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Front Cover Artwork: 2016 SAHOF Scholarship Holder Jake Birtwhistle, crossing the finish line to claim Gold in the Triathlon Mixed Relay at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games. *Picture credit: Delly Carr | TA Media.*
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SAHOF Values featured with inaugural male and female Inductees **Sir Donald Bradman AC** and **Dawn Fraser AC MBE**.

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The Sport Australia Hall of Fame Members are recognised throughout this publication in **bold text format**.



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our 44th edition of The Sport Australia Hall of Fame's Spirit of Sport Magazine.

What an incredible start to the year when we witnessed stellar performances by our Australian athletes on the world-stage, in particular at the 2018 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games and the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

Amongst them were 20 members (past and present) of our Scholarship & Mentoring Program - and didn't they do us proud. The **Scholarship & Mentoring Program** is one of The Sport Australia Hall of Fame's (SAHOF) proudest assets. Since 2006 we've provided over \$350,000 in grants to 71 junior athletes across 33 different sports but what sets it apart is the world-class one-on-one mentoring we offer. In linking our stars of the future with their very own SAHOF Member as a personal Mentor, these athletes get a turbo boost into the real world of high-end performance on the world stage. And the success rate has been phenomenal!

Applications for the 2019 Program are open now and I encourage you to nominate suitable candidates ahead of the closing date of 9th July.

I extend my hearty congratulations to Commonwealth Games Australia and GOLDDOC as the Games not only showcased a world-class event and world-class performances, but we also witnessed a new level of inclusivity within sport and many displays of great sportsmanship.

As espoused by our own Sir Donald Bradman AC at his Induction Ceremony, and more recently reinforced by the Aussie public, sportsmanship, integrity and humility are qualities expected of our athletes who have the honour of wearing the green & gold.

A great example of this is the sportsmanship displayed by Celia Sullohern, Eloise Wellings and Madeline Hills, our 10,000m Aussie women who waited on the track long after their race finished to cheer on and embrace the final runner. This moment remains one of the most enduring from the Gold Coast Games.

SAHOF, Victoria University and the Australian Sports Commission share a common goal to promote the achievement of sporting excellence aligned with integrity. Together we will host the third **National Sport Integrity Forum - "Winning at any Cost, the National Debate"** on the opening night of the National Sports Convention at MCEC on Monday 16th July. Before an audience of sporting leaders, the panellists will debate how an ethical framework can be maintained to ensure Australians retain their trust in the value of sport in our society.

Our 34th **Induction & Awards Gala Dinner**, regarded as Australian sport's "Night of Nights", is set for Thursday 11th October, once again at Crown, Melbourne. Online bookings open on 2nd July via www.sahof.org.au and I encourage you to book early as the event is traditionally a sell-out. Invites to Members, NSOs and previous attendees will be mailed in July.

The following morning, ASC Chair, John Wylie AM and I will co-chair the inaugural **Chairmen's Round Table for Sport** featuring a keynote address "Hacking Human Potential", by Dr Andy Walshe, a globally recognized leader and expert in the field of elite human performance. Presented in partnership with Sportscover Australia, this is an invitation only forum designed to bring together Australian sports most influential leaders to interact with and be inspired by a high-end keynote speaker who will share leading edge trends and knowledge.

Since our last publication we have sadly lost three of our esteemed Members - **Ken Catchpole OAM** (Rugby Union), **Graeme Langlands MBE** (Rugby League) and **Sir Nicholas Shehadie AC OBE** (Rugby Union). Our condolences to their families - vale gentleman!

I congratulate my fellow SAHOF Directors Sally Capp, who was recently elected Lord Mayor of Melbourne City, and Rob Bradley AM on being recognised in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours. I sincerely thank outgoing Director and fellow Member, **John O'Neill AO** for his solid contribution to the SAHOF Board.

Finally, on behalf of the SAHOF family I extend my hearty congratulations to SAHOF Members who were also recognised in the 2018 Queen's Birthday Honours: **Dawn Fraser AC MBE**, **Helen Brownlee AM**, **John Cuneo OAM**, **Robert Neil Harvey OAM MBE**, **Lyn McKenzie OAM** and **Bob Skilton OAM**.

John Bertrand AO

Chairman
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SAHOF SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS EARN APPLAUSE ON THE BIG STAGE

AT A TIME when the concept of “culture” in Australian sport has rarely been more under the microscope, The Sport Australia Hall of Fame’s (SAHOF) Scholarship and Mentoring Program continues to be a source of immense pride. That has certainly been true of the first few months of 2018 with 15 former and current beneficiaries competing at the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast, four at the Winter Olympics and one at the Winter Paralympics, both held in PyeongChang, South Korea.

