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Blades win AHL again! Third time in four years!



The Queensland Blades won the 2006 Australian Hockey League Championship - their third in four years - after defeating the MIA Tassie Tigers 1-0 in Hobart in May.

In a tough match it was a battle of defence with both attacks struggling to create opportunities up forward. Both sides had chances on goal but neither could really break the opposition defence and goals were hard to come by.

Matthew Wells and Hayden Shaw combined down the back to keep the talented Blades' strikers at bay, while Mark Knowles countered the offensive thrusts of the Tigers.

With both defences on top, the game became a real struggle for midfield dominance. Dean Butler, awarded Player of the Grand Final, continually found the ball for the Blades, while David Guest worked hard for the Tigers.

It took until the 23rd minute for the deadlock to be broken when the Blades were able to draw a penalty corner. Liam De Young was able to convert the corner when his strike hit the backboard, although the Tigers remonstrated with



Photo courtesy of Hockey Australia

the umpire over whether the strike was lifted.

For the remaining 47 minutes it was hard hockey. The Tigers had a number of opportunities, but just weren't able to grasp them and find that elusive goal to even the score. Some desperate defence saved the day for the Blades who were able to hang on for the win.

2006 Men's AHL Player of the Grand Final
Dean Butler

**2006 Sportslink International Tours Men's AHL
Player of the Series**

Mark Knowles



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Six Queenslanders in Hockeyroos Squad for Champions Trophy



Six Queenslanders have been named in the Hockeyroos team to compete in the 2006 Champions Trophy in Amstelveen, Netherlands from the 8-16 July, making up over 30% of the national team.

Melbourne Commonwealth Games gold medalists Wendy Beattie, Madonna Blyth, Suzie Faulkner, Nikki Hudson, Angie Skirving and Karen Smith were chosen to compete for Australia in the International Hockey Federation's premier annual event.

Hudson and Smith co-captained the Queensland Scorchers to second place in the Australian Hockey League season which finished earlier this month.

Although Angie Skirving missed the domestic AHL season due to injury, she was named Hockey Australia 2005 Women's Player of the Year and 2005 Leading Goal Scorer.

Two additional Queenslanders were named in the national squad, with Amy Korner and Emma Myer included in the squad, but missing out on the team inclusion for Champions Trophy.

Danette Boland and Hayley Phipps were named as two of the four members of the 2006 national Development Squad.



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Angie Skirving



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Wendy Beattie



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Nikki Hudson



Amy Korner



Emma Myer



Danette Boland



Hayley Phipps

Scorchers take silver



Defending Australian Hockey League Champions, the Queensland Scorchers were defeated 4-2 by the SmokeFree WA Diamonds in the 2006 AHL Women's Final in Adelaide in May.

Scorchers' captain Nikki Hudson scored a penalty corner in the 23rd minute, and the teams went into half time locked at 1-1.

Wendy Beattie scored next for the Scorchers, with a penalty corner in the 40th minute. Despite dominating the game, in both attack and defence,

it was a four minute defensive lapse that enabled the Diamonds to win the final.

The Diamonds caught the Scorchers defence sleeping and scored three quick goals late in the second half (two field goals and a penalty conversion) in the 57th, 58th and 61st minutes of the game.



Congratulations to Jan Hadfield

Who has been appointed as Umpires Manager for the World Cup in Madrid, Spain in Sept-Oct and Champions Trophy in Amstelveen, Netherlands in July.

Eight Queenslanders in 2006 Kookaburras Squad

KOOKABURRAS

Eight Queensland Blades have been named in the 2006 Kookaburras Squad, following their third Australian Hockey League win in four years, when they defeated Tasmania 1-0 yesterday in Hobart. Queenslanders dominate the national squad, making up 35% of the 32 members.

Melbourne Commonwealth Games gold medalists Dean Butler, Liam De Young, Jamie Dwyer, Nathan Eglington, Rob Hammond, Mark Knowles and Stephen Lambert, are joined by Troy Elder who is returning to international competition.

The major aim for the Kookaburras in 2006 is the World Cup in Monchengladbach, Germany in September. The team for the World Cup will be selected from the National Squad with lead up tournaments in Malaysia (the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup) and Spain (Champions Trophy).

