



Rising star of wheelchair tennis Keegan Oh-Chee in action for Australia in the Junior Division of the World Team Cup in Turkey, May 2010. For updates on Keegan's latest results check inside this edition of the Pushers Post.

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**WS NSW AGM
28 June 2010
6pm**



Could I urge members to attend our important upcoming Annual General Meeting of Wheelchair Sports NSW. The date is Monday 28th June, 6pm at the Charles Blunt Room at the Royal Rehabilitation Centre at Ryde. The Charles Blunt Room is at the Morrison Road end of the Centre.

It is planned to present to the Meeting some major changes to our Constitution. One change that has the unanimous backing of the current WS NSW Board, will be to change the composition of the Board to incorporate both elected and appointed Directors. This was one of the very significant recommendations to come out of the KPMG Review last year. At present our honorary solicitors Corrs Chambers Westgarth are finalising these changes to our Constitution.

There will be quite a large number of other amendments to the Constitution as very little change to the document has occurred over the last 10 years. The idea is to bring it in line with modern Constitutions for a sporting organisation / charity like ours, whilst taking into account the new Associations Incorporations Act (2009) and the Model Rules.

In the last Pushers Post we announced that WS NSW had been granted the tender to conduct the 2011 National Junior Games for Athletes with a Disability. Our organisation tendered for the Games on the strict provision that the Australian Paralympic Committee (APC) would again sponsor the Games as they did with Wheelchair Sports Victoria in 2009. The Games in 2009 were called the Australian Paralympic Youth Games.

The APC have indicated that they no longer wish to sponsor the Games and so WS NSW is unwilling to take a major financial risk without this APC support. No other State or Territory is willing to conduct the Games so negotiations are presently in progress to try and "save" the Games somehow. WS NSW strongly support the concept of a Junior Games and has done so since their inception in 1981. We see the Games as a major stepping stone for our juniors to higher representative levels. WS NSW conducted 2 of the last 3 Games viz. 2005, 2007.

I thought I would give you an update on the situation of our office at the Royal Rehabilitation Centre at Ryde. The sale of the current site in order to build a state of the art rehabilitation centre seems to hit hurdle after hurdle. At present things are stalled with the Rehab Centre, Ryde Council, the NSW Government, a Developer and a Local Residents Lobby Group trying to work their way through the "political mire".

Mid year WS NSW was due to move office to another part of the site to make way for the Developer. At this point we are staying put until a move is necessitated. We will obviously keep members informed.

Michael Godfrey-Roberts
President



Wheelchair Sports NSW is going through a difficult financial period. Another significant annual loss (a figure is not yet finalised from the current audit) will follow a loss of \$156,000 for the previous year. With our limited reserves WS NSW is not in a position to continue this trend.

As a result the Board made a decision to cut certain overheads at the same time as implementing a staff restructure. The last thing we want to do is to cut our services to you our members so these other alternatives are being employed.

On a related matter I very much appreciated the understanding of members in relation to the WS NSW Grants this year. The levels of grants were reduced for the first time in some years as the Board believed it was a responsible financial decision in the current circumstances.

Each year we have many members who initially do not renew membership by the due date March 31st. We follow up with a reminder letter, then after that a phone call. Our Office Administrators Mel and Lisa will ask members why they have not renewed their membership as we want to find out if we are truly meeting member expectations. Mind you some of the time the response is simply "I forgot" and the membership is duly renewed. I ask all members then to consider the administrative burden in this whole process.

WS NSW was delighted to be associated with the recent Four Nations Wheelchair Rugby Tournament at the Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre. The Australian Paralympic Committee conducted the event but Jason Hellwig the CEO was quick to acknowledge our input.

"The APC is particularly grateful for the knowledge you shared during event planning, and for the assistance you provided in recruiting a team of dedicated volunteers, who did a fantastic job throughout the event. Your support by making available the Wheelchair Sports NSW mini-bus and station wagon for the duration of the event is also greatly appreciated, as is the assistance provided by yourself, Will, Kathleen, Patrick and Jen at the venue at event time."