The results have been impressive – the Gold Coast contingent came away with six gold medals, seven silvers and a bronze – but so has the way that all 20 of them have represented themselves and their nation on three of the biggest stages in world sport. This has everything to do with one of the key components of the initiative, which is to have promising young sportsmen and women mentored one-on-one by SAHOF Members, people with vast experience of the pressures, pitfalls, expectations and rewards of competing on the big stage. *“Our vision is to excite the next generation to achieve their potential both in sport and life, and to connect the nation’s next wave of talent with Australia’s sporting stars. Surely there is no greater way to inspire our young athletes,”* says chairman **John Bertrand AO**, who has been one of the

driving forces behind the program since it was introduced in 2006. Since then it has awarded more than \$350,000 in grants to 71 young athletes across 33 sports and more than 50 Members have acted as their mentors.

“It’s very rare that people who achieve anything great don’t receive help. Sport is no different. This mentoring program, matching up our Scholarship Holders with the greatest sports men and women this country has ever produced is a wonderful, unique opportunity for our ‘dream builders’.” says Bertrand.

The gold medallists at the Commonwealth Games were discus thrower **DANI STEVENS** (2007) Scholarship Holder who defended her title with a Games record throw of 68.26m; diver **GEORGIA SHEEHAN** (2016) won the 3m synchronised springboard with partner **Esther Qin** and took silver in the 1m springboard; cyclist **ASHLEE ANKUDINOFF** (2011) who was part of the women’s team pursuit and was also fourth in the individual pursuit; triathletes **JACOB BIRTWISTLE** (2016) and **ASH GENTLE** (2012) helped each other win the mixed teams triathlon while Birtwhistle won silver in the individual event and Gentle finished fifth in hers; basketballer **LIZ CAMBAGE** (2011) was a prominent part of the Opals’ triumph.

The other silver medallists were long jumper **BROOKE STRATTON** (2012) who leapt 6.77m; boxer **CAITLIN PARKER** (2015) upset European champion **Natasha Gale** of England on the way

to runner-up in the 75kg division; netballer **LIZ WATSON** (2015) was part of the Diamonds team that lost the final to England by a point; swimmer **BRAD WOODWARD** (2017) finished second in both the 100m and 200m backstroke.

Diver **ANNABELLE SMITH** (2009) won bronze in the 3m springboard and paired with **Maddison Keeney** to place seventh in the 3m synchronised event.

Sprinter **RILEY DAY** (2018) finished ninth in the 200m, missing the final by 0.1 sec; middle distance runner **RYAN GREGSON** (2010) finished ninth in a high-class 1500m field; cyclist **ALEXANDER EDMONDSON** (2013) was 46th in the road race after assisting teammate **Steele Von Hoff** to win; shooter **JAMES WILLETT** (2016) was sixth in the double trap.

At the Winter Olympics, mogul skier **BRITT COX** (2013) was fifth, halfpipe snowboarder **NATHAN JOHNSTONE** was 22nd; short track speed skater **DEANNA LOCKETT** was sixth in the semi-final of the 1500m; figure skater **KAILANI CRANE** (2017) was 16th in a personal best performance.

At the Winter Paralympics, **BEN TUDHOPE** (2018) was 10th in the snowboard cross and seventh in the Banked Slalom.

Written by Ron Reed



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 Photo 4: Kailani Craine.
 Photo 5: Caitlin Parker. Picture credit: Michael Willson.
 Photo 6: James Willett.
 Photo 7: Brooke Stratton. Picture credit: Commonwealth Games Australia

PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Winter Games

Scholarship Holder	Scholarship Holder Sport	Mentor	Mentor Sport
Kailani Craine	Figure Skating	Kerri Pottharst OAM	Beach Volleyball
Britt Cox	Mogul Skiing	Sue Stanley	Aerobics
Deanna Lockett	Short Track Speed Skating	Steven Bradbury OAM	Short Track Speed Skating
Nathan Johnstone	Snowboard	Steven Bradbury OAM	Short Track Speed Skating

PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games

Scholarship Holder	Scholarship Holder Sport	Mentor	Mentor Sport
Ben Tudhope	Snowboard	Nick Farr-Jones AM	Rugby Union

Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games

Scholarship Holder	Scholarship Holder Sport	Mentor	Mentor Sport
Riley Day	Athletics	Debbie Watson OAM	Water Polo
Ryan Gregson	Athletics	Nick Farr-Jones AM	Rugby Union
Dani Stevens (nee Samuels)	Athletics	Pam Ryan AM MBE	Athletics
Brooke Stratton	Athletics	Catherine Freeman OAM	Athletics
Elizabeth Cambage	Basketball	Sue Stanley	Aerobics
Caitlin Parker	Boxing	Adam Gilchrist AM	Cricket
Ashlee Ankudinoff	Cycling	Michelle Ford-Eriksson MBE	Swimming
Alexander Edmondson	Cycling	Phil Smyth AM	Basketball
Georgia Sheehan	Diving	Natalie Cook OAM	Beach Volleyball
Anabelle Smith	Diving	Debbie Watson OAM	Water Polo
Liz Watson	Netball	Debbie Watson OAM	Water Polo
James Willett	Shooting	Stan Longinidis	Boxing
Brad Woodward	Swimming	Clint Robinson OAM	Rowing
Jake Birtwhistle	Triathlon	Glynis Nunn-Cearns OAM	Athletics
Ash Gentle	Triathlon	Karla Gilbert OAM	Surf Life Saving

2019 SCHOLARSHIP & MENTORING PROGRAM

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The Sport Australia Hall of Fame's (SAHOF) Vision is to preserve and celebrate the history of Australian sport and to excite all Australians to achieve their potential both in sport and life.

