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About DWPC

Drummoyne Water Polo Club Inc was formed in 1904 as one of the foundation water polo clubs in Sydney. From humble beginnings, it now has more than 350 members making Drummoyne Water Polo Club one of the biggest in Australia. Known as the 'Drummoyne Devils', the club has men's, ladies, boys and girls' teams across a growing number of grades.

Supporting long standing sporting values of participation, competition and community, the Club continues to innovate and lead the progression of water polo in this country.



Drummoyne Pool, home of the Drummoyne Devils.



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President's Report



Congratulations to all the players and coaches on a fantastic season.

Season 2012-2013 was another successful season with some

fantastic achievements in and out of the water.

What a great way to start the season with the selection of Aidan Roach in the Australian Olympic team. AJ played his first game of water polo as a Drummoyne Devil in 1999 as a nine year old (he played 5 seasons in U14). At the 2012 London Olympics AJ became Australian Water Polo Olympian #105 and Drummoyne Water Polo Club Olympian #1.

AJ and Tyler Martin were both selected in the AUS European tour and as we go to press, further great news with both selected to play in the AUS at the World Championships in Barcelona.

The 2012/13 season was rounded off with the U14 girls winning the triple crown capping off their brilliant season to become National Champions, the Men's 3rd Grade won the Club's 9th summer premiership (on the opening night of the winter competition) and plenty of Drummoyne players are heading off for winter tours in Australian teams.

Great to see Serena Reid back in the mix. Serena along with Justin Trabinger will represent the Australian Universities team selected to compete at the World Universiade in Russia in August.

Justin has also been selected in the Australian B93 team to play at the World Championships and James Smith is heading to Europe with the Australian B96 team.

Congratulations to Drummoyne players selected in other Australian teams with

Shannan Martin, Stephanie Calaizis and Fiona Walsh selected in the AUS team that played 2012 World Juniors in Perth just prior to Christmas. Shannan and Stephanie joined Morgan Baxter and were selected in the AUS B93 squad. James Smith, Fiona Walsh and Ellen Hahn played in the AUS Schools teams who won the Trans Tasman Cup defeating NZ in Auckland.

It has been a highly successful season with a National Title, two NSW Club Championships, nine summer premierships and the men qualified for the NL finals.

We successfully hosted the NSW U16 Club Championships for the second year running, with feedback from the entire water polo community very complimentary and delighted that we again put our hand up to host the tournament. To everyone involved in the tournament a huge thank you to you and the 120 plus volunteers who worked tirelessly under the leadership

of Matthew Farrell.

Well done to all the winners of the • 2012-13 awards. Well done Daniel Trent whose enthusiasm, leadership and entrepreneurial work in and out of the water was recognised as the winner of the Garry Nicholls Junior of the Year, and Tracey Baxter won the Michael Corry Clubman of the Year Award. It required two presentation nights to get through all the awards. Thank you to everyone involved in making both nights a huge success. It's great that we are able to recognise the efforts Thanks to the water polo directors Tony and success of our members.

I would like to congratulate everyone who achieved representative selection. Congratulations to the Drummoyne members selected to compete, manage or coach at various levels of water polo from primary schools to the Olympics.

Just recapping the 2012-13 season highlights:

- Australian U14 Girls Triple **Crown Champions**
- NSW U20 and U14 Girls Club Champions
- JDP in its 13th season over 1,200 participants
- 32 teams 12 junior, 18 senior, 2 NL teams
- 20 teams qualified for finals medals
- NSW Club Championship - 1st U20 & U14 girls, 2nd U20 boys & U18 Girls
- 7 teams competed across 3 age groups with U14 girls winning gold and U16 boys each week. winning bronze

senior, 8 junior & youth and more help. 1 Olympian, and

Social events: swimathon, golf day, Life Members Lunch, and the 8th version of the Parliament House luncheon at Cockle Bay was another memorable event.

Special thanks to the coaching team for their efforts - Men's Head Coach Adam Richardson and Women's Head Coach Steven O'Keefe.

Watson and Tracey Mirabito who both did a great job, as did our Club Captains Nicola Murphy and Fraser Foristal who were sensational in their second year. The Club's junior ranks continued to grow with the girls and boys teams having their share of success while BBQ water polo is alive and well at Drummoyne with Men's and Women's lower grade sides continuing to provide an opportunity for social water polo and for some juniors to gain invaluable experience.

Thanks to everyone involved organising the Club's traditional grades and making sure we continue the Club's traditions in and out of the water on Tuesday and Sunday.

I would like to thank all the team managers, coaches, referees, and all the volunteers who do specific jobs, from table officials, videoing, cooks, drink servers to cleaners. Without vour commitment week in, week out. 9 premierships, 2 silver it would not have been possible to run the Ladies and Men's teams each

A huge thanks to Andrew Murray for his work with the junior development program and Amanie Ronan who did Out of the water, our club continues Australian Club Championship a great job administering the program that continues to flourish with the support of players helping out coaching

Australian representatives 4 Like everything in this club we need

The club is fortunate to have a fantastic committee and I would like to thank them all for their work. The contribution made by the entire committee was again outstanding. The success in recent seasons would not have been possible without their contribution and I would like to acknowledge their many years of combined service and ongoing support.

This workload needs to be spread amongst the members and friends of Drummoyne Water Polo Club.

Looking back on the last season everyone can be very proud of all their efforts and I am very thankful to the long list of helpers. As the Club continues to flourish and grow, the requirements on the Club's infrastructure expands. This requires both financial and people resources, something that we can't take for granted.

The Club has made a huge investment in the water polo program providing coaching staff to develop our players plus pool space for them to train and

We need more people to step up and contribute on pool deck as coaches, referees, managers, and to secure funding etc. Otherwise the growth of the club cannot continue and the number of teams we enter will be a reflection on the available resources.

Drummoyne continues to grow in its standing in the Australian water polo community. If we're to maintain this position we need to spread the workload and this can only happen if we have more helpers.

to excel, providing the young and not so young an insight into life skills. Whether it's a full house for the Life Members lunch, Red Ball, swimathon, great crowds at Derby Day, National League games, or on the road at State and National tournaments.

The culture of Drummoyne Water Polo Club also shines through in the traditional social events we are famous for: Cans by Candlelight, Wild West Tour, Manning Mug and Raymond Terrace to name a few.

Financially it was a good year with sponsorship down and pool costs up, but our income was bolstered with the PHL13, plus the NSW U16 Club Championships. Another huge Drummoyne effort hosting the U16 NSW Club championships over three days. 36 teams, over 400 players and 120 volunteers putting in a huge effort at two pools over 3 days.

Thanks again to our sponsors especially major sponsors PJs Irish Pub Drummoyne, Abacus Property Group, Birkenhead Point Shopping Centre, Craig & Rhodes, Arena Sports Surveying International, James Tuite & Associate Lawyers, Westpac Five Dock, the City of Canada Bay plus all our National League Cap Sponsors.

Everyone's contribution made it possible for the club to compete at all levels.

In closing I would like to thank my family for their patience and support. Thanks again to everyone for your support of the Club and water polo in the Drummoyne district by the Drummoyne Water Polo community.

It has been a great journey and while I am signing off this year I have many great memories and am very proud of the pathway I helped create. I look forward to seeing you all on pool deck.

Go the Drummoyne Devils!!!

Michael Hahn President

Functions & Events



success in the water was matched with what place on dry land during the 13.

No one enjoys themselves as much as the Devils and the socialising and partying around the lair was up to its usual standard.

The highlight of the year was the luncheon held at Dockside which attracted nearly 450 guests. It proved to be our most successful fundraiser yet and everyone had a ball. Kiwi legend Eric Rush and funny man Vince people contributed to the success of the function and to all of you a big "THANK YOU."

A number of other events were staged during the year, including the traditional "Cans by Candlelight," Golf Day and

The Devils' the Derby Day promotion. All were well supported even though we didn't actually hit the water at Derby Day. There were numerous other dinners on took trips away and parties in the clubroom which kept our spirits high.

summer of 2012- As always too much of the organising and attending fell to the same old faithfuls so in 2013-14 we are really aiming to have everyone support our fundraisers and functions.

> The big event next year will be the Red Ball in March 2014, so keep an eye out for that.

> Our social committee of years gone by will be revitalised next season to plan some new and exciting events.

Sorrenti "laid em in the aisles." So many Once again a big thank you to all those who helped support the social events staged in 12-13.

> **James Brennan** Sales & Marketing



A giant thank you to outgoing President, Michael Hahn.

Through these past ten years, you have steered the club so very capably, helping it to achieve unprecedented growth.

We are all immensely grateful to you for the countless hours you have put in to make this happen, and for your enthusiasm and dedication to the club.

We also thank Lynn, John, Robert, Patrick and Ellen for their wonderful support.

Junior Development



the breaking of the iceberg with more participants youngest age group than any of the other age brackets.

Program introduced an extra younger age group, where the kids started the program at the age of 9. Further to this, the program had a greater focus targeting players with strong swimming and water polo skills as opposed to kids who just wanted to be exposed to the sport. So with the U9/10's this year showing strong numbers and ability the future looks bright for Drummoyne long term.

Now to the thank you's because there are plenty as a program of this magnitude does not happen by waving a magic wand.

First and foremost, a big thank you to Birkenhead Point Outlet Centre for their generous sponsorship of the JDP. It is a giant help and makes the program possible!

This year saw Next, I would like to give an extra special thank you to the Ronan family - especially Amanie who was the backbone behind this year's Friday registered in the Night Program as well as the October School Holiday Clinic. Her efficient administration, calmness when under crisis and pure commitment and hard work in ensuring all the things that happen outside the pool was Three years ago the Junior Development unmatched. Even though Mark kept saying that he loved coming down and working the BBQ, someone still had to cook 120+ sausages every week!!!

> Amanie had great assistance with Di Churchyard and Fran Simpson pitching in on most nights. Thanks.

With everything running like clockwork outside pool, there was pressure on pool deck to deliver and the coaches did not disappoint. In addition Sam "swato" Watson and Steve "stav" Xenakis who have been on the roster for three years now as JDP coaches, we were very fortunate to have Wayne Fitzgerald, Mark Simpson and Lara Murray join the ranks as regular weekly coaches.

Yes, with 60+ kids registered we need more coaches appointed than what is present in the whole ladies or men's side or any of the complete junior sides put together.

This program is not an adjunct. It is the backbone of the Club and along with support staff upstairs, coaches are the most important element for success.

Without coaches, you do not have a program. We had a goal three years ago to have a regular weekly coach for every age and sex bracket represented. I think this year we nearly achieved

Let's hope that more club members like the ones mentioned see the value and necessity to participate as a regular coach as opposed to something that is secondary!!!

This program is where champions commence.

I thank everyone who assisted in making this year's Junior Development Program so successful.

> **Andrew Murray** Junior Development Program

Secretary's Report

- 1. Report of Club's Activities forwarded to Department of Fair Trading as required by Incorporation.
- 2. Seven Committee Meetings held between August 2012 & June 2013 – Constitution requires six annually, additional meeting scheduled for May/June 2013.
- 3. Swim-a-thon held.
- Referees' & Table officials' courses held. 4.
- List of Referees/Table officials forwarded to Water Polo NSW.
- Approval given to establishment of Future Fund to assist players who achieve representative level. 6.
- 7. Player Agreements, where financial consideration is given, to be documented.
- 8. Group formed to manage pool use at all locations.
- Separate Presentation nights for Juniors & Seniors conducted for first time. 9.
- 10. President indicates he is standing down at 2012/2013 AGM.
- 11. Cordial relations maintained with both Water Polo NSW and Water Polo Australia
- 12. Nicola Murphy and Fraser Foristal appointed as Club Captains for second consecutive year.
- 13. Treasurer K Prout resigns midterm and duties assumed by Neale Murphy.

Mike Young Secretary

Treasurer's Report



would first of all like to acknowledge the support & expertise of Kevin Prout after my returning as Treasurer leading into the summer

season. Kevin has continued to assist me during the year via his Accountancy practice, which has significantly eased the pressure of the Treasurer's role.

We have improved profitability mainly on the back of a hugely successful Cockle Bay lunch in March 2013. This major event for over 450 Devil's Supporters has turned into an every second year "never to be missed extravaganza", and I would sincerely like to thank the organisers Michael Hahn, James

Brennan, the major lunch sponsor Dave Bushell of Arena Sports Surveying, and the entire DWPC community for your support in attending and assisting with fundraising.

this year include the Golf day (thanks to Greg Harnwell & Dave Gray), the Junior Development Program (Andrew Murray & Amanie Janes), hosting the U16 State Championships (Matt Farrell & a host of parents), our generous major sponsors (Birkenhead Point & PJ's Irish Pub) and our NL cap sponsors.