In the Tournament Australia got the better of Canada, New Zealand and Great Britain and this was a good morale boost for the 2010 World Championships in Vancouver Canada in September.

A special congratulations to our Junior Basketball Team that competed with distinction at the inaugural Kevin Coombs Cup on the Central Coast of NSW. The team, under the direction of Coach Paul Auprince, Assistant Coach Phil Pellow and Manager Linda Ross finished with the silver medal after coming close to toppling the hot favourites W.A. in the final. A sincere thanks to Margaret Bennett for her co-ordination of our team at these Australian Junior Championships.

May I wish all members the very best in their winter sporting competitions.

Jim O'Brien
CEO





FOUR NATIONS TOURNAMENT - WHEELCHAIR RUGBY

Australian Steelers captain Ryan Scott lifted the International Wheelchair Rugby Four Nations trophy in triumph after his team defeated Canada 57-52 in the final at Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre on Sunday 2 May 2010.

Overwhelming favourites after their undefeated charge to the final, the Australians did not let their home crowd down by delivering the tournament's best performance when it counted most.

They led the Canadians at every change and rarely looked threatened in a display likely to give Australian coach Brad Dubberley immense confidence less than five months out from the 2010 World Championships in Vancouver.

"Canada are a phenomenal team and for us to win like we did was great," Dubberley said.

"It was a real team effort. Everyone was committed and it goes a long way to showing what we're capable of.

"Overall this tournament has been great for our team in helping us to progress and develop new players, heading forward through to the World Championships in September.

"Of the ten athletes we have on our team here, four are rookies so they got a lot of great experience throughout this whole week. We haven't dropped a game since the Beijing Paralympics and we're heading in the right direction."

Ryley Batt again led the scoring for the Australians in the final with 44 goals, while Cameron Carr (7 goals), Steve Porter (5 goals), and Andrew Harrison (1 goal) also crossed the line.

Batt, voted the tournament's most valuable player, was at his devastating best at both ends of the floor. Not only did he contribute 44 goals, he was equally destructive in defence and twice left Canadian attacking star Fabien Lavoie needing assistance after bone-crunching hits.

In the third place playoff, New Zealand prevailed with a stunning 53-52 victory over Great Britain in double overtime.

Article and photos courtesy: Australian Paralympic Committee



Australian Steelers Team at the Opening Ceremony of the Four Nations Tournament



Australian Steelers Team with their winning trophy at the Closing Ceremony of the Four Nations Tournament

WHEELCHAIR SPORTS NSW ONLINE



WHEELCHAIR SPORTS WEBSITE

The staff at WS NSW having been working on designing a new website that will be launched Tuesday 15 June 2010. This website will be at the same address www.wsnsw.org.au but the new design is more user friendly, both for staff to keep it up to date and for members to stay up to date! Check it out after 15 June and let us know how else the website can help your WS NSW experience.

FACEBOOK

WOW....LOL.... Yes, the Wheelchair Sports Facebook page is now open!! Those who already have your account on Facebook please find our page then click the 'LIKE' tab on our page to be a 'fan' of us and receive regular updates.

If you do not have a Facebook account, it's easy to set up. Visit www.facebook.com and follow the prompts. Then you simply search for "Wheelchair Sports NSW" and click the 'LIKE' button on the WS NSW page.

While our website is undergoing renovations, WS NSW is using Facebook as a tool to update our members on useful information (events and links). This is also a chance for WS NSW members to post news such as results, event info and photos on the page to communicate with other WS NSW members.



Thank you for your support

Wheelchair Sports NSW would like to thank and acknowledge the following supporters who donated to us in the past few months:

The Danks Trust donated \$10,000 **St George Foundation** \$15,000 **The Gandle Charitable Trust** \$10,000
ANZ Trustees confirmed they will continue their support with another \$5000 grant

5th Stacks Goudkamp Golf Day for WS NSW – June 3

Acknowledgement needs to go to all our supporters who have donated prizes and sponsored holes for the 5th Stacks Goudkamp Golf Day which is organised by Gary Dawson and Matthew Laverty from the Charity Challenge.