Our Scholarship & Mentoring Program, now in its 12th year, provides mentoring, funding and support over a 14-month period to assist Australian junior athletes to reach the highest level of their sport.

- On-stage presentation of Scholarship at The SAHOF Induction & Awards Gala Dinner at Palladium at Crown, Melbourne, Thursday 11th October 2018
- One-on-one personal mentoring by an Inducted Member of SAHOF
- \$5,000 sporting expenses grant
- Strictly five Scholarships awarded

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2018 SCHOLARSHIP & MENTORING PROGRAM - MID-YEAR REFLECTION

The Scholarship and Mentoring Program, now in its twelfth year, provides encouragement and funding to five exceptional athletes over a 14-month period. Most importantly, it personally connects the nation's next wave of talented sportspeople with the icons of Australian sport, Members of The Sport Australia Hall of Fame as their Mentors, supporting them on their journey both as athletes and people.

In this issue of 'Spirit of Sport' we hear from our 'Class of 2018' at the six-month mark of their Scholarship journey. From Winter Olympic Games representatives to Commonwealth Games debutants, the 2018 Scholarship Holders are illustrating their talent on a weekly and monthly basis in many countries around the world.

We are so proud to have these five athletes involved in the SAHOF community, making the most of learning from the best of the best, their Mentors.

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Ben Tudhope - Australian Paralympic Committee.



BEN TUDHOPE

Snowboarding - NSW

I'm so honoured to have the opportunity of being a SAHOF Scholarship Holder within a small prestigious group of young successful upcoming athletes. Making the absolute most of my sessions with SAHOF Member and my Mentor **Nick Farr-Jones AM**, his support has allowed me to break down boundaries on my way to success and helps me take risks to become the best athlete I can be physically and mentally. It's amazing what can be related from a Rugby field to a Snowboard course. He has a massive impact on exposing Para sports to the Australian Public.

In the 2017/18 season I achieved my first World Cup medal and two top five overall rankings in the Para-Snowboard World Cup circuit. I was selected to represent Australia at the PyeongChang 2018 Winter Paralympic Games and was the youngest member on the team. Unfortunately, in Boardercross I made a mistake and fell during a very close race with a Canadian competitor and got knocked out of the competition early on, finishing 10th. In a very tight Banked Slalom race, I finished 7th only 1.5 seconds off the podium.

I'm grateful to have the support of SAHOF and Ick, especially this year in the lead up to the Games. I'm looking forward to staying focused and working with Nick to hopefully put on a great performance in the 2018/19 World Cup Circuit and the 2019 Para Snowboard World Championships. Nick has had a profound effect on my snowboard career and I'm lucky to call him a lifelong friend.



MENTOR - Nick Farr-Jones AM



NIA JERWOOD

Sailing - WA

My sporting career has taken me on a fair few adventures over the past year. One of the most amazing and surprising being the opportunity to be a SAHOF Scholarship Holder. I am very lucky to have **Liane Tooth OAM** (hockey) as my Mentor. I am really enjoying learning from Liane, she has a wealth of knowledge and experience from a successful sporting career. We have both been surprised by how comparable our different sports are in both strategy development, psychology and team dynamics.

Since applying for the Scholarship last year I have competed in five different countries, over eight international events. My team mate Monique and I have had a mix of results this season. The highs including a second place at the under 23, 470 World Championships in Japan and our first ever World Championships victory in the 420 class in December 2017 off Fremantle, Western Australia.

Monique and I have found another gear this season in our campaign for Tokyo 2020. I have spent the last 6 weeks overseas in Europe competing, and most of our time in Australia we spend on the Gold Coast training and living with the Australian 470 sailing squad. I am looking forward to more challenges this year as we have more events in France, Germany, Denmark and Japan.

I am immensely grateful to SAHOF for giving me this opportunity, to Liane for her guidance and to all the sponsors for helping me financially to get onto the Olympic circuit and travel to the events.



MENTOR - Liane Tooth OAM



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RILEY DAY

Athletics - QLD

The SAHOF Scholarship and Mentoring Program has provided me with an opportunity to become, develop and grow into a better athlete and help me achieve my sporting goals. My Mentor **Debbie Watson OAM** (water polo) provides me with unique support and knowledge that can only be given by an experienced athlete. This advice is invaluable, and I am more than grateful for her support.

This year has been very busy since being a recipient of the Scholarship. In February I won my first senior Open State QLD Championship title in both the 100m and 200m. Following on, I competed at the Australian and Commonwealth Games selection trials where I again won both the 100m and 200m. I ran a personal best and a Commonwealth Games A qualifier in the 200m. I was then selected to represent Australia at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games in the 200m. Overall, I placed 9th missing the final by 0.01 of a second. I was also a part of the 4 x 100m relay, unfortunately we were disqualified in the final. There were many highs and lows within my Commonwealth Games campaign, but it was the most amazing experience of my athletic career thus far. Being able to run in front of a home crowd and hearing the stand screaming your name is a goose bump moment and it will be a moment I will never forget.

