of the year.

The 2011/2012 season also saw the continuation of the Sydney Uni Flames Academy, which is a program designed to identify and develop elite young players aged 15-19 years. The Academy program continues to provide talented female athletes from throughout Sydney and regional NSW with intensive training, conditioning programs as well as education sessions. Vanessa Panousis began in the Academy before graduating to the Flames WNBL squad. It is hoped that more of these talented athletes will filter through to WNBL level over the next few seasons.

The Sydney Uni Flames also continued their strong involvement in community basketball. Camps and clinics were conducted at Sydney University as well as at local Sydney Associations. Country Associations were also serviced with clinics held in Moss Vale, Mudgee, Griffith and Temora.

Through links with local associations, the Flames also provided coaching and education services to local clubs, including the provision of coach education, member protection and development strategies.

The Sydney Uni Flames would like to acknowledge the generous support of SUSF to the program, as well as our naming rights sponsor, Southern Design.

We would also like to thank and acknowledge all our corporate partners and individual sponsors, as well as the SUSF staff that assist in various ways with the program.

Karen Dalton
HEAD COACH

Golf



The Sydney University Golf Club (SUGC) was reconstituted as a club in 2011. And since then it has slowly grown to a membership of 200 people.

2012 held an important year in developing the strategy of the SUGC for the years to come. The executive worked to develop a long-term strategic plan that would see it appeal to all forms of golfers.

The strategic plan developed contains the following:

- Widening the appeal to students to three levels of golfing – novice, amateur and squad level golfing;
- SUGC would endeavour to provide a core range of events to efficiently serve its members. These are as follows:
 - o Driving range sessions after class
 - o Golfing days at the club's home course – St. Michael's Golf Club
 - o Squad training;
- Engaging with a geographically diverse array of clubs around Sydney to provide competitions across many different courses; and
- Engaging sponsorship.

Throughout 2012, the club ran a number of events as described below:

- A dozen driving range sessions for students from many different backgrounds, including international students;
- Six golf days were run at St. Michael's Golf Club;
- The club participated in the annual 'Blue & Gold' golf competition in later 2012, along with a range of alumni and friends; and
- Social events were held throughout the year.

During 2012, groundwork was established for the 2013 inauguration of the Inter-Varsity Golf Association. The IVGA is an inter-university organisation that aims to encourage participation in golf, alongside organising competitions between the university clubs. This is a central component of expanding our competition provisions in 2013, and making university clubs more relevant.

The club looks forward to a very successful and more energetic 2013 and as always appreciates the ongoing support of its members and patron Rodney Tubbs.

James Flynn
PRESIDENT

Gymnastics & Cheerleading

In 2012 the Sydney University Gymnastics & Cheerleading Club continued to provide a unique training environment that is safe, supportive, accessible and enjoyable to its members. The club provides opportunities to participate in recreational gymnastics and competitive cheerleading.

The club continued to provide regular classes catering for all ability types. The classes were held three times a week. Coaches Madeline Brown, Ann Buchan, Megan Dayhew, Simon Reid and Simon Crawley were well received and classes continued to be popular throughout the year.

New equipment was ordered to replace ageing and broken equipment in the gym, including a new mini tramp, new air board, and a new bar for the girl's uneven bar. Efforts to provide a safe training environment will be furthered this year by ordering more equipment such as crash mats and spotting boxes.

The unique training environment provided by the Sydney University Gymnastics Club continued to foster a wide range of talent. 2012 showed a diverse range of member participation and achievement in competitive sport and beyond.

The Sydney University Cheerleading team had an extremely successful year, competing in a number of competitions. Their achievements included:

- First at the World Cup Cheer (WCC) state competition;
- Second at the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation (AASCF) state competition;
- Second at WCC Asia Pacific Championships. As the highest scoring university team in this international competition, Sydney Uni won a bid to compete at the University Cheerleading Worlds in Orlando, Florida; and
- Third at AASCF Nationals.

Sydney Uni cheer also participated in events such as Relay for Life, Theatresports Grand Final and they also organised a trivia night to raise money for the club.

Beyond sport, club members also had high achievements in the arts. The club supported Sydney Uni's Movement and Dance Society in their award-winning show, Nocturne. Khairil Musa, Simon Crawley, Megan Dayhew, Amelia Habijanec and Greta Mayr all showcased their talents. The show was directed by Khairil Musa.

The club was also the inspiration for a body of work by club member, Shu Yeung. The work depicted the community, passion and inspiration of members in training. The work received public recognition when it won the Sydney Morning Herald Photos 1440 Challenge. The same body of work was shortlisted in World Nomads National Geographic Travel Scholarship – an international photography competition.

The depth of talent continues to grow each year with the diversity of its members. The challenge for 2013 is to continue to support this developing range of skills and experience while still making the club accessible to new, inexperienced members. The effort provided by President Elisabeth Andrews and the executive team have been key to fostering a successful 2012 and has set a benchmark for next year's team.

Shu Yeung
SECRETARY



Handball

The Sydney University Handball Club continues to set the benchmark when it comes to the sport of handball in Australia.

After qualifying for the Super Globe (the World Club Championships) as Oceania Champions in the previous November, the club's men's team dominated the local NSW State League, going through undefeated and winning the final against Harbourside 30-14.

The women's team was not so lucky going down to Harbourside 18-20 in a tense and see-sawing struggle.

The men went on to Qatar in August for the Super Globe, and even though they lost all of their matches, they gave credibility to the "minnows" from Oceania.

It was a long and tiring campaign and the men were proud of their efforts, as was everyone associated with this sport in Australia. The club hope that the men can qualify for Super Globe again in 2013.

At the National Championships held in Adelaide, Sydney University was well represented. The club supplied both of the men's and women's NSW coaches and managers, as well as nine women's players and five men.

In addition to all of this, Kate Nolan represented the Australian Youth team in Italy and Spain and Alice Keighley and Kate represented the Australian Junior team in Samoa for the Oceania qualifying event for the Intercontinental Challenge Cup (which they won undefeated).

The highlight of the handball year for all Australians was the women's eighth place finish at the World Beach Handball Championships in Oman. This was Australia's best result in any World Championships and grants them automatic qualification to the World Games in Columbia in August. The Sydney University players in this team were Emma van Bussel, Alice Keighley, Taylee Lewis, Allira Hudson-Gofers and Daniella Cook.

Scott Fernside
SECRETARY



Hockey

The Sydney University Hockey Club (SUHC) can be proud of its achievements in a very challenging year. The club has shown again that it's a club for all, and that the members are what makes the club great. SUHC's success has come through hard work and commitment.

In 2012, SUHC had 400 club members in juniors, seniors and masters. They played in 26 teams across four associations. 15 teams reached the finals (that's over half the club); SUHC earned three minor premierships (first grade women, sixth grade women and masters – C grade); and won four premierships including the club's first ever ML1 premiership. Congratulations to all four premiers – women's first grade, women's sixth grade, men's fourth grade and the under 13s!

SUHC supported a club mate in his fight against cancer. The club raised over \$21,000 for him and club members have provided extraordinary assistance to help him get back on a sports field – potentially as a Paralympian. SUHC's men's and women's AUG teams delivered strong finishes in Adelaide – gold to the women and silver to the men.

The club's premier squads provide arguably the best elite club level program in NSW. In 2012 SUHC's 25 EAP scholarship athletes worked closely with SUSF, the club's coaches and new Director of Hockey, Scott Barker, to develop well-rounded athletes. Scott has done a tremendous job and brings a strong sense of purpose as well as extraordinary skills and dedication. The club looks forward to building on this start.

The club's women led the way in 2012. Six of the women's teams reached the finals. The club won its first ever SWHL ML1 premiership and players

earned numerous representative honours. Five of the women's players were selected in the NSW Arrows – congratulations to Mathilda Carmichael, Nina Khoury, Georgie Morgan, Cara Simpson and Hollie Webster. Mathilda and Cara are both ex SUHC juniors. There were many other representative selections as well.

The club's men did well in 2012, with record player numbers. SUHC's premier teams both came eighth, but there were some great signs. Men's 1sts were potential finals contenders, and men's 2nds were absolute giant-killers as they moved from the back of the pack half way through the season to eighth. There is a good level of player retention in the premier squad, and great commitment and passion across all grades. Two notable individual achievements were Tom Lobsey's selection in the ACT AHL team and Peter Kelly's invitation to World Series Hockey in India.

Under Katie Price's leadership, SUHC's juniors club continues to implement its 2011 planning initiatives and continues to build a good base for juniors. The club still needs to provide better coaches generally, and bring more juniors in to hockey, though; we have already seen for ourselves how a strong junior program can strengthen the club in future years.

Masters again entered three teams in 2012 and again did well. The C team were minor premiers, and the others were close. Sad to say, a key strength – the quality of the club's players – is also a major weakness, as many players are often unavailable to SUHC because they are representing NSW or Australia, or helping run some of Australia's biggest businesses.

SUHC continues to provide a great social element for its members. The club's new sponsor pub, the AB Hotel, hosted four major events with good numbers attending. Thanks go to Maddy Roche and her efforts here.

2013 can be another good year for SUHC. The building blocks are there.

Up the Students!!

Andy Elton
PRESIDENT



Judo

2012 has been a very successful year for the Sydney University Judo Club (SUJC).

Despite relocation of the H.K. Ward dojo to The Warehouse, SUJC managed to maintain steady membership numbers throughout the whole year. The club also had a very strong presence at many judo competitions throughout the year, with many of the kyu grade players dominating their divisions. SUJC's gold and silver medallists for the year include Christopher Wong, Kurt Lewis, Mark Straton, Thomas Keevers, William Xu, Andrew Roberts, Ert Vargas, Tom Shaw, Cindy Ariyamethe, Angela May O'Connor and Annette Maczurek.

SUJC's performance at the 2012 Australian University Games (AUG) was the highlight of the year. SUJC's men's team fought valiantly and brought home gold – many players also medalled in their individual divisions. Kurt Lewis placed first in the U100kgs division; Donald McDougall placed gold in the U91kgs division; Thomas Keevers placed second in the U81kgs; with Cindy Ariyamethe placing third in the women's +71kgs. The most memorable player at the 2012 AUG was Jeremy Yee, who also brought home a gold medal with his epic uchimata against a black belt that was an absolute crowd pleaser.

The junior judo short courses continued to be a success in 2012, with a little boost in participant numbers. A special thanks to Eddy Wong for keeping the kids short courses going by taking every kids class. Judo was

also integrated into the SUSF's school holiday sports program, which was received well by the participants.

For 2013 SUJC are excitedly awaiting the completion of the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre extension that is to house the new dojo. With the completion of the new facility, SUJC hopes to introduce a year round junior's class, building from the success of the kids short courses.

For the successes of the past year the club would like to thank its amazing coaches Randall Jones and Kristoff Frankowski for their hard work; taking the weekly classes; and providing SUJC members with much needed support, advice and judo philosophy. SUJC would also like to thank the 2012 executive team for all their hard work this year and assistant coach Andrew Roberts for providing moral support and advice to SUJC members in competitions.