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2010 WS NSW & Lords Taverner’s Race Day

This year’s race day was held at Randwick Race Course and 200 guests enjoyed a magnificent day where \$20,000 was raised to be split between the 2 charities.

Special thanks to the following supporters who helped to make the day successful

- Ben Coles - MC
- Gai Waterhouse
- Fenella Fields
- iSoft
- Randle Advisory
- Clubs NSW
- Club Managers Australia Association
- Richard Lucas
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- Jonathon O’Riordan
- John Valder
- Tyrrell’s Wines



Wayne Costin (Costin Roe Engineering) with friends having a punt at the Races



John Randle (Randle Advisory) with wife Chrissie and friend enjoying the Oaks Lawn Marquee hospitality



Maria Dzajkovski, Ivan Dzajkovski (Stacks Goukamp) with Jim O’Brien (CEO, WS NSW)



Master of Ceremonies, Ben Coles (Fox Sports) with Patron of the Day, Gai Waterhouse sharing some tips.



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- Have more fun by sending personal emails to your friends, family and colleagues and let them leave their message of support.

For more information contact Patrick Cameron on 9809 5260

Bequests

Bequests from thoughtful, caring people will help us to continue, through sport to provide a more fulfilling and balanced life for people with disabilities in New South Wales.

"Sport has provided me with a career and experiences that I may never have had if it wasn't for those early days competing for my State Wheelchair Sports Association. I have travelled the world and established great friendships, many of which are still an integral part of my life today."

Louise Sauvage OAM

Patron, Wheelchair Sports NSW
Champion Paralympian



Upcoming events for Wheelchair Sports NSW

1 September 2010

Junior Wheelchair Fundraising Lunch

Four Seasons Hotel, Sydney

SPORTS UNIT CONTACTS AT WS NSW



Ask us for support! If you are in need of assistance with coaching, finances, or development opportunities for your sport, contact the WS NSW Sports Unit. We are here to help!!

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As a new initiative, the 2010 WS NSW Singles Championships at Beresfield Bowling Club were a great success with 35 bowlers competing in the inaugural event. The event was an introduction to multi-disability bowls for many of those in attendance thus building the competitor database for future events in NSW.

The ladies draw ensured each game was a tough game. Results for our ladies were: Jillian Cupples (qualified for 3rd place play off), Joanne Hunter (qualified for final), Carolyn Nelson (qualified for final) and Lynn Smith (qualified for 3rd place play off). The final and the third place play off were both tightly contested with Carolyn Nelson edging out Joanne Hunter to take out the final 13 to 11 shots and Cupples defeating Smith 12 to 9.

The only downside of the event was that the heavens decided to open up and disrupt the men's finals. As a result of the persistent rain, the semi finals and finals of the mens draw had to be moved to the nearby Raymond Terrace Bowling Club.

Following the wet weather delay, play began with Peter "Steady" Ackley blowing away Michael Kedwell 16 to 8. In the other semi final, Victoria's Andrew Brandolin defeated Michael "The Show Man" Vassallo 17 to 12 and to go on to meet "Steady" in the final.

In the 3rd place pay off, "The Show Man" recovered very well to defeat Michael Kedwell 18 to 9 to claim 3rd place. In the final, Brandolin set the pace early and "Steady" did well to keep pace but fell away towards the end with the score eventually being 19 to 14 in favour of Brandolin.



PHOTO (left): Peter Ackley of Bombaderry Bowling Club during one of many great performances through the event.



PHOTO (right): Winner Andrew Brandolin from Victoria with WS NSW staff William Tan after defeating Peter Ackley in the final.