Six Queenslanders make up a third of the team chosen for the 2006 Sultan Azlan Shah Cup Squad, to be played in Kuala Lumpur, from 18 to 25 June - Liam De Young, Nathan Eglington, Troy Elder, Rob Hammond, Mark Knowles and Stephen Lambert, with Jamie Dwyer and Dean Butler being rested.

Queensland Blades player Keil Brown was also named in the National Development Squad following the AHL Final.



Jamie Dwyer



Liam De Young



Rob Hammond



Nathan Eglington



Dean Butler



Stephen Lambert



Mark Knowles



Troy Elder



Kiel Brown

Hockey Queensland Annual Dinner and Awards Night



The 2005 Hockey Queensland Awards night was celebrated this year at Chifley on Lennons in Brisbane on Friday 7 April. Around 180 people joined with Hockey Queensland's patron, Her Excellency, the Governor of Queensland Quentin Bryce to celebrated the achievements of 2005 and were entertained by Comedian Greg "Sully" Sullivan.

2005 Hockey Queensland Award Winners

Male Player of the Year	Jamie Dwyer OAM
Female Player of the Year	Madonna Blyth
Rookie of the Year	Jane Bennett
Coach of the Year	Margaret Dilger (State Under 21 Team)
State Team Manager of the Year	Cheryll Brown (State Under 15 Team)
Umpire of the Year	Paul Ludwig
Junior Umpire	Debbie Rollason
Media Award	David Lems Queensland Times

Media Award	The Cairns Post
Association of the Year (Equal winners)	Rockhampton Brisbane Women's
Volunteer of the Year	Brian Ferns (Cairns)
Volunteer of the Year	June Grant (Brisbane Men's)

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Award Winners

To Queensland's 2005 Hockey Australia Award Winners :

Hockey Australia 2005 Men's Leading Goal Scorer
Jamie Dwyer

Hockey Australia 2005 Men's Under 21 Player of the Year
Mark Knowles

Hockey Australia 2005 Women's Player of the Year
Angie Skirving

Hockey Australia 2005 Women's Leading Goal Scorer
Angie Skirving

Hockey Associations celebrate Harmony Day

Hockey Associations around Queensland joined in the national celebration of Harmony Day, officially held in March.

Associations around the state celebrated Harmony Day in many different ways, and in some cases in far north Queensland celebrations had to be postponed due the effects of Cyclones Larry and Monica.

Five associations registered to participate in the Harmony Day celebrations, with Mackay, Brisbane Women, Rockhampton, Cairns and the Gulf Sport and Recreation Association all taking part.

As part of the Harmony Day celebrations, each association was invited to create a banner illustrating the central themes to Harmony Day, such as tolerance and teamwork.

Participants were also invited to enter a DVD competition, which was a DVD made by the association showing their involvement in, and celebration of, Harmony Day. School students were also invited to take part in a Hockey Art competition.

Celebrations included games of hockey, eating orange themed food, wearing orange tee shirts, badges and blowing up orange balloons. In Rockhampton, Harmony Day was held in conjunction with the opening of the new pitch.

For more information about the Harmony Day celebrations through Hockey around Queensland, please log onto <http://rihp.hockeyqld.com.au/>



Normanton State School



Hockey Queensland has received funding to conduct a *Living in Harmony* project from the Australian Government in order to promote community harmony at the local level.



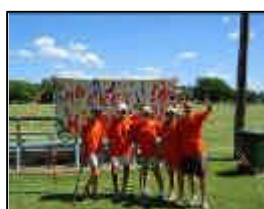
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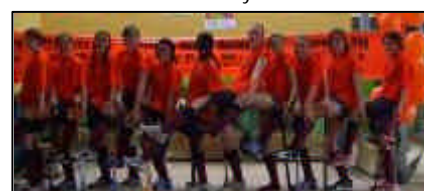
Rockhampton



Brisbane Women



State Hockey Centre





Mackay is Australian leader!

Mackay Hockey Association showed Australia how to hold the country's most successful introductory program to hockey, Hook in 2Hockey, in April. Over 260 new participants, aged from 5 to 12, from Mackay took to the field in the largest Hook in 2Hockey program run in Australia! Olympic Gold medallist, Melbourne Commonwealth Games participant and Hook in2 Hockey Ambassador Angie Skirving visited Mackay on Friday, April 21 as part of Mackay's program.