We continue to monitor our major costs to stay within budget. We pay out a significant sum each year to NSW & Australian Water Polo just to register players and enter teams, so our ongoing obligation continues.

At the same time we are conscious of trying not to substantially increase fees for our players, and meet the requirements of both our junior and top grade players with pool hire and coaching costs, and cater for the Other important sources of revenue slightly different needs of our many social senior teams.

> Again many thanks to players, parents and supporters, DWPC is in a strong financial position and you are hopefully proud of our achievements in and out of the pool this season.

> > **Neale Murphy** Treasurer



Men's Water Polo



The Drummoyne men's program enjoyed a very successful season with only two grades from National League down to 14B boys not

represented in the play offs and 4 premiership pennants added to the club house ceiling.

Numbers in the juniors were very strong with the club entering a record number of boys in the summer competition. Five of our six junior teams made the play offs with the 14B's, 16B's and 16A's all winning their grand finals. Our juniors also had great success in the state and national championships, the highlights being a bronze medal in the 16's Nationals and a silver in the Col Smee with a very young side.

Under the careful tutelage and tireless efforts of head junior coach, Petar Petrovic, we added significantly to our coaching base in the junior boys. Justin Trabinger and Nathan Sinclair took the 18's, Petar was helped in the 16's by Ross Dembecki, Luke Hayward and James Brennan and Milan Nesic and Andrew Murray ran the 14's program. Thanks to all the coaches for a job well done during the 2012/13 season.



The success and professionalism of our junior program has led to an influx of players from other clubs and local schools joining Drummoyne looking to improve their skills under the coaching of Petar and Milan. Our juniors are enjoying good recognition in state and national representative teams as well as players progressing through the ranks into our national league side with a number of the boys who have been through our junior program now involved in the club's senior team.

The Saturday first division competition provided our 4th premiership for the season with our Men's 3rd grade side winning that title for the first time in the club's history. With a side of mainly junior players being guided by a few veterans, the club can expect big things from our next wave of players moving through the senior ranks. 1st and 2nd grade also made the playoffs but lost at the semi-final stage of the competition.

Second division again set the standard for enjoyment with a great celebration of BBQ Polo. We managed to get a number of juniors down into the 6th grade teams to help the old blokes and experience polo at floating speed; hopefully they will use this experience to progress up the Tuesday night

Sixth grade again lost their grand final, they seem to be making a habit of this, and 5th grade were robbed of their opportunity of their 3-peat when the play-off rules were changed to stop them making the semis.

After possibly our most successful men's season on record I congratulate all involved and look forward to doing it all again next year.

> **Tony Watson** Water Polo Director - Men



Women's Water Polo



my honour this vear to be the Water Polo Director for the Women's side of

As reports have been made by the Managers and Club President in relation to teams I am sure you don't want to hear it from me again.

I would like to say though, I congratulate and thank Steven O'Keefe who this year was appointed Head Coach and National League Coach for the Drummoyne Women. I was Steven's Manager for National League and we had another challenging year. The side this year was a smaller squad but I think the girls developed a little more. We may not have come in the top six but our matches against those top six teams were close. Another important person in our Club is Jenny MacGregor who also needs a big thank you as our Assistant National League Coach and Coach for the U16s and her own L3 Team.

I would like to thank Meagan Cobb and Sarah Orozco, our imports from the

It was again US, and hope that they enjoyed their time at Drummoyne and take back with them some wonderful memories of our Club and the wonderful country they were part of.

> in our Junior sides. Drummoyne is now the biggest Club in the Sydney competition and we should be proud as parents and committee members that the hard work we do is now reaping the rewards.

> To Michael Hahn, our Club President, who never stops, a big thank you for all his help with my role as Director. very successful season. Not only with his Club teams but also with the State Teams that he has been coaching.

> Michael is retiring from his position as Club President, a role he has held for ten years. Michael will be sadly missed from this position but he will now be concentrating on his coaching role.

> I did want to mention our Girls 14As who won the triple crown: metro, state and nationals – a big congratulations and well done. They are following in the footsteps of the girls in the 2006 team who won the triple crown and

continued through the age groups to do so as well.

Thank you to Emma Hill and Shona O'Brien who come to training every week and coach the girls on the the Drummoyne Numbers again continued to grow weekend. I am sure I speak for all the parents who would like to thank you for all your efforts which are greatly appreciated.

> Thank you to all the Managers of all our teams, a job well done this year. I do appreciate the role of a Manager and I'm sure the coaches are very appreciative of all the work you do.

Michael also coaches and has had a I would also like to thank the parents and grandparents who come along each week to support the girls and boys in our Club.

> To all the volunteers, the parents who set up the pool and do the card and clock each week, we rely on you for our Club to function. Another big thanks to Tracey Baxter and Carolyn Marnell who are the bones behind the catering, organising the kitchen and the bar.

Drummoyne Water Polo Club is a fantastic club with solid parent involvement in the organising and completion of functions and tournaments. Thank you to Matt Farrell and Peter Corbett and their committee for the best organized U16s tournament again. We have now set a precedent and everyone looks forward to Drummoyne hosting this event. The baton will now be passed onto another group of eager parents.

Again this year as Water Polo Director I have been ably supported by the Committee. Thank you to my fellow Committee Members.

> **Tracey Mirabito** Water Polo Director - Women



Report by Men's Club Captain



Five good reasons to be a Devil

1. Friendship

I have many school friends who still play in the Club. Enduring kinship that has been moulded around a common affinity to sport but also a greater love of the unspoken bond that only being a longtime Devil can provoke. I have complete faith in any of my Devil mates due to my knowledge that they wouldn't still be a Devil otherwise. Whilst we all have other friends, it's a Devil who you'll rely on.

2. The pool

Iron Cove was a special place in Aboriginal mythology. Tribes from all over the greater Djubuguli (Sydney) area came to cleanse and invigorate at Warrembah (Drummoyne), which is the word for "where sweet waters meet". It is that same water which flows through the pipes into our pool. It explains why we always play better at home and why the Devils are the strongest tribe around. It may also explain why Jimmy Malone has never drowned there.

3. Spirit

No doubt due to its mystical origins, the spirit of the Warrembah peoples was legendary. They were known for their strength, vitality & virility. With that in mind, our Club's founders saw no better place to establish the Club. It was enhanced thru decades of resolute indifference to towing the line & shone brightly when tribal elders like Lonnon, Preist, Spooner and Brennan took their turn before the camp fire.

They nurtured a strong brethren of like-

minded followers who grew with the Club. They didn't preach, they led. They showed us that our Club was more than about playing; they were learning centres for life. They taught us that not everything goes your way all the time and to just get on with it. We all have some wonderful experiences from water polo. However it is this actual spirit of the Drummoyne Devil that is far greater than water polo itself.

It is only when one is older and wiser having been in the aura playing under the Drummoyne Devil badge for many years does one truly appreciate and understand what this spirit yields: lifelong and educating, unmatched or recreated by any other Club or community. Long live the mystic origins of the Drummoyne Devils' spirit and long live the benefits for all Drummoyne water polo players under it.

4. Fun

Whilst our Club hasn't always competed at the highest levels, we have always been on the dais for fun. Devil parties were notorious & numerous. Such was the enthusiasm for these themed events, that most often, after exceeding our estimated attendance by a few, we would be asked by the hirers to find an alternative venue next time. We were victims of our own success. It was all word of mouth too. No social media then, my friends.

Why were they so popular? No real reason, other than the fact we were all fine, young, fit, nubile athletes.... and the drinks were cheap.

We carried the responsibility of taking that sense of funship to others. We felt everyone should feel like us. We toured. Oh boy, and how. We took the caravan to Taree and Raymond Terrace annually, we pitched our tent in Noosa, Wyong, Mullumbimby and Melbourne. We even took the good oil overseas &

they loved us.

The fun continues to this day thru our various social events. The recent Presentation was a great example of this as the youngies & oldies mixed in. John Hahn and Ryan Lear's show was also a great addition. Whilst our playing ambitions are more lofty these days, we should never forget about why we all started playing in the first place - FUN.

5. People

I am constantly amazed at the calibre of people the Club attracts. The type of person who sees that the goals aren't in, and does something about it. The parent who fills in the card every week or jumps behind the bbg or bar. These members don't do this for any reason other than someone has to, so why not them. These people are engaged in the Club and are obviously getting a thrill from putting back in.

Let's face it, there's few better places than our balcony with a glass of Iron Cove Lager or Hahn's Hill Chardonnay on a balmy evening with like-minded

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge some of our great volunteers, too numerous to name, and say well done and keep up the good work. For anyone else, I encourage you to get involved: the pay-off is enormous.

As my second year as Club Captain draws to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to pay some due respect to a few people who make this great Club what it is today.

Firstly, I would like to heap praise on my co-Captain, Nicola Murphy. She has been an absolute rock in our disparategenerational team. She has been the one who always brought the ship in on time whilst I was lurching from side to side in my distracted way.

Always prepared, she is a great Club person, and proudly also was Most Outstanding Junior a few years back. She has all the great virtues that a Devil beholds. She is loyal, friendly, enthusiastic, giving of her time and loves a laugh (even at her own expense). I will miss the bond we developed as inaugural co-Captains, but hope we will have an enduring friendship.

I would also like acknowledge Michael Hahn who is stepping down as President after an incredible ten year stewardship. He has steered the

second division to the huge seas of National League and twenty eight

We are no longer the poor cousin to the likes of Balmain. We are our own strong Club & have left the doubters behind. We are in that position due to many, but none more so than Raymond Michael Hahn. Well done oh loyal and I hope you all get a similar feeling faithful servant.

I will conclude by saying how proud I am to have been the first (male) Club Captain.

ship from the calm(er) waters of only It is an honour that I will carry forever with immense pride. Playing and coaching polo for Drummoyne is usually mentioned within five sentences of me meeting someone new.

> It is something which is an integral part of my being. Being CC was another level of pride altogether.

someday too.

Fraser Foristal Men's Club Captain #1

Report by Women's Club Captain



The Women's side of the club has had a very successful season, with six junior and eight senior Drummoyne teams being

named in the finals. It is absolutely crazy the growth that our Club is experiencing, with a total of fourteen teams (approximately 170 players), including three U14s teams this season. Killing it!

The junior teams are developing strongly, having success in each of the Metro, State and National competitions. I remember these competitions and trips away from my junior days, and they are definitely some of my fondest memories of the Club - so enjoy them while you can! It is at this time that I was able to make lifelong friends who I am very lucky to still play and train with.

The senior teams also managed to be successful, and on a little side note, I am pleased to say that the team I (very proudly) play in, L2, are no longer to be named "The Chokers". The senior

grades are so lucky to have some very talented juniors coming through the ranks to help us out during the season, and sometimes to teach us a thing or two as well.

This was my second year as Ladies Club Captain, a role that I really recommend to any female in the Club who wants to learn more about the Club as a whole.

Quite slack of me I suppose, but I read the report from the 2011-12 season by my co-captain Frase just before writing this, and it gave me such nostalgia about being part of such an amazing club and sport in general.

I hope to think that each player in the Women's side is equally proud about being a Drummoyne Devil and can contribute in any way they can back to this Club that has given us so much.

The Ladies side of the Club is still developing, and our performance in the pool has been great this season, with 5 teams winning their Premiership title (versus 4 men's teams reaching this same achievement).

It is at this time, when we are succeeding

in the athletic aspect, that I want us all to enjoy the social aspects that the Club so willingly provides. The Men's side of the Club is fortunate to have an extensive history and some very committed senior players in both Senior grades and in their National League team, that I hope we can replicate soon in the future.

This year, we had two amazing imports who really took advantage of the Australian lifestyle and contributed to the social life of the National League team, for which I am very thankful. I also noticed a couple of National League players stand up, mature and show the passion they have to be a Drummoyne Devil.

I encourage every female in the Club to devote some time in watching other Drummoyne teams play, help out in the Devils Playground or just get involved in a social event amongst by your team so we can build on the atmosphere amongst the Women's side of the Club.

> **Nicola Murphy** Women's Club Captain #1





AJ Roach

A huge congratulations to Aidan (AJ) Roach, DWPC's first ever Olympian!

AJ played his first game of water polo as a Drummoyne Devil in 1999 as a nine year old (he played 5 seasons in U14).

At the 2012 London Olympics, AJ became Australian Water Polo Olympian #105 and Drummoyne Water Polo Club Olympian #1!

The Australian water polo team are sandwiched between Steve Roach and Steve Waugh after the teams' farewell lunch in Sydney. Picture: Mark Evans Source: The Daily Telegraph

Roach's son just as tough

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IT'S probably a good thing Aidan Roach was never a chip off the old block - that block being his femed footballing fether Stove.

If he had played rugby league, there's every chance he would've been spending much of it on the sidelines through suspension.