The hype from the Commonwealth Games is still around however, I am now focusing on training full time for the World U20 Track and Field Championships held in Finland in July. These championships will be the pinnacle of my junior career.

For me to achieve my goals and dreams I need a great team behind me so I am forever grateful and appreciative for the SAHOF Scholarship opportunity and the people that support me.



MENTOR - DEBBIE WATSON OAM



POPPY STARR OLSEN

Skateboarding - NSW

It was such an exciting surprise when I got the phone call confirming that I would be a 2018 Sport Australia Hall of Fame Scholarship Holder! Being a female and a skateboarder, you can often be unrecognised as an athlete in the mainstream sporting arenas. I was so stoked! One of the best things about the SAHOF Scholarship is it gives me the opportunity to be mentored by **Layne Beachley AO** (surfing), an incredible athlete with so much knowledge.

Layne has already provided me with a wealth of information and advice that I have been using for the past eight months. I have found her knowledge incredibly helpful especially in the lead up and throughout competitions. In early 2018 I won the Australian Championship and competed in the Vans Park Series Continental Championships. The series was one of the most stressful I have ever experienced as only first place gets to advance straight through to the World Championships (Shanghai China, October 2018). I can unquestionably say that Layne's advice helped me take out 1st place which qualified me for the World Championships.

Throughout the rest of this year I will be competing at XGames and three other Vans Park Series around the globe to try and progress and compare myself to some of the best. One of the stops on the tour will be in Malmö, Sweden which I am fortunate enough to use my SAHOF Scholarship flight with thanks to Etihad Airways. With the support of SAHOF I also had a small half pipe built in my bedroom.

I am eternally grateful for this experience and everything that this scholarship has given me and helped me to become an Elite Athlete. Layne is the most incredible person I have ever met, and I am so fortunate to be mentored by her. Thanks so much SAHOF!



MENTOR - Layne Beachley AO



BEN WARD

Weightlifting - QLD

The past 6 months has been a complete whirlwind of highs and lows. My highs included my biggest success which was at the Junior World Championships in Tokyo where I placed 21st, among men four years older than me and then finishing the year by receiving one of the five SAHOF Scholarships. It was such a great year that unfortunately ended in such disappointment when I got injured just three weeks out from Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games trials. This injury seemed to set off a domino effect and have battled rib, knee and back injuries for majority of 2018.

A large component of being an athlete is managing not only your physical strength but also your mental strength. Missing out on the Commonwealth Games felt a spark in my drive to succeed. I set my mind to overcome these injuries and be in the best physical shape to qualify for the Junior World Championships, which I did and will now be heading to Tashkent, Uzbekistan in July 2018. I am now determined to make it my best result to date. The Championships has qualified some young, excellent up and coming weightlifters which makes me so excited to be able to compete next to them on the World Stage.

I would like to extend my thanks to Etihad Airways for the opportunity to continue my year of growth and learning. The sponsored flight is allowing me to participate in the Chicago Weightlifting Symposium in August 2018 which features some of the best Weightlifting minds in the world.

I have been so honoured to be part of such an iconic group of athletes for the past six months. Being supported by SAHOF, Etihad Airways and my SAHOF Mentor **Tim Horan AM** (rugby union) will certainly help me achieve my goals.



MENTOR - TIM HORAN AM

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL SPORTS MUSEUM



It's been a busy start to the year at the MCG and National Sports Museum, with a victorious Ashes series completed in January, a thrilling Commonwealth Games campaign on home soil in April, and the usual action packed start of the AFL and NRL seasons.

In March, the NSM unveiled the *Experience Lab*, an exciting new interactive gallery in which sport and digital technology collide in an engaging and entertaining way.

Designed first and foremost as a workshop where new displays and technology can be tested and tried, visitors are encouraged to play with, react to and give feedback on a number of high-tech new installations.

From hologram technology to immersive content where you're in control, the *Experience Lab* aims to change the way visitors see and interact with sport.

Following overwhelmingly positive feedback for the first iteration, the *Experience Lab* will return from June 16 to July 15, with new activities and updates sure to delight visitors of all ages.

"We're excited to bring a new offering to the National Sports Museum – encouraging people to get truly hands on and active with technology and learning," said National Sports Museum Manager Jed Smith.

"We are privileged to be custodians of some of the nation's finest sporting treasures and historical artefacts, and we hope that the *Experience Lab* will help us bring these to life."

To coincide with the Commonwealth Games, the NSM debuted *Australia on Show: Hosting the Commonwealth Games*, a display celebrating how the marketing, memorabilia and ceremonies from Commonwealth Games held in Australia help celebrate and promote what makes this country unique.