Jutamanee Cindy Ariyamethe
PRESIDENT



Kempo Karate

The Sydney University Kempo-Karate Club was established in 1965 to facilitate the practice of Shaolin Ch'uanfa. At the time, the general public was unaware of Chinese self-defence traditions.

Kempo is the Japanese pronunciation of ch'uanfa, and Karate is an Okinawan self-defence art derived from Southern China. Hence the name kempo-karate was chosen to suggest the nature of the clubs activities.

Shaolin is the oldest living tradition of Chinese unarmed fighting. The art derives its name from the Shaolin monastery established by Emperor Hsiao-wen (died AD 500) of the northern Wei Dynasty. The monastery is situated on the lesser peak (shao-shih) of Mt. Sung in an area once covered by lush forest (lin). Hence the name 'shao-lin'.

Developed as a self-defence tradition for monks early in the 6th century AD, Shaolin's influence spread beyond the confines of the monastery reaching throughout China and East Asia.

Classes are held on Monday, Thursday and Friday evenings throughout the year. The curriculum includes self-defence techniques, yogie exercises and

the Buddhist philosophy and psychology that underlie them.

The club hosted a Short Stick Fighting workshop run by Shaolin Master Serge Martich-Osterman on Sunday September 30. The workshop, which ran at The Warehouse, was perfect for individuals and groups who were interested in self-defence.

It concentrated on the adaptable techniques suitable for both beginners and advanced practitioners. The six hour session covered basic stick handling, stepping, how to avoid whilst being able to strike effectively, and more.

Step-by-step, Sydney's most experienced Shaolin instructor taught both fundamental and refined techniques, also including opportunities for practical 'sparring' with other participants using padded sticks.



Kendo



2012 marked a challenging yet successful year for the Sydney University Kendo Club (SUKC). Despite the numerous changes of training times and locations, due to the demolition of H.K. Ward Gymnasium, SUKC have come out strongly.

Regarding competition results, SUKC is one of the most anticipated clubs for medal victories. The total list of medal winners for 2012 is almost endless, and these are only the highlights. In May, Adam Corbett took first place in the dan (black belt) individuals of the Hanrimwon Korean Kumdo competition. Following this competition, Walter Chung took the gold medal in the dan individuals of the "UTS Shield" competition.

Tomonori Hu represented NSW at the National Championships in Canberra. Missing out on gold by a fraction, he took second place for the national kyu (non-black belt) individuals and, as captain of the NSW team, secured another silver medal for the state.

One of SUKC's strengths is its female athletes who have displayed incredible performances over the year. This was evident at the Australian University Games (AUG) where Ioana Levins, Julie Tran, and Kim Avina achieved a clean sweep of the medals – taking gold, silver and bronze respectively. Ioana then went on to receive the Green & Gold award.

In October Julie Tran won kyu women's individual gold at the DHMDK competition. Finally, at the State Championships held in December, Tomonori Hu won the championship title for the kyu individuals. The winners of this competition go on to represent NSW at the National Championships.

In other news, our annual charity competition was held in July in order to raise money for the Heart Foundation. Approximately \$1,500 was raised to support Australian research into cardiovascular disease – an incredible success. The club also actively participates in demonstrations throughout the year for the University, starting with the Info Day, O Week, International O Week, and University Open Day. SUKC also participated in some external demonstrations, such as at the Japan Film Festival where the club demonstrated for a crowd of 1,500 high school students in the Sydney area.

In order to overcome the difficulties associated with training venue changes, the club concentrated on social events in order to build member relations. This involved frequent barbeques on campus, new member welcome dinners, and cocktail parties organised by the committee. As a result, SUKC finished the year with 23 new members who are training regularly and are looking to stay for the future.

Looking forward to 2013, SUKC will use this momentum and aim for higher results in competitions, and also continue to build a bigger and better club. SUKC looks forward to expanding the club for more training sessions and larger venues – and to working with SUSF to achieve this.

Tomonori Hu
PRESIDENT

Netball

The Sydney Uni Netball Club (SUNC) is part of the Netball NSW State League premier netball competition in New South Wales, offering week in and out competition for the state's most talented netballers, coaches, umpires and administrators. DOOLEYS State League is the primary region 1 competition.

The State League began in 1984. Since that time it has taken many forms, and most recently the State League Division One competition has been renamed the Waratah Cup; the waratah flower is a symbol which has been synonymous with elite netball in NSW for years.

Sydney Uni Netball Club/City of Sydney Netball Association (CSNA) fielded four teams in the State League in 2012. In a year that saw the implementation of the Elite Development Squad, which is such a fantastic program for the club, SUNC's on court results did not reflect this development.

SUNC's Waratah Cup side finished last, division 3 finished seventh, division 4 eighth and division 6 ninth. These results certainly do not reflect the personal achievements made by the girls and the staff throughout the year.

It certainly was a tough year, but 2013 is looking like being an absolute belter, which is due in large respects to the framework developed in 2012.

The 2012 State Age Championships were held from 30 June – 2 July 2012 across four venues in the Central Coast and Hunter region. After more than 2,700 games were played in sunshine and a sprinkling of rain over four venues across the Central Coast and Hunter region, the winners were crowned.

The SUNC U13 championship team successfully represented the club at State Age Championships finishing third out of 20 teams. This was an excellent accomplishment during a tough competition. One goal separated the three teams at the top of the table with goals for and against having to be used to determine a winner. Congratulations to the Sydney Uni U13 State age team.

The club's junior U13 team competed in the CSNA club competition coming first in B1 in a senior competition. This was a tough competition which the girls took to and continued through the competition to out-class their adult competitors. The grand final was a mix of exciting and mature play. There's more to come from these juniors.

Sydney Uni Netball Club would like to acknowledge the fantastic support of all officials and support staff from SUSF, CSNA, SUNC coaches, team managers, bench personnel, umpires, executive and supporters. Everybody worked tirelessly to provide netball for its members.

Sam Dawes
DIRECTOR



Rockclimbing & Mountaineering



2012 proved to be another successful and exciting year for the Sydney University Rockclimbing and Mountaineering Club (SURMC). The club continued to grow thanks to the addition of new members and a large purchase of new equipment. The year was full of exciting trips to various climbing destinations, and most importantly SURMC has once again been successful enough to win back the "Manky Cam Trophy" in the inter-club climbing competition.

The year started slower than normal. The heavy rain during O Week slowed the flow of new members to the club; however, as the year progressed and new members began to work their way into the ranks of the club, several beginner trips were run to teach new climbers the skills and technique to rock climb safely. Beginners trips were run to Lindfield, Bangor and Queens Park, and within weeks each novice in the club became proficient in the sport. As a testament to the professionalism and care that is taken with new members, the club continued to maintain its incident free record this year – a standard that SUWRC will endeavour to uphold in 2013.

2012 also saw SURMC invest over \$2,500 in new climbing equipment. However, unlike in previous years, the club chose to invest a greater amount this year in sports climbing and bouldering equipment rather than traditional climbing equipment. Although a large number of members still enjoy traditional climbing (where the climber installs their own safety measures whilst climbing), a growing majority in the club have chosen to focus more on sport climbing (where the climber clips pre-installed bolts whilst climbing) and bouldering (climbing short problems with only a mat) and as such the club responded accordingly by investing in the necessary gear for these pursuits.

2012 has also been a successful year for the club in regards to competitive climbing. This year's inter-club climbing competition (hosted by Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness' Ledge Climbing Centre) saw climbers from UTS, UNSW and Sydney Uni clubs compete to win the inter-club trophy "the Manky Cam." Despite entrant numbers being lower than in previous years for SURMC, the high standard that has developed in the club continued with Sydney University climbers edging out competitors in a close final count. This win marks over a decade of Sydney University's inter-club dominance, and is a trend that the club hopes to continue in 2013.

Finally, the year would not be complete without a quick mention of the numerous climbing trips that the club has held, most notable of which was the annual Easter Arapiles trip. The Arapiles trip is held every year with members driving over 13 hours down to the Victorian climbing Mecca for a week of traditional climbing. The week-long trip saw old members return, new members grow and the making of a number of quintessentially epic Arapiles stories.

SURMC is looking to 2013 with excitement as it hopes to continue bringing new climbers to the sport and facilitating a space where climbers can come together for a mix of social and sporting pursuits.

Bon Ng
PRESIDENT

Rowing

The Sydney University Women's Rowing Club (SUWRC) consists of four specifically targeted programs – elite/high performance, intermediate development, novice and masters.

Although we train and participate in different competitions, the culture and ethos of the club ensures a sense of mutual support and encouragement prevails. The coaching staff associated with the respective programs work co-operatively and contribute significantly to the excellent tone of the club.

The club commends the contribution and commitment of the elected Committee, who met monthly throughout 2012 to consider issues of importance to SUWRC members, programs and to provide feedback to SUSF. They have been effective and cohesive in their role. Of particular note is the outstanding role played by the Treasurer, Kerrie Bigsworth. Her prudent monitoring of the finances, preparation of the club's annual budget and general oversight of all things financial, ensures appropriate allocation of funds received from SUSF.

The club has competed successfully in the 2012 season, a few highlights of which follow:

- NSW State Championships – won three gold, three silver and six bronze medals;
- National Championships – won three gold, four silver and two bronze medals;
- Australian Championships – Ellie Winstanley represented NSW (gold);
- Queens Cup Eight – Holly Lawrence, Greta Beale, Sarah Cook and Genevieve Fick represented NSW;
- Youth Cup – India Evans and Genevieve Horton (gold and silver) represented NSW, with Tom Cartmill as Assistant Coach;
- India Evans and Genevieve Horton were presented with a 2012 Youth Scholarship award and a five year membership of the Union from the NSW Union of Rowers;
- London 2012 Olympic Games – Sally Kehoe and Sarah Cook (finalists), Bronwen Watson (finalist) and Brooke Pratley (silver) all competed for Australia;
- Holly Lawrence, Genevieve Horton and coach, Gonzalo Briones were included in the Rowing Australia NTID group to participate in a camp at the AIS in Canberra followed by travel to Lake Karapiro in New Zealand to race against the NZ Junior team, NZ Youth Cup team and some of the NZ U23 team;
- 2012 Trans-Tasman series – Marianna Doumanis, Petria Carter, Emma Thomas, Nicole Petrin comprising the crew and coached by Tom Cartmill;
- The Great Race – SUWRC finished second;
- Australian University Games – SUWRC won the overall women's point score (three gold, one silver and one bronze medal);
- Australian Boat Race – SUWRC (Genevieve Fick {cox}, Holly Lawrence, Coco Bryant, India Evans, Beatrix Sheldrick, Monique Heinke, Renee Kirby, Bronwen Watson and Rachel Kiely) finished second to Melbourne University;
- Blue and Gold Awards – Holly Lawrence was awarded a Blue;
- NSW Masters Championships – won eight silver and two bronze medals;
- Australian Masters Championships – won two gold, two silver and one bronze medal;
- Henley Masters at Henley on Thames – SUWRC raced in two Fours and an Eight; and
- Head of the Yarra – SUWRC boated two Eights, coming second and third in their division.

