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Annual/Associate	781

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GENERAL COMMITTEE

In 2006, the General Committee met on 8th May and 16th October. A Special General Meeting was held on 16th October.

CLUBS

AFL (M&W)	Rifle
American Football	Rockclimbing & Mountaineering
Archery	Rowing (W)
Athletics	Rugby League
Badminton	Rugby Union (M&W)
Baseball	Sailing & Boardsailing
Basketball	Ski
Boat (M)	Soccer
Boxing	Softball
Canoe	Squash (M&W)
Cricket (M&W)	Swimming
Cycling & Triathlon	Table Tennis
Fencing	Taekwondo
Golf	Tennis
Gymsports	Touch
Handball	Ultimate Frisbee
Hockey	Volleyball
Judo	Water Polo (M&W)
Kempo Karate	Waterski & Wakeboard
Kendo	Wrestling
Netball	

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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

Bruce Ross
Greg Harris
Ed Binnie
Denise Wee
Patrick Cunningham
Bill McCredie
Christopher Noel
Anne Titterton
Georgina Brown
Felicity Goodwin
Anthony Gray
Aaron Jones
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James Yeung

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Michael Dickson
Greg Harris
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Anne Titterton
Denise Wee

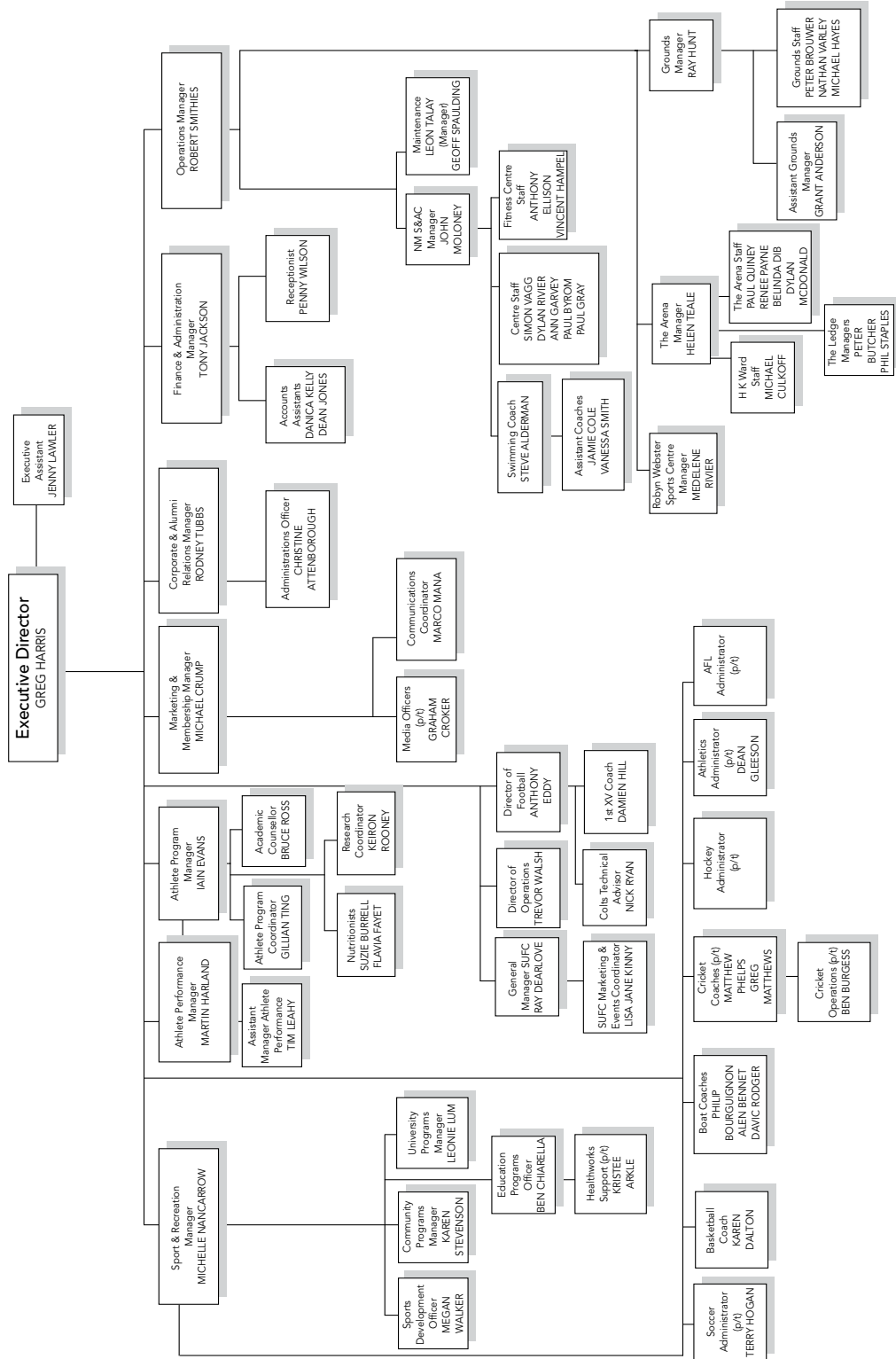
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MISSION STATEMENT:

To facilitate the optimal participation opportunities for our members and implement unique strategies for the development of our clubs and athletes.

2006 ORGANISATIONAL CHART - MARCH 14, 2007





PRESIDENT'S REPORT BY BRUCE ROSS

In common with other student bodies, Sydney University Sport has endured two years of turmoil and uncertainty as a result of the Federal Government's VSU legislation. Therefore it seems an appropriate point to take stock of where sport at our University currently stands.

The first point that I would emphasise is that, unlike our counterparts at most other Australian universities, we can look to the future with some degree of confidence. Throughout all the protracted negotiations, we have enjoyed unqualified support and encouragement from Chancellor Kim Santow, Vice-Chancellor Gavin Brown and the Convenor of the University Senate Sports Liaison Committee, John McCarthy. We were pleased and relieved when the Senate of the University voted to provide funding for the next three years.

Obviously there is an expectation that we will also pursue economies and revenue initiatives ourselves to minimise the impact of the lost fee income. At the time of writing, we are negotiating with the University administration to ensure that we will be able to maintain the integrity of our core programs.

Looking further ahead, we are grateful for discussions we have had with the University's Chief Operating Officer, Bob Kotic, regarding capital projects that would increase our self-sufficiency. Our experiences over the past several years have driven home the message that for us the key issue is achieving sustainability. We have learnt that we can take nothing for granted and that we need to pursue greater interaction with our sporting alumni to ensure the survival of our sporting traditions.

On the matter of sustainability, it is very pleasing to note that a significant number of our clubs have implemented structures and programs that are delivering consistently successful high level competitive results. Sydney Uni Sport endeavours to provide appropriate infrastructure to facilitate such outcomes. We recognise and accept that we are basically a development organisation, with an explicit



focus on the simultaneous pursuit of sporting and academic excellence. Whether those who come through our scholarship system continue on to higher levels of sporting achievement or soon switch their attention to their careers after sport, we believe that we are providing a solid foundation for future success.

One of the collateral costs of the introduction of VSU was the atmosphere of uncertainty it engendered among our Sydney Uni Sport staff. Even though we are accustomed to – and very comfortable with – our staff gaining experience and qualifications with us that enable them to secure attractive positions with other organisations, the rate at which this has been occurring over the past two years has been unprecedented. An inevitable consequence has been that the collective experience and organisational knowledge of our staff has been diminished.

Under these circumstances I would like to pay tribute to our Executive Director, Greg Harris, and his team for their efforts and energy in coping with the challenges and stresses of this difficult period. We are very fortunate in being able to attract outstanding young people to come and work with us.

BRUCE ROSS
President

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT BY GREG HARRIS

While Sydney Uni Sport has been busy formulating plans to counter the loss of funds resulting from the introduction of Voluntary Student Unionism, our athletes have been busy making their mark, particularly on the world stage.

With the introduction of Voluntary Student Unionism in July 2006 and the resultant loss of over \$3.2 million per annum in student fee income, Sydney Uni Sport, at the time of writing, is in the process of negotiating a three-year service level funding agreement with the University with the aim of being near self-sufficient when the agreement concludes in 2009.

We are very fortunate to have a Vice-Chancellor in Professor Gavin Brown and a Senate committed to funding Sydney Uni Sport to the degree whereby the majority of the activities currently provided by the organisation can be maintained.

Whilst this funding should enable us to maintain the fabric and culture of the organisation in the short term, the real challenge will be to implement new business strategies through our Capital Development Program over the next three years. The income derived from these new initiatives should allow Sydney Uni Sport to reduce its dependence on University subsidies by 2010.

These major capital developments include extensions to the Noel Martin Sports and Aquatic Centre, a synthetic hockey pitch on the Square, and upgrades to the Manning Tennis Courts.

Essential to Sydney Uni Sport's capacity to deliver these projects will be its access to grants from the Federal Government's \$80m Transition Fund and its ability to generate income streams via the newly established University of Sydney Sports Foundation.

The Sports Foundation will initially comprise four divisions or chapters; Rowing, Scholarships, Capital Works and Women in Sport. These are in addition to the Cricket and Rugby Union clubs which already have established fundraising foundations.



University sport has never had to rely greatly on philanthropy in the past, but necessity is the mother of invention and with the loss of our traditional revenue streams because of the VSU legislation, we now need the support of our alumni.

It is important that Sydney Uni Sport maximises all of its income earning opportunities if in the long term we are to be able to provide our new students with the same opportunities that their predecessors enjoyed. The challenge is well and truly on.

During 2006, membership to the Sports and Aquatic Centre, The Arena and HK Ward merged with an almost seamless transition.

Members now have access to one of the largest offerings of weight and cardio equipment, group fitness classes, squash courts, tennis courts, pool facilities, sports halls and amenities in Sydney.

A number of staff contributed to making this possible, often working extra hours to meet deadlines and delivering high quality work under pressure. I would like to particularly acknowledge the following people, who formed the facility merger working group, for their dedication to making the merger possible: Paul Gray, John Moloney, Madelene Rivier, Helen Teale, Vincent Hampel, Anthony Ellison and Tony Jackson.

A number of projects were commissioned at the Sports and Aquatic Centre during the year. The largest of these was the upgrade works to the pool,

which included the installation of four mechanical ventilation units, the tiling of the pool apron, the installation of new roofing and upgrading of the skylights, the installation of three showers on the pool deck, the painting of the box gutter and the installation of the Sydney Uni Sport logo on the wall opposite the Sports Cafe. We have also refurbished the men's and women's change rooms.

In the opening paragraphs of my annual report for 2005, I commented that the VSU Bill was an unwelcome Christmas present for Sydney Uni Sport, given that we had just wrapped up our most successful year on record. I said 2005 was a landmark year with respect to the achievements of both the athletes and clubs of Sydney Uni Sport and that in my 14 years as Executive Director I would never have envisaged that all of these successes could occur in one year.

Well, another year has passed and the successes continue, particularly on the international front. More extensive coverage of our successes will be found elsewhere in the Annual Report, but I should make mention of some of the more notable achievements in 2006.

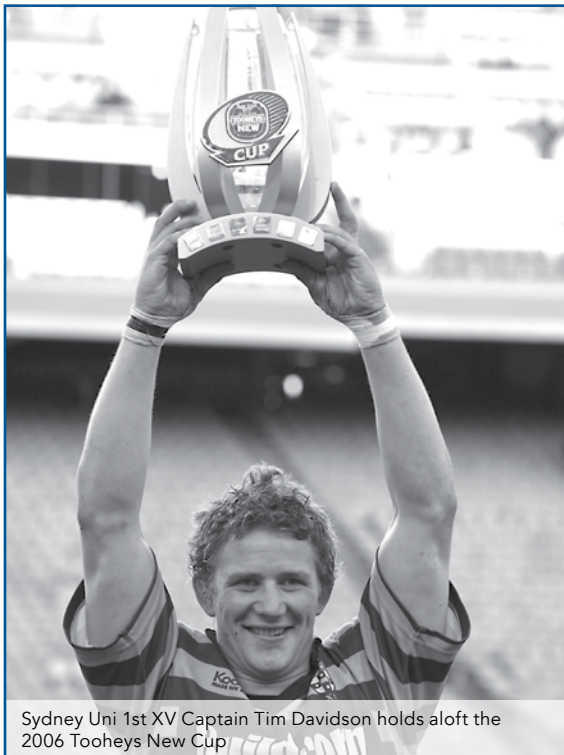
In a year of high achievement, the Boat Club provided many highlights. Sydney University's Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley won gold in the women's double scull at the 2006 World Rowing Championships, scholarship holder Elsa O'Hanlon won the World University lightweight single scull, Renee Kirby was stroke of the Australian women's four, coached by SUBC's Phil Bourguignon, that won the World Under-23 Championship, Fergus Pagnell and Chris Clyne were members of the Australian men's coxed four that won silver at the World Under-23 Championships, Marty Rabjohns (cox) and Matt Ryan were members of the Australian men's eight that won gold at a World Cup event in Poznan, Poland, where Tim O'Callaghan, secured silver in the Lightweight Four. And the Sydney University Men's VIII achieved a rare feat at the Australian University Rowing Championships when they won the Oxford and Cambridge Cup for the

third year in a row, while the men's and women's eights won the Parramatta Head of the River.

And Sydney Uni Sport scholarship holder, Benjamin Barzach, became the second Sydney University student to win a World University Championship gold medal in 2006 when he was part of the four-man crew that won the match racing sailing title at Palma de Mallorca, Spain, from September 18-25.

Sydney Uni Sport scholarship holder and gymnast, Prashanth Sellathurai, won a silver medal in the men's pommel horse at the World Gymnastic Championships to back up his silver at the Melbourne Commonwealth Games; Sydney Uni Sport scholarship holder Susan Pratley, starred for the Australian netball team in their series win over New Zealand; and cyclist and Scholarship holder, Kaarle McCulloch, won a bronze medal in the women's 500 metres time trial at the Junior World track cycling championships. Still on the international front Stuart MacGill and Stuart Clark played for the Australian cricket team; Lisa Sthalekar and Kate and Alex Blackwell represented with the Australian women's cricket team; Fiona Hammond and Taniele Gofers with the Australian women's water polo team; Phil Waugh, David Lyons, Dan Vickerman and Al Campbell represented the Wallabies; Campbell, Lyons and Will Caldwell represented Australia A; Luke Inman and Lachlan Rosengreen represented Australian Sevens; David Haydon represented Australian Under-21s, Rosengreen and Patrick McCutcheon represented Australian Under-19s; Astrid Loch-Wilkinson and Jo Carter competed at the Winter Olympic Games, Toby Kane at the Paralympics; and canoeist Robin Bell finished sixth at a World Cup event.

On the home front, Sydney University had seven representatives at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne and came away with six medals, including two gold and four silver. Belinda Snell (Women's Basketball) and Clinton Hill (4x400m Men's Relay) won gold medals, while Alexander Croak (Synchronised Diving), Prashanth Sellathurai



Sydney Uni 1st XV Captain Tim Davidson holds aloft the 2006 Tooheys New Cup

(individual Pommel Horse and men's team event), and Susan Pratley (Netball) won silver medals. Wheelchair athlete Angela Ballard finished sixth in T-54 800m final and Luke Inman was a member of the Rugby Sevens team that was defeated by Fiji in the bronze medal play-off. Sydney University was also represented at the Games by swimmer Carl Probert, who is coached at the Sports and Aquatic Centre and competes for Fiji. And at the Australian Athletics Championships, middle-distance runner Lachlan Renshaw won the Australian Under-20 800 metres title.

At club level, the highlights include the Football Club winning back-to-back Tooheys Cup rugby union titles; the promotion of the AFL Club to the premier division; and the Under-20 soccer team taking out the minor premierships and just missing out on the premierships.

Basketballer Natalie Porter was named Sydney University Female Blue of the Year and rower Chris Clyne was named Male Blue of the Year at the annual

Blues Dinner held in the Great Hall. Porter and Clyne were among 23 Blues awarded for sporting achievements during 2006, and eight Golds, awarded for services to sport. Porter was voted Player of the Year by the Sydney Uni Flames in the 2005/06 season, while Clyne was a member of the coxed four that won a silver medal at the 2006 World Under-23 Championships, a member of the Sydney University eight that have won the past three Oxford and Cambridge Cups, and a member of the eight that won the 2006 Parramatta Head of the River.

The University also provided four Australian captains during the year, in Phil Waugh and Al Campbell with the Wallabies, Luke Inman with the Australian Sevens rugby union team, and Lisa Sthalekar with the Australian women's cricket team.

Sydney Uni Sport, through our clubs, facilities, recreational programs, interfaculty, intercollege, social sport and school sport programs reaches over 25,000 individual participants annually. Sydney Uni Sport has been responsible for the development, maintenance and management of over \$50 million (replacement value) of sporting infrastructure. Our grounds and maintenance budget is in excess of \$1.1 million per annum.

Sydney Uni Sport's facilities represent a major component of the University's local community engagement program. They not only provide services to the University community but to 6000 local community members and are also used extensively in the school holiday and school sport programs with over 5000 individual student visits per annum. With the upgrading of facilities during 2006, we are endeavouring to increase memberships from on and off the campus.

We continue to provide the most comprehensive system of sports scholarships and elite athlete support programs in Australia and in 2006 we spent over \$800,000 on Athlete Services provided to 250 scholarship holders. Despite their onerous training and competitive commitments, these athletes consistently and significantly outperform the general student body in their academic results. The

University's sporting status is a vital element in attracting both local and international students. It also represents a key instrument in garnering the support of our alumni.

One of the immediate cutbacks as a result of the VSU legislation was reducing the number of athletes attending the Australian University Games. Having dominated the AUG's since their inception, Sydney University finished third this year behind Melbourne and Monash University. At first glance it may seem a disappointing result given that Sydney University won four AUG titles from 2000 and was placed second in 2004 and 2005. But the pointscore system employed at the AUG's is structured to reward Universities who flood events with athletes: the more athletes, the more points. Both Melbourne and Monash Universities sent teams of over 450 athletes to Adelaide. Sydney University's numbered 250 athletes.

During the year we farewelled two Sydney Uni Sport stalwarts in staff members, Graham Hunt and Nerryl Watts. Graham Hunt was our Head Groundsman for the past 16 years. I take this opportunity to thank Graham for his dedication to the turf and his constant production of quality pitches and immaculate playing fields and for his support of sport at Sydney University. Perhaps Graham's curatorial pinnacle was reached in September 2004, when No.1 Oval played host to

the Sydney Grade Cricket grand final. The ground looked impeccable while the pitch, showing a shade of green, was hard and fast. It was no coincidence that in a hard-fought match, the Students went on to claim the title.

I would also like to thank Nerryl Watts for her 22 years of committed service to Sydney Uni Sport. Nerryl's employment began in 1978 as a casual at the Grandstand bar where she displayed many of her culinary skills. In 1987, Nerryl began work as a receptionist at the then Noel Martin Aquatic Centre and progressed on to become Sports Hall booking coordinator at the Sports and Aquatic Centre. During this time Nerryl's friendly customer service, caring nature and contribution to charity fundraisers helped make the Sports and Aquatic Centre the success that it is today.

As per usual I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to my senior management team, the Management Committee, in particular President Mr Bruce Ross and to Mr John McCarthy QC the Chairman of the Senate Sports Liaison Committee, for their support throughout the year.



GREG HARRIS
Executive Director





It's rare for the names of Sydney Uni Sport employees to be featured in the pages of this publication. Usually we reserve our space to publicise the efforts of our athletes, coaches and clubs, and rightly so – we have much to be proud of in that regard. Occasionally, however, the contribution of our employees goes above and beyond the call of duty and warrants recognition.

Graham Hunt and Nerryl Watts worked for Sydney Uni Sport (and its predecessor, Sydney University Sports Union) for a total of 39 years – Graham for 17 years and Nerryl for 22. Graham was Head Groundsman for all of his 17 years' service and was responsible for the preparation and maintenance of 7 playing ovals (including 5 cricket wickets and multiple practice wickets), 8 lawn tennis courts, several change rooms and many pieces of machinery, in addition to an average staff level of 6. A large number of our clubs utilised the surfaces Graham prepared, and Graham dealt extremely well with the often conflicting interests of those clubs – he once quipped that his job was excellent preparation for a career in diplomacy, and having seen Graham in action, I would suggest that it is the other way around.

In what was arguably the highlight of his time at Sydney Uni Sport, Graham prepared the wicket for



The Square located behind The Arena building

the first grade cricket finals in April 2005 and it was universally regarded as excellent. This was typical of Graham's dedication to the job – nothing was too much trouble and if it took extra hours to finish a job properly, then so be it. Thanks Graham for your years of service – they have not been overlooked nor have they been without success.

Nerryl Watts started her employment as a casual cook in the grandstand bar in 1978, and soon became almost as popular as her mouth-watering burgers. After a few years doing other things, Nerryl returned to work at the Sports & Aquatic Centre from 1987 onwards and it is here that she made her closest connections. Nerryl is one of those people that make the Aquatic Centre feel



Sydney Uni Sport's Oval No. 1 from the Grandstand



Award winning refurbishment of the University Sports & Aquatic Centre

like a second home for many patrons and what starts as a customer/provider relationship quickly develops into a friendship. Nerryl often visited members in hospital when they were sick, or loaned them money when they were in need. Lifelong friendships were forged between her and countless members - towards the end of her career, Nerryl was serving students whom she had seen being brought in as babies in 1987. I attended Nerryl's farewell lunch late last year, one of 3 such functions organised for her, and it was quite easily the largest farewell I have ever attended. It was indicative of the affection which so many people have for Nerryl, and testament to her years of service. Thanks Nerryl for making the place more than a Sports & Aquatic Centre.

Both Graham and Nerryl were awarded Sydney University Golds in November 2006 for their outstanding service to Sydney University Sport.

There were many positive initiatives in our facilities and operations in 2006. Our refurbishment of the pool hall and sports hall mechanical ventilation won a Master Builder's Association Excellence in Construction Award. We merged the Sports & Aquatic Centre, The Arena and HK Ward facilities into a single business unit, and implemented a new point of sale computer system. The Grandstand Bar was fully refurbished and makes for a more spacious and pleasant lunchtime or post-match destination. On a less positive note, the Linley Point boatshed was totally destroyed by fire in March. Plans are well underway for the building of a new boatshed in the same vicinity.

None of the progress would have happened without the assistance and dedication of all of our hard-working team of staff, including our managers, John Moloney, Helen Teale, Ray Hunt, Madelene Rivier, Leon Talay and those working for them.

The post-V.S.U. environment comes with a number of significant challenges, and we are making every effort to address those challenges and to maintain a sporting business infrastructure that will continue to meet the needs of our athletes, clubs, coaches and patrons. I remain optimistic as to our ability to deliver on those goals.

ROBERT SMITHIES
Operations Manager



The Grandstand Bar & Cafe



STAFF

In 2006 we welcomed and bid farewell to a number of staff in the Sport and Recreation Department. Kent Haigh (Sports Development Officer) left to pursue hockey ambitions in January and was not replaced. Andrew Oakley (Soccer Administrator) was replaced by Terry Hogan. Rhett Ayliffe (Director of Rowing) left in February to take up a position in Tasmania and was replaced by Marty Rabjohns. Phil Bourguignon joined us as Head Coach Boat from the AIS. Cath Feain (Recreation Officer) departed in June to go back to teaching and was replaced by Leonie Lum in May. In late 2006 Marty Rabjohns took up a role with the AIS to pursue his ambition to cox the men's eight at the 2008 Olympics. He subsequently was replaced by David Rodger as Director of Rowing in November. Peter Watkins (Sports Development Officer) left in December to work as Competitions Manager for Basketball Australia and has been replaced by Megan Walker who joined us from UQ Sport. Michael Crump moved into the new role of Marketing Manager in December and has been replaced by Karen Stevenson. Nigel Staniforth worked with the clubs on a casual basis throughout the year.

WORLD CHAMPIONS

There were a number of outstanding international performances from Sydney University athletes in 2006. Some captured world championships in a diverse range of sports. Women's sport in particular took giant leaps forward and several new world champions were crowned. Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley won gold in the women's double scull at the World Rowing Championships in Eton. Fiona Hammond and Taniele Gofers were part of the women's waterpolo team that won the World Cup in Tianjin. Elsa O'Hanlon won gold at the World University Championships – Rowing in Lithuania in the lightweight single. Renee Kirby and Phil

Bourguignon (coach) won gold in the coxless four at the U23 World Rowing Championships. Belinda Snell and Donna O'Connor were part of the Opals team that won the Women's Basketball World Championship against Russia in Brazil. In cricket, Lisa Sthalekar was awarded the Alan Border Medal for International Player of the Year.

Highlights from the men included a gold medal performance by Ben Barzach at World University Championships – Match Racing Sailing in Spain. He was part of the four man crew. Cricketer Stuart Clark was a key member of the Australian team that won back the Ashes. Marty Rabjohns, cox of the men's eight, guided the rowers to a historic World Cup victory in Poland. Oarsman Matt Ryan was also part of this crew.

