# Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame Honour Roll 2008

# THE MEMBERS

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1987	ATKINSON, J. (Snowy) – All-Rounder	1987	YOUD, Doug – Woodchopping
1987	BADCOCK, Jack – Cricket	1988	BAKER, Max – Jockey
1987	BALDOCK, Darrel – Australian Football	1988	<b>CASHION</b> , Terry – Australian Football
1987	BARWICK, Ernest – Athletics	1988	NETTLEFOLD, Len-Golf
1987	BATT, Harry – Yachting	1988	PENNEY, Trevor – Shooting
1987	BATT, William (Skipper) – Yachting	1988	YOUL, Audrey – Swimming
1987	BURGESS, Judith - Hockey	1989	BATT, H. Neall – Yachting
1987	<b>CARTER</b> , Bruce – Australian Football	1989	HARRISON, Lucilla – Golf
1987	CAZALY, Roy – Australian Football	1989	STOKES, Ray – All-Rounder
1987	CHARLESWORTH, Connie – Hockey	1990	HODGSON, Arthur-Australian Football
1987	<b>DEVLIN</b> , Wayne – <i>Boxing</i>	1990	<b>SMITH</b> , Bill – <i>Boxing</i>
1987	<b>DUNBABIN</b> , Penny – All-Rounder	1991	BURKE, Nita – Basketball
1987	EADY, Charles – Cricket	1991	<b>KENT</b> , Julie – <i>Diving</i>
1987	FREE, Reg – Rowing	1992	ATKINS, Ron – Snooker
1987	GARWOOD,  Rex - All-Rounder	1992	FREEMAN, Gerald – Boxing
1987	GILMORE, Graeme – Cycling	1992	GOWER, Ron – Boxing
1987	$\textbf{GORRINGE}, \textbf{Horrie} - Australian \ Football$	1993	CALDOW, Margaret – Netball
1987	GOURLAY, Helen – Tennis	1993	FISH, Maree – Hockey
1987	HALE, Ted – Rowing	1993	FOSTER, Kathy – Basketball
1987	HALLAM, Len – Rowing	1993	GOGGIN, Lindy – Golf
1987	HARRISON, Virginia – Swimming	1993	HART, Royce - Australian Football
1987	<b>HORDER</b> , Denise – <i>Table Tennis</i>	1993	<b>LEAN</b> , David – Athletics
1987	<b>HUDSON</b> , Peter – Australian Football	1993	LIVINGSTON, Ross – Badminton
1987	MARSHALL, Sperry – Shooting	1993	MURRAY, Don – Badminton
1987	MARTIN, Geoff – All-Rounder	1993	STEWART, Ian – Australian Football
1987	McVILLY, Cecil – Rowing	1993	WALKER, Max – Cricket
1987	MURDOCH, Elvie – Golf	1994	<b>DALGLEISH</b> , Betty – Golf
1987	NASH, Laurie – All-Rounder	1994	<b>GRENDA</b> , Albert (Alf) – <i>Cycling</i>
1987	<b>THOMPSON</b> , Tim – Badminton	1994	GRENDA, Michael – Cycling
1987	TOOGOOD, Peter – Golf	1994	HITE, Bev – Badminton
1987	TURNER, Ken – Badminton	1994	KING, Dulcie – Badminton

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1996	WILSON, Michael - Cycling	
1997	CHETTLE, David – Athletics	
1997	CUBIT, Jocelyn – Athletics	
1997	FRATENGELO, Luigi~(Gino) - Weightlifting	
1997	JACK, Elizabeth – Diving	
1997	LUKE, Gail – Athletics	
1998	<b>BOON</b> , David – <i>Cricket</i>	
1998	CLARK, Danny - Cycling	
1998	FRENCH, Graeme – Cycling	
1998	THURLEY, Brett – Water Skiing	
1999	<b>GENDERS</b> , Peter – Canoeing	
1999	${\bf HOLLINGSWORTH,Simon-Athletics}$	
2000	AYLING, Geoffrey – Shooting	
2000	<b>HANIGAN</b> , Brendan – Athletics	
2001	CAMPBELL, Malcolm – Motorcycle Racing	
2001	YOUL, Simon – Tennis	
2002	<b>LARTER</b> , Kellie – <i>Gymnastics</i>	
2003	<b>HAWKINS</b> , Stephen – <i>Rowing</i>	
2005	CARLTON, Melissa – Swimming	
2005	GOODMAN, Scott – Swimming	
2005	SPROULE, Daniel – Hockey	
2005	Van KEULEN, Julie – Athletics	
2006	BOOCOCK, Justin – Canoe Slalom	
2006	BURGESS, Simon – Rowing	
2006	CROSSWELL, Brent-Australian Football	
2006	STOCKS, Brett – Swimming	

THOMAS, Bradley - Athletics

2006

Year of Induction

2007	ANDREWS, Susan – Athletics
2007	FOSTER, David (George) – Woodchopping
2007	LANGHAM-PRITCHARD, Bianca – Hockey
2007	RICE, Grant – Cycling
2008	McVILLY, Graham – Cycling
2008	FROMBERG, Richard - Tennis

#### Message from the Minister

For many Tasmanians, life revolves around sport, they thrive on the energy and passion that sport generates.

Sport brings people together in a way that transcends social, physical and economic barriers.

Through sport, whether it's playing, watching or facilitating, we experience moments of extraordinary human endeavour and achievement.



The importance of sport to the overall health and happiness of Tasmanians cannot be under estimated or quantified, such is its influence.

Our elite sportsmen and women past and present are ambassadors for our state and heroes for our kids.

This year I recall the adulation that our Beijing Olympians received upon returning home, and in February, the jubilation at Bellerive Oval when the Tigers beat Victoria to win the Ford Ranger One Day Cup. There is no doubting that our sporting successes are a positive influence on the lives of everyday Tasmanians.

We are proud of Tasmania's contribution to the world of sport and we are even prouder of the Tasmanians that have represented us.

It is important that the achievements of our elite athletes are recognised and remembered so that future generations can learn and aspire.

The Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame plays an important role in the preservation and promotion of our sporting heritage.

We are truly grateful and proud of the efforts and achievements of the 97 members of the Tasmanian Hall of Fame who have been inducted since 1987.

This year they will be joined by two new members, the late Graham McVilly and Richard Fromberg, who have each made an exceptional contribution to cycling and tennis respectively.

I warmly congratulate this year's inductees and welcome them into this very prestigious club.

Michelle O'Byrne MP

**Minister for Sport and Recreation** 

### SUSAN ELIZABETH ANDREWS

#### **Athletics**

Commencing with the Eastern Suburbs Club and coming under the strong influence of noted coach, the late Graeme Stoward, Susan started her outstanding career as a sprinter. As such, she won numerous state titles and, after success at the state level, was awarded a Tasmanian Institute of Sport (TIS) scholarship, enabling her to gain further valuable competition experience.

This stood her in good stead, as she was selected for her first national team to compete in the 1986 Junior World Championships, where she reached the semi-finals of the 400 metres. Selected again in 1990 for the World Juniors, she finished fourth in the 400 metre individual final and was a member of Australia's gold-medal-winning 4 x 400 metre relay team.

In 1990, Susan's outstanding potential as a junior athlete and her excellent early achievements were recognised within the broader community, when she was named as Tasmania's Young Achiever of the Year.

Her hard work and perseverance saw Susan selected for a further nine major international competitions, including the 1990 Auckland Commonwealth Games, where she won a silver medal in the 4 x 400 metre relay, and the 1998 Kuala Lumpur Commonwealth Games, where she was part of the gold-medal-winning relay team.

Susan excelled at a time when Australia was inundated with topclass 400 metre female athletes and selection in even a relay team was never assured.

A two-time Olympian, Susan finished seventh in the relay at her first Olympic Games, in 1992 at Barcelona. In 2000, she added a longer distance to her repertoire, competing in both the 800 metres and the 4 x 400 metre relay at Australia's home Olympic Games in Sydney.

Susan also competed in two World Championships, in 1999 and again in 2003, as well as being selected in the 1999 World Indoor team, where she won another silver medal in the relay. During that time the Australians boasted an exceptionally strong quartet of 400 metre runners, with Susan being one of the first to be selected in each of those teams.

To gain access to both more intensive coaching and tougher competition, and to advance her academic studies as a graphic design artist, Susan moved to Western Australia in 1997. She continued to compete as a Tasmanian until the national rules required her to run for her adopted state; however, she maintained her TIS scholarship and her links to home for as long as possible.

Following the 2003 World Championships, Susan retired from international competition, leaving a legacy of a great career and a reputation as both an outstanding ambassador for her sport and for Tasmania.



26 January 1971



TASMANIA

Inducted 2007

# RON ATKINS OAM

#### Snooker

Ron Atkins is arguably the best Australian Snooker player ever produced in Tasmania. Despite the loss of his left leg in a shooting accident he was successful at his first attempt at the Tasmanian Snooker Championship and this marked the start of a remarkable career.

With typical doggedness and a natural gift for sport, the young lad turned to snooker as a means of satisfying his natural thirst for competition. Unable to join a club until he was 21, he practised as often as he could. Those long hours paid off, for at his first attempt at the Tasmanian Snooker Championship he was successful and this marked the start of a remarkable career.

He won the Tasmanian Championship on 15 occasions - 14 of these in succession which is an Australian record.

These successes led to state representation and he went on to win the Australian Amateur Snooker Championships on 3 occasions - 1975, 1976 and 1977. During those 3 years he won 20 matches in succession also an Australian record.

National selection followed and in 1976 he represented Australia at the World Amateur Snooker Championship in Johannesburg losing in the quarter finals to the eventual winner Doug Mountjoy. At the 1980 World Championships in Launceston Ron reached the final losing to Englishman Jimmy White.

In 1976 he won the Sportsman's Association Lindy Award as the Tasmanian Sportsman of the year and in 1977 was named the TVT6 Inaugural Tasmanian Sportsman of the year.

Between 1964 and 1987, Ron won all thirty two state and zone snooker championships he contested.

Ron was also involved in the administration of the sport for 28 years including a 10 year period as President of the Tasmanian Billiards and Snooker Association. He also had a term as the National President and Vice Chairman of the International Body.



14 April 1937



TASMANIA

# JAMES ARCHIBALD ('Snowy') ATKINSON

#### All-Rounder

James was one of the finest footballers to play in Tasmania between the two world wars. He began his senior career with Fitzroy (V.F.L.) in 1913 and held his place in the Fitzroy team until he accepted the position as coach of Lefroy in 1926.

A high flying, hard-hitting centre half back, he had, at one time or another, almost every bone in his body broken, including his windpipe.

He was Captain of Fitzroy in 1924-25 and Captain/Coach of Lefroy in 1926-27-28-29 and halfway through 1930, when he was forced to retire because of injury.

'Snowy' also played cricket. One could say he was arguably Tasmania's finest cricket captain, captaining the state side between 1929-1934 on 18 occasions. He was the first batsman in Tasmania to score 1,000 runs in club cricket in three successive seasons 1927-28 to 1930-31.

'Snowy' Atkinson was 6ft. tall, an orthodox right-hand batsman who excelled on wet or turning pitches, a useful change bowler, and an agile 'close to the wicket' fieldsman who took 33 catches: He was an outstanding Australian Rules footballer and cricketer.



4 April 1896 - 11 June 1956



TASMANIA

# GEOFFREY MERVYN AYLING AM

### Shooting

Following the First World War, returned Australian servicemen helped establish local shooting clubs around the country where military issue .303 Lee Enfield rifles were used until well into the 1960's. These were gradually replaced from that time by purpose built target rifles.

Shooting, in Commonwealth countries in particular, became a very popular and successful sport. Tasmania played a significant role in the development of this pastime, producing many outstanding full bore shooters.

Geoff Ayling was one of these first class sportsmen. His shooting record is unparalleled in Tasmania – in fact, he ranks in the top echelon of the all time great Australian shooters.

Geoff started his career in 1953 as a 14-year-old and is still shooting today, having competed around the world both as an individual and as an Australian team member.

His record of performances is quite amazing even when viewed as cold, hard statistics.

On the local Tasmanian scene – at club championships and one day aggregates – he amassed a staggering 350 plus wins. This does not include 6 Tasmania Queen's Prizes. (A Queen's Prize event is an annual competition conducted in every state and territory and is awarded only to the winner of that event. It is staged over 3 days with 10 targets at each of 10 distances ranging from 300 yards to 1,000 yards. It is a trial of both stamina and skill and requiring intense concentration).

At the Australian level, Geoff won 4 other Queen's Prizes and a National Queen's as well.

Internationally his successes include a 1980 Queen's in Barbados, a 1981 World Championship Gold medal at the "home" of shooting at Bisley in England and in that same year, he won the coveted Queen's Prize at Bisley where 1700 competitors vied for that honour. He added a further Queen's to that already imposing list when he was successful in the Kenya event in 1990.

In addition to these wonderful individual results he represented his country with distinction at two Commonwealth Games. He was selected for the Edmonton Games in 1978 and finished just out of medal contention. But in Brisbane in 1982 he shot superbly and won the Gold medal in the pairs with his NSW team mate, Stan Golinski.

His great shooting career was capped early when, in 1979, he became a Member of the Order of Australia which was awarded in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the sport of full bore target shooting – an honour well deserved.

The Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame is very much enhanced by the inclusion of Geoffrey Ayling AM



9 November 1939



TASMANIA

Member 2000

# CLAYVELL LINDSAY ('Jack') BADCOCK

#### Cricket

A record-breaking Tasmanian-born right-handed batsman hailed as a potential champion as a teenager, whose seven Tests proved a poor record of his obvious talents.

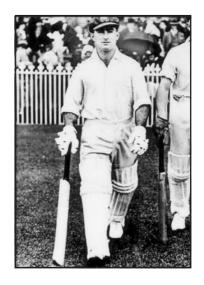
In 1929 Badcock began playing for the Northern Tasmanian club, Esk. He made more than 1,000 runs in each of his first three seasons with the club and gave impressive displays for Tasmania, for whom he first played at 15.

His golden season for the State was in 1933-34. He started off with 25 and 107 against Victoria in Hobart, and in Launceston (against Victoria), despite bruises from a nasty motorcycle accident, he batted all the first day of the match to be 229 not out and next day was out for 274 a Tasmanian record that still stands.

Badcock moved to South Australia after the 1933-34 season. He made his Test debut for Australia in 1936. Badcock at the crease looked as impregnable as Woodfull and as full of runs as Bradman. He exuded a class and personality all of his own, but apart from 118 against England at Melbourne in 1937, his Test debut efforts were disappointing.

In the seven Tests he played he managed only 160 runs at 14.54, and yet at home in 1938-39 he was able to score 271 not out against New South Wales at Adelaide and 236 against Queensland at Adelaide. In 1940 he hit three centuries in a month against Victoria.

He retired at 27, after heading the South Australian batting averages in 1940-41, with 554 at 69.25 for the season.



10 April 1914 - 13 December 1982



TASMANIA

### MAXWELL FREDERICK BAKER

### Jockey

Max Baker's victories on the track comprehensively proved that he was a top flight horseman and undoubtedly Tasmania's leading jockey during his record breaking 24-year career. Max rode his first winner at Spreyton on 17 December 1960 and from the infancy of his career it was obvious he was destined for the top. He went on to become the first Tasmanian apprentice to ride 100 winners.

In 1973 he moved to the centre of Australian racing Victoria. Here he was to match wits and ability with the best jockeys in Australasia but he was equal to the task. During his four year stay he was acknowledged as one of the 10 best riders in Melbourne. His big race wins included the 1974 Moonee Valley Cup (Lord Metric), the 1976 Oakleigh Plate (Kentland), and two Geelong Cups, one in 1975 on Dowling Girl and one in 1977 on Brallos. He finished third in the 1974 Melbourne Cup on New Zealander Captain Peri.

At home Baker won every major Tasmanian race except the Hobart Cup. He won his hometown Launceston Cup at Mowbray three times, in 1970 on Red Tornado, in 1973 on Woodfield and in 1981 on Anzaas.

One of his most satisfying achievements came at Elwick on Anzac Day 1981 when he rode every winner on a five event programme. Baker twice rode four winners on the same day, as well as chalking up 37 trebles and 152 doubles.

All up, Max was a winner of 1,124 races around Australia. He won the Tasmanian Jockeys' Premiership an incredible nine times: 1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1977-78, 1980-81, 1982-83 and 1983-84 when, as Tasmania's leading jockey, he announced his retirement.



27 January 1945



TASMANIA

# DARREL JOHN BALDOCK

#### Australian Football

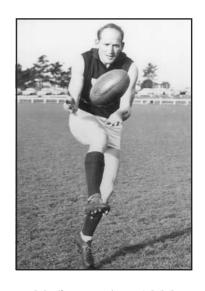
'Mr. Magic' or simply 'Doc' first represented Tasmania as a schoolboy in 1952 and as Captain in 1953. He made his debut with N.W.F.U. club East Devonport in the first game of the 1955 season, at the age of 16. An instant sensation he gained selection in the N.W.F.U. intrastate team after only three games and played for Tasmania the following season, at just 18 years of age. 'Doc' annually won East's best and fairest before joining Latrobe as Captain/Coach in 1959. At 20 he was Tasmania's youngest ever Captain, when he led the team against South Australia in 1960.

His move to the V.F.L. in 1962 was another instant success. St. Kilda fans could hardly believe that this man, who lacked height, pace and hair, could be the 'Dazzling Darrel' they had heard about. He played 126 games with the Saints from 1962 to 1968, captaining the club from 1963 to 1968, and led it to its only premiership in 1966.

After winning numerous Victorian accolades he captained that state in 1966/67 and was named captain of the 1966 All-Australian team—his second All-Australia blazer.