The valuable contribution by our Masters coaches, Phillip Titterton and George Bawtree must be mentioned. Thanks go also to Tom Cartmill who joined SUWRC from June 2012. Their hard work, dedication and encouragement is really appreciated by the whole squad.

SUWRC also thanks the coaches of the clubs development, intermediate and novice squads – Gonzalo Briones, Debbie Fox (who took over from Gonzalo in October 2012), Lizzi Chapman, Tom Cartmill and Grace Mellowship, who all put in enormous effort to ensure all our rowers have the best possible chance of achieving their goals.

SUSF and the University of the Sydney are SUWRC's key supporters, and the SUSF Elite Athlete Program provides dedicated attention to rowers as they try to achieve their goals in both sport and study. SUWRC gratefully acknowledges SUSF finance, operations and sports staff who help the club. Rowers and their families appreciate the contribution SUSF and the University makes to coaching, athlete scholarships and extra assistance to athletes and coaches representing Australia.

Thanks should also be extended to the alumni and community members who support SUWRC in fundraising for equipment and representative travel and campaigns to keep the waterways safe for SUWRC's rowers.

The club looks forward to 2013 as an opportunity to further the good relationship and communication established with Sydney University Boat Club and in particular under the guidance of the Director of Rowing, Mark Prater. Under his broad oversight and in co-operation with SUWRC's Head Coach, Debbie Fox, the club looks forward to growing the elite/high performance program within the club, as well as the novice, intermediate and development programs.

Jo Pollett
PRESIDENT



Rugby - Men



2012 was the most successful season in the 149 year history of the Sydney University Football Club (SUFC).

2012 SUFC SUCCESS:

- Club Champions and Colts Club Champions (ninth and eighth consecutive year respectively);
- SUFC achieved seven minor premierships and was crowned premiers in six out of eight competitions – first grade, second grade, third grade, fifth grade, colts 1 and colts 2;
- 2012 Laffan Cup Tournament winners; and
- Gold medallists in rugby sevens at the Australian University Games.

2012 REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS:

- **Australian Wallabies:** Berrick Barnes, Dave Dennis, Bernard Foley*, Mitch Inman*, Nick Phipps and Paddy Ryan (*Selected in Wallaby squads in 2012, currently uncapped);
- **IRB Junior World Championships:** James Dargaville, Sam Jeffries, Tolu Latu, Benn Melrose and Jock Merriman;
- **Australian 7's:** Tom English, Trent Dyer, Greg Jeloudev, Ed Jenkins (C) and Jacob Taylor (VC);
- **NSW Waratahs:** Berrick Barnes, Peter Betham, Tom Carter, Dave Dennis, Bernard Foley, Daniel Halangahu, Jono Jenkins, Tom Kingston, Pat McCutcheon, Dean Mumm, Paddy Ryan, Jeremy Tilse, Nathan Trist and Daniel Vickerman;
- **Western Force:** Ollie Atkins, Nathan Charles, Alfie Mafi and Ben McCalman;
- **Melbourne Rebels:** Alistair Campbell, Tim Davidson, Julian Huxley, Mitch Inman, Lachlan Mitchell, Nick Phipps, Nic Stirzaker and Laurie Weeks;
- **Brumbies:** Sam Carter and Jerry Yanuyanutawa;
- **Queensland Reds:** Dave McDuling;
- **ARU National Academy:** Tom Boidin, Trent Dyer, Tom English, Jock Merriman, Sam Quinn and Will Skelton; and

- **Australian Universities:** Jack de Guingand, Josh Dillon, Andrew Hunter, Josh Koops, Jack Marples, Ed Mullany and Tim Reid.

In 2012 SUFC happily welcomed junior village club Balmain, who joined current village clubs Canterbury and Petersham, with 27 juniors playing for the senior club and the junior clubs of Petersham, Canterbury and Balmain. They are to be congratulated on the preparation these players had received as they slipped seamlessly into the senior club ranks.

Buildcorp is more than a major sponsor because of the personal investment that Tony and Josephine Sukkar provide to the club and its players. 21 years as major sponsor of SUFC shows tremendous commitment to a cause that is close to the Sukkar's hearts and one that they want to see excel and succeed both on and off the field. To all the club sponsors, we thank you for your continued support which allows the club the opportunity to provide a first class rugby program that develops players on the field and gentlemen off it.

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- The full time staff of the club – Baden Stephenson, Todd Loudon, Todd Dammers, Chris Malone, Jack Farrer and Gill Elphinston;
- The volunteers who are the heartbeat of SUFC and unequivocally the most passionate rugby "tragics" in Australia;
- SUFC's medical and strength and conditioning teams for their tireless efforts throughout the season;
- SUFC Executive Committee chaired by Phil Harry AM;
- Special Projects Subcommittee chaired by Conn Droulias;
- 150th Anniversary Sub Committee chaired by Roger Davis;
- The SUFC Foundation, chaired by Cameron Clyne;
- Bruce Ross, Rob Smithies and all the staff at Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness; and
- The Friend's of SUFC, chaired by Peter Hemming and SURPASS who provide vital player mentoring.

While there are many aspects that make SUFC so special, ultimately it is the players that we are here for, and the club would like to thank each and every player who stepped on the field in 2012.

David Mortimer AO
PRESIDENT

Rugby - Women

Having won back-to-back premierships in 2010 and 2011, the Sydney University Women's Rugby Club (SUWRC) was keen to make 2012 another memorable season.

The club welcomed a new coaching team of Rod Cutler as head coach and Sydney Uni Wallaroo, and Alexandra Hargreaves as assistant coach. The new coaching team set their agenda for success early, introducing a new intense training that saw the women start the season as the fittest team in the competition and a force to be reckoned with.

The 2012 season saw another remarkable year for the women's rugby team. Over the course of the 15 a side season the women were able to maintain a 48-game undefeated winning streak, dating back to their 2010 season. While comfortably securing the minor premiership, the team were unfortunately narrowly defeated in the grand final against long-term rivals, Warringah. With a half time score of just 3-0, the final was a nail-biting match with neither team giving in and playing with everything they had, right down to the last minute. The final score was unfortunately 7-3 in Warringah's favour.

Beyond the 15 a side season, the women's club competed in several 7's tournaments including Central Coast 7's, Byron Bay, Queanbeyan and Sydney Sevens, all of which the team was able to secure spots in the finals.

Due to the club's success at the Central Coast 7's over the previous years, the club was invited to attend the International Coral Coast 7's in Fiji. While the team was unable to secure a win, the women were awarded the 'Most Entertaining Team' and plan to return next year, having made strong links with their Fijian counterparts off the field.

The success of the club continues to be displayed with extensive representation of Sydney Uni players in a number of representative teams. Over the course of 2012, 12 women were selected to play for either the Sydney representative or Australian Defence representative squads. On an international level, the club was represented by Iliseva Batibasaga, Alexandra Hargreaves and Caroline Vakalahi.

After years of service to the club as Treasurer, Secretary, President and club physio, in addition to being voted the club's 2012 'Most Improved' and 'Coaches Player', Roisin McNulty stood down from her administrative roles. The players and committee would like to take this opportunity to express its deepest thanks and gratitude to Roisin for her extensive support she's given the club over the years and we are excited for Roisin to refocus her attention on playing.

The club welcomes back Rod Cutler as head coach for 2013. The bitter and unfortunate end to an overall remarkable 2012 season has left the club with a great desire to win back their premiership in 2013.

Marjorie Spooner O'Neill
PRESIDENT



Sailing

The Sydney University Sailing Club is one of Australia's oldest and largest varsity based leisure and elite sailing organisations. The past year has seen another period of sustained growth in membership and facilities, contributing to the continued success of the club.

With the election of a new committee, under the stewardship of Edward Smith, Commodore, the club has continued its dual social and elite sailing programs, weekend sailing events, intra-university fixtures and state regatta participation.

The club's competing members attended the 2012 Australian University Games (AUG) and amid a very tough field of competitors, returned with a bronze medal for their efforts. In addition, the club contributed to and participated in University organised regattas throughout greater Sydney, including one at the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club, extending the experience of members to new boats and crew. In 2013, the club will build upon its success to introduce formal training and elite programming, to increase the competitiveness of the club and its state and national performance.

Building on the club's racing division; the committee has continued the University's proud tradition of social sailing at Woollahra Sailing Club (WSC). The club is grateful to the committee of WSC for their ongoing support of University sailing. In the year past, the club held regular weekend social sailing on Sydney Harbour, and added valuable participation to the on-the-water culture of Rose Bay. The club's social sailing program will continue into 2013, with a remit to organise and include as many experienced and beginner sailors. Throughout the years, the club has been responsible for offering both domestic and international students a priceless experience of Sydney and Australia, exposing them to new people and new places.

2012 also brought a number of weekend sailing events outside of Sydney. With travel to Hawks Nest and Jervis Bay, the club also added valuable patronage to events throughout NSW, both social and racing division. The club has traditionally held between two and three out of city events per semester, with the committee dedicated to continuing this. While it is a great experience for sailors to leave the Harbour and enjoy other surrounds, travel to alternate sailing destinations enables the club to expand its offerings, including kayaking, windsurfing and kite boarding. With larger waterways and less traffic, the club has continued to teach and train members, allowing for valuable experience and skills.

Toward the end of 2013, the club also committed itself to the Australian University Sailing Association (AUSA), a student-led intra-university organisation designed to increase the participation of experienced and beginner sailors within the 18-24 year age bracket. While our University is endowed with a strong committee, fleet and harbour-based facilities, other University clubs are often in the infant stage of development, or in need of strong infrastructure. The club's committee has continued to offer its services and resources for the benefit of others, and the structure of AUSA will enable this to continue in a formal, organised way.

2013 will bring a continuation of the dual social and elite programming, and a commitment to increased competitive performance. With the financial

position of the club strong, the committee intends to undertake a full fleet renewal, with the purchase of new two man Pacers, and the renovation of its existing Laser fleet. In doing so, this will place the club among the most richly endowed, well resourced clubs in NSW and the eastern states.

The club wishes to thank Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness, Woollahra Sailing Club and its members for their ongoing support of the committee and its endeavors, and looks forward to another strong year for the Sydney University Sailing Club.

Edward H. B. Smith
PRESIDENT



Squash

During the year the Sydney University Squash Club had four teams in the NSW summer comp, nine in the NSW autumn comp and eight in the NSW spring comp in divisions from one to 12. The total number of players who competed in these three competitions throughout the year was 126. Club membership for the year was between 60 and 70 players.

2012 saw the staging of the inaugural Alkhub Cup Championship, which saw 27 players compete. Elki Sanchez and Dirk Anderson played in the final, with Dirk triumphant on the day.

The club caters for all levels of play – from anyone wishing to be introduced to the game at the grassroots level, to those who are contemplating a return to the sport after a spell, or those wishing to join the club from another – all are welcome.

The club offers many benefits to its membership, including low membership fees; practice times between 5pm and 7pm on weekdays; exclusive use of the Manning Squash Courts on Saturday; entry into the Club Championships; and a great social atmosphere during practice sessions and after pennant matches. Students at the higher level are also encouraged and eligible to compete at the Australian University Games (AUG).