"I'm the king of dog shots," Aldan Roach says with a laugh. "I'm a hit-and-

The love in the room at the Bellevue Hotel in Woollahra yesterday as friends and family farewelled the Australian men's water polo team, which files out for the London Olympics this afternoon, belies a sport as tough as the football codes.

"It's football on water," reckons Steve, who was one of the game's toughest prope for Balmain, NSW and Australia.

Centre-forward Gavin Woods, who is competing at his fourth Olympics. paints the picture of a game with brutal consequences.

"You get away with what you can," he offers.

"In the water, there are no head highs. But there's a lot of wreetling, getting held under water, getting into awkward positions. There is the odd sly elbow and knee. Some teams use them better than others ... the Italians love it. They just don't seem to be able to cop it back."

Thomas Whalen, who is also competing at his fourth Olympics, says: "A week and a half before the last Olympics, I had a broken eye socket. I took a nice knee to the head from a German player. That's not what our sport is about. But it does happen."

The men's team has never won an Olympic medal, coming within a goal here or there over the years, although head coach John Fox belie there's a distinct possibility the Aussies will get among them this time.

His young team - the average age is about 25, where the superpowers of Hungary and Serbia are over 30 - has recently completed a grunting month-long block of competition around Europe.

Fox also says the team has adopted many of the wrestling techniques and coaching some say have become the bane of rugby league.

"There's a lot of holding and grappling," Fox says, "We've done a fair bit with a lot of combat sports. We have had wreating, learning different holds and techniques. We do a lot of contact. It's the same as footbalt: what are you going to do to break a hold one-on-one."

So who is the most physical player in the Australian team? The enforcer?

"For natural aggression, Aidan Roach," Woods says, without hesitation, of the rockie 21-year-old.

"It might run in the blood. Some players are more aggressive than others.

Roach did play rugby league when he was younger, then rugby as a student of Riverview

By the age of 16, though, he had fallen in love with water polo.

He has survived two years of a bitterty cold life playing in Serbia, learning alongside the best.

There is no prouder man in town than his father, who has no healtation in claiming his son's achievement of reaching the Olympics goes beyond whatever he did on a footy field.

Sounds like it's just as tough.

"I don't think it's as tough as footy, because it's on the water," Aldan says. "But there's a lot of dog shots. The game is a lot more physical than you

"I've copped a couple of nut grabs before," he says with a grin that is identical to the one his old man often produced on the field. "A couple of elbows. A couple of punches.*







Under 14A Girls Red - PREMIERS



What a year!

TEAM AWESOME

Nicole Chaney, Emma Jones, Isabella Faulder, Kayla Rogers, Olivia Hill, Ruby Borozan, Phoebe Pride, Jasmine Yip, Sarah Kerrison, Gabby Hall and Lilli Borozan take a bow.

This team has had an amazing twelve months.

In winter 2012 a new team was put together with only three players from the previous season plus eight new girls with a new coach to the club and a new manager.

We all had to work hard together to be a TEAM. The girls bonded, the coach trained the girls hard and loud and the

girls had to adapt to a male coach with a loud voice, who scared the DEVIL out of us all.

Winter 2012, SILVER MEDAL

Lost Grand Final to UNSW 5-3. Not a bad result for a new team. We were just out muscled - too polite.

Summer 2012/2013, GOLD MEDAL

Won against Cronulla 7-3. We toughened up and brought that DEVIL back within to play brilliant polo, every week developing more & more as a team.

Undefeated the entire season- 21 games, scoring 218 goals for and 45 against. Outstanding effort.

State Club Championships 2013, GOLD MEDAL

Defeated Cronulla 10-1.

We played awesome water polo on the central coast at Gosford Pool, with VERY early games each day.

We were disciplined, we warmed up efficiently, we ate well and rested between games, enabling us to play excellent undefeated polo, scoring 105 goals with 6 against.

National Club Championships 2013, GOLD MEDAL

Won Final against All Hallows 10-4. Another undefeated tournament, another Gold Medal. We were tough, we were strong, we were there to win and we did.

What a team! We won the Triple Crown.

Be proud team. The Drummoyne U14A's Girls team have been undefeated in their last 38 games played scoring 437 goals with 58 against. A huge achievement.

The girls have worked extremely hard over the past 12 months to achieve these outstanding results.

The club committee, the coach, the manager and parents all have contributed to accomplish the winning results. To be a team you all must be part of it. All in it together!

We all worked together to build this team with Great Spirit and a will to succeed.

Cheryl Jones Manager

Coach: Ash Faulder Manager: Cheryl Jones MVP: Emma Jones MIP: Nicole Chaney

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Junior Sports Star Drummoyne Devils' girls water polo side have huge potential

- by: Matt Pearson
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The Drummoyne Devils U14A girls team won the gold medal at the National Championships and have been nominated for the team spirit award. They have also gone 38 games unbeaten. Pictured at MLC pool, Burwood. T Picture: Blatch Philip

Source: NewsLocal

DRUMMOYNE Devils' under-14A girls water polo side demonstrated their international potential by claiming a national championship with a convincing win.

The Devils, who have won 38 consecutive matches, are this week's nominee in the Team Spirit category of the Rebel-sponsored Junior Sports Star competition.

The girls dominated the national finals in Brisbane at the start of the month, scoring 114 goals and conceding 7 before defeating local side All Hallows 10-4 in the final.

"They are just a very good all round team but particularly strong in defence," coach Ashley Faulder said. Faulder said the side had shown great ability and gelled well despite all attending different schools.

"I believe at least half have the aptitude and ability to go on to play national league or for Australia," he said.

Under 14A Girls Black

TEAM Genevieve Becker Annabelle Bennett Mikayla Skarzynski Clare Dunkerley Rebecca Smith Lauren Wheatley Georgia Gray **Emily McCloskey** Maddie Tilyard Phoebe Hall Megan McConnell

This team should be very proud of their efforts this season with some well-deserved results in the State and National competition.

Whilst with every team there is still a long way to go, but this group of girls were always dedicated and determined when it came to games of importance.

Whilst we came 4th out of 5 teams in the Metro comp, we stunned the entire state and some of our fellow Metro team competitors by steam rolling through our opponents in the State tournament earning the converted name of the 'Killer B's' coming in 5th in the State tournament with a nail bighting loss in a golden goal play off against the UNSW Killer Whales.

"...we stunned the entire state and some of our fellow Metro team competitors by steam rolling through our opponents in the State tournament earning the converted name of the 'Killer B's'"

This team was lucky to have three of its members selected for the Talented Athlete's Program - congratulations to Miki, Annabelle and Lauren for making it into the TAP squad. Even though only three of my team made that squad, it was truly an amazing experience for me to see my team play so well.

Nationals came round thick and fast, and for some of these girls it was their first time at a National level competition. So as you would expect, nerves where high and the excitement levels peaking to extreme!

We finished 11th out of 21 teams. Not one of these girls should be disappointed in their performance this season; they should be very proud of what they achieved.

Thank you to Isabella and Lauren from the actual 14B team for helping us out for both tournaments. You both were an asset to the team.

As Michael always says "Use those legs girls!"

GO THE KILLER B DEVILS!

Shona O'Brien Coach

Coach: Shona O'Brien Manager: Gil Bennett MVP: Annabelle Bennett MIP: Rebecca Smith

Under 14B Girls

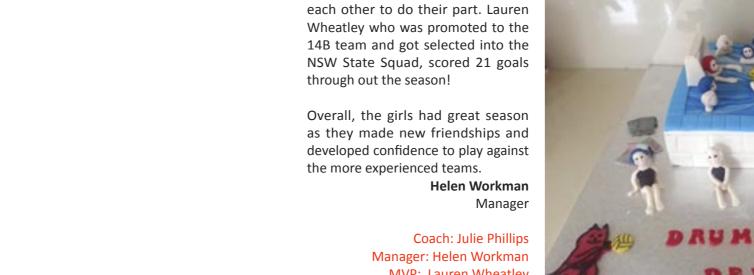
TEAM **Bridget Walker** Caitlyn Murray Connie Platina Gabrielle Blefari Gabrielle Constantini Georgia Smith Holly Walker Isabella Bogatai Lauren Wheatley Olivia Patrick Sophia Carmody Tessa Barry Tori Workman

The under 14 C Summer 2013 Drummoyne Water Polo team who played in the 14 B competition, had an enjoyable summer and for many, it was their first season playing Water Polo! The team consisted of 13 girls who varied in ages and skill. Through out the season, the team developed fundamental skills to play water polo such as treading water and passing the ball. Compared to the start of the season it is evident that the team made significant progress.

They did this by improving their fitness, which allowed them to work together in the pool rather than relying on 1 or 2 players - meaning everyone started shooting/scoring goals and trusting

> Coach: Julie Phillips MVP: Lauren Wheatley MIP: Gabrielle Costantini





Under 14A Boys

TEAM
Angus Rankin
Benjamin Murray
Bronson Ronan
Daniel Corbett
Daniel Lukic
Edoardo Fumagalli
Ethan Parker
Harry Gilkes
Ned Churchyard
Oscar Ryan

With most of the boys working hard over the winter season, expectations were high for the U14A team coming into the summer competition. As the season progressed it was clear that there were only three teams worthy of being premiers. This was a bit unfortunate as strong competition matches for the boy were nonexistent on a weekly basis. There was nothing separating the top three teams with draws and one goal victories common.

The first test came in the State titles and the boys drew Cronulla in the semi final. Leading at half time and dominating the game up to that stage, things were looking bright. However it wasn't to be, with Cronulla stealing the show in the second half and going onto win the title with our boys ending up with the bronze.

Bronze was the inevitable colour in the metro competition as well as the boys had one of their few off nights in the final.

The nationals was an example of just how close the teams were, as we played Wests in the quarter finals and were winning for the whole match right up to the last 7 seconds where they were awarded a 5mtr to draw the game and then win in golden goal overtime. Wests ended up beating Cronulla in the semi and winning the title.

Despite not winning a premiership, the

boys showed tremendous dedication and commitment and proved to themselves that they have the ability to play a high standard of water polo, even at this age level.

With four players making the Blues state team (more than any other side), one could look upon this season as somewhat disappointing unable to make a final. However I am proud of all the boys, and truly believe will be better players than what the results suggest.

Finally, the friendship that all of these boys have developed over the year – which was no greater evident than at the nationals when after a

loss they were the only team in the vacant pool playing around together (even the coach joined in) – will be something they will truly appreciate in the future.

In closing I would like to thank all the parents for taking their sons to all the trainings and matches and helping out at the matches and especially my number one manager Muz, for being there whenever I needed him. Thank you.

Milan Nesic Coach Coach: Milan Nesic Manager: Andrew Murray MVP: Edoardo Fumagalli MIP: Ned Churchyard





Under 14B Boys - PREMIERS

TEAM
Alex Chambers
Angus Davis
Ben Tuite
Ben Wastie-Pero
Billy Dodds
Jack Pringle
Jacob Gadiel
James Artemi
James Tuite
Justin McLean
Thomas Linfield-Kent
Will Cornish

Well what a season. For all but one player, this was the first time the boys had capped up as a red devil in the summer metro competition. And something tells me it won't be the last!!!

For the record, the team finished the regular season in 2nd place, eventually winning the premiership 3-2 against Cronulla. However it is not so much a couple of weeks the boys were again firing on all 4 cylinders.

Woy Woy came and went with the boys

the score line that will go down in folklore but how this team ever ended up winning the championship. And this is where the story begins.

The boys got out of the blocks early with a strong preseason ensuring they were competitive coming into Xmas, until the first flat tyre occurred on the road to victory. Mid November arrived and the team suddenly found themselves without a coach. Within a week Coach #2 appeared from the men's first grade team and the boys were then back on the bus ready to play, be it with the occasional need of a translator. That was until mid January when coach #2 was forced to return home to France due to personal reasons, two weeks before the state titles. Not to fear, Coach #3 entered the fray and within a couple of weeks the boys were again firing on all 4 cylinders.

Woy Woy came and went with the boys doing themselves proud by losing in

golden goal to make the playoffs. It was at this time that coach #3 thought that just maybe this team might be a serious contender for the championship.

However with only 4 matches to go, they ventured down to Cronulla and drove away getting pumped by 9 goals. Well wow, you should have seen the look of despair on all of their faces considering they thought they were a real chance of beating Cronulla.

One to grab a positive out of a negative, coach #3 pulled the boys together after the match and told them that what just occurred is the best thing that could happen to us. Leaving the kids bemused, he walked away and left them pondering.

For the next month leading into the finals coach #3 had a simple game plan. Flog them until they drop and then flog them again. There was only one way we were going to beat Cronulla





and that was be so much different to how we were when they pumped us 4 weeks earlier.

So we parked up to the finals and to fire. everything was on track until coach #3 had heard some whisperers that maybe not all the boys will be on the bus for the finals. Our star goalkeeper Billy "the kid" Dodds had a school camp on the rescheduled semi final. Further to that our fastest swimmer Justin "white flash" Mclean also had a school camp.