Baldock returned to Tasmania to captain/coach Latrobe from 1969 to 1974 and started another golden era. His prize winning record continued in his home state. Latrobe's four straight premierships from 1969 to 1972 set a new N.W.F.U. record. He again captained Tasmania in 1971 and was non-playing coach from 1973 to 1975.

Following his entry into parliament in 1974, he retired from the field. But football was ever in his blood and in 1987 he was enticed, as coach, back to his old club St. Kilda.



29 September 1938



TASMANIA

# ERNEST WILLIAM BARWICK, M.B.E.

#### **Athletics**

Bill Barwick is among Tasmania's greatest athletes. He was the first Tasmanian to represent Australia in athletics at an Olympic Games (Los Angeles, 1932), and has a formidable record both on and off the track.

Barwick was a champion middle distance runner of the late 1920's and early 1930's. He held every Tasmanian distance record from 800 yards to 15 miles in 1933. He specialised in the mile, and in 1932 set the record at 4.14.4, which won him selection in the Australian team for the Los Angeles Olympics later that year. But after arriving in Los Angeles, Barwick injured his achilles tendon. With only four days training under his belt, he finished a creditable sixth in his heat of the 1500m.

After returning from Los Angeles, Barwick competed in the British versus the United States Games, and toured New Zealand with Metcalfe and Hampson in mile challenge races before retiring from the track in 1934.

In 1985, Barwick was awarded an M.B.E. for his contribution to the community.



26 May 1905 - 16 June 1997



TASMANIA

# HARRY CYRIL LESLIE BATT

### **Yachting**

Harry Batt was one of Tasmania's foremost yachtsmen, who was well known throughout Australia for his ability as a helmsman. In partnership with his brother W.P. 'Skipper' Batt, Harry Batt in 1912 purchased the 'XA' class yacht Weene, and sailed her with outstanding success right up until 1947. Before the purchase of the Weene, Harry Batt sailed the 15ft, Lahloo, also with success.

In 1925, when 'Skipper' Batt annexed the first Forster Cup for Tasmania, Harry Batt was for ard hand in the original Tassie. He continued to sail in this craft until Tassie Too was built, and assumed command of her in 1928, winning his first Forster Cup contest in Sydney. He also won the Forster Cup at Hobart in 1931, at Adelaide in 1937, and again at Hobart in 1938. He retired from the Forster Cup competition after his success in 1938, but continued to take an interest in the 21ft. restricted class.

In 1947 he sailed Weene in 'XA' class with outstanding success. Harry Batt had three successes in Albert Cup contests winning in Tassie III at Hobart in 1931, in Tassie Too at Adelaide in 1937, and in Tassie III at Hobart in 1938.



10 May 1885 - 4 December 1947



TASMANIA

### HARRY NEALL BATT

### **Yachting**

Neall Batt was the third member of a remarkable yachting family which dominated yachting in Australia when the premier event was the Forster Cup. Neall came to the fore in 1947 when it was his turn to skipper the famous "Tassie Too". He won both the Forster and Albert Cups for interstate 21 foot, restricted class yachts from 1947 to 1950. He stood down in 1951 and Tasmania lost the series. Neall returned in 1952 and won both Cups again a remarkable record indeed. He also won the Sayonara Cup in "Erica J" for 8 metre yachts and then turned his hand to International Dragons with equal success.

This winning ability could be traced back to the excellent grounding Neall received in the Lord Stonehaven Cup for International 12 foot Cadet Dinghies when as a 15 year old he won the national title in "Gumnut" in 1928. He won that event again in 1930.

Neall, in the opinion of many Tasmanians was the most successful yachtsman to sail for Tasmania in those halcyon years when the Forster Cup was the yardstick for national yachting success.



18 March 1912



TASMANIA

### WILLIAM PERCY BATT

### **Yachting**

W. P. 'Skipper' Batt, as he was universally known, was certainly Australia's finest helmsman between the two World Wars. He was scrupulously fair, a credit to yachting and his ability to tune-up a boat was unsurpassed.

During his outstanding career Skipper dominated the Forster Cup, by far the most important of interstate yachting competitions to be held prior to World War II. It was a series of races for '21 Foot Yachts' and was first held in 1922. By 1925 it had truly become an Australia-wide competition with all states taking part.

Skipper designed TASSIE which was radically different from the other 21 footers of its time. He helmed this yacht to victory in the Forster Cup on no less than six occasions: in 1925, 26, 27, 29, 1934 and 1936 a feat that no other person has equalled.

He was also four times successful in the Albert Cup, an Invitation Race. Skipper also designed TASSIE TOO and TASSIE III, which won the Forster Cup nine times between them with different helmsmen.

His name will always be linked with the Forster Cup and Tasmania's illustrious Tassies.



3 December 1879 - 7 April 1947



TASMANIA

# JUSTIN MARK BOOCOCK

#### Canoe Slalom

Justin has been involved in canoe slalom from a young age, honing his skills on challenging Tasmanian courses. He paddled on the Leven and Forth rivers, down the Cataract Gorge in Launceston and at the man-made international course at Brady's Lake in the central highlands.

For such a physically demanding sport, Justin had a remarkably long international career, extending over 13 years. At a domestic level he was the dominant figure in his sport, being chosen in national teams from 1991 until 2005, winning five national and eleven Tasmanian titles.

Justin first came to international prominence in 1993 when he became the first Australian to win the World Junior Canoe Slalom Championship. He followed this with another Australian first when he won a bronze medal at the senior World Cup in 1996.

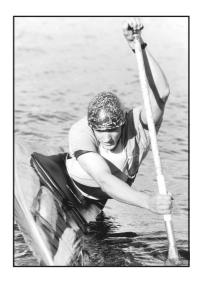
After his early international success, Justin was selected for the Atlanta Olympic Games in 1996, where he finished 16<sup>th</sup> place, competing against the best in the world in a sport traditionally dominated by the Europeans.

In a series of World Cup events in China and Europe in 2002, Justin won both a gold and a silver medal, finishing third overall in the series. In the same year, in the Augsburg World Championships, his great skills and stamina saw him finish in 8<sup>th</sup> place.

Justin's exceptional form continued into 2003, when Australia hosted the World Cup event at Penrith, NSW. The advantage of competing on a course with which he had become familiar paid off for Justin, and he won the gold medal for his country. Again, this was an Australian first and could be considered the pinnacle of his outstanding career as an international paddler.

Justin was named the University of Tasmania sportsperson of the year in 1993 and again in 1996 and was named Tasmanian Young Achiever of the Year for Sport in 1993.

A superb ambassador for his sport, Justin will be recognised as one of Tasmania's outstanding athletes who competed with distinction on the world stage.



24 April 1975



TASMANIA

# DAVID CLARENCE BOON M.B.E.

#### Cricket

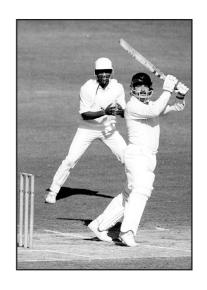
English professional cricket coach Jack Simmons spotted David as a 13 year old and said 'he had more talent than any kid of that age I have ever seen'.

Coached and nurtured by Simmons, Boon made his first class debut for Tasmania in 1978 as a 17 year old against Queensland. His maiden first class century came against Victoria in Hobart in 1980 and his first overseas trip was with the Young Australian team on a tour to Zimbabwe in 1983 where he scored a century in both first class matches against the Zimbabwe senior team.

Australian test cricket teams have a chant, part of which reads 'Underneath the Southern Cross I stand, a sprig of wattle in my hand, a native of my native land, Australia you.....beauty'. That great wicketkeeper Rod Marsh used to be in charge of leading this chant and when he retired, he passed on the honour to Boon in the well held belief that this pugnacious little Tasmanian embodied the fighting spirit of Australian cricket. Boon did typify all that was great in an Australian sportsman and many a time he led the victorious Australians with a bellowing rendition of that "Sacred" chant. He deserved to because he so often saved his side with gritty determination.

His test record is outstanding and is thoroughly documented elsewhere. Suffice to say that in 106 test matches against the 6 major cricketing nations in the world, 'Boonie' played 188 innings, had 20 not outs, scored 7344 runs, with a highest score of 200 an average of 43.71 runs and scored 21 centuries and 32 half centuries. He ranks second to the great Alan Border as the leading run scorer of all time test match players for Australia. He also played 181 one day international matches for Australia.

Tasmania's greatest ever cricketer - dubbed 'Tasmania's favourite son' by the media, Boon was honoured with the award of an M.B.E. for his services to cricket and retired on 24th January 1995, after an illustrious 11 year Test cricket career.



29 December 1960



TASMANIA

# JUDITH BURGESS (nee Humphries)

### Hockey

Judy is often referred to as Tasmania's greatest hockey player. She first played for Tasmania in 1956, when only sixteen, as goalie against the touring England team. England beat Tasmania 4-3 at Queenborough Oval, Hobart, but the highlight of the match was the young Tasmanian goalkeeper's performance. Players of both teams clapped her from the field.

Judy was selected the following year for the National Championships in Adelaide and retained her position in the Tasmanian team until her retirement at the end of 1970. Judy played 69 games for Tasmania: 65 interstate, and games against Japan, Malaya, England and New Zealand. Judy's great qualities of concentration, skill and unswerving determination ensured her a long and outstanding career as the Australian goalkeeper. Judy first gained selection on the Australian team in 1959. She retained her position as the Australian goalkeeper in 1961, 63, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 and 1970.



4 March 1939



TASMANIA

# SIMON PETER BURGESS

#### Rowing

The idyllic waterways of the Huon region in southern Tasmania have been the training environment for many outstanding Tasmanian rowers over the years. Franklin-born lightweight rower Simon Burgess is a brilliant example.

Starting his international career in the single sculls in 1989 in the Trans-Tasman series, he won gold in the individual event and a gold medal in the double scull. The next year he moved to the lightweight four, and that was the beginning of what was to become a brilliant rowing future in multi-oared events.

Simon's achievements over his 16 year career of international competition have been simply extraordinary; he won a Commonwealth Games gold medal; two gold, one silver, and two bronze medals at World Championships; four gold, and one silver in World Cup events and five gold, two silver and two bronze medals at other major international events. Simon also won at numerous national championships.

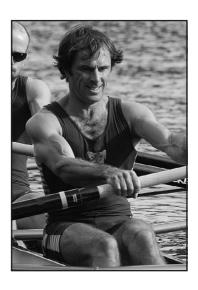
His total was 25 gold medals, nine silver and one bronze medal – something that can only be regarded as an unparalleled number of medals for a Tasmanian rower. This set of results includes an Australian record of seven successive wins in the Penrith Cup, the premier event for lightweight four crews in Australia.

What really caught the attention of the sports-loving Tasmanian public was Simon's achievements at the Olympic Games.

He was selected to row for his country in three Olympic crews. The first was Atlanta in 1996, where the lightweight four finished 6<sup>th</sup> place. In his second Games, in Sydney in 2000, Simon was involved in a heart-stopping final, where the French crew overtook the Australians in the last metre of the event to win by hundredths of a second. Simon's third Olympic Games was in Athens in 2004, finishing again with a silver medal.

Other significant achievements in the career of Simon Burgess include winning the Simon Dean Trophy for Tasmania's outstanding male rower on six occasions; winning the Mercury Sports Personality of the Year in 2001; captaining the Australian rowing team to the World Championships in 2001 and 2003 and having the honour of being the 2004 Athens Olympic Games rowing team male captain.

With a record of sporting excellence such as this, Simon Burgess is a most worthy addition to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame as an achiever of the highest order.



11 September 1967



TASMANIA

# NITA BURKE (nee French)

#### **Basketball**

After a very successful junior netball career, Nita directed her considerable sporting prowess towards the new sport of basketball, first representing Tasmania at the 1956 National Championships from which she was selected to play for Australia at the 1957 Second World Series in Brazil.

This was the first Australian basketball team - male or female to play overseas. Team members received no financial support for this honour and had to do all their own fundraising. Nita was very much a pioneer in the development of what is now one of the most popular sports in this country.

Nita's initial selection for Australia was the first of six national representations, the personal highlight of which was when she captained her country on the very successful 1963 Asian tour, the team winning 14 out of 15 games played.

Remarkably, Nita's great sporting career was achieved while managing a young family of three, as well as having to raise funds for her overseas tours.

Two Stars of Sport awards recognised her outstanding ability as a basketballer. Nita retired from international competition in 1966 and immediately became involved in both coaching and administration for the game in which she had been a superb player.



27 April 1937



TASMANIA

# MARGARET CALDOW (nee Jackson) B.E.M.

#### Netball

Among the outstanding sportswomen who were honoured in December 1985 as inaugural inductees into the Australian Hall of Fame was Margaret Caldow - a netball player who had once been named captain of the world.

Few Tasmanians remembered her but Margaret Jackson had already made her mark here as one of the State's best woman athletes as a 16 year old and it was this natural talent that took her to Melbourne to develop her sporting career.

Her netball ability, however, was the equal of her athletics prowess and she quickly gained selection in the 1961 Victorian team. It came as no surprise that she was soon selected in the Australian team.

A remarkable career followed. She represented Australia from 1962-65, captaining the team in 1964-65. Having married earlier Margaret decided to retire after 1965 and start a family. She had two children and as they grew older, the world's top goal shooter returned to the sport she loved in 1971 and in 1975 again captained the successful Australian team to the World Championships in Auckland. It was at the conclusion of these titles that Margaret was named as captain of the World Team. She went on to lead Australia to a 3-0 Test Series win over England in 1978 and to successfully defend the World Championships in Trinidad in 1979.

For her services to netball, Margaret was awarded the B.E.M. in 1977. From 1984-86 she was resident coach at the Australian Institute of Sport and 1991 -93 was head coach of the Victorian Institute of Sport netball program.



28 November 1941



TASMANIA

# MALCOLM BRUCE CAMPBELL

### Motorcycle Racing

Starting his career in the early 1970s as a raw but keen 16 year old, Malcolm initially structured his career on production bikes gaining only moderate success in those early years which belied his later wonderful racing career. He did win several club races and had some success in State Championships. By 1974 he had advanced sufficiently to be placed against top competitors in graded racing.

After a number of seasons on a variety of machines and with some victories on mainland tracks, he secured a factory ride with Honda in 1977.

This saw Malcolm advance his skills on better production bikes and good wins at Surfers Paradise and Sydney thrust him into the limelight. He flirted with Grand Prix racing in 1981 but suffered his first serious crash in that year and sustained a broken leg, ribs and collarbone ending in hospital for a long recovery period. Undaunted, he bravely emerged from this setback and won the New Zealand Castrol 6-hour title in a display of both skill and courage which helped to separate him from his peers.

By 1983, he was dominating the production scene in Australia and won the prestigious Swann International Series. This win secured a further sponsorship deal with Honda as their lead rider and this enabled him to extend his rides to overseas venues.

In 1984 he won the Malaysia Grand Prix and Honda then contracted him to test drive new revolutionary and technologically advanced machines and he was invited to Europe to ride in France and Yugoslavia.

Malcolm or "Wally" as he was known on the circuit, then moved into the Superbike Class and he achieved immediate success. In 1985 he won the Australian Superbike Championship for the first time and went on to win that title again in 1987, 1989 and 1990.

Despite his enormous success at this level, including defeats of both Mick Doohan and Wayne Gardner, Malcolm was unable to secure a full factory backed ride in the 500cc Grand Prix Championship. It is interesting to note that Doohan, when asked to name his best ten riders of all time and from all nations, he included Malcolm Campbell in that list.

Arguably the best exponent of two-wheeled road racing to ever come out of Tasmania Malcolm was recognised in 1990 as the second inductee into the Tasmanian Motor Sport Hall of Fame

He now joins other Tasmanian greats from the fields of all sports as a very worthy member of the Tasmanian Sporting Hall Of Fame.



28 July 1953



TASMANIA

Member 2001

# MELISSA PAULA CARLTON OAM -

### **Swimming**

Melissa started to make her mark in local swimming events when she first competed with distinction against able bodied athletes in both pool and open water events, winning a gold medal in the 8 klm Tasmanian outdoor championships in 1991.

At the 1994 commonwealth Games in Edmonton, invitation events were included for athletes with a disability. Melissa was selected to represent Australia and she won her first international gold medal in the 100 metres freestyle.

It was at the 1996 Atlanta Paralympic Games, however, where she really excelled against the best in the world, winning gold medals in the 400 metres freestyle and as a member of the victorious Australia 4x100metres freestyle relay. Melissa also won silver medals in the 100 metres individual freestyle and butterfly events and a bronze medal in the 100 metres backstroke. These outstanding feats were acclaimed by all Tasmanians.

With these wonderful results to her credit, Melissa was chosen again to swim for Australia in 1999 and won further medals at the German championships with a gold and a silver, then a gold, silver and bronze at the British titles. In the World Wheelchair Games in New Zealand in the same year when she was co-captain of the Australian team, she won an incredible 5 gold medals.

Her international career concluded at the hugely successful 2000 Sydney Paralympic Games with 2 silver medals and 2 bronze. These individual successes included 4 Australian records. What a magnificent way to finish!

It was no surprise that further honours came to Melissa following her retirement. In 1996 she was named Tasmanian Institute of Sport female athlete of the year, the Tasmanian Sportswoman of the Year, and was the Hobart City Council Young Citizen of the Year. But her crowning Award come in the honours list of that year when she was awarded the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) for her services to swimming and her outstanding success as an athlete with a disability.

In her career, Melissa epitomized all that is good about Australian sport. She was young, successful and personable, but above all else, she was an outstanding role model for all young athletes whether they were able-bodied or athletes with a disability.

Melissa is a most worthy addition to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame



8 May 1978



TASMANIA

Member 2005

# **BRUCE THOMAS CARTER**

#### Australian Football

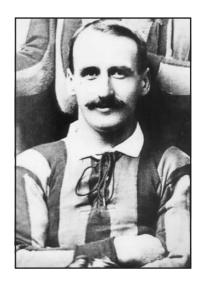
Bruce Carter was the outstanding football personality of his day in Tasmania. He made a life study of the Australian code and no one could pick out a weakness, nor make quicker decisions to remedy it. Carter was a great skipper, a brilliant player, and anything he asked of his men he could always do himself.