The club thanks its committee members for volunteering their time and effort to keep the club running and attracting new members.

The club looks forward to welcoming all newcomers, and gaining strength through membership during 2013.

Mohammed Alkhub
PRESIDENT



Soccer



It is difficult to dispute that 2012 has been one of, if not the most, successful seasons for the club. Out of 35 teams wearing the Blue & Gold of 'the Students', 13 competed in grand finals – with seven of them coming away with championship trophies for the club.

Sydney University Soccer Football Club's (SUSFC) women's premier league team finished second in the club championship by a single point, which included second only by goal difference in the first grade premiership and grand final appearances for the reserve and under 12s teams. On the back of these efforts, five players were selected into W-League squads, namely: Olivia Kennedy, Alesha Clifford, Samantha Spackman and Jenna Kingsley to Western Sydney Wanderers; and Sian McLaren to Sydney FC. Jenna was also awarded the FNSW Womens Premier League Golden Boot after amassing a massive 35 goals throughout the season.

The club's men's super league under 20s took out the championship for the second year running. SUSFC's boys super youth league finished second in the club championship which included three teams walking away with the premiership, three with the championship and all five teams competing in grand finals on what was a historic day for the club.

SUSFC's women's all age 1s made it all the way to the FNSW State Cup grand final only to be cruelled by a late penalty deep into extra time. The team went on to suffer the same bittersweet result in the NWSWF first grade grand final. The club's women's all age 3s claimed the championship to back up their previous year's success and the men's all age 9s powered to the championship in what was a stellar debut season.

And finally, SUSFC's women's Australian University Games (AUG) team continued their recent dominance of varsity football and marched emphatically to the gold medal in Adelaide.

Given the number of close-run second places, one could be forgiven a moment's indulgence to dwell on what could have been, however – it is impossible to overlook the sheer breadth and depth of the results. Such widespread success is indicative of a club whose foundations, philosophies and ambition are harmonised.

Over the past 10 years the club has undergone a massive period of growth, both in size and complexity. SUSFC's ambition has led the club down many different paths and compelled it to compete and excel on many different fronts. In response to this ambition driven diversity, the growth it fuels and the level of professionalism it necessitates, the club, its structure and its operation has evolved both organically and through deliberate change.

The challenge for SUSFC lies in managing this evolution in such a way that the essence of 'the club' is not lost in the cracks of its ambitious diversity but becomes the unifying force that combines and intertwines to tell 'our story'.

Andrew Bray
PRESIDENT

Swimming

The Sydney Uni Swimming Club (SUSC) provides competition opportunities for swimmers at Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF), from the bright eyed five year old up to the seasoned high performance swimmer.

SUSC swimmers competed at all levels of competitions in 2012, starting from in-house competitions at monthly club nights, held at the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre, to the 2012 London Paralympics.

The achievement of SUSC swimmers are too numerous to list here in detail. All swimmers should however, be proud of their well-deserved achievements and are to be congratulated on their commitment and determination.

Three SUSC swimmers were named on the Australian team for the 2012 London Paralympics – Prue Watt, Katrina Porter and Sarah Rose.

Prue Watt achieved gold in S13 100m breaststroke, one bronze in S13 50m freestyle, two Oceania records and two Australian records. She was a finalist in the 100m freestyle and 200m IM.

Katrina Porter reached the finals in S7 100m freestyle, 400m freestyle, 100m backstroke and 100m breaststroke.

Sarah Rose reached the finals in S6 50m butterfly, setting an Oceania and Australian record.

Junior swimmer Madeleine Fairlie competed at the 2012 School Sport Australia Championships and achieved a gold medal in the girls 10 years 100m backstroke and a silver medal in the girls 10 years 50m backstroke.

SUSC remembers some of the dedicated SUSF coaches of the past at its annual Presentation Day, by recognising outstanding achievements of selected swimmers with awards in their names.

The 2012 Sutto award (named after Brian Sutton) for the swimmer who has shown most consistent commitment to training and club events and who has also consistently supported team members over the past season went to Dylan Rubin.

The Garry Lennon Scholarship for achievement, paying for the 2013 squad fees, as well as entry fees for Metropolitan and State Championships for one junior girl went to Paige Burland.

The 2012 Steve Alderman award for outstanding performance and sportsmanship of a High Performance swimmer went to Sarah Rose.

The success of the club depends on the cooperation of all stakeholders involved: athletes, coaches, parents and carers, SUSF high performance, SUSF operations and SUSF Swim School.

The club appreciates all positive contributions from stakeholders, often going far beyond their call of duty and is looking forward to growing from strength to strength in 2013.

Michaela Ferrier
SECRETARY



Table Tennis



2012 was a very challenging year for the Sydney Uni Table Tennis Club (SUTTC), but not ultimately an impediment to the continuing development of the club for both social and recreational table tennis, and at all levels of competition in the sport.

Temporary displacement off campus due to building works affected the club greatly due to the space available and also the inconvenience of travel, especially for social players, which are also a funnel into some of our beginner and intermediate competitive and training activities. Throughout the relocation the club are very grateful for the professionalism and support of Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness staff and the University, without this the club would have been unable to maintain any regular playing facilities, and would have suffered long term damage.

The club ran a Sunday Open Competition at the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre, attracting 95 entries across premier level, grade and novice events. This was far better than previous tournaments, despite some obvious areas for improvement, and nearly as large as some of the most established NSW tournaments. The venue was likely one of the key factors, and the prospect of being able to play there regularly from mid 2013 opens

up an exciting new era of opportunity for the club, not only for showcase events and training groups, but to set up accessible and attractive options for social play and involve people in the sport.

The club had 75 players in 2012 (mostly social), and were represented at both the NSW Thursday night pennant and the Australian University Games. In the NSW pennant, the club was not victorious in division 1, but strong enough that with the new division structure in 2013 the team could be promoted to a place in the premier division.

The club also made contact with several very strong student age players through a combination of fortuity and running events designed to increase the club's visibility to players. As 2013 Sydney Uni students, these will form the core of a championship level training group for the first time.

Table tennis is played by over 30 million competitors worldwide, with an especially strong following in many European and Asian countries, and money leagues in China, Japan and Europe. It is one of the fastest, if not the fastest paced of the Olympic sports, providing, at a competitive level, unique challenges to coordination and reactions, fast thinking under pressure, mental focus and perception, physical fitness, agility and balance. At the same time, it is very accessible for almost anybody to play. The club is proud to offer a friendly, welcoming and multicultural environment.

Executive Committee

Taekwondo

This year the Sydney University Taekwondo Club (SUTC) faced many challenges, the toughest of which was the relocation of the club's training venue from on campus to off campus. The club experienced lower membership and member retainment throughout the year, as many students found the facility too far from campus. This also had an impact on training, as the Australia Street Warehouse venue's training space was not ideal for taekwondo training.

Despite this, the club was still able to achieve outstanding results at tournaments. The club hopes that with the construction of the Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre extension due to be completed in 2013, membership numbers and attendance will be boosted next year.

Due to the club's low membership attendance, SUTC put a large focus on publicity and fundraising this year. The club was able to host six fundraising events during the year, and five demonstrations for various events and associations, which is a lot more the club has ever attempted in the past. The efforts that the committee and members put into fundraising allowed the club to support the members participating in the Australian University Games (AUG). The club was able to raise publicity by performing demonstrations throughout the year, and this really helped SUTC gain new members.

The club really showed its strengths at the Australian University Games this year, sending 10 members to Adelaide – winning six gold medals, three silver medals and three bronze medals in the sparring and poomsae tournaments. Overall the club finished third, which was an outstanding effort considering the number of members in attendance. The club not only displayed a high level of performance, but were also able to forge a strong team bond through the course of the competition. The members and coaches showed excellent sportsmanship on and off the mat, and were able to represent the university and club with pride. The AUG are always a great opportunity for taekwondo practitioners to test their skills and the club hopes to continue to provide its members with the opportunity to participate at future AUG.

Aside from the AUG, the club competed in two state competitions and a national competition, and two inter-university sparring competitions. Throughout the year the club held tournament sparring and poomsae classes, with an eye toward improving member's abilities at competitions. With the help of club coaches, SUTC were able to send 16 members to these competitions and achieved excellent results – winning seven gold medals, six silver medals and one bronze medal. The club thanks all the members and coaches that helped our members achieve such fantastic results.

Despite the challenges we faced this year the club was still able to perform at a level that would make the University proud. The club maintained the high spirit that it is known for, and displayed an impressive amount of tenacity in times of adversity. This would not have been possible without the support of the club's coaches and members, who have continued to motivate and instill a strong passion for taekwondo. The club hopes that this level of motivation and passion is maintained for future generations of SUTC members.

Harry Jun
PRESIDENT



Tennis

Continued growth in the Sydney University Lawn Tennis Club's membership resulted in corresponding increases in financial member contributions to Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness and in the number of athletes representing the university in Australian University Sport, Tennis Sydney Badge competitions and Tennis Australia tournaments.

The Sydney University Open tournament was again held as a Tennis Australia Silver category Australian Money Tournament in 2012. This year's tournament was conducted from 16-20 September with a contingent of Sydney University players competing in all events. The men's singles title was won by the number one seed, Jonathon Cooper, who defeated number four seed Sean Carson 3-6, 7-6, 6-4 in the final. The women's singles was won by number five seed, Pamela Boyanov, who defeated number one seed Danielle Wagland in straight sets 6-4, 7-5 in the final. Sydney University pairs won both open doubles titles. Christopher Peters and Michael Power won the men's doubles final after surviving five match points in the match tie-breaker. They defeated the number two seeds, Mitchell George and Nathan Lewis, 2-6, 6-3, 11-9. Rachel Assef and Rebecca Goh won the women's doubles final 2-6, 6-3, 10-8.

Social tennis was organised for club members during the university semester on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, in consultation with SUSF grounds staff and the Arena Sports Centre. Thanks must go to Tom Boele, Nanako Ogasawara, Maria Pesut and Sachin Shrestha for their voluntary organisation of club social play.

The club's SUSF scholarship recipients were Kris Balakrishnan, Gavin Levy, Michael Power, Alex Silcock, Anthony Tuong, Rachel Assef, Bianca Chidrawi, Hayley Ericksen and Benita Milenkiewicz. Violetta Nosareva was a TAP recipient.

Women's competition results were as follows:

- Six teams were entered in the MGCCA Autumn Badge competition: SU1 won Premier League Division 2, SU3 semi-finalists in grade 1/3, SU5 semi-finalists in grade 2/2;
- Australian University Games winners: Rachel Assef, Benita Milenkiewicz, Sarah Nathan, Violetta Nosareva, Mia Price, Annabelle Scott;
- AUG Green & Gold team representative: Rachel Assef; and
- Four teams were entered in the MGCCA Spring Badge competition: SU5 runners up in Grade 2, SU7 and SU8 semi-finalists in grade 2.