With so many changes throughout the season, this was just what the boys didn't need. So for the last two training sessions, all the talk by the boys was who is going to play goalkeeper? And who is going to swim for the ball?

Coach #3 left it entirely up the two boys to see if they could return for the match with no pressure on doing so. And to their credit (and parents as the round trip was 6+ hours), they found their way back wearing a red devils cap for the semi final. This was all the boys needed to lift and play a dominant display of water polo to enter the grand final.

grand final gala day at Ryde Pool ready to do battle at the starting grid. We were not on pole position with Cronulla going undefeated for the season.

However after a few performance tweaks and navigational match plans being practised in the last couple of weeks, coach #3 had the boys ready

With a 0-0 first quarter, suddenly the boys started to believe. Even though the boys had the better of the first half; they were down on the scoreboard 0-2. This however did not faze them as the 2nd half was as memorable in sporting moments as it gets.

Quoting Michael Hahn's scribe of the match, the next two quarters went as follows: "Behind by 2 goals and with the words ringing in my year from Phil Artemi "keep an eye on Drummoyne goalkeeper, Billy 'the kid' Dodds", Matt Farrell was filing his story with the heading 'Upset Inevitable'. As a group the boys rose to greater heights than the great Glenn Lazarus and played some inspirational water polo with Angus Davis up front scoring off a counter and James Artemi scoring a cracker from 7 metres tying up the scores going into the last. Tracey Mirabito arrived with the crowd making more noise than a World Cup won by Australia at Stadium Australia.

So a week rolls on and we enter the The events that unfolded at this point can only be described as remarkable as the boys stepped up as one to grab the win. Defensive steals by James Tuite and Thomas Linfield-Kent shutdown

the Cronulla attacks. However with a minute and some change remaining Cronulla were awarded a Penalty.

As cool as a cucumber at high noon Billy 'the kid' Dodds stepped up to not only save the penalty but 2 shots following by rebounds. With time ticking down Drummoyne launched one final attack that was duly converted by Will Cornish for a memorable and remarkable come from behind 3-2 victory by the youngest of our Drummovne Devils."

So this is how the story ends. A premiership and the gold leaf name of U14B on the clubroom honour board for life. As coach #3, I have been involved in many premiership victories; however this one will no doubt remain high up on the podium memories.

In closing I would like to thank all the parents for their commitment in getting the boys to training and the matches on time. I would also like to single out Mary for all her efforts as manager and Phil Artemi assisting with the whistle.

> **Andrew Murray** Coach

Coach: Andrew Murray Manager: Mary Linfield MVP: Billy Dodds MIP: Will Cornish

Under 16A Girls Red - GRAND FINALIST

Metropolitan Team - silver medal

Tara Graetz Sarah Harnwell Megan Moodie **Charlotte Hobbs** Georgia Mirabito Sarah Churchyard Hannah Grav Kailyn McLennan Alex Corbett

It was a successful season overall in many ways for this team. The team finished the Metropolitan competition as minor premiers.

They earned a place in the Grand Final by defeating UNSW in the Major semifinal. This win was built on some very strong defence, the strong point of this team.

The Grand Final against Cronulla was a game of missed opportunities for Drummoyne in the first three quarters. After a superb last quarter by the Drummoyne girls, the scores were level. This meant the Championship would be

decided by 'golden goal' in extra time. City U/16 Squad:-Drummoyne again started to miss their opportunities until Cronulla scored to Alex Corbett take the Gold.

State Championships – 4th place

The following girls joined the 16 Red team for the State Championships.

Emma Jones Emma Tuite Shania Mitchell

The team finished in 4th position losing the Bronze Medal game against UNSW in a shoot out situation after earlier losing their semi-final to Sydney Northern Beaches. The Sydney Northern Beaches team went on the win the Championship against Cronulla.

There may not have been any Gold medals but individually there have been many achievements during the summer.

The following girls must be congratulated on their selection in the

Hannah Gray Emma Jones Sarah Harnwell Georgia Mirabito Megan Moodie Emma Workman

Personally I would like to thank my manager Sharon Harnwell who is always there when I need something done. She makes it very easy for me to just concentrate on coaching. I would also like to thank all the team members for their continued effort at training. Girls let's continue to strive for success in October.

> Jenny MacGregor Coach

Coach: Jenny MacGregor Manager: Sharon Harnwell **MVP: Alex Corbett** MIP: Megan Moodie



Under 16A Girls Black

TEAM
Emma Workman
Emma Tuite
Emma Jones
Sarah Kerrison
Jemma Hoskinson
Danni Mackay
Kaitlin Clague
Hannah Golder
Jasmine Yip
Shania Mitchell
Zoe Whelan-Young

This was a challenging season for the girls stepping up from Under 14A's to the 16A's Comp.

We entered this competition as we wanted the girls to learn and develop in the A comp rather than cruise in the B comp. This did cause much dismay and concern from the parents at the beginning of the season but I believe by the end the parents understood the

method to our madness.

Whilst we didn't win any medals this year we did have a great year and I saw many of the girls develop very well over winter and summer comp.

"I was so proud of my young team and how we challenged the top age players even getting a few wins in Brisbane, exceeding all expectations."

We started the year 2012 by heading to Brisbane to compete in the Under 16 Nationals in Brisbane, again some concern from the parents as to how the girls would cope against the older top aged players.

I was so proud of my young team and

how we challenged the top age players even getting a few wins in Brisbane, exceeding all expectations.

Whilst again we didn't win a medal or finish in the top four in the summer comp we grew throughout the season and we didn't finish last!!

I have had the pleasure of coaching the majority of this playing group for the past few years and they are a great playing group and I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it.

Big thanks to Wendy Tuite, my Manager over the past few years.

Emma Hill Coach

Coach: Emma Hill Manager: Wendy Tuite MVP: Emma Workman MIP: Zoe Whelan-Young for the potential sudden death awaiting them.

They went back to the starting line, possibly nervous, having not dealt with this situation as a group before. We lost the swim off, offering Breakers the first use of the ball. They set their attack and as the clock ran down, they shot from the mushroom. It left the hand, it was on target, it seemed destined for the net.....but no, it hit the cross bar and bounced back down into play and Lach the Block was first to react as everyone outside the pool held their breath.

The players however all just turned and swam back up the pool for our turn at this Russian Roulette. We launched an attack and were able to draw an exclusion as the eggtimer was nearly empty.

The boys set their extra man attack and put practice into play. The ball moved fluidly until it landed in Chris's lethal left hand. He didn't need an invite. He fired that ball right into the top left corner of the goal & a collective sigh was audible among the Red faithful.

That was much closer than anyone The place erupted, the roof lifted and imagined.

Petar caught your correspondent in a

Breakers lost the Prelim Final to S.U. the following week meaning we aimed up against the Uni boys in the GF. This match was also see-sawing as both teams edged ahead only for the other to remind them there were two teams in this contest. Uni gained crucial momentum in the final quarter and seemed to be on the cusp of an upset. They held the lead as the clock ran down but our boys held something more crucial-possession.

The ball came to Joel on about eight metres. He sized up the situation. "Do I pass off to someone else and chase that guy who has just countered on me; or do I walk this ball in to 6-7 metres & throw it harder than I ever have before?"

The game clock now showed 8.4 seconds, the possession clock had fallen to 1.2 seconds as Joel got to 6.5 mtres and released a rocket that had a date with a- net(tte). He chose well.

The place erupted, the roof lifted and Petar caught your correspondent in a massive mid air bear hug. The Devils were alive...surely?

Uni had come this far; they were gunna give this one more go. Seven seconds left. In a game like this, that's an eternity. They re-gathered at halfway & quickly set for a shot. As they took the shot, there was suspended belief as it hit the cross bar, rolled along the cross bar & bounced just out of the reach of one of their players, as Adam ushered the ball from danger, the whole crowd rode the roller coaster with every player.

The siren sounded and it was off to Golden Goal again for the Devils. This time we did win the swim off and the ball was moved with purpose until finding the young man to which this team so often turns to in the hour of need. Rowan Farrell deftly turned his man at centre forward in a perfect pirouette, shot and scored to bring the swelling grandstand to its feet in rapture.

Under 16A Boys - PREMIERS

TEAM
Blake Artemi
Chris Artemi
Andre' Crkvencic
Lachlan Davis
Rowan Farrell
Joel Foristal
Adam Hall
James Hayward
Josh Rogers
Josh Sharrock
Gianni Tarranto
Mitch Taylor
Rory Williams

History Repeats?

Never let it be said that sport can't engage all of the emotions. Sing it Aretha. "Ain't no mountain high enough, ain't no valley low enough..."

Such was the season of the 16A boys this year.

After claiming bronze in last October's Aust. Club Champs in Brisbane, coach Petar was confident of a strong showing this year due to the retention of seven players from that group.

The Metro comp commenced and the boys were on a high. Mostly easy wins as the extended Winter Comps and associated training proved telling in the first half of the season.

We incurred no losses and only one unexpected draw as Christmas dawned. The new year started & the wins continued, albeit by diminishing amounts.

It seemed either we were returning to the pack or the others were drawing closer in the mirror.

We scraped through undefeated until the third last game of the regular

season when we were beaten by the old foe Cronulla. It seemed we were faltering with the line in sight.

We were able to re-gather and finished off the season with two more wins to claim the Minor Premiership after 20 games: 18 wins, 1 draw & 1 loss.

The team refocussed for the semi's and drew Breakers in the 1 v 2 match. In a match of high quality, the lead was swapped many times as the closing gap between the teams was writ large.

Breakers drew level with seconds remaining & we headed for Golden Goal extra time. The team had played well but had never been able to skip away – leaving the door slightly ajar for Breakers to always feel close enough to stay hungry. Our weary warriors dragged themselves to the side of the pool and listened to Petar's instructions



The boys had done it. They had done it the most tortuous way, and nobody had any hair or nerves left, but they had done it!

With very little rest from Metro to State Titles, celebrations were low key and there was no Mad Monday, despite reports of Jeff Davis doing a nudie dance in the confines of his own bathroom.

Drummoyne again hosted the NSW U/16 Club Titles after former NSW WP CEO Greg Heathcote was reported as saying after last year's event, "This was the best Champs ever & Drum- a- oyne is the winner for ever! Also Michael Hahn is better than Juan Antonio Samararanch."

Games started and our lads were picked as early favourites by Tim Hamill in a poolside interview with a portly erudite chap with a microphone. He at Xmas. They had nothing to lose and had possibly neglected to factor in the talented Hunter team led by a certain family by the name of Marsden. We won all of our pool games easily which allowed good game time for Andre', Rory, James & Blake, who all scored confidence boosting goals.

We cruised into the quarters without any real problems - but at the same time, no real test. We accounted for Wests easily in QF1 as Mitch had his best game of the tournament & Josh handled the long Wests shots with aplomb in the cage. The stage was set for a Sunday morning showdown between Hunter and us in one semi, and Cronulla and Breakers in the other.

As our great bunch of parents kept the tournament going, the boys retired to the Farrells home for dinner and bonding. Petar came along and we talked about what lay ahead. From now, it was up to our boys.

We gathered next morn and some of the boys were evidently nervous.

We hit the water and those nerves transpired into a 0-6 deficit at first quarter end. Whilst we clawed our way back from oblivion, the lead was a bridge too far.

We were valiant in defeat but had been beaten by a better (prepared?) team on the day. Whilst they rose to the occasion, we were played as though imposed upon. They have 3-4 very good players, whilst in my opinion, we have more good players which should have been enough. A lesson hopefully learnt by all concerned.

That loss, although disappointing, was not the end of our commitments. We still had to play Cronulla in a 3rd place play-off. The boys were, seemingly ready to finish the tournament strongly and make up for the morning loss. Cronulla had arrived at the tournament, having finished Metro in 4th after being last were playing that way. We, however, came out blazing in the first quarter and held a 3-1 lead after nice goals to Gianni and Josh R. The second quarter was much closer as the ever resilient Sharks wouldn't lie down. We had chances in that quarter to put the contest out of reach but poor execution kept Cronulla only one goal away.

The third quarter saw Cronulla hit the front for the first time and the stage was set for a thrilling last quarter.

Single goals were traded in the last quarter which wasn't enough for the Devils to even get to another Golden Goal. Cronulla had won and we were

Whilst we lament what could have been as we stand in the cold of Macquarie Uni pool for Winter Comp, let me remind you all that you are in precisely the same position as last year's team: won Metro (tick), finished 3rd/4th at State (tick). It's what happens now that you guys determine.

Last year they regathered, played & trained hard thru Winter & finished bronze at Nats. What are you guys going to do?

I started with a song, so I'll finish with two if you don't mind.

