

Deaf Sports Australia E-News

Passion Through Sport



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- A photograph of a tennis player on a court. The player in the foreground is wearing a white and blue polo shirt, black shorts, and a green and yellow cap. He is holding a tennis racket. In the background, another player in a white shirt and white cap is in a dynamic pose, possibly serving or hitting a backhand shot. The court is surrounded by a chain-link fence, and a building is visible in the background.
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Greetings all,

DSA is thrilled to be one of the key sponsors of the upcoming Australian and New Zealand Conference for Educators of the Deaf (ANZCED) to be held in Melbourne during 15-17 July 2011. As we continue to roll out our national Schools Education Program (SEP), it was an opportune time to gain exposure and network with educators and teachers of deaf children around Australia and promote our programs, particularly the SEP and the Australian Deaf Games. Irena Farinacci, our Education & Events Coordinator, will be attending the conference and giving a short presentation on the SEP. Over 250 teachers of the deaf and professionals will be in attendance.

On Tuesday 28 June, we celebrated the 200 day to go milestone for the Australian Deaf Games. The early bird registration closed on 30 June - registration prices are now standard until 30 October 2011. Note that sport entry fees will not change - however team sports must register by 30 September to allow for fixturing while individual sports can register up until 31 December.

We also welcomed on board Arts Access Victoria, who will be managing the Ceremonies portfolio for the Games! We look forward to a fantastic celebration of our heritage and love of the Australian Deaf Games. Also, the Deaf Society of NSW has come on board in a partnership arrangement with DSA where they will make available one of their staff members to coordinate registrations, athletes and teams from NSW for the Games.

Congratulations to the Australian tennis team who travelled to Izmir, Turkey for the Dresse Maere Cup, the World Deaf Tennis Championships. The Australian men, John Lui, Jamie Zafir and Stephen Swann, came 6th after losing to China in the playoff for 5th and 6th positions, after having been drawn in the 'group of death' - including tennis powerhouses France and Austria.

Craig Dodson is currently travelling around the world on his well-deserved honeymoon and Irena Farinacci has been holding the fort in Craig's absence. Our next Board Meeting will now take place on Wednesday 6 July as we review progress with the upcoming Australian Deaf Games and finalise our 2011/12 budget.

Until next month,

Yours in deaf sports.

Brent Phillips

2012 Australian Deaf Games Early Bird has now closed.

We have received over 400 entries so far!

Register now for the Standard Registration by 31st October to be part of the action!

www.austdeafgames.org.au

Education & Events Coordinator's Update

G'day All!

What a busy past month it has been for the DSA Office! With the Schools Education Program (SEP) out in force and Early Bird registrations flying into the DSA office, it surely has kept us on our toes!

As you all would know the Schools Education Program has been rolled out, I recently visited Point Wolstencroft in New South Wales with our well-known athlete, Cindy-Lu Fitzpatrick OAM to meet with over 100 students. The workshop was very well received and Cindy-Lu received a standing ovation from the students and teachers for her excellent achievement. Many of these students did not know who Cindy-Lu was so it was rewarding to promote that deaf and hard of hearing people can achieve great heights.



Most recently, I travelled to Pine River to meet with over 30 students at a Deaf Youth Camp which was organized by Deaf Sports Recreation QLD. Aaron Fitzsimmons, a Deaflympian and World Champion participant in Basketball gave an inspiring speech to the students. Many of them were amazed at his height as he stands at 203cms.



Cindy-Lu Fitzpatrick OAM



Aaron Fitzsimmons

I also travelled to Canberra to meet with representatives from Deaf ACT and Sports and Recreation Canberra to discuss the set up of the SEP workshop in August.

You will note that the Early Bird Registrations for the 2012 Australian Deaf Games have closed recently in which we have received well over 400 participants have eagerly signed up for the big event. It is a fantastic start to what promises to be a very exciting Games for everyone involved!

Given that the Standard Fee for the ADG now applies, I strongly encourage you to submit your registration by the closing date to avoid paying extra in late fees.

I hope you will enjoy reading this month's edition of the eNews and should you have any questions about its contents, please email me at irena.farinacci@deafsports.org.au

Cheers! Irena Farinacci

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Early Bird Registrations Have Ended!!

The Games Organising Committee were madly helping manage the surge of early bird registrations received over the last few days to beat the deadline. The number of entries and block booking requests from teams is very pleasing.



We will be contacting all the National and State Deaf Sport Organisations over the next few months to advise them how many people have entered in the various sports on offer.