Hook in2 Hockey is Hockey Australia's Targeted sport Participation Growth Program run in partnership with the Australian Sports Commission. The program has been designed as a safe and fun introduction to hockey for people of all ages.

Implementation of the hands on Hook in2 Hockey programs begins around the state this month, and there are currently more than 1200 registered

Hook in2 Hockey participants in Queensland, with Mackay making up 22% of the state total.

Hockey Queensland's Regional Coaching Director in Mackay, Nolan Day, has been working closely with Fiona Horsfall Mackay's program coordinator, to bring the new hockey players together. Nolan and Fiona's roles have unearthed a large number of enthusiastic parents and "leaders" (usually young club members) who have assisted in making Mackay's Hook in2 Hockey such a success before it has even begun.

"The kids just love it and are excited when they get their equipment packs and sample bags. Response from parents has been positive as they see their children having fun and getting active in a safe well organised sporting environment," says Hook in2 Hockey State Community Officer, Annette West-Bail.

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Hockey Queensland welcomes the following new Hockey Rewards Members for 2006
Australia Zoo - Brisbane Whale Watching - UnderWater World Sunshine Coast



Australia Zoo competition

One of our newest Rewards Card partners, Australia Zoo is offering all Hockey Queensland Rewards Cards members 10% discount on entry!

Australia Zoo is also giving one lucky Hockey Queensland member the chance to win a \$300 Crocodile Hunter Merchandise Pack which includes a Family Pass to Australia Zoo, Crocodile Hunter Board Game, a coffee mug, drink cooler, pens, drink bottle, some stuffed and rubber toys along with a Crocodile Hunter DVD.

For your chance to win this great prize – simply enter the competition page on the Hockey Queensland website, and answer this question : **What is Australia Zoo's address?**

To help you with the answer, log onto the Rewards page of the Hockey Qld website.

Entries for the competition close at 5pm on Friday 30 June.



Brisbane Whale Watching competition

Another new Rewards Card member, Brisbane Whale Watching are offering Hockey Queensland Rewards Card members a 10% off the advertised price of a tour.

Brisbane Whale Watching are also offering Hockey Queensland Rewards Card members the chance to win a whale watching experience for 2 adults valued at \$115 per person.

Join BWW and observe the mighty Humpback playing only metres away from you. These



intelligent and naturally curious mammals will greet you with behaviour that will both charm and inspire you.

To be in the draw to win a Whale Watching experience for 2 adults, simply answer this question: **When is the Whale Watching Season in Moreton Bay?**

To help you answer the question, log onto the Hockey Queensland Rewards page, for details about Brisbane Whale Watching.

To be in the draw to win this great prize (total value \$230), simply enter on line through the Hockey Queensland website Competitions page. Entries close Friday 30 June. Winners under 17 years old must be accompanied by an adult. The prize must to be taken by Tuesday 31 October.



UnderWater World Sunshine Coast

UnderWater World is offering all Hockey Queensland Rewards Card members 20% discount on entry for themselves and their immediate family attending UnderWater World Sunshine Coast! (excludes family passes)

Be surrounded by over 25 000 weird and wonderful sea creatures at Queensland's largest Oceanarium and Aquarium – where there's always something new to SEA!

Northern Suburbs Hockey Club, Brisbane 50th Anniversary: 2006



Northern Suburbs Hockey Club Inc. celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2006.

The club is seeking contact details of former members, players, coaches, officials, administrators, supporters and their families to send invitations to for the exciting anniversary celebrations being planned to celebrate the milestone.

To send contact details - name, postal address, email, phone numbers etc - for yourself or anyone who has had a connection with Norths over the past five decades, contact Lee Oliver at northshockeysocialclub@hotmail.com or phone (07) 3300 1527.

BITS Hockey Club

BITS Hockey Club (**B**oyne **I**sland/**T**annum **S**ands) is a new club and has members from two small seaside communities 25 kilometres south of Gladstone. The club is steadily gaining new players from minkies through to A2 Mens. The club has grown from 51 playing members to well over 70, and doesn't look like stopping!

BITS is negotiating with the Calliope Shire Council for assistance with the construction

of the first ever hockey field in this coastal area at the new multi use community sports area being developed in Tannum Sands, and it is hoped there will be something to show off for the 2008 season.