Carter began playing football in 1903, with Second City. In 1904 he joined North Launceston, and from then to 1914 he had a remarkable football career. In the four years he played with North Launceston, the Robins won three successive premierships 1904, 1905 and 1906 with Carter as vice-captain and coach.

In 1908 Carter went to the North-West Coast, where he captained and coached the famous Mersey Club to one of its many premierships. It was during this season that he was selected to play for Tasmania in the interstate carnival, and was appointed captain and coach of the state team. Carter played outstanding football during the carnival and won the Bibby trophy for the best Tasmanian player.

In 1909 he went South and joined Cananore. With Carter as vice-captain and coach, Cananore won three successive State premierships—1909, 1910 and 1911. Returning to Launceston in 1912, Carter again led North Launceston to a premiership. Cananore gained yet another T.F.L. and State premiership in 1913, with Carter at the helm.

Carter believed in getting out at his top, and retired in 1915. Carter had a remarkable record as coach. In the fourteen years of his career he took no fewer than ten teams to premiership honours.



24 June 1881 - 9 February 1956



TASMANIA

# TERENCE ROBERT CASHION

#### Australian Football

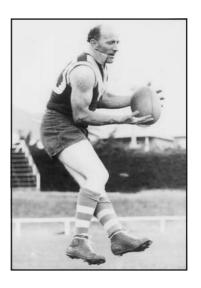
Terry is arguably, along with Horrie Gorringe, the greatest ever Tasmanian rover. His speed, agility and uncanny ability to read play were a hallmark of his game. He began his illustrious career playing with Buckingham in the S.S.O.B.A. from 1935 to 1938. In 1939 he joined League team New Town and, in his first two seasons, immediately made his presence felt by finishing runner-up for the T.A.N.F.L. best and fairest.

After the War Terry joined Clarence winning their best and fairest two years in a row in 1946 and 1947. He played for Tasmania at the 1947 carnival in Hobart winning the best and fairest award there also.

In 1948 Terry transferred to Longford as Captain and Coach. During his four years with the club he won Longford's best and fairest three times — 1948, 1949, and 1951 and the N.T.F.A. best and fairest three times — in 1948, 1950, and 1951, becoming the first player to do so in N.T.F.A. history.

Terry was Vice-Captain of Tasmania at the 1950 Brisbane carnival where he won the Eric Tassie medal, the only Tasmanian to win the medal for best and fairest player in ANFC carnivals. In 1950 Terry joined Sandy Bay, the club which won the League premiership that year. It was the first time Terry had played in a premiership team.

In 1953 he won the coveted William Leitch Medal for T.A.N.F.L. best and fairest and also won Sandy Bay's best and fairest in 1952 and 1953. As a coach Terry successfully coached Snug to a premiership in 1954.



7 April 1921



TASMANIA

# **ROY CAZALY**

#### Australian Football

In the field of Australian Rules Football, Cazaly's contribution is nothing short of outstanding. -He is one of the select few who became a legend in their own lifetime. Roy Cazaly's spring-heeled leap inspired crowds to chant 'Up there, Cazaly' throughout games in which he played. He was not a big man, at 180cm (5ft. 11in) and 79.5kg (12 stone 7lb), but he had this inner strength to enable him to hover in the air and to hold 'one handers'.

Cazaly's tremendous natural ability and dedication to football span a senior career of 40-odd years, 393 senior games (total V.F.L. games St. Kilda, South Melbourne and Victoria 212: total Tasmanian games City, North Hobart, N.T.F.A. and Tasmania 181), with the last being at the grand old age of 58

Cazaly was coaxed across the Strait by N.T.F.A. club City in 1928.

He coached North Hobart in 1932 and New Town (now Glenorchy) in 1934. He crossed the Strait several times after that until he finally settled in Hobart.



13 January 1893 - 10 October 1963



TASMANIA

# **CONNIE CHARLESWORTH**

### Hockey

Con Charlesworth is a legend in Tasmanian and Australian hockey circles. Con was first selected for Tasmania in 1926 and held her place in the team until 1939. She was also captain of the team from 1926 to 1939 and from 1934 to 1955 was the coach of the Tasmanian team.

Con first gained selection in the Australian team in 1927 against an English touring team. Con retained her position in the Australian team in 1928 and 1929. In 1930 she was a member of the first Australian team to leave Australia.

Con continued to be selected in the Australian team in 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934 and in 1935 was in the team chosen to play New Zealand in Melbourne. Selected again in 1936, then 1937 as captain, she played for Australia against a visiting combined England/Scotland team.

Also in 1938, once again as captain, she was a member of the Australian team that travelled to the U.S.A. to participate in the International tournament held in Philadelphia. Far more International fixtures are now played by the Australian team, but up until the 1980's Con would have held the record for the player selected to represent Australia the most times.



16 April 1906 - 2 September 1980



TASMANIA

### DAVID JON CHETTLE

#### **Athletics**

With outstanding performances in track, cross country and road events at state, national and international level, David Chettle ranks as one of the best distance runners Tasmania has ever produced.

At the Fukuoka marathon in Japan in 1975, David won the silver medal in a time of 2 hours 10 minutes and 20 seconds which was then the 6th fastest marathon ever run in the world.

On the track, one of his best wins was in the prestigious Zatopek 10,000 metres event in Melbourne which is regarded by athletes as the Australian championship because of the quality of the national and international competitors it attracts.

To show how versatile an athlete he was, David, in August 1977, won the Australian senior cross country title. He was chosen three times to represent Australia at the world cross country titles - in 1975 in Morocco; 1977 in Dusseldorf and again in 1979 in Limerick.

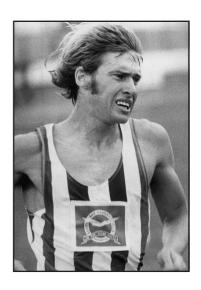
The highlight of an illustrious career was his selection for the Olympic Games marathon in Montreal in 1976 where he was unfortunately forced to drop out at 25km. It was later diagnosed he had glandular fever and it took him some time to fully recover.

He eventually did recover from that debilitating medical condition and in 1979 went to London for four years, winning titles in the U.K., Italy and Germany as well as placing 8th in the 1981 Boston marathon which attracts up to 50,000 competitors. He finished second in the 1978 World Cup marathon in 2 hours 11 minutes and 41 seconds.

One of David's best performances on the international scene was in the 1979 Dartford half marathon when he broke Steve Ovett's long standing UK record in a time of 63 minutes and 28 seconds.

He also competed in the 1978 Commonwealth Games at Edmonton and was placed 15th in the marathon there.

A little known fact about Chettle's sporting career was that he also represented Tasmania in 1971 at the national basketball championships. His outstanding athletic career, though, entitles David Chettle to a place in the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



14 September 1951



TASMANIA

### DANNY CLARK O.A.M.

### Cycling

Following a distinguished career at both state and national level, Clark signalled his intentions to become one of the world's greatest cyclists when he won a silver medal at the 1972 Munich Olympic Games in the 1000 metres time trial.

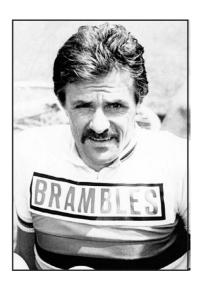
Attracted to the very strong professional circuits, he spent more time riding in Europe than Australia and has been hailed as a greater sporting hero overseas than at home.

He was however, never forgotten in Tasmania as the boy from George Town who returned to race in Tasmania as often as his commitments in Europe would allow. Wins in three Burnie Wheel races, three Latrobe Wheels and a Devonport and Launceston Wheel attest to his love of his home state and his unforgettable ability to win the great handicap events.

Based in Belgium for over 20 years, Danny was a sporting legend in that country and was often mobbed by adoring fans as he and his family walked down the streets.

His world championship haul is arguably the most impressive of any Australian cyclist ever, for he won two keirin, two motor paced world titles as well as five silver and three bronze world championship medals. Added to that were 13 European championships, 74 six day event titles and that wonderful Olympic silver medal.

Danny retired in 1996 and returned to live in Tasmania for a short time before moving to Queensland.



30 August 1952



TASMANIA

# **BRENT TASMAN CROSSWELL**

#### Australian Football

Born in Campbell Town and educated at Scotch College in Launceston, Brent showed great talent as a schoolboy athlete when he won the Independent Schools high jump event. However, the field in which he greatly excelled for his school was football. Brent led Scotch to the State Premiership in 1967, where he dominated the match and was named best on the ground. He was widely regarded as the best schoolboy footballer of his era in Tasmania.

It was obvious to all that he was destined for VFL, and he was drafted to Carlton in 1967. This is where he started his stellar career as a champion footballer.

From 1968 to 1974 Brent played 98 games with Carlton and kicked 92 goals for them. In that time he played in two premiership sides with the club, in 1968 and again in 1970, when he was coached by the great Ron Barassi.

Transferring to North Melbourne in 1975, he joined forces with Barassi again. He played 76 games with North Melbourne and kicked 108 goals. Two more premierships with North Melbourne – in 1975 and 1977 – cemented Brent, or "Tiger" as he was known, as a legend in the game. To win four VFL premierships in the short space of 10 years is exceptional.

Both enigmatic and flamboyant, Brent printed his name indelibly on Australian football as a player of exceptional ability who could play as both a key forward and a dashing defender. He and Barassi created an interesting mix; both being volatile characters they had many clashes, but they each had a fierce desire to succeed and an obvious respect for each other's talents and abilities.

It is interesting to note that Barassi included Brent in his best team of players with whom he had played. Further, Barassi named Brent in the best team of players he had coached; an honour indeed, from a great man in Australian football.

Brent switched from North Melbourne to Melbourne in 1980, coached again by Barassi. He played out his VFL career with Melbourne, finishing up in 1982 after playing in 48 games and kicking 57 goals for the Demons.

In a career playing at the highest level of football competition in Australia, Brent played in 222 games and kicked 257 goals. After retiring from AFL football, he was selected to represent Victoria in interstate games and was named in an All Australian team to cap a stellar career.



8 August 1950



TASMANIA

# JOCELYN ANN CUBIT (nee Millar)

#### **Athletics**

The elder of two outstanding athletic sisters, Jocelyn (Jo) competed for Tasmania from 1975 to 1991, with her main event being the gruelling multi discipline heptathlon which is conducted over two days and requires the mastering of seven separate events. She won national titles for the heptathlon in 1983 and 1985 as well as a long jump gold medal in 1991 and was a member of Tasmania's first ever national 4 x 400 metres relay winning team in 1990.

Jo had special talents even as a junior athlete and she was noticed by the national selectors to the extent that she was selected to represent Australia in the heptathlon at three successive Commonwealth Games - Brisbane 1982, Edinburgh 1986 and Auckland 1990 with a best result of 6th in Auckland. In 1985 she also competed for her country in the Pacific Conference Games in San Francisco and won the gold medal - the highlight of an outstanding career.

During the course of those 15 consecutive years she represented Tasmania, Jo's excellent performances included representing Australia five times, winning four national titles and seventeen silver medals and setting Tasmanian records in the heptathlon, high jump, long jump and hurdles. Three Tasmanian records set in 1988 and 1989 are still standing.

She was also voted Tasmanian Athlete of the Year in seven consecutive years - 1981 to 1987 and received five Mercury Star of Sport awards.

A very talented sportswoman, Jo also represented Tasmania at both Under 21 and Senior level netball and won an Australia Day Award in 1986 as Sportsperson of the Year. She is regarded by many as one of Tasmania's best ever track and field athletes



23 March 1962



TASMANIA

### BETTY DALGLEISH

Golf

Winning her first Tasmanian senior championship in 1958, Betty showed that she was a champion in the making. Interestingly she won the State title before capturing the first of her two Royal Hobart club titles in 1959 and 1960.

Betty was chosen to represent Tasmania in interstate matches on four occasions. To further her career Betty went to Sydney in 1961 and ultimately captured the notice of the national selectors She was chosen to play in the 1964 World Espirito Santa Tournament in Paris where she achieved a handicap of plus 1 and then again in 1967 in Canada, 1968 in New Zealand and on to South Africa in 1969.

In the meantime she won the Australian championship at the Royal Queensland Golf Club in 1968.

Betty also competed in numerous NSW championships and represented her adopted state on five separate occasions.

Turning professional in 1971, she became the first female resident professional golfer in Australia,

The following year she was elected first president of the Ladies Professional Golf Association

As a professional, Betty was very successful and again represented her country in 1979, 1980 and 1981 to cap off a remarkable career and be remembered as one of Australia's top female golfers.



29 May 1931



TASMANIA

# WAYNE DEVLIN

### **Boxing**

Wayne Devlin's achievements in the boxing ring put him in the category as one of the best ever in Australian Amateur boxing. He was an outstanding amateur boxer who won eight consecutive Australian Championships from 1970-1977, three as a Welterweight and five as a Light Middleweight. This extraordinary record will take some beating. It is even entered in the Guinness Book of Records.

Wayne won the prestigious Arthur Tunstall Trophy for the best boxer to compete at the Australian championships on four occasions 1972, 74, 75 and 1976.

He was a member of the Australian team for boxing in the 1972 Munich Olympic Games and the 1976 Montreal Olympic Games. Wayne was also selected to represent Australia in boxing in the Christchurch Commonwealth Games in 1974 (he did not compete at these games due to illness) and Edmonton in 1978. The same year saw him competing at the World Championships held in Belgrave.



17 July 1944



TASMANIA

# PENNY DUNBABIN (nee Gray)

#### All-Rounder

Penny first made her sporting name in the field of athletics, her forte being middle distance running, breaking State and Australian records for the 800 metres and 1,500 metres on several occasions. Penny Gray in 1979 was ranked number one in Australia for the 1,500 metres.

At the 1979 Australian titles Penny recorded the second fastest time on record for the 1,500 metres (4.17.09) and was chosen for the World Cup in Dusseldorf, and the Olympic Squad. Penny competed twice against New Zealand in trans Tasman events before hanging up her running shoes and putting on the hockey boots.

Penny first played for Tasmania in hockey as a member of the State under-18 team in 1973, going on to selection for the senior State team each year from 1976 to 1986, captaining the side in 1981 and 1986. At a national level Penny was selected *in* 1982 in the Australian Women's Hockey squad for Kuala Lumpur and was named the following year in the Australian team for its European tour.

In 1984 Penny was a member of the Australian team for the four Nations Tournament played in Melbourne and in the same year was also chosen as a member of the Australian team to play in the Olympic Games Tournament. Penny is the first Tasmanian ever to have made an Olympic women's hockey team.



12 October 1958



TASMANIA

### **CHARLES JOHN EADY**

#### Cricket

Charles Eady was a large, impressive man who performed efficiently for Tasmania as an all-rounder for two decades, but will always be remembered for his innings of 566 in 473 minutes. He made it in a total of 911 at Hobart in March and April 1902, for Break-O'-Day against Wellington. Eady hit 13 fives and 68 fours, and added 429 for the seventh wicket with W. Abbott, who made 143. Play was spread over four afternoons while Eady achieved this, which remains the highest score in club cricket anywhere in the world.

He was a tremendous hitter of the ball, but this should not be allowed to overshadow his skill as a bowler. He headed the Southern Tasmanian averages four times as a batsman—but 12 times as bowler.

In 1905-06 he took all ten wickets for 42 runs for South Hobart against East Hobart.

Eady only toured England once—with the 1896 Australians — but ill health prevented him showing his best and he made only 290 runs at 13.18 and took 16 wickets at 25.50. His reputation was secure in his feats at home.

Eady, who stood 6ft. 3ins and weighed 15 stone, was the first Australian to score a century in each innings of a first-class match, a feat he accomplished in 1894-95 when he made 116 and 112 not out against Victoria at Hobart.



29 October 1870 - 20 December 1945



TASMANIA

# MAREE BEVERLEY FISH O.A.M.

### Hockey

Maree first played representative hockey for Tasmania in the under 16 team in 1977 and even at this early stage of her career she had a burning ambition to play for her country. Progressing through the junior ranks she played in the senior state team in 1983 and was Tasmania's top goalkeeper until her retirement in 1991. She played 80 senior games for Tasmania.

Selected in an Australian touring team in 1985, Maree played her first international game against Germany. She remained in the Australian side until her retirement, playing in 43 test matches, including the 1988 Olympic Games, two World Cups and two Champions Trophy Tournaments.

In an outstanding hockey career spanning seventeen years Maree reached the highest point of her playing days when she won a gold medal as goalkeeper in the victorious Australian Women's Hockey team at the 1988 Seoul Olympic Games. This was the first gold medal won by an Australian hockey team at Olympic Games level.

For her services to hockey, Maree received an Order of Australia Medal in the 1989 Queen's Birthday Honours list.



23 January 1963



TASMANIA

# DAVID GEORGE ('George') FOSTER

### Woodchopping

George, like his son David, was a big, strong, courageous man and took to the sport of woodchopping with enormous success. His persona as the 'gentle giant' of Australian chopping was an apt description and well-known among his fellow competitors.

In his early days, George worked as a farmer in Colebrook and Richmond, but then moved to Maydena to work as a woodsman for the Australian Paper Mills. A fitting place for George to be based, Maydena was at one stage in the 1970s the workplace of 19 world champion axemen.

George's forte was as a double-handed sawyer, but he also competed at the highest level as an individual axeman. He won the world double-handed sawing title on 10 consecutive occasions at what was regarded as the toughest woodchopping competition in the world: the Royal Sydney Easter Show.

Following those 10 wins, George suffered a heart attack, which required double bypass surgery. Not to be daunted, he returned to Sydney the following year and, with his son David as his partner, won his eleventh consecutive title. This was a special moment for the Foster family, for the show patrons who witnessed the win and for the sport of woodchopping, as it was one of the most emotional and inspirational performances ever seen in the sport.