We are also excited about the number of visitor registrations received to date.

Registrations for the 2012 Australian Deaf Games is now available online at www.austdeafgames.org.au

Standard Rate				Late Rate			
Adult	Conc.	Youth	Child	Adult	Conc.	Youth	Child
\$159	\$139	\$119	FREE	\$189	\$169	\$149	FREE

Standard Rate: 1 July 2011 - 31 October 2011

Late Rate: 1 November 2011 - 31 December 2011

Please note that these fees are only for General Registration to the Games (Opening, Closing and social events), and do not include fees to participate in sporting events. Separate fees will apply for each individual sports are on offer. Please read details at www.austdeafgames.org.au

How do I Participate in State Teams?

You will need to contact your relevant State Deaf Sports Association to obtain details on how to participate in State-based competitions in your chosen sports. Below is a list of contact details for State Deaf Sports Associations:

Australian Capital Territory Deaf ACT David Brady david.brady@austouch.com.au	New South Wales Deaf Sports Recreation NSW Tony Clews tclews@DeafSociety.com
Queensland Deaf Sports Recreation Queensland Julie Lyons dsrq@dsrq.org.au	South Australia Deaf Sports Recreation South Australia Tanya Morgan dsrsa@adam.com.au
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Fiji Fiji Association of the Deaf Gael Seru	Samoa Samoa Deaf Association Vai Leatuvao

Australian Deaf Games Roadshow

The 2012 ADG GOC will be travelling to visit States and Territories to meet with the Deaf sporting community to promote and provide information about the 2012 ADG. Below are the roadshow meetings to be held in your State.

For those who missed out on attending these roadshows, we will shortly put the powerpoint presentation on our ADG website. Below are the Roadshow events we have provided to date (except for Canberra as we will be there next month):

Hobart, TAS - Friday, 3 June 6:00pm @ Hobart Deaf Club

Melbourne, VIC - Friday, 17 June 6:00pm @ Vicdeaf

Sydney, NSW - Friday, 17 June 7:30pm @ Club Burwood

Adelaide, SA - Saturday, 18 June 7:00pm @ Deaf SA

Perth, WA - Friday, 24 June 7:30pm @ Deaf Community Centre, East Perth

Geelong, VIC - Thursday 23 June 6:00pm @ Geelong Deaf Social Club

Werribee, VIC - Friday 24 June 8:00pm @ Werribee Deaf Club

Canberra, ACT - Thursday 14 July 7:30pm @ Touch Football Australia House



Countdown to ADG



Sport Venues - a glimpse

Below are pictures showing you some of the sport venues to be used during the Games. More details of each sport venue will shortly be on the website. Stay tuned.

Basketball



Cycling



Beach Volleyball



Table Tennis



Ten Pin Bowling



Accommodation - do it now!

Accommodation in Geelong is fast being booked. We advise that you book as soon as possible. The time of the Australian Deaf Games is during peak holiday time and Geelong is a popular destination. There are many options available at the following website:

<http://visitgeelongbellarine.com/great-ocean-road/destinations/geelong>

We urge you to visit the website and book your accommodation now to avoid disappointment. There are still good options available. The 2012 GOC Transport and Accommodation contact person is Gary Kerridge. Gary can be contacted at g.kerridge@ballarat.edu.au

Enquiries were made to see if the Games Organising Committee could pre book rooms and advertise availability. Response to this request to several places was not positive. Securing accommodation will depend on YOU and your teams booking as soon as possible. If you have not yet done so.. do so NOW.



NEW Auslan videoclips on our website - thanks to



A new videoclip have been produced and have been added to our Games website at <http://www.austdeafgames.org.au/news/auslanvideos.htm>

Thanks to our new partner organisation, iAuslan we are now able to produce Auslan videoclips which complement the text information on our website.

“2012 Australian Deaf Games FAQs”

Very soon, more Auslan videos will be available on topics that include “Registration terms and conditions”, “Volunteers wanted”. Please share these around.

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers will be required to assist with Registrations, sports, logistics, and so on. Volunteer forms will be released soon so keep your eyes peeled for future announcements in the meantime. For further information about volunteering or to express your interest, please contact Paula on paula.thornton@austdeafgames.org.au



Games Hub

The Games Hub will be held at the Deakin University on the Geelong Waterfront. The Games Hub will also include meeting rooms for National Deaf Sports Associations to host their meetings during the Australian Deaf Games. NDSOs requiring a meeting room will need to contact Craig Dodson at Deaf Sports Australia at craig.dodson@deafsports.org.au



Games Hub at Deakin University, Geelong Waterfront.