The **National Championships** were held recently at Darebin City Bowls Club (Melbourne), 3-7 May. The NSW "Wizards" could not weave the magic in the strong windy Melbourne weather. The highest placed male "Wizard" was debutant Michael Kedwell who finished a highly respectable 4th in his first National Championship after going down in a tight encounter tie-break to Andrew Brandolin in the Bronze medal play off 12-4, 5-10, 2-3. In the Gold medal match, South Australia's Liam Buckley def. Josh Barry from Victoria in straight sets.

In the ladies draw, there were 4 NSW bowlers and 1 Queensland bowler. In an all NSW final series, it was Jillian Cupples who overcame Joanne Hunter 4-0 in the tie-break (5-12, 6-5, 4-0) to claim the gold medal while Lynn Smith defeated Carolyn Nelson in straight sets 8-6, 11-7 to claim the Bronze medal.

The NSW Open pairs combinations faired well with N. Dummett / P. Ackley claiming the silver medal after being defeated in the Gold medal match 7-4, 14-4; while the ladies pairing of C. Nelson / J. Cupples were defeated in the Bronze medal match 12-10, 10-3.



Team NSW at the Presentation Dinner at the National Championships.



Michael Vassallo in the Mens Singles



Lynn Smith (bowling) and Joanne Hunter in the Open Pairs Draw



Two new regional programs were launched in February. These were in Newcastle and Canberra. More than 30 people attended each day and regular basketball training sessions have begun (Canberra - weekly and Newcastle - fortnightly).

A special thanks to Russell West (Regional Coordinator, Newcastle) and Jan Spinks (Regional Coordinator, Canberra) for their great coordination of the Come'n'try Day's and commencing their respective programs. WS NSW now has 8 regional programs throughout NSW. WS NSW has received expressions of interest from other regions and are working towards delivering wheelchair sports programs where possible in the future.

Gold medalist came to Albury

Multiple Paralympic medalist Kurt Fearnley OAM visited Albury to present the Annual Norske Skog Young Achievers Award, which recognizes outstanding sporting ability of young athletes in the Albury-Wodonga region. A WS NSW rugby player, Dylan Streller was nominated for the award this year.

Kurt visited two local schools at an Active After Hours session on wheelchair basketball. School kids really enjoyed the wheelchair basketball coaching by Kurt and WS NSW volunteer, Ruth Rennick.

To coincide with the event Terri Cavanagh, Regional Coordinator, Albury, organised for Kurt to meet with other WS NSW members who were available on the day. It was a great opportunity for regional members to meet the Road and Track Paralympian and World Champion,



Albury-Wodonga member Ruth Rennick and Kurt Fearnley teaching the finer points of the game to the schoolchildren

and Kurt proved a great role-model for them.

Regional Promotion

The regional promotional poster has been delivered to each region. You may start to see it appear at your local shopping centres and sporting venues. Please invite your friends and family to have fun whilst participating in wheelchair sports!!

Congratulation to Oliver and Kate!!

Two of our regional superstars Oliver Hunter and Kate

Cavanagh received prizes at the Shepparton Goulburn Valley Games Wheelchair Basketball Tournament. Oliver won the MVP in the B grade and Kate won the Encouragement Award. Congratulations Oliver and Kate!!



Basketball

Paralympic World Team Cup / World Championships

Australian's Men's Wheelchair basketball team left on the 24 May for Manchester to play in the Paralympic World Team Cup. WS NSW is pleased to announce that six of the twelve players come from NSW. This tournament will prepare the teams for the IWBF Wheelchair Basketball World Championships taking place in Birmingham from 7-17 July 2010.

While the official announcement of the Australian Team has not been made you can be sure to see many of your fellow statesmen fighting for Australia on the hardwood come July. Best of luck to our Men and Women wearing the Green and Gold.

Live Results from the Wheelchair Basketball Championships can be found on www.iwbf.org

Rollers Paralympic World Cup Team

Dylan ALCOTT (Vic), Jeremy DOYLE (NSW), Justin EVESON (WA), Michael HARTNETT (WA), Tristan KNOWLES (NSW), Bill LATHAM (NSW), John McPHAIL (NSW), Grant MIZENS (NSW), Brad NESS (WA), Shaun NORRIS (WA), Tige SIMMONS (QLD), Brett STIBNERS (NSW).