Let's start with Shirley Bassey- "It's all just a little bit of history repeating...." and we'll finish with a bit of Split Enz-"I see Red, I see Red, I see Red....".

Thank you & goodnite.

Fraser Foristal Assistant Coach

Coach: Petar Petrovic Manager: Julie Taylor Assistant Coach: Fraser Foristal MVP: Rowan Farrell MIP: Adam Hall



SPORT

Devils delight in water polo win



Bronze victory for the Drummoyne Devils

THE Under 16 boy's Drummoyne Devils won beonze in a fiercely contested final held in Brisbane as part of Australian Water Polos. 16 and under club championships this month.

Drummoyne defeated Queensland's KFC Breakers 11-6 in extra time, after locking at six-all at full time.

"Our boys played strongly throughout but pushed even harder in extra time to score five more goals while not allowing Breakers to score at all," said Petar Petrovic. coach of the boy's team.

"The guys have improved more in this week than they have over

by Mitchell Jordan

the past two months, and they are now playing mature, senior style

Players for Drummoyne were Steven Xenakis, Adam Hall, Mitchell Taylor, Josh Rogers, ames Smith, Sam Watson, wan Farrell, Ryan Brennan, oel Foristal, Matthew Ellis, James layward and Christopher Artemi. James Smith was also named in the prestigious Team of the fournament announced at the

Apart from the boy's team,

Drummoyne Devils also fielded two girl's teams at the

"All of our girls played hard with our Drummoyne Red team finishing 7th out of 27 teams while our younger Drummovne Black team finished 17th," said girls coach Jenny MacGregor.

Many of our players will be eligible to compete in this event again next year so it is great for them to have experience playing at this high level."

Drummoyne Red players: Lara Murray, Sarah Harnwell, Megan Moodie, Charlotte

Hobbs, Georgia Mirabito, Kaitlyn Laycock, Nicole Moodie, Hannah Gray, Kailyn McLennan, Anna Linfield-Kent, Alex Corbett, Sarah Churchyard and Mackenzie Marnell. Drummoyne Black players were Nicole Chaney, Hannah Golder, Jemma Hoskinson, Cathryne Prost, Emma Tuite, Shania Mitchell, Kaitlyn Clague, Emma Jones, Danielle Mackay, Sarah Kerrison and ZoeWhelan Young.

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Under 16B Boys Red - PREMIERS



TEAM
Joshua Sharrock
Andre Crkvenic
Cooper Steen
Dylan Higgs
Daniel Tilyard
Liam Corry
Harry Tunstall
Jason Zervos
Patrick Zadow
Michael Hayward
Tom Brennan

The 16B's completed a stellar summer season going through undefeated. This team contained many players who would comfortably play in an A grade, such is their ability. However despite having many talented individuals this group always combined as a team.

Their Grand Final win over Balmain was a fine example of a team who knew each other's game well, having played together for a number of years. This victory was the highlight of the season

and we played the "complete" game with all players making a significant contribution.

The team's development over the season was particularly pleasing. We learnt the art of really putting the opposition under pressure in defence.

This enabled us to create a large number of turn overs. We were then able to capitalise in attack with either some good outside shooting or strong centre forward play.

"We learnt the art of really putting the opposition under pressure in defence."

Most importantly this team really enjoys the game. (Helps when you win!) They were always respectful of lesser opposition and played the game in the right spirit. The team were keen

to improve and always trained hard.

On a personal note I would like to thank Luke and Phil Hayward for their respective coaching and managing responsibilities.

And many thanks to Sue Sharrock for bravely taking on the refereeing duties each week.

Well done to the mighty 16B's.

A great bunch of young men, with plenty of good polo years ahead.

James Brennan Manager

Coach: Luke Hayward Manager: James Brennan MVP: Harry Tunstall MIP: Dylan Higgs

Under 16B Boys Black

TEAM
Matthew Dembecki
Milo Ryan
Michael Sohns
Liam Wheatley
Jordi Nikopoulos
Dylan Ienco
Joshua McMahon
Reece Aquilina
Jack Hall
Nick Hrdina
Dugald Ritchie
Daniel Vlachos

With a strong cohort of Born 97/98 boys in the club, DWPC entered three teams in the Summer Metro comp. One in the A Division and two in the B Division. After finishing runners up in Winter B Division we had a feeling both our B Division teams would do well.

The Black team had some strong Born 97 boys (Milo Ryan, Liam Wheatley, Jordi Nikopoulos) combining for the first time with some of last year's successful 14A team (Matt Dembecki & Michael Sohns), and Josh McMahon from the 14B's and some boys new to club water polo who had a taste of water polo from their school competition (Dylan lenco, Reece Aquilina, Jack Hall, Nick Hrdina, Dugald Ritchie & Daniel Vlachos).

We started with a strong win over Cronulla, followed by victories over Ryde and SNB Breakers. These easier wins gave the boys a chance to get to know each other and their best positions. With 12 in the team, we averaged about 9 - 10 at each game which was good, although it was unpredictable which 9 or 10 would be there each week.

We then met the other competition favourites, Drummoyne Red, who we train with. This started at a furious pace with aggressive marking. Our lads took a while to adjust and were down by a few at half time. They composed

themselves and got it together for an epic 2nd half, to eventually lose 7-8. Now they knew they could compete with the best.

The following week we met the other frontrunners, Balmain. The game was at Dawny, early in the season. A rude shock to many of the boys to confront Dawny on a cool spring evening with 21 degree water! We started OK and trailed by a couple at the half and dominated the 3rd, but then started losing players with chest pains and headaches from the cold. Balmain took the 4th and the game narrowly. We had another team to be wary of...

We won all our games from then until Christmas, but the margins were tighter than we wanted as we would miss a key player (different ones) most weeks. The first game back in the new year was a return to an easy win, then we came up against Drummoyne Red again. This time we were depleted because of school holidays and our goalie was in Hawaii.

Drummoyne Red dominated us, well done lads. We were able to win the last five rounds of the competition, including a strong 7-2 win over Balmain. We ended the regular season 2nd on the table to Drummoyne Red. A result this this group of boys should be proud of. We had several excellent players and several consistent trainers. We also had several players who couldn't train with the team often and in the end this affected the performance in

the finals

We met a determined Balmain outfit in the semi to see who would play Drummoyne Red in the grand final. We had a team that could do it and we were focussed and went out and executed. We started well then fell behind and at 3 quarter we were down 2-3 and had lost two of our starters. It didn't look good. In a tense final quarter, the boys held strong in defence and Milo scored twice to give us a 4-3 lead and one Balmain attack to defend.

We forced the outside shot with 3 secs remaining. It hit the cross bar and ricochets high toward the sideline. Surely we've won! However, the cruel twist of a last second mistake by an official ultimately denied us a spot in the grand final. A minor foul happened as time was running out and the ref blew his whistle. However, the ref mistakenly awarded a 5m penalty. Balmain scored the penalty to tie the match 4-4. We went into golden goal extra time and eventually lost – but we had our chances there too.

It has been my pleasure to be involved with these boys and assist them in their water polo journey. 13 wins from 16 games, and a strong showing in the semi-final is a solid result for these boys.

Ross Dembecki

Coach: Ross Dembecki
MVP: Milo Ryan

MVP: Milo Ryan MIP: Matt Dembecki



Under 18 Girls - PREMIERS



TEAM
Alex Corbett
Amy Graetz
Anna Linfield-Kent
Elissa Branwhite
Ellen Hahn
Fiona Walsh
Georgia Mirabito
Hannah Gray
Kaitlin Laycock
Lauren Wilson
Lily Murphy
Nicole Moodie
Sarah Harnwell
Sarah Churchyard

One would think that the U18 playing group would be satisfied with two medals from three tournaments, winning a premiership and silver in the NSW Championships. I can't speak for everyone. While pleased with our domestic NSW results, the season finish was tinged with disappointment, anger and frustration in Perth.

While the structure of the National U18 draw was outside our control, we were in full control of our actions in the water. As disappointing as it is the U18 group made too many mistakes and we didn't convert our opportunities in the one game that counted.

A lesson in life that I know we will all learn from.

With limited time together to train as a group, no excuses, there were plenty of positives to come out of the season.

I was very encouraged that everyone's individual skill level improved. The improvement in defence was a huge boost for the team.

Our performance in the semi-final against Cronulla at the NSW U18 Club Championships was our best of the year. Looking back on that game we were ruthless in defence. We never let Cronulla in the game, shutting down their attack, plus we converted our opportunities.

These same elements of our game came to the fore in the NSW summer premiership decider when we hit back after a disappointing loss in the semi.

In both games we led from the front. A simple but workable formula that we all have to take away from the season.

There are some sections of the water

polo community who believe the U18 competition is a waste of time and if you haven't made it in NL you never will.

Well they are wrong. U18s is a very important brick in the pathway to the senior ranks. The opportunity to play against your own age — and in some instances an age ahead — is a great way to benchmark your development as a player.

"I was very encouraged that everyone's individual skill level improved. The improvement in defence was a huge boost for the team."

It is also a great way to develop the skills to a level required to be able to compete in the senior ranks.

It was great to see the desire to improve reflected by the enthusiasm in the water by the group.

The leadership shown by the senior players in the group was another plus. Leadership is something you can't coach and is a very important ingredient to a successful team especially on tour and in times of adversity.

I will single out Ellen and Fiona who both had outstanding seasons in the playing department and as leaders of the team.

I hope everyone has learnt something about themselves plus their water polo and will use that as the starting point for the season ahead in U18s and U20s.

Thank you to Rob Laycock who managed the team with great support from the many parents and helpers in the group.

Without this support network we would not have achieved the success

we did.

I look forward to seeing you all on pool deck.

Michael Hahn Coach

Coach: Michael Hahn Manager: Rob Laycock MVP: Fiona Walsh MIP: Sarah Harnwell





Under 18 Boys



TEAM Mikey Parker James Brennan **Daniel Trent** James Smith Steven Xenakis Ryan Brennan Sam Watson Harrison Steen Emanuele Ronconi Tom Southern Henry Frank Chris Artemi Blake Artemi Rowan Farrell Adam Hall Gianni Taranto

Under 18s is always a difficult age group and this year proved no different. With half the team doing the HSC and drop outs of players at this age, success is measured in being able to put a team in the pool each week rather than premierships.

Complaints ranging from the team were not taking the games seriously to the games being way too serious Both pare doesn't help to determine the best approach. Both pare time in an boys finish

What is obvious is that the team needs a full time coach. We were able to achieve this after Christmas when

Justin and Nate took the reins and the performance immediately improved. Thanks to both for taking the time to guide the team on game night.

While results were moderate for the season, we finished the year with a great trip to Canberra for the Nationals.

Both parents and players had a good time in and out of the pool, and the boys finished by winning the final of the redraw pool.

A win in the last game of the season is a good farewell to those in the team who have now completed their junior water polo for Drummoyne – JJ, Mikey and Daniel.

> Tony Watson Manager

Coaches: Justin Trabinger & Nathan
Sinclair
Manager: Tony Watson
MVP: Steven Xenakis
MIP: Henry Frank





In the media



QUICK ACTIONS EARN AWARD

Oliver Harriey

DEALING with two onestseration within minutes of each other at Willengthy Leisure Centre was one of the reasons Peter Perpeciwas named lifeguird of the

Mr Potrovic was name the pool infeguard of the year by the Boyal Life for ing Society for his response to very locations at the Willengthly centre in the pro-

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You have to rely on the people around you," Mr Potreets said. "If I didn't have a good team around me I wouldn't have been able to

in your training was vital when you were food with an emergency.

every kind of emergency and how to deal with it," he said.

Mr Petroric has been at Williambler Leissen Contro

store 2010.

The also belgs courts the NSW boys saster 16 water pole squad.

Tell at about a local here who deserves recognition



Petar Petrovic, coach of our U16 boys, was named Pool Lifeguard of the Year by the Royal Life Saving Society for his response to two emergencies that occurred within minutes of each other at Willoughby Leisure Centre.

North Shore Times



Women's National League & L1

WOMEN'S NL TEAM Serena Reid Sarah Orozco Ellen Hahn Erin Moodie Danielle White Shannan Martin Fiona Walsh Kaitlin Laycock Devon Boyle Elise Holden Morgan Baxter Meagan Cobb Alex Corbett Stephanie Calaizis

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Meagan Cobb Kaitlin Laycock Alex Corbett

The 2013 National League season for Drummoyne Women's Team was not one that I was anticipating to have if • you look purely on results.

Working through the summer season • and contesting the Sydney summer semi-finals I went into the National League season with high expectations • that the squad would perform well.

And although the results do not reflect a strong performance I believe that the playing group did perform well and there was an improvement and a better understanding of what is needed to perform in the National League Competition.