Men's competition results were as follows:

- Nine teams were entered in the MGCCA Autumn Badge competition: SU7 runners up in grade 2/6, SU9 semi-finalists in grade 3/1;
- Finished fifth at the Australian University Games: Cameron Farrell, Gavin Levy, Wilson Liu, Michael Power and Freddy Rozenshteyn;
- AUG Green & Gold team representative: Gavin Levy; and
- Seven teams were entered in the MGCCA Spring Badge competition: SU1 semi-finalists in grade 1, SU2 winners in grade 2, SU3 semi-finalists in grade 2.

Rob Jackson
OPERATIONS COORDINATOR



Touch Football



Sydney University Touch Club's Monday night competition proved a great success in 2012. The student league competition was completely filled during O Week, signing up over 100 competitors. The club's winter competition saw 32 teams compete, after having turned away almost half of the teams that expressed interest in playing. Continuing on from the summer competition format established in 2011, the summer competition has been expanded to four time slots with a Super 6 competition, Division 2 and a two tiered Division 3 competition.

The University's main campus sent three teams to the Eastern University Games (EUG) in Tamworth. The Cumberland campus also sent a men's, women's and mixed team. The women's team secured a gold medal.

This year's Australian University Games was held in Adelaide, with the club sending three teams – a men's, women's and mixed team. Despite putting in a great effort all three teams struggled to make the finals. The club would like to thank all the managers involved for their excellent work, as well as Luke Salvaterra for his excellent coaching.

The club began its year with O Week. Whilst O Week is primarily about getting people to sign up for the club, there is also a social aspect for the people in the stall. This is always a good opportunity to distribute some information regarding Uni Games, Varsity, Student League and the pub crawl.

The club started the year with a caveman pub crawl through the streets of Surry Hills. The main objective of the event was to introduce new members

from the Student League into the club. The night was an overwhelming success with many participants asking if the club could turn it into a bi-annual event.

This year also saw the 12th Annual BEAFS Awards night, where many members of the club were thanked and rewarded for their efforts. This year saw a vast improvement on last year's numbers which is a testament to the enthusiasm of the club's newest members.

Sydney University continues to provide a large number of players to Varsity, which consists of Sydney Uni, UTS and to a lesser extent Macquarie University. This year saw the development of the varsity second women's team which competed in the Vawdon Cup competitions. As well as this, after a disappointing Vawdon Cup campaign last year, the men's team made the finals of the men's division 1 competition.

This year the women's squad maintained enough support to enter two teams into the Vawdon Cup – one in the women's Premier League and the other in division 2. Both teams didn't make the final, however they have both put themselves in a very competitive position coming into State Cup.

The club would like to thank the members of the executive for all their help in running the club this year, with some fantastic results at Uni Games and State Cup. The club would also like to thank everyone else who attended the Yass Knockout, EUG, AUG, State Cup, Vawdon Cup, the Student League pub crawl, as well as everyone who helped out at O Week and in the Student League.

The club would like to make special mention of Paul Hickey's contribution to Sydney Uni touch football since its inception. Paul, better known as Victa, has been the driving force behind the club for the last decade. He has put in countless hours to organise Uni Games', social events, pub crawls, several beer olympics, social competitions, Student Leagues, State Cups, Vawdon Cups, Sydney Champs as well as starting the Varsity Touch Football Association. Without his continuing involvement the club would definitely not be in the strong position it is today, and it was what led to his nomination for Administrator of the Year at last year's NSW Touch Blues Awards Night. 2013 will be Victa's last on the committee and the club will be much poorer as a result.

Tom McNamara
PRESIDENT

Ultimate Frisbee

This year the club executive and newly appointed coach Brett Latham made the decision to re-establish the Sydney University Ultimate Frisbee Club (SUUFA). A large number of world and elite level players graduated the previous year or went on exchange so the club changed the focus from recruiting as many members as possible to recruiting members with the potential to excel within the sport.

Despite the rain, SUUFA had a very strong O Week and learn-to-play session with over 60 new people coming out to learn the basics of ultimate and view a demonstration game between the senior players within the club. They were also treated to pizza and drinks organised by club social coordinators who then fiercely led them out for a night on the town starting at the Roxbury Hotel (one of the club's new sponsors) where the team bonding began as they were introduced to the social side of the sport.

In 2012 the club continued the tradition of hosting the Sydney University IV tournament in April. 13 different university teams travelled out from as far as Canberra to take part in the event with three of those being Sydney University teams which placed third, seventh and tenth. This was a great event that helped the club to retain new Sydney University ultimate players.

This year, instead of sending two teams to the Eastern University Games (EUG), Brett and the club executives decided to focus their entire attention on one team due to the number of beginner players now outweighing the number of intermediates. Brett inspired all selected intermediate EUG representatives to step out of their comfort zone and into unfamiliar roles on the field and set high standards for rookies, which they all exceeded. Due to the club's relatively unknown roster, the ultimate community had lower expectations for Sydney University than in previous years; however the team fought hard to overcome this and placed a respectable third.

Despite a strong performance at the Australian University Games (AUG) – Sydney Uni defeated the winner of the 2012 EUG and the AUG silver medallists – Sydney University was unfortunately relegated to division 2 for 2013. The club's objective for next year is to regain a spot in division 1 by playing with the same intensity and taking out the top spot in division 2.

Tamara Schai
PRESIDENT



Velo

2012 marked the second full year of operation for the Sydney Uni Velo Club (SU Velo), and will go down as a year in which the club experienced an unprecedented growth in membership and its standing in the broader cycling community.

Having officially ended 2011 with 120 members, in 2012 the club finished with 276 members and extremely positive momentum which has seen an influx of members transferring in from other clubs, along with entirely new participants to the sport of cycling.

SU Velo has, and always will have, racing and development of its riders at the heart of its philosophy. Members are encouraged to get involved in racing, and the ride program is designed to improve performance, rather than just be a case of "going for a ride". The ride program sees organised SU Velo groups in club kit on the road each day bar Mondays, and it is not uncommon for weekend bunches to total over 100 riders in various groups.

A key plank in the clubs performance strategy was the formation of the SU Velo race squad. 15 of the clubs best-performed cyclists raced with great distinction at the highest levels of amateur cycling across the country. Brad Hannaford won the overall title of National Road Masters 1 champion.

The squad was granted wild card status to the 260km Grafton to Inverell Classic. Student rider Daniel Pinczewski finished just 10 seconds behind the winner, giving the club great faith that the development ethos on which the club was formed will lead to great things.

Outside the race squad, Connor Hughes won the C grade Grafton to Inverell. He also finished fifth overall in the Masters category of the prestigious Tour of Bright in the Victorian Alps.

Other notable results included State TTT women's silver and men's elite fifth; Chris Tune finished men's club champion; and Melissa Neumaier women's club champion.

SU Velo members also constituted a large majority of the Uni Games team sent to Adelaide by Sydney Uni that finished as overall combined winners, with the women's and men's team placing second in their individual categories.

The club was also well represented in two of the larger Gran Fondo-style events held in Australia. SU Velo had 20 riders at the Amy's Gran Fondo in Lorne, Victoria, many of whom finished in the top 25% of their age groups and thus earned themselves a place at the World Masters Games in Italy in July 2013. At the Blayney to Bathurst Classic, 50 SU Velo riders made their presence felt in all categories from the over 55's through to the NRS 160km race.

SU Velo's own racing calendar was expanded to hold monthly races. The club regularly saw total fields of up to 135 riders across four men's and two women's grades, which was a remarkable achievement for the first full year of hosting monthly races. Indeed, the club are one of only two clubs to offer regular women-only grades, a point of differentiation which has led to a substantial pick-up in the growth of SU Velo's female membership.

SU Velo welcomed several new sponsors for 2012. Hedloc, Staminade, Malaya and BT Cycle Solutions were all welcomed aboard as significant financial contributors, as well as receiving ongoing financial contributions from continuing sponsors Clifford Chance and Sports Focus Physiotherapy. These contributions, along with SUSF's support and a healthy cash flow from an expanding membership base, have ensured that SU Velo has remained in a healthy financial state. This will enable the club to enhance its range of activities and services that can be provided to members in the years ahead.

The club sees continued membership growth in the year ahead as the SU Velo brand and identity becomes further established within the cycling community – indeed, one of the clubs greatest challenges will be to ensure that it retains the development and performance identity that has been the key to success thus far. SU Velo does, however, remain confident that the club has the structures in place to allow the club to grow and prosper in the right direction.

It is anticipated that the race squad activities will be expanded to include more participants and more races, and SU Velo also plans to expand the racing calendar to take in more dates and more venues.

In summary, 2013 is to be a year in which SU Velo consolidates and builds on what was achieved in a successful 2012.

Andrew Best
PRESIDENT



Volleyball

2012 was an exciting year for the Sydney University Volleyball Club (SUVC). Big changes were made to help shift its focus from short term results to long term development; new coaches were brought on board; redesigned strength and conditioning programs; and the introduction of cross-training activities such as rock-climbing were some key initiatives.

The club was able to achieve growth in membership across its social programs. Participation in Varsity, State and National programs remained constant.

SUVC experienced strong performances by both the men's and women's teams at the Australian University Games (AUG), with the women's team narrowly missing out on gold in the grand final. Anthony Rowda and Erica Schultz played exceptionally well throughout the week and were rewarded for their performances by being selected in the men's and women's Australian Green & Gold merit teams.

The women's honours team pushed through the entire season undefeated and won the state title in spectacular fashion. Stef Lalic and Dana Hutchinson were selected from Sydney Uni for the NSW all-star merit team. The women's division 1 team fought a tough battle in the grand final but narrowly missed out on gold, finishing in second place. The men's honours and division 1 teams played competitively throughout the season but could not secure places in finals.

Nikolas Kukic (U17), George Fountotos (U17), Marcus Robinson (U19), Ben Lalic (U23) and Ding Xiao (U23) were all selected from the club to represent NSW at the Australian National Junior Championships. The NSW U17 boys went on to win the national title.

UTSSU – a partnership between Sydney Uni and UTS Volleyball clubs – continued its 2012 campaign in the Australian Volleyball League. The women's team finished in fifth place, while the men's team finished in seventh place.

Overall, 2012 was a fruitful year. 2013 promises to be another exciting year, with the new facility on campus due for completion opening up opportunities for club growth and development.

The club would like to thank all of its committee members, coaches, trainers, team managers, players, volunteers, social program organisers, club members and Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness for their efforts and continued support.

David Abdulla
PRESIDENT



Water Polo - Men



The Sydney Uni Men's Water Polo Club (SUMWPC) enjoyed another successful season culminating with retaining the first division Club Championship for the 2011/12 summer season. Underpinning this success was the M2 and M3 'Blue' teams and U14 team winning gold medals plus the M1 and U18 teams winning silver medals in their respective competitions.

It is also pleasing to note that the club competed in the finals (winning five) for all grades who entered juniors and seniors in both the 2011 winter and 2011/12 summer competitions. Success was also enjoyed at the Southgate Inn Invitational tournament in Tamworth (October 2011) where the University team were undefeated in winning the \$2,000 first prize.