In January 1970, Tasmania, as the cradle of this very special sport, was selected to stage the World Centenary of Woodchopping, in which over 300 of the best axemen in the world were invited to compete. George was so successful at this event he was fittingly awarded the overall World Champion of Champions trophy.

Tragically, George passed away in 1992 but his legacy of 200 club and state championships, 12 national titles and his 25 world titles puts him in the top echelon of Tasmania's list of great woodchoppers. He richly deserves his place in the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



25 August 1931 – 12 December 1992



TASMANIA

# KATHRYN JOY FOSTER (nee Davey)

#### **Basketball**

Kathy has been one of Australia's most consistent and successful players, representing Tasmania 1977 -1981, the Australian Squad 1977-78, the Australian team from 1981 - 1988 and being elected as vice captain of the national team from 1983-88.

In order to maintain her own high standards Kathy often had to play in the local men's competition to hone her skills. A move to Adelaide for one year to improve her great talents saw her win the South Australian League best player award and best defensive player.

From her first game for Australia in China in 1981 Kathy was in the starting five and maintained that status until she temporarily retired from international competition in mid 1987 to start a family.

Some of the highlights of her international career include playing in the World Championships in both Brazil and Russia where she was Australia's highest point scorer: competing at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics and winning gold with the Australian team in New Zealand at the 1983 Commonwealth Championships.

In 1989 Kathy led the NZI TIS Islanders into their first Women's National Basketball League grand final being named the WNBL Most Valuable Player for the year. In her last year, 1990, she led the Islanders into the grand final to top an outstanding record of achievements. Kathy was named in the 'All Star Five' for the 5th time, in 1990.

Kathy Foster is a name synonymous with Tasmanian basketball. She was an outstanding player for her State and Country and deserved all the plaudits she received because of her ability, role modelling and outstanding sportsmanship. Kathy Foster is an outstanding Tasmanian basketballer.



7 May 1960



TASMANIA

## LUIGI CARMINE (GINO) FRATANGELO

### Weightlifting

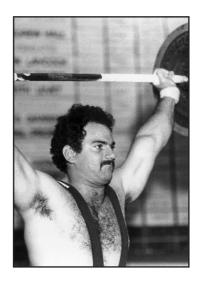
Even as a junior competitor, Gino showed astute judges of weightlifting that he had exceptional talent for this physically demanding sport. This judgement was vindicated when he was first selected to represent Australia in 1978 at the World Junior Championships in Greece and finished with an 11th placing. Selected as a senior in 1979 for the Oceania championships in New Zealand, he won the first of his three gold medals at those titles. He won again in 1981 and 1987 in Melbourne and Canberra.

That early international success in New Zealand led to Gino being selected in the Australian team for the 1980 Moscow Olympic Games where he finished 11th in his class. He was twice selected for the Commonwealth Games - Brisbane 1982 with a 4th place and 1986 in Edinburgh where he won a silver medal.

At three Commonwealth championships in Wales, Western Samoa and Canberra he won one gold and two silver medals - a remarkably consistent performer. He also represented Australia at two World Championships with great distinction.

During the course of his career, this genial powerhouse was Australian senior champion from 1979 to 1987, set two Commonwealth records, six Australian records, seven Oceania records and quite naturally all Tasmanian Open records for his body weight.

His record is unsurpassed by any other Tasmanian weightlifter and two of his national records still stand- a memorable achiever who also served as an excellent role model for all young Tasmanians.



19 July 1958



TASMANIA

## **REGINALD FREE**

### Rowing

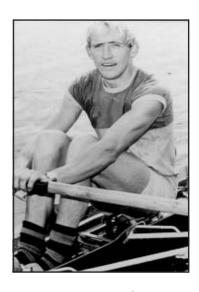
Reg Free's achievements clearly rank him in the category of one of Tasmania's finest oarsmen: Reg represented Tasmania 11 times and Australia three times from 1962 to 1977. He rowed for his State in more Kings Cups than any other oarsman. At 19, he was chosen for Tasmania in the 1962 Kings Cup at Ballarat.

In all, he rowed in nine Kings Cups. He also sculled in Kings Cup regattas twice—and both times won the Australian championship (1969 and 1970).

In 1967 Reg became the first Tasmanian oarsman to be chosen in the Australian eight. The Australian crew finished sixth in the World championships in Vichy, France.

In 1970 Reg was coach of the Tasmanian four, guiding the team from the number two seat, when it became the first Tasmanian Four to win an Australian title. The Tasmanian Four was selected to represent Australia in Canada for the World championship. In two years from 1967 to 1969 he had rowed for his country in sculling, fours and eights—an outstanding record.

Since his retirement, Reg has maintained his involvement in rowing as a coach.



6 May 1943



TASMANIA

### **GERALD FREEMAN**

### **Boxing**

Gerald entered the ring for the first time in 1955 at the age of 14, and the following year won his first state championship in the Featherweight division. In 1957 the youngster from Bothwell was selected in his first state team.

By 1959 Gerald had matured as a boxer and he defeated Arthur Bradley of Queensland to capture his first national title, in the Light Welterweight division. At the 1960 selection trials in Melbourne he was chosen Australia's No. 2 boxer for the Australian Olympic team to compete in Rome. Gerald was defeated on points in his second round elimination bout.

Further state and national honours came his way in 1960 and 1961 and the following year he won selection in the Australian team for the 1962 Perth Commonwealth Games.

At those trials he was voted "Best Boxer in Australia". He was bitterly disappointed to lose a hotly disputed points decision at the Games and this motivated an early retirement at the age of 22.

He made a brief come-back in 1963 before retiring permanently in 1964.

In total he won four national championships, seven state titles and represented his country at the Commonwealth and Olympic Games.

Gerald Freeman was not only a truly great Tasmanian champion but outside the ring was recognised as a fine ambassador for his sport.



5 January 1941



TASMANIA

## GRAEME DUDLEY FRENCH

### Cycling

A farmers' son from the tiny hamlet of The Oaks near Hagley, Graeme by passed the amateur ranks to go in the tough professional circuit in 1943 as a 17 year old. He won the Burnie Wheel in 1944 and thus started a career which later led to him becoming a world champion.

In 1946 he went to Melbourne to advance his cycling career and he certainly did by winning the 1948 and 1950 all Australian title as the best all rounder at the national championship. He came back for the Coastal carnivals in 1947 and 1948, won the A grade scratch races at Latrobe and 1950 won the Latrobe Wheel from co-backmarker Mac Sloane.

Acting on the advice of the legendary Sid Patterson, French went to Europe in May 1954 to try his luck there. Australian riders were doing particularly well in most branches of the sport in Europe - the sprinters and the pursuiters, the madisons and in the six day events. French tried most of them but had a fascination with the motorcycle paced events which he had experienced in Noumea. He had a lot to learn but he was a fast learner. Steadily building up a name for himself in this unique discipline of the sport, this Tasmanian cyclist soon was a major drawcard on the continent.

It is sporting history now that in Copenhagen in Denmark in August 1956 the shy young lad from a long way overseas, took on the world's best in the motor paced championship of the world and triumphed. In doing so he became Australia's first motor paced world champion and set the scene for others to follow.

Graeme was inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 1995 where he joined fellow Tasmanian cycling great Danny Clark - the only two Tasmanians so honoured.



15 April 1926



TASMANIA

## RICHARD JAMES FROMBERG

#### **TENNIS**

Born in Ulverstone, Richard was outstanding in a range of sports as a schoolboy, but tennis became his favourite. It was a wise choice because his talents were to take him all over the world, where he competed against the very best and more than held his own.

It was in 1985 that Tennis Australia first noticed this Tasmanian prodigy when Richard first won the Tasmanian Junior Boys Singles title. The following year he was awarded a four-year scholarship to the Australian Institute of Sport. Here he honed his skills, worked hard and gained confidence as he prepared for the unforgiving world of professional tennis.

Richard took the now common pathway for promising young tennis players when he joined the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Tour. Through this he gained the experience and points needed to qualify for the major tournaments he then entered.

On that tough and often lonely tennis circuit, the young Tasmanian made his mark by winning six ATP Tour events and being runner-up in seven others. The wins came in Italy, Sweden, New Zealand, Romania, the United States and Austria.

With these good performances to his credit, the Australian selectors were impressed and he was selected to represent his country at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games, one of the highlights of his career.

Richard's tennis continued to improve and he played at each of the Grand Slams – the United States Open five times, the Australian Open twice and the French Open and Wimbledon once each. He reached the third round of these events on three occasions.

He was ranked in the world's top 100 for 11 years straight, which was an Australian record at that time. His highest ranking was number 24 in the world.

It was in representing his country that Richard really excelled. He took tremendous pride in wearing the national colours with his Davis Cup teammates. He was selected to represent Australia in 11 Davis Cup ties, including two finals. His record in singles was 10 wins and four losses and one win in his only doubles rubber. This is a wonderful record and one which Richard can look back on with a great degree of satisfaction.

When he retired in 2002, his experience and talents were utilised by the Australian Institute of Sport as a touring coach, helping with the development and nurturing of our young tennis players.

Richard Fromberg achieved much as an elite sportsman and is an extremely worthy addition to our Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



28 APRIL 1970



TASMANIA

Inducted 2008

## REX ELVYN GARWOOD

#### All-Rounder

As a champion Australian Rules footballer, cricketer and a top man in the world of bowls, Rex must go close to being the best all-round sportsman ever produced by Tasmania.

Rex started his senior playing career in football with New Town (now Glenorchy) in 1950 and played in three League grand finals, two of which resulted in premierships for New Town. In the 1951 season he won the William Leitch Medal. While with New Norfolk, Rex won the William Leitch Medal twice — 1955 and 1958 — and is one of only two League players to win the William Leitch Medal three times.

Rex won his first representative guernsey in 1951 and went on to play every representative game (Tasmanian captain from 1955 to 1958) from that time until his retirement in 1959.

Rex Garwood's love for sport had its expression in the summer through cricket. While still an underage footballer, he began first-grade cricket with Glenorchy in 1947. Rex played with Tasmania against the touring Australian eleven twice, as well as against South Africa, the West Indies and Victoria. He was selected in every State team during the period 1948-1954. In the 1954 season he topped the TCA batting average.

Towards the end of his football career Rex began to take an interest in bowls, playing with the New Norfolk club. His skill, impeccable delivery and touch soon became apparent. Rex became a top lawn bowler, won several Tasmanian championships and represented Australia in a test match against New Zealand in Adelaide (1985) — the first Tasmanian for 13 years to do so. He also won a gold medal in the pairs championship at the Australia Games in 1985.



15 May 1930 - 16 May 2007



TASMANIA

## PETER SHAUN GENDERS

### Canoeing

The Derwent Canoe Club gave Peter the opportunity to become involved with a sport which, in 1975, had only recently became accepted as a serious sport in Australia. Most of the great canoeists were European but Peter was visionary enough to recognise that Tasmania had superb rivers on which he could develop his obvious talents.

He developed manual skills as an apprentice carpenter and used these to good effect to mend and build some of his early canoes.

It was not long before he started to move through the ranks of club competitions to become a state champion and then selected to first represent Tasmania in 1978 at the national level. He became extremely proficient in two disciplines – sprint or flat water racing and slalom or wild water. Peter won the State K1 wild water title in 1980 & 81, and in 1981 won his first Australian title and also won the same event at the New Zealand championships. He was then chosen to represent Australia at the World titles and finished in 14th place at his first attempt at a major international event.

Success in the slalom continued when he retained his K1 Australian title in 1982, won the Commonwealth title in the same year and the Australian title again in 1984.

Peter was then introduced to sprint racing. He developed into one of the best sprinters Australia has produced. In events ranging from 500 m to 10,000 m he excelled. He won championships in Tasmania, Victoria (where he resided for a short time to take advantage of a new course at Carrum) and Australian titles and also won the 500 m K1 Dutch international in 1983.

It was not surprising that Peter was selected to represent Australia in this new event of his.

He completed in the K1 1000 m sprint event at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games and finished 5th in the final. Together with his great friend Martin Ralph they competed in the 500 m K2 sprint but were eliminated in the repercharge.

After those excellent performances in Los Angeles, Peter returned to Australia and had one more season of racing before retiring in 1985. In a short career of just 6 years of state, national and international competition Peter won 2 Tasmanian, 3 Australian and 3 International slalom titles and in K1 & K2 sprint events his record was equally impressive winning 11 Australian championships and 1 International event.

Peter is a very worthy member of the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame and the first canoeist to be so honoured.



6 March 1959



TASMANIA

Member 1999

## **GRAEME GILMORE**

### Cycling

Graeme Gilmore shared with Bill Guyatt the honour of being Australia's youngest ever scratchman at the age of 19. He is the only rider to have won every major wheelrace in Tasmania (Latrobe, Burnie, Devonport and the Thousand).

In 1967 when he was 22 he was voted Australian cyclist of the year. In that year he won the Australian road championship, was first and fastest in the Warrnambool to Melbourne road race, beat Italian champion Sante Giardorni in two match races, won the Devonport Wheel from scratch, won the Tasmanian Thousands Wheel in world record time (1 min. 45.5 secs) and teamed with Sid Patterson to win the Launceston six-day race.

After thrilling Tasmanian crowds with his determination and strength, Gilmore set his ambitions toward Europe in 1968. In 1974 Gilmore became the only cyclist ever to have won three six-day races in three consecutive weeks.

On points score Gilmore was rated the best six-day rider in the world 1974-1975. Gilmore set another endurance record in 1976 when he became the first rider to compete in seven successive sixes.



29 June 1945



TASMANIA

# LINDY GAY GOGGIN (nee Jennings) A.O.

Golf

Lindy Goggin is Tasmania's greatest ever female golfer. She has dominated her game since 1967 like no other sportsperson in this state. Her record is quite remarkable.

She was Tasmanian champion 19 times during the period 1967-91, representing the state continuously from 1967 to 1993. She won the Australian title 3 times, Victorian title on 4 occasions and won the first ever Australian PGA title (a professional event) in 1976.

These individual successes were a natural springboard for Australian selection and from 1970 to 1988 she represented Australia in each of those 19 years. Lindy's international record includes 5 Tasman Cups (against New Zealand), 3 Espirito Santa trophy tournaments (World team championships - Australia won in 1978) and 3 Commonwealth series matches (Australia won in 1983). Lindy also captained Australia on many occasions.

In the prestigious Queen Sirikit trophy - for Asian nations - Lindy was the leading individual player in 1981 and her efforts helped Australia to win the trophy for that year and again in 1982.

To add further to her individual honours she was third in the 1982 Canadian Women's Golf Championship.

As a measure of her outstanding ability as a golfer, Lindy played off scratch from the age of 20 and became the lowest handicapped golfer in the world in 1976 playing from plus 4.

A remarkable sportswoman whose feats will shine as a monument to her brilliance, Lindy Goggin is the epitome of a true champion and was awarded an Order of Australia Medal in 1980 for her services to golf.



12 July 1949



TASMANIA

# **SCOTT GOODMAN**

#### Swimming

As a butterfly event specialist, Scott first came to prominence when he was chosen to represent his state at the under age national titles, where he won both a gold and a silver medal. These were the first of 3 gold and 5 silver medals at that level of competition.

In the next season he competed at the senior level at both the short course and Australian championships. There he attracted the attention of the national selectors and was chosen in the national swim squad.

He won his first senior national title in the 200 metres butterfly and was rewarded with Australian representation in the Pan Pacific games in Edmonton in 1991.

He was then awarded an Australian Institute of Sport scholarship in 1992 and moved to Canberra for more intensive training and coaching.

It was the 1995/96 season that saw him display his enormous talent. Selected for the Rio de Janeiro world short course championships, Scott won the 200 metres butterfly title in an event and Australian record time.

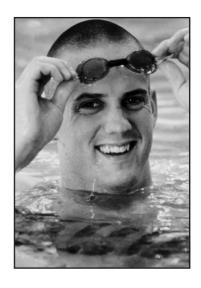
That win gave him experience and confidence to know that he could compete successfully at the top level of international swimming. He subsequently went on to win the Australian 200 metres title that year and was selected to swim at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games.

To represent your country at an Olympic Games must surely be a highlight for any aspiring young athlete. When Scott reached this goal in Atlanta and in his favourite event, the 200 metres butterfly, he swam an exceptional race to win a bronze medal for his country – undoubtedly the most rewarding time of his swimming career.

Following three more seasons at the highest level of competition, including breaking an Australian and Commonwealth record for the 200 metres butterfly in the trials for the Pan Pacific Games held in Japan that year, Scott retired at the conclusion of the 1999/2000 season.

During his career he was named 5 times Tasmanian swimmier of the Year and he retired with a record of which he and his fellow Tasmanians can be justifiably proud.

Scott richly deserves his election to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



20 August 1973



TASMANIA

Member 2005

## HORACE CHARLES GORRINGE

#### Australian Football

Horrie was rated by many old time players, both in Tasmania and Victoria, as the greatest rover ever produced in Tasmania. He was a natural footballer who did not need much coaching.

At the age of 17, Horrie was put straight into Cananore's senior team. It was not until after the first World War that Horrie established himself as the prince of Tasmanian footballers. He remained with Cananore until he retired in 1928.

During this period Cananore were League premiers on five occasions - 1921, 1922, 1925, 1926 and 1927. They also were State Premiers in 1921, 1922, 1926 and 1927. Horrie formed an integral part of the team's overwhelming success during these years.

He had many offers to play V.F.L. football but he turned them all down to remain in Tasmania. Horrie was a member of the famous League team of 1923 that defeated South Australia. He also played for Tasmania in 1921 (Sydney), 1924 (Hobart) and 1927 (Melbourne). During his long career he rarely missed selection in League combined sides.