Key items on display include an original program from the 1938 Games in Sydney, a poster featuring 'Matilda' the mascot from the 1982 Games in Brisbane, and a carefully restored bouquet from the 100m sprint medal presentation at the 2006 Games in Melbourne.

The first half of 2018 has also seen the appointment of the final NSM Basil Sellers Creative Arts Fellowship recipient, Vipoo Srivilasa.

Entitled *Trophy*, Srivilasa's fellowship project explores the meaning behind trophies and the feelings that they inspire.

He has engaged with the NSM and Melbourne Cricket Club Museum's extensive collection of sporting trophies and awards, as well as conducted a series of interactive workshops with visitors to the museum. The stories and insights that have emerged will inspire the creation of a unique collection of sculpture pieces.

Finally, in a related heritage space, *The Yorker* publication produced by the MCC Library is set to go digital in 2018.

Distributed three times a year, *The Yorker* is designed to foster an interest in sports history and the history of events involving the MCC and MCG, as well as support and celebrate the extensive collections and exhibitions.



Interested individuals can read the latest edition now at www.mcc.org.au/theyorker.

The National Sports Museum is located at Gate 3, at the MCG and is open daily from 10am (check www.nsm.org.au for details).

Photo 1: Experience Lab at the NSM.

Photo 2: Australia on Show - Hosting the Commonwealth Games.

Photo 3: NSM Basil Sellers Creative Arts Fellowship recipient, Vipoo Srivilasa.

CHAIRMEN'S ROUND TABLE ★ FOR SPORT ★

**John Bertrand AO, Chairman, The Sport Australia Hall of Fame
&**

John Wylie AM, Chair, Australian Sports Commission

as Co-Chairs, present this invitation only leadership forum for the C-Suite of Australian Sport

Friday 12th October 2018

9:00am – 12:30pm

Crown, Melbourne

Keynote: Dr Andy Walshe

HACKING HUMAN POTENTIAL

“The man who trains the very best in the world to be even better”

The Round Table is an invitation only event designed to bring together Australian sports most influential leaders to discuss and debate relevant, cutting-edge topics and issues to benefit Australian sport.

The event will enhance the networking and knowledge sharing opportunities for the large contingent of National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) and National Peak Bodies (NPBs) that attend the previous evening's Sport Australia Hall of Fame Induction & Awards Gala Dinner.

There will be ample opportunity to interact with and be inspired by our internationally acclaimed keynote speaker Dr Andy Walshe and our impressive panel.

We extend our appreciation to our presenting partner Sportscover Australia for their support of this initiative.



Dr Andy Walshe is a globally recognized leader and expert in the field of elite human performance.

For over 20 years this Aussie native has been focused on the goal of “de-mystifying talent” by researching and training individuals and teams across a vast network of world-class programs in sport, culture, military and business settings.

When Director of High Performance at the Red Bull Institute, he conceptualized, managed and executed all aspects of the elite performance program.

Dr Walshe is currently engaged with several technology companies exploring frameworks across human-machine interface and its impact on human performance in the future. He will share with us leading edge trends he is witnessing in relation to the “human factor”.

Personal invitations to attend the Chairmen's Round Table for Sport will be sent to NSOs and NPBs in July along with invitations to attend the Gala Dinner.

Key Diary Dates:

- **Thursday 11th October (6.30pm) 34th Induction & Awards Gala Dinner, Crown Melbourne**
- **Friday 12th October (9am – 12.30pm) Chairmen's Round Table for Sport, Crown Melbourne**

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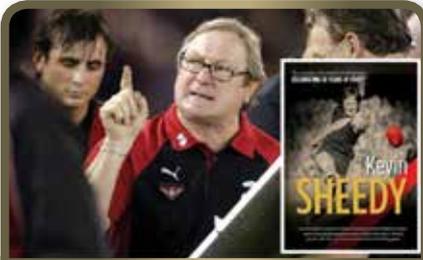
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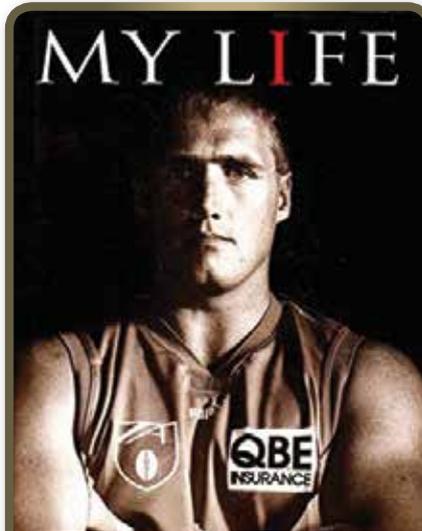
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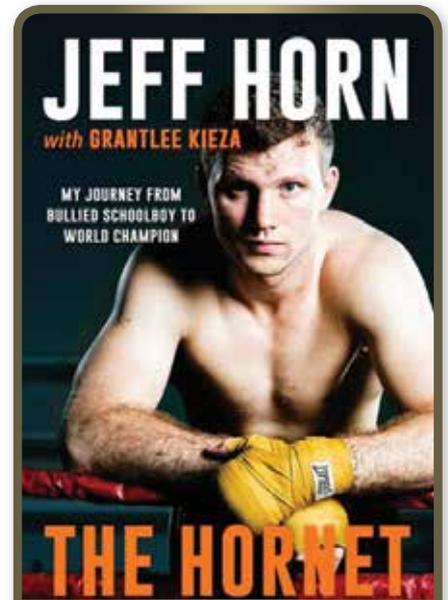
IT'S ALL ABOUT SPORT - KNOW MORE