Other outstanding performances included Prashanth Sellathurai's silver medal in the pommel horse at World Artistic Gymnastic Championships in Denmark. Netballer Susan Pratley starred in the series win over New Zealand in goals. Loren Vella was a key member of the women's baseball team that took joint silver at their World Cup event. In rowing, Fergus Pragnell and Chris Clyne were part of the crew in the coxed four that took silver at the U23 World Rowing Championships. Tim O'Callaghan also secured silver in the lightweight four. Swimmer Louis Paul won silver in the 4x200m freestyle relay at World Short Course. Robin Bell finished 2nd at a canoe World Cup event in Athens while Paula Harvey won silver in women's K4 1000m at a World Cup regatta in Poland. Cyclist Carle McCulloch had a promising 3rd place finish at the World Junior Time Trial in the 500m track event. Diver Alex Croak won silver at a Grand Prix event in Italy in the 10m synchronized event with Melissa Wu.

In 2007, we look forward to participation by many of our athletes in the World Championships for cricket, rugby, swimming, diving, waterpolo, rowing, athletics and others with much anticipation as many sports gear up for the Olympics in 2008.



Sydney Uni Sport scholarship holder Astrid Loch-Wilkinson at the Winter Olympics

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

At the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne in March 2006, a large contingent of Sydney University athletes and officials were selected to compete for Australia:

- Opals Women's Basketball – Belinda Snell, Donna O'Connor
- Diving – Alex Croak
- Athletics – Clinton Hill, Angie Ballard (para)
- Gymnastics – Prashanth Sellathurai
- Rugby Sevens – Luke Inman
- Netball – Susan Pratley

Belinda Snell (women's basketball) and Clinton Hill (4x400m relay) won gold medals, while Alex Croak (10m synchronised diving), Prashanth Sellathurai (individual pommel horse and men's team gymnastics event) and Susan Pratley (netball) won silver medals.

Former Sydney University students Loudy Tourky, Nick Bromley and Natalie Bates also performed well

at the Games. Tourky won two gold in the 10m platform synchronised diving and 10m platform diving. Bates won gold in the cycling road race. Bromley made the final in the athletics 800m but finished out of the medals.

Other representatives included Sydney Uni Swimming Coach Steve Alderman and Carl Probert who participated with the Fiji swimming team, and Marianne Loh who was an umpire for badminton.

WINTER OLYMPICS & PARALYMPICS

Sydney University students also represented Australia at the Winter Olympics (February) and Winter Paralympics (March) in Torino, Italy. Astrid Loch-Wilkinson competed in the two-man bobsleigh and finished 14th. Former scholarship holder Jo Carter also competed in the figure skating and finished 25th. In alpine skiing Toby Kane won a bronze medal in the Super-G (Super Giant Slalom) at the Paralympics and also finished 9th in the standing downhill ski event.

CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

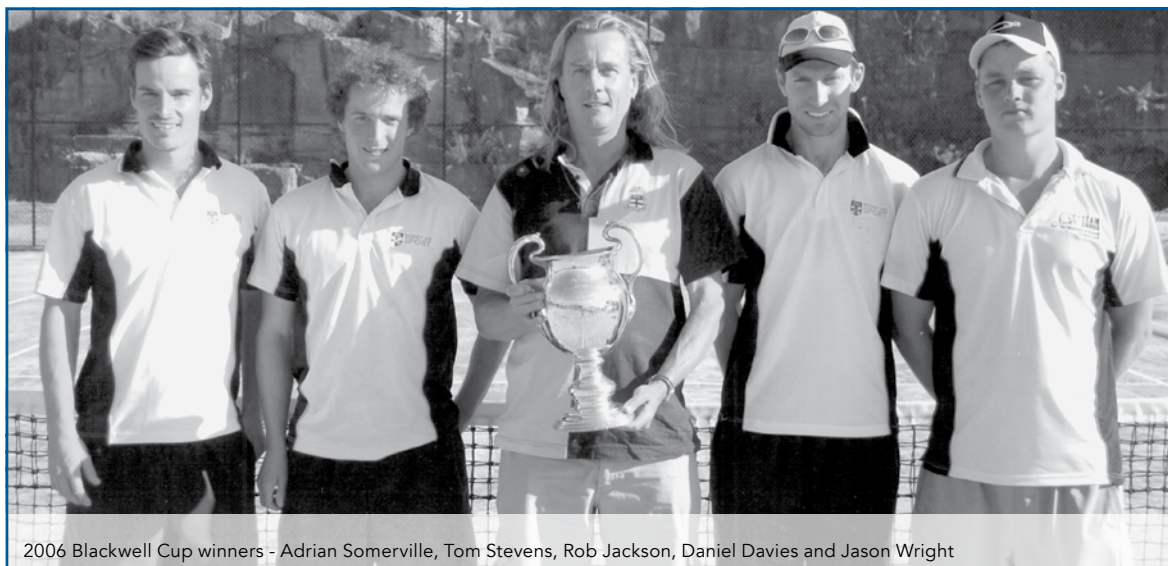
Under the challenges of reduced funding as a result of VSU, the clubs performed extremely well on and off the field. Sydney University continues to lead the way in University and club sport. Examples of the achievements in 2006 in club sport are highlighted below.

The Boat and Rowing Clubs revelled in the success of the men's eight who beat all-comers to take the coveted Oxford Cambridge Cup for the 3rd consecutive year at AUC Rowing in Sydney. Without doubt this would have to be the most challenging year faced by the rowers after the devastating loss of the Lane Cove boatshed and the fleet in a fire in March. To enjoy this level of success domestically and internationally under such hardship is a tribute to the individuals involved. Sydney Uni rowers smashed all-comers at State Championships and won by a huge margin with 20 State Championships. This is the fourth consecutive year that Sydney Uni has taken the Honours Trophy. Sydney Uni rowers won 35 medals in 49 events at National Championships. Coach Marty Rabjohns was awarded the NSW Rowing Coach of the Year.

Men's AFL is looking to 2007 with much anticipation as they have succeeded in winning promotion to

Sydney AFL Premier Division. After leading the competition for much of the year, the boys were disappointed to lose to UTS in the grand finals in first and reserve grades. The women's club did well to make the finals this year and finished 3rd. Seven players from the club represented NSW at Nationals. Mel Hyland won the NSW Player's Player. Both clubs are working towards hiring a part-time administrator in 2007 to further develop and promote the sport on campus.

The Football Club backed up magnificently their 2005 Club Championship to take successive Tooheys New Cup rugby union titles. Sydney Uni won the Club Championship, Colts Club Championship and was awarded the Club of the Year at the annual Sydney Morning Herald Rugby Awards. Sydney Uni Rugby Club also took premierships in 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 4th Grade and 2nd Grade colts, made the finals in 3rd Grade, 1st Grade colts and U19's. During the year Phil Waugh, David Lyons, Dan Vickerman, Al Campbell, David Fitter and Alex Kanaar represented the Wallabies, Campbell, Lyons and Will Caldwell represented Australia A, Luke Inman and Lachlan Rosengreen represented Australian Sevens, David Haydon represented Australian U21's, Rosengreen and Patrick McCutcheon represented Australian



2006 Blackwell Cup winners - Adrian Somerville, Tom Stevens, Rob Jackson, Daniel Davies and Jason Wright

U19's. Women's rugby player Rachelle Pirie was part of the Wallaroos team coach by John Manenti that finished 3rd at the Women's Rugby World Cup in Canada.

In soccer the U20 Men took out the minor premiership in a stellar performance but just missed out in the grand final to finish 2nd overall. Many of the members of this team were part of the AUG team that won in Adelaide.

Our waterpolo clubs hosted the National League finals at Sydney University in 2006. The men's team went down to long-time rivals Fremantle in the best of three series, 2-1. The girls have shown steady improvement over the past 3 seasons and made their finals debut this year finishing 4th after losing the bronze playoff to Fremantle. Sam McGregor was voted the MVP and Trent Franklin top goal scorer for National League. During the year Thomas Whalan, Trent Franklin, Rob Maitland, Sam McGregor, Fiona Hammond and Taniele Gofers represented Australia at senior level. In local leagues our teams continue to dominate taking the men's and women's 1st Division titles. The men's club won Metropolitan 1st Division for the eighth consecutive year.

Athletics had 11 athletes participate in The Australian Athletics Championships in Sydney with athletes from the club selected in the squad for the Commonwealth Games (Clinton Hill, Annabelle Smith and Emma Rilen) and World Cross Country Championships (Russel Desaix Chin, David Byrne and Madeleine Heiner). Lisa Grant represented in the World Race Walking Cup. Lachlan Renshaw, Madeleine Heiner and Elizabeth Jenkins competed in World Junior Championships in Beijing. Overall the club finished 2nd at State Championships in 2006.

American Football continued their great run of victories securing a fourth consecutive Waratah Bowl Championship. Head Coach Stephen Dunne took the honour of Coach of the Year.

Tennis at Sydney University had a big year marked by the merger of the men's and women's clubs off the court and great results on-court with wins to Grade

1.2 in Pennant Badge and Grade 2.1 plus a win at the Slazenger NSW Hardcourt Inter-District F.O Blackwell Cup competition. The men also backed up their 2005 win at AUG with another victory in 2006. In the MGCCA Spring badge competition Grade S1 and S6 won premierships.

Other club events of note in 2006 were the disaffiliation of the Bushwalking Club and affiliation of Kendo, merger of the Men's and Women's Tennis and Basketball Clubs, formation of a merged entity at representative level for touch between Sydney University, Macquarie University and UTS, and development of plans for a merger at National League level for women's volleyball with UTS in 2007.

Many thanks must be extended to the coaches, administrators, club officials and volunteers who freely give their time to further the success of club sport at Sydney University. Without their continued support we would not enjoy the level of participation and success that our vibrant club structure currently boasts.

SPORTS AWARDS

Several performances of individuals and teams were acknowledged throughout the year. At the 2006 Sydney University Sport Annual Sports Awards Dinner the following performances from 2005 were acknowledged:

- Sportsman of the Year – Robin Bell (Canoe)
- Sportswoman of the Year – Jacqueline Bonnitcha (Sailing)
- Coach of the Year – Damien Fanning (Waterpolo Men)
- Rosenblum Family Trophy for Clubman of the Year – David Shaw (Soccer)
- Pat Sharp Trophy for Clubwoman of the Year – Harriet Jordan (Fencing)
- Club of the Year – Rugby Union Men
- Ann Mitchell Award for the Best Performance at an AUG/AUC – Boat/Rowing

2005 AUS SPORTS AWARDS:

- Jacqui Bonnitcha (Sailing) - Female Athlete of the Year
- Trent Franklin (Waterpolo) - Male Athlete of the Year
- Men's Waterpolo – (Joint Winner) Team of the Year
- Alex Blackwell (Cricket) - Outstanding Athlete of the Year

EASTERN UNIVERSITY GAMES

Many Sydney University athletes enjoyed participating in a range of intervarsity Championships and Games in 2006. At Eastern University Games in Coffs Harbour in July, Sydney Uni Sport finished 4th behind overall winner Macquarie Uni, UTS and University of Newcastle. The Ann Mitchell (per capita) Trophy was won by

the Australian College of Physical Education and Spirit of the Games was awarded to CSU Bathurst.

Sydney Uni Sport won two gold, six silver and five bronze at EUG. A team of 306 athletes, 23 coaches/managers and 4 staff participated with wins in AFL men and baseball. Sydney Uni Sport competed in 24 of the 28 competitions. We did not enter teams in rugby league men, rugby union women, squash men and volleyball women. Competitions for gymnastics women, AFL women, squash women, badminton men and women were cancelled prior to the event due to lack of interest. The athletes were supported by Michelle Nancarrow, Peter Watkins, Ben Chiarella and Gillian Ting. 36 scholarship holders attended EUG with the Sydney Uni Sport team (10 less than last year).

Final placings are listed on page 18 & 19 with merit team recipients.



Sydney Uni Touch team at EUG's

AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY GAMES

The 2006 Australian University Games were held in Adelaide in September. The Sydney University team comprised 268 athletes and officials from Sydney University. The team was led by Michelle Nancarrow, Peter Watkins, Iain Evans and Ben Chiarella. 53 scholarship holders attended the Games compared with 102 last year. No multiple entries were submitted for a sport. The number of athletes from Cumberland Student Guild was down to 31 from approximately 80 in previous years. We did not field teams in AFL men and women, beach volleyball, lawn bowls, netball women, rockclimbing, rugby union men and women, softball, squash men and women, ten pin bowling, touch men and mixed and volleyball men.

Sydney University finished in third place overall behind Melbourne University who boasted a massive team of over 400 athletes and staff, and Monash University. Given that we did not subsidise our participants (unlike the universities that finished ahead of us) and the points weighting now favours participation, our athletes and teams performed very well to place that highly. The gold medal tally in fact was won by Sydney Uni with eight gold medals (four more than any other university). The Doug Ellis (per capita) Trophy was won by University of Adelaide and the John White Spirit of the Games trophy was awarded to Victoria University.



Sydney Uni Snow Boarder at AUC Snowsports

Notable AUG performances included wins by both of our waterpolo teams, the baseballers won their competition undefeated (their first win at an AUG for 10 years), cross country, hockey women, kendo, soccer men and tennis men. Soccer men, tennis men, kendo and cross country all repeated their winning form and backed up wins from 2005 again in 2006. Julia Boland also starred at golf finishing 10 clear of her nearest opponent. Sydney University athletes were well represented in the Green and Gold team selections which are on page 19.

AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

AUC Triathlon was held at Mooloolabah in March. John Deane finished 6th in the Open Men's division while Amy Eager and Jacqui Benoit finished 13th and 17th respectively in the Age Women's division. Sydney Uni finished 8th overall. Jacqui Benoit also ran at the AUC Distance Running and finished 15th in the half-marathon.

AUC Orienteering occurred over Easter in Castlemaine. Ben Rattray ran well and finished 7th in the m21s division. Alice Prudhoe did not finish.

At AUC Surfing Sydney Uni finished 11th overall with Zoe Edwards taking 5th place in the Women's Body Board.

Snowsports was held at Mt Buller in August. Our team won two gold medals (Richard Willcocks in the Big Air and Emma Wilson Giant Slalom) and finished 2nd overall behind Melbourne University. The men's team finished 2nd as did the women's team.

The AUC Rowing was held in Sydney during the week of AUG in September. Sydney Uni finished 2nd overall behind Melbourne Uni. The men finished 1st and the women 2nd. Gold medals were won in the men's double scull and eight to retain the coveted Oxford Cambridge Trophy.

FINAL PLACING AT AUS EVENTS IN 2006

SPORT	EUG	AUG/AUC
AFL (M)	1st	N/A
AFL (W)	N/A	N/A
Archery	N/A	N/A
Athletics	N/A	3rd
Badminton (M)	N/A	6th
Badminton (W)	N/A	4th
Baseball	1st	1st
Basketball (M)	5th	11th
Basketball (W)	5th	11th
Beach Volleyball (W)	N/A	N/A
Cross Country	1st	2nd / 3rd
Cycling	N/A	3rd
Fencing	N/A	N/A
Golf	2nd	3rd
Gymnastics	N/A	N/A
Hockey (M)	3rd	6th
Hockey (W)	3rd	1st
Lawn Bowls	7th	N/A
Marathon (M & W)	N/A	N/A
Judo	N/A	4th
Karate	N/A	N/A
Kendo	N/A	1st
Netball (W)	2nd	N/A
Netball (Mx)	6th	14th
Orienteering	N/A	N/A
Oztag	N/A	N/A
Rowing	N/A	2nd
Rugby League	N/A	N/A
Rugby Union (M)	4th	N/A
Rugby Union (W)	N/A	N/A
Snow Sports	N/A	2nd
Soccer (M)	4th	1st
Soccer (W)	2nd	2nd
Softball	5th	N/A
Squash (W)	N/A	3rd
Surfing	N/A	N/A
Swimming	N/A	2nd
Table Tennis (M)	N/A	N/A
Table Tennis (W)	N/A	N/A
Taekwondo	2nd	8th
Tennis (M)	2nd	1st

Tennis (W)	3rd	2nd
Tenpin	4th	N/A
Touch (M)	4th	N/A
Touch (W)	3rd	3rd
Touch (Mx)	10th	N/A
Triathlon	N/A	N/A
Ultimate Frisbee	5th	5th
Volleyball (M)	2nd	N/A
Volleyball (W)	N/A	4th
Waterpolo (M)	N/A	1st
Waterpolo (W)	N/A	1st
Windsurfing	N/A	N/A

EUG – MERIT TEAM SELECTIONS

SPORT	NAME
AFL (M)	Ben Fitzpatrick (CSG)
AFL (M)	Nick Robins (CSG)
AFL (M)	Michael Higgins
AFL (M)	Karl McGrath
AFL (M)	James Terry
AFL (M)	Jess McGuirk
AFL (M)	Joel Carr
Baseball	Anthony Gray
Baseball	Jonathon Freeston
Cross Country (M)	Michael Harrison
Golf (M)	Chris MacKenzie (CSG)
Golf (W)	Julia Boland (CSG)
Hockey (M)	Scott Laird
Hockey (M)	Kheyn Williams
Hockey (W)	Bess Prescott
Hockey (W)	Claire Flockton
Lawn Bowls	Scott Biffin
Lawn Bowls	Fabian Fan
Netball (W)	Jacqueline Brown (CSG)
Netball (W)	Carlie Hoffman
Netball (Mx)	Benjamin Colmer
Netball (Mx)	Lisa Dunlop (CSG)
Rugby Union (M)	Jeremy Atkin
Rugby Union (M)	Hamish King
Soccer (W)	Emma Leary
Soccer (W)	Helen Peam
Soccer (M)	James Thom
Soccer (M)	Michael Peters

EUG – MERIT TEAM SELECTIONS

SPORT	NAME
Soccer (M)	Jason Bell
Tennis (M)	David Brady
Tennis (M)	Thomas Stevens
Tennis (M)	Daniel Davies
Tennis (W)	Emma Alcock
Tennis (W)	Lauren Russell
Touch (W)	Anna Floyd (CSG)
Touch (W)	Kristee Arkle
Touch (W)	Kate Baseley
Touch (W)	Lauren Thorne
Touch (M)	Jonathon Rooke
Touch (M)	Thomas Antonio
Touch (Mx)	Vanessa Arnerich (CSG)
Touch (Mx)	Kristen Boss (CSG)
Touch (Mx)	Nicole McHugh (CSG)
Ultimate Frisbee	Isobel MacAulay
Ultimate Frisbee	Benjamin Angus
Volleyball (W)	Phillipa Lees (CSG)
Volleyball (W)	Maja Anderson (CSG)
Volleyball (W)	Michelle Hilditch (CSG)
Volleyball (W)	Hayley Warren (CSG)
Volleyball (M)	Luke Carroll
Volleyball (M)	Chris Todd

AUG – GREEN AND GOLD SELECTIONS

SPORT	NAME
Athletics	Justin Merlino
Athletics	Mark Watts
Athletics	Veronique Molan
Athletics	Lisa Grant
Badminton	Debbie Setiadi
Baseball	Jonathan Freeston
Golf	Julia Boland
Hockey (W)	Jess Esslemont
Hockey (W)	Meg Buchannan
Hockey (M)	Tom Lobsey
Judo	Matthew Collins
Kendo	Shunsuke Yamagata
Kendo	Dong Henk
Soccer (W)	Emma Schiller
Soccer (W)	Bridget Murphy

Soccer (M)	Thomas Corte
Soccer (M)	Nicholas Dillenbeck
Swimming	Tim Laforest
Swimming	Jono Newton
Taekwondo	Seok Goan
Taekwondo	Young Namkung
Tennis (M)	Adrian Somerville
Tennis (M)	David Brady
Tennis (W)	Lauren Russell
Tennis (W)	Bianca Chidrawi
Touch (W)	Deanne Heath
Touch (W)	Lauren Thorne
Ultimate Frisbee	Keah Molomby
Ultimate Frisbee	Miles Montgomery-Butler
Volleyball (W)	Hayley Warren
Volleyball (W)	Michelle Hilditch
Waterpolo (M)	Trent Franklin
Waterpolo (W)	Tracey Allen
Waterpolo (W)	Melissa Hammond

WORLD UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

2006 was a Championship year for international university sporting events. Sydney Uni was represented in a number of World Uni Championships (WUC) as listed below.

Kathryn Archbold competed at the WUC – Cross Country in Alger, Algeria in March and finished 31st with a time of 21:11.

WUC – Softball was held in Tainan, Chinese Taipei in July. Sydney Uni graduate, Kym Turnell, was part of the team that narrowly finished out of the medals, losing the bronze medal match 0-2 to Japan.

A large contingent from Sydney Uni participated in the WUC – Rowing in Trakai, Lithuania in August. Sydney Uni coaches Alan Bennett and Terry O’Hanlon led the group including Ed Alexander, Will Townsend, Elsa O’Hanlon, Yasmin L’Estrange and Laura Polin. In an outstanding performance Elsa O’Hanlon won the Lightweight Women’s Single Scull to take gold. Ed Alexander and Will Townsend finished 8th in the Men’s Lightweight Coxless Four

and Yasmin L'Estrange and Laura Polin 9th in the Women's Coxless Four.

Ben Barzach was also a member of the sailing team that travelled to Palma de Mallorca, Spain in September for WUC – Sailing Match Racing and finished 1st.

In 2007 World University Summer and Winter Games are scheduled to be held in Thailand and Torino, Italy respectively. Emma Wilson (Women's Giant Slalom) and Aimee Watson (Women's 5km) have been selected in the Australian University team for the Winter Games.

RECREATION PROGRAM

2006 saw the in-house production of promotional materials for the recreation program after a move away from the Sydney University Student Union in order to have more control of marketing and design. This move to operate independently brought about positive results. We picked up an extra 30 enrolments in semester 1 and saved approximately \$5,000 in promotional expenses. The most popular courses in semester 1 were fencing, scuba diving and kickboxing. Only one course was cancelled in this period which was the 'scuba dive with the sharks' trip. Semester 2 also proved to be a success. We surpassed budget by 22 enrolments, taking the total number of participants for 2006 to 365 which was the highest number of enrolments since the merger of SUSU and SUWSA. The most popular courses in semester 2 included fencing, belly dancing, hip hop and kickboxing. The least favoured programs in semester 2 were golf and scuba which were cancelled. Online enrolments proved to be extremely popular with 55% of all enrolments taken online.

Market research undertaken in 2005 indicated that price and public awareness are the two major challenges for the success of this program. Promotional strategies in 2006 took into consideration these factors and contributed to increased enrolments. These strategies were implemented as outlined below:

- All course information was placed on the SU Sport website

- Brochures were placed in all SU Sport facilities and at various locations around campus including colleges, information centres, faculties etc
- Brochures were taken to RPA gym
- Emailed all previous participants (approximately 1000)
- Adverts placed in The Bull
- Adverts placed in the Roar E-Newsletter and SUSAC E-Newsletter
- Posters placed at strategic locations throughout campus
- Promoted program at International O'Week

RECREATION PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

COURSE	SEMESTER 1 ENROLMENTS	SEMESTER 2 ENROLMENTS
Scuba Diving	21	16
Tennis	13	15
Kickboxing	13	22
Surf Weekend	12	7
Sailing	15	12
Belly Dancing	14	20
Fencing	60	63
Pilates	11	16
Hip Hop	12	17
Scuba Trip	0	0
Golf	6	0
TOTAL	177	188

SPORTS CAMPS

The School Holiday Program, run in conjunction with Camp Australia, continues to improve in participant numbers with the highest ever number recorded in 2006. Increasing enrolments in the sports camps are largely due to more camps being offered and an increased focus on advertising and promotions. An organised promotional plan has proved very successful utilising the local media, an email and postal mail out to all contacts, brochure drops to local schools and also taking advantage of the Sydney Uni Sport clubs and contacts. The mail out to past camp participants has reached the largest ever distribution with these camp participants also playing a key role in spreading the word to their school and



NSW Waratahs Danial Halangahu & Tom Carter attend the Rugby Camp

junior club contacts. Enrolments were largely taken by phone and then secondly through the internet.

There were 77 camps offered in 2006 (there is some overlap in the figures below over the summer periods of 2005 and 2007), an increase from 72 camps in 2005. Enrolments grew from 3,076 in 2005 to 3,340 in 2006. New camp programs included the introduction of the multi-sport camp at St Andrews College which proved very successful in meeting the demand for this program. Multi-sport, soccer, cricket, netball and basketball camps proved popular this year often booked to capacity.

SPORTS CAMPS PARTICIPATION

PERIOD	NO. OF CAMPS	ATTENDANCE
Summer 05/06	23	817
Autumn 2006	17	762
Winter 2006	18	895
Spring 2006	17	866
Summer 06/07	28	923

Key relationships were continued with the West Sydney Razorbacks and the Canterbury Bulldogs to assist with the promotion and delivery of the basketball and rugby league camps. Both

organisations coordinated player appearances and assisted with promotional material. The G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames also maintained their involvement in the camp period with players delivering coaching sessions and assisting with promotions.