The Closing Ceremony event will also be held at this venue

ADG Sports Program Schedule

	Sat 14/1	Sun 15/1	Mon 16/1	Tue 17/1	Wed 18/1	Thur 19/1	Fri 20/1	Sat 21/1
Opening Ceremony	NIGHT							
Closing Ceremony								NIGHT
Aquatics			DAY					
Athletics		DAY						
Basketball			DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	
Beach Volleyball		DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY			
Cricket			DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	
Cycling							DAY	DAY
Darts					DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY
Eight Ball		NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT			
Futsal						DAY	DAY	DAY
Golf			DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	
Lawn Bowls		DAY	DAY	DAY		DAY	DAY	
Netball		NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT	NIGHT	
Rugby 7's							DAY	DAY
Shooting		DAY	DAY	DAY				
Squash		DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY			
Surfing				DAY				
Table Tennis							DAY	DAY
Tennis			DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	
Tenpin Bowling	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY				
Touch Football - tbc					DAY	DAY		



XVI Australian Deaf Games



14 -21 January 2012
Geelong, Victoria
www.austdeafgames.org.au



2011 Dresse and Maere Cup

Izmir, Turkey

Australian Deaf Tennis Team Members:

John Lui

Jamie Zafir

Stephen Swann



18th June - FRANCE vs AUSTRALIA

Singles

1st Match - Laurent def Lui 6-0 6-0

2nd Match - Sanchez def Zafir 6-2 6-2

Doubles

Laurent/Sanchez def Lui/Swann 6-3 6-4

19th June - AUSTRIA vs AUSTRALIA

Singles

1st Match - Kargl def Lui 6-1 6-3

2nd Match - Erlbacher def Zafir 6-2 6-4

Doubles

Stalzer/Gravogl def Zafir/Swann 5-7 6-0 7-6

20th June - AUSTRALIA vs RUSSIA

Singles

1st Match - Lui def Kolodchenko 6-0 6-0

2nd Match - Zafir def Molodov 6-0 6-0

Doubles

Lui/Swann def Kholodchenko/Molodov 6-0 6-0

21st June - AUSTRALIA vs SLOVENIA

Singles

1st Match - Kegl def Lui 4-6 6-3 6-2

2nd Match - Zafir def Lukic 6-0 6-3

Doubles

Zafir/Swann def Kegl/Lukic 6-1 6-3

22nd June - CHINA vs AUSTRALIA

Singles

1st Match - Yang def Lui 6-4 3-6 6-4

2nd Match - Zafir def Liu 6-2 6-2

Doubles

Lui/Swann def Yang/Liu 6-0 6-3

23rd June - AUSTRALIA vs CHINESE TAIPEI

Singles

1st Match - Zafir def Chin 6-1 6-0

2nd Match - Swann def Lin 6-4 6-0

Doubles

Zafir/Swann def Chin/Lin 6-0 6-0



2011 National Deaf Basketball Club Championships

Deaf Basketball Association of South Australia is hosting the next National Deaf Basketball Club Championship in Adelaide!!

The Alan Sandon Shield will be held from Friday 8th to Sunday 10th July 2011

We will have a special dinner to celebrate the 50th year anniversary of South Australian Deaf Basketball.

Games will be held at Wayville Basketball Stadium, Rose Terrace, Wayville.

50th year anniversary dinner will be held at the Deaf Society's Hall, 262 South Terrace, Adelaide.

We will have Open Men and Women's teams, Masters (over 40's) and Juniors (under 18's).

REGISTRATION:

Open player: \$80 (does not include 50th year dinner)

*** Early Bird: \$70 if paid by 6th May ***

Masters: \$40 (includes 50th year dinner)

Juniors: \$40 (includes 50th year dinner)

Coach/Manager: \$80 (does not include 50th year dinner)

Visitors: \$40 (includes dinner)

50th year dinner only:

\$30 for a buffet style dinner including desserts

Please contact DBASA for team/player registration form.

Please contact DBASA if you require further information.

Email: dbasa@live.com.au



Please contact Tanya Morgan from DSRSA if you want to purchase 50th year anniversary dinner tickets via email on dsrsa@adam.com.au



APDSC Update

Kang Chen stepped down as APDSC Secretary-General on 27th May 2011 due health reasons. Dennis Tan and David Peters have now taken on dual roles to ensure that the APDSC is committed to serving in the best interests of deaf and hard of hearing participants living in the Asia Pacific region.