The first fully-illustrated autobiography, of SAHOF Member, **Kevin Sheedy**, 'Kevin Sheedy, A game-changing 50 years of footy', which features never-before-seen photographs, memorabilia and fascinating stories. Sheedy is one of the most colourful characters in Australian sport; a player, coach and innovator admired as much for his passion and spirit as his exploits on the field.



SAHOF's newest Inductee **Tony "Pluggger" Lockett's** autobiography 'My Life' provides information about his childhood in Ballarat, the development of his football career with St Kilda Football Club and the Sydney Swans, and his family life. Delve into his AFL career highlights and relationships with other players.

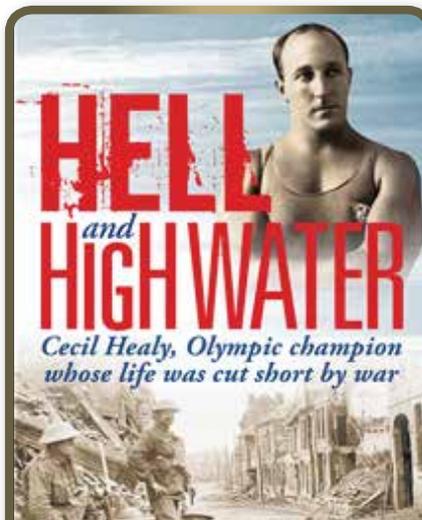


World boxing champion and 2017 'The Don' Winner, Jeff Horn published his story '**THE HORNET: My journey from bullied school boy to boxing world champ**', with Grantlee Kieza. The story of Jeff Horn is the tale of a boy who, slapped around by bullies, saw through tears in his eyes a vision of himself as a hero, a champ, someone other people might one day look up to.



Written by Roger Vaughan '**The Medal Maker**' is a biographical story of **Victor Kovalenko OAM**, SAHOF Member and Australia's most celebrated Olympic sailing coach. In addition to his book launch, Victor celebrated his 20th year in Australia in late 2017 with a special night held at HMAS Penguin in Sydney.

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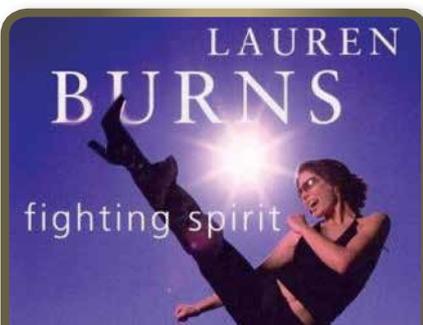


Rochelle Nicholls launched the biography; '**Hell and High Water**', about SAHOF Member, International Swimming Hall of Fame Member, Olympic Champion and a man's life which was cut too short by war; **Cecil Healy**. Healy remains the only Australian Olympic gold medalist to have given his life in the theatre of war. This book chronicles both Healy's glittering sports performances and the torment behind this great, lost Olympian. A book that is part celebration, part tragedy.

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Endorsed by Cricket Australia, **I Can Be ...** is a series of intimate and inspirational guides for boys and girls aged 8-12 who love cricket. Fun, funny and fully illustrated, these books will fire the imagination of every cricket-loving kid around Australia, mapping the cricket journeys of their favourite players from dreamy kids to international cricket stars. Written by popular children's author Phil Kettle, the I Can Be ... series involves eight books, each featuring a different Australian cricket star: four male and four female. Three of the series feature; SAHOF Members: **Belinda Clark AO** and **Ian Healy** and 2014 SAHOF Scholarship Holder; Holly Ferling.



2017 SAHOF Inductee, **Lauren Burns OAM**, released her autobiography '**Fighting Spirit**' from a Charmed Childhood to the Olympics and Beyond. It was also listed in the Sydney Morning Herald as the number one best-selling sports book.

16 THINGS YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED



International Tennis Hall of Fame Honours David Hall

SAHOF Member, **David Hall** was honoured at the Australian Open with his ITHOF ring presentation on Monday 22nd January 2018.



Alcott Makes History

2011 SAHOF Scholarship Holder and 'The Don' Finalist Dylan Alcott OAM made history at the 2018 Australian Open becoming the only male player in the Open era across all formats of the tournament to claim four straight single wins. Alcott continues to inspire off the field by launching a music festival 'Ability Fest' to help inspire others with disabilities. Mentor: **Andrew Gaze AM**

Picture credit Tennis Australia.