Once again the club entered the most number of senior teams in the 2011/12 Sydney Metro summer competitions. This structure has not only seen successful team results but also provides an opportunity for junior members to gain valuable experience in first division grade. In the 2011/12 summer season the third grade teams saw 50% of players being juniors.

The 2012 National League saw the team qualify for the finals series in fifth position after inconsistent performances during the final round games. The team entered the finals with some form on the board winning three of the last four games highlighted by an amazing fight back win against Drummoyne. In the finals they lifted their performance against higher ranked teams and were the first team to qualify for the medal games. A fourth place was achieved

after an 8-7 loss in extra time to arch rivals Wests (minor premiers). This was a very credible result following on the bronze medal win in 2011.

The bronze medal playoff game in the National League finals saw Ali Visch become the first player to record a 400 games milestone. Trent Franklin and Ali Visch also achieved milestones of scoring 700 and 500 goals respectively.

The juniors have achieved some good results particularly at the NSW Championships with U20 and U16 teams winning bronze medals and the U14s winning the silver medal with an inexperienced team.

Sydney University won the gold medal at the 2012 Australian University Games which were played in Adelaide in September 2012.

A number of players have once again achieved the honour of being selected to represent Australian in open, junior and youth team squads. The selections are headed by Thomas Whalan, who was selected for his fourth Olympics and Rob Maitland who was part of the Olympic Squad, with both playing in the Australian teams at the 2012 Pan Pacs and touring in the lead up to the Olympics. Trent Franklin and Thomas Whalan once again were selected in the 2012 Australian All Stars team. It was great to see Tom McJannett, Will Cotterill, Jai McNamara and Keegan Wicken making Australian squads for the first time.

Rob Maitland continued to play professional polo in Spain and has supported the club when back in town on Australian team duties. Jeremy Davies has also had another successful year playing for the University of Southern California (USC) in America winning a third NCAA championship and receiving an All-American Honourable mention.

The end of the 2012 also saw the Sydney University M1 team take out gold in the summer 2012/13 final.

Antony Green
PRESIDENT

Water Polo - Women

2012 was a year of transition and change within the Sydney University Women's Water Polo Club (SUWWPC).

Former Australian coach Ian Trent returned to the club to take on the role of National League coach, but unfortunately a number of established players from previous years retired from top competitive level water polo, leaving Sydney Uni's team severely depleted.

Major losses were representative players Alicia Brightwell and Emily Scott, both of whom spent the season studying and playing in NCAA competition in the United States.

Despite a lack of experience and severe injury problems Sydney Uni had an 11-11 record to miss out on the finals by just two points. Under the circumstances it was a great effort from the team.

The year saw the emergence of Hannah Buckling in the National squad, taking out the Australian Water Polo Young Player of the Year Award.

With Keesja Gofers taking a break from representative duties and with others overseas, Buckling, Gabby Wikman and Georgia Clark established themselves as NSWIS scholarship holders and took on leadership roles at Sydney Uni.

Prior to the Sydney Ladies 1 Premiership the club's vision was to start the process of utilising the SUSF Elite Athlete Program; recruit former and current Sydney Uni students and graduates; and develop a pathway relationship with the Sydney Northern Beaches junior club.

Graduates Lea Barta and Michelle Walsh joined the club as did Sydney Uni undergraduate Holly Edstein, as well as Tahlia Bogg, Bec Curtis, Bronte Halligan and Kristy Donkin.

Although hampered by illness and injury, Emily Scott returned from the US, thus creating an almost new L1 roster. The results were pleasing with the team going through the L1 season undefeated, winning the grand final in convincing fashion (11-5) over old rivals Balmain.

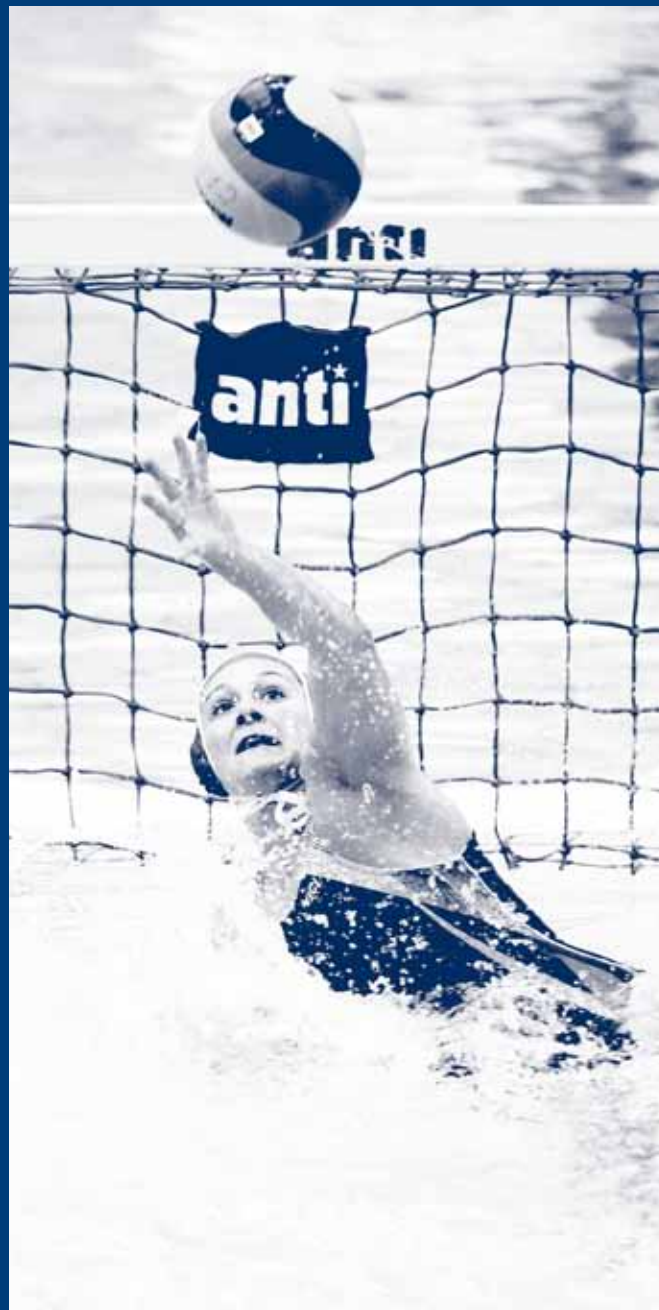
The late year appointment of Ian Trent as Director brings his experience back to the club. His brief is to re-establish Sydney Uni as one of the elite clubs in Australia and the early signs are positive that Ian and the committee can achieve that goal over a period of time.

In the junior ranks SUWWPC have slowly built competitive teams in the U14 and U16 divisions. The U14 team has a number of young girls playing water polo for the first time. They are developing well and the club looks forward to their development in coming years.

One of the clubs up and coming U18 players, Emma Lewis, had a breakout year – making the NSW Waratahs team for the U18 Pan Pacific games in New Zealand in July. She has been a Sydney Uni player from U14's and played in the champion L1 team.

Goalkeeper Georgia Rossettin, another of the clubs talented juniors in U18 team, was selected in the Australian School Girls team for a tour of New Zealand. She was joined in the team by new Sydney Uni L1 team members Tahlia Bogg and Bronte Halligan.

On the management side, the club has an all new committee who have established a very effective website presence, we have people dedicating themselves to specific roles such as fundraising, referee scheduling, and uniforms which are generously being managed by Catfish Designs.



SUWWPC thanks Robert and Robin Allan, Leanne McKee, Joanna Chojnacki and Karen Bonello for their assistance throughout season 2012.

The club is also supported by the specific team managers – Michael Knapp, Leanne McKee, Rob Harding, Leigh Davies, Sarah Hartson, and coaches – Ivana Drakulic, Kari Cook, Gabby Wikman, Jo Whitehorn – who so generously give their time.

While the club still has many things to do, 2012 has been a good year and SUWWPC look forward to a positive 2013.

Simon Lewis
PRESIDENT

Waterski & Wakeboarding

As a non-competitive club, the Sydney University Waterski & Wakeboard Club (SUWWC) have continued to introduce the sport to Sydney University students and the wider community. While the club is still attracting a number of short-term stay international students, many of the Sydney based members renewed their memberships and returned for the summer season.

Adaptations to the pricing structure didn't affect attendance levels at ride days and camps, but were put in place in order to cover perceived depreciation and replacement cost of the clubs boat.

The committee, in cooperation with SUSF, wanted to maintain and improve the profile and operation of the club and continued to build the membership base.

The club continues to build a base of boat captains (committee members who are licensed and capable of driving the boat and overseeing the smooth running of ride days) and educate members about boating safety and the intricacies of towing a skier. The club now has three members undergoing this training.

SUWWC anticipates a change in base location from Riverside Ski Park in Pitt Town to Cliftonville Ski Park in Wiseman's Ferry, which offers a number of benefits including cabin accommodation, a kiosk, barbeque facilities and a more suitable boatshed.

The club would like to further develop its online presence through the website and mailing list, and aim to coordinate this with its presence on social media.

SUWWC is trying to develop a competitive element within the club, whereby its members are equipped to compete at external competitions.

Another goal is to build and develop reciprocal relationships with other wakeboarding organisations to further develop the profile of the sport, boost its membership base and explore sponsorship opportunities.

In the future the club would like to focus on recruiting a predominantly student based membership with representation at committee level. Currently the committee runs the club from workplaces. Student administrative participation is essential for the future development and the longevity of the club.

SUWWC also needs to monitor the financial position of the club and update pricing accordingly in order to maintain the current boat and save for a new one in upcoming seasons. The clubs mission is to provide a safe and fun environment for all levels of participation, enabling members to progress their skills in a cost effective manner.

This season Alex Wilson was elected as new Club President after several seasons of service on the committee. Alex is an experienced wakeboard instructor and boat driver and the club looks forward to his continued enthusiasm in all things wakeboarding.