The Sydney Swans and the NSW Waratahs were also very generous with their time, sending players to visit both the Autumn and Winter camps and address the participants. Visits were also made by members of the Australian Men's Waterpolo team and Olympic swimmer Elka Graham.

Camp participants, as always, received first rate coaching instruction with some of the coaching staff including Olympic waterpolo representative Elise Ashton and Australian team mate Fiona Hammond at the waterpolo camp, newly appointed NSW Blues representative Ian Moran was Camp Director of our cricket camp and Super 14 Rugby player Tim Davidson managed the rugby union camp.

Nearing the end of 2006 Rebel Sport entered into a three year sponsorship agreement (commencing January 2007) to become the exclusive supplier of sporting apparel, goods and equipment to Sydney

Uni Sports Camps. Over the three years of this arrangement, Rebel Sport/Rebel Direct will be providing approximately \$50,000 worth 'in-kind' and cash sponsorship for school holiday sports camps program.

Uncle Toby's continues to sponsor the School Holiday Program through the contractual agreement with Camp Australia. The Camp Australia contract is currently being negotiated with a view of securing a stronger financial position for Sydney Uni Sport for the next 3 years.

Support for disadvantaged community groups such as the Boys and Girls Brigade and Sydney City Council was continued through free camp placements in each holiday period in 2006

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

An exciting development for 2007 has been the new policy by the Education Faculty that all students must have senior first aid qualifications before taking practicum in schools. We are working closely with the faculty to capture the market end deliver tailored courses to these students. To this end another part-time staff member (Kristee Arkle) was appointed in December to start the lengthy process of becoming qualified to deliver the course.

First aid, sports medicine awareness, taping and PDHPE courses were offered to high school and commercial groups and continued to grow in popularity. Enrolments for First Aid and CPR (run in conjunction with Parasol EMT) were particularly pleasing with an excellent level of participation in 2006 ensuring that the budget was exceeded (538 participants in 2005 compared to 652 in 2006). The emphasis placed on marketing first aid courses on-campus through the University faculties has finally

paid dividends with an influx of new clients from Medicine, Education and Engineering as well as the residential colleges.

The PDHPE program covers topics in the year 11 and 12 syllabus such as biomechanics of rockclimbing, physiological response to cardiovascular training, fitness testing, and resistance training for improved performance. These courses were again popular with terms 2 and 3 almost completely booked out with classes. However, the number of students per class actually dropped from previous years even though the class numbers were very good. Overall 1,393 students participated throughout the year compared with 1,578 last year.

The Sports Medicine Awareness Course that we run in conjunction with Sports Medicine Australia was attended by 158 people (157 in 2005).

SCHOOL SPORT

Five primary schools and three high schools from the local area participated in the School Sport program in 2006. Schools included Paddington Public School, Leichhardt Public School, Annandale North Public School, North Newtown Public School, Summer Hill Public School, St Mary's Cathedral School, Randwick TAFE and Brigidine College - Randwick.

Each school participated in various activities including kickboxing, rockclimbing, judo and other sports such as soccer, ultimate frisbee and netball.

Unfortunately, Forest Lodge Public School did not participate in the 2006 program due to the concern regarding the time it takes to walk to the facilities and the subsequent loss of teaching time. However, Summer Hill Public School joined the program making up for the loss of this previously regular school.

EDUCATION PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

ENROLMENTS	PDHPE	SPORTS MEDICINE	TAPING	FIRST AID/CPR
Classes	84	12	6	41
Students	1393	158	92	189
General Public	N/A	N/A	N/A	463
TOTAL	1393	158	92	652

SCHOOL SPORT PARTICIPATION

	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
No. of Schools	3	6	8	4
Classes per week	5	14	21	8
Students per week	80	350	530	155

In July, Brigidine College - Randwick brought approximately 80 students on campus to participate in a Year 9 Activities Day at Sydney University for the first time. This proved a huge success with the feedback being positive and staff promising a return in 2007.

In comparison to the 2005 figures, the number of schools participating in the program increased by one school. The number of students taking part in the program in 2006 decreased slightly from 1130 in 2005 to 1115 in 2006 whilst the number of classes being taken as part of the School Sport program remained the same at 48.

LUNCHTIME SPORT

Social indoor soccer, netball and 3-on-3 basketball competitions were run in semester 1 at lunchtime in the Sports & Aquatic Centre. 50 teams played indoor soccer and netball with another 5 teams registered for 3-on-3 basketball at HK Ward Gymnasium. The total number of registered teams was 55 with approximately 270 registered players.

As anticipated with post-World Cup Soccer fever, registrations for indoor soccer soared in semester 2 with Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday competitions at the Sports and Aquatic Centre booked to capacity. Extra indoor soccer competitions were scheduled for Tuesday at HK Ward Gymnasium and at 2pm at the Sports and Aquatic Centre. 3-on-3 basketball was cancelled to make space for the more popular competition. The total number of registered indoor soccer teams was 60 in semester 2. Netball registrations remained consistent with 9 teams participating. There were approximately 370 social sport participants in semester 2.

INTERFACULTY SPORT

Interfaculty sport brought about great participation from the University's student body with all events played with positive spirit and a high level of enjoyment. 17 competitions were conducted with Medicine emerging as the overall winners of the Emily Small Interfaculty Sport Shield for 2006. Medicine's second consecutive overall win was a well-fought battle with a number of faculties. Veterinary Science, Commerce and Engineering turned up the heat with winning performances in the events in semester 2. The Co-op Bookshop and Ralph's Café sponsored the program and provided weekly and end-of-year prizes. Interest in the program increased towards the end of the year with great improvement in lines of communication between Sydney Uni Sport and Faculty Sports Reps as the system for event entries, organisation and promotions was clearly determined. Participants were required to register on an individual basis for each event which resulted in more accurate data retrieval and improved organisation. The 5km run epitomised the heightened appeal and interest in



Medicine won the Emily Small Shield for Interfaculty Sport in 2006

INTERFACULTY SPORT PARTICIPATION

	MIXED NETBALL	MEN'S SOCCER	WOMEN'S SOCCER	ROCK CLIMBING	TOUCH	SOFTBALL	ULTIMATE FRISBEE	M&F TABLE TENNIS	MEN'S BASKETBALL	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	MIXED VOLLEYBALL	M&F SQUASH	MIXED INDOOR SOCCER	MIXED GOLF	M&F TENNIS	MEN'S CRICKET	M&F 5KM RUN
No. of Faculties	8	8	6	6	8	2	6	7	8	6	7	9	9	4	6	6	6
No. of Participants	60	100	70	30	84	18	60	30	80	50	90	23	75	14	19	70	100

the program with near 100 competitors taking part in the event, not to mention a large number of spectators and ample volunteers to staff the competition. The participation of faculties such as Architecture and the Conservatorium of Music, historically known for limited participation, was also an encouraging indicator that promotions are reaching a large number of the University's students across the campuses. Large team sports such as touch and indoor soccer were favoured over sports such as squash and rockclimbing. Most students were more likely to take part in sports that are 'easy' to learn and that have the capacity to attract a number of spectators. Sports that required individuals to provide their own equipment such as softball were not as popular.

AFFILIATED CAMPUSES

Sydney Uni Sport supported the students based at the affiliated campuses by way of grants to the Medical Students Society, Westmead Hospital Dental Clinical School, Law Society, Conservatorium of Music Student Association, Cumberland Student Guild, Nepean Hall – Camden and Sydney College of the Arts. These grants were used to provide sporting and recreation opportunities on their respective campuses. Activities included sports days, tai chi, Alexander Technique classes, access to gym and swim passes, tennis court hire, kickboxing, and yoga in addition to netball, soccer and touch competitions.

INTERFACULTY POINT SCORE

FACULTY	SEMESTER 1 TOTAL	SEMESTER 2 TOTAL	OVERTALL TOTAL	RANK
Architecture	0	6	6	
Arts	3	0	3	
Commerce	12	67	79	4
Dentistry	11	17	28	
Education	39	33	72	5
Engineering	22	58	80	3
Health Sciences	0	10	10	
Law	4	11	15	
Medicine	47	100	147	1
Nursing	0	1	1	
Pharmacy	2	25	27	
Science	27	14	41	
Veterinary Science	25	94	119	2
Conservatorium of Music	0	2	2	

INTERCOLLEGE SPORT

In late 2006 there was agreement in principle for Sydney Uni Sport to collect memberships from all college residents from St Paul's, St John's, St Andrew's, Sancta Sophia, Women's and Wesley Colleges and in return provide a coordination service for the Rose Bowl and Rawson Cup. This initiative will assist in forging closer links between Sydney Uni Sport, our clubs and the residential colleges whilst ensuring a higher standard of competition for intercollege sport.

MICHELLE NANCARROW
Manager, Sport and Recreation

ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM



In 2006, 214 athletes from more than 35 sports were granted sport scholarships. Applications for sports scholarships totalled just over 350, slightly higher than the figure of 342 received in 2005. Once again, applicants were of a higher calibre than in previous years, with the benchmark for success at a state level of representation for most sports. Many new scholarship holders registered UAs in the high 90s, which was reflected in the excellent marks attained by the majority of sports scholarship holders throughout the year. Two exceptional student-athletes – Yvette Walker (Water Polo, Psychology) and Greg Mail (Cricket, Advanced Science) were awarded the Vice Chancellor's Sport Scholarships for academic and sporting excellence. This marked the second successive year that Greg had been awarded this honour – his academic success was again outstanding, and his run-scoring feats in the Sydney grade competition and for New South Wales were also of the highest standard.

The year commenced under the lingering cloud of the VSU. The legislation, having been passed in December 2005, threatened to have a significant impact on the Athlete Services division, and the loss of a crucial staffing position earlier in the year reflected this. Thankfully, we managed to successfully navigate the difficulties associated with the Government's legislation and I sincerely thank Greg Harris, Bruce Ross and Tony Jackson for their efforts in assisting the department during such a difficult period.

The invaluable partnership between Sydney University Sport and the Faculty of Economics and Business continued to grow in 2006, and it is safe to say that ties between the two organisations are stronger than ever thanks to Dean Peter Wolnizer. The Faculty's Postgraduate Sports scholarships, introduced in 2005, were once again a great success and provided excellent recognition of the sporting achievements and leadership abilities of athletes studying with the Economics and Business Faculty. Notable recipients included Australian representative and NSW cricketer Stuart Clark,



Sydney Uni Test cricketer Stuart Clark

Olympian and G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames basketballer Natalie Porter and Olympian Carl Probert (Swimming).

Once again, the support of the University of Sydney with our scholarship program proved immeasurable, with the University continuing to support the Senate Sport Scholarship program. These scholarships were awarded to athletes with outstanding academic and sporting achievements. On average scholarship recipients performed well academically over the year – particularly given their sporting commitments – and collectively achieving a high credit average. The joint support of athletes living at the University Residential Colleges and Sydney University Village continued with more than 30 athletes receiving 'All-Rounder Sport Scholarships', and we sincerely thank the college heads for their efforts.

The 'Blue & Gold' Club continued their support with two scholarships awarded to Ed Cowan (Cricket, Finance) and Elise Ashton (Water Polo, Physiotherapy) and the Blues Association supporting Angela Ballard

(Wheelchair Athletics, Psychology), Jacqueline Bonnitcha (Sailing, Liberal Studies) and Thomas Carter (Football, Science). The Dr Philip Rundle Athletics Scholarship was awarded to Justin Merlino (Athletics, Physiotherapy) and the Marie Gavel Memorial Scholarship recipients for rowing were Edward Boyce (Management) and Sarah Phillips (Agricultural Economics). The Faculty of Pharmacy scholarship recipient was Melissa Smith (Basketball).

An additional 50 athletes with outstanding potential were offered a place in the Talented Athlete Program (TAP), allowing them access to all services available to full scholarship recipients without direct financial assistance. Once again, our largest group of scholarship athletes came from the Faculties of Health Sciences and Economics and Business. More than 30 athletes from the NSW Institute of Sport also received scholarships. The support of our strategic partners was greatly appreciated. All new athletes were inducted in March at the Menzies Room in the Women's College, University of Sydney.

ATHLETE PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

2006 was dominated by several stellar individual and collective sporting performances. The University added three more names to its proud list of Olympians when veterinary science student Astrid Loch-Wilkinson represented Australia in the bobsleigh event at the 2006 Winter Olympics and Toby Kane in the alpine skiing event and Nick Watts at the Winter Paralympic Games.

Seven athletes from our elite athlete program represented Australia at the 2006 Commonwealth Games, registering a haul of six medals (including two gold and four silver). Athletics scholarship holder Clinton Hill snared gold in the 4x400m relay. Unfortunately for us, Clinton left our scholarship program to pursue his running career in Europe but we certainly wish him and his family all the best in the lead-up to the 2008 Olympics. Alex Croak (Diving), Susan Pratley (Netball) and first-year scholarship holder Prashanth Sellathurai all



Kristin Veal in action with the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames



Susan Pratley with her Commonwealth Games silver medal

collected silver medals. Australian Sevens rugby player Luke Inman was involved in one of the most poignant moments of the Games, when the fourth year medical student rushed to the aid of Scott Fava after he was knocked unconscious and suffered spasms. Luke's effort was widely praised by those present in the crowd and provided a great example of the humanity of sport.

What can we say about Stuart Clark? He commenced studying his Masters degree in Business in March 2005 and quickly became a regular fixture with the NSW team. In 2006, Stuart was selected to play cricket for Australia against South Africa and ended up becoming Man-of-the-Series. Later that year, Stuart was a member of one of the greatest Australian test sides, playing a significant role in Australia's 5-0 victory over England. Throughout it all, Stuart was extremely personable, gave up his time to participate in any activity he was asked to attend and demonstrated an insatiable appetite for higher learning which was only matched by his efforts with the red ball. Not to be outdone, cricketers Matthew Phelps, Edward Cowan and Marty Paskal all performed admirably in the study department. Our new fast bowler Mark Cameron (Exercise and Sports Science) was not only a terror with the new ball but a wonderful student, registering several distinctions in his first year of study. His efforts on the pitch were rewarded with selection for the NSW team in 2007.

Sydney University Lions came within a whisker of securing consecutive National Water Polo premierships when they narrowly lost to Fremantle. Scholarship holders and Economics and Business students Trent Franklin and Samuel McGregor both gave their all throughout the season, placing first and second respectively in the list of top goal-scorers in the National League competition. Special thanks also go to scholarship holders Robert Maitland, Grant Richardson and Aaron Jones for their contributions throughout the season, and to Thomas Whalan (Law) for making the trek back to Australia from competing overseas to play in the finals. But it was McGregor who starred, snaring the

MVP award for the National League, performing admirably in his Commerce degree and finding the time to get married and play in the ultra-competitive Spanish league in his spare time!

Not to be outdone, our women's team finished fourth in the National League, thanks to the efforts of our scholarship holders Elise Ashton, Fiona Hammond and Taniele Gofers. Hammond and Gofers went on to play prominent roles with the Australian Women's Water Polo team later that year and their 10-6 defeat over Italy at the World League Cup in China was a wonderful result for both the players and Australian women's water polo.

The G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames women's basketball team scored several impressive performances during the 2005/06 season, with scholarship holders Natalie Porter and Eva Afeaki winning plaudits both on the court for their incredible efforts but also off the court – both girls proved more than willing to assist our program at a number of speaking events and promotional activities.

Sydney University middle-distance runner Lachlan Renshaw entered our scholarship program in 2006. The Engineering/Commerce student won the National Under-20 800m championship in Adelaide in April. This provided some consolation for Lachlan, who narrowly missed a berth at the Melbourne Commonwealth Games by 0.4 seconds! He then went on to make the team for the 2006 World Junior Championships in China, and although he missed out on a spot in the finals, we all have our fingers crossed that he will make the 2008 Olympic team.

Our footballers once again enjoyed immense success on the paddock, winning the 2006 Tooheys New Cup and establishing themselves once again as the premier team in Sydney rugby union (our first Colts team experienced a narrow loss in the grand final). Our scholarship holders also worked extremely hard off the field to complete their studies and special mention must go to Thomas Carter (Science), Daniel Halangalu (Exercise and Sports Science) and William Caldwell (Agricultural Economics), who continued to juggle their

commitments with the NSW Waratahs with their studies. Well done boys!

We would also like to extend our congratulations to our outstanding rowing program, which produced world champions Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley, as well as the irrepressible Marty Rabjohns, cox of the heavyweight eight crew (good luck with the PhD, Marty!). Scholarship holders Fergus Pragnell, Chris Clyne, Terrence Alfred, William Chambers, Elsa O' Hanlon, Yasmin L'Estrange, Edward Boyce and Ed Alexander all played prominent roles with the Boat and Rowing clubs.

Finally, I would also like to personally thank some of our graduates who have not only made my time at Sydney Uni Sport more rewarding but were shining beacons for our scholarship program – Luke Inman (Football), Nicholas Hudson (Boat), Carl Probert (Swimming), Clive Cooper (Athletics), Lachlan Milne (Canoe-slalom), the effervescent Marty Paskal (Cricket) and the incredibly diligent Elise Ashton (Water Polo). I hope to see you all in the future and look forward to any mentoring role you can play with our younger student-athletes.

SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

In 2006, Sydney University Sport provided funding (matched by the University) to 35 student-athletes and life members of clubs who were selected to represent Australia in an international event. Significant results included Pharmacy student Elsa O' Hanlon's gold-medal winning effort at the Rowing World University Championships in Lithuania and Sydney University cyclist and Education student Kaarle McCulloch, who won a bronze medal in the women's 500 metre time trial at the Junior World track cycling championships held in Belgium.

ATHLETE SERVICES

The focus on high academic achievement for athletes was highlighted by the addition of supplementary tutorials provided across 20 subjects. The tutorial program once again proved

to be an essential service to the academic success of many student-athletes with more than 250 hours of tutorials conducted last year. Personal development seminars were held on topics such as time management, essay writing techniques, dietetics and sport psychology.

Athlete recruitment was highlighted in August with a Talent Identification seminar held for over 130 students and parents. These athletes were identified as having significant academic and sporting potential by either Sydney University Sport coaches or through targeted sporting schools.

The aim of the seminar was to provide information to potential scholars, athletes and their parents about the sporting and academic opportunities/support available through Sydney University Sport.

Scholarship athletes continued to be provided with access to first-class sport science services thanks to Martin Harland and his outstanding efforts as Athlete Performance Manager. Martin continued his wonderful work with the Sydney University Football Club (SUFC) Elite Development Squad and the Sydney Uni Boat Club athletes. Both Susie Burrell and Flavia Fayet provided dietetic support to both scholarship athletes and key sports programs such as rowing, rugby and swimming.

BLUES

The Blues Committee met in October and subsequently awarded 23 Blues from more than 40 nominations. The Blue of the Year awards went to Chris Clyne (Boat, Commerce/Law) and Natalie Porter (Basketball, Business). Clyne, a fourth-year student, was a member of the coxed four crew that won a silver medal at the 2006 World Under-23 Rowing Championships, as well as a member of the Sydney University Eight crew that won the past three Oxford and Cambridge Cups at the Australian University Rowing Championships.

Porter was voted G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames Player of the Year for her outstanding 2005/06 season, which came on the back of a strong 2004/05 season for the Townsville Fire in the Women's National Basketball

League when she represented Australia at the Athens Olympics.

COACHING AND UNIVERSITY STAFF

Special thanks to all the coaches who provided assistance with our scholarship athletes – the efforts of our rowing and football coaches in particular were outstanding. Nick Ryan and Damien Hill (Football), along with Phil Bourguignon and Alan Bennett (Boat/Rowing), all provided great support with the recruitment and retention of our student-athletes.

Sincere thanks must also go to our swimming coach Steve Alderman, James Moar and Greg Turner (Water Polo), Dean Gleeson (Athletics), Matthew Phelps and Greg Matthews (Cricket) and Jason McClennan (AFL). We also bid a fond farewell to Damien 'Nipper' Fanning – thank you for your stirring efforts and hard-work over the last decade.

We also acknowledge the efforts of our academics and tutors who assisted our athletes throughout the year, in particular Finance lecturer Julieanne Wright-Bartels, who provided expert advice to many of our high-profile athletes studying with the Faculty of Economics and Business. Our gratitude must also be extended to Charles Areni, Alex Frino, Kerry Pattenden (Economics and Business), staff from the Student Information Office and Student Centre, and in particular David Bowan, Dean Stephen Garton and Terry Heath from the Faculty of Arts, and Marg Torode and Rhonda Orr from the Faculty of Health Science.

SPORT SERVICES & RESEARCH

Sydney University Sport and the University further strengthened its relationship with the NSW Institute of Sport through continued support of athletes, programs, sport science research and professional placement of students. This was recognized by the continued support of the role of Sport Services Coordinator formerly held by Kirsty Mehalski, in particular her role in monitoring athlete leukocyte profiles and food diary analysis. Dr Kieron Rooney (Lecturer, School of Exercise and Sport Science) took over Kirsty's role in 2006 and made an immediate impact with his work involving the design of a creatine supplementation study for swimming in collaboration with Kenneth Graham at NSWIS.

ARRIVALS

We acknowledge the arrival of the newest member of our Athlete Services division, Gillian Ting. Gillian commenced employment as our Athlete Program coordinator in late June and has provided invaluable support to the department, whilst quickly establishing a strong rapport with our student-athletes. Gillian has made key contributions in several areas such as tutoring and her professionalism, dedication and background in sports science has been a welcome addition to our program.



Commerce student and scholarship holder Sam McGregor was a driving force behind the Lion's march to the Grand Final



'BLUE & GOLD' FUNCTIONS IN 2006

In 2006, the 'Blue & Gold' Club staged five major functions for its members, who are all sporting alumni and/or supporters of Sydney University Sport.

'BLUE & GOLD' CRICKET LUNCHEON

The ninth consecutive staging of the annual 'Blue & Gold' Cricket Luncheon took place at the WatersEdge Restaurant on Friday 10th February 2006. The entertainment comprised interviews of two of the SUCC's State players - Ed Cowan and Matthew Phelps plus Mike Coward's very erudite panel of international cricketers – Stuart MacGill, Greg Matthews and Graham Thorpe.

BARASSI CUP LUNCHEON

The 2006 Barassi Cup Luncheon was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Four Seasons Hotel, Sydney on Friday 21st April. Luncheon guests were treated to filmed highlights from the 2005 AFL season, which culminated in the Sydney Swans winning their first AFL premiership for 72 years. Adam Spencer then moderated a wonderfully entertaining panel discussion with the legendary Ron Barassi and two recently retired Sydney Swans' stalwarts, Jason Ball and Matthew Nicks.

'BLUE & GOLD' ANNUAL SPORTS LUNCHEON

The 'Blue & Gold' Annual Sports Luncheon also took place at the WatersEdge Restaurant on Friday 26th May 2006. Between entrée and mains, Adam Spencer conducted an extremely popular interview of Australia's greatest boxing trainer, Johnny Lewis, and his protégé, Paul Briggs. Paul captivated our luncheon guests with explanations of how he triumphed over the adversities of some very rugged early years to become the No1 ranked light-heavyweight boxer in the world.

Adam Spencer's panel discussion that day focused on Australia's chances in three upcoming World Cups – the 2006 Soccer World Cup in Germany, the 2007 Cricket World Cup in the West Indies and the



Robert Smithies, Stuart Clark and David Lyons at the 'Blue & Gold' Annual Sports Luncheon

2007 Rugby World Cup in France. Sydney Uni Sport's Operations Manager, Rob Smithies, did a fine job representing the round ball game and wasn't overawed by his fellow panelists – Sydney Uni Test cricketer, Stuart Clark, and Sydney Uni Wallaby, David Lyons.

'BLUE & GOLD' RUGBY LUNCHEON

We were back at the Four Seasons Hotel Sydney for the tenth consecutive staging of the annual 'Blue & Gold' Rugby Luncheon on Tuesday 1st August 2006. Our luncheon guests received the 'inside oil' from the Sydney University Football Club's first grade coaches (Damien Hill, Billy Millard and Mal Nutt) just a few weeks prior to their stunning grand final win over Randwick.

The principal entertainment that day was the Annual 'Blue & Gold' Debate, which saw The Gentlemen of Rugby (Brad Lancken and Dominic Thurbon) successfully assert that 'the older one gets, the harder it gets!'. Although soundly defeated (according to Mr PL Harry's very discerning adjudication), the Low-Life Academia team (Rhys Muldoon and Adam Spencer) created much mirth among our luncheon guests.

'BLUE & GOLD' XMAS HAMPER GOLF DAY

Australia's premier links course – New South Wales Golf Club at La Perouse – was once again the venue for the tenth consecutive staging of the annual 'Blue & Gold' Xmas Hamper Golf Day on Tuesday

28th November 2006. This teams event is played for the Chancellor's Cup and... as per usual... all the cracks had gathered for the fray!