Head Coach: Ben Ettridge, Assistant Coach: Craig Friday
Assistant Coach: Tom Kyle, Physio: James Rahme
Manager: Leigh Gooding

Gliders World Challenge

The Gliders will play three games at Dandenong Basketball Stadium from 7-9 June before tying in with the Opals World Challenge for two double-headers in Geelong on 10 June and back in Dandenong on 11 June. The Gliders will definitely be one of the teams to beat at the IWBF Wheelchair World Championships with returning mighty mouse Kylie Gauci. Leisl Tesch, Tina McKenzie, Katie Hill and Sarah Stewart will join Kylie representing NSW in the Australian team. You can follow all of the exciting action at

<http://www.basketball.net.au/index.php?id=638>

The Gliders World Challenge Schedule

Mon 7 June	Aust. v Germany	7pm Dandenong
Tues 8 June	Aust. v Germany	7pm Dandenong
Wed 9 June	Aust. v Germany	1pm Dandenong
Thurs 10 June	Aust. v Germany	6pm Geelong
Fri 11 June	Aust. v Germany	6pm Dandenong



Women's National Wheelchair Basketball League

After 3 rounds of play the Sydney University Flames are leading the competition. For a list of full results please go to the following website.

<http://www.wnwbl.basketball.net.au/>

Ladder After Round 3

TEAM	P	W	L	Pts
Sydney Uni Flames	11	9	2	29
Western Stars	11	9	2	29
VIC Dandenong Rangers	11	3	8	17
Goudkamp Gladiators	11	1	10	13

Men's National Wheelchair Basketball League

The first round of the Men's league will begin Saturday 5 June at the Menai Indoor Sports Centre. Stay update with all the rounds and their results at

<http://nwblaus.com/>



Handcycling

The National Handcycling Series made its way to Sydney 19th & 20th March with a criterium race at Waratah Park (19th) and a road race at Lansdowne Park (20th), both of which represented tough courses for the athletes. The weather also created testing conditions with temperatures tipping well above the 30°C throughout the weekend.



Drafting on the home straight in the criterium (front to back): Ron Gibson (NSW) and Darren Anderson (QLD)



Stuart Tripp (red) drafting George Kambouris from QLD. NSW's Todd Philpott in close pursuit.

NSW's Glenn Bennett claimed maximum points in the H1 Classification after lasting the distance in Saturday's Road Race. Also claiming maximum points were Michael Taylor (H2 Classification - Vic), Stuart Tripp (H3 Classification - Vic) and Todd Philpott (H4 Classification - NSW).

A reminder that the NSW Handcycling Series will continue 20th June at Dunc Gray Velodrome with 4 races making up the Series. Each race will comprise a sprint lap followed by a 20 minute + 3 lap criterium race for each category. All ages and levels are encouraged to participate. Contact William Tan on williamt@wsnsw.org.au or 9809 5260 for more information.



Powerlifting

WS NSW is currently conducting an audit of members participating in powerlifting and others who may be interested and would like to give it a go. If you are interested in powerlifting, it is a great way to build strength and vary your training schedule. Contact William Tan on williamt@wsnsw.org.au or 9809 5260.



Wheelchair Rugby

On the local scene, the Sydney Slam Series has continued with strong turnouts each session. The next date is 3rd July, Willoughby Leisure Centre. All players, new and old are welcome. If you are interested in playing, volunteering, refereeing or becoming a score bench official, contact William Tan on williamt@wsnsw.org.au or 9809 5260.



Swimming

The Long Course Multi-Disability Meet on March 27 at Blacktown Aquatic Centre was a great success with a record number of swimmers entered. The meet displayed some outstanding racing, particularly from NSW Juniors Michael Auprince, Dominic Hopkinson, Reagan Wickens, Sophie Schumacher, Grace Kennedy, Cassandra Brown, Anna McNamara and Mikaela Dingley.