4 July 1895 - 16 July 1994



TASMANIA

### HELEN GOURLAY

#### **Tennis**

Helen's exceptional performances in tennis span more than 13 years in professional and amateur ranks at the international level, winning titles from every major championship in the world. Helen certainly fits into the category as one of the best sportswomen Tasmania has ever produced.

Her extensive list of accomplishments includes being ranked No. 2 Australian Junior in 1965. In the same year Helen also won the Tasmanian Open Singles, the Australian Junior Doubles (partner Kerry Melville), and the Auckland Open and Mixed Doubles.

Competing successfully in Europe in 1969, Helen won the Rumanian Open Singles, Doubles and Mixed Doubles. Helen in 1972 became the first Tasmanian to represent Australia in a tennis team, captaining the Australian Federation Cup Team. She was also a member of the Australian Bonne Belle Cup team.

In the same year Helen won the Australian Open Doubles (partner Kerry Harris), the South African Open Doubles (partner Evonne Goolagong), and the British Hardcourt Open Doubles (partner Evonne Goolagong). The second of Helen's Australian Open Doubles (partner Evonne Cawley) came in 1976.

In 1977 Helen won her third Australian Open Doubles (partner Dianne Fromholtz), the Wimbledon Doubles (partner Joanne Russell), the Swiss Open Doubles (partner Rayni Fox) and the Austrian Open Doubles (partner Rayni Fox). 1978 saw Helen successful in her fourth Australian Open Doubles (partner Evonne Cawley) and runner-up in the Australian Open Singles.



23 December 1946



TASMANIA

## **RON GOWER**

### **Boxing**

Seventeen year old Ron Gower burst onto the boxing- scene by winning the 1946 Tasmanian Flyweight Championship. The following year, coached by the legendary Leo Winch, Ron won the Australian Flyweight Title.

His outstanding boxing brought him to the attention of the Australian selectors and he was named No 1 boxer ahead of the great Jimmy Carruthers in the team for the 1948 London Olympics.

Gower again wore the green and gold singlet at the Auckland Empire Games in 1950 where he performed most courageously, going down to a rugged Scotsman in a fiercely contested bout.

Ron was Australia's No 1 boxer for the 1952 Helsinki Olympics, being selected in front of Tony Madigan who is regarded by many as Australia's greatest amateur boxer. It took the Polish and European champion Henryk Nieswiedzki to stop Gower - the only time it occurred in his boxing career.

A determined yet modest champion, Gower finally retired in 1955, leaving behind a reputation as one of the all time greats of Tasmanian boxing.

Since retiring he has been a very generous supporter of the Olympic movement and many young Tasmanian sportspersons have been grateful for his significant financial support in their quest to represent this country.



6 March 1929



TASMANIA

## ALBERT (Alf) GRENDA

### Cycling

Described by American cycling pundits as a "giant of a man", Alf Grenda was the start of a legendary cycling family in this State.

Born in the little North-East township of Pyengana in 1889, Grenda shattered many reputations and records during the halcyon days of early American and Australian cycling. Starting his career with a win in a local event at Scottsdale in 1907 then making forays in to the rich mainland cycling carnivals where crowds of 60,000 were not uncommon at the big Sydney six day events, Grenda came to the notice of American professional promoters.

Attracted to the even more lucrative American events centred around Newark Velodrome, he thrilled the crowds with his whirlwind finishes and became known as the greatest exponent of big gear cycling.

Alf was the first Tasmanian to compete in the world professional cycling championships and wrote his name into world cycling history when he and his USA team mate Walter de Mara took out the world tandem championship. In the individual sprint championship he finished second to Frank Kramer of the USA. He eventually won a further three world tandem titles. Added to this impressive array were records for the USA five mile title, world records for the ten miles and half mile and wins in the famous Berlin and Madison Square Gardens six day events with his Victorian mate Alf Goullet. The pair set a distance record which has never been broken

Grenda finally retired in 1927 after a remarkably successful career, married a local New Jersey girl and became an American citizen but was known as and proud to be a Tasmanian all his life. He died in 1983, aged 93 years.



1889 - 1983



TASMANIA

### MICHAEL RONALD GRENDA O.A.M.

### Cycling

The highlight of a relatively short but brilliant cycling career for Michael Grenda was his 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games 4000 metres team pursuit gold medal. He became Tasmania's first Olympic gold medallist with that prestigious win but he was already destined for greatness as he came from a noted cycling family and his great natural talent was brought to the fore because of that background and his capacity for hard work.

His path to success started in 1982 when he won the National amateur 20km track championship and in the same year was selected for the Brisbane Commonwealth Games where he and his team mates set themselves up as one of the world's best 4000 metres pursuit teams by winning the gold medal.

Turning professional in 1985, Grenda was quick to make his mark in this tough arena and Australian titles in sprint, madison, criterium, 50km points score, individual and team pursuit events soon followed.

Following a short but very successful career on the Japanese professional circuit, Michael retired in 1991 as one of Tasmania's sporting heroes, a champion cyclist and a wonderful ambassador for his sport and his State.



24 April 1962



TASMANIA

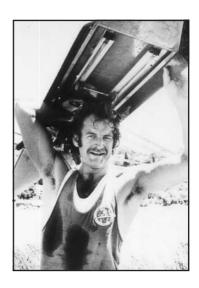
## **EDWARD OFFICER HALE**

### Rowing

Ted Hale is recognised as one of Australia's greatest rowers. Hale became a household name with his dominance of senior sculling in the late 1970's and early 1980's. Ted's frustrating early years in which success at national championships eluded him by short margins came to an end when, showing great character and perseverance, he won the President's Cup (the Australian championship for single sculls) in 1976. He went on to win the cup again in 1977, 78, 79, 80 and 1981.

In addition, Ted won numerous State and Interstate sculling championships - he has won the Tasmanian Single Sculling championships on seven occasions, 1971, 72, 73, 74, 75, 1983 and 1984.

In a career spanning 20 odd years, 1976 was undoubtedly his best year when he won his first Australian sculling championship, the double sculls and quad sculls, the New Zealand title, the prestigious Diamond Sculls in England, and was selected to compete in the Montreal Olympics.



23 August 1947



TASMANIA

### JOHN LEONARD HALLAM

### Rowing

Len Hallam was a champion oarsman who, in his capacity as stroke of eight-oared crews, achieved great success. In 1929, representing the Buckingham Rowing Club, Hallam was a member of the successful four-oared crew, stroked by E. Byrne, which in the one year won all races up to, and including, the junior-senior classes.

He continued to row with success with Buckingham, and in 1925 stroked the club crew that won the championship eights of Tasmania. In the same season he was chosen as stroke of the Tasmanian King's Cup crew that rowed second to West Australia on the Yarra.

In the following year, he again occupied the stroke seat in the State crew that won the race at Brisbane in 1926. His performance in that race won great praise from riverside critics, who were much impressed with his splendid judgement and skill. The 1926 crew has a special place in Tasmania's sporting history, for the following year we lost the King's Cup. It has never been back since.

For the third successive year he stroked the Tasmanian crew that competed in the race on the lower Derwent in 1927, but the contest was marred by rough water and the Tasmanians were swamped.



24 October 1898 - 4 May 1933



TASMANIA

### BRENDAN RODERICK HANIGAN

### **Athletics**

Brendan is one of the most successful Tasmanian track and field athletes of all time.

Only fellow Hall of Fame member, David Lean, has been more successful internationally. For the decade of the 1990's he was Australia's most successful middle distance runner.

When he had a reasonable injury free period he was invincible amongst Australian competitors not only in his main event the 800 metres but in the 1500 metres as well. On the all time list, Hanigan is the third fastest Australian ever. Only Olympic Games (1968) gold medallist Ralph Doubell and Commonwealth Games (1986) champion Peter Burke are ahead of him.

Brendan's talent and commitment to excellence were often thwarted by illness and injuries. He had more than 40 calf and foot injuries in 9 years. These naturally had an enormous impact on his ability to train and compete at the highest levels. Despite these setbacks his list of achievements is quite remarkable

He was a bronze medallist at the Seoul 1992 World Junior (Under 20) championships. In 1994 he came 5<sup>th</sup> in the Commonwealth Games 800 metres, and 4<sup>th</sup> in the same event at the World Cup of that year. He then competed in Finland and in running second in a hugely talented international field recorded his best ever time of 1 minute 45.03 seconds.

After two years out with calf and achilles tendon injuries he returned to training in 1998 and then racing to his best form where he performed superbly in the Melbourne Grand Prix (second) and the I.A.A.F. Sydney Grand Prix (third) with international fields who were training here in Australia for the Commonwealth Games, World Cup and the Sydney Olympics two years hence.

When Brendan was fit, he won the Australian 800 metres twice, and also won two 1500 metres titles in 1994 and 1995 as well. Restricted somewhat by international commitments, he still won three Tasmanian 800 metres titles and was voted Tasmanian Athlete of the Year on no less than 5 occasions.



19 March 1973



TASMANIA

## LUCILLA CAROLINE VICTORIA HARRISON

Golf (nee Arthur)

Since its inception in 1894, the Australian Ladies Amateur Golf Championship has been won by only 3 Tasmanians. In 1913, Lucilla Harrison became the second when she won the title at the Sandringham Course in Melbourne with a three round total of 269, including a championship winning third round of 84 to give her a resounding 5 stroke win. The win surprised the Victorian press of the day but not Lucilla's supporters in Tasmania because they knew she had already won 5 state singles titles 1904, 1905, 1908, 1911 and 1912. Added to this great record, she was also the dominant player in Northern Tasmania where from 1903 to 1932 she won 15 singles championships.

Lucilla was a superb sportswoman and a pioneer in Tasmanian women's golf.



1 April 1888 - 27 April 1964



TASMANIA

# VIRGINIA HARRISON (nee Cooper)

### Swimming

Virginia swam for the Sandy Bay Club from 1960 to 1968. Her dedication and superb skill and strength made her one of Australia's top backstroke swimmers. At a State level she won 13 backstroke titles.

In Melbourne in 1962 she was a finalist in the Australian Women's 220 yard backstroke. Two years later in Sydney (1964), Virginia won a Silver medal in the 100 metre backstroke and a Bronze in the 200 metre. At the time many people felt she should have been selected in Australia's team for the Olympic Games in Tokyo.

In 1965, to prove that the Australian selectors could have been wrong, Virginia won Tasmania's first ever Gold medal in swimming, by winning the 220 yard event at the Australian titles in Hobart. All in all, at the Australian level, Virginia won 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze medals, from the 10 finals she contested. In 1965 Virginia was named Sportsman of the Year, the only time a swimmer has been given this honour.



21 February 1946



TASMANIA

## **ROYCE DESMOND HART**

#### Australian Football

Regarded by many as the best centre half forward in the post war years, Royce Hart represented Richmond in 190 Games spread over 11 star studded years. Recruited as a 17 year old from Clarence Under 19's, Royce developed to become one of the greatest footballers in the game. Possessing enormous courage, unwavering concentration, terrific balance and a great spring together with a penetrating left foot kick - he was an inspiring champion.

Richmond had chosen a match winner and Hart played in their 1967, '69, '73 and '74 premierships, captaining the club in the last two successes. He kicked 363 goals for Richmond, won their best and fairest award twice and was a natural selection for Victoria which he represented on 11 occasions, captaining the side once. He was named in the all Australia side in 1969 and represented Australia in Gaelic football in 1967.

Injuries to his knees restricted his career and he turned to coaching following his retirement in 1977. He was a specialist and reserves coach at Richmond in 1978-79 and then crossed to Footscray as their senior coach in 1980-81.

Hart would be one of the best Tasmanian footballers to play in the V.F.L. He ranks highly with the games best ever players and an example to all that is admirable about Australian football.



10 February 1948



TASMANIA

### STEPHEN MARK HAWKINS OAM

### Rowing

Etched into the memory of millions of television viewers who were watching the rowing events of the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games was the sight of an exhausted Peter Antonie leaning backwards and collapsing in the arms of his crew mate Stephen Hawkins after the pair had just won the Gold Medal in the double sculls.

The pairing was an odd match. Antonie was a veteran and a heavyweight while Hawkins was just 21 and a lightweight rower. They conceded an average 15kgs to their opposition and had only 6 months together as a combination.

Stephen, as a member of the strong Lindisfarne Rowing Club, was first selected to represent his country in 1989 in the Trans Tasman Challenge - beginning an international career which spanned just five years.

At the World Rowing Championships at Tasmania's own Lake Barrington in the following year, 1990, he competed as a member of the lightweight quad scull crew and won a bronze medal.

In the 1991 World Titles in Vienna, in the same lightweight scull division, the crew improved to win a Gold Medal - a wonderful result.

The pairing of Antonie (34 years of age) and Hawkins (21) for the Barcelona Olympics was somewhat of a gamble by the Australian selectors. The pair, coached by the Tasmanian Director of Coaching, Tim McLaren, combined superbly right from their first row as a crew despite only getting together in April of the Olympic year at the national titles at Lake Barrington where they won gold.

Their victory, ahead of Austria and Holland on Lake Banyoles in 1992, was Australia's first rowing gold medal at the Olympics for 44 years and cemented the "pocket rockets" as they were affectionately known, as part of Australian sporting history.



14 January 1971



TASMANIA

## BEVERLEY DAWN HITE (nee Collins)

#### **Badminton**

Representing her country on eight occasions, Bev Collins (as she was better known to badminton players) won 2 Australian doubles titles and 1 mixed doubles championship.

Her state performances were excellent and laid the foundation for this outstanding sportwoman to be selected to play for Australia. Bev won no less than 8 singles titles, 10 doubles and 7 mixed doubles championships in Tasmania.

As a recognition of her excellent record Bev won 4 Mercury 'Stars of Sport' Awards and dominated the Tasmanian badminton scene from 1965 until she officially retired from interstate competition in 1980.

Regarded by many as Tasmania's best ever female badminton player, she exemplified all that was expected of a true champion and represented her state and her country with expertise, dignity and unparalleled sportsmanship and put back even more in to her sport than she received.



8 December 1948



TASMANIA

## ARTHUR EDWARD CLARENCE HODGSON

#### Australian Football

He has been described as the fastest and one of the most brilliant footballers Tasmania has seen. Known as "The Black Prince" he is one of a select number of players to participate in five Australian carnivals.

Born in Sydney, NSW, Arthur moved with his family at the age of 7 to Queenstown and it was in this mining district that he developed his football skills, winning a number of individual awards and gaining places in representative sides for the W.T.F.A.

In 1947 he was selected in the N.T.F.A. team and his excellent play saw him chosen to represent Tasmania for the carnival in Hobart and there was some debate as to whether he was the first West Coaster to represent his state at that level of competition.

His performances at the carnival impressed Carlton talent scouts and the following year, at the age of 22, he played his first game in the V.F.L.

Arthur represented Victoria at the 1950 carnival in Brisbane, the same year he won the Carlton Best and Fairest. In 1953 he returned to Tasmania to coach Ulverstone in the N.W.F.U. competition. In seven seasons he took the club to four premierships. He also won the N.W.F.U. Best and Fairest award the Wander Medal, in 1955. Hodgson represented Tasmania at three further carnivals in 1953, 1956 and 1958. He played in excess of 325 senior games.

Arthur was also an outstanding professional sprinter, his principal successes being the Queenstown, Devonport and Latrobe Gifts, all won in 1942, as well as the 220 yds handicap at Burnie in 1946.



8 January 1926 - 12 May 2003



TASMANIA

## SIMON JAMES HOLLINGSWORTH

#### **Athletics**

As a schoolboy, Simon produced performances that marked him as an athlete with outstanding natural talent and with potential to reach international levels.

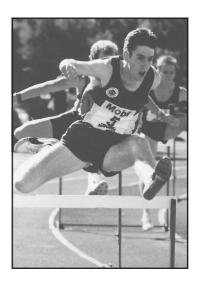
At state level he won 14 Tasmanian Senior Championships as a sprinter over 100, 200 and 400 metres. At one stage he held state records for each of the three events.

But it was a change to the 400 metre hurdles which saw this brilliant young athlete make his mark on the Australian and international scene. He represented Australia on no less than five occasions. His first was in 1990 Commonwealth Games in Auckland, then in 1992 at the Olympic Games in Barcelona, the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, Canada, the 1995 World Championships in Stuttgart and the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games. He competed with distinction overseas without ever winning any medals. His performances ranked him in the top echelon of Australian performers over the 400 metres hurdles recording sub 49 seconds on a number of occasions.

Simon was highly regarded as an athlete and extremely well respected by his team mates who elected him to represent them on the Australian Athletes' Commission for four years and to the 1996 Olympic team executive as well.

An outstanding young man both as an athlete and academic, he graduated from the University of Tasmania with a law/commerce degree. He was selected as the 1996 Tasmanian Rhodes Scholar possibly the only Australian Olympian ever to gain that honour. He is currently studying at Oxford.

Always modest in victory and gracious in defeat, Simon Hollingsworth was seen as exemplifying the highest ideals on sportsmanship and a role model for other young aspiring athletes.



9 May 1972



TASMANIA

## DENISE HELEN HORDER (nee Millikan)

#### Table Tennis

Denise etched her name into the record books as the first Tasmanian player ever to be selected for an Australian table tennis team. She was selected in 1978 for the Australian team to compete in the first Oceania table tennis championship in Auckland. Denise was successful in winning the mixed doubles title (partner Steve Knapp) at this tournament and was ranked No. 2 in Oceania at the conclusion of the Championship.

Denise retained her position in various Australian teams in World and Commonwealth Championships and International Tournaments from 1979 to 1983. She became the first Tasmanian to win an Australian Table Tennis Singles Championship in 1980 (Hobart), displaying outstanding temperament and ball control. In the same year Denise won the Victorian Open Women's Singles title. She was the first Tasmanian to do so and the only player, other than a Victorian, to capture the title for 35 years. Three years previously in 1979, Denise was successful in the Mixed Doubles at the Australian Championships.