International Boxing Hall of Fame Inducts Another Great

SAHOF Member and Australia's greatest boxing trainer **Johnny Lewis OAM**, is inducted into the prestigious International Boxing Hall of Fame.

Picture credit Facebook/Frank Goulart.



Maitland Pays Homage to Les Darcy

Maitland paid homage to SAHOF Member and boxing legend **Les Darcy** whose young life was cut tragically short 100 years ago at the peak of his boxing career. Several events were held across the city to commemorate Darcy's death, including the unveiling of a plaque, a public ceremony to celebrate Darcy's life, centenary exhibitions and the re-dedication of a memorial plaque.



Boxing Champs Statue Unveiling

SAHOF Member and World Boxing Champ **Johnny Famechon** defied the odds and achieved the impossible. History was made and now it is set in stone as his statue was unveiled on 21st January 2018 in Ballam Park, Frankston Victoria.

Photo: Johnny Famechon with ex-boxer Azumah Nelson and wife Glenys Famechon. Picture credit Quie Ying.



Surfing Sensation Does it Again

2016 SAHOF Scholarship Holder and surfing sensation Tayla Hanak made history by becoming the youngest invitee to the Red Bull Queen of the Bay event (to date).

Mentor: **Layne Beachley AO**



National Sport Integrity Forum

Upcoming Forum; *Winning at Any Cost, The National Debate*. Monday 16th July 2018, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre.



Ponting Inducted into Australian Cricket Hall of Fame

SAHOF Member **Ricky Ponting AO** is one of the finest Test and one-day cricketers Australia has produced. He was inducted into the Australian Cricket Hall of Fame in 2017 and was formally inducted at the Allan Border Medal in February 2018.

Picture credit Getty Images.



Joe Ingles Makes Jazz History

2008 SAHOF Scholarship Holder Joe Ingles continues to take his stunning NBA season to new heights and he's having the time of his life doing so. In the process of the win over the Los Angeles Clippers, Ingles became the first Jazz player to make 200 three-point attempts in a season. His soaring statistics didn't stop there. Ingles had a season high 10 assists and 11 points to record the first double-double of his 300-plus-game NBA career. Mentor: **Kevin Bartlett AM**



Baby News

Congratulations to SAHOF Member **Libby Trickett OAM** who welcomed a new baby girl to her family. We warmly welcome Edwina Trickett!



Mills Makes His Mark

NBA super star and 2008 SAHOF Scholarship Holder Patty Mills signed a multi-million-dollar contract with Spurs (the highest signed deal by an Australian in NBA history to date). He also joined the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games ambassador team.

Mentor: **Lindsay Gaze OAM**

Picture credit Brad Wagner Photography



Commemorating the First Cricket Team to Tour England

The 1868 Aboriginal XI, Australia's first cricket team to tour internationally, was posthumously recognised with a SAHOF Team Sport Australia Award in 2002. Recently Australia Post released a commemorative stamp to honour the 150th anniversary of the Tour by this team. The Tour made headlines in England and Australia and continues to be significant in Australia's cricketing history, racial relations and national identity.



Pam Burridge Inducted into Surfing Walk of Fame

Australian world champion surfer and SAHOF Member, **Pam Burridge** was internationally recognised for her contribution to surfing when she was inducted into the Surfing Walk of Fame in California in August 2017.

Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) Awards Orders of Merit to Australian Sporting Greats

The AOC awarded a posthumous Order of Merit to the late **Peter Norman** (SAHOF Member) whose Australian record for the 200m set at the Mexico 1968 Olympic Games still stands.

AOC President and SAHOF Member **John Coates AC** also awarded Orders of Merit to SAHOF Members **Raelene Boyle AM MBE**, **Catherine Freeman OAM**, **Shane Gould AM MBE** and **Ian Thorpe OAM**, all of whom have their own unique standing in the Australian sporting story.



Adam Gilchrist to Host Foxtel's New Fox Cricket Channel

Fox Sports has signed SAHOF Member **Adam Gilchrist AM** to be part of what the channel is calling its cricket revolution. The former Australian cricket captain is the first major signing following the announcement that Fox Sports is the home of cricket for at least the next six summers.

2018 Australia Day Honours

SAHOF Members who were recognised within the 2018 Australia Day Honours are **Belinda Clark AO** (Cricket), **Evonne Cawley AC MBE** (Tennis), **Betty Cuthbert AC MBE*** (Athletics), **Liz Ellis AO** (Netball), **Heather McKay AO MBE** (Squash), **Shane Gould AM MBE** (Swimming), **Rechelle Hawkes AM** (Hockey), **Susie O'Neill AM** (Swimming), **Gillian Rolton AM*** (Equestrian), **Simon Poidevin AM** (Rugby Union), **Michelle Timms AM** (Basketball), **Jon Henricks OAM** (Swimming), **Jan Stephenson OAM** (Golf). *Posthumous.

KEEPING PARTICIPANTS IN COMMUNITY SPORT



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Victoria's local sport clubs are not addressing the high churn rates of members in key demographic groups, a Victoria University researcher has found.