Comfortable back-to-back winners were the Finn Foster APB team, captained by Kevin Whelpton, who was very ably assisted by Geoff Bland, Phill Paull and the inimitable John "Sparrow" Dowse. But... as always... everyone was a winner, because all participants took home a Xmas hamper.

THE Get GROUP BECOMES OUR MAJOR SPONSOR

For the past two years, all of our popular 'Blue & Gold' sporting functions have been sponsored by Group Event Travel - one of Australia's most rapidly growing (according to BRW) companies - which specialises in all forms of corporate travel, especially conference organisation, incentive marketing, loyalty programs and group cruising.

CEO, Mr Rick Somerton, recently announced that G.E.T.'s rapid growth and diversification into additional corporate travel services have created a need for expanded brand positioning. Henceforth, all of G.E.T.'s many and varied products and services will be marketed under the umbrella of THE Get GROUP.

Therefore, 'Blue & Gold' sporting functions will be sponsored by THE Get GROUP from 2007 onwards.

'BLUE & GOLD' FUNCTIONS IN 2007

We would like to encourage all 'Blue & Gold' Club members and supporters of sport at Sydney University to enter the following functions in their 2007 diaries:

- 'Blue & Gold' Cricket Luncheon on Friday, 9th February 2007 at WatersEdge Restaurant from 12.00 noon
- 'AFL Grand Final Replay' Luncheon on Wednesday, 28th March 2007 at Four Seasons Hotel Sydney from 12.00 noon
- 'Blue & Gold' Annual Sports Luncheon on Friday, 18th May 2007 at WatersEdge Restaurant from 12.00 noon
- 'Blue & Gold' Rugby Luncheon on Friday 17th August 2007 at Four Seasons Hotel Sydney from 12.00 noon
- 'Blue & Gold' Xmas Hamper Golf Day on Tuesday 27th November 2007 at New South Wales Golf Club from 12.00 noon

Golfers should note that there will also be SUCC, SUFC, SUBC and Blues Association Golf Days throughout 2007 and that all 'Blue & Gold' Club members and supporters are most welcome to take part in any or all of them. To register your interest in these golf days or any of the other five major 'Blue & Gold' sporting functions, please contact Rodney Tubbs at Sydney University Sport on 9351 7958.



Adam Spencer moderates his panel at the 'Blue & Gold' Annual Sports Luncheon



2006 was a year of consolidation and review for the Blues Association. Firstly, the Committee looked at different investment strategies in order to boost the Association's funds so that it had a greater surplus to enable it to assist further with the Sydney University sports scholarships. However, it was only possible to sponsor 3 scholarships again in 2007 as there was still not sufficient capital available to provide funding for a 4th scholarship. As a result it has been decided to establish a Fundraising Subcommittee in 2007 to focus on this aspect of the Association's work.

The other focus of 2006 was to attract Sydney University Blues to the Blues Association functions, namely the Pin Function and Reunion, the Golf Day, the Young Blues function and the Blues Dinner. Most pleasing was the increased attendance at the newly established Young Blues Reunion in conjunction with the first home game of the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames on Friday 20th October. Around 40 Blues came for drinks beforehand and stayed to watch the game—doubling the number who attended the event last year when it was held for the first time. As a result it has been decided to hold another Young Blues function early in 2007 in conjunction with the Water Polo Club's home games of the National league. In this way the Committee hopes to keep our young alumni in touch with sport at the University.

The Pin Reunion was once again a highlight of the year with around 100 people attending the function held in the beautifully renovated Grandstand on



Vice Chancellor Gavin Brown presents G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames star Natalie Porter with the Blue of the Year award

the 5th August. Our Secretary Cheryl Collins put a lot of effort into organizing the event and for the first time Co-op Bookstore showbags with information from the University were handed out to all who attended. Pins were presented to those who received a Blue in the years ending in '6' and a number of them were then interviewed by MC Rod Tubbs. Once again there was a memorabilia display prepared by our archivist Mac Chambers which stimulated people to talk of their university sporting days of the past. Over \$1000 was raised by sale of raffle tickets for some excellent prizes both on the night and beforehand by mailout—a very successful result for building up our scholarship funds.

There was also a good turn-up to our Golf Day held on 18th October at St Michael's Golf Course when everyone enjoyed themselves and helped us raise another \$1200 towards the sports scholarships. Many thanks to Rod Tubbs for organizing this event and to Mac Chambers and Ray Hyslop who helped out on the day.

The year ended with the traditional Blues Dinner which went off very smoothly but was down a little on numbers—possibly because there were fewer Blues awarded, 23 compared to 38 the previous year. Eight Gold Awards were made to some very worthy recipients with an additional two special Gold Awards made to recently retired staff members Nerryl Watts and Head Groundsman Graham Hunt for their outstanding service to Sydney Uni Sport clubs over 17 years. Rowing Blue John Boulton AM was the guest speaker and gave us some insight into the world behind the scenes of the Football Federation of Australia as well as some stories of his rowing exploits and then the Blues Association scholarship holders, Angela Ballard, Jacqueline Bonnitcha and Tom Carter were interviewed about their successes in 2006 and their plans for the next twelve months. Thanks go to the Chancellor, Justice Kim Santow, for presenting the awards and to Vice Chancellor Professor Gavin Brown for announcing the Blues of the Year, Chris Clyne (Boat) and Natalie Porter (Basketball).



Rod Tubbs with John McCarthy, Pro-Chancellor and the Chair of the Senate / Sports Liaison Committee

Our congratulations to Sydney University Blues, Peter Lazar AM, Peter Barnard OAM and Peter Malouf OAM who were awarded Australian Honours in January, and to the Blues Association scholarship recipients for 2007: Angela Ballard (Wheelchair Track and Field), Jacqueline Bonnitcha (Sailing) and Greg Mail (Cricket).

I take this opportunity to thank the Committee members for their efforts over the past twelve months: Mac Chambers, Cheryl Collins, Ed Cowan, Michael Dickson, Chloe Flutter, Stuart Grieve, Brendon Hyde, Ray Hyslop, Rebecca Manuel and Rod Tubbs. Cheryl did a great job in her first year as secretary and communicated very well with all the committee. We succeeded with most of our goals for the year. We also produced a professional merchandise/membership form, took steps to introduce a blazer for the winners of the Gold Award and considered how to include Australian representatives without a Blue in our activities.

I also take this opportunity to congratulate Chloe Flutter on her marriage to Craig Wood and Rebecca Manuel and her husband Julien on the birth of their first child, Luke Alexander. Their time for Blues

Association activities has been limited during the year but we look forward to the continued support of Chloe and Rebecca in 2007.

I thank the staff of Sydney University Sport who have given their assistance to the Association, especially Tony Jackson, Kate Garvan, Joanna Bailey, Ian Evans, Michelle Nancarrow, Gillian Ting, Anita Craw, Jenny Lawler, Penny Wilson and, of course, Executive Director Greg Harris. The support of the office staff is crucial to the work of our volunteer committee and is much appreciated.

While it has been a tough year for university sport across the country because of the abolition of compulsory student fees, we trust that the University will continue to support the efforts of Sydney University Sport and provide the funding necessary to continue all its sport programs. Certainly the Blues Association will continue to do its bit and assist by keeping the alumni in touch and supporting the scholarship program into the future.

ANN MITCHELL
President

AFL MEN

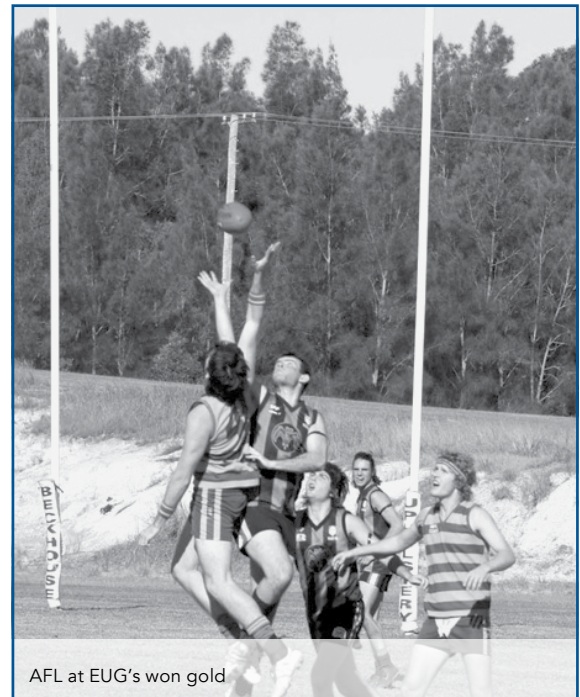
We have had an extremely successful year on and off the field and there is little doubt we have enjoyed ourselves in the main. Despite first and second grade falling at the final hurdle, both teams enjoyed a very successful season.

I would like to acknowledge Sydney Uni Sport's continual support of the club through the provision of facilities, funds, scholarships and administrative support and advice. The efforts of Greg Harris in particular in lobbying on behalf of his constituents in relation to VSU cannot be underestimated and we are extremely fortunate to have him and his team advocating our cause and ensuring we are able to continue in a similar vein despite the financial challenges now before the sector generally.

The Forest Lodge Hotel changed hands late last year. We were extremely fortunate that Mathew Duffy continued the relationship with the club. Peak Physique and Chempower came on board as jumper sponsors in 2006. Relate IT Solutions gave us in-kind support for website hosting and discount services. Thanks also to our club event supporters Cleggett Wines, Zatec and Reddog Design without whom our major social events would not have been the successes that they were.

The club's endeavours this season have been demonstrably rewarded with the Sydney AFL Division 1 Club of the Year Award for the 2nd year in a row and the club's first and second grade teams being promoted to the Sydney AFL Premier Division. The membership and alumni now have the challenge of ensuring a sustainable model that can be successful. There will be significant challenges but the club has been planning for this eventuality for some time and with the support of Sydney Uni Sport we expect to be competitive immediately and build from there.

Under Coach Daniel Archer, the 1st Grade side went undefeated through the home and away season. Second grade provided support for the seniors and Coach Naamon Eurell and his charges are to be congratulated on a terrific season. Similarly the



Blues supported the Reserves with rookie Coaches Wilbur Macbeth and Fintan O'Connor putting in an exemplary effort. The Reds under Chris Lowe improved again on last years showing.

The gold at EUG's was a terrific achievement by those involved. Team Manager Michael Higgins, Coach Sean McGrath, Captain Joel Carr, and all of the players are acknowledged as being an integral part of our football program.

Thanks again to all who contributed to our success. Season 2007 will bring new challenges as we become underdogs rather than frontrunners. The entire SUANFC community will need to pull together to make a decent fist of our promotion and at the same time nurture the values and spirit we love. I feel certain we can achieve this and I know I am not alone in looking forward to the challenge.

JASON MCLENNAN
President

AFL WOMEN

2006 proved to be another successful year for the

Sydney University Women's AFL Club (SUWAFLC). Following SUWAFLC's pre-season win over Newtown and loss against Easts/UNSW the club's sixty-odd players were divided into the Blue and Gold teams that took part in the SWAFL competition season.

After a variety of wins and losses in the first six rounds the two teams were graded again for the purpose of fielding the strongest possible team to contest the second half of the competition season.

The Gold team comfortably progressed through the remaining rounds and semi finals. A number of key players, however, experienced injuries which affected our performances against Newtown in the preliminary final. The outcome was a convincing win by Newtown, leaving SUWAFLC to wait another year to contest the grand final.

Although the mighty Blue team finished at the bottom of the competition ladder it also experienced many successes throughout the season. Not only did it introduce in excess of 20 rookies to the game, it also progressed from being beaten by 180 points in round 1 to just 60 points half way through the season. The Blue team also holds the league's most accurate goal kicking record for the 2006 season and also managed to take home the majority of awards at the Annual SWAFL Presentation ceremony.

Many Sydney Uni players deserve recognition for their individual successes this year. Congratulations to the following award recipients:

SU Gold:

Best and Fairest – Sarah Tallis
Players' Player – Emma Yuen
Golden Boot – Amelia Dever Kavanagh
Rookie of the Year – Libby Saddler
Coach's Award – Claire Dunn

SU Blue:

Best and Fairest – Melinda Hyland
Players' Player – Melinda Hyland
Rookie of the Year – Coco Page
Coach's Award – Louise Graham and Amalie Pakchung
Most Courageous Player – Melinda Hyland

SWAFL:

Best and Fairest, Players' Player and SWAFL Award

– Melinda Hyland

NSW Representation: Jemma Still, Meredith Gray, Emma Yuen, Keran Durston, Melinda Hyland, Monica Chew, Sarah Tallis

Invitation to attend Australian touring squad selections: Jemma Still

SU Blue – Emma Yuen and Sarah Tallis, Gold – Melinda Hyland

SUWAFLC would like to congratulate Wests for winning the premiership and would like to thank SWAFL, SU Sport, Forest Lodge Hotel and Ralph's Café for their continued support this season.

Thanks also to our dedicated coaching and support crew – Belta, Mick, Lachy and Lance. Here's to even greater success and maybe three teams in 2007!

MELINDA HYLAND

President

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

The 2006 season was another success for the club, with our preseason objective of winning a fourth straight state title achieved. The team only lost one game and achieved great things in a season that was marked by our opponents as the "last of dominance".

This was our seventh straight year of reaching the State Championship title game; however it was not a year without adversity. Key personnel losses were felt on both offence and defence. For other teams this would have been the death knell to the championship, however it highlighted two strengths of the Sydney University Lions: excellent coaches and strong performance by first year players.

The coaches were led by Head Coach Stephen Dunne who performed admirably in his duties of offensive play calling, game planning and positional coaching. He was rewarded this year by being named the Coach of the Year by the NSW Gridiron League. He was assisted by Defensive Coordinator Craig 'Nugget' Morgan, who not only trained a strong core of young players, but competed in his 150th game for the club, and is currently the longest serving member of the club. Assistant Coach Tim Snape led the offensive line, which despite key injuries maintained the high level of performance, with two league leading running backs.

In 2006 the Lions recorded their fourth straight state title, defeating the UTS Gridiron team 34-26. UTS were the favourites to win, having the league leading offence, and poached players from other teams to form a strong defence. The Lions came out strong from the opening whistle, using playoff experience and physical play to outmuscle UTS. The ground game was particularly strong, led by savvy veteran Chris Snagg and eventual game MVP Matthew Croasdaile. Late scores by UTS meant that the score was more flattering to them than the game really was. This is the club's 8th title, winning in 1985, 1986, 1992, 1995, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

Our Cubs (under 18s) program has been a cornerstone of the club, producing some of the best players from its ranks. With the age limit lowered to under 18, there were not many students in the team, however we recruited well from high schools to make up the numbers. Despite many injuries to an already small squad, they made the playoffs under Head Coach Anthony Sinton. The young team will be stronger in 2007, with many returning starters and we have high hopes for their performance next season.

NSW Wolfpack, 2006 National Champions:

David Allen, Fady Aoun, Kiernan Dorney, Liam Erby, Matthew Freeman, James Gifford, Leigh-Louey Gung, Anthony Sinton, Chris Snagg and David Thode.

Australian World Cup Team: Fady Aoun, Liam Erby, Matthew Freeman, James Gifford, Leigh Louey-Gung and Anthony Sinton.

Coach of the Year:

Stephen Dunne

Waratah Bowl Most Valuable Player:

Matt Croasdaile

2006 Championship:

Lions 34 – UTS 26

DAVID THODE
Media Manager

ARCHERY

2006 has been an eventful year for the Sydney Uni

Archery Club (SUAC) with fresh faces joining during a successful O'Week campaign. Besides the usual new beginners we were lucky to have members joining with prior experience in archery. In addition, this year the club, for the first time, had two members become part of the Sydney University Sport Talented Athlete Program.

Unfortunately with the introduction of VSU in 2006, the annual Australian University Championship for archery was not held. The more competitive members in the club took the initiative and entered in alternative events as part of the Archery NSW and Archery Australia competition calendar. Some of the major events that the club was represented at were the Archery Australia National Target and Field Championships at Twin City Archers in Victoria, Archery NSW State Indoor Championships and the Archery NSW State Target Championships. Results from these events have been excellent and show that our club has great potential and direction to improve. Results included: overall 16th in the Men's Recurve, overall 14th in the Women's Compound divisions at the National Championships, in the Men's Recurve division a 4th at the State and 14th in the National Indoor Championships, and 5th, 8th and 8th in the Women's Compound, Men's Recurve and Women's Recurve divisions respectively at the Open State Target Championships.

Looking ahead to 2007, it is unknown how the new VSU landscape will fare for the club, but it is expected that the older members will keep the club moving ahead. Entries for the 2007 Open National Championships to be held in Perth in April have already been submitted and there are expectations for good results.

DONALD CHIOU
President

ATHLETICS

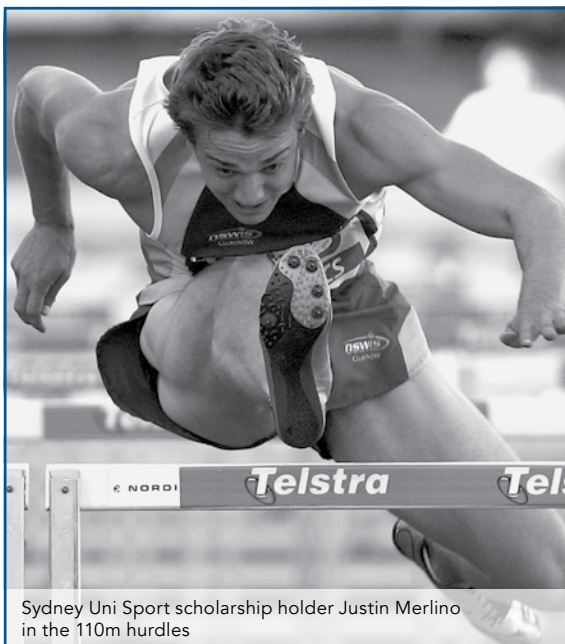
2006 was a stellar year for the Sydney University Athletics Club (SUAC). Seven SUAC athletes competed internationally and many more

represented the club in the Telstra A Series meets.

Fourteen athletes competed in the Telstra A Series Championships in March, which doubled as the Melbourne Commonwealth Games selection trials. Clinton Hill's 2nd place in the 400m final gained him selection in the men's 4x400m relay team, which went on to win gold at the Commonwealth Games. Wheelchair athlete Angela Ballard also represented Australia in the Commonwealth Games.

Lisa Grant competed in the women's 20km road walk in the World Race Walking Cup held in Spain, helping the Australian women to a top ten placing in the team event. Three athletes represented Australia at the World Cross Country Championships, with Russell Desaix Chin competing in the long course event, David Byrne competing in the short course and Madeleine Heiner taking part in the women's junior race.

Three athletes were selected in the Australian team for the World Junior Championships in Beijing in August. Unfortunately, Madeleine Heiner (1500m) and Elizabeth Jenkins (4x100m relay) had to withdraw due to injury. Lachlan Renshaw recorded a personal best time in the 800m qualifying rounds.



Sydney Uni Sport scholarship holder Justin Merlino in the 110m hurdles

The national U20 800m champion finished with an impressive 9th placing.

The cross country runners continued their fine form in 2006, winning both the Eastern University Games and Australian University Games. The men's team finished 2nd at the Australian University Games and the women's team 3rd. A great result considering the reduced size of the squad as a result of some untimely injuries.

The club won two gold medals at the NSW State Relay Championships in December, taking out the men's medley relay and the women's 4x1500m walk. Most recently, SUAC competed in the National Club Championships in Hobart, where the Sydney Uni men claimed 2nd place, an equal best performance for the club.

We're looking forward to another successful year on the track in 2007.

BRIANNA HEAZLEWOOD
Secretary and Treasurer

BADMINTON

2006 was a fine year for Sydney University Badminton Club with respect to achievements of the university team and club members. Membership continues to thrive with over 50 active members and many casual members who frequent our grounds with their skills, competitiveness and great sportsmanship.

The club has a long tradition of performing well in competitions, this year was no exception. The only disappointment was that we did not participate in the annual interclub competition due to a lack of interest not only by our club members but also the general badminton public. Individual club members participated in several tournaments throughout the year, procuring swags of silverware.

Adrian Mansukhani, a regular on the B Grade men's circuit moved up to A and Open Grade and managed to bag several titles throughout the year. Many of the more senior players of the club such as Clarina Wang, Druvi Perera and Richard Chi participated in less

tournaments but were still formidable, reaching the quarter and semi finals of tough competitions such as the UNSW Open and Sydney Uni Open. Ploughing their way through the ranks are young guns such as Brianada Koentjoro and Larry Lai. They are quickly establishing names for themselves as the people to beat by reaching many semis and finals of B and A Grade tournaments.

In autumn the club hosted a doubles tournament which received more entries than previous years. It was held at Tempe in the facility managed by Sydney Uni Sport and proved to be a great success. The spectacle boasted a pool of players that included state representative and champions, Australian Junior champions and humble Uni Games participants. The tournament raised over \$2000 for the club and aided sponsorship of the AUG team.

I must thank all those that contributed to the club administration, in particular secretary, Adrian Mansukhani and vice president Clarina Wang. Without the countless hours spent organising tournaments, bargaining down shuttle prices, and liaising with Sydney Uni Sport, the club would have struggled to have courts set up on time let alone enjoy the success we did in 2006. Our coach Marianne Loh was tireless in her efforts with the uni team and coaching beginners. Her efforts are truly appreciated by everyone who has had the privilege of attending her training sessions. Finally, special thanks go to the members who have assisted in looking after training and brought sanity to jaded office bearers. I look forward to further successes in 2007 and hope that our partnerships in badminton will continue long into the future.

EWJIN CHEN
President

BASEBALL

Sydney University Baseball Club went into the Sydney Winter Baseball League 2006 season with high hopes. The club had a stable coaching staff carrying over from a 2005 first grade grand final appearance; Jason Moir as 1st Grade and Club Manager, Jonathan Freeston as Training Coach,

Barry Hoare 2nd Grade coach, and Chris Hills and Marty Hallam debuting as 3rd Grade Coaches.

With a feeling that the club's roster was capable of being competitive in all grades, it was disappointing to only have 3rd Grade make the playoffs. In further disappointment, the club also lost the inaugural 'University Cup' to UNSW despite having the home advantage. The event, however, did prove a success and hopefully will become an institution between the two clubs.

1st Grade finished the season with a record of 5-7-3, with the team ruing lost chances and what might have been if three draws had been wins. Scott Moran was a strong ace, making 7 starts and clocking up 65.1 innings (both club highs) finishing the season with an ERA of 2.48. Offensively, stalwarts Huw McKay and Damian Spinks again provided a strong middle of the line-up posting averages above .330. The biggest surprise on offence was Tim Snelling. Starting the season in 2nd Grade, Tim finished the season batting .375 in 1st Grade (.478 in 7 2nd Grade appearances). His average led the team and broke Huw McKay's two year grip on the club batting title.

2nd Grade finished the season with a record of 4-10-1, well outside the top four. This was disappointing given the high hopes placed on this side. Ultimately, the number of newcomers and lack of experience as a team might have been an obstacle. Strong performances worthy of mention include pitcher Sonny Butterworth (Players' Player) with an ERA of 2.70, Stefan Patterson who won the team batting title with an average of .333 and Matt Cole who was a strong utility.

3rd Grade was the best performed side, finishing in the top four with a record of 9-6. Arguably the team's top performer was Chris Jurd, who posted an ERA of 3.60 and a record of 6-3. However, perhaps his most impressive statistic was a batting average against of only .168. Offensively, the team was led by newcomers Grant Tranter and Roger Morris, both batting better than .330. Grant ultimately took out the club batting title with an average in excess of .350. 3rd Grade also swept the

club's perpetual awards. Player-coach Chris Hills was awarded the Pam Garrett Award for Clubman of the Year in recognition of his service to the club and selfless act to scale back his playing duties in order to coach a young 3rd Grade side. The Jenny Finlay Award for Undergrad of the Year went to first year student Andrew Franklin.

The club would also like to congratulate James Gray and Huw McKay, who in 2006 were awarded University Golds for their years of service to the Baseball Club and sports at the University of Sydney.

Some pride was restored with gold medals at both intervarsity tournaments. A mix of new undergraduates with representative experience and some old veterans like Jonathan Freeston made for one of the strongest squads in recent memory. At the EUG at Coffs Harbour, Sydney Uni beat UNSW in the gold medal match. Although close for the first few innings, the game ended up a blow-out with Sydney Uni winning by the mercy rule in the seventh. The only hiccup in the EUG campaign was an early morning loss to long-time rival Macquarie University. At AUG in Adelaide, the team ran the table on the tournament. In the first game, on the back of a no hitter by Steve Smith, the team produced a 7-0 drubbing of Macquarie University, the first time Sydney Uni had beaten Macquarie University in over eight years of University Games. The team was undefeated in all pool matches and won in a hard fought pitchers duel against UWA. In the gold medal match, an epic 164 pitch effort from scholarship holder Jonathan Freeston (in addition to three hits) led the team to a 9-6 victory over Monash University and the first AUG gold in a decade.