At a State level Denise was undefeated in Women's table tennis since 1976, winning 10 consecutive State Women's table tennis titles—a State record—not to mention numerous State doubles and mixed titles. Denise dominated women's table tennis in Tasmania for a decade 1975-1985. A remarkable achievement!



29 October 1957



TASMANIA

## PETER JOHN HUDSON A.M.

#### Australian Football

No other Tasmanian has made more impact on Australian football than the incomparable Peter Hudson. His feats in front of goal have smashed records and are unlikely to be equalled. They have held audiences throughout the country spellbound. The great Australian game has never seen a full forward like him and may never again.

Hudson's achievements during his incredible career include holding the record jointly with Bob Pratt (South Melbourne) for the most goals kicked in a V.F.L. season (150 in 1971 to Hudson and 150 in 1934 to Pratt). Hudson's highest tally in V.F.L. was 16 against Melbourne in 1969, 2 short of the most goals ever scored in a V.F.L. match. He won Hawthorn's best and fairest in 1968 and 1970. His aggregate goals (617) in 106 games between 1967 and 1974 produced a V.F.L. record average of 5.90.

Hudson represented Tasmania in 1964, 65, 66, 1975, 76, 78 and 1979. He won New Norfolk's best and fairest in 1965 and Glenorchy's best and fairest in 1976, 1978 and 1979. He also won the T.F.L.'s William Leitch Medal in 1978 and 1979.

Hudson was the top goalkicker in the T.F.L. in 1963, 64, 65, 66, 76 and 1978 and in the V.F.L. in 1967, 68, 70, 71 and 1977. Hudson was kept from kicking any goals on only 3 occasions in his career. In 1979, Hudson broke his own Australian record for a first class Australian season in kicking a grand total of 209 goals.



19 February 1946



TASMANIA

## **ELIZABETH HAMILTON JACK**

Diving

Like many top Tasmanian athletes before her, Elizabeth saw the need to travel and stay overseas to improve her performance. Elizabeth was an outstanding junior diver but the facilities in her home state were inadequate. Noticed while diving at the junior Australian titles in 1975 by noted Canadian coach Don Webb, Elizabeth won a scholarship to attend university in Quebec and was persuaded to finish her education there as well as receive specific coaching from Webb.

Her improvement was rapid and she travelled the world to compete during the years 1975 to 1979. The highlight of her competitive career came with her selection as Australia's youngest ever diver - at 17 years of age - to compete at the 1976 Montreal Olympic Games in the 3 metre and platform events. She finished 21st and 20th respectively against the best divers in the world. In 1979, competing for Canada, Elizabeth had a very good year in international events with a 3rd, two 6th placings and a 14th.

Elizabeth retired from competitive diving in 1980 because of a chipped spinal bone which occurred while competing in 1977. Her retirement gave her the opportunity to then become involved in coaching and administration. She was chosen by the Canadian Diving Association to be their head coach of teams on 24 separate occasions including the 1984 Olympic Games, the Diving World Cup in 1987 in Holland and the 1990 Auckland Commonwealth Games. During that coaching period Elizabeth produced and coached over 20 senior and junior Canadian national champions, including one Olympic Gold medallist and two other Olympic finalists as well as coaching Tasmania's Olympic finalist, Julie Kent in 1984.

In 1990, Elizabeth returned to Tasmania to become Director of the Tasmanian Institute of Sport. More recently her career was capped when she was selected as Competition Manager for Diving for the 2000 Sydney Olympics. That appointment is a fitting reward for a distinguished Tasmanian athlete who has served as a role model for so many young Tasmanian athletes.



19 June 1958



TASMANIA

Member 1997

## JULIE-ANNE KENT

### Diving

Julie commenced her 9 year international diving career as a junior in 1979 with wins from 1 and 3 metre springboards in New Zealand. She returned to that country as an 18 year old to win the gold medal at the 1983 World Age Group Championships for platform diving. This outstanding achievement earned her the prestigious Confederation of Australian Sport Junior Athlete of the Year award.

Julie represented Australia at two Commonwealth Games - Brisbane in 1982 and Edinburgh in 1986 where she won a bronze medal. Selection in two Olympic Games teams - for Los Angeles in 1984 and Seoul in 1988 saw her again perform with great distinction.

At the junior international level, Julie won 6 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medal. Senior success saw her win 1 gold, 3 silver and 1 bronze. At national senior championships she won 5 gold medals, 3 silver and 6 bronze.

She was forced to reside in Canada for 3 years to gain invaluable experience but the advent of the Australian Institute of Sport Scholarship scheme enabled Julie to continue her short but brilliant career in Australia.

When she retired from top level competition after the Seoul Olympics, Julie was honoured by the Institute of Sport when she was contracted to coach for a 6 month term at the Brisbane AIS diving satellite enabling her to pass on her considerable expertise to our young Australian divers.



19 April 1965



TASMANIA

## **DULCIE IRENE KING**

#### **Badminton**

Noted for her outstanding doubles ability, Dulcie represented her state 14 times and her country on 4 occasions. Her best individual result was winning the 1965 Silver Bowl - the inaugural singles championship invitation event for national and invited international players.

Dulcie overcame the problem of long distance travel from her home town of Redpa on the far North West of Tasmania and early on in her sporting career she showed the determination which was a hallmark of her later 3 national mixed doubles titles, her 6 state singles and 3 state doubles titles and eventual selection for Australia.

One of the highlights of her career was selection as an emergency for the 1966 Commonwealth Games team for Kingston in Jamaica. (Tasmania's Ken Turner and Hall of Fame member was Captain of that team).

Recognised as Tasmania's top woman player from 1959 to 1969, Dulcie won 2 Mercury 'Stars of Sport' Awards and was regarded as one of the nation's best during that time.





TASMANIA

# BIANCA ROSE LANGHAM-PRITCHARD (nee Langham)

### Hockey

As a 14 year-old playing senior hockey with Hobart's Prince of Wales Wellington Club, Bianca was first selected to play for Tasmania in an underage state team. This was the beginning of an illustrious career.

Bianca's outstanding improvement and her well-developed skills caught the eye of the Australian selectors and, at the young age of 17, she was offered an Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) scholarship, requiring her to relocate to Perth, WA with the rest of the Australian squad. While she remained there until 2002, Bianca returned regularly to play club hockey and fulfil her role as an ambassador for her sport in Tasmania.

Bianca's representative record is superb. She played in 136 international games for Australia, mostly as a half back, scoring 37 goals for the Hockeyroos.

In 1998, at the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur, she was part of Australia's gold-medal-winning team and, in the same year, won another gold medal at the World Cup. In 1999 the team won a further gold at the Champions Trophy and followed this with a bronze medal at the 2000 Champions Trophy and another bronze at the Manchester Commonwealth Games of 2002.

As well as maintaining her international commitments, Bianca played in the National Hockey League, first with Darwin in 1993 and 1994, then with South Australia in 1995 and 1996. In 1997, when Tasmania entered the competition, Bianca played with, and captained, the Van Demons' side.

During her international career, Bianca was coached by the hugely successful Australian player and coach, Ric Charlesworth. It was during his stewardship that she experienced the highs and lows of an international sporting career. Despite her successes and obvious talents, Bianca felt the ultimate disappointment of missing selection for two Olympic Games – in Atlanta in 1996 and again in Sydney 2000 – even though she had been a member of both squads.

Bianca dealt with these two heartbreaking setbacks with both dignity and great determination, always aiming to reach her personal best. A lesser person may have given it away, but Bianca continued to represent her country and retired after a superb career at the conclusion of the 2002 Manchester Commonwealth Games.

Personal recognition came her way as a recipient of a Tasmanian Institute of Sport (TIS) scholarship from 1990 to 2002 and an AIS scholarship from 1992 to 2002. In 1998 she was voted both the female and overall TIS Athlete of the Year.

Bianca is a very worthy inductee to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame and remains an outstanding role model for all young Tasmanian sportspeople.



29 May 1975



TASMANIA

Inducted 2007

## KELLIE LOUISE LARTER

#### **Gymnastics**

As an 11 year old in 1980, Kellie represented the Launceston Police and Citizens Youth club at the state championships and won her first level 8 state title. This was the start of a stellar career for this outstanding young gymnast.

In 1984 she became the first Tasmanian to be accepted in to the Australian Institute of Sport gymnastic scholarship programme. In the same year, she was selected to represent the Institute in the first of a number of international competitions which were to follow. This was in New Zealand where she won two gold and a silver medal. As well, for 1984, Kellie was voted as Gymnast of the year at the Australian Institute of Sport.

Selected for the Australian team for the commonwealth Championships in Glasgow in August of 1986, Kellie won an individual silver medal on the beam, being the only Australian woman to win a medal at those titles and also creating Tasmanian gymnastic history as our first international medallist.

1987 was a particularly outstanding year when she competed in the World Gymnastics Championships and received a F.I.G. Gold Pin for averaging above 90% on all apparatus. She was also the overall Australian champion at the national titles and an individual gold medallist on the bars and a silver one on the beam. Again she was the A.I.S. Gymnast of the Year. With these excellent results it was no surprise that Kellie won both the T.V.T. 6 Sports Star Award and Mercury Stars of Sport Award.

Kellie again represented her country in the Konica Cup in Moscow in July 1988 and was named as a non travelling reserve for the Moscow Olympic Game of that year. The existing quota system allowed only two Australian gymnasts to compete then in those Games.

Kellie is the first gymnast to be inducted into the Tasmanian Hall of Fame. Her achievements were excellent but very importantly for her sport she served as an exceptional role model for the younger gymnasts who saw her as a very modest but brilliant young talent to whom they could aspire to emulate



20 September 1969



TASMANIA

### DAVID FRANCIS LEAN

#### **Athletics**

Running laps at the Launceston Grammar oval at night on his own laid the foundation for a very short but quite remarkable athletics career for David Lean who became the first Tasmanian to win a track and field gold medal at the Empire Games.

Leaving school at the end of 1953 Lean was selected for his State to compete at the national titles in the 440 yard hurdles. He won the final in a very fast time and was selected to compete for his country in Vancouver at the 1954 Empire Games. On 31 July 1954 he won his heat of the 440 yard hurdles shattering the Canadians and Empire Games record with a time of 52.3 seconds. Three days later he won the gold medal, and was also a member of the two Australian relay teams which won bronze. He became a national and state hero just eight months after leaving school.

Lean, as a result of this international success, was awarded an athletics scholarship to attend the University of Michigan and competed successfully in many parts of the United States.

Selected for the 1956 Melbourne Olympics he finished 5th in the final of the 400 metres hurdles but gained a place in the 4x400 metres relay where Australia finished second to the United States. Lean's silver was Tasmania's first Olympic medal.

In 1958 he finished 2nd in the Cardiff Commonwealth Games 440 yards hurdles to Gert Potgeiter of South Africa. Both broke the existing world record.

Lean retired soon after to concentrate on his studies gaining a PhD in economics from the University of Michigan. He married an American girl and lives in Washington D.C.



22 August 1935



TASMANIA

## ROSS MICHAEL LIVINGSTON

#### **Badminton**

A natural all round sportsman, Livingston excelled at tennis, cricket, football and badminton but it was the latter sport that earned him national representation for two countries.

His record includes three under 19 Tasmanian titles, one senior men championship, three Australian Singles titles and several doubles championships. At 19 years of age Livingston won his first of three Australian singles titles in 1969 in Hobart. He was then selected for the 1970 Commonwealth Games team in Edinburgh as well as the Whyte Trophy and Thomas Cup teams where he played with great distinction.

In 1973 he moved to New Zealand where badminton offered him greater opportunities. He represented his adopted country in the Christchurch Commonwealth Games of 1974 and again at Edmonton in 1978. In between he won three New Zealand single titles.

Ross Livingston is regarded in badminton circles as one of the best players Tasmania and Australia has produced. He displayed great sportsmanship throughout his career and was a credit to the game he played with such skill.



8 March 1949



TASMANIA

## GAIL PATRICIA LUKE (nee Millar)

#### **Athletics**

The younger of the two Australian track and field representative Millar sisters, Gail had an equally distinguished career as Jocelyn but specialised in different events. Gail made her mark in the 400 and 800 metres and 400 metres hurdles events where she broke numerous state records including lowering the Tasmanian record five times in the 400 metres hurdles during 1992. In fact she still holds the open state records for the 400 metres hurdles and the 800 metres.

It was really only a matter of time before Gail represented Australia and she did so on five separate occasions from the World Cup in Rome in 1981, the Commonwealth Games in Auckland in 1990 (Jocelyn also represented Australia there) and then probably the highlight of Gail's selections came when she competed in the 400 metres hurdles at the Olympic Games in Barcelona in 1992. During her pre-Olympic preparation Gail won the silver medal at the British Amateur Athletics Association championships over the 400 metres hurdles. It is interesting to note that Gail's selection for Barcelona made her the first Tasmanian female athlete in 36 years to compete at that international level in an individual event.

Like her sister Jo, Gail also achieved other significant honours being voted Tasmanian Athlete of the Year five years in succession, won a Mercury Star of Sport Award and was voted Tasmanian Sportswoman of the Year in 1992 to cap an outstanding sporting career.



25 May 1963



TASMANIA

# SPERRY EDWARD MARSHALL

### **Shooting**

Sperry Marshall represented Australia at the 1972 Munich Olympic Games as a trap and clay target shooter. In a practice session prior to the Games, he shot 198 out of 200 clay targets to equal the world record. In the same year, Sperry was Australia's amateur clay target champion.

Sperry's achievements in his sport span four incredibly successful decades. He first started shooting at tin cans on his father's farm at Bridgewater. When he was just 20, he and his brother Paul won the blue ribbon Commonwealth Championship the Deauville doubles in 1951. They hold the record for being the only brothers to win the national Champion of Champions award four times (twice each).

After he first started competitive shooting as a 19-year-old, Sperry won 267 full championships. These include State, Commonwealth, district and club championships. From 1951 he represented Tasmania every year except four in national championships.

Sperry won 8 national championships and has shot for Australia in international trials 19 times from 1951-1986, and was on 3 occasions High Gun 1969, 1974 and 1975.



19 December 1930- February 2002



TASMANIA

## **GEOFFREY WILLIAM MARTIN**

#### All-Rounder

A tall, lean, right hand bat, Geoffrey Martin favoured attack as the best means of defence, for he possessed the flair, strokes and skill to take on the best. In the 1914/1915 season Martin won the N.T.C.A. batting average. Martin's 649 runs were scored at an average of 81.12 and contained scores of 200 not out and 154. World War I put an end to cricket. Tasmania did not resume first class cricket until 1922.

In 1924 Martin was finally chosen to represent Tasmania in a match against Victoria. In this debut he made 40 in the first innings and top scored with 42 in Tasmania's 199 in the second innings.

In 1928 against England, Martin, in aggressive style, top-scored with 121 in only 126 minutes. In 1928/1929 against the English in Launceston, Martin was vice-captain of the Tasmanian side. Martin hammered the attack, taking his score to 92. He was out, bowled by Larwood, the ball hitting the off stump sending the bail an incredible 66 yards.

All in all, Martin played 23 matches for Tasmania. Sadly, because' of Tasmania's limited first class programme, his superb skills were never utilised to the full.

Geoff Martin was also a very considerable footballer as well. As a centre half back for the Launceston Club, he had been renowned for his marking ability. He played for 10 years with the Launceston Football Club, including four years as captain. He also captained the N.T.F.A. for two years. Martin was vice-captain and centre half back for Tasmania in the 1924 Carnival matches, and a member of the A.I.F. Football team in 1915 that defeated the T.F.L. by four points.



7 March 1896 - 7 March 1968



TASMANIA

# EDGAR ARTHUR ('Ted') McDONALD

### Cricket

Tasmanian born McDonald played twice for his home state before settling in Melbourne. Those two games in 1910 and 1911 were less than auspicious. The move to Victoria proved the turning point in his career.

Selected for his adopted state, he played his first game for them ironically against Tasmania and impressed his former team mates with his increased speed and control.

The First World War intervened and it took him until the third Test of the 1920-21 series against England for McDonald to play for his country. Under the astute leadership of Warwick Armstrong, he paired McDonald with the great Jack Gregory as the first dual pace attack in cricket history. That combination proved too much for England and Australia won the series 5 - 0.

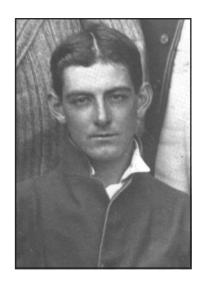
Selected for the 1921 England tour, McDonald and Gregory gave the home sides a taste of true pace. In the first Test, McDonald took 3/42 and 5/32 and followed this with 4/58 and 4/89 in the second. At the end of the Series, he had taken 27 wickets at an average of 24.74.

He played just three more Tests for Australia - against South Africa on the way home and that was the end of his Test career.

He then accepted a lucrative contract to play county cricket with Lancashire and spearheaded this attack through that county's greatest years with his best seasons in 1925 and 1928 when he took 205 and 190 wickets respectively.

Mean, moody and magnificent, McDonald was one of Australia's greatest ever fast bowlers and earned the respect of both opponents and team mates. This partnership with Gregory was seen as one of cricket's most fearsome attacks.

McDonald, at 46 years of age was tragically killed at the scene of a car accident when he was helping the accident victims. Tributes poured in for this enigmatic cricketer dubbed by Charlie Macartney - at the time - as 'unquestionably the most effective speed bowler in the world'!



6 January 1891 - 22 July 1937



TASMANIA

# CECIL L. T. McVILLY

### Rowing

Cecil McVilly of the Derwent Rowing Club, in 1913, won the blue ribbon of the world's amateur sculling honours, the prestigious Diamond Sculls at Henley Royal Regatta, England. He won a fine race by a length in a time of 8 min. 49 secs.