Results of the recent Short Course Meet on May 22 at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre will be available on the web soon.

2010 Swimming NSW Meets for Swimmers with a Disability Calendar:

- Saturday, August 7 Long Course (Blacktown)
- Saturday, October 23 Annual Championships (Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre)

IPC Swimming World Champions will be held in Eindhoven, The Netherlands from 15-21 August. 700 athletes will attend the World Championships from 55 Nations. Among those athletes competing will be our



very own Michael Auprince, Ben Austin, Matt Levy and Teigan Van Roosmalen.

For more information on the IPC Swimming World Championships check out the website:

http://www.ipc-swimming.org/news/2010_04_30_a.html

Information regarding the 2010 Swim Meet calendar can be found on www.wsnsww.org.au/swimming.html

Contact Jennifer jennifers@wsnsww.org.au for further details.



Wheelchair Tennis

Significant individual member achievements happened this Autumn.

Players from NSW travelled to Club Ali Bey Manavgat, Turkey to represent Australia at the 2010 World Team Cup. The Australian team consisted of 4 NSW players out of the 6 team members. These individuals included Ben Weekes, Adam Kellerman both in the Senior Team and Keegan Oh-Chee, and Stephan Rochecouste in the Junior Team. Tennis Australia posted the following on their website in regards to the World Team Cup,

“Young guns Keegan Oh-Chee (NSW) and Henry De Cure (SA) both defeated traditional rivals Great Britain in their singles matches to secure third place in the Juniors’ tournament.

Australian Wheelchair Tennis Coach Greg Crump (Vic) said he was proud of the high level of skill his new athletes displayed at the tournament, and commended both Oh-Chee, who won each of his singles matches, and De Cure who suffered just one defeat, on their outstanding contribution to the Australian Junior team campaign.

Rising star Adam Kellerman (NSW) was the stand out Australian in the Men’s round of competition – his four undefeated matches helping Australia secure tenth place overall. With still two years before the London Paralympic Games, Kellerman is shaping up to be a formidable force on the court.”

The 2010 Wheelchair Tennis Training and Development Camp will be held on Saturday August 28th with a Coaching Workshop on Monday August 30 at the Sydney Olympic Park Tennis Centre, Homebush to provide beginner to elite players from across NSW access to professional coaching and match practice. Coaches and players from around NSW are invited to attend the coaching workshop to enhance their knowledge of and skill in wheelchair tennis. Coaches are also encouraged to attend training camp on Saturday to observe these coaching techniques first hand.

Article and photo courtesy: Tennis Australia



Australian World Team Cup Team. (back row): Andrew Ash (Junior Coach), Greg Crump (Senior Coach), Adam Kellerman, Ben Weekes, Juhi Gupta (manager); (front row): Syephan Rochecouste, Keegan Oh-Chee, Micahel Dobbie and Henry DeCure

Recent results from NSW players Ben Weekes, Adam Kellerman, Stephan Rochecouste and Keegan Oh-Chee.

Ben Weekes: Korean Open - Runner up to Satoshi Saida (1-6, 3-6)

Israel Open: Runner up to Francesc Tur (4-6, 4-6)

Adam Kellerman: Yaffo Open (Futures Event) - Winner over Daniel Kordoni (6-2, 6-2)

World Team Cup singles matches - undefeated in Group B

Stephan Rochecouste: Junior World Team Cup - Round Robin doubles matches: with Henry De Cure (SA) def Turkey 6-1, 6-1; with Oh-Chee def Brazil 6-1, 6-4
Bronze medal doubles match: with Oh-Chee lost to Great Britain 5-7, 2-6.

Keegan Oh-Chee: Junior World Team Cup - Round Robin singles matches: Keegan Oh-Chee def Osman Tarin (Turkey) 6-0, 6-0; def Natalia Mayara (Brazil) 6-1, 6-3; def Roberto Chamizo (Spain) 5-2 / ret.