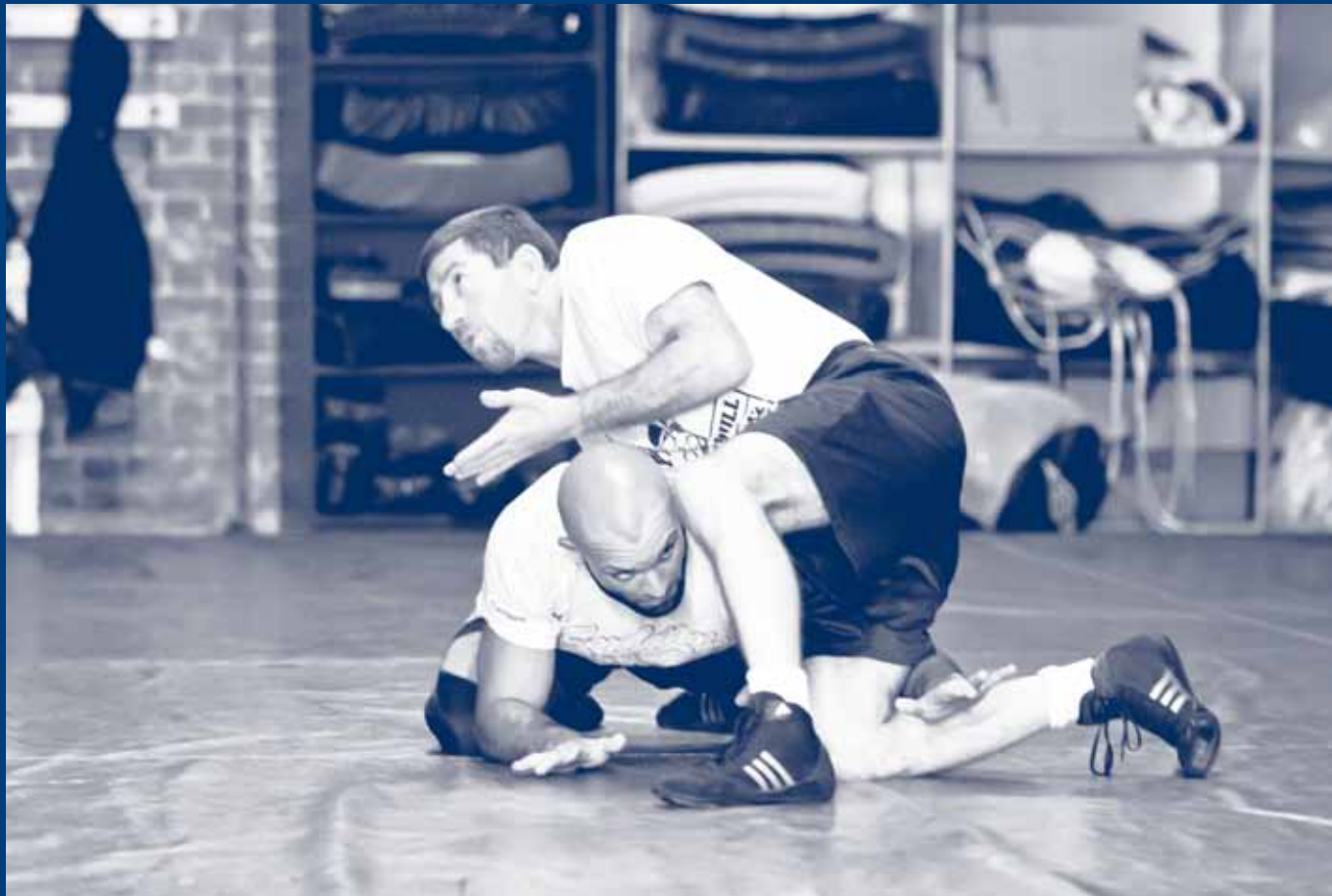
Giles Richardson was elected Club Captain and continues to be extremely active in maintenance of the boat, overseeing committee matters and training of new boat captains.

The club thanks both of them for their contributions in 2012.

Tim Wakeling
SECRETARY



Wrestling



2012 was a difficult year for the Sydney University Wrestling Club (SUWC). Following the closure of H.K. Ward and the resizing of the mat cover to fit the temporary Camperdown training facility, the club was forced to suspend training indefinitely.

As a result, members were redirected to alternative wrestling schools as were the enquiries to the club.

With the resolution of the mat cover issue coming several months later, the problem was enticing old and new members back to the club. This proved to be more difficult than expected as members and coaches had settled comfortably elsewhere.

As the coaches made a decision to return mid-year, club participation began to increase even though the numbers were still less than the old H.K. Ward days.

On the positive note, members still competed and represented the club in local, state, national and international competition.

Jayden Lawrence just missed out on his Olympic dream but wrestled well in the Olympic qualifiers and Junior World Championships in Thailand.

Brett Fitzgerald strengthened his campaign qualification for the 2014 Commonwealth Games after completing a training camp in Japan.

Locally, Chi Cheung (grappling coach) placed second in the NSW No-Gi Grappling tournament held at Sydney Uni Sports & Aquatic Centre.

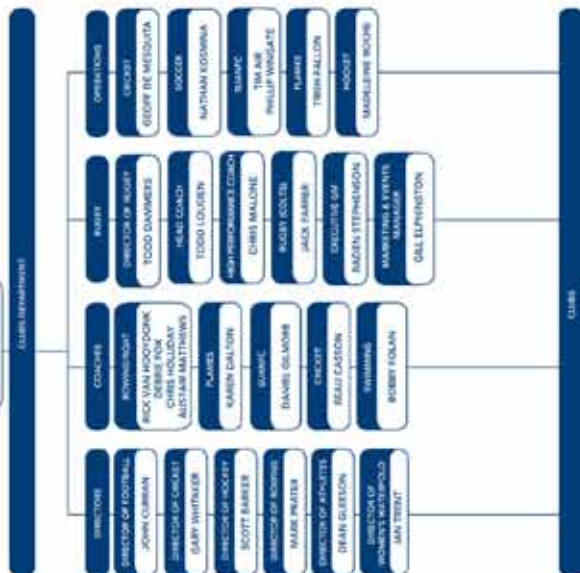
Long-time member Andrew Vasili placed first in the intermediate lightweight division in the same competition. Andrew also placed third in both the 2012 no-gi and gi divisions Pan Pacs in Melbourne.

After competing very well in local competitions, Desmond Terrain decided to head to New York to compete in a large New York invitational wrestling competition.

Despite the obstacles faced by the club early on, its outstanding results were achieved by its members. With the proposed new facility opening in 2013, the club is hopeful that the tough times are now in the past and everyone is looking forward to developing the sport.

SUWC members would like to thank Dez Nedim for sacrificing his travel commitments overseas to participate in wrestling seminars and camps this year in order to re-establish the club and bring it back to its full potential.

Justine Kalauni
TREASURER



Office Bearers

OFFICE BEARERS MEMBERSHIP

PATRON

Her Excellency Professor
Marie Bashir

LIFE GOVERNOR

Professor Sir Bruce Williams
(deceased August 2010)

PRESIDENT

Bruce Ross

VICE PRESIDENTS

Tom Carter

Julian Crowley

Freya Wilson

Emma Schiller

TREASURER

Patrick Cunningham

SENATE REPRESENTATIVES

Yasmin L'Estrange

Anne Titterton

Alan Williamson

Paul Slater

STUDENT MEMBERS OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Harriet Catterson

Andrew McNair

Edward De Carvalho

Edward Smith

Beatrix Sheldrick

Anika Lalic

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Rob Smithies

AUDITORS

Manser Tierney & Johnston

SOLICITORS

McGirr James Hall & Associates

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

McGirr James Hall & Associates

J Bartlett

JD Brockhoff

B Campbell

J A V Castle

V J Chalwin

M P Cunningham

S Donald

Professor A J Dunston

D Fanning

N Farr Jones

G Fulton

P Geidans

P C Greenland

G M Harris

I Harrison

J Jacobs

J Kardoss

J P Kean

K A Leonard

H G McCredie

P McGirr

D S MacLennon

Professor N D Martin

F H Masters

R V Minnett

H A Mitchell

C G Noel

I Parsons

S Pratt

M Rosenblum

B W Ross

Dr A W Rourke

P Sharp

R R Sharpe

J B Sharpe

J Spring

G P Stuckey

S H Suhan

J Thom

A Titterton

P Titterton

I Trent

Professor B R Williams

C Wilson

GENERAL COMMITTEE

In 2012, the General Committee met on 7 May and 15 October.

CLUBS

AFL (M&W)

American Football

Archery

Athletics

Badminton

Baseball

Basketball

Boat (M)

Boxing

Canoe

Cricket (M&W)

Fencing

Golf

Gymnastics

Handball

Hockey

Judo

Kempo Karate

Kendo

Netball

Rockclimbing and
Mountaineering

Rowing (W)

Rugby League

Rugby Union (M&W)

Sailing and Boardsailing

Ski

Soccer

Softball

Squash

Swimming

Table Tennis

Tae Kwon Do

Tennis

Touch

Ultimate Frisbee

Velo

Volleyball

Water polo (M&W)

Waterski and Wakeboard

Wrestling

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Management Committee met on 12 occasions during the year. The Committee consisted of:

Bruce Ross (Pres)

Rob Smithies (Exec. Director)

Tom Carter (VP)

Emma Schiller (VP)

Julian Crowley (VP)

Freya Wilson (VP)

Patrick Cunningham (Treasurer)

STUDENT REPS

Andrew McNair

Edward De Carvalho

Harriet Catterson

Edward Smith

Beatrix Sheldrick

Anika Lalic

REPS OF SENATE

Alan Williamson

Anne Titterton

Yasmin L'Estrange

Paul Slater

BLUES COMMITTEE

Bruce Ross

Rob Smithies

Anne Titterton

Dean Gleeson

Edward De Carvalho

Cheryl Collins

Mathew Demetriou

Ann Mitchell

Alix Kennedy

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Bruce Ross

Rob Smithies

Patrick Cunningham

Aleksandra Pozder

Paul Slater



Sydney Uni
SPORT & FITNESS

SPORTSMAN
OF THE YEAR
2012

Nicholas Hough
Athletics



Honours & Traditions

ANNUAL SPORTS AWARDS 2012

FEMALE CLUB ADMINISTRATOR

Melissa Neumaier (Velo)

MALE CLUB ADMINISTRATOR

David Mifsud (Cricket – Women)

PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

Baden Stephenson

AUG CLUB OF THE YEAR

Athletics

CLUB OF THE YEAR

American football

PREMIER CLUB OF THE YEAR

Athletics and Rugby

COACH OF THE YEAR

Rod Cutler (Rugby – Women)

PREMIER COACH OF THE YEAR

Todd Loudon (Rugby) and
Mark Prater (Boat)

SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

Jessica Fox (Kayak)

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Nicholas Hough (Athletics)

GOLD RECIPIENTS

The University Gold is awarded in recognition of outstanding services by an individual to a constituent club or to Sydney University Sport over a minimum of 7 years. Gold's for 2012 were presented to:

Alexandra Blackwell (Cricket)

Andrew Bray (Soccer)

Andrew Coorey (Rugby)

Johnny Lewis (Boxing)

John McCarthy (SUSF)

Anne Simmons (Hockey)

BLUE RECIPIENTS

The Blue is the highest sporting honour awarded at the University of Sydney. It is awarded annually for outstanding performance in a sport. Blues for 2012 were awarded to:

Rachel Assef (Tennis)

Amelia Clark (Athletics)

Jack Colreavy (Athletics)

James Crowley (Cricket)

Joanna Cubis (Athletics)

Christopher Cunningham-Reid (Boat)

Trent Dyer (Rugby)

Ryan Edwards (Boat)

Jessica Fox (Canoe)

Peter Kelly (Hockey)

Daniel Kelly (Rugby)

Ilana Krigstein (Soccer)

Nicholas Larkin (Cricket)

Holly Lawrence (Rowing)

Katrina Porter (Swimming)

Joshua Ralph (Athletics)

William Raven (Boat)

Jonathon Rundle (Boat)

Nicholas Stirzaker (Rugby)

Hollie Webster (Hockey)