McVilly commenced his career on the water in his school days, when he rowed for Queen's College. His first appearance as a sculler was at New Norfolk, in 1908, when he won both the Maiden Sculls and the Ellis Dean Cup. He won the Alexandra Sculls at the Hobart Regatta, and won the Australian Amateur Championship in sculling in 1910 (Hobart) and 1911 (Sydney). In 1914 (Melbourne) McVilly won the Australian eight title. This double victory was a triumph for Tasmanian oarsmanship, as it had only once been equalled in the history of those races at that time.

McVilly was selected to represent Australia at the 1912 Stockholm Olympic Games—the first Tasmanian Olympian. The games were a disappointment, as he had the misfortune to be disqualified for rowing in front of his opponent. McVilly later went on to become secretary of the Tasmanian Rowing Association.



3 August 1889



TASMANIA

## **GRAHAM RONALD McVILLY**

### **CYCLING**

Introduced to cycling at George Town, Graham McVilly enjoyed the rough and tumble cycling culture which that town spawned. It helped him to develop the mental and physical toughness so necessary for success on both the road and the track.

His first major win was in the Launceston Wheel Race in 1967, while he was still an amateur. The next year he was the Tasmanian Amateur Road Cycling Champion, illustrating the versatility required to become a great cyclist.

Graham turned professional in 1969. He won the Tasmanian Professional Road Championship and rode second in the prestigious Sun Tour of that year. In 1970, he became the Australian Road Cycling title holder, won the Latrobe Wheel and was again second in the Sun Tour.

1971 was a stellar year for 'Macca'. He won the Australian Road title, the Austral Wheel, the West Australian Road title, the Sun Tour, the Werribee Three Day Tour and he was awarded the Sir Hubert Opperman Trophy as the Australian Cyclist of the Year.

He won the Sun Tour again in 1973, the Peninsula Tour, the Sir Hubert Opperman Trophy once more and was selected for Australia to compete at the World Road Cycling Championships. He then travelled to Europe in 1973 and spent two seasons riding in the teams events with the outstanding Peugot and Gitane teams.

He returned to Australia to win the Sun Tour, the Peninsula Tour and represented his country again at the World Titles. These successes just added to the widely held view that Graham was Australia's best road cyclist of the 1970s. In fact, that assertion is borne out by his Australian Road Cyclist of the Year rankings on the international cycling website, which list him as fourth in 1969, first in 1970, 1971 and 1973, and second in 1974.

At the 2001 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sun Tour, 'Macca' was honoured as one of three Legends of the Tour. In the same year, Australia Post released a limited edition stamp and envelope honouring Graham and his cycling feats.

His other sporting love was equestrian, but that sport was to tragically take his life in April 2002. Cycling, and indeed Tasmania, lost one of its great sporting talents.

Graham McVilly was one of Tasmania's best cyclists, track or road, and his name now stands proudly amongst the other cycling greats in the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



4 MAY 1948 - 21 APRIL 2002



TASMANIA

# ELVIE MURDOCH (nee Whitesides)

Golf

In 1906, Elvie Whitesides' won the Australian Ladies' Amateur Golf Championship at the Royal Sydney Club at Rose Bay, N.S.W., and was the first Tasmanian ever to do so. At the time, she played under some difficulty, as her suitcase was lost in transit and she was forced to play the first day of the Championship in a frilly afternoon dress and picture hat. Despite this, she went on to win the Championship and the two handicap events the bogey with an excellent score of 3 up from a handicap of 1 and the stroke competition.

Elvie Whitesides won the first of her five State titles in 1906, and was successful the following year 1907, and again in 1910, 1913 and 1925. She was runner-up five times, with the last being in 1930. She played in her last Australian Championship in 1935. Elvie was also successful in the State Mixed Foursomes on six occasions.

Elvie, at the age of 25, totally lost her hearing.



12 March 1882 - 9 August 1971



TASMANIA

## **DON MURRAY**

#### **Badminton**

In his early days in badminton, Don Murray trained solidly for six nights a week to hone his skills and it came as no surprise therefore when he started winning Tasmanian titles. His state tally at senior level was 5 singles, 3 doubles and 2 mixed doubles titles. This great record was enhanced significantly when he won the Australian singles title in 1953 and in 1954. Further rewards for those early tough training sessions saw Don win the men's doubles and mixed doubles national championships.

That great record naturally gave him the selectors nod to represent his country in both the Thomas Cup for international teams competition and the Whyte trophy against New Zealand. The crowning honour for Don was to be named as captain of the Australian team in 1955. During this period the early to mid fifties, - Tasmania - with Murray, Ken Turner and Rex Collins - was the nation's leading badminton state.

Don Murray was a superb all round sportsman. At the age of 29 while still playing international badminton he took up squash and in his second year won the first of three state titles at this sport.

When he retired from playing badminton and squash he tried orienteering and in 1980 won the Australian over 50 orienteering title and represented his country at that sport.

Don Murray was a remarkable athlete, a superb badminton player and a true champion.



18 July 1929



TASMANIA

## LAURENCE JOHN NASH

#### All-Rounder

A brilliant Australian Rules footballer Nash had an unusual career in international cricket as an aggressive fast bowler and a hard hitting batsman. Nash did not play Shield cricket, but played 17 times for Tasmania and once for Victoria. He had a storybook debut for Australia in 1931-32, against the South Africans on the M.C.G. He took 5/22 in the match but had to wait another five years for his second and last Test appearance. He took 5/104 in the match against the English.

Nash was born in Melbourne in 1910, and came to Tasmania in 1927, making his first-class debut two years later, before returning to Melbourne in April, 1932 to pursue a V.F.L. career. In three seasons for Tasmania, Nash proved a highly competent all-round cricketer. In that time he rattled up 857 runs and took 51 wickets.

Nash's football achievements overshadow his mark in cricket. Laurie joined City in the N.T.F.A. in 1930. In the same year he was chosen to play for Tasmania. Laurie won the N.T.F.A. best and fairest award in 1931 and 1932 while with City. Then in 1933 he transferred to South Melbourne and was a member of its last premiership side in that year. Laurie played 99 games for South Melbourne between 1933 and 1937 and his last year of football, at 36 years of age, in 1945. He was just as big a sensation in Victoria as he was in Tasmania. Laurie was one of the best all-round sportsmen of his day.



2 May 1910 - 24 July 1986



TASMANIA

# LEONARD ROBERT NETTLEFOLD C.B.E.

Golf

Golf made his name familiar throughout Australia. While still at school he showed outstanding promise as a golfer and this quickly developed into brilliance. He became a scratch player and in 1926, at the age of 20, won the Australian amateur championship. The following year he made his mark internationally as runner-up in the Swiss amateur championship and was a quarter-finalist in the British amateur.

In 1928 he was again Australian amateur champion and teamed with Ivo Whitton to win the Australian Men's Foursomes championship. In 1929 he won the Mixed Foursomes championship of Australia with Miss Lily Barclay. Len won the Tasmanian Open championship eight times from 1930 to 1937 and in 1947. He also won the Tasmanian amateur eight times between 1924 and 1939, together with many other titles in men's and mixed foursomes.

A prodigious hitter of the ball off the tee, Len at his peak was recognised as one of the best left-handed golfers in the world as well as one of the leading amateur players on the international scene.

He was captain of the Australian team which went to Britain in 1938, and Tasmanian captain on numerous occasions.

He held course records of 67 at Kingston Beach, 66 at Royal Hobart, 69 at Royal Sydney, and created a new amateur course record at St Andrews in Scotland in 1927 with 71.

Besides being an outstanding player, he was a leading golf administrator. In 1960 he was awarded the C.B.E. for his services to sport and the business community.



16 October 1905 - 4 October 1971



TASMANIA

# TREVOR JOHN PENNEY

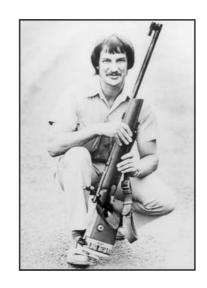
### Shooting

Trevor Penney's determination and competitive spirit saw him reach the top in his sport, and few men have put more time, effort and discipline into succeeding. Trevor has a formidable list of achievements in shooting, highlighted by his selection as number one in the Australian shooting team for the Commonwealth Games in Canada in 1978 and the world championships in Seoul (Korea), where he gained two gold medals.

In 1982 he was once again a member of the Australian team, this time at the world championships in Venezuela. There he participated in the 3-Position event and was also a member of the Australian fullbore rifle team.

Trevor represented Tasmania at 14 National championships from 1972 to 1986. During this period he broke 10 Australian records and equalled world records on two occasions in 1979 and in 1980. He has won on the National scene six gold medals, seven silver and six bronze.

In Tasmanian championships Trevor won in excess of 55 gold medals. Such are his achievements at a State level that in 1986 he held all but one of the records available in Open competition, 12 out of a possible 13—fantastic shooting by any standard.



4 September 1943



TASMANIA

# E. A. (Ted) PICKETT

### All-Rounder

As an all rounder, Ted Pickett must rank in the top echelon of Tasmanian sportsmen. He did not concentrate on one sport and that decision probably cost him national representation.

Regarded by many as probably Tasmania's best local born wicketkeeper Pickett played for Tasmania 9 times in the days when interstate and international matches were rare occurrences in the sporting calendar of this state.

He was also an excellent footballer, winning the Tasman Shield Trophy for the NTFA best and fairest in 1935: he played for the combined northern side for 6 years against visiting VFL sides Fitzroy (1930), St Kilda (1934) and Richmond (1935).

Not content with those two major sports he also was an excellent tennis player winning the Pardey Shield in 1926 in his last year of school then going on to represent the North in that sport. He also played badminton at a high level in the intrastate series. He was a low handicap golfer.

As an athlete, he won numerous quarter mile events at the popular coastal carnivals. In 1928 he won the Smithton and Latrobe quarter miles and finished second in the Latrobe Gift.

He was also a fine billiards and snooker player. He played in the Australian billiards championship 4 times and was the first player in 1955 to win the Tasmanian billiards and snooker titles in the one year. He played in 3 Australian snooker championships, and won the national title in 1955 becoming the first Tasmanian to do so.

Pickett was an outstanding natural, unassuming sportsman who excelled in at least 8 sports and his exploits place him high amongst Tasmania's finest athletes.



2 April 1909



TASMANIA

## **GRANT REX RICE**

### Cycling

An excellent all round cyclist, Grant achieved success both on the track and the road, as well as in endurance tour events.

As a 17 year-old in 1985, he won a bronze medal at the national road race titles in Adelaide. Showing his versatility, Grant then went on to win a silver medal on the track in 1989 and, in 1993, won a team's first place in the highly prestigious Commonwealth Bank Classic. A further gold medal came in the 1993 King of the Mountains section of the Tour of Taiwan.

Grant's selection in an Australian team was inevitable given the skill, determination and dedication he displayed to reach his personal pinnacle of achievement. His first major representation was at the 1991 World Cycling Championships in Stuttgart, Germany, followed by the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games, where he finished tenth in the gruelling individual road race against the best in the world. As well, he and his teammates finished eleventh in the teams time trial event. In the same year he won a silver medal in the individual road race at the Oceania Games and one year later, at the 1993 World Cycling Championships, he finished fifth in the teams time trial in Norway.

Selected for the 1994 Commonwealth Games team, Grant finished fifth in the individual road race in Victoria, Canada. Again in 1994, he entered the Branden Tour of Tasmania and – against some of the best in Australia – he won the gold medal for the individual road race.

At the state level, Grant was eight times Tasmanian track and road cycling champion, a quite remarkable feat in these days of more specialised cycling pursuits.

In 1991 he was recognised for his wonderful achievements as a cyclist when he was awarded the Tasmanian Sports Star Award as Tasmania's top sportsperson for that year.

Grant was a leader among his peers, which was reflected in his selection as captain of the national men's road cycling team from 1991 to 1995. His athletic ability was also recognised, with him being awarded a Tasmanian Institute of Sport scholarship from 1989 until 1991 and an Australian Institute of Sport scholarship from 1990 to 1993.

As a leader, a brilliant cyclist, a role model and an athlete of unquestioned sportsmanship, Grant Rice rightly deserves his place in the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



14 May 1968



TASMANIA

Inducted 2007

# RON SHERRIFF

### Woodchopping

Described in his obituary by a well known woodchopping reporter as "nature's gentleman .... a wonderful sportsman .... greatest all rounder produced in Tasmania", Ron Sherriff, a quiet unassuming Maydena logging contractor but originally from Lefroy, recorded his first win at Piper's River in 1947.

In a twenty year career, he went on to win 55 Tasmanian titles, 10 Australian championships and 4 world titles as well as winning the Oscar for gaining the most points at the Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart Shows. He also was the Champion of Champions at the Brisbane Show in 1964 and 1967 and won the all round Tasmanian title three years in a row from 1964-1966.

In 1962 Ron - at the Tasmanian Championships at Somerset - broke a 54 year old world record for the 24 inch standing block - a record still unbroken today. In 1966 at Lietinna, he broke his own world record when he cut through an 18 inch log in 53.0 seconds.

Killed in a logging accident in the Forth Valley in 1968, Ron Sherriff will be remembered as a former Australian captain, a champion axeman and a great ambassador for his sport, his state and his nation.



11 January 193117 January 1968



TASMANIA

# WILLIAM HERBERT SMITH

## **Boxing**

Tasmania has produced many outstanding boxers but Bill Smith stands alone as the state's leading amateur in the years preceding the second World War.

He first came to prominence in 1930 when he won a schoolboy championship and over the next seven years built up an impressive sequence of wins that finally led him to his first Australian championship in 1937. Chosen to represent his country at the 1938 Empire Games in Sydney in the Welterweight division, Bill won his four fights and earned a place in the final. In that final he defeated A. J. Heeney of New Zealand.

Bill was the only Australian to win a boxing gold medal at the Games and the first Tasmanian to win a gold medal at the Commonwealth (Empire) or Olympic Games. He was just 18 years of age.

He was subsequently selected for the 1940 Tokyo Olympic Games, but these were abandoned because of the War. He turned professional and won each of his nine fights before he retired from the sport in 1941. His excellent record spanning a career of 11 years saw him compete in 63 fights for only 5 defeats and these losses were during his formative years.

Smith's major assets were his speed and reach. He was regarded as a clever fighter with a splendid variety of punches but his left hand was the major weapon that brought him success.



15 May 1919 - 28 October 2005



TASMANIA

# DANIEL SPROULE

### Hockey

Daniel began what was to become a brilliant career in hockey when he represented Tasmanian for the first time in the under 15's in 1988. He went on to play both underage and later at senior level for Tasmanian for many years. His exceptional skills were recognized when, at just 18, he was selected for the Australian under 21 squad in 1992. He subsequently relocated to Perth (WA) to further his hockey career when he was awarded an Australian Institute of Sport Scholarship.

He honed those considerable skills in Perth and his first senior Australian representation

came in 1994. He was then regularly selected for his country in numerous test match series, Champions Trophy tournaments – Vice Captain in 1998 – World Cup matches, and the 1998 Kuala Lumpur Commonwealth Games side where Australia won the gold medal.

His dream selection came when he was chosen for the 1996 Olympic Games team to play in Atlanta, where Australia won the bronze medal.

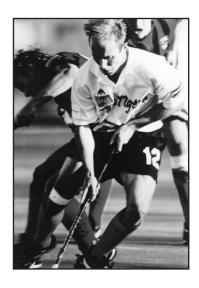
He even surpassed that Atlanta experience when he played for his country at the Sydney Olympics in 2000 where Australia played in front of their home crowd. Australia again finished third to win the bronze medal. What an achievement for this talented young Tasmanian sportsman to play at the ultimate level of competition in the land of his birth!

As well as this wonderful international record, Daniel distinguished himself in the National Hockey League, playing with the Tassie Tigers in 1993 and then with the WAIS Strikers when Tasmania did not field a team for a number of years. He returned to play with his home state and won the season's top hockey award in 1999 when chosen as the Player of the League for that season.

He retired from hockey in 2001 after an extremely successful and distinguished career.

Recognized as one of the best midfielders in the world, he was also an outstanding role model to thousands of young hockey players throughout Australia as a player who epitomized the worth of sportsmanship as an essential part of the game. His retirement concluded a wonderful record of 188 games for his country.

Daniel is a very worthy inclusion in to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



25 January 1974



TASMANIA

Member 2005

## IAN HARLOW STEWART

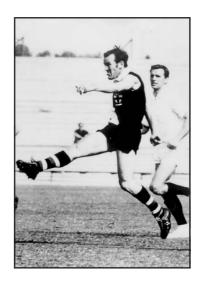
### Australian Football

Tasmanians are justifiably proud of the succession of talented players who made their mark in the V.F.L. (now the A.F.L.). Ian Stewart rates as one of the best who crossed Bass Strait

After playing only 13 games with Hobart and one for Tasmania, he was recruited by St Kilda in 1963. He became an instant success and won his Club's best and fairest award in only his second year. A superb left foot kick, Stewart honed his skills to such an extent that he became one of the game's greatest players. Flawless control with both hand and foot and courage which left many in fear for his safety, he became one of a very select band of players to win three Brownlow Medals - two with St Kilda including 1966 when St Kilda won its only V.F.L. Premiership and one with Richmond the Club to which he transferred in 1970.

He played 127 games with St Kilda and 78 with Richmond before moving to South Melbourne in 1976 as a non playing coach. In 1977 his Swans reached the elimination final. Named coach of Carlton in 1978 he resigned because of ill health then returned to South Melbourne for the 1979, 80, and 81 seasons.

When football followers discuss their 'best ever' football teams Ian Stewart's name is more often than not listed in the centre - a position he dominated with outstanding skill and courage for his 207 V.F.L. games.



14 July 1943



TASMANIA

# BRETT PETER STOCKS

### Swimming

As a member of the St Patrick's swimming club in Launceston, Brett moved up the junior ranks winning numerous state titles. He came under serious consideration when Australia's top coaches and officials were in Hobart at the national championships in 1983, where he came close to a world record.