A small reflection of the results against the teams that are contesting the National League finals:

Both games against KFC defeated by 4 goals

- Barracudas defeated by 3 and 1 goal
- Fremantle defeated by 5 and 4 goals
- Victoria defeated in penalty shootout and 1 goal
- Adelaide defeated by 4 and 2
- Cronulla defeated by 4 and 6

With 6 goals the largest goal difference against these qualified finals teams, many of these lost games do not reflect the closeness of the game and that perhaps a lapse in concentration for only one quarter would lead to this result.

This ability to focus for the whole duration of a game and continue to control specific systems while executing when needed is something that I identified and will need to work closely on moving into next year's program.

Fundamentally I believe the Women's program is in a very unique place. The success of the junior teams both within State and National Championships have forged a strong foundation for the future development of the club. However this success needs to continue through to the senior program.

Understanding the throughput of athletes from junior to a senior levels, Drummoyne Water Polo Club needs to adopted a program that works in conjunction with the NSWIS program. The Drummoyne program would be for any athlete that is not participating within the NSWIS squads but delivers a program for ongoing development and improvement towards senior level water polo.

I have initiated conversation with Michael Hahn and Jenny MacGregor in what is needed for a program like this at Drummoyne and during the winter months Michael, Jenny and myself will look to map out what is needed for these athletes not participating in NSWIS programs.

I want to thank all members of the Drummoyne Women's National League Squad for their commitment throughout the season, the first season under a new coach can sometimes be difficult for player and coach.

"The success of the junior teams both within State and **National Championships** have forged a strong foundation for the future development of the club."

I would like to especially thank Elise Holden for her leadership and her tenacity to never give up. Elise had some great support from Serena Reid, Devon Boyle and Meagan Cobb, which leads me to thank our two import players Meagan Cobb and Sarah Orozco.

Congratulations to Shannan Martin, not only National League Team but for Fiona Walsh and Stephanie Calazis for completing in the inaugural World U18 Championships in Perth. The experience gained from this tournament showed during the National League season and I can see that these girls improved overall as a result of the experience, congratulations also to Kaitlin Laycock and Alex Corbett for being selected in the National U16 Squad.

"I must also mention the fantastic support of the parents and friends who work in doing the bbg, setting up the pool and officiating for the Women's National League team, thank vou."

Special mention also to Devon Boyle and Danni White who completed 100 National League games throughout the season, congratulations on this achievement. Congratulations also to all the girls who competed in the Col Smee U20 NSW championships winning the tournament at Parramatta for the 3rd consecutive year and those who were selected to represent NSW at the National Championships.

Thanks also to Michael Hahn and Jenny MacGregor for their support, ideas and laughter throughout the season. I am looking forward to working with you both for the next season as I believe we all are very passionate about how Drummoyne Women's Water Polo can be a successful.

I must also mention the fantastic support of the parents and friends who work in doing the bbg, setting up the pool and officiating for the Women's National League team, thank you.

And to Tracey Mirabito aka "KILLER", thank you for all your tireless work with

what you do as Women's director. It has been an absolute pleasure working with you for this season, I will be sure not to cross the coach/manager line next year, caps and score card are all vours!!!

Looking forward to next year.

Steven O'Keefe

Women's National League Coach

WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE

Coach: Steven O'Keefe Manager: Tracey Mirabito MVP: Meagan Cobb

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Coach: Steven O'Keefe Manager: Tracev Mirabito MVP: Morgan Baxter MIP: Ellen Hahn



From the Captain of Women's National League

SUMMOVNE WATER POLO

was honoured to be named captain of the women's National League team for 2013. I really enjoyed leading the girls into each game and playing together most weekends.

It was a tough season only coming a way with two strong wins, but we pulled together as a team and persevered through each training session.

We welcomed back Serena Reid into the cage offering her experience and team spirit that helped the team in such a positive way, and our two American imports Meagan and Sarah who also brought such experience and motivation to each game.

Our team was filled with many young players who developed over the games and became stronger against the tough competition. We had many close games, often losing by margins of no more than one or two goals. These scores came up against some of the most competitive teams in the league, particularly against the Barracudas and the Victorian Tigers who finished top six in the finals series. These scores reflected the determination, skill and strengths that our team possessed throughout the season.

Our draw was quite different than earlier years where our opening four games were in Brisbane on our very first road trip. It was tough being away from home, but the girls were looking forward to finally putting some of our practice into play.

My most memorable game of the season was when we played the Victorian Tigers for the second time, losing by two goals in the penalty shootout. It was an intense game right from the start and we fought every second right until the end. I hope all the girls remember this game and how close we got, only to show that we really were in it and that we aren't far away from being one of those top teams. Go the devils.

Elise Holden Captain, Women's National League Team



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Devils go to Perth

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Drummoyne Devils water polo players Shannan Martin, Fiona Walsh and Stephanie Calaizis have been selected by Australian Water Polo in the Born '94 Women's team to play in the upcoming FINA World Youth Championships in Perth in December.

Shannan and Stephanie, 18, and Fiona, 17, are excited to be representing their country in the prestigious event, at which 24 nations will compete.

"We've been in the squad preparing for the World Youth Championships since 2009," said Stephanie. "We feel very proud to have been selected in the national team and our focus is to play our best for Australia."

The girls have played together in their local club, the Drummoyne Devils, since they were 13, coached by Jenny MacGregor.



"I'm delighted for Stephanie, Fiona and Shannan," said Jenny. "Each has trained very hard over the years to earn their place on the Australian team. It is particularly special for them that this international event is being played in their home country so they will compete in front of family and friends."

It has been an exceptional month for the Devils with a number of players selected in national squads by Australian Water Polo. Tyler Martin and Mitch Emery have each been named in the 2016 Rio target squad to tour Japan for a series of training internationals during November.

Justin Trabinger has been chosen in the Men's Born '94 team at FINA World Championships, and James Smith, Steven Xenakis, Adam Hall and Rowan Farrell have been included in the Men's Born 96 squad and who are training towards the World Youth Championships in 2014.

"The selection of so many young players in national squads is a great credit to the effort Drummoyne Water Polo Club puts into our Junior Development Program," said Jenny. "The vast majority of these players gained their first taste of water polo through this program."

Burwood Scene, 29.10.12

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Drummoyne Devils celebrate their medals haul

THE future looks bright for Drummoyne Water Polo Club after the Devils' under- aging because our current 20s teams won gold and team is relatively young, silver medals at the state club championships.

For the fourth year in a row, Drummoyne won the women's title, while the club came away with a sil-

"It's particularly encourand 11 of our 13 players will

be eligible to compete in this age group again next year." Drummoyne women's coach Steven O'Keefe said.

Parramatta and was undefeated in the tournament.

NSW Water Polo also named Drummoyne's Shannan Martin as the tournament's Most Valued Player.

"There is a great depth of talent in our team and the Drummoyne beat Cronul- girls played very strongly

ver medal in the men's. la 94 in the women's final at over the competition." O'Keefe said.

> In the men's event at Ashfield, Drummoyne was beaten by Cronulla in the final. Men's coach Adam Richardson sald Drummoyne beat several highly rated teams to qualify

Inner West Courier, 29.11.12



Ladies 2nd Grade Red (L2) - PREMIERS



TEAM Jenny Ayling Kristyn Bennett Hannah Cook Sheree Hart Alana Jones Nicola Murphy Kate Murphy Lara Murray Julie Phillips Simone Piper Ellen Pittorino Amy Pittorino Stephanie Polivka

After a gut wrenching loss in the previous GF, the Devil Maids stood tall and got the monkey off their back defeating last year's premiers in normal time to secure the 2012-13 Ladies Second Grade Premiership.

With plenty of experience up front and Lara Murray playing her rookie season in the top division the girls were absolutely delighted to get the cash in normal time. We learnt from last year's mistakes slamming the door shut on the opposition in a ruthless display of calypso water polo in front of a huge crowd of water polo enthusiasts.

The girls' commitment was evident with record numbers attending training especially for the swim sets at Cabarita

and at the business end of the season. We were not going to get caught short come finals time as we presented a fit, fast and mobile group to secure the described as a stroke of genius by one minor premiership.

After a minor near stumble in the semifinal the girls gave themselves an upper cut when they realised they might not make the GF.

Fortunately the guile and experience hit home early enough for the bridesmaid tag to be thrown out the door with common sense prevailing.

A very enjoyable season with great

support from the manager Neale Murphy whose tactic as the fill in coach to run out of players at Balmain was of the LMs.

Thanks everyone for a great season and I look forward to seeing you on pool deck for some pre season training - we'll be gunning for a twopeat in 13/14!!!

> Michael Hahn Coach

Manager: Neale Murphy Coach: Michael Hahn MVP: Amy Pittorino



Ladies 2nd Grade Black (L2)

TEAM Amy Graetz Sarah Harnwell Lily Murphy Kelsey Baxter Georgia Mirabito Kaitlin Laycock Elissa Branwhite Nicole Moodie Karlee Assef Hannah Gray Alex Corbett

A lot of memorable Saturdays in the sun with plenty of close calls for this young group of players. Reflecting back,

it was not just a good experience for the U16 girls to get their first exposure to 1st Division water polo, it was good prep for next seasons U18 team. With two Drummoyne teams in 2nd Grade the selectors appeared to have got it right using age:quality ratio as the benchmark when splitting the teams.

The aim was to give all players of this potentially strong group the opportunity to develop their game skills. The young Drummoyne team really stepped up, and on occasions, playing to a level their talent reflected. Unfortunately a lack of consistency and

concentration saw some games slip through our fingers including a closely contested game against eventual winners Drummoyne Black.

While we didn't win a lot of games we pushed our opposition all the way, scoring a few wins and gaining a heap of experience. Better than hanging out at the milk bar and playing the

> Mr On-Pool Deck (aka Michael Hahn)

Coach: Jenny MacGregor Manager: Rob Laycock MVP: Kaitlin Laycock

Ladies 3rd Grade Red (L3) - PREMIERS

season by the L3 Red team. L3 were premiers for the fifth time.

The team comprised the usual solid group of senior players and the new junior recruits. After finishing the rounds in second spot, it was into

Balmain.

A solid team effort from all players saw us victors and into the Grand Final.

The Grand Final once again was against the Blue Mountains.



It was another happy and successful the 2 v 3 knockout semi-final against. With smart performances from the senior players and solid efforts from the junior team members, the premiership was Drummoynes 6-3.

> Best players in the Grand final were Julie Rohl and Lisa Murphy who fired in four goals.

The best junior was Kailyn McLennan.

> Jenny MacGregor Coach/Player

Coach/Player: Jenny MacGregor MVP: Brooke Dredge

TEAM Tara Graetz Alison Greig Julie Rohl Lisa Murphy Emma Tuite Shania Mitchell Jenny MacGregor Sarah Churchyard Brooke Dredge Kailyn McLennan Anna Linfield Kent

Ladies 3rd Grade Black (L3)

TEAM Phoebe Katelaris Amy Harnwell Hayleigh Bennett Jade McLennan Courtney van Putten (Finlay) Samantha Rose Bethan Smolenic Rachel Horton Mackenzie Marnell And plenty of juniors we would also like to thank.

Season 2012-13 for the L3 Black has been a logistical nightmare with plenty of distractions away from the pool leading to question marks over player availability each week. We were left bemoaning our priority picks at the player draft with some promising

L3B debutants nobbled by the more fancied team. We stuck to our guns and did our bit to help the Devils deliver a sustainable program across all age and grade teams.

A huge thanks to our core group of players supported by our parent network and some quality juniors saw us have an enjoyable season and almost get over the line to qualify for the finals. Unfortunately with the powers to be choosing a Top 2 finals option (our preference was Top 6) the season drew to a close earlier than expected.

Plenty of positives to take away from the season including friendships, camaraderie, plenty of laughs and the prospects for next season is enough to keep the juices going for another season of social water polo.

Thank you to those familiar faces who enjoyed our calypso polo including Greggy Harnwell who was Mr Table and Sharon Harnwell for going over and above her duties to help out as manager coach and mentor and referee Mark McLennan did everything he could to help lobby a 6 team final. I encourage all players to return next year for a fun filled year water polo.

> Mr On-Pool Deck (aka Michael Hahn)

Manager: Courtney Finlay MVP: Mackenzie Marnell

Ladies 4th Grade (L4) - PREMIERS



We all were determined to start the season as we finished the previous Summer as Premiers, and we achieved this by beating UNSW in the GF.

players however we gained a few players as well which added to the depth of our seniors in the team.

With the assistance of some juniors that played in our team all season we became a strong team unit finishing on top of the ladder going into the play offs.

Not much to elaborate on other than We started the season losing as few a great group of girls and good team to be a part of.