2007 is looking to be a watershed year for the club. With the passing, and subsequent effect of the Federal Government's VSU legislation fees will undoubtedly have to rise and facility access may be threatened. The club plans to build an alumni network and ensure that the momentum and support gained from the 2004 centenary celebration is not lost. As always, of paramount concern is the need to attract new and young players, to both the club as well as the University.

ANTHONY GRAY
Secretary

BASKETBALL

2006 saw the Sydney University Men's and Women's Basketball Clubs finally merge. Marion Matheson and Kurt McFarland were sworn in as Presidents with Lucy Buchanan and James McCullough as Vice Presidents supported by Chris Wild. Membership continued to thrive with the men entering seven teams into the North Sydney basketball competition while the women entered five and then four teams in the two seasons at the City of Sydney competition at Alexandria Basketball Stadium. We were able to cater for all players requests, whether they were to play for fun or for competition. It was a successful and enjoyable year with many new friendships made.

Fundraising also played an important part of 2006, made imperative due to the introduction of VSU. We began the year with the 'Uniformity' party at Bourbon Bar, Kings Cross. It was a fun way to begin the year and was a good opportunity for new and old members to socialise. Some of the money raised

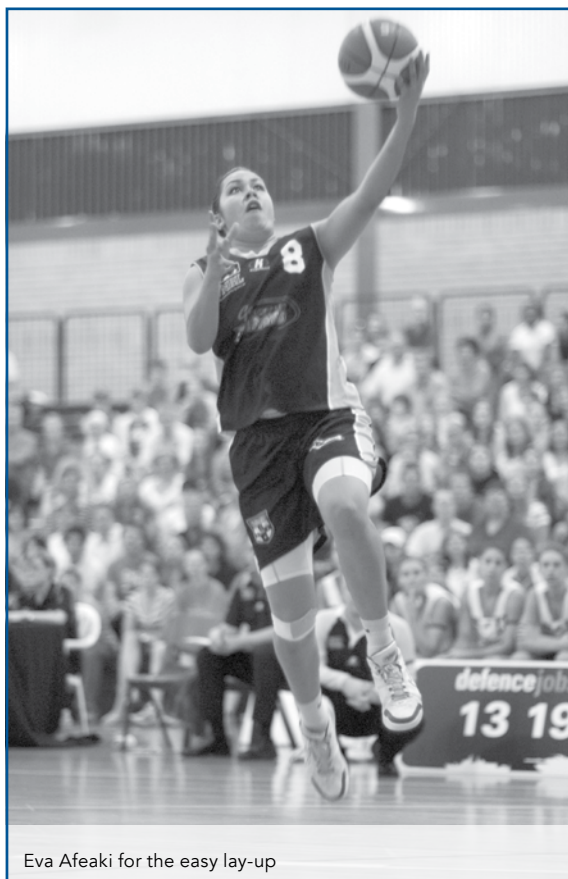


Sydney Uni scholarship holder Natalie Porter playing for the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames

went to buying much needed basketballs.

Highlights of the year include the Eastern and Australian University Games held in Coffs Harbour and Adelaide respectfully. Whilst most of the men's teams were experienced University Games participants, approximately half of the women's team were freshers making for a fun and educational couple of weeks. We made the most of EUG's as we all acknowledged it could be the last ever under VSU. We gave 110% both on and off the court.

The women's team, coached by Nat Barnes, narrowly missed out on the semis and placed 5th in Coffs Harbour. The tournament provided the team with experience and an appetite for the AUG's in Adelaide. A similar team travelled to Adelaide with Miro Popovic as coach. The team showed great dedication, enthusiasm and team spirit but unfortunately could not take a win. Special



Eva Afeaki for the easy lay-up

congratulations must go to Sarah McGrath, Sasha Banki and Simone Conacher who were invaluable members of the team and to Vanessa Moss who was our most improved player.

At EUG's in Coffs Harbour, the men's team, under Miro Popovic's guidance, played hard but finished in 6th position. Many of the guys had played together since 2005 and it was great to see how comfortable they were together both on and off the court. The team in Adelaide proved themselves by gaining a commendable 11th position in a talented and difficult AUG's competition. They played a very high standard of basketball with outstanding performances from Kassim Durani, Ben Turner, Marco Jankulovski and Adi Causevic.

We hope 2007 will bring even bigger and better things for Sydney University Basketball. Thanks must go to Peter Watkins and all the Sydney Uni Sport staff, without whom 2006 would not have been nearly as fluid and organised. Good luck to the new committee members and new club members of 2007!

MARION MATHESON
President

G.E.T. SYDNEY UNI FLAMES

DEFENCE JOBS WNBL Season 2006/07

Playing Roster and Staff:

Eva Afeaki	Trish Fallon
Briana Hennessy	Jessica Mansell
Michelle Musselwhite	Mikaela Dombkins
Melissa Smith	Natalie Porter
Alicia Poto	Kristen Veal
Georgia Woodyard	Rachel Herrick
Chimene Gordon	
Coach:	Karen Dalton
Assistant Coach:	Darren Allie
Assistant Coach:	Vlad Alava
Assistant Coach:	Michael Haynes
Manager:	Jodie Craig
Trainer:	Donna O'Connor
Physiotherapist:	David Philpott

Season Highlights

Preseason Tournament – Townsville

The G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames competed against

the AIS, Perth and Townsville in September. This gave the team much needed match practice before the season. The team was undefeated in their four matches defeating Townsville in the final.

2006/07 Season

In stark contrast to the 2005/06 season the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames started the season with their whole team fit and healthy. The addition of AIS recruits Mikaela Dombkins, Rachel Herrick & Melissa Smith provided much needed depth to the Flames bench.

The team got off to a fantastic start, with a great win in Townsville and despite a couple of close losses at home their early good form continued throughout October/November to give them a great opportunity for a top two finish. The Flames had a great away record winning 8 of their 10 matches on the road.

Despite a bit of a form slump over the Christmas period their confidence returned after a couple of great wins over Adelaide and AIS which set them up for the match against Canberra which would decide the minor premiership. The 25 point win saw the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames secure the Minor Premiership for the first time since 1998.

Final Series

As Minor Premiers the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames hosted the first semi-final, in what was a tough game against Canberra. Star performances by Michelle Musselwhite and Natalie Porter helped the Flames clinch the semi 74-65.

With Canberra winning the Preliminary Final against Adelaide, it set the Grand Final up to be another hard fought game between the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames and the Canberra Capitals. The team went into the Grand Final with two weeks of hard training behind them.

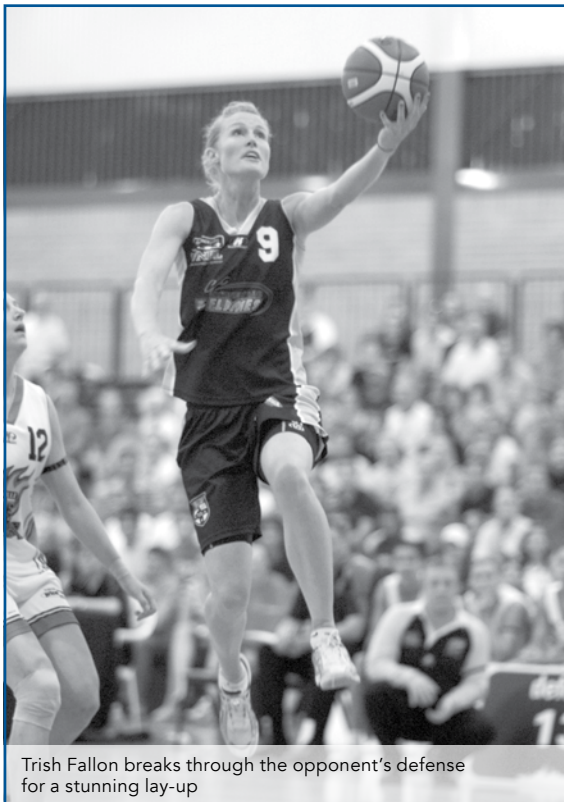
In a close and physical encounter in the Grand Final, the lead seesawed throughout the game. The Flames hit the lead 52-50 with 5 minutes to go. Three 3 pointers from the Capitals gave Canberra the edge and the title. It was a disappointing end to a fantastic season, but the G.E.T. Sydney Uni Flames are all the more determined to come out firing and have a successful 2007-08 season.

Club Milestones and Awards

Michelle Musselwhite	50 games
Most Improved	Rachel Herrick
Coaches Award	Kristen Veal
Best Defensive Player	Alicia Poto



Karen Dalton (head coach) gives the advice needed for Flames to defeat Canberra in the preliminary finals



Trish Fallon breaks through the opponent's defense for a stunning lay-up

Players Player Trish Fallon

MVP Natalie Porter

WNBL Milestones

Eva Afeaki	100 games/500 rebounds
Mikaela Dombkins	50 games
Trish Fallon	250 games
Rachel Herrick	50 games
Michelle Musselwhite	500 rebounds
Natalie Porter	200 games
Alicia Poto	100 games
Melissa Smith	50 games
Kristen Veal	500 fouls
Georgia Woodyard	100 games
Karen Dalton	150 games (coaching)

KAREN DALTON / CHRISTINE ATTENBOROUGH

Head Coach / Flames Administrator

BOAT MEN

2006 was another very successful year for SUBC but one in which the club had to overcome great difficulties caused by the destruction of our Linley Point boatshed. The year started with a very successful Jindabyne camp in early January. NSW State Championships followed where Sydney University dominated winning 20 titles, easily winning the Honours Trophy for the highest scoring club for the fourth year in a row. The Men's Elite Eight Championship (won in 2005 after a 30 year 'drought') was also retained. Australian National Championships at Lake Barrington was our most successful ever. We won 35 medals from 49 events entered (9 men's and 3 women's gold, 5 men's and 5 women's silver, and 10 men's and 3 women's bronze). Soon after returning from the Nationals our Linley Point boatshed, the entire SUBC fleet and a large part of the women's fleet was destroyed by fire – probably the work of an arsonist who has set a number of fires in the Lane Cove area.

Seven SUBC/SUWRC athletes gained selection in the 2006 Australian Senior A team for the World Championships which was the largest representation by Sydney University athletes in the senior team.

Matt Ryan was in the Men's Eight along with Cox Marty Rabjohns, Dan Noonan in the Men's Quad Scull, Tim O'Callaghan in the Men's Lightweight Four, Francis Hegerty in the Men's Heavyweight

Four and Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley in the Women's Double Scull. The highlight of their results was the gold medal by Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley. They had to overcome the defending Olympic and several times World Champions to win.

Chris Clyne and Fergus Pragnell were selected in the Australian U23 Four for the World Championships and this crew was narrowly defeated by New Zealand, returning with the silver medal. Chris Clyne subsequently won the Male Blue of the Year Award. Our other U23's were severely disadvantaged by the destruction of our boatshed and fleet and performed below their expectations at the final selection regatta. Under the circumstances their performances were commendable but there is no doubt the fire took a toll in this area. Similarly, without a shed and boats SUBC was unable to mount a Junior Four campaign in 2006.

Following the Selection Regatta we lost our Director of Rowing, Marty Rabjohns, to Canberra with his selection as cox of the Australian Eight and with Phil Bourguignon selected as coach of the Australian U23 Women's Squad, winter development had to take a back seat. The club was assisted during winter in coaching by Stewart Wood, former national U23 lightweight champion, who coached the Trans Tasman squad. On return from U23 Worlds Phil Bourguignon threw himself into preparations for AUC and defence of the Oxford and Cambridge Cup. Having won this elusive trophy in 2004 and 2005 the club was keen to make it three in a row for the first time since 1962. SUBC Eight held off a strong challenge from Adelaide University to make



Sydney Uni Men's Eight celebrate another win at State Championships

the three wins by just under a second. Four members of the crew (Andrew Wilson, Pat Wilson, Fergus Pragnell and Chris Clyne) were in all three winning crews from 2004/05/06. The challenge for 2007 is to win four in a row which has only been achieved once before by Sydney University. SUBC finished on top and in the combined score we finished second to Melbourne Uni.

Gradually through June-December Sykes replaced our fleet under our insurance arrangements along with oars and other ancillary equipment. Through the generosity and hospitality of St Ignatius College, Riverview our club was able to continue rowing as Riverview graciously accommodated us in their small shed. This is not the first time Riverview has assisted SUBC and our club remains extremely grateful for their assistance on this difficult occasion and for assistance in the past (1950's) when our club did not have a boatshed. Plans are underway for some temporary buildings adjoining the Riverview boatshed to assist in housing SUBC until we can get our shed re-built.

David Rodger joined SUBC in November, having moved from New Zealand and joined Phil Bourguignon to guide the Lane Cove squad. We were fortunate to also get the services on a part-time basis of Mark Prater, a young and developing coach with good knowledge and skills. Toby Lister, our evergreen coxen also started in the role of Scholarship Coach.

At the NSWRA Annual Dinner in May 2006 SUBC and SUWRC picked up the following awards:

- Men's Elite Shield 1st
- Combined U20's Shield 1st
- NSW Men's Coach of the Year: Marty Rabjohns
- NSW Oarswoman of the Year Sydney Uni: Liz Kell
- Men's Senior Shield 2nd
- Women's Elite Shield 2nd
- Bohemia River Cup 2nd
- Premiership 3rd

We would like to say thanks to: Sydney Uni Sport for their on-going support. St Ignatius College, especially Headmaster Shane Hogan, Alex Rybak, Pat Brownrigg and others who have welcomed us and made space in their boatshed for us. Coaches

Marty Rabjohns (now at the AIS), Phil Bourguignon, Dave Rodger, Alan Bennett, James Tyree, Terry O'Hanlon and Stewart Wood. Toby Lister who has coxed, coached and filled in admirably as Club Administrator in the last few months. Penny Stringer who filled in as Club Administrator and Foundation Officer during the year. Foundation supporters who donated in 2006 and helped improve the SU Rowing program. Parents of current rowers who have supported the USSF Foundation - Rowing Division. The Alumni and Parent's Committee. Thanks also to John Boulton for coach management and supervision, Craig Lister for assisting with our facilities, Kerrie Allsop and Gail Anderson for leading the parent athlete support, Gian Minns, Jeremy Curtin and Steve Newnham for assistance with recruitment, Tom McCann with assistance in Finance and Brendan Lynch for assistance in planning.

PHIL BOURGUIGNON
Director

BOXING

The Sydney Uni Boxing Club was fortunate to have Club Captain Eric Pobre, Coach Dennis Moffat and President Patrick Cunningham to lift the club banner at the orientation week stall of 2006 extolling the virtues of the sweet science to new undergraduates.

The club expresses its sincere thanks to the 2006 coaching staff. Dr Tony Collings returned with his sage of reason and acute insight into individual techniques. The club was also greatly assisted by Johnny Lewis and Justin Rowsell on weekday afternoons. It is with sadness we report that Johnny has been enticed away to work in 2007 at Woolloomooloo PCYC and Justin is returning with his family to Casino. We thank them for their efforts and wish them well in their new locations. Dean Haniff took some parental leave and we hope to see him return in 2007. Also thanks to Greg Stanton, Omar Colakaglu, Pardeep Jagdev, Laurence Abdul-Reheim, George Psellis, Dennis Moffat and Tyson Rowsell for their hours dedicated to coaching plus Patrick Cunningham and Bryce Sait for college and novice training. The combined knowledge and experience of

all coaches has greatly improved the fitness, defence skills and sparring abilities of all club members.

On September 22nd the club hosted a University Championship and Intercollege Tournament in front of a crowd of 600 students on No. 1 Oval. The ten bout card featured 20 boxers nearly all from the university club. A special feature was three intercollegiate bouts with a spirited match-up of middleweight Matt Simshauser of St John's College and William Tse of St Andrew's College. It was an athletic display of Matt's height and length versus William's power and grittiness with strong vocal acknowledgement from the college supporters. Gustav Solman-Nilsson of Wesley College took out the Dr Whitton Flynn trophy for best boxer in his very polished performance against Michael Thomas of St Andrew's College.

In October a team of three boxers, Tobin Harding, Nick Cutts and Andrew Constantiou and two support staff, Omar Colakaglu and Patrick Cunningham, travelled to the Gold Coast. Andrew, competing in the veteran's class, acquitted himself well in a narrow point loss. Tobin Harding came back from an early deficit to take victory. Nick Cutts was never allowed to settle and the bout was finalised early and awarded to University of Queensland.

Paul Miller has taken on some coaching responsibilities at the club to help prepare members for amateur competitions and improve their sparring abilities. He has been the instructor for the Aerobox class since his arrival in 2003 and has been successful in growing numbers at these classes. Paul achieved the ranking of 4th in 2004 in the OPBF (Oceania Pacific Boxing Federation) the regional body of the IBF (International Boxing Federation). In 2004 Paul achieved the ranking of 5th in the PABA (Pan Asian Boxing Association) the regional body of the WBA (World Boxing Association). It is disappointing that two scheduled bouts against the current PABA super Middleweight Title holder Peter Kariuki were discontinued. Four fights scheduled between January and April failed to go ahead due to withdrawals from opposition management.

The club would like to acknowledge the support from Sydney Uni Sport and the NSW Amateur Boxing Association in the club's endeavours to increase the awareness and participation in boxing both as a fitness regime and self defence discipline.

PATRICK CUNNINGHAM
President

CANOE

2006 was another exciting, beguiling and enthralling year for the Sydney University Canoe Club. The year got off to a good start with some entertaining beginner trips. The paddle on Sydney Harbour saw a bunch of new members causing havoc on the water, while the beginner whitewater trip saw another 16 members learning the ways of rapids, rocks and trees. Come Easter, some flowing water was found up at Goolang Creek and the Nymboida River. A standard safety meeting was held and thanks to Alex DeBono's welding experience all necessary equipment was returned to working order and the trip was enjoyed by all who attended.

The regular trip to Bar Island became bi-annual this year, in part due to the lack of rain around the river regions, but mostly due to the fantastic time had by all and the requests for a repeat trip.

Keen for some more whitewater paddling, members were always vigilant for some rain, waiting for an opportunity once the river levels rose. The lack of rain provided excuses for a few impromptu mid-week trips once the river levels did rise, although of course no names were mentioned in the trip report from the Kangaroo River for fears of reprisal.

In calmer waters, the marathon contingent of the club strengthened over the year, thanks to Ric Barnes' continual enthusiasm. A few members enjoyed the 111km of pain in the Hawkesbury Classic, while some opted for the perhaps milder option of a casual paddle on the Lane Cove River each Wednesday night.

The many trips out to Penrith Whitewater Stadium saw everyone having fun, from the complete beginners in the inflatable 2-person rafts to the



Sydney Uni and NSW Blues cricketer Greg Mail

more experienced antics of those surfing every rapid and catching every eddy. It was good to see people's skills improving throughout the year.

A desire for paddling and improving skills saw 8 members of the club travel to New Zealand for a kayaking course in the kayaking mecca of the world, Murchison. Well worth it, everyone has brought back some new skills to share with the club, from which everyone can benefit.

CATHERINE BARNES
President

CRICKET MEN

Although not realising any premierships, there were many highlights for SUCC during the 2005/06 season. Six players represented in NSW and Test matches. Stuart Clark was named Player of the Series in his debut series in South Africa and Stuart MacGill continued to take wickets at the top level.

Matthew Phelps was named NSW Player of the Year. Ed Cowan played for NSW early in the season before an unfortunate injury limited his participation. Greg Mail regained his state opening batting position having scored a 1st Grade season tally of 963 runs at 87.55. Ian Moran made his 20/20 debut for NSW and also took out the coveted O'Reilly Medal for the best player in 1st Grade.

Greg Mail and Matthew Phelps combined for a record 2nd wicket partnership of 390 against

Mosman with both players scoring scintillating double centuries.

1st and 2nd Grades were unlucky at times and as a result did not turn potential into consistent performance. Missing the finals in the top grades is never good but should steel resolve for future campaigns.

Our lower grades were strong all season with 6th, 4th and 3rd Grades contesting semi finals. In each case the boys were unlucky not to progress to the grand final.

3rd Grade in particular enjoyed another great season with Peter Murray at the helm. Peter's strong leadership on and off the field has been a catalyst for several years of success in the lower grades. This provides the ultimate platform for young players to represent the club in higher grades. Whilst defeated in the semi final by eventual and deserving winners St George, the team can be proud of their achievements.

Our U21 team contested the Poidevin-Gray Shield. While only winning one match, the competition allowed players exposure in an age group several years above their own. Highlights included Nick Burke's outstanding 127*, batting through the entire innings against Northern District.

Anthony Stuart was again inspirational as Head Coach. His no-nonsense approach to the game and ability to produce good work ethic amongst younger players will no doubt pay dividends in the future. Anthony was assisted by the ever ready Greg 'Mo' Matthews. 'Mo' has no peer when it comes to cricket knowledge and is a dynamic part of the coaching group the club has to offer players.

The social side of the club was superbly organised by Tom Kierath and Pete Murray. The inaugural poker night at the Grandstand was well attended and enjoyed by all. The Annual Dinner was the social highlight. A special thanks must go to the University and Schools Club for hosting the evening and providing excellent hospitality.

Darby Quoyle must also be thanked for his tireless

work as Executive Officer of the Club over the last 4 years. Darby's tenure has coincided with one Club Championship, two 1st Grade premierships and a 5th Grade premiership.

While SUCC did not have the most successful year, promising signs in lower grades point to a strong showing in 2006/07.

PAUL O'HALLORAN
Club Captain

CRICKET WOMEN

The recently concluded 2005/06 season has found the Universities Women's Cricket Club (UWCC) further down the path of success. The club entered teams in 1st, 2nd and 3rd Grade in our second season. On the field, both 2nd and 3rd Grade finished higher up the ladder than last season. Both teams won four games this season, which was three more than last season. This is significant in particular for 3rd Grade as their only win last season was a forfeit. 1st Grade experienced two less wins than last season leaving them lower on the ladder than in their first season.

Overall UWCC won four more games than in our first



Sydney Uni and Australian Test cricketer, Lisa Sthalekar

season which demonstrates improvement as a club. We now have a core group of players in all teams that we can build future successes around. Recipients of our major awards were spread throughout all grades which shows the potential talent we have. One of the advantages of our club is the ability for talented players to move up the ranks and test their mettle at the higher level. This will ultimately improve their skill level as well as assist in the development of women's cricket at the university.

UWCC would also like to congratulate our representative players. Kate Blackwell, Alex Blackwell and Lisa Sthalekar have all maintained their positions in the Australian and NSW teams. Sara Hungerford has also been selected in the NSW team. Off the field UWCC also continued to make advances with the creation of a women's cricket competition called Twilight 12's which was held during the first few months of daylight saving at Moore Park. It provided us with an alternative for our members who aren't quite up to Grade cricket. We were also able to provide a cricket experience to women beyond our club who had never played before. It also enabled us to raise some much needed funds for the club. We intend to expand this competition in 2007 and have recently been awarded a grant from Cricket NSW to do that.

LENA CARUSO
President

FENCING

The Sydney Uni Fencing Club was well represented at events on the State and National circuit, gaining top results in all age categories and weapons, ultimately receiving the Australian Fencing Federation (AFF) Award for Best Sabre Club of 2006. AFF Awards were also presented to club members Sarah Osvath (top ranked Veteran Women's Epee) and Harriet Jordan (top ranked Veteran Women's Sabre).

Six Sydney Uni fencers were selected for Australian teams at the Open and Junior Commonwealth Fencing Championships, and the Veteran World Championships: Anna Kovacs (Junior Foil), David Baker (Junior Epee), Joe Raciborski (Junior Sabre),

Eszter Kovacs (Open Foil), Jess Brooks (Open Sabre) and Richard Oldcorn (Veteran Sabre).

We gained a total of 18 medals from the National circuit open and age-based events, with consistently good results from Eszter Kovacs, Sarah Osvath, Jess Brooks and Harriet Jordan. The AFF added a Club Team Foil event to one of its tournaments, and the Sydney Uni Team of Carolyn Casali, Sarah Dean and Kasia Loboz defeated the UTS team in a very close-fought final match. 20 Club members were selected to represent NSW in team events. At the State level, we collected a total of 37 medals in the 'A' and 'B' grade events, and a further 13 in the age based events.

Club training continued to be well attended throughout the year and Tony Watts, Mario Ferraro and Brendan Nicholson have continued to work tirelessly in the development of the club's junior members. Tony, Brendan and Chris Markey have taken on individual coaching roles to manage the overflow from existing coaches Angelo Santangelo, Simon Jin, Julian May, Bill Ronald and Tuko Maia. Group training sessions were run by Tuko on Wednesday evenings, and Tony or Brendan on Saturday afternoons.