Bronze Medal singles match: def Alfie Hewitt (Great Britain) 6-2, 6-0

Israel Open: Winner Junior Division def Henry De Cure (Aus, SA)

2010 Important Dates In Wheelchair Tennis

NSW Wheelchair Tennis Series

- South Pacific Open (Nowra)- September 17-19
- NSW Open (Wollongong)- November 5-7
- Newcastle Open (Cessnock)-December 3-5

Monthly Coaching Clinics Held at the Moorong Tennis Courts

June 12	September 13
July 19	October 18
August 23	November 22



JUNIOR WHEELIES PROGRAM

The Wheelchair Sports NSW Junior Committee would like to extend their congratulations to Keegan Oh-Chee and Stephan Rochecouste for their participation in the 2010 Invacare Junior World Team Cup in Club Ali Bey Manavgat, Turkey. Keegan's impressive performance against the team from Great Britain in the bronze medal playoff, shows us we can expect great things from him in the years to come.

Keegan followed up with a win in the Israel Junior Wheelchair Open (Tel Aviv). Keegan (17yrs) from Eastwood in Sydney played his first official tennis tournament only in September 2008 but now is 12th overall in the International Junior rankings. Well done Keegan. Remember if you have any junior news to add, please email it to:

jennifers@wsnsw.org.au

2010 Junior Day Dates

- 27 June
- 25 July
- 29 August
- 26 September
- 31 October
- 28 November
- Junior Wheelie Christmas Camp 10-12 December

Times: 10.30am – 12.30pm

Free: BBQ for participants and families after each session

Where: Moorong Tennis Courts, Royal Rehabilitation Centre 600 Victoria Road, Ryde (Unless otherwise advised)

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

JUNIOR WHEELIES CHRISTMAS CAMP

What: Three action packed days of sport, fun & games!

When: December 10-12, 2010

Where: Sydney Academy of Sport & Recreation Wakehurst Parkway, Narrabeen, NSW

For more information on any of these programs and to book your place, contact Jennifer @ Wheelchair Sports NSW on 02 9809 5260



** STOP PRESS **

Bronze basketballers

The Australian men's wheelchair basketball team, the Rollers, and the Australian women's wheelchair basketball team, the Gliders, have collected bronze in their respective events at the 2010 Paralympic World Cup in Manchester, England.

The Rollers were facing European champions Italy in the bronze medal match but were never overly troubled by the Italians, eventually winning 65-32. Bill Latham, Brett Stibners, Tristan Knowles, John McPhail and Grant Mizens were the NSW athletes in action for the Rollers.

The women's match was a struggle through the early stages but eventually began to flow freely with Australia taking the victory over the host nation Great Britain, 59-24. Kylie Gauci scored 10 points for the Gliders, she was joined by fellow NSW players Katie Hill, Tina McKenzie and Sarah Stewart on the team.

The next major competition for both teams will be the 2010 IWBF World Championships in Manchester during July.

Article courtesy: NSWIS



Great start to 2010...

The last 3 months have been a great start to the year with regards to Roadshow bookings for Schools, PCYC's and Corporate Presentations. Our two Roadshow vans and presenters have visited **49** venues and have presented our Arrive alive Wheelchair Basketball program to approx **3763** students and adults.

REGIONAL ROADSHOWS:

The month of May has been extremely busy for our Roadshow Presenter John Wade. John has driven around the State to present at 3 separate regional areas.

South Coast trip: Moruya High, Ulladulla High and Bombala High

Central West trip: Red Bend Catholic College in Forbes, Cowra High and Parkes High

North Coast trip: Clarence Valley Anglican School (Grafton), St Andrews Christian School (Grafton), Grafton High, Macksville High and Kempsey Adventist College.

In June the Roadshow is off for a week in the ACT and Queanbeyan and a couple of days in Muswellbrook.