Associate Professor Rochelle Eime from VU's Institute of Health, Exercise and Sport led research into the state's 12 most popular sports. The study found relatively high drop-out rates among teenagers, and those aged over 30; while clubs are seeing increases in participation among the very young.

The Sport Participation Research Project aims to provide a reliable measure of sport participation in Victoria, including trends over time.

The Sport and Recreation Spatial program of research investigates sport and recreation participation and facilities, and associated health outcomes for evidence-based decision making across the sport and recreation sector. It is the largest repository of sport participation data in Australia with over four million sport participant records, and over one million annual records from across the whole of Victoria.

"We're providing the industry with research information related to participation, facilities and health so that the sport and recreation sector can plan, and so governments can look at policies and investment", says Associate Professor Eime. *"Then, hopefully we'll get a more active and healthy population."*

Prior to the research, the ability of the sport and recreation industry to make evidence-based decisions to improve participation, was limited by its lack of access to accurate and reliable data.

Key research findings

The research each year analyses one million sport participants aged four and over from the following Victorian state sporting associations:

Australian football, basketball, bowls, cricket, football (soccer), golf, gymnastics, hockey, netball, sailing, swimming and tennis.



Key findings showed that overall sport participation has increased; and that the peak age in sport participation is 5-15 years.

However, while 77% of all sports participants are aged less than 30 years, less than two per cent of Victorian adults over the age of 30 play in one of the key organised sports.

Demonstrating the swiftest age decline, the participation rate for 15-19-year-olds (33%) is less than half the rate for 10-14 year-olds (70%).

Examining gendered data, rates are twice as high for males than females in all age groups, overall equating to 21% of males and 11% of females.

Geographical data showed sport participation is higher in regional areas (21%) compared to metropolitan areas (14%).

Recommendations

Key recommendations include:

1. Consider the optimal age of entry into sport
2. Prioritise retention of adolescents
3. Continue to prioritise participation in sport for females
4. Develop sport products/programs and opportunities directed at various stages of the lifespan
5. Consider how people participate in sport if they have not acquired the fundamental motor skills when young

6. Highlight the potential benefits of participation in sport
7. Consider the capacity of the sport system in terms of infrastructure and volunteers
8. Investigate further the determinants of lower participation in metropolitan - growth areas compared to metropolitan - other areas.

Awards and recognition

The research team has been successful in a number of awards including:

- Winner Women in Sport award (2017). Outstanding contribution for increasing female participation in sport.
- Winner VicHealth Awards (2017), Research into action category.
- Winner Parks and Leisure Australia national research award (2017).
- Winner Parks and Leisure Australia (Vic/Tas) (2017). Research Project award.
- Winner Victorian Sport Awards (2016). Sport Development Initial of the Year.

Find out more at:

www.sportandrecreationspatial.com.au

Photo 1: Associate Professor Rochelle Eime and project participants.

SAHOF VALE

The Board, Members and Staff of The Sport Australia Hall of Fame extend our deepest sympathies to the family, friends and colleagues of our esteemed Members of Australian sport who have passed away recently.

KEN CATCHPOLE OAM

Athlete Member – Rugby Union
21.06.1939 - 21.12.2017

Ken Catchpole OAM was an inaugural Inductee into The Sport Australia Hall of Fame (1985).

He was among the youngest Wallabies skippers, taking up the role on his Test debut when just 21 years old. He then captained a further 13 Tests for Australia with a total of 27 Test games played for the Wallabies. Ken's playing career ended at the tender age of 28 when he sustained a severe hamstring injury in a tackle against the All Blacks. Catchpole is immortalised with a statue outside Allianz Stadium, while the Shute Shield's most valuable player honours his name. A fitting honour for one of rugby union's greatest ever scrumhalves and Wallabies legend.

Ken passed away on 21st December 2017, aged 78, after a long battle with illness.



GRAEME LANGLANDS MBE

Athlete Member – Rugby League
02.09.1941 - 21.01.2018

Graeme 'Changa' Langlands MBE passed away in his home at the Sutherland Shire nursing home on 21st January 2018 aged 76, after a long period of living with dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

Langlands was inducted into The Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 1986 for his contribution to Rugby League.

Langlands played 45 Rugby League Tests for Australia, including 15 as Captain, and retired as the country's most capped player at that time. Langlands was a dominant player in his era and is one of only eight Rugby League Immortals to date.



SIR NICHOLAS SHEHADIE AC OBE

Athlete Member – Rugby Union
15.11.1926 - 11.02.2018

Sir Nicholas Shehadie AC OBE was an inaugural Inductee into The Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 1985. He was inducted into the Australian Rugby Union Hall of Fame in 2006 and inducted into the International Rugby Union Hall of Fame in 2011.

Shehadie was one of the all-time great prop forwards and was an institution in the Australian rugby union team for a decade. He represented the Wallabies 114 times and played 30 Tests (a record at the time), three as captain, between 1947 and 1958. Shehadie has been involved with distinction in almost every facet of rugby union.

Sir Nicholas Shehadie AC OBE passed away in hospital on 11th February 2018, aged 91.



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