Sydney Uni Fencing Club continues to provide the successful working model to other fencing clubs in this state on how to combine a seriously dedicated training facility with a positive social and developmental club atmosphere.

HARRIET JORDAN
President

GOLF

2006 was a very successful year for the Sydney University Golf Club. The women's team won the club's first ever overall championship at the Australian University Games on the back of some wonderful play by the State Team captain Julia Boland. The men's team also improved on their 3rd place finish at the Eastern University Games in 2005. There were also a number of outstanding individual performances throughout the year.

Undoubtedly, the club's player of the year was Julia Boland. Her complete annihilation of the field in the individual championship at both the EUG and AUG was a fantastic achievement. Her winning score of 3 under par for 54 holes at AUG in Adelaide was lower than the winning score in the men's division. Her results in other tournaments this year included a top 3 placing in both the Ladies Lake Macquarie Championship and Victorian Women's Strokeplay Championship, as well as narrowly missing out in qualifying for the MFS Women's Australian Open. These fantastic results made Julia a worthy recipient of a University Blue.

Julia was ably assisted by Courtney Dickins in the team's matchplay event. Courtney performed admirably considering she was cross-accredited with three other sports at the Games. The pair won the club's first gold medal at AUG in a sudden-death playoff over Griffith University.

While not as successful as the women, the men's team improved on their 3rd place finish at EUG 2005 by finishing 2nd at the EUG in Coffs Harbour. The team included Henry Yeung, Kirk Buckley, Darren Wong, Chris Thomas, Akira Masuda and David Tu-Hoa. The boys battled difficult weather conditions and finished behind the powerful Macquarie University team. Henry Yeung led the team's scoring with rounds of 79, 74 and 75 finishing 4th in the individual championship, Kirk Buckley 8th with Darren Wong and Chris Thomas 11th.

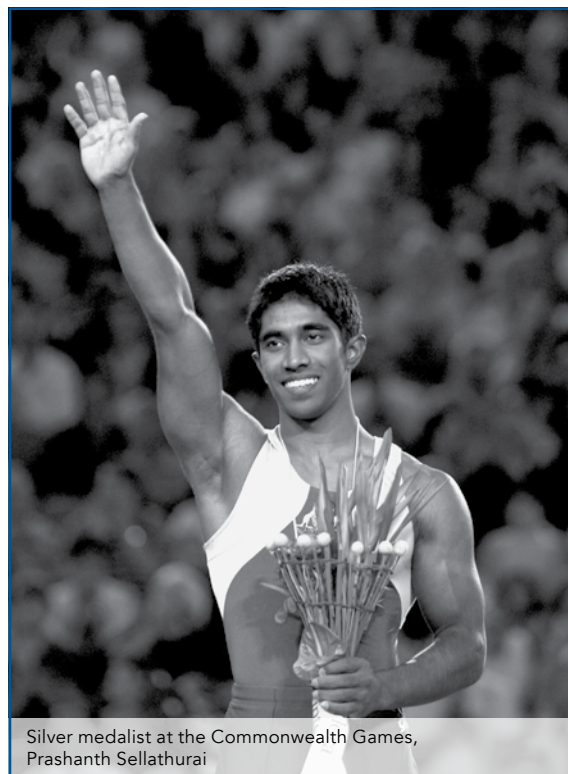
At AUG in Adelaide, Henry Yeung continued his solid play with rounds of 79, 75 and 75 earning him a 7th place finish in a strong field, 8 shots behind the eventual winner. Kirk Buckley was another 5 shots adrift in 11th place.

We hope to build and improve on these results at the 2007 AUG on the Gold Coast.

KIRK BUCKLEY
Vice-Captain

GYMSPORTS

The past year has seen the development of the Sydney University Gymsports Club (SUGC) on a



Silver medalist at the Commonwealth Games,
Prashanth Sellathurai

number of levels; not only through the acquisition of new equipment, but also through outstanding competition results and a sustained commitment towards the social aspects of the club. The year began with O'Week where a record number of new members were signed up. Club members Yasmine Loupis, Kyra Clifton, Laura Ingram, Tristan Worledge and Jacob Henwood performed a daring sports acrobatics routine that served to win over the crowd during one of the numerous displays. This early success continued throughout the year. In 2006 SUGC was represented in a number of disciplines at state, national and international levels.

Club members Yasmine Loupis and Kyra Clifton teamed up with Amiria Parker to form a sports acrobatics trio competing at level 4. The girls came 2nd in their two state trials and went on to place 5th in NSW despite injury. They then competed at National Championships where they placed 4th overall and 1st in NSW.

A new member to the club, PeiLing Kong,

represented Sydney University in sports aerobics. She competed in the Malaysian Nationals, achieving 1st in the individual senior category. She then travelled to the Netherlands to compete against some of her idols at the World Championships, where she finished 20th.

Gregory Clune competed in the NSW Trampoline Championships and won both the senior international tumbling and double mini categories. He also placed 2nd in the individual trampoline competition.

The Sydney University Cheerleaders were also very successful this year. They competed at the State and National championships finishing 1st and 3rd respectively.

In May the club took part in a friendly competition hosted by Newcastle University. We were very successful in all areas of competition including trampoline and women's and men's artistic gymnastics. The event was enhanced by the barbeque that followed and the sparkly hats awarded to the participating athletes were greatly appreciated.

The social schedule extended beyond competition with the annual training camp at Coffs Harbor once again proving a huge success.

The Faculty of Education and Social Work and Sydney University Sport teamed up for the purchase of some much-needed equipment, for which we are extremely thankful. This included a sprung floor, beam, crash mats and landing mats which will prove invaluable in the development and growth of both gymnasts and the club.

The development of the club creates a number of exciting possibilities for next year. Already we are looking forward to competing in the Australian Masters Games to be held in Adelaide. We are also hoping to host some invitational competitions in the near future.

LAURA INGRAM
President

HANDBALL

In 2006 the Sydney University Handball Club prepared one women's and one men's team for Autumn and Spring State Handball Championships at Olympic Park. We also organised a men's development team for the Spring competitions. The Autumn Championships brought glory to the women's team who won. The men's team finished 2nd with only two goals difference against the champions. In the Spring Championships the women's and men's teams both finished in 2nd place.

Rajan Palovic was appointed coach of the club in addition to roles with the state junior and state senior women's teams. Both state teams were champions and dominated during the National Handball Championships. The club thanks Rajan for his dedication, hard work and excellent results. Pascal Winker took over coaching both men's teams for 2006. We would like to thank him for his contribution, patience, dedication and professionalism.

The 2006 season was very active and challenging. Many of our members also took on roles at state competitions. Dorothy Potocka, Kim Briggs, Kelly Morgan, Hugh Ronzani were referees, Aminta Thomas and Kim Briggs were table officials. Dorothy Potocka refereed men's teams during National Championships. Kim Briggs was selected state junior women's team manager and Michelle Alexander was senior state women's team manager/massage therapist. Dorothy Potocka and Kim Briggs were selected as international officials for the Oceania World Championship Qualifications and the Handball Pacific Cup. Tiffany Botfield, Michelle Alexander, Courtney Gahan, Aminta Thomas, Anna Terrey, Kim Higgins, Yvette Maher and Alexis Bell were volunteers at the Oceania Qualification and Pacific Cup Games.

Thirteen women (Kim Briggs (captain), Daniela Borelli (vice-captain), Kelly Morgan, Emma van Bussel, Aminta Thomas, Anna Terrey, Thaiz Amorim, Vanja Smiljanic, Alexis Bell, Nicole Hughes, Alison Bentley, Allira Gofers) and nine men (Milan Slavujevic, Christoph Niebec, Jovan Ugrenovic,

Boris Ucota, Pascal Wihuler, Ogi Mattic, Seb Traverso, Alex Thighzer, Jozsef Badenski) were selected in NSW Senior State Teams to compete at the National Handball Championships held in October at Shepparton. Both teams were unstoppable winning the National Championships.

Junior National Handball Championships were held in June on the Gold Coast. The NSW State Handball Teams were represented by thirteen women (Tiffany Botfield (captain), Michelle Alexander (vice-captain), Emma van Bussel, Courtney Gahan, Aminta Thomas, Anna Terrey, Kim Higgins, Kit Otte, Mille Sand, Thaiz Arnorim, Vanja Smijanac, Yvette Maher and Alexis Bell) and one male (Ogi Mattic) from the club. Both teams played well and won.

Milan Slavujevic was selected to represent Australia at the Oceania World Qualification Men's Championships and Pacific Cup held in May in Sydney. His team qualified to the World Cup to be held in January 2007 in Germany. Thirteen of our club members made the Women's National Squad (Tiffany Botfield, Michelle Alexander, Courtney Gahan, Aminta Thomas, Anna Terrey, Kim Higgings, Yvette Maher, Alexis Bell, Nicky Hughes, Alison Bentley, Kelly Morgan, Emma van Bussel and Vanja Smiljanic).

During the year, there was number of club members involved in developing the sport. Rajan Pavlovic, Kim Briggs, Michelle Alexander, Kelly Morgan, Meagan Miller and Alexis Bell coached handball at schools throughout Sydney. Michelle Alexander, Kelly Morgan, Meagan Miller and Alexis Bell were the school referees.

DOROTHY POTOCKA
Secretary



Scott Laird dragging out for Sydney Uni

HOCKEY

Having gone through a year of restructuring in 2004, and a year of consolidation in 2005, 2006 was a development year for Sydney University Hockey Club (SUHC).

The Women's 1st Grade team, having finished in the bottom half of the competition in 2005, proved to be a real threat in 2006, with the last competition round determining final placings. SUHC narrowly missed the finals by the smallest of margins, 1 competition point, and were relegated to 6th place on goal difference.

Other successes were achieved by our Women's 2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade teams who all made the finals in their respective grades. Women's 5th, 6th and 7th Grade were also unlucky in narrowly missing the finals by 1 point.

Our Men's teams were similarly successful with our 4th, 5th and 7th Grade teams all making the semi finals. Men's 6th Grade narrowly missed out, finishing in sixth. The Men's 1st to 3rd Grades, finished in the bottom halves of their respective competitions, however, proved to be competitive in beating much higher placed teams unexpectedly throughout the season. In a year which saw the introduction of a large number of younger new players, it is hoped that in 2007 they will be even more competitive.

In further strengthening our numbers, 2006 saw the addition of a second Men's Veteran's team, the entry of a Girl's U/18's team and the expansion of our junior club by another 3 teams.

Aside from the successes enjoyed during the regular season competition, our teams were also successful at the Eastern University Games in Coffs Harbour with both teams finishing 3rd. At Australian University Games in Adelaide our men's team finished 7th. Our women's team led the way from start to finish, finishing 1st. Meg Buchanan and Tom Lobsey were named in the Green and Gold merit teams.

HOCKEY REPRESENTATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

Michael Irby	NSW Vets, Australian Vets
Cameron Whittaker	NSW Vets
Catherine Alston	NSW U/21's squad, NSW Open squad
Zoe Michaleff	NSW Open Indoor
Rebecca Landers	NSW U/15's, NSW U/18's
Tom Lobsey	NSW U/21's

Special congratulations must go to Tom Lobsey who was the recipient of a Sydney University Blue in hockey.

Lastly, thank you to the entire SUHC Committee, all of the coaches, and particularly to the executive.

BRIAN GUNNER
President

JUDO

The Sydney Uni Judo Club (SUJC) continued its strong tradition of consistent hard training throughout the year and had some excellent tournament results. The departure in recent times of a cohort of club greats was sorely felt but as is the nature of a university club, people move on. To its credit, the SUJC continues to span generations, with founding members still mixing it on the mat with new recruits.

Training was strong in 2006 and there have been marked individual improvements over the course of the year. Rebecca Benson stands out as one person who has developed a well-balanced style. Ben Kumagaya's improvement was noticed by many. Adrian Brezniak was welcomed back to the mat and looked to have lost none of his grit during time off with injury.

In JFA tournaments, David Braun, Mark Swinton and Hannah Jones were consistent competitors throughout the year with some encouraging results. Starting the year U60 and moving up to U66, David achieved 1st at the NSW Challenge and 3rd at the NSW State Titles. Mark Swinton took 4th in U60 at

the State Titles. Hannah Jones took 2nd in the women's third kyu in the Kyu Grades Titles. Noteworthy too was Greg Walsh's victory in the men's combined heavyweight division at the State Titles, a day on which the blue-belted Greg defeated two dan grades.

At AUG Matt, Ash, Ben, Sidney and Lenny did the club proud, finishing 4th in the team's event. Matt also won an individual gold in the U90 division and was awarded Green and Gold selection.

At the Club Championships, the men's champion was Adrian Brezniak and the women's Margarethe Karlsen. The club was unrepresented this year in the NSW state squad or at nationals. The club is looking forward to developing some strong competitors like it has produced in the past. To that end, 2007 will feature a number of more social tournaments in order to bridge the gap between training and competition. There will be a mid-year club championship and student-based kyu grades tournaments (followed up by beers and barbecues) in order to encourage and ease the transition from randori to shiai.

Away from competition, two new life members were inducted to the club – John Moen and Ken MacAviney. John has been a member of the club since 1998 and has been heavily involved with the club executive. He has also coached the beginner class for the past two years. Ken has been a loyal and long-serving club member for almost 40 years (despite completing his degree at another university). He has represented the club at World, Australian and State tournaments, and assisted with coaching both formally and informally on Saturdays for juniors. It was great to see them both recognised.

I thank the official coaches; Randall Jones, John Buckley, Kristof Frankowski and John Moen, for their tireless efforts. I thank my fellow players for their efforts, even if we are not quite so tireless. Thanks also to the members of the executive committee for putting together a successful year.

DAVID BRAUN
President

KENDO

Sydney Uni Kendo Club is the youngest in the NSW Kendo Renmei. It was started over three years ago by a group of dedicated practitioners headed by John Hsu. In that short period of time our club has performed at a level in State and National competitions that is the envy of more established clubs. Below is a list of the competitions and outcomes for the year 2006:

NSW Open State Kendo Championship:

2nd Dan Individual (Mark Kim)

2nd Kyu Individual (John Hsu)

2006 Australian University Games, Adelaide:

1st Dan Open Team Champion

1st Dan Individuals (Daniel Yang)

3rd Kyu Individuals (Adam Corbett)

Green & Gold - Daniel, Dong-Heuk. Yang,

Sunsuke Yamagata

Founders Cup:

1st Dan Open Team Champion

Best Player Award – Daniel, Dong-Heuk. Yang

Most Outstanding Player Award – Mark,

Tae-Kyun. Kim

Dae Han Moodo Kwan Tournament:

1st Dan Individuals (Takeshi Okazaki)

2nd Dan Team Division

Most Valuable Player Award – Takeshi Okazaki

9th Korean Kumdo Championships:

1st Dan Team Champion

1st Dan Individuals (Takeshi Okazaki)

Outstanding Player Award – Daniel,

Dong-Heuk. Yang

Most Valuable Player Award – Takeshi Okazaki

This was the third consecutive year that we have dominated the AUG at its highest level of Open Dan, in both the team and the individual divisions. This places our club, although young, in a strong position for becoming a respected club in the kendo community, a position we hope to strengthen in the coming years.

Many changes also occurred for the club in 2006 and most sadly one of these changes was the

departure of our sensei Takeshi, however, we are fortunate to still have with us Sensei Mark Kim under whose guidance we will surely succeed in becoming better players. The second significant change was the disaffiliation of our club from the Sydney University Student Union and our affiliation with Sydney Uni Sport. This has presented us with a secure platform from which to operate as a club and was seen as an important step for the future growth of the club.

2006 also saw our active participation in the wider kendo community. We accepted visits to other clubs as well as received guest sensei and other experienced players for our personal and club improvement in line with the kendo philosophy worldwide to foster strong bonds of kinship among clubs and individuals alike where the true opponent is oneself.

Finally, but not least, 2006 saw a rich growth in club members and the fostering of a vibrant club culture that included outings, events, dinners and yes parties! This year has proven to be a pivotal one in the maturation of our club and saw us greet and overcome many challenges. Now we have set a precedent for excellence in performance and 2007 will see us only grow.

LINTON (NAVA) CHAPMAN

Secretary

NETBALL

2006 was another successful year for the Sydney University Netball Club, especially in terms of growth and representation. State League Division 1 had a strong season, just missing out on the semi finals after going down to Manly and finished in 5th place. Unfortunately not such a successful year was enjoyed by Division 2, finishing in 10th place with the prospect of relegation next year. Interdistrict just missed out on the grand final after losing a close finals match, finishing in 3rd place. This year we started a night Interdistrict side made up of girls from all three of our State League and Interdistrict teams. This was a great competition for our club to be associated with in the off-season. We were also



represented by four club sides in the Inner West Netball Association. This proved an excellent way for new players to become involved in our club.

The University Games teams were also successful in 2006. The two Sydney University sides were virtually unchallenged at EUG's until they faced each other in a grand final showdown which saw the women's Cumberland side placed 1st and the Sydney University side placed 2nd. We were also represented by a mixed team which finished 5th which was a strong result for a new team. Merit team selection went to Carlie Hoffman for the women's and Ben Colmer in the mixed. Both were much deserved awards for two very talented players. No women's team was sent to AUG's due to lack of interest. The mixed team had a great time at AUG's but struggled on the court.

Our club saw some changes to the coaching staff. Lisa McConchie was warmly welcomed as coach of the State League Division 1 team. Her hard work for the club last year was highly valued, increasing the strength of the Division 1 side, as well as streamlining club administration and providing greater exposure for the club with the creation of a club

website www.sunetball.com.au. Samantha Dawes

took on the coaching of the Division 2 side, a strong

challenge, and we appreciate her efforts. Landell

Archer coached the Interdistrict team, which was a

very successful use of her talents that the team enjoyed immensely.

Congratulation must go to scholarship holders Kate Pallister, Liz Bornstein and Carlie Hoffman. They are fantastic assets to our club and their participation helps boost the recognition of Sydney University as a formidable netball club.

The club continued its sponsorship alliance with Empire Hotel, Kings Cross where our functions were held successfully raising money for the club and providing a great place for the teams to bond and grab a drink after a hard week of netball! We were also very lucky to have two new sponsors this year. Peak Physique added us to their client list and provided an on-court physiotherapist for our Division 1 side as well as very well priced physiotherapy for our club. SEAL, Sports Education and Learning Australia, supported our website and was pivotal in getting it off the ground.

A big thank you goes to Lynn Quinn and the Fairfield District Netball Association for their continued support and assistance throughout the season. Thank you also to all of the Sydney Uni Sport staff whose help is immense and without which our club could not function. We all hope 2007 is another successful and enjoyable year for our club.

LIZ BORNSTEIN
Co-President

RIFLE

The start of the 2006 season showed great promise for the Sydney Uni Rifle Club (SURC). Having fully recovered from the damage sustained to the club hut in 2004, a strong O-week recruitment campaign was put in motion to encourage new shooters into the sport. It was by far the greatest turnout of the past few years; 26 new undergraduate members joined our ranks and all the members from the past two traumatic years returned to strengthen the club.

However, such a strong turnout also has its downside. As any target shooting veteran will tell you, it is a fairly slow and time consuming sport. A four hour afternoon will see a maximum of about 10 shooters get to the mound on a single target. As a

result, training had to be conducted on a first-come-first-served basis which favoured those with a long-running passion for the sport over those who just wanted to give it a try. While this is an unfortunate situation to be in, it was the only way to keep the club running efficiently.

The increased difficulty with firearms registration and licensing was especially pronounced with such a large number of shooters. Current regulations allow for a three month temporary permit for prospective shooters, after which a full license must be purchased at reasonable expense. For this reason, it is difficult for new shooters to try the sport for long enough to become fully acquainted with it before having to purchase a full license. On top of this, complicated testing and administrative procedures have delayed the acquisition of licenses. However, we are aiming for a closer relationship with the Firearms Registry in 2007, hopefully simplifying the licensing process significantly.

Despite the limited spots and tight timing constraints placed on our members, new faces turned up every weekend eager to give the sport a go. It was obvious during the first few shoots of 2006 that our new team had great promise. Scores posted at the difficult 700 and 800m ranges were the best we've seen from new shooters in many years, and the morale shown by all club members was high. Everyone was even willing to take on target marking duties, quite possibly the most dull job in all of rifle shooting!

With ever increasing licensing restrictions, 2007 looks to be a tough year. However, if we can survive the destruction of the club hut two years ago, we can definitely overcome these administrative details. After securing a solid shooter base at O-week next year, we have a good feeling about the rifle season in 2007.

ROCKCLIMBING & MOUNTAINEERING

2006 saw the Sydney Uni Rockclimbing and Mountaineering Club (SURMC) continue on its strong course. Wednesday night climbing at the

Ledge was well attended and continued to attract new members throughout the year. At the beginning of the year, some dedicated, experienced climbers ran free trips for beginners at Barrenjoey and in the Blue Mountains. Special thanks go to Thom Chubb and Ben Wiessner. These trips were popular with new members and now two of those who attended, Endymion Cooper and David Hinder, are running trips of their own. In addition, Danielle Carey ran a women's climbing day at the dam cliffs near Lithgow. Proving to be as popular as ever, this trip reinforced the strong level of female participation in our sport. One of the beginners who attended, Tahria Sheather, has joined Maria Bortot and Justine Hay as one of the club's most prolific and successful sport climbers.

To ensure the highest standards of safety and professionalism on club trips, SURMC hired Adam Darragh, a former member turned professional guide and mountain guru, to teach advanced safety techniques to potential trip leaders. Adam ran two full weekend trips at the beginning of the year. The twelve members who attended had a great time

and benefited immensely from Adam's lively teaching style and prodigious experience.

In the Easter break, SURMC members went on their annual pilgrimage to Mt Arapiles in Victoria's Wimmera. Everyone who went had a great time at Australia's best climbing venue and those who didn't were treated to a raft of vivid photographs and gripping anecdotes. The semester break saw a flurry of activity, with major trips to Nowra and Frog Buttress in Queensland. Meanwhile, an intrepid group of mountaineers made its way to Blue Lake to make the best of rather disappointing snow conditions.

At the beginning of semester 2, Kaitlin Beare organised an indoor climbing-competition for club members. Thanks go to Phil Staples for setting the routes. The competition was a huge success and will become part of SURMC's annual program. The winners of the open division were Justine Hay and Kris Wright. Tahria Sheather and Dave Hinder won the beginners division. Throughout semester 2 the club continued to run trips, with a beginners 'trad' day in the Blue Mountains proving a huge success.

At the end of semester 2, Stuart Ecob organised the annual club dinner. Adam Darragh entertained a large crowd and prizes were awarded to the winners of SURMC's writing and photography competitions. Meg Dennison easily won the former with an



Coach Alan Bennett with the women's eight at the State Championships

outstanding poem about the Wolgan Valley, while Andy Jacob narrowly won the photo comp with an artistic Himalayan composition. Two members who were not present at the club dinner were Ben Wiessner and John Madar: they were on a trip to Ama Dablam in Nepal with Sumit Joshi, a long-time friend of SURMC. While their final push to the summit was unsuccessful, Ben and John will not forget their adventures on this breathtaking peak.

More than ever before, SURMC members have been sharing their experiences with one another. Thanks go to everyone who has contributed trip reports or photos. These can be seen on our brand-new website: www.surmc.org.au.

CARL GODFREY
President

ROWING WOMEN

The Sydney University Women's Rowing Club (SUWRC) had a very successful year in 2006 with four world championships for our rowers (Liz Kell and Brooke Pratley Women's Double Scull at World Championships, Renee Kirby (stroke) and Phil Bourguignon (Coach) U23 Coxless Four, Elsa O'Hanlon and Terry O'Hanlon (Coach), Lightweight single scull at WUC Rowing Championships)! The club had over 80 active members including those from the colleges. In February at the State Championships Renee Kirby won the U21 single, Yasmin L'Estrange 4th in the U23 single, Brooke Pratley 4th in the open single, we combined with Leichhardt and UTS to win the U21 eight, Brooke was in the winning open quad scull, Yasmin and Renee 2nd in the U23 pair, Elsa 3rd in the lightweight single, Sarah Phillips and Laura Polin won the U21 pair, Brooke was in the winning double scull, Kylie Grant and Elsa were in the winning lightweight quad scull, Yasmin and Renee were in the 2nd placed coxless four, and we placed 2nd and 6th in the eight.

Australian Championships were held at Lake Barrington in March. Liz Kell led from the front.

Liz raced in every available race except the coxless pair and in every race she made the final.