John Wade setting off on his Regional Trip to the South Coast, May 2010



Students from Bombala High enjoying the Roadshow



CORPORATE ROADSHOWS:

We had a very exciting Corporate Roadshow booking in May which was for the staff members at McGrath Nicol. We would like to thank Kylie Gauci and Sarah Stewart for presenting to all those that attended.

For more information about the Corporate Roadshow do not hesitate to contact Lisa, Mel or Patrick on 9809 5260. This is an opportunity for

the corporate sector to experience unique and effective team building with a presentation by one of WS NSW's exciting Paralympians.

We would like to thank all the dedicated Roadshow Presenters for their enthusiasm and hard work. It has been a hectic few months and even more challenging due to staff members availability. So a special thank you to the Roadshow staff for being so flexible with your days over this period.



UPCOMING EVENTS

	Level	Sport	Event	Location	Event contact
June					
2-4	International	Tennis	Roland Garros (Grand Slam)	Paris	WS NSW - Jen
4-6	National	Basketball	National Wheelchair Basketball League (NWBL) Rd 1	TBC	Basketball Australia
5	State	Rugby	Sydney Slam Series Round 4	State Sports Centre	WS NSW - Will
7-12	International	Basketball	Gliders World Challenge	Dandenong and Geelong, VIC	Basketball Australia
11-13	International	Rugby	North America Cup	Alabama, USA	WS NSW - Will
11-13	National	Basketball	Old State Championships "The Classic"	Brisbane	Sporting Wheelies
18-20	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 2	Dandenong, Victoria	WS VIC
18-20	International	Rugby	Canada Cup	Montreal	WS NSW - Will
20	State	Athletics	NSW Track & Road Series 1	Dunc Gray Criterium Track, Bass Hill	WS NSW - Will
20	State	Handcycling	NSW Handcycling Series Race 1	Dunc Gray Criterium Track, Bass Hill	WS NSW - Will
22-27	International	Tennis	BNP Paribas French Open (Super Series)	Paris	WS NSW - Jen
27	State	Juniors	Junior Day	Ryde-Moorong	WS NSW-Jennifer
July					
2-4	International	Tennis	Wimbledon	London	WS NSW - Jen
3	State	Rugby	Sydney Slam Series Round 5	Willoughby Leisure Centre	WS NSW - Will
3-4	National	Athletics	Gold Coast 1/2 Marathon	Gold Coast	Sporting Wheelies
5-19	NSW School Holidays				
7-17	International	Basketball	World Championships	Birmingham	WS NSW - Jen
9-11	National	Rugby	National Wheelchair Rugby League Round 2	Adelaide	WS SA
16-18	National	Tennis	Nth QLD Wheelchair Championships (Futures)	Townsville	Sporting Wheelies
20-25	International	Tennis	British Open (Super Series)	Nottingham	WS NSW - Jen
23-25	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 3		WS NSW - Jen
25	State	Athletics	NSW Track & Road Series Race 2	Dunc Gray Criterium Track, Bass Hill	WS NSW - Will
25	State	Handcycling	NSW Handcycling Series Race 2	Dunc Gray Criterium Track, Bass Hill	WS NSW - Will
25	State	Juniors	Junior Day	Ryde-Moorong	WS NSW-Jennifer
30-1	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 4		WS NSW -Jen
August					
6-8	National	Rugby	National Wheelchair Rugby League Round 3	Brisbane	Sporting Wheelies
6-8	National	Basketball	Womens National Wheelchair Basketball League (WNWBL) - Rd 4	Sydney Uni	WS NSW - Jen
13-15	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 5	Dandenong, Victoria	WS VIC
20-22	National	Rugby	National Wheelchair Rugby League Finals	Sydney	WS NSW - Will
20-22	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 6	TBC	
27-29	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 7	TBC	
29	State	Juniors	Junior Day	Ryde-Moorong	WS NSW-Jennifer
September					
4	State	Rugby	Sydney Slam Series Round 6	State Sports Centre	WS NSW - Will
3-5	National	Basketball	NWBL - Round 8	Dandenong, Victoria	WS VIC

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