





## Edition 89 - June 2023

## **Athletics Updates**

June has been a busy month for our athletics squad, with athletes working on their preparation for upcoming international competitions, whilst others are now settled in working towards their domestic season.

Deon Kenzie has been named in the Australian Para-Athletics Worlds Team and is now into pre-camp in Montpellier, France, in final preparations for the 2023 World Para Athletics Championships. His final race hit out will be held Saturday 1 July in preparation.

Deon will compete in the 1500m T38, with round 1 scheduled for day 8 on 16 July and the final on the 17 July.

Abbie Butler has completed her European U20 Tour with two very good performances at the Track Night in Vienna, Austria. Abbie, the youngest competitor, was provided a great introduction to official international competition, running against experienced steeplechases from around the world in the night meet, running another World Junior qualifying time 10:35.00.

This was a great lead in to her event in Mannheim, Germany where she won bronze in the U20 3K Steeplechase.

The overall experience for Abbie was great as her first international event, experiencing some of the highs and lows associated with travel, whilst being away from home and her usual support structure. Abbie travelled up to 36 hours experiencing delays, being stuck in airports and battled heat and illness, which required her to show a great level of resilience to perform at an optimal level given the challenges. A bronze was an excellent result.

Jacob Despard, after a full training block in Hong Kong and Switzerland, is now starting his competition taper phase in preparations for the London Diamond League 4x100m relay end of July. This will kick off with a 100m race in France this weekend.

Stewart McSweyn has entered an altitude training block in Italy in final preparations for the World Track & Field Championships later in August.

The rest of the TIS Squad team are all working hard for their 2024 domestic season.

Image: Abbie Butler (right)

Image Credit: Athletics Australia



### **Cycling Updates**

Sam Fox competed at two UCI World Cup Events during June. Lenzerheide, Switzerland where he finished 44th in the Elite Men's XCO and Leogang, Austria where he was 66th. Sam has now returned home focusing on his preparations for a potential start at the World Championships in August and the final World Cup events in Europe in September which Cam Ivory is also preparing for.

Felicity Wilson-Haffenden and Sam McKee are in their final preparations before they head overseas. Felicity will compete at the Junior World Road Championships in Glasgow from 5–8 August and the Junior World Track Championships 23–27 August. Sam will compete at the Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinidad and Tobago 4–11 August and the Junior World Track Championships in Glasgow 23–27 August.

Matthew Gilmore will be heading to Europe for the next six weeks as part of the AusCycling coaching team for the World Championships. Matthew will spend time with the Junior Road Team before stepping in as the Elite Men and Women's bunch race coach. This is a fantastic opportunity for Matthew and we wish him all the best.

# **Hockey Highlights**

In June, the Hockeyroos and Kookaburras played in Europe for the final matches in the Pro League series. They played games against the Netherlands and Belgium.

The Kookaburras have played all 16 games in the Pro-League and are currently awaiting the completion of the tournament for final position placing.

The Hockeyroos came away with three wins and a loss from the European season. Maddison Brooks scored her third international goal in the Hockeyroos shootout win against the Dutch in game two.

These are the last international matches for both teams before the Oceania Cup in August and the last chance to impress for selection for the best of three series against New Zealand, which also doubles as Olympic qualifiers.

Max Larkin has completed his European Tour with the Australian Junior Men's team (Burras) in Europe. Max played games against Belgium, Germany and the Netherlands U21 National teams. This international debut provided great experience for Max as he works towards selection for the Sultan of Johor Cup (in October) and the Men's Junior World Cup in Malaysia (in December).

We wish hockey athletes Emily Rockefeller, Isabelle Kruimink, Max Johnstone & Ruben Hoey all the best for the upcoming U18 Hockey Championships, Hobart, 1-9 July.

Image: Centre: Maddison Brooks

Image Credit: Hockeyroos



### **Sailing Achievements**

#### Sailing

TIS Scholarship athletes Will Sargent and Eddie Reid, along with Paige Caldecoat (NSW) and Eirini Marios (TAS), competed as Team Ares at the 2023 SB20 World Championships in the Netherlands, 17-23 June in the SB20 sailboat class.

With a total of 53 teams entering from Australia, France, Netherlands, Great Britain, Singapore, Ireland, Finland & the United Arab Emirates, the Ares team went on to win Gold becoming Australia's first all Australian crew to become SB20 World Champions.

At the award ceremony, Skipper Will Sargent first and utmost thanked his team and called them "the best team in the world". "It was a very close event, and it came down to the last race. There was a bit of match racing and a couple of penalties, but we managed to come out with a win, so we're really excited."