ROWING RESULTS - NATIONALS

EVENT	RESULT	ROWERS
WO 4-	Gold	Liz Kell
WO 4X	Gold	Brooke Pratley
WU23 4-	Gold	Yasmin L'Estrange, Renee Kirby
WO 4X	Silver	Liz Kell
WO 8+	Silver	Liz Kell, Yasmin L'Estrange
WO 2X	Silver	Brooke Pratley
WU23 4x	Silver	Renee Kirby
WU23L 2X	Silver	Elsa O'Hanlon
WO 1X	Bronze	Liz Kell
WU23 2-	Bronze	Yasmin L'Estrange, Laura Polin
WU23 4X	Bronze	Elsa O'Hanlon, Kylie Grant

In July the club represented all Australian Universities in the Trans Tasman Universities Challenge held in Sydney on the Lane Cove River and at SIRC placing 2nd. The team was Kylie Grant, Kirsty McIntosh, Emma Costello, Lucy Marshall, Cassie Noel, Kirstie Fagg, Katie Robinson, Lauren Sedgeman, Hannah Pelham, Sam Judges, Irma Kajan, Antonia Fong, Vic Rawlings with Alan Bennett and Lizzi Chapman coaching.

Renee Kirby and Coach Phil Bourguignon were selected on the Australian team for U23 World Championships in Hazewinkel, Belgium in July. Renee was stroke of the W4- and in the bow of W8+. The W4- won gold in a world best time. The W8+ finished 5th.

Our rowers also competed at the Commonwealth Regatta (Strathclyde, August) and World University Rowing Championships (Trakai, Lithuania, August) as part of the Australian Universities team. At the latter event Elsa O'Hanlon took gold in the lightweight single.

ROWING RESULTS - WUC

EVENT/ROWER	COACH	RESULT
W 4-		
Kate Beasley (STR) Yasmin L'Estrange (3) Karolina Hayes (2) Laura Polin (BOW)	Alan Bennett	Commonwealth - 4th WUC - 9th
W 4-		
Yasmin L'Estrange (STR) Laura Polin (BOW)	Alan Bennett	Commonwealth - 6th

ROWING RESULTS - WUC

WLwt 1x

Elsa O'Hanlon	Terry O'Hanlon	Commonwealth - 4th WUC - 1st
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Brooke Pratley and Liz Kell were part of the Australian team for World Championships at Dorney Lakes, Eton in August. They won the gold medal in the double with an absolutely outstanding result given Liz's return from injury, Brooke's relative inexperience, and the New Zealanders previous firm grip on the event.

Renee Kirby and Alex Handley were part of the NSW Youth Cup team which finished 5th overall in Adelaide at the Australian Youth Cup in September.

Australian University Championships were held in Sydney in September. The Sydney Uni women finished 2nd overall.

ROWING RESULTS - AUC

EVENT	RESULT	ROWERS
WO 1x	3rd	Jacqui Bain
WO 2-	6th	Lucy Marshall, Emma Costello
WLwt 4x	2nd	Elsa O'Hanlon Kylie Grant, Irma Kajan, Alex Handley
WO 2x	3rd	Katie Robinson, Antonia Fong
WO 8+	2nd	Heinke, Doyle, Stocker, O'Hanlon, Polin, Handley, Bain, Grant, McCaughan
WLwt 1x	3rd	Elsa O'Hanlon
WO 4+	3rd	Marshall, Noel, Sedgman, Costello, Pelham
Coaches - Alan Bennett and Lizzi Chapman		

Other highlights for the year were crew fundraisers, a function marking the 20th anniversary of Jane Spring's Presidency and the four World Championships, and the christening of 2 new boats (Alan Bennett and Lizzi Chapman - both heavyweight pairs). Blues were presented to Georgia McCaughan, Alex Handley and Sarah Phillips. Vice President Jo Pollett also received a Gold Award.

The NSW Masters State Championships were held in Grafton. Our club performed well and won 5 gold, 2 silver and 9 bronze medals. A small group went to Nagambie, Victoria for the Australian Masters Championships. Our Treasurer Kerrie Bigsworth won silver in her single race. Three of our Masters were selected to represent NSW in the Interstate



Sydney Uni and NSW Waratahs Daniel Halangahu in action

Challenge, Lorna Harrison in the eight, Kerrie Bigsworth and Jo Pollett in the quad. The quad won bronze. Masters and students combined in crews to compete in the inaugural Super8+ series. The club fielded two crews and good fun was had by all.

The valuable contribution by our coaches must be mentioned. Their hard work and dedication is really appreciated by the whole club. Alan Bennett has created an excellent environment for our athletes to reach success in rowing with Phil Bourguignon, Lizzi Chapman, Georgia McCaughan, Phillip Titterton, George Bawtree and Stu Halsall and our other coaches.

There has been a significant change to the high performance program. Following the fire at Linley Point we commenced some training at the Riverview boatshed with Phil Bourguignon in charge of the women's program. Training on the Lane Cove River assists our top rowers to perform, giving them the opportunity to train on longer stretches of water. Thanks to Sydney Uni Sport and the Sydney Uni Boat Club for assisting with this. Thanks must also go to Sydney Uni Sport whose support of both the club and our scholarship holders throughout the year has been tremendous. I'd like to add a special thanks to Greg Harris who worked very hard to defeat VSU and is now working hard with the University to protect the funding for

our rowing program and also to find the best site to rebuild the high performance centre. We could not produce our excellent results without the support of the Sydney Uni Sport team.

JANE SPRING

President

RUGBY UNION MEN

Last year it was suggested 'by any account, 2005 had to be regarded as one of the most successful on record for the Sydney University Football Club'. Those words could well be reiterated for 2006. SUFC retained the overall Club Championship and the Colts Club Championship, won four of a possible eight premier rugby titles, supplied a host of players to national and state teams and expanded our participation in junior rugby.

Having lost the entire First Grade front-row (to the Western Force Super 14 franchise), along with two Second Grade props at the end of the 2005 season, it could have been construed we were behind the eight ball going into 2006. However, the Colts front-row from 2005 made the giant leap to First Grade. This was one of the great achievements of the season. In both the Shute Shield and Tooheys New Cup Grand Finals fourteen out of the fifteen starting players came through our Colts program, demonstrating that a genuine pathway through the grades exists for our players who are willing to work hard on their performance in a very competitive environment.

There have been numerous highlights in 2006, including the defensive effort of First Grade to hold out Randwick in the final minutes of the Tooheys New Cup it was a wonderful display of grit, determination and discipline. Congratulations to the players, coaches Billy Millard and Damien Hill and fitness guru Martin Harland, whose Elite Development Squad program has been the catalyst for much success through the ranks. Our players have never been fitter or better prepared.

For the second season in a row, every SUFC team (four senior grades, Fifth Grade and three Colt

teams) made it through to the finals, with six teams progressing to grand finals. In the wash-up, First Grade held on to defeat Randwick 16-10 to retain the Tooheys New Cup; Second Grade retained the Colin Caird Shield with a 35-20 result over Manly; Fourth Grade retained the Henderson Cup with a 27-5 win over Manly; and Second Grade Colts defeated Eastwood 28-8 in their grand final. Of the other grand finalists, First Grade Colts lost 29-25 to Eastwood, while Fifth Grade lost 18-15 to Bronte Savers. Earlier in the season, First Grade also made it through to the final of the Shute Shield, which they lost 17-10 to Eastwood. As well as winning the Club and Colts Club Championships, we also won the inaugural Eric Spilstead Colts Championship trophy.

On the individual front, Michael Griffin and Marc Avery joined the elite 200 Club during 2006. Congratulations to Luke Inman and Al Campbell on reaching 100 First Grade games, as well as Tom Carter, Scott Cameron, Tim Cohen, Angus Dorney and Nigel Staniforth on reaching 100 Grade games. Will Caldwell, Josh Hately and David Haydon all earned Sydney University Blues for their outstanding achievements.

In other noteworthy statistics First Grade debuts were made by 21 players in 2006 and six players did not miss a game this year. The club has fielded many players on the representative front through the year. Congratulations to Phil Waugh and Daniel Vickerman, who have been regular members of the Wallabies in 2006. Phil notched his 50th cap during the season. All in all the Football Club provided six wallabies, two Australia A players, 14 Super 14 contracted players, three Australian 7s players as well as an Australian U21 representative and two U19s representatives.

The Club would like to thank everyone involved in making 2006 such a success both on and off the field.

DAVID MORTIMER AO

President

RUGBY UNION WOMEN

As a result of good recruiting and a positive reputation, there was a great turn out of both new and experienced players for the Sydney Uni Women's Rugby Club this season. The enthusiasm and dedication was evident throughout the entire season. 2006 was an exciting year for women's rugby in Australia, as funding was provided to enter a team into the Women's Rugby World Cup which was held in Canada in September. Several girls from the Sydney Uni team were selected to participate in the World Cup training squad including Rachelle Pirie, Amy Kermode, Felicity Goodwin, Linda O'Hara, Jorja Jones and Jennifer Egan. Rachelle Pirie, former Sydney University captain, made the final selection into the Wallaroo team as the starting fly half. Other nations' representatives who played for the Uni team include the Canadian captain, Kelly McCallum.

Due to the training and preparation required for the World Cup, a novel competition format merging the two divisions was instated for the Sydney Women's Rugby Union Competition. With many byes throughout the season it was a difficult year to stay focused. However, the free weekends allowed the introduction of a Sydney University initiative of 'friendly 10's matches' aimed at encouraging more people into the sport. These were well received by clubs and players alike and SUWRC hopes to continue them in 2007.

The SUWRC team coached Michael Lancaster and captained by Stephanie Patterson placed third in the competition after a thrilling final match.

WOMEN'S RUGBY AWARDS

AWARD	RECIPIENT
MVP	Deena Aiken
Best & Fairest	Eve Anderson
Best Back	Rachelle Pirie
Best Forward	Haruka Takahashi
Player's Player	Haruka Takahashi
Most Improved	Amanda Cohn
Merrin Hodge Award	Stephanie Patterson

SUWRC would like to farewell long standing members of the club Linda O'Hara, Renae Woodward and Deena Aiken who are leaving this year to move either interstate or overseas. We wish them all the best for the future.

And finally, the Sydney University Women's Rugby Club would like to sincerely thank our sponsors The Alfred Hotel, Peak Physique and CSI for all their support throughout the season. We hope to continue our partnerships into 2007.

MONICA CHEW
President

SKI

2006 was another very successful year for Subski with over 2000 members. As well as a general committee of 30 people, the club was represented by six executive committee members; Presidents - Ian McDougall and Jessica Wallis, Vice Presidents - Nicholas Peacock-Smith and Laura Jones, Treasurer - Nadia Friend, Secretary - Patrick Gaynor.

The 2006 Australian University Championships held at Mount Buller in Victoria were well represented by a small but strong contingent of skiers and boarders from Sydney University. The lack of snow did not deter our athlete's efforts, as all were keen to bring back the trophy which had controversially eluded us the previous year. Prior to the start of the AUC's, there was concern about whether or not Mount Buller had in fact received enough snow to hold the event. There was very little to no coverage on vast areas of the field. It was decided to continue with Mount Buller as the venue and for the AUC's to proceed as planned. However, the poor snow coverage may have played a role in reducing the size of our team travelling to Victoria over concerns of it being a second grade field.

We achieved some excellent results at Mount Buller given the noticeably smaller team compared to previous years and the strength of our main competitor, Melbourne University. Unfortunately, we finished in overall 2nd place to Melbourne University. The men's and women's

teams both finished 2nd.

Some of the best individual results include a 1st place to Emma Wilson in GS which is an outstanding achievement given the large increase in female competitors this year. We also had a 2nd place in snowboard to one of our best, Richard Willcocks, who has been racing for our club for some time now and is one of our finest competitors. The snowboarding was one of the most competitive events at the 2006 AUC's with many contestants battling it out for the gold. A brilliant effort and a well earned silver medal for Richard. One of the most thrilling events to watch at the championships was the Big Air event.

AUC SNOWSPORTS

EVENT	RESULT	NAMES
GS Female	1st	Emma Wilson
Slalom Female	2nd	Emma Wilson
Super GS Female	2nd	Jessica Rubin
Big Air	2nd	Richard Willcocks
Cross Country Female	2nd	Alex Back
Cross Country Female Team	2nd	Alex Back, Emma Wilson, Nadine Friend
Cross Country Male Team	2nd	Matt Sheldon, Matt Kaylk, Jamie Miller
GS Female	3rd	Jessica Rubin

ANDREW AOUKAR
Secretary

SOCCER

It would be an understatement to say that 2006 was a big year for soccer in Australia. It was also a big year for the Sydney University Soccer Football Club (SUSFC). Harry, Lucas and co. tasted glory in Germany and many SUSFC members followed to lend their support. It was left to those back home to ensure that Sydney Uni remained a force to be reckoned with in domestic football.

The season certainly had its ups and downs but overall it was a very positive one for the club. Men's Super League 1st Grade kept their fans on the edge of their seats until the final whistle of the final match before they avoided relegation and secured their

spot in the competition for 2007. Two goals up midway through the second half and only needing a draw, they conceded two late goals but managed to hang on in the final minutes.

The Men's Under 20s team was far and away the best team in the competition all season. They secured the premiership with six rounds remaining to retain the trophy they won last year. However, grand finals don't always go according to plan and they were unlucky to lose 2-1 in a hard fought match.

Women's Super League 1st Grade finished third in only their second year in the competition. They also managed a third place finish in the Cup. The U21 team finished seventh. However, thanks to the vagaries of the Soccer NSW finals system, they both found themselves on the Central Coast playing sudden death semi-finals. Unfortunately, they both went out, but full credit to both teams for great seasons. The stand-out performer was the Club Golden Boot winner Angelina Koncurat who managed 32 goals for the year, double the next contender.

The junior girls were also big improvers this year with all three grades having solid seasons. They are developing well and should be a strong force to be reckoned with in years to come. Big thanks also have to go to Jim Zammit for his tireless work



Sydney Uni softball team at EUG's

organising the Women's Super League squad and getting the teams on the park every week (as well as doing many other things for the club).

Intervarsity football was another big success this year. At the Eastern Uni Games in Coffs Harbour, the women's team finished 2nd and the men's team 4th. The women repeated their performance in Adelaide at the Australian Uni Games while the men were able to bring home gold, going through the tournament undefeated. James Thom, Michael Peters, Emma Leary and Helen Peam were selected in the EUG merit team while Tom Corte, Nicholas Dillenbeck, Bridget Murphy and Emma Schiller won Green and Gold selection. Tom and Bridget were also awarded University Blues for their efforts.

In the lower grades, we entered eight men's teams in the Eastern Suburbs Soccer Football Association, six teams in North West Sydney Women's Soccer, and a men's Over 35's team in the Canterbury District Soccer Football Association. The men's AA3b's and the AA4's both managed grand final wins, while the AA8's were premiers for the second year running. The women's AA4's also finished atop the table. However, the best performed lower grade team was the women's AA3's. They secured the premiership with only two losses all year and then won their grand final 3-0. Thanks go to Adam Spencer for his long hours of work coaching the team.

2006 was also a great year off the pitch. Most notable was our first Blue and Gold Dinner. Adam Spencer along with special guests John Boulton, Damian Lovelock, Paul Wade and Craig Foster all contributed to the great sense of anticipation going into the World Cup.

All in all, 2006 was a great year for SUSFC both on and off the pitch. Thanks to all those who have made it possible, including all at SU Sport who make a tremendous contribution to the club every year. Also thanks to the host of coaches, managers and administrators who give their time so generously to make this club what it is. We look forward to even bigger and better things in 2007.

JOHN MURRAY
President

SOFTBALL

In 2006 the Sydney University Softball Club had a good year, competition was at a premium and our clubs' participation involved many new members. The Softball Club has undergone a major handover in managerial positions as many of the older students decided it was a good time to introduce some new faces to the executive committee.

In the 2005/06 season, the club entered a team into the A Grade competition at Manly Warringah. This competition is based on the Northern Beaches of Sydney and MWSA is the largest and fastest growing Women's Fastpitch Association in NSW. The season runs from September to March with games taking place every Saturday through summer. The division the team plays in is extremely competitive, sporting some of the best softballers in the state. Our team affectionately known as 'SU Gold' placed 4th overall in the 2005/06 season.

In July the club sent a team to the Eastern University Games in Coffs Harbour. It was a great opportunity for the club to initiate many of its newest members to intervarsity competition. A week of challenging softball, great sportsmanship and fierce competition unfolded. The unpredictable weather meant sliding into home was a messy experience but the team defiantly took on the challenge. The competition included UTS, Macquarie University, UNSW and Newcastle University with the Macquarie team finishing on top of the ladder at the end of the week. Our team successfully qualified for the Australian University Games in Adelaide in September but was unable to send a team due to work placements and university schedules.

In the meantime the 'SU Gold' team is currently competing in the Manly Warringah Competition 2006/07 which is nearing the end of the season with semi finals just around the corner.

The club looks set to be bigger and better in 2007 with lots of interest shown by new and existing students at our O-Week stall. The executives are gearing up for yet another great year with new members, some stunning

competition and thrilling softball!

SARAH YEE

Club President

SQUASH MEN

The Sydney University Men's Squash Club provides an environment for both social and competition players to be introduced to, develop and practice (through competition) their squash skills. All levels are catered for, with Sydney Pennant from State Grade through to A, B, C and D grades in the South-East Sydney division.

During 2006 our club fielded teams in the regular Autumn and Spring Pennants, and the Summer Handicap Competition. The club was represented by 70 players in 10 teams in Autumn and 11 teams in Spring, making us one of the larger clubs in Sydney. We have the potential to cater for up to 20 teams and welcome any newcomers.

The 2006 Autumn Pennant saw the club have 7 of our 10 teams reaching the semi-finals, 4 of these teams played in the grand final and 1 of them won the grand final. Our winning team played in C4 (team number 8); Juan Perez, Mervyn Dixon, Ashley Boerma, Alan James and Ben Cohen.

The 2006 Spring Pennant saw the club have 4 of our 10 teams reaching the semi-finals, 3 of which made the grand final and 2 won grand finals. The winning teams were C1; Kheng Why, Phil Maynard, Greame Pope, Dario Protti, Fabio Tosti, Tom Panos and Alun

Pope and C3; Stephen Buttler, Stephen Forest, Yu Wei Lau, Yoki Samuel and Lee Power.

Each year we conduct a Club Championship, where individuals from within the club can compete for bragging rites for the ensuing 12 months. Our 2006 champion was Murray Gibbons who defeated his A1 team mate Ohsoo Kwon 3-2 in the final.

Thanks to Sydney Uni Sport, the club saw the Manning Courts repainted and the floors revarnished at the end of the year. This has been well received by the club's patrons.

The club offers many benefits to its members which include low membership fees, free practice times between 5pm and 7pm on weekdays, exclusive use of the Manning Squash Courts on weekends, entry into our Club Championships, and a great social atmosphere during practice sessions and after pennant matches. Students at the higher level are also encouraged to play pennant and compete at the Australian University Games.

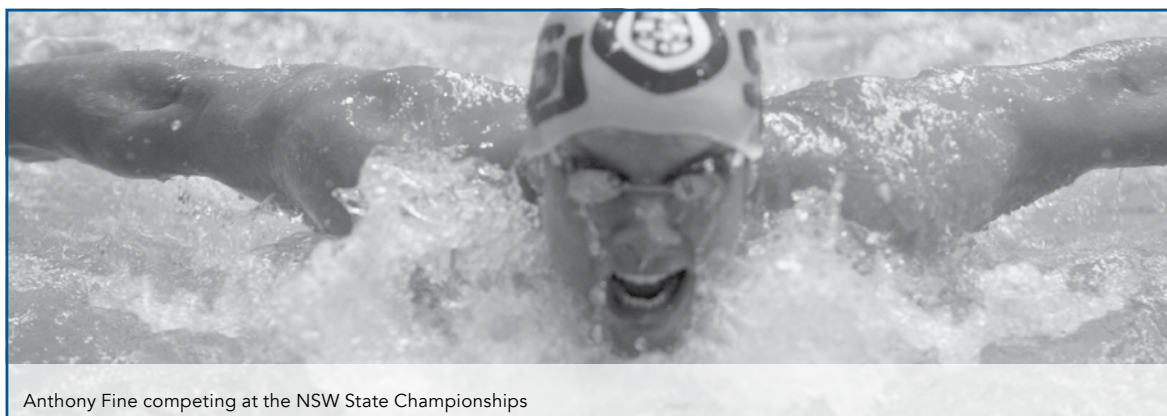
The club looks forward to welcoming all newcomers and gaining strength through increased membership in 2007.

MOHAMMED ALKHUB

Secretary

SQUASH WOMEN

In 2006 the women's squash team competed in the Sydney South-East Autumn pennant competition, competing in Grade A4, the highest grading the



Anthony Fine competing at the NSW State Championships

team had achieved in a number of years. The team consisted of Rene Malan, Suzanne Wilson, Louise Wilson, Michelle Boon, Katie Crisp and Flavia Fayet. Although highly competitive within the competition the team was unable to qualify for the semi finals, finishing in fifth place. All players are to be commended on their efforts throughout the competition. Unfortunately Sydney Uni was unable to enter a team into the Spring competition, but look forward to competing in pennant again during 2007.

In September a team of four players made the journey to Adelaide for the 2006 Australian University Games. Louise Wilson, Clare Morley, Flavia Fayet and Natalie Chong performed extremely well and won a bronze medal. A good time was had by all the players and the team is looking forward to competing at Australian University Games on the Gold Coast in 2007.

2006 saw a new executive committee elected for the women's club. The new club executive has worked hard over the course of the year to promote the club to the University community. The committee should be congratulated on their efforts in encouraging new members and improving the overall running of the club. There was an increase in members during 2006, greatly expanding the overall numbers. The club hopes to continue growing and look at the opportunity to enter extra teams into the Sydney Pennant competitions in the coming years. The club hopes to provide an opportunity for players of all levels to become involved in playing squash at Sydney University.

LOUISE WILSON
Vice President

SWIMMING

The club year started with the news that the Sydney University pool was closing for refurbishment during our Long Course Summer Competitions, and Squad training was relocated to Prince Alfred Pool, Surry Hills. Our 'Welcome Back BBQ' and Annual prize giving celebrated the reopening of our pool, encouraging members to resume training at the Sydney University Sports and Aquatic Centre.

2005/06 Club highlights:

- World Uni Games, Turkey – Tim LaForest, Jonathon Newton, Steven Alderman
- World Championships, Montreal – Carl Probert represented Fiji in 50m and 100m free
- NSW Metropolitan Championships 2005-2006 – Overall Sydney Uni finished 10th with 4 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze in 2005. In 2006 we won 2 gold, 3 silver and 7 bronze
- ESSA Winter Short Course Championships 2005/06 – Sydney Uni finished a close 2nd in the overall point score claiming 6 of the 10 records broken
- NSW Short Course Championships 2005/06 – Jonah Hobbs was crowned State Champion in the 50m freestyle
- NSW State Open Championships – 3 silver, 1 bronze
- Garry Lennon Scholarships for 2006 – James Etter and Nicole Libardo
- Oceania Championships 2006, Cairns – Tim LaForest won silver in the 100m freestyle
- World Short Course Championships, Shanghai – Louis Paul won silver in the 4x200m freestyle relay
- National Age Championship, Sydney – representatives included Kate Johnson, David Goltsman, James Etter, Nicole Libardo, Anthony Fine, Gordon Willis, Joseph Vraca, David Schnabl and Alexandre Fiore Weyand
- Telstra Australian Championships 2005 – bronze medal to Jonathan Newton, finalists Kirsten Thomson and Tim LaForest
- Dual Olympian Elka Graham retired from international competition in 2006
- Carlile Speedo Cup, SOPAC – 6 gold, 10 silver and 4 bronze. Tim LaForest won swimmer of the meet with 2 gold
- Speedo Sprint 2006 – five 1st places, eight 2nd places and six 3rd places
- Pan Pacific Championships 2006, Victoria Canada

– Michelle Engelsman

- NSW Winter State Age (10-18) – 7 participants with Jonah Hobbs claiming 3 medals

We were pleased to launch our club website, www.suswimclub.com.au, in 2006 with plans to expand club promotions and marketing through this site.

Following a new sponsorship arrangement with the Salisbury Hotel in Stanmore, the club has a permanent home for club night dinners. Sincere thanks to all who have helped with fundraising throughout the year and we acknowledge our 2005/06 sponsors: Sydney Uni Sport, Salisbury Hotel and One ate One Bistro, Holographic Health.

To have National, State and Metropolitan swimmers in the future we need to have junior swimmers to follow in their wake. With this aim and with enormous work from our coaching staff and Management Committee we conducted, with great success, a membership drive to coincide with the expansion of Sydney Uni Sport's Learn to Swim Program.

This year has been turbulent for many with the pool closure, health issues for committee members and coaches, but the club has surged forward with enthusiasm. I thank the committee for all their time and effort in making the club run well and prosper as it has.

DAMIAN WILLIS
President

TABLE TENNIS

2006 was a year of great change, and although maintaining the number of members in the club, there was a higher level of participation and activity than previously noted. Existing club members were all welcomed back upholding the many talents of the club, with the likes of Bird Chan, Daryn Lu, Tony Tong, Peter Pan, Aaron Yap and Viven Foong to name a few. We also welcomed back some talent from previous years in the form of Michael Smith, and new blood with Michael Sun, Sarah Aoki, Betty Luu and Leo Wong all of whom made a concerted effort through the year with the State Uni Table



Tae Kwon Do at Eastern Uni Games

Tennis Championships being most noteworthy.