> **Emma Hill** Manager

Manager: Emma Hill MVP: Katharine Horton

TEAM Emma Workman Katherine Horton Fmma Hill Olivia Allen Jo Court Natasha Horne Lyndal Douglas Zoe Whelan **Emma Wright** Lora Cipriani Jemma Hoskinson



Ladies 5th Grade Red (L5)

TEAM Rebecca Rose Rebecca Lawson Prudence Rayner Jessica Rayner Jill Reid Holly Wright Annette Jamieson Sara Judd Mikala Coleman Shona O'Brien

The Olympics were inspiring last year, but unfortunately they inspired the opposition more.

Drummoyne L5Red made the semis once again, as we have done for most But Shona pulls off some stunning of the past decade. We continue to span decades in our player ages and be almost brilliant, without any training whatsoever.

"Drummoyne L5Red made the semis once again, as we have done for most of the past decade. We continue to span decades in our player ages and be almost brilliant, without any training whatsoever."

Brilliant is a subjective term and we're sure our 'coach / ref' James is more often clapping the special children for doing something 'normal' – like actually setting up extra man and scoring!

saves; Jill throws in the odd clanger backhand; Annette, Sara and Mikala are still our oldest and most impressive speed; the Rayner sisters can also put the speed on and Pru is great on the steals; while Bec and Holly keep the fort safe and take on the big guns.

Thanks to all of our young speed juniors as well that enable breathing to be maintained.

We're pleased to report no major injuries this season and thoroughly enjoyable games with a good mix of girls who work well and have fun

A big thanks to Bec Lawson for organising us as always.

> Jill Reid Player

Manager: Bec Lawson MVP: Sarah Judd



From our Facebook page...



Ladies 5th Grade Black (L5)

TEAM Hannah Conlan Beth Conlan Greta Conlan Brianna Martin **Gabby Watson** Stella Watson **Erin Cowmey** Alicia Rose Emma Palmer Analisa Ullio Laura Vaccari Lauren Ellis Nicole O'Keefe

It was a tough season with a lot of really great teams in the competition. We season. started to gel together as a team in the middle of the season. We had a few new players this season who fitted in really well.

A special thank you to all of the juniors who played for us and to our coach Kel for coming to every game and supporting us throughout the



We finished the season with a few fantastic wins.

"We finished the season with a few fantastic wins."

We came very close to making semis

and came a close 5th. Unfortunately we just missed out! We had a lot of fun playing and training.

> **Erin Cowmey** Player/ Manager

Player/Manager: Erin Cowmey MVP: Laura Vaccari



Men's National League & M1

MEN'S NL TEAM John Hahn Nathan Sinclair James Smith **Phil Emery** Jono Ross Aidan Roach Mitchell Emery Tyler Martin Mitchell Holden Grant Richardson **Justin Trabinger** Jonas Crivella **Rok Crnica** Ryan Marnell **Gavin Aubrey** Alberto Rapisardi Eli Deloraine Ryan Lear Rowan Farrell

M1 TEAM John Hahn Nathan Sinclair James Smith **Phil Emery** Jono Ross Aidan Roach Mitchell Emery Tyler Martin Mitchell Holden **Grant Richardson Justin Trabinger**

Jonas Crivella Rok Crnica Ryan Marnell **Gavin Aubrey** Alberto Rapisardi Eli Deloraine Ryan Lear Milan Nesic

The first grade season started well with some comfortable wins over Cronulla and Balmain. The season continued on without the full team being available, due to the late arrival of our imports because of injury.

The team was really held together by 2 players who have been great players for the club over recent years: John Hahn and Mitch Emery (Captain). John consistently shored up our defence with great saves while Mitch scored goals at the other end through hard work.

Unfortunately we lost the Semi Final to Wests in a penalty shootout which meant we wouldn't get a chance to play for the championship.

We started the NL season with not one training season with the full team available, due to the late arrival of our imports (because of injury) and the

national U20 competition.

The season started with a tough road trip to Brisbane where we didn't get off to a good start, losing 3 from 4 games. This was a true baptism of fire for the inexperienced boys who struggled at times.

Obviously results are what everyone looks at and from that end we had some terrific games beating Fremantle last season's winners – but losing to Cronulla at home was a horrible

Our sixth placing in the Finals was probably testament to our season: we had good and bad patches in all games when I really thought we had done better than the previous season.

The season gave us a chance to give a high number of players exposure to competition at the National League level, over a prolonged season. I also want to identify those players who were capable of maintaining consistent form over this intensive period. There was some outstanding improvement from some players: Justin Trabinger really showed his effort and attitude to training, which has resulted in



for Australia; and Tyler Martin again performed at the top level, earning himself selection in the national squad to tour Europe. Hopefully he can play in his first world championships this year.

The club has a very successful junior program and the task for us today is to continue this in the senior ranks. There has been a significant investment by a lot of people in the development of junior players. Now we need to transfer these players into the ranks of the NWPL and national teams. The quality of the coaches and the players currently in the program provides a high degree of confidence that this is possible.

The challenge we have is making sure the club can provide the opportunities for these players to maximise to undertake to ensure our continued

him being one of the future players their potential. This starts with success. maintaining the teams in the NWPL, but also providing travel and training opportunities for the teams outside of NWPL competition.

> need to keep the more experienced players involved in the club and look to provide opportunities for them to combine work and water polo. This isn't an easy balance to strike, but the beauty of water polo is that we can keep playing at the top level for longer than most sports.

If we can accommodate the competing demands of work, family and sport, there are tangible benefits for all concerned. All of this requires money, time and support. This is a large task for a predominantly voluntary organisation, but it is one that we need

On a final note, I would like to thank Gavin Aubrey (team manager), for his contribution to the national league program. A considerable amount At the other end of the spectrum, we of time was volunteered by Gav in organising training and the road trips, and his support throughout the season was invaluable.

Adam Richardson

Men's National League Coach

MEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE

Coach: Adam Richardson Manager: Gavin Aubrey MVP: Justin Trabinger

Coach: Adam Richardson Manager: Gavin Aubrey MVP: Mitchell Emery MIP: Mitchell Holden

From the Captain of Men's National League

We began our season under new coach Adam Richardson and manger Gavin Aubrey, which was shaping as a tough year with the standard of the NL competition stepping up another notch. It was an up and down season for us with a lot new faces but we had a good mixture of youth and experience and on a good day we could match it with any team.

We faced a tough first couple of weeks with games against strong opponents including Brisbane, Fremantle and Victoria. Our younger players really stepped up and didn't take a back seat. We were winning games we had to and surprising a lot of teams along the way with our grit and determination. The back end of the season was a struggle for us as we only had to win a couple more games and we were in the finals. However, there was a lack of execution in attack and defensive errors which cost us dearly. We then had to rely on other team's results for a consecutive year in a row. We limped our way into the finals and were confident there would be a couple of upsets.

We had a great pool with UWA/Fremantle which we had beaten at least once this year. We missed the start with UWA and with Fremantle we were out muscled and out played. The 5th and 6th game against Wests was a game that really summed up the season. We would try so hard to score a good goal up their end and then they would score the easiest of goals. We now know what's expected to be a top NL team.

Thanks to Jonas and Rok who were our imports for the year. They both really fitted in and gave 100% percent every time. Also I was well supported by my Co-Captain John Hahn. The whole team would like to thank the supporters, parents, sponsors and the Drummoyne Waterpolo Committee. Without your hard work, National League would not be possible. We have a number of players going overseas with Aussie teams so good luck and play hard...

Mitch Emery, Captain, Men's National League Team

Men's 2nd Grade (M2)

TEAM Alberto Rapisarda **Gavin Aubrey** Ryan Lear Juan Ramirez Hamish Cuthill Sean Boyd Adam Richardson Eli Deloraine Jono Ross

The whole year can be summed up as turbulent.

"The M2 team has always been a competitive team but this year proved a little bit more difficult."

We had a mix and matched team, with a lot of support from the M3. Without this support we would not have made the finals nor would we have been able to play at all on some weekends.

The M2 team has always been a competitive team but this year proved a little bit more difficult. The M2 team deserved a better final result.

Our MVP award went to Alberto Rapisarda. Alberto was the most enthusiastic, consistent high quality water polo player this year by far.

> **Gavin Aubrey** Coach

Coach: Gavin Aubrey Manager: Tony Watson MVP: Alberto Rapisarda





Men's 3rd Grade (M3) - PREMIERS

TEAM Steven Xenakis Andrew Murray **Bradley Parker** Sam Watson JJ Brennan Mikey Parker **Daniel Trent** Lachlan Trabinger Rob Hahn Rowan Farrell Adam Hall Elliot Frank Chris Artemi Ryan Brennan PJ Hahn

M3 – LAST TO FIRST IN 3 SEASONS

The Drummoyne men's 3rd grade side has done what no other M3 side before them has achieved by winning the premiership.

Although we entered a side which was much younger than all the opposition clubs, we were able to withstand the many vagaries of the M3 competition, including a two month delay at the end of the summer season before a decision was reached regarding which teams were eligible to be included in the finals. Our boys withstood all this to win a summer grand final played and play summer polo. outdoors in mid-May.

After last season's charge falling short in the first semi-final, this year started with a deal of optimism. Early wins bred confidence and a sense that the combination of our senior players Muz, Rob and Brad and a host of 16's and 18's could give the title a shake.

The usual mid-season slump with players away slowed our progress and at one stage threatened our finals spot, but a great run into the semis saw us grab the minor premiership. With our seniors match fit, we were confident we could storm through the semis and grab the title, but then the protests started. WPNSW ended up confirming us as minor premiers, however the finals were delayed by two months.

This really didn't suit us. Brad and Rob had honed their bodies to the minute for the big games and Muz held together with band aids and Voltaren, had to put their preparation on ice. With a two month wait, end of season celebrations and rugby season starting, it was always going to be a tough ask to come out in the cold May night air

We played Cronulla in the semi-final and the performance reflected our time away from the pool. With defence nonexistent from both sides, we got up in extra time thanks to a great shooting display by Chris (Adonis) Artemi.

We faced Breakers in the grand final, with a squad of 15 mainly 2nd graders against our old bloke, 2 veterans and 9 kids. Of course the good guys are going to win.

From the moment Bradley stole a ball in the second minute, swam the length of the pool, scored, then called for the oxygen, we were always in control. The final score of 10-7 was an indication of the dominance of the whole competition and a fitting sign off to a great season.

Thanks to John Hahn for his guidance of the team throughout the season, and all the club members who supported the team, especially at the final.

> **Tony Watson** Manager Coach: John Hahn Manager: Tony Watson MVP: James (JJ) Brennan Jnr



Men's 4th Grade (M4)

TEAM Oliver Fitschen Patrick Long Luke Hayward Paul Helyar Tom Tait Patrick Hahn Michele Aureli **Daniel Sturrock** Mark Simpson Elliot Frank

This season our M4 side struggled with numbers up to Christmas, relying on a variety of players from the M5, M6 and U16's to field a team each week, resulting in only one win up to Christmas.

After Christmas, we acquired a few more regular players and were fairly consistently throughout the second half of the season.

The M4's ended up finishing in the

rounds, and didn't qualify for the new 1st v 2nd grand final playoff.

Many thanks to all those who helped out during the season when we were short of numbers.

Looking forward to a more defined team for the start of the next summer season to build on the improved teamwork from the second half of this season.

"It was another enjoyable season of BBQ water polo, even if it was not the end to the season that we were after."

It was another enjoyable season of BBQ water polo, even if it was not the end to the season that we were after.

middle of the table at the end of the Hope to see you all back over the winter and next summer.

> **Mark Simpson** Manager

Player/Manager: Mark Simpson MVP: Dan Sturrock MOST IMPROVED: Not amongst this lot



Men's 5th Grade Red (M5)

TEAM **Craig Pendergast** James Brennan **Trevor Folsom** Ted Churchyard Serge Gonzalez Wayne Fitzgerald **Duncan Ritchie** James Tuite Troy Ready Paul Becker Ange Tsirekas Fraser Foristal Steve Timms Luke Eddington

After last year's grand final victory, it was always going to be hard to stay on top.

The team only had some slight changes and lost our only young swimmer under 40 to M4's, and gained another couple of veterans.

We started well and only lost four games all season over the holiday period with a few players away.

"Once again all the guys played below their age and above their fitness level."

The four games were all only lost by one goal and we were on track for third place and another title.

The association then decided to change the rules with three games to go and cancel the semis and our season was over.

Once again all the guys played below their age and above their fitness level.

> **Craig Pendergast (Pendo)** Player

> Manager: James Brennan MVP: Trevor Folsom

Men's 5th Grade Black (M5)

TEAM Aidan Pennycook Matthew Pennycook David Pennycook Rod Wallwork Phil Holst Steve Simpson **Barry Hammond** Murray Edstein **Graham Purcell** Greg Cullen Stephen Tunstead Ian Van Der Steege David McGlade John Braams

Tom Southern

Interesting season had by our M5B team. Overall we had many wins but not actually winning many games. Double negative...ves, however it seemed that the season was played for draws.