This was a fantastic opportunity for Will & Eddie to gain further experience in international racing.

Image: Team Ares L-R: Skipper Will Sargent, Bow Eirini Marios, Trim, Eddie Reid & Mainsheet Paige Caldecoat

Image Credit: @ Laurens Morel-saltycolours.com



**Image:** L to R, Eddie Reid, Paige Caldecoat, Eirini Marios & Will Sargent **Image credit:** @ Laurens Morel-saltycolours.com



# **Sport Program Activities**

With some solid wins in the first three rounds, Sarah advanced to the fourth round of competition resulting in her world ranking moving down from 120 to 112.

Sarah is now preparing for World Cup 4, France, in August.

#### Rowing

Sarah Hawe and Henry Youl both competed at the World Rowing Cup II in Varese, Italy during June. Sarah competing in the Women's Four had a strong regatta ultimately coming away with a bronze medal in the final. Henry competed in the Single Sculls finishing second in the E final before being called up to the Men's Quad Scull in the final where they finished sixth.

World Cup III in Lucerne, Switzerland is the next regatta and will be the final competition before the World Championships In September.

Sophie Robinson will depart this month to compete at the 2023 World University Games in Chengdu, China at the end of July. The games are staged every two years, and this event draws in some of the best student-athletes from around the world.

Sophie will compete in the Lightweight Women's Pair along with teammate Maggie Foley (VIC).

#### Sailing

Sam King competed in the Kieler Woche (Kiel Week Regatta) held 17-25 June, hosted by the Keiler Yacht Club in Germany. Sam reached a career high finishing 10th out of 115 competitors in the highly competitive ILCA 7 Class. Sam was the first Australian across the line.

#### Swimming

Max Guiliani and Noah Kamprad competed in the Swimming World Championship Trials in Melbourne held 13-18 June.

Max competed in the Men's 100m and 200m Freestyle, the latter event finishing eighth in the final with a time of 1:48.05. A fantastic result for Max.

Max has also been selected in the Australian A Team to tour the US to the TYR Pro Championship at the end of July. Max will travel with the team for a week's staging camp prior to moving their attention to the Championships.

Noah Kamprad competed in the Men's 400m, 800m and in the1500m where he finished in eighth position in the 1500m event. The World Championship Trials were a great opportunity for Noah.

#### Triathlon

Jake Birtwhistle has continued some good form overseas finishing ninth at the World Triathlon Cup in Mexico before finishing eleventh in Montreal in the World Triathlon Championship Series. The World Triathlon Championship series continues during July with events in Hamburg, 16 July and Sunderland 30 July.

### Nominations for Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame

Sporting organisations and individuals play an important role in identifying sportspeople to nominate for the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.

Nominations opened 1 July for the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame which honours outstanding Tasmanian sportspeople who have represented their state and nation with distinction.

The Sporting Hall of Fame illustrates Tasmanian's who have achieved success in a wide range of sports. It is important for remembering and celebrating high achievers and recording their inspiring stories for future sportspeople.

To be considered, a person must:

- have achieved outstanding performance in sporting competition while either identifying themselves as Tasmanian or acknowledging Tasmania as their home;
- have participated in open competition at the highest level of their sport;
- be retired from that level of competition for a minimum period of four years; and
- have exhibited a standard of behaviour that is fair, ethical and above reproach in relation to the rules and

regulations of their sport and the community's expectations.

Individuals considered have typically represented Australia with a medal-winning or outstanding performance in their sport.

The new inductees will be formally inducted into the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame at the end of the year.

Applications will close at 5pm on 18 August 2023.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from: <u>Tasmanian Hall of Fame / Active Tasmania</u>

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Athletics

2023 World Para Athletics Championships, Paris, France 8-17 July 2023 London Diamond League, 27 July

#### Cycling

2023 Commonwealth Youth Games, Trinidad and Tobago, August 4–11 2023 World Junior Road Championships, Glasgow, Scotland, August 5-13 2023 World Junior Track Championships, Cali, Columbia, August 23-27 2023 World Senior Track Championships, Glasgow, Scotland, August 3-8

Hockey U18 Hockey Championships, Hobart, 1-9 July

Rowing 2023 FISU World University Games, Chengdu, China, 28 July-8 August

**Swimming** 2023 TYR Pro Championships, Irvine, California, USA 26-29 July

Triathlon

The World Triathlon Championship Series Hamburg, 16 July and Sunderland 30 July.

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