Alexander Wong (Cycling)

FEMALE BLUE OF THE YEAR

Jessica Fox (Kayak)

MALE BLUE OF THE YEAR

Ryan Edwards (Boat)

PRESIDENTS

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY SPORT / SYDNEY UNI SPORT & FITNESS

2003 – 12 B. W. Ross

Honours & Traditions

SPORTS UNION

1991 – 02 B.W. Ross

1989 – 91 M. P. Cunningham

1988 – 89 K. Tuffley

1978 – 88 J. P. Kean

1977 – 78 Dr D. D. Ridley

1972 – 76 R. G. Rosenblum

1969 – 72 Dr A. J. Tahmindjis

1966 – 69 V. J. Chalwin

1963 – 66 Prof. A. J. Dunston

1961 – 63 H.G. McCreadie

1957 – 61 Prof A. J. Dunston

1953 – 57 D. K. Donald

1950 – 53 Dr G. Phillips

1949 – 50 Prof. F. S. Cotton

1945 – 49 Prof. F. A. Eastaugh

1942 – 45 A. Maccoll

1941 – 42 Dr J. Andrews

1939 – 41 Dr R. B. Madgwick

1936 – 39 Dr G. Phillips

1934 – 36 R. N. McColloch

1933 – 34 A. Ross Nott

1930 – 33 Dr G. Bruce Hill

1927 – 30 V. H. Treatt

1924 – 27 G. P. Stuckey

1922 – 24 Brig. Gen. I. G. Mackay

1921 – 22 Dr L. Utz

1920 – 21 H. Clayton

1918 – 20 B. C. Fuller

1917 – 18 H. S. Utz

1914 – 17 H. Marks

1913 – 14 De C. Armstrong

1910 – 13 De L. Arnold

1909 – 10 H. M. Stephen

1908 – 09 J. S. Cargill

1904 – 08 H. F. Maxwell

1903 – 04 C. H. Helsham

1900 – 03 A. H. Uther

1897 – 03 The Hon. H. N. Mac Laurin

1895 – 97 The Hon. Sir William Windever

1890 – 95 Sir William Manning

WOMEN'S SPORTS ASSOCIATION

2000 – 02 D. Wee

1992 – 00 J. Thom

1983 – 92 C Wilson

1982 – 83 C. Mills

1981 – 82 I. Parsons

1980 – 81 A. Alcock

1979 – 80 I. Parsons

1978 – 79 J. Lenton

1976 – 78 S. Pratt

1974 – 76 S. Knox

1963 – 74 M. Dive

1959 – 63 P. Latimer

1957 – 59 M. Swain

1954 – 57 L. McKinney

1951 – 54 B. Archidale

1949 – 51 K. McCreadie

1943 – 49 J. Bartlett

1938 – 42 G. Dakin

1935 – 38 D. Dew

1933 – 35 M. Peden

1932 – 33 M. Telfer

1926 – 32 K. Ogilvie

1925 – 26 J. Street

1922 – 25 A. Ingram

1913 – 22 N. D. Meares

1910 – 13 M. W. McCallum

Scholarships

VICE CHANCELLOR'S

Andrew Giltrap	Athletics
Jaimee Maree Kennedy	Flames

SENATE

Karina Bangel	Athletics
Ronan Casey	Athletics
Freya Danae Wilson	Athletics
James Crowley	Cricket
Georgia Forbes-Smith	Hockey
Benjamin Morrell	Hockey
Thomas Michael McClintock	Rowing
Monika Ann Holmwood	Soccer
Phoebe Miley-Dyer	Surfing
Bianca Rose Chidrawi	Tennis

SENATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOOL LEAVERS

Jessica Fox	Canoe Slalom
Jonathan Vaux	Rugby

BUSINESS SCHOOL UNDERGRADUATE

Emma Elizabeth Gray	Swimming
Alix Kennedy	Athletics
Thomas Kingston	Rugby
Kurtis Larsen	Rugby
Benn Melrose	Rugby
Katrina Porter	Swimming
Nicholas Richard Stirzaker	Rugby

BUSINESS SCHOOL POSTGRADUATE

Adam James Campbell	Australian Football
Mathew Demetriou	Soccer
Peter Dugmore	Australian Football
Ryan Edwards	Rowing
Edward Fernon	Modern Pentathlon
Ryan Silvester	Australian Football

DONORS

ADAM SPENCER

Olivia Kennedy	Soccer
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ALEKSANDRA POZDER

Lara Ellen Tamsett	Athletics
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ALLAN KENDALL

Michael Power	Tennis
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BLUE & GOLD CLUB

Prashanth Sainath Sellathurai	Gymnastics
Krystal Weir	Sailing

BLUES ASSOCIATION

Oliver Skelding	Soccer
Sam McConnell	Swimming
Gabrielle Victoria Grace Woodhouse	Volleyball

BUILD CORP

Byron Hodge	Rugby
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BUPA/MBF HEALTH

Hannah Buckling	Water Polo
Nicholas Alexander Hough	Athletics
Sarah Jane Stewart	Wheelchair Basketball

COLLINS/PEASLEY

Lachlan Renshaw	Athletics
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KAYE DENING

Benita Milenkiewicz	Tennis
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MOLLIE DIVE

Nina Khoury	Hockey
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PHILIP RUNDLE

Anneliese Rubie	Athletics
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RALPH'S CAFE/PANEBIANCO

Katie-Rae Ebzery	Flames
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RAY HYSLOP

Ihsan Savran	Soccer
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RON RUSHBROOKE

Jasper Odgers	Baseball
Ivan Turnbull	Baseball

ROSS BROWN

Tim Reid	Rugby
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WARRICK SEGAL

Alvaro Siul Malmierca	Soccer
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COLLEGE

ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE

Rachel Anne Assef	Tennis
Hannah Buckling	Water Polo
Christopher Duncan Cunningham-Reid	Rowing
Hugh Douglas Frazer	Rugby
Stuart Goodman	Rugby
Christina Grun	Athletics
Peter Koster	Rowing
Benjamin John Lawley	Rugby
Holly Ruth Lawrence	Rugby
Elliot James Messara	Rugby
Guy Philip Millar	Rugby
James Nonu-Carling	Rugby
Daniel Maxwell Potts	Rugby
Michael Power	Tennis
Richard Quigley	Rugby
Samuel Nicholas Quinn	Rugby
Liam Robertson	Cricket
Jonathon Rundle	Rowing
Beatrix Hope Sheldrick	Rowing
Nicholas Richard Stirzaker	Rugby
Fiona Caroline Tout	Hockey
Jonathan Vaux	Rugby
Hugh Llewelyn Williams	Athletics

Scholarships

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE	
James Dargaville	Rugby
Jack Elliott Thomas de Guingand	Rugby
Angus Timothy Roberts	Rugby
Alastair Ryan	Rugby
Sasha Elisabeth Ryan	Sailing
ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE	
Christopher Wilson Verle Ingate	Rugby
Kurtis Larsen	Rugby
Benn Melrose	Rugby
WESLEY COLLEGE	
Blake Barden	Wrestling
Daniel Adam Cope	Rugby
Thomas Kearns	Water Polo
Jock Merriman	Rugby
Georgina Elizabeth Morgan	Hockey
Meagan Ramsay	Swimming
Tim Reid	Rugby
WOMEN'S COLLEGE	
Jamaya Ferguson	Hockey
Alice Marea Victoria Keighley	Handball
OTHER	
SYDNEY UNIVERSITY VILLAGE	
Katrina Porter	Swimming
Prue Watt	Swimming
THE TRUST COMPANY	
Timothy Barton	Australian Football
Jethro James Braico	Australian Football
SYDNEY UNI SPORT & FITNESS - NEW	
Aaron Carbury	American Football
Cameron Albert Prentice	American Football
Eliza Barton	Athletics

Amelia Jane Clark	Athletics
Miles Peter Cole-Clark	Athletics
Jo Dawson	Athletics
Ian Dewhurst	Athletics
Keith Gregson	Athletics
Jonathan Joseph Hew	Athletics
Henry Jones	Athletics
Jin Su Jung	Athletics
Elliott Lang	Athletics
Christian Lozada	Athletics
Matthew Mountfort	Athletics
Lauren Emily Parsons	Athletics
Christie Pearson	Athletics
Joshua Aaron Ralph	Athletics
Thomas Soliman	Athletics
Bronte Stutchbury	Athletics
Joshua Tassell	Athletics
Jethro James Braico	Australian Football
David Gregory Conway	Australian Football
Ryan Edwards	Australian Football
Matthew Lemme	Australian Football
Jordan Ediss McCreary	Australian Football
Daniel Lyle Risby	Australian Football
Chameka Seshani Madurawe	Badminton
Brendan Yuhon Tieu	Badminton
Chloe Dalton	Basketball
Thomas Fernon	Boxing
Jared David Triggs	Cycling
Rosemary Claire Dunlop Stewart	Cycling - Mountain
Sancha Butler	Equestrian
Patrick Xavier Augustus Daley	Fencing
Anna Kovacs	Fencing
Samuel Mooney-Grand	Fencing
Jennifer Leslie Blow	Goal Ball
Jaelle Cohen	Gymnastics

Nikita Shivani Naidu	Gymnastics
Jenaed Goncalves Brodell	Hockey
Mathilda Carmichael	Hockey
Aaron Goninon	Hockey
Alistair Johnston	Hockey
Annalyse Lister	Hockey
Brandon Lourens	Hockey
Hannes Rieger	Hockey
Caitlin Rosser	Hockey
Cameron Rowland	Hockey
Cara Simpson	Hockey
Hollie Webster	Hockey
Jean Harris	Lifesaving
Elizabeth Cook-Black	Netball
Alison Mullens	Netball
Donnay Van Taak	Netball
Emily Beth Esposito	Pistol Shooting
Samuel John Cornwell	Rowing
Benjamin Edwards	Rowing
India Evans	Rowing
Jonathan Goddard	Rowing
Jack Hargreaves	Rowing
Nicola Metcalfe	Rowing
Taylor Morley	Rowing
Benjamin Scott	Rowing
Lydia Yerrell	Rowing
Alexander Batho	Rugby
Iliseva Batibasaga	Rugby
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Nicholas Robert Coaldrake	Rugby
Stephanie Cuvelier	Rugby
Dylan Jon Evans	Rugby
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Annabel Davies	Athletics
Esther Davis	Athletics
James Dooley	Athletics
Jacqueline Fry	Athletics
Hannah Gibbs	Athletics
Ruby Hackett	Athletics
Luke Alexander Harborne	Athletics
Derek Mulhearn	Athletics

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James Nipperess	Athletics
Courtney Owens	Athletics
Larissa Pasternatsky	Athletics
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Nicholas James Barton	Australian Football
Timothy Barton	Australian Football
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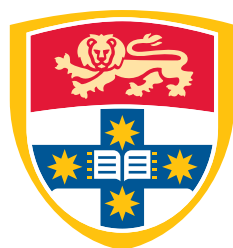
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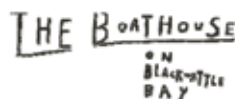
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