Considerable amount of our games

were draws. Although the end of game Ian Van Der Steege showed great match wrap up.... usually over beer and pizzas with the team, the general consensus was that we played well as a team but obviously not well enough to win.

Fortunately we had the return of a damaged David Pennycook during the second half of the season. He demonstrated superb match fitness.... NOT.... but he was still a body in the pool.

"I'd like to thank the rest of the team for putting in their all every week we played, regardless of the results."

Me personally, I'll be hanging the cap 'n cozi's for the next season due to a shoulder reco.

improvement during the year and Rocking Rod who had big shoes to fill over the loud mouthed and also English, Geezer provide greatness in his saves, must have learnt some moves from the Wolverine whilst on set.

And I'd like to thank the rest of the team for putting in their all every week we played, regardless of the results.

Also thanks to super coach Matty P who does get frustrated week in week out, but we all know his heart is in it for the team.

> **Aidan Pennycook** Manager

Coach: Matthew Pennycook Manager: Aidan Pennycook MVP: David McGlade

Men's 6th Grade Red (M6) - GRAND FINALIST

TEAM **Brad Palmer** Joel Katz Darren Spooner Michael Hahn Dave Pitcairn Col Churton Mark Rogers Neale Murphy Scott Talbot Jordi Nikopoulos Nick Grbin Liam Wheatley Milo Ryan Marco Lo Blanco **Greg Broome Matt Cross** Theo Coetzee Luke Pitcairn

With the inspiring words of our North Sydney import Mick Hahn echoing in our ears, "it's ours to lose boys.....", we hit the water in the 2012-13 M6 Grand Final, and did just that. We kept the at the title. worst game of the year for the GF and finished the year the way we started. Second place after the full time bell in the Grand Final!

Such is life and there's always next our old slow North Sydney import "sit"

Despite the loss, it was a year to remember for a rollicking good time in the water, with many more wins than losses and the traditional poor commitment to travel providing "edge of the seat" away wins.

with the core of last year's team bolstered with our new young guns, Jordi, Milo, Liam providing some speed, agility and youth needed to make a tilt

Our early loss of our big South African "sit" (Theo) was soon a memory when we picked up a new big South African "sit", Joel. Joel provided much relief for Mick Hahn. Mick excelled at getting into the rough stuff up front. Trouble is once up there he seldom made it back over half way. That was alright because I seldom made it over half way.

During the year we lost Roy again to some mysterious injury sustained in even more mysterious circumstances. The season started with much promise The word from the north-side is that he fell out of a tree whilst engaged in Highlights of the year: peep and pry offences in the Collaroy Plateau area. Broomie, you'd better get Vicki to pull the curtains from time to time. Anyway Roy's loss was our gain and we picked up an uncommon talent for M6's. A guy who could swim!

Scotty took to it like he'd been playing all his life and with Murph providing • the lobs, the young blokes the speed, Dave, Joel, and Marco the goals, Col and Nick jamming the back, Brad pulling in 5 metres and one on ones everywhere and Mick Hahn the never ending debating contests with the refs, a premiership beckoned.

Not so, said Ryde who took it out when we lost our way in an early game at • Ryde Pool on a Saturday morning. What's the story with that?

- Far and away and without doubt the introduction of Jordi, Milo & Liam whose great play, spirit and determination got this team to the Grand Final again. Well done boys.
- The local derby between Drummovne A and Drummoyne B where the occurrence only exceeding Mick Young's number of fights was the number of times the ball came off Lonno's big boof head in the goal.
- The away win at Sutherland with 7 men.
- Broomie making two games.

Special thanks goes to Kate Murphy who came down and ref'd on a regular basis. The cool control made the year much more enjoyable and a pleasure

The end of season boat trip proved a fitting reward for all the training and games and Hector and Murph excelled themselves both feeling a little deflated at the end of the day.

Next season will be on us before we know it and if looking at M5's is any indication, with father time catching up to Bub Brennan and Jim Tuite, the playing stocks for M6 look better than ever. Come on down boys. The beer's colder after the early game!

Neale Murphy Manager

> Manager: Neale Murphy MVP: Milo Ryan



Men's 6th Grade Black (M6)

TEAM Kerry Sunderland David Pike **David Henricks** Peter Johnston Daniel Tilyard Gary Lonnon Harry Tunstall Shaun Povey Peter Gainsford **Brad Preston** Mike Young Matthew Henricks Jaden Blair-Summons Josh Sharrock

The injection of Harry, Daniel, Josh & Jaden from the U16s gave the team a much needed boost resulting in a more competitive team.

Although we finished in about the same place as last season (lower half), we were much harder to beat and played some fine attacking/defensive polo.

"The injection of Harry, Daniel, Josh & Jaden from the U16s gave the team a much needed boost resulting in a more competitive team."

Harry, Daniel and Josh scored the majority of goals, were prominent in defence and always managed to keep us in the game.



There is no particular reason for this photo except that Mike wanted a picture of himself with Wendy Tuite in the report to make his team mates envious.

The games against Wests, Icebergs, Ryde and Drummoyne (and Balmain 2nd round although beaten) were some of the best efforts we have had for years.

It is really hard to separate the U16s for the Shirt but the winner is Harry.

Thanks to those with demanding occupations who played when time permitted, we did miss you.

Thanks to Matthew Pennycook, Fraser Foristal, Kate Murphy & Mark Simpson for officiating.

> Mike Young Manager

Coach: David Henricks Manager: Mike Young MVP: Harry Tunstall



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Devils rack up over 20,000 games

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Back in 1966 as a 13 year old, Dave Henricks donned a Drummoyne Devils' water polo cap for the first time, and has played every year since.

And on 11 December, he joined dozens of other longstanding Drummoyne players as the club's two Men's 5th Grade and Men's 6th Grade teams competed at Drummoyne Pool as part of NSW Water Polo's summer competition.

"Among the four Drummoyne teams that played tonight, there are many who've played for the Devils for 30 or 40 years," said Dave. "We reckon that between us, we've played more than 20,000 games of water polo for Drummoyne."

Dave said that when he began, the club consisted of just a couple of men's teams.

"Nowadays, the club boasts 28 teams including men's, women's, boys and girls teams as well as National League men's and women's teams," he

said. "It would be fair to say that many of the players who've been part of the club over several decades helped lay the foundation for this growth and development."

Dave, and fellow life member Neale Murphy who joined the Devils in 1969, said that many water polo players originally came across from the Drummoyne Swimming Club.

"It was always a bit of a joke that those who didn't quite make the cut as swimmers would take up water polo," laughed Neale. "That sums the two of us up pretty well."

Dave and Neale said the club's camaraderie and the lifetime friendships they've formed have been the best part of their time with the Devils. "And I still love the tussle of the game," added Dave.

Many families have a couple of generations playing for the club and Dave's son Matt and Neale's daughters Nicola, Kate and Lily all play for Drummoyne.

"In a sporting age when club loyalty can seem a thing of the past, it's great to see Devils players place such a value on representing their club," said Neale. "A lot of great times have been had and many of us feel our best playing years are still ahead of us!"

Several hundred club members and supporters turned out to watch the four Drummoyne teams compete which coincided with the club's annual Cans by Candlelight, an event that has been hosted at Drummoyne Pool since 1983.

> Burwood Scene, 13.12.12



Drummoyne's two M5 and M6 teams played each other at home on 11 December 2012.

With many of the guys having played for several decades, it's estimated they have played 20,000 games for the Devils between them!



Award Winners 2012/13

	MVP	MOST IMPROVED
Under 14A Red Girls	Emma Jones	Nicole Chaney
Under 14A Black Girls	Annabelle Bennett	Rebecca Smith
Under 14 B Girls	Lauren Wheatley	Gabrielle Costantini
Under 16A Red Girls	Alex Corbett	Megan Moodie
Under 16A Black Girls	Emma Workman	Zoe Whelan-Young
Under 18 Girls	Fiona Walsh	Sarah Harnwell
Under 14A Boys	Edoardo Fumagilli	Ned Churchyard
Under 14B Boys	Billy Dodds	Will Cornish
Under 16A Boys	Rowan Farrell	Adam Hall
Under 16B Red Boys	Harry Tunstall	Dylan Higgs
Under 16B Black Boys	Milo Ryan	Matt Dembecki
Under 18 Boys	Steven Xenakis	Henry Frank
Garry Nicholls Outstanding Junior	Daniel Trent	
Women National League	Meagan Cobb	
Ladies 1st Grade	Morgan Baxter	Ellen Hahn
Ladies 2nd Grade Red	Amy Pittorino	
Ladies 2nd Grade Black	Kaitlin Laycock	
Ladies 3rd Grade Red	Brooke Dredge	
Ladies 3rd Grade Black	Mackenzie Marnell	
Ladies 4th Grade	Katharine Horton	
Ladies 5th Grade Red	Sarah Judd	
Ladies 5th Grade Black	Laura Vaccari	
Men National League	Justin Trabinger	
Mens 1st Grade	Mitchell Emery	Mitchell Holden
Mens 2nd Grade	Alberto Rapisarda	
Mens 3rd Grade	JJ Brennan	
Mens 4th Grade	Daniel Sturrock	
Mens 5th Grade Red	Trevor Folsom	
Mens 5th Grade Black	David McGlade	
Mens 6th Grade Red	Milo Ryan	
Mens 6th Grade Black	Harry Tunstall	
Michael Corry – Clubman of the Year	Tracey Baxter	

Representative Honours 2012/13

Primary Schools
Angus Davies
Georgia Smith
Ben Tuite

Under 13 Development Squad

Ben Wastie-Pero Benji Murray Bronson Ronan Emily McCloskey Ethan Parker Georgia Gray Phoebe Hall

NSW Under 14
Angus Rankin
Edoardo Fumagelli
Emma Jones
Daniel Corbett
Daniel Lukic
Jasmine Yip
Kayla Rogers
Lilli Borozan
Ned Churchyard
Nicole Chaney

Phoebe Pride Ruby Borozan Sarah Kerrison NSW CIS

Chris Artemi
Georgia Mirabito
Gianni Taranto
James Brennan Jnr
James Smith
Liam Corry
Sam Watson
Rowan Farrell
Kaitlin Laycock

NSW CCC
Anna Linfield-Kent
Bethan Smolenic
Hannah Gray
Lara Murray
Steven Xenakis
Lachlan Davis
Liam Wheatley

NSW CHS
Adam Hall
Joel Foristal
Josh Rogers
Megan Moodie
Mitchell Taylor

NSW Schools James Smith Kaitlin Laycock Lara Murray

NSW City U16s
Adam Hall
Alex Corbett
Charlie Kospetas
Chris Artemi
Georgia Mirabito
Gianni Taranto
Hannah Gray
Rowan Farrell
Sarah Harnwell
NSW Country U16s

NSW City U18s Ellen Hahn Elissa Branwhite Fiona Walsh James Smith Kaitlin Laycock

Kaitlin Clague

NSW Under 20s Ellen Hahn Erin Moodie Fiona Walsh James Smith Morgan Baxter Shannan Martin Stephanie Calaizis **2012 London Olympics**Aidan Roach

2013 World ChampionshipsMorgan BaxterAidan RoachJohn HahnTyler MartinShannan Martin

Australian Senior Aidan Roach John Hahn Mitchell Emery Tyler Martin

World Universiade Justin Trabinger Serena Reid

Australian B93 Justin Trabinger Morgan Baxter Shannan Martin Stephanie Calaizis

Australian B94
Fiona Walsh
Justin Trabinger
Shannan Martin
Stephanie Calaizis

Australian B95
Ellen Hahn
Fiona Walsh
Australian B96

Adam Hall James Smith Kaitlin Laycock Rowan Farrell Steven Xenakis

Australian Schools 2012 Ellen Hahn Fiona Walsh James Smith

Australian Schools 2013 James Smith Lachlan Trabinger

Australian Country Justin Trabinger Lachlan Trabinger NSWIS NTC
Aidan Roach
Mitchell Emery
Morgan Baxter
John Hahn
Shannan Martin
Stephanie Calaizis

NL All Stars
John Hahn
Mitchell Emery
Morgan Baxter
Shannan Martin
Tyler Martin

Tyler Martin

TEAM OFFICIALS

NSW Under 14

Manager

Cheryl Jones – Girls

NSW City Under 16 Manager Tracey Mirabito – Girls

> NSW City Under 16 Coach Petar Petrovic - Boys

NSW City Under 18 Coach Michael Hahn – Girls Manager

Rob Laycock – Girls

NSW Under 20 Coach

Michael Hahn – Girls Manager Tracey Mirabito – Girls

Australian B93 Manager Tracey Mirabito – Girls

Australian B94
Manager
Jenny MacGregor – Girls
Michael Smith – Boys

Australian B96 Manager Michael Smith – Boys

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