The club catered for all levels of play with many beginners and social competitors enjoying our regular training sessions. Professional coaching and a pilot-coaching program proved to be quite popular amongst all players and we will endeavour to provide the same services in 2007. Interfaculty and the State Championships provided much interest amongst all players.

The strength of the club was highlighted in the NSW State Championships held at Macquarie University. UMACQ, UNSW, UTS and USYD competed. Our women's team performed brilliantly and after tough matches against Macquarie University and UNSW attained 1st place. The men's A team must also be congratulated on a brilliant competition also finishing with gold medals. Our players did exceptionally well in the individual events. In the men's singles finals, Lu fought a close game against Book of UMACQ but eventually triumphed. Michael Smith also fought a close play-off for 3rd with Bird Chan, with Michael Smith the eventual victor in 7

sets. In the women's singles finals, Sarah Aoki lost in a tight fought match with nationally ranked Michelle Beaumont. Betty Luu also played a closely contested match with our own Vivien Foong for 3rd place, with Betty Luu coming out trumps. Overall, the standard of competition at the 2006 State Championships was very high with the top players internationally and nationally ranked. The three-day competition was a great spectator event. The club would like to thank everyone who participated in the tournament for their co-operation and commitment.

A new committee was instated at the beginning of the year with Shannon He, Michael Smith and myself as the new blood in the committee. Second semester saw a reshuffling of the committee with President Jamie Vahn stepping down due to study and work commitments. The committee thanks the past members for establishing a great club and will implement new plans in 2007 to improve upon the current standard.

As a final word, we would like to thank all those who participated in the club's activities throughout the year.

JASON TAN
President

TAEKWONDO

The year was met with enthusiasm by an almost entirely new committee. O'Week proved to be quite a successful membership drive, with approximately 120 members signing up during those two days. Over the course of the year, the club grew to over 170 members. Martial arts practitioner, Godfrey Dinh, pointed to the diverse offering of our taekwondo program as a major factor behind continued membership growth for 2006: 'Fifth Dan Blackbelt Master Seo and Third Dan Blackbelt, President Cameron Robertson, offer a dynamic mix of traditional taekwondo and internationally competitive sport taekwondo in an environment that caters towards all levels and aspirations'.

One benefit of the increasing club membership is that we have been fortunate enough to have some very successful state and national players as

members of the club. Hakan Manav, one of our scholarship holders, was selected to represent Australia for the Commonwealth Games in 2006. Daniel Song won his division at State Championships and Richard Talisayon and Roy Gonzalez both won their divisions at National Championships.

On the intervarsity front, we were beaten by the massive UNSW team for the first time in three years at EUG's, with 2nd place for our club. Of the 10 competitors from Sydney University that went to the EUG's, we were unfortunate to have eight of them competing in USYD vs USYD matches in the first stage of the knockout competition. A couple of competitors deserve particular note: Hakan Manav managed to end his match less than half way through the second round by reaching the point ceiling, Young Namkung was a big hit with the crowd winning against an opponent that was more than 10kg heavier.

AUG's in Adelaide were attended by four club members. Three of them sustained injuries in the lead up to the tournament. In light of this, the results were very impressive. Daniel Kim won one of the largest divisions in the tournament competing with a broken hand. Young Namkung won his division while suffering from a groin injury. Joanne Zhang was beaten in very tense sudden-death match. Cameron Robertson, who was competing with two broken toes, was beaten in the final seconds after a solid come-back.

A big issue for the club was to establish sponsorship or funding to help support the club. This was achieved through good use of the club website. Hopefully this will help us to adjust to whatever changes and financial stresses 2007 may involve with the introduction of VSU. Funding arrangements will be maintained as a focus for the committee in the coming year.

We look forward to 2007 and hope that we will be able to continue providing an enjoyable environment for all levels of players while maintaining great results through the hard work of many of the club members and our coach Master Seo.

CAMERON ROBERTSON

President

TENNIS

Merger of the Sydney University Men's and Women's Lawn Tennis Clubs was successfully concluded in 2006. There was an increase in membership in 2006, and in the number of representative teams competing in Sydney metropolitan and NSW inter-district tennis competitions. Social tennis was organised for members throughout the year, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Thanks go to Matt Hodgson and Rob Carls for their voluntary organisation of social play during semester 1, and to Matt Hodgson, Justin Rolli and Matt Zibert for volunteering to organise social play sessions during semester 2.

Women's Highlights

- Scholarship recipients: Luczia Bain, Bianca Chidrawi, Nicole Forster, Claire Gavin, Lauren Russell
- 3rd at Eastern University Games: main campus team Tina Abeysekara, Emma Alcock, Claire Gavin, Jacki Muir, Marie Virueda. 6th at Eastern University Games: Cumberland campus team. EUG merit team: Emma Alcock, Lauren Russell (Cumberland campus)
- 2nd at Australian University Games: Bianca Chidrawi, Jacki Muir, Lauren Russell, Marie Virueda. Green & Gold team: Bianca Chidrawi, Lauren Russell
- Representative teams manager: Marie Virueda
- One team entered in Metropolitan Grass Court Clubs Association (MGCCA) Autumn Badge competition Grade 1.2
- Two teams entered in MGCCA Spring Badge competition: SU2 placed third in Grade S3

Men's Highlights

- Scholarship recipients: David Brady, Nick Crisci, Daniel Davies, Jason Kaye, Adrian Somerville, Tom Stevens, Jason Wright, James Yeung
- 2nd at Eastern University Games: main campus

team David Brady, Nick Crisci, Jason Kaye, Stephen Ritchie, Adrian Somerville, Tom Stevens, James Yeung. 3rd at Eastern University Games: Cumberland campus team Wade Byrnes, Daniel Davies, Nick Perkins, Paul Pratley, Jason Wright. EUG merit team: David Brady, Daniel Davies, Tom Stevens

- 1st at Australian University Games: David Brady, Daniel Davies, Jason Kaye, Adrian Somerville, Tom Stevens, Jason Wright, James Yeung. Green & Gold team: David Brady, Daniel Davies, Adrian Somerville
- Representative teams manager: James Yeung
- Champions, Slazenger NSW Hardcourt Tennis Association Inter-District F.O. Blackwell Cup competition: David Brady, Nick Crisci, Daniel Davies, Michael Hayes, Rob Jackson, Adrian Somerville, Tom Stevens, Jason Wright
- Eleven teams entered in Metropolitan Grass Court Clubs Association (MGCCA) Autumn Badge competition, including three teams in Grade 1.1: SU2 placed fourth in Grade 1.1; SU3 placed third and eventual premiership winners in Grade 1.2; SU6 minor premiers and premiership winners in Grade 2.1; SU8 placed second in Grade 2.5; SU9 placed fourth in Grade 2.8
- Annual MGCCA North vs South Invitational Challenge: Mark Curzon, Matt Hodgson, Warwick Lynch, Tiho Matulj, James O'Brien, Nathan Russell
- Eight teams entered in MGCCA Spring Badge competition: SU1 placed second and eventual premiership winners in Grade S1; SU2 and SU3 placed fourth and third respectively in Grade S3; SU4 minor premiers and premiership winners in Grade S3; SU5 placed third in Grade S3; SU6 placed second and premiership winners in Grade S6; SU7 minor premiers and runners up in Grade S8
- University Blue: David Brady

ROB JACKSON
President

TOUCH

The Sydney Uni Touch Club continues to grow at an amazing rate and while we struggle at times to keep up with the growth and continued interest in our sport, we are lucky to have a small but committed committee that have helped the club move forward.

2006 was massive for our winter competition with 33 teams (400 people) competing each Monday night at Jubilee Oval. It was a massive logistical effort running over five timeslots, but the smooth operation was made possible through the efforts of Gary Reynolds. Due to council field availability we held our summer competition over the traditional summer season as opposed to a university semester based competition. With most uni students away on holidays, a smaller group of 16 teams competed each week at the recently updated Jubilee Oval and Federal Reserve in Glebe. This venue will remain the location for our 2007/08 competition.

Three teams travel to Coffs Harbour for EUG's. Our women's team won bronze with the men's team finishing 4th after a nail-biting bronze medal match. All three teams were happy with their efforts and



Ultimate Frisbee at Australian University Games

had a great trip away. Our women's team, largely

through the management of Tegan Longhurst,

continued on to AUG's in Adelaide and finished

with a bronze medal. They also won some close

friends and memorable stories.

A real push was placed this year on increasing our

social functions and we had several very successful

events that provided great times and also

contributed to fundraising for our representative

teams. In one year we managed to hold a harbour cruise, post-EUG function at Empire, crab racing night, lawn bowls day, annual awards night and a host of other smaller functions that helped maintain the social side of club. Thanks must go to Helen Scott and Kate Odgers, amongst others, for the time and effort they put into promoting these events.

The biggest change for us in 2006 was our representative structure. After a disappointing 2005 we sought to improve the competitiveness of our teams and alleviate the Uni Games mentality that had crept into our representative teams. Through combining with the Macquarie University and UTS Touch Clubs we have successfully created a new affiliate called Varsity. After merged teams played under the Sydney University/Macquarie University banners in Vawdon cup, Varsity competed for the first time at the NSW State Cup in December. At this tournament our Opens Women's team struggled for numbers but were still competitive in most of their games. Our Opens Men's team were committed in their training and as a result performed exceptionally well and made it through the quarter finals, only to be defeated by a better drilled Western Suburbs team.

Finally, 2006 saw changes in our club management with Yoni Charlupski coming and going as President. Helen Scott has stepped into the role and will hopefully continue to steer the club forward as we continue to grow in 2007 and beyond. Thank you to them and everyone else that has had some part in making 2006 a successful year for Sydney University Touch.

PAUL 'VICTA' HICKEY
Vice-President

ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Sydney University Ultimate Frisbee Association (SUUFA) saw much success in 2006 and was a source of great enjoyment for its members. O-Week saw the induction of around 80 new members to the club, featuring a learn-to-play session and mini-tournament. The club's ranks swelled further with

word-of-mouth recruitment throughout the year.

The Australian Ultimate Championships were held in Sydney in April, showcasing some of the best domestic talent in Ultimate Frisbee. Three of the top-finishing five teams included SUUFA players amongst their ranks.

At a thrilling Eastern Uni Games in Coffs Harbour, Sydney Uni fought hard, beating the University of Wollongong in the final point to attain 5th place and qualify for the Australian University Games. Ben Angus and Isobel MacAuley did us proud by gaining selection in the merit team. Sadly, it would be the last time that our long-time Uni Games coach, Owen Shepherd, would prepare our unit. We sent a contingent of 16 to the Australian Uni Games in Adelaide. Despite a plague of injuries, the SUUFA lion roared its head to snatch a commendable 5th place in a tough field. Miles Montgomery-Butler and Keah Molomby were both selected for the Green and Gold team, adding to the success. Stepping up to the coaching mantle was first-time coach Andrew Goldstiver, a former SUUFA member, who shaped the team in only a few weeks.

Unfortunately, SUUFA was unable to organise its usual League in the Inner-West, for a lack of available fields. Current indications are that this will be rectified in 2007. We did organise the highly successful Sydney Uni Intersarsity Tournament, with ten teams competing, including one all the way from Ballarat. Big thanks go to Tournament Director Brett Latham, in one of his first roles as new Club President. Teams from Sydney Uni also played in numerous other leagues and tournaments throughout Sydney and NSW/ACT. Very high levels of participation augur well for the future; such competitions provide great opportunities for new players' development.

One of Ultimate Frisbee's biggest international tournaments, the World Ultimate Club Championships, brought over 2000 competitors to Perth in October/November of this year. Several club members represented a variety of teams, including Jimmy Tod-Hill, a member of Thong, runners-up in the Open Division.

Normal club training was led by coach Matt 'Fatty' Faulkner weekly throughout the year, after which the socials organised by club members saw much fun and hilarity, leading to numerous tales compromising individual club members. At the club's annual formal dinner, Dave Hayes and Heather Smith received the Club Male and Female Awards respectively, with Lu-Wee Koh and Nikki Cotton the Freshers of the Year.

SUUFA sees the loss of a significant number of

experienced players this year. Committee positions normally adopted by the more experienced players have been enthusiastically taken up by newer club members (Brett Latham, Lu-Wee Koh, Irina Kukushkin, Alex Baume, Sophia Robeau, Dan Horsfall and Scott Cummins), with the ongoing support of two club stalwarts (Dave Hayes and Jimmy Tod-Hill). With fresh leadership and strong recruitment and development in the past year, we look forward to a vibrant and successful 2007.

SCOTT CUMMINS

Secretary



Sydney Uni and Australian rep Fiona Hammond shooting for goal

VOLLEYBALL

Sydney University Volleyball had a year of great ups and downs in 2006. There was a loss of a number of previous board members and high level players; which was always going to affect the club's performance this year. Our men's teams suffered significantly with the loss of all the more experienced players forcing a withdrawal from Australian Volleyball League and Division 1 State Volleyball League which are the two highest levels of competition available. This left plenty of time and openings for recruiting and 2007 will prove a solid rebuilding year.

While our men struggled in 2006, the women were able to maintain their high level of performance in all competitions with a number of good results through the year. These include; 3rd at Manly, the first tournament of the year, 5th at SVL and a very close 5th in the Australian Volleyball League.

The students from the club provided strong teams for intervarsity competitions with the women winning the Eastern University Games for the second consecutive year while the men came 2nd. The women finished 4th at Australian University Games. At these events we had 3 men and 4 women gain selection in the Eastern University Games merit teams (Chris Todd, Luke Carroll, Pietro Celi, Hayley Warren, Michelle Hilditch, Phillipa Lees, and Maja Andersson). Hayley Warren and Michelle Hilditch were also awarded Green and Gold selection for their performances at Australian University Games.

Our club continued to show its developing talent with Gabrielle Woodhouse selected in the U19 NSW team which won the Australian Junior Championships. Maja Andersson captained the U21 NSW team and led fellow Sydney Uni players Hayley

French, Amy Uso and Anika Lalic to a silver medal. Edward Binnie was a member of the NSW U21 Men's coaching staff that took silver. Gabrielle Woodhouse was honoured with selection in the Australian All Star Six, highlighting her as the premier setter in her age group.

2007 will see a restructure in some of the competitions for our women and as such we are working on new programs so that our students will be able to continue their strong performances and good results in the new season.

CHRIS TODD
President

WATERPOLO MEN

Yet again the Lions had a successful year. At National League level, we received the silver medal in the Australian National League for 2005/06. In the finals (best out of three games) we lost 2-1 to Fremantle. Aaron Jones, Trent Franklin both passed the milestone of 200 National League games. Trent Franklin was the highest goal scorer in the National League, with Sam McGregor and Thomas Whalan being selected in the 'All Star' team.

In the Sydney metropolitan competition we received the gold medal for 1st Grade. 2nd Grade (while minor premiers) received the silver medal after a penalty shootout in the grand final. We again won 7th Grade comfortably.

For the eighth year running the club won the Sydney metropolitan 1st Division.

Our U20 team received the bronze medal in the NSW State Championships.

Our junior program is showing its strength through our representatives, Nathan Cargill and James Young, in the Australian U20 team that visited South



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

VICE CHANCELLOR'S

Yvette Balla-Gow	Science (Honours)	Water Polo
Gregory Mail	Science (Advanced)	Cricket

SENATE

James Alcorn	Pharmacy	Soccer
Catherine Alston	Physiotherapy	Hockey
Maja Andersson	Psychology	Volleyball
Kathryn Blackwell	Physiotherapy	Cricket
David Brady	Law	Tennis
Bianca Chidrawi	Science	Tennis
Thomas Corte	Pharmacy	Soccer
David Dreverman	Commerce (Liberal Studies)	Athletics
Jeremy Dwyer	Medicine/Surgery	AFL
Jonathan Freeston	Exercise and Sport Science (Honours)	Baseball
Taniele Gofers	Arts (Media & Communication)	Water Polo
Daniel Gorman	Medicine/Surgery	Hockey
Kylie Grant	Veterinary Science	Rowing
Fiona Hammond	Education (Human Movement)	Water Polo
Melissa Hammond	Medical Science	Water Polo
Michael Healey	Veterinary Science	AFL
Madeline Heiner	Pharmacy	Athletics
Michelle Hilditch	Occupational Therapy	Volleyball
Luke Inman	Medicine/Surgery	Football
Alice Klein	Science	Water Polo
Rhys Lavery	Medicine/Surgery	AFL
Katrina Lawrence	Science (Environmental)	Canoe
David Llewlyn	Science	Canoe
Astrid Loch-Wilkinson	Veterinary Science	Bobsled
Lucy McClymont	Medical Science	Soccer

Zoe Michaleff	Physiotherapy	Hockey
Lachlan Milne	Medicine/Surgery	Canoe
Cara Morris	Medicine/Surgery	Soccer
Bridget Murphy	Science (Advanced)	Soccer
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Lauren Russell	Physiotherapy	Tennis
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Mark Watts	Commerce/Law	Athletics
Thomas Whalan	Law	Water Polo
V.A. Khevy Williams	Physiotherapy	Hockey

SENATE/ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE

Melissa Smith	Pharmacy	Basketball
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SENATE/ST PAUL'S COLLEGE

William Chambers	Commerce	Boat
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SENATE/WESLEY COLLEGE

Martin Paskal	Economics and Social Science	Cricket
Matthew Woolvern	Science	Football

SENATE/WOMEN'S COLLEGE

Luczia Bain	Music	Tennis
Emma Fitzgerald	Engineering/Science	Swimming

SENATE/SANCTA SOPHIA COLLEGE

Kate Johnson	Medical Science	Swimming
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ECONOMICS & BUSINESS POSTGRADUATE

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Stuart Clark	Commerce	Cricket
Trent Franklin	Commerce	Water Polo
Tim Laforest	International Studies	Swimming
Nathan Moulds	International Business/ Commerce	Soccer
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Sarah Phillips	Agriculture	Rowing

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Sanualio (Leo) Afeaki	Education (Human Movement)	Football
Daniel Farrell	Agricultural Economics	Football

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE

Jarryd Hill	Arts and Science	Hockey
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ST PAUL'S COLLEGE

Chris Clyne	Commerce/Law	Boat
Nicholas Dunford	Commerce	Cricket
Fergus Pragnell	Arts	Boat

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Eva Afeaki	Psychology/ Mathematics	Basketball
Matthew Leonard	Science/Commerce	Football
Benjamin Osmond	MRS - Radiation Therapy	Football
Alicia Poto	Education (Human Movement)	Basketball

WESLEY COLLEGE

Samuel Egan	Medical Science	Football
Miles Foran	Economics	Boat
James Rogers	Science	Water Polo

WOMEN'S COLLEGE

Johanna Way	Education (Human Movement)	Surf- Lifesaving
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Yvette Pilgrim	Education (Human Movement)	Swimming
Kikai Kobayashi	Engineering	Swimming

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Henry Adams	Arts/Commerce	Football
Edward Alexander	Health Sciences	Boat
Terrence Alfred	Commerce	Boat
Kathryn Andrews	Music	Soccer
Peter Armstrong	Science in Agriculture	Football
Jemima Bartlett	Arts/Social Work	Hockey
Robin Bell	Economics	Canoe
Elizabeth Bornstein	Education (Human Movement)	Netball
Justin Bosilkovski	Commerce	Football
Werner Botha	Education (Human Movement)	Athletics
Daniel Bragg	Economics and Business	Cricket
Elias Boukarim	Exercise & Sport Science	Soccer
Jessica Brooks	Arts	Fencing
Timothy Broomham	Exercise & Sport Science	Football
Georgina Brown	Commerce	Hockey
Harrison Brown	Commerce	Football
William Caldwell	Agricultural Economics	Football
Joel Carr	Engineering (Aeronautical)	AFL
David Carrick	Business	Water Polo
Megan Carrigan	Social Work	Netball
Christopher Cawte	Accounting	Football
Ben Chiarella	Business	Hockey
Andrew Conolly	Exercise & Sport Science	Boat
Alexandra Croak	Health Sciences	Diving
Daniel Davies	Exercise & Sport Science	Tennis
David Dennis	Physical & Health Education	Football
Jolyon Dyer	Science	Cricket

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Alexander Kanaar	Natural Resources	Football
Daniel Kelly	Sports Business	Football
Emma Lefroy	Music	Canoe
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Yasmin L'Estrange	Science	Rowing

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Kynan Maley	Engineering (Mechanical)	Canoe
Thomas McColl	Education (Human Movement)	Football
Kaarle McCulloch	Education (Human Movement)	Cycling
Lachlan McCutcheon	Horticultural Science	Football
Patrick McCutcheon	Agriculture	Football
Karl McGrath	Engineering (Aeronautical)/Arts	AFL
Samuel McGregor	Commerce	Water Polo
Paul Miller	Arts	Boxing
Veronique Molan	Physiotherapy	Athletics
Keah Molomby	International Studies	Ultimate Frisbee
Kym Moore	Physiotherapy	Soccer
Sharmane Motuluki	Health Sciences	Athletics
Dean Mumm	Applied Finance	Football
Michelle Musselwhite	Education (Human Movement)	Basketball
Jonathon Newton	Science	Swimming
Kate Odgers	Arts	Touch Football
John O'Brien	Physiotherapy	Soccer
Louis Paul	Economics & Business	Swimming
James Pearce	Health Sciences	Soccer
Joe Pemberton	Arts/Commerce	Swimming
Laura Polin	Social Work	Rowing
Grant Richardson	Commerce	Water Polo
Tom Richardson	Engineering (Aeronautical Space)	Athletics

Louise Robertson	Education (Human Movement)	Water Polo
Lachlan Rosengreen	Exercise & Sport Science	Football
Joshua Ryan	Land & Water Science	Cricket
Nathan Seivert	Education	Football
Prashanth Sellathurai	Health Sciences	Gymnastics
Timothy Shaw	Science (Molecular Biotechnology)	Swimming
Ania Smialkowski	Medical Science (Honours)	Fencing
Adrian Somerville	Science	Tennis
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Pauliasi Tamoepeau	Sport Studies	Football
James Terry	Science in Agriculture	AFL
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Kristen Veal	Physical & Health Education	Basketball
Loren Vella	Exercise & Sport Science	Baseball
Nicholas Gregory Watts	Engineering	Skiing
Laurence Weeks	Arts and Sciences	Football
Bradley Wiblen	Education (Human Movement)	Soccer
James Willmot	Science	Boat
Julius Wolf	International Studies	Soccer
Georgia Woodyard	Law	Basketball
Nicholas Woolf	Agricultural Economic	Football
Jerry Yanyanutawa	Physical & Health Education	Football

BLUE RECIPIENTS

NAME	SPORT
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David Brady	Tennis
William Caldwell	Football
Chris Clyne	Boat
Clive Cooper	Duathlon
Tom Corte	Soccer
Lisa Grant	Athletics
Melissa Hammond	Water Polo
Alex Handley	Rowing
Joshua Hatley	Football
David Haydon	Football
Brianna Heazlewood	Athletics
Eszter Kovacs	Fencing
Tom Lobsey	Hockey
Alexander Matthews	Athletics
Georgia McCaughan	Rowing
Paul Miller (2004)	Boxing
Bridget Murphy	Soccer
Paul O'Halloran (2003)	Cricket
Sarah Phillips (2005)	Rowing
Natalie Porter	Basketball
Sarah Tallis	Aussie Rules
Emma Yuen	Aussie Rules

GOLD RECIPIENTS

NAME	SPORT
Georgina Brown	Hockey
James Gray	Baseball
Graham Hunt	SU Sport

Melinda Hyland	Aussie Rules
Eleanor Kennett	Cricket
Bill McCredie	Canoe/SU Sport
Huw McKay	Baseball
Stewart Moar	Water Polo
Jo Pollett	Rowing
Nerryl Watts	SU Sport

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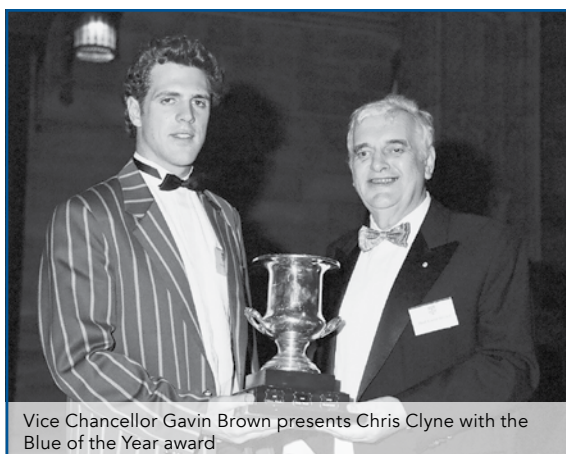
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