APDG 2012 SEOUL Update

David Peters and Dennis Tan recently visited Seoul to ensure planning and preparation for the event is going well with 7th APGD2012 Seoul, KOREA. They have indicated their satisfaction with Korean Deaf Sports Federation (KDSF) and Games Organising Committee (GOC) preparing for this Games with strong support from Seoul Metropolitan Government and Seoul Sports Association for the Disabled officials as photo attached.

The APDSC Secretariat and KDSF came to an agreement that the dates for 7th APGD would be moved from 26th May to 2nd June to ensure that all AP countries have sufficient preparation time to participate at the Games.

This decision was based on the fact that the following events would occur prior to and after the Games:

World Table-tennis Championship Japan (27th April to 6th May)

World Football Championship Turkey (10th to 21st July) -

The APGD2012 ends on 2nd June which will provide 5 weeks rest for AP countries Iran, Thailand, Korea, Japan and Uzbekistan competing at the World Deaf Football Championships.

A new addition to the 2012 event is Cycling. Now total number of events is 17 events. Sports at the events are:

Athletics, Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cycling, Football, Futsal, Judo, Karate, Orienteering, Swimming, Taekwondo, Table-tennis, Tennis, Volleyball and Wrestling.

Please notice that for Team Sports (Baseball, Basketball, Football, Volleyball) that have less than four countries participating at the Games will be removed from the event. As for Individual Sports - if we receive below four countries registered for the selected individual by 30th September, this event will be deleted.



www.seoul2012.com

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TWENTY20 DEAF CRICKET?



Want to play Twenty20 cricket at the
2012 Australian Deaf Games? **YES!**

Does your state Deaf cricket
association have a team? **NO!**

**Then you can play for the
Combined States team!***

Interested? **YES!**

Contact Deaf Cricket Australia by 30 August 2011 to register
your interest to play for the Combined States team.

Email: deafcricketaust@hotmail.com

Deaf Cricket Australia will form a Combined States team to compete against other state
Deaf cricket teams at the Australian Deaf Games in Geelong, VIC from 14-21 January 2012.

If you live in a state which has a Deaf cricket team, you need to contact your state Deaf
cricket association. If you are not sure, please contact us and we can assist.

* There is an eligibility requirement which needs to be met, please contact us for information.

www.deafcricketaust.com

Diving for the Deaf Program - NSW



Where: Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Cost: \$5 per session + Pool entry
Dates:

23rd July
30th July
6th August
13th August
27th August
3rd September
10th September
17th September



For bookings and more information contact
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First Deaf Volleyball Team Helps Exploited Women in Cambodia

30 May 2011 By Tom Browne - sportanddev.org

There is a recognised problem with deaf girls from poor economic backgrounds in Cambodia, many of whom were forced to work in the sex industry, however this, the first deaf sports team in Cambodia, could be the catalyst to help these women transform their lives.



The team training on the banks of Mekong

Supported by the Cambodian National Volleyball League for the Disabled (CNVLD), the group of selected females are set to play their first major game against the Uzbekistan deaf women's team in an exhibition match as part of the upcoming 2011 World Cup.

The CNVLD are harnessing the power of sport to support these exploited females,

but also to develop the wider society in Cambodia. The team could be the first step towards the true establishment of deaf sports in Cambodia, and could see the image and respect of disabled women transformed in the same that the sport of volleyball did for disabled men in the country.

The players were selected in collaboration with the assistance of a local NGO, the 'Hope Association for Cambodian Deaf and Disabled', who identified a suitable group of women from its members.

Coached by an American citizen, Pat Russel, who is working in Cambodia and is himself deaf, the team often train twice a day, most recently on the banks of Mekong.

DSA Affiliated Members

National Deaf Sporting Associations (NDSO)	State Deaf Sporting Organisations (SDSO)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Deaf Darts Association • Australian Deaf Lawn Bowls Association • Australian Deaf Squash Association • Australian Deaf Tenpin Bowling Association • Deaf Aquatics Australia • Deaf Basketball Australia • Deaf Cricket Australia • Deaf Eight Ball Australia • Deaf Football Australia • Deaf Golf Australia • Deaf Tennis Australia • Deaf Netball Australia • Deaf Volleyball Australia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DeafACT • Deaf Sports Recreation Queensland • Deaf Sports Recreation South Australia • Deaf Sports Recreation Victoria • Western Australia Deaf Recreation Association

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