Through Keith Dickinson's (Dix Stix n Stuff) and Rob Milne's (Just Hockey) kind donations of new and pre-loved goalie gear the BITS Hockey Club now has outfitted the A3 ladies goalkeeper, with a little left over for next season, when the club hopes to field a A2 ladies

team. They are still looking for another pair of second-hand kickers, pads and a breast plate to complete the second set for the A2 Ladies team next season.

The A3 ladies team is top of the ladder in the local competition and the team is made up of a number of nationalities (Australian, Irish, South African and Malaysian) and has a mix of experience from beginners to veterans.

Staff Changes at Hockey Queensland

A number of staffing additions and changes have happened at Hockey Queensland over the last month.

Hockey Queensland is sad to say goodbye to Competitions Supervisor, **Natalie Donoghue**, who is moving on to work with Cricket Australia. We wish Nat all the best in her new role.

The position of Coaching and Development Manager had been replaced by Coach Manager. **David McNeil** the previous CDM has moved into a part time position as the Southbank Institute (Brisbane) coach.

Barry Vohland has been appointed as the new Coach Manager. Barry has been the Townsville and Toowoomba Regional Coaching Directors and the last two years has been the South Australian Development Manager. Barry will be located in Townsville, working from the QAS regional office.

Margaret Dilger, formerly the part-time Brisbane Women's Hockey Development Officer, has taken on the full time regional coaching director position in Townsville.

We welcome Barry and Margaret to the team!

Gena Cameron has joined the Hockey Queensland office, in the newly created part-time Administration Assistant role. Hockey Queensland also welcomes **Tim Reid**, who is the new State Hockey Centre Grounds Assistant.

Jason Greenhalgh from Queensland Hockey Promotion has joined the newly formed Hockey Australia Marketing Commission on a volunteer basis.

Rockhampton HA

Rockhampton officially opened their new Facilities Upgrade at Birdwood Park with new artificial surface and surrounds on April 1st, 2006, and are now organising very eagerly their first International Games in a two (2) Test Series between Kookaburras and Korea on Wednesday, 16th August, and Friday, 18th August.

2006 sees the merging of the Rockhampton Junior Hockey Association Inc. with the Rockhampton Hockey Association Inc.

"We are very proud once again of our two (2) international players with Jamie Dwyer and Mark Knowles, members of the Kookaburras team, winning the

Gold Medal at the Commonwealth Games held in Melbourne. Well done!" said a Rockhampton HA spokesperson.

Lee Tunny, 45+, and Cheryl Simpson, 35+, competed in the Trans Tasman Series against New Zealand in Hobart in May, with both teams winning their respective divisions.

"Our Open Men's team were successful in winning the Queensland Championships in Tweed Border and now progress to the Premier League for 2007. Aaron Harmsworth was named Player of the Series, with Dale Gohdes named Player of the Final. Aaron Harmsworth, Andrew Landsberg, Dale

Gohdes and Craig Gultzow were all named in the Country Men's Squad."

"Our Open Women's team finished fifth in the Queensland Championships in Maryborough. Jodie Dwyer was named in the U/21 Women's squad with Jodie Dwyer, Camille Knowles and Andrea Farrow named in the Country Women's Squad."

At the U/18 Trials in February Casey Lee and Matt Gohdes were named in the Queensland team with Jared Truscott being named a Shadow for this team.

Eastern Suburbs Hockey Club Inc

The Celebrations continue.....

Past & present players, friends & supporters of the Eastern Suburbs Hockey Club Inc are invited to attend a gathering to celebrate the Club's 75th Anniversary on

Saturday, 24 June 2006, 7pm at The Queensland Cricketer's Club, Vulture Street, Woolloongabba

Club memorabilia will be on display and a replica set of original playing shirts will be auctioned on the night. Club Merchandise and wine will be available.

Tickets are \$55 which includes drinks on arrival, a fork supper and a cash bar.

Dress is Smart Casual and Tickets will not be available at the door.

For more information contact Eastern Suburbs Hockey Club



Queensland Governor thanks volunteers

Congratulations to the following volunteers from around Brisbane who were invited by the Queensland Governor to attend a reception at Government House on 17 May to thank them, along with 80 other volunteers from South East Queensland for their volunteer efforts in Sport and Recreation.

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Ms Kim Gunner

Miss Heather Scraggs, OAM

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