

## **Athletics**

At the 2008 Melbourne Grand Prix Meet IAAF World Athletics Tour Olympic Park, Melbourne in the Women 100 metres Open Finals, Crystal Attenborough, 11.74 seconds finished second behind winner Andrea Miller, NZL in a time of 11.69

In the Women 200 metres Open Crystal was the fastest Australian in a time of 24.18 behind Monique Williams, NZL, 23.75. and second place Melaine Walker, JAM, 23.80.

At the Australian Athletics Cup in Brisbane Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Narelle Long finished 9<sup>th</sup> in a time of 12.85. in the Women 100 Metre Open and 8<sup>th</sup> a time of 26.75 in the 200m open race.

At the Queensland Championships Crystal finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100m final in a time of 11.77sec and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the final of the 200m in a time of 24.06.

At the Sydney Athletics Grand Prix Women 200 metres Open Finals, Crystal, NTIS, 24.58 came 8<sup>th</sup> behind an international field that was won by Sherone Simpson, from Jamaica in a time of 23.44.

## **Baseball**

Wilson Lee, Carbine Club Development scholarship holder has left the NTIS and taken up a full scholarship with the South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) Baseball Squad Program this month.

Wilson has recently had solid performances at the Australian U18 AAA Baseball Championships in Perth during January 08, while playing for the Combined Territories team. As a pitcher, Wilson finished the tournament with a 4.22 earned run average and restricted the opposition hitters to a 0.182 batting average against him. There were several professional Major League Baseball scouts at the tournament, where they clocked him at a maximum of 85 mph.

Wilson is also striving to be invited to the MLBAAP again in July 08, where the Australian Team to compete at the AAA World U19 Championships will be selected later this year.

## **Cricket**

Congratulations to Cameron Francis who has been awarded a Carbine Club Development Scholarship. Cameron has just returned from the U19 Australian camp playing against NZ U19 team in two warm up games. Unfortunately he did not get a call up from the reserve list to go to Malaysia with the team.

## **Cycling**

Alice Spring's Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder David Johnston has been selected for Australia to attend the World MTB championships to be held in Val di Sole, Italy 16-22 June. He will be racing at the Oceania Championships commencing 17 March in Nelson, New Zealand. David, a cross country rider has also moved interstate to the ACT for further competition and training and where he will attend University next year.

Elite Development cyclist and AIS scholarship holder Matt King suffered a broken arm in the 5<sup>th</sup> stage at the Tour of Wellington and missing out on the Le Tour de Langkawi. He has however been selected to tour Europe with SA.com/AIS team.

## **Hockey**

Congratulations to Nathan Edwards, Des Abbott, Adrian Lockley, Jonathon Peris, Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Leon Hayward, and Joel Carroll, in the AHL team the

Northpharm Territory Stingers that will play in Canberra over a two week period starting this week. National coach, Barry Dancer says Olympic squad selection will be made at the conclusion of the tournament.

Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Heather Langham is the only NTIS athlete in the Women's Territory Pearls in Perth next month.

The U18 men's team to compete in Adelaide in April has been selected and congratulations to the following NTIS players: Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Robert Duguid, Tarrant Haami, Dylan Hill, Bryce Luck, Brendan O'Connor and Steven Tonkiss.

The U18 women's team has been selected and congratulations to the following NTIS athletes: Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Candice Liddy and Elizabeth Duguid.

### **Judo**

Both Kelly Fong and Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Tamara Betts have been selected for Australia at the Oceania Championships in March. 15 year old, Tamara Betts, the number one ranked Young Women's player, won Gold in the U16's, silver in the Young Women's losing to a New Zealander and had some good fights in the seniors.

### **Netball**

The 2008 NT 17 and under and the NT 19 and under teams were announced with the following NTIS athlete's and ex NTIS athlete's selected:

17's: Ashleigh Adams, Kelly Brieffies, Emma Kay, Stacey McKenzie, Jessica Moller, Cassandra Ruger, Jessica Smith, Lucy Williams, and Sarah Winch.

19's: Chloe Alderman, Kim Bruyn, Alyce Casilli, Keesha Jones and Tegan Pannell.

### **Sailing**

Singapore Airlines Sail Auckland Damien Ford and Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Mark Edmonds finished in 33<sup>rd</sup> place in the Tornado category. Carbine Club Development Scholarship holders Rohan Langworthy and Jack Benson finished in 37<sup>th</sup> position as they had technical problems with the boat and were only able to complete 4 races.

At the World Championships, Rohan and Jack are the youngest team in the championships. At the end of day 1 Rohan and Jack were sitting in 30<sup>th</sup> place out of the 52 Open teams, At the end of day 2 they were sitting at 27<sup>th</sup> place after a 18<sup>th</sup> finish in race 4.

Damien Ford and Mark Edmonds are in 43<sup>rd</sup> place after 2 days at the Worlds because the boys did not compete in race 1 due to main sheet troubles at the start line.

### **Swimming**

Carbine Club Development Scholarship holder Kia King, living in Adelaide has recently obtained 2 personal bests times in the 50m breaststroke and is looking competitive for the 2008 Telstra Australian Swimming Championship next month in Sydney.

### **Tennis**

Congratulations to Adil Hakeem for his academic achievement last year while maintaining to be the best tennis player he can be. He was the Chief Ministers Award Most Outstanding Achievement Distance Ed Student, Highest scorer for Physical Education ever and top of Darwin High School's Accounting class.

At the Wellington U18 ITF summer championships 17 year old Adil lost in the second round to Sanmin Park from Korea in a 3 set match. 13 year old Emily Webb lost in the first round.

Adil was a semi finalist at the Sunsmart U18 Canterbury ITF Championships losing to Josh Nelson from Australia 3-6, 3-6. Both Emily Webb and 14 year old Matilda Hurst lost in the first round.

### **Tenpin Bowling**

NTIS tenpin Bowling squad had a skills camp and tournament in Darwin from 22-24 February. At the camp they had a tournament that Andrew McArthur won.

### **Triathlon**

Sophie Hawkins completed her first ITU elite female race in 7<sup>th</sup> place overall and 5<sup>th</sup> place in the Elite category, 4th place at the Aust Championship at the Hobart International Triathlon race/ Australian Professional Sprint Championships. Coming off an ankle injury that had interrupted her running preparations over the last two months, Sophie; proved competitive at this elite level.

### **Weightlifting**

Congratulations to the following weightlifters selected in the NTIS Squad: Andrea Mullins, Melissa Miller and Roy Williams. The weightlifting squad will be attending the National club championships in Sydney on March 15.

### **Wheelchair Basketball**

Melanie Hall selected for the Australian Women's' wheelchair Basketball team "Gliders" lost in the final to the USA at the Osaka Cup in Japan.

The Australian women's wheelchair basketball team have been defeated 52-40 in the final of the 2008 Osaka Cup at the Osaka Municipal Central Stadium.

Despite progressing to the final as the only undefeated team at the tournament - following a 45-40 triumph over world number one Canada, 59-37 win over host nation Japan and a dominant 29-point win over the US the previous day – the Gliders couldn't hold on the second half.

### **NTIS Coaches and Staff**

Stacey West was appointed coach of the Territory Senior team to compete in the Australian Netball League. Stacey West attended a high performance netball coaching conference in Melbourne this month.

Melissa Hall travelled to Perth to assist in training the AIS/SIS/SAS women's hockey team that played against Great Britain in lead up games prior to the Australian Hockeyroos team playing against Great Britain. Melissa also attended Australia's pre game and half time talks to learn more about the Australian team and coaching styles.