In 1983 Brett was offered an Australian Institute of Sport scholarship. In Brisbane, where the national swim squad was based, Brett came under the expert tuition of legendary coach, Joe King.

Selected in his first Australian team for the tri-meet against teams from Sweden and Germany in 1983, Brett won the 100-metres breaststroke and was a member of the gold-medal-winning medley relay team. The next big step forward came in the same year, when he was selected for the prestigious Pan Pacific championships in Tokyo. Brett came up against the top swimmers from Japan, Canada, the United States and other Pacific rim countries. Undaunted by the opposition, the young Tasmanian won a gold medal – again in his best event – the 100-metres breaststroke.

Further international representation followed, but Brett's career highlight occurred in 1984, when he was selected to swim for his country at the Los Angeles Olympic Games. On that world stage, he did well to make the final and finish a very credible 6<sup>th</sup> place.

In the following year Brett was selected as captain of the Australian swimming team, travelling to Europe for competition. He set an Australian record in the 200-metres breaststroke and was selected for his second Pan Pacific championships, again in Tokyo, where he won a silver medal.

1986 saw Brett win a place on the Edinburgh Commonwealth Games team, where he won a bronze medal.

In all of his international competitions Brett won a total of two gold medals, four silver and seven bronze, in one of the toughest sports an athlete could choose to compete. A medal in any competition in swimming is well-earned and deserving of commendation.

At all national titles in which he competed, Brett won ten gold medals, four silver and one bronze. As well, he added an Australian 50-metre short-course record to his list of accomplishments.

Brett retired from competitive swimming at the conclusion of the 1990 season. As an outstanding Tasmanian swimmer, Brett can reflect on a fantastic career, which is recognised in his induction into the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



14 March 1963



TASMANIA

# RAYMOND GORDON STOKES

#### All-Rounder

Regarded by the legendary. Jack Dyer as the best centreman he saw, Ray Stokes served Tasmanian Sport as one of its great all-rounders. He first represented Tasmania as a schoolboy footballer and his talents took him to the strong Richmond (V.F.L.) Club where he played 93 games from 1946-1951. Returning to captain/coach Burnie in 1952, Stokes brought with him a reputation as a tough but fair footballer and he won the N.W.F.U. Wander Medal in 1954 as best and fairest in the competition. A superb left foot kick, Stokes was selected to play for Tasmania on seven occasions including two carnival series 1953 and 1956 where he acquitted himself with distinction.

Stokes was a fitness fanatic and his natural sporting talents saw him playing cricket in the summer months. He played first with South Burnie and then coached Wynyard for one year before joining the Burnie District Cricket Club where he enjoyed most of his success. Ray topped the N.W.T.C.A. batting averages on 10 occasions from 1952/53 to 1966/67.

These performances led to state selection, where in pre-Sheffield Shield days, representative matches were very sparse. His record for his state in international matches as a top order batsman was outstanding. 1952/53 Vs Australian XI top score of 82 1953/54 Vs touring Australian XI 83 1954/55 selected to play against England but was ill (retired briefly in 1957) 1958/59 Vs MCC 54 no in Hobart and 30 in Launceston 1962/63 Vs MCC 82 and 76 no in Hobart.

Ray Stokes is arguably one of our greatest sporting sons.



21 May 1924



TASMANIA

## BRADLEY JAMES THOMAS OAM

#### **Athletics**

Brad first came to the notice of athletics officials in 1986, when he competed at the Domain Athletics Centre in track and field events in the interclub competition against able-bodied opponents. It was a tough introduction to competitive athletics, as he was given no favours. However, the experience stood him in good stead for future international competition, where he came up against other athletes with a disability.

Brad was first selected to represent Australia in the 1988 Seoul Paralympics Games – the only Tasmanian to be selected in the team. He won a silver medal in the pentathlon, and in doing so, created a national record.

Three more Paralympic selections followed. The first was for the Barcelona team in 1992, where he finished 7<sup>th</sup> in the pentathlon and 5<sup>th</sup> in the long jump. The second was for Atlanta in 1996 and then the Sydney Paralympic Games in 2000, making him a four-time Paralympian; a rare feat in itself.

At the Atlanta Games, Brad put in an excellent performance, setting a new world record and winning gold with his team in the 4 x 100-metre relay. Brad also won a bronze medal in the 100-metres and bronze in the long jump.

Other selections saw him represent Australia in 1997 and 1998, when the national teams travelled to Europe and the United States of America. Brad and his teammates broke another world record in the relay at Duderstadt meet in Germany.

In a career that spanned 15 years – from 1985 until 2000 – Brad set three national records and, over that time, was the NSW titleholder in the 100 and 200-metres, the long jump and the pentathlon. He was twice named the NSW Amputee Sporting Association Male Athlete of the Year – in 1996 and 1998. Brad was also vice-captain of the Australian volleyball team at the World Amputee Championships in Las Vegas in 1986.

Brad's wonderful sporting career was capped in 1997 when he was awarded an Order of Australia Medal in the New Year's Honours list for his services to sport.

Brad is a fantastic role model for his fellow athletes, but probably even more so to the general public as someone who overcame a physical disability to achieve world class status in his chosen sport.



1 April 1967



TASMANIA

# TIM THOMPSON

#### **Badminton**

Tim Thompson dominated Tasmanian badminton during the 1930's, his prowess and skill at the game leading to numerous victories. He won the Tasmanian Men's Singles in 1934 and 1936, the Men's Doubles in 1932 and 1933 and the Mixed Doubles in 1936. Thompson represented the State on three occasions in 1934, 1947 (as Captain) and 1950. In 1936, he took J. Devlin, the reigning world champion, to 3 sets in Hobart.

On a national level Thompson won the Australian Men's Singles in 1936 and the Mixed Doubles in the same year. 1939 was to see him take out his second Mixed Doubles. In 1938 and 1939 Thompson was a member of the Australian team who played New Zealand for the Whyte Trophy.

World War Two put an end to competitive badminton and it was not to resume until 1947. This seven year interval undoubtedly robbed Thompson of greater feats. However, with the return of competitive badminton, Thompson was able to demonstrate that he still had what it took, when he successfully won his second Australian Men's Singles crown in 1947.



12 April 1913 - 22 July 1989



TASMANIA

# **BRETT CAMERON THURLEY**

### Water Skiing

Many Tasmanian sporting champions unfortunately have to leave the state to advance their careers and Brett Thurley is no exception.

Starting with the local Nomads Water Ski Club as an 8 year old, his natural talent soon distinguished him from his peers. This complete domination of the sport in Tasmania saw him set state records in all age divisions and then in senior competition in every discipline of the sport. All of these state records still stand today.

The first of many national titles was won when Brett was just 14 when he won the gold medal in the Australian Junior Boys slalom championship - a style of skiing in which he was to eventually become a world champion.

In 1986 Brett won the prestigious Moomba Masters world wide most cherished men's slalom event - the youngest Australian ever to do so.

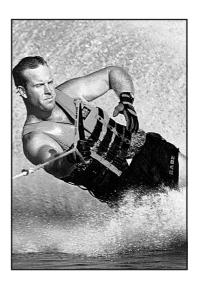
Turning professional in 1989 Thurley then entered the really tough arena of international water skiing and in that year became the first Australian to win a men's slalom title on the world professional tour. In the same year, he won both the French and Spanish Open slalom events.

Every year from 1988 until 1994 he was ranked in the world's top 10 professional skiers and voted by his peers as the number 4 skier in the world in 1989 on the professional tour.

He continued winning international events right through until 1995 when he retired after an illustrious career.

Brett always returned to Tasmania when he could and he represented Australia at world ski titles with great success, outstanding sportsmanship and tremendous dignity from 1984 onwards

He is an excellent example of a Tasmanian sporting legend who made his name on the world scene yet still called Tasmania home. A very worthy member of the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



26 April 1964



TASMANIA

# PETER ALFRED TOOGOOD, M.B.E.

Golf

Peter Toogood hit the perfect golf stroke when he was only eight years old. His hole-in-one on the 110-yard seventh at Kingston Beach in 1938 was a world record for the youngest hole-in-one— and it stood for 20 years.

Peter started his golf career on the scratch mark and held a scratch handicap for 30 years from 1948 — an outstanding performance from any golfer. He won thirty consecutive championships from 1948-1978 and won Royal Hobart's Club Championship five times in the 1980's—1980, 1983, 1986, 1987 and 1988 at the age of 58, a tremendous effort.

He won the Tasmanian Open Golf Championship eight times from 1949 to 1959 and represented Tasmania in Australian interstate teams matches a staggering twenty nine times from 1948 to 1978. Peter's achievements were not solely confined to State competitions. He was the leading Amateur in the British Open in 1954 and in the same year he won the Australian Amateur Golf Championship and was a quarter finalist in the British Amateur Championship. In 1956 he won the New Zealand Amateur Championship.

Other career highlights included leading Amateur player in the Australian Open Golf Championship in 1950, 1952, 1955 and 1957 as well as being a member of Australia's winning team in the inaugural World Amateur Teams Championship for the Eisenhower Cup at St Andrews in 1958.

Peter Toogood was awarded an M.B.E. in 1981 for his services to golf and sport in general.



11 April 1930



TASMANIA

# KENNETH CHARLES TURNER

### **Badminton**

One of the greatest sportsmen produced by Tasmania, Turner has dominated the State and Australian badminton scene since 1955, first as a player and more recently as a coach. During his illustrious career Turner has clearly demonstrated that he was one of the most skilled and highly respected exponents of the game in Australia.

Turner represented Tasmania on ten occasions, in eight of which he was Captain and on two occasions successfully led the Tasmanian team to victory in the interstate Clendinnen Shield (Hobart 1962 and Adelaide 1964).

In National competitions, 1958 saw Turner victorious in both the, men's singles and mixed doubles titles at the Adelaide championships. He was to go on in 1962 to win the men's doubles and mixed doubles and the singles, mixed and men's doubles in 1964. In 1965 Turner was successful in the mixed doubles, repeating the performance in 1966.

In International matches, Turner represented Australia several times as Captain; in Thomas Cup contests for the world's men's championship and for the Whyte Trophy against New Zealand. Turner was the first Tasmanian selected to Captain an Australian badminton team (1959) and was the first player to win three State championships in the one year 1954).

In 1966 he represented Australia in the Commonwealth Games in Jamaica as Captain, Manager and No.1 player of the badminton side.



20 August 1933



TASMANIA

## JULIE Van KEULEN BEM

#### Athletics

As schoolgirl, Julie competed very successfully in a range of sports including netball, softball, swimming and athletics.

Following an horrific car accident as a teenager, Julie showed enormous courage to overcome such a major setback for one so young. Confined to a wheelchair, new life skills had to be learned and one of the driving forces in her very successful rehabilitation was a burning desire to participate in sport again.

Her return to sporting competition began when she was selected to train with the Australian national squad in Melbourne in 1979-80. It was the start of what was to become a wonderful sporting career.

In 1981 she was chosen to represent Tasmania in athletics at the National Para Quad Games. This first national competition was very successful for Julie as she came home with 3 gold medals, in the javelin, shot putt and discus. Each of these medals was achieved with Australian record performances. It was a pathway for future national selection and later international acclaim.

Julie was selected in her first national team for the 1982 Far Eastern and Pacific Games in Hong Kong. She won medals in those same three events including a new world record in the javelin throw.

Further national representation in 1983 came which saw Julie compete in the Stoke Mandeville Games in England – regarded than as the World Championships for athletes with a Disability. At this level, that now renowned dedication and determination came to the fore once more and she won the javelin with another world record throw. A silver medal in the discus throw and a bronze in the shot putt added to a superb medal haul.

There were three more gold medals at the Australian national Games in Sydney the following year. These results ensured Julie was selected in the Australian team to compete in the first Paralympic Games held in London in 1984. Julie was the first Tasmanian ever selected in the Australian Paralympic team and she honoured that selection by winning another gold medal in the javelin.

Other honours followed her retirement from international competition at the conclusion of these Games. Three Mercury WD and HO Wills Star of Sport awards, a Sport Australia Award and the national Para Quad trophy for the best female athlete in international events, plus a TAS TV Sportswoman of the Year Award.

Julie was recognized in 1985 in the Queens Birthday Honours list with the award of the British Empire Medal for her services to athletics and her achievements as an athlete with a disability. A fitting tribute indeed to a great Tasmanian.

As an example to all young Tasmanians, Julie showed terrific determination and courage to overcome adversity and become the best in the world at her chosen event.



7 December 1959



TASMANIA

Member 2005

# MAXWELL HENRY NORMAN WALKER

#### Cricket

Leaving Tasmania in 1967 to play football with Melbourne, Walker insisted that he also be allowed to play cricket, a sport at which he excelled at the Friends' School and the North Hobart Cricket Club as a batsman.

As a ruckman Max played 94 games with the Melbourne F.C. in the V.F.L., but he made his international cricket reputation as a top class medium fast right hand bowler.

His ungainly delivery action earned him the nickname of 'Tangles'. He was first change bowler for Australia's fearsome duo of Jeff Thomson and Dennis Lillee. He made his Test debut against Pakistan at the M.C.G. in December 1972 taking 2-112 and then 3-39 in the second innings with the new ball. He earned selection in the 1973 touring team to the West Indies and enjoyed an extremely successful series, taking 26 wickets - a record which still has not been broken.

He played 34 Tests for Australia and took 138 wickets at 27.47 runs per wicket. He captured 5 wickets in an innings 6 times with his best figures 8-143 against England in Melbourne in 1975 and 6-15 versus Pakistan at the S.C.G. in 1973.

The colourful bowler was also a member of Kerry Packer's controversial World Series Cricket revolution.

He retired in 1981 after an outstanding career for his country.



19 September 1948



TASMANIA

# MICHAEL ANDREW WILSON

### Cycling

The North West Coast of Tasmania - the home of the famous Coastal Carnivals - has produced some outstanding track cyclists but a young and eager Michael Wilson was attracted to and achieved early success on the road rather than the track.

He first represented Tasmania in 1977 and was an immediate success on the national long distance scene when he won the Australian junior road championship in that year. In 1978, he was the Australian pursuit champion. Also in 1978 he became the youngest ever winner of the gruelling Tasmanian event, the Tour of the North. In that same year he won the State 200km title, as well as securing fastest times for the Goulburn to Sydney and Grafton to Inverell road races. Following these successes he was an obvious selection in the Australian junior team to contest the 1978 World championships in the USA where he performed with distinction.

Further wins in 1979 in the Australian road championships in South Australia, the Western Australian Kirby Hardware Classic and the Victorian 50km Madison championship saw him gain his second Australian team jersey but this time in the senior team at the World track championships in Holland. This showed his versatility - both track and road representation is a great achievement.

Michael then continued his rapid progress on the road and the ultimate selection came when he represented Australia at the 1980 Moscow Olympics where he was the first Australian to finish in the individual road race in a most creditable 25th position.

As well as all of these achievements, this quiet and modest young cyclist twice rode in the prestigious Tour de France. He won numerous events on the Continent, including a stage of the Tour of Italy in 1981. He met and matched some of the world's best cyclists.

Michael Wilson is arguably Tasmania's best performed road cyclist, who, in his very short career, made his mark as one of Australia's top cyclists where he matched it with the best in the cradle of road cycling - Europe.

He deserves this recognition because of his determination and skill. He was a very versatile cyclist who represented his state and his country with dignity and honour and was a great ambassador both for his sport and Tasmania.



15 January 1960



TASMANIA

# DOUG YOUD, M.B.E.

### Woodchopping

"I wouldn't let anyone beat me if I could help it"—a statement once made by Doug Youd—epitomises the man who stood like a colossus in the Australian and world chopping arenas for almost 20 years. In 1966 Doug claimed at least seven Tasmanian titles, his final being the 14in. championship at Waratah on 31 December.

April 1968 saw Doug at the Sydney Royal Show winning the world's championship tree-felling for the sixth time in seven years. Easter 1969 saw Doug back in Sydney for yet another triumph. During the Royal Easter Show he raced away from his fellow competitors to win the final of the 13in. tree-felling in 2 min. 12 sec. This was his 9th title in succession - an R.A.S. record.

In a career that started in 1945 and spanned 37 years, Doug Youd won 15 world tree-felling championships, four world 'standing' and countless 'hard-hitting' titles.

He was a regular member of Australian teams, won the Lindy Award in 1974 as Tasmania's outstanding sportsman, and was awarded an M.B.E. in 1981.



21 April 1927



TASMANIA

# MERVYN ALBERT YOUD

### Woodchopping

Tasmania has an enviable record in the sport of woodchopping and the Youd family is synonymous with that record. The second family member to be admitted to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame is Mervyn who, in a career spanning in excess of 30 years, won 205 state, national and world titles in every category of competitive woodchopping.

In 1953 he became the first Tasmanian axeman to win the Britstand Trophy at the Sydney Royal Easter Show - this is presented to the most successful competitor in all the single handed events.

Mervyn was a true champion at the block and at one stage held five concurrent Australian records in single events and shared with the late George Foster the 20 inch double handed sawing record, established at Deloraine in 1967 in a time of 11.4 seconds.

He was a great team member and often first selection for several Tasmanian teams, also representing Australia six times and in 1974 was named Captain of the national team at the World Festival of Chopping.

Twenty times Tasmanian captain, Youd stands as one of the great exponents of the sport which Tasmania has dominated since the end of the Second World War.



3 September 1924



TASMANIA

# AUDREY HELEN YOUL (nee Moore)

### Swimming

Audrey justifiably is hailed as one of Tasmania's finest swimmers, representing her country at the highest level and succeeding. Throughout her outstanding career she maintained the philosophy that, while winning was great, the best part of swimming was the sheer fun and exhilaration of moving through the water at speed.

Since winning her first State gold medal at the tender age of nine, Audrey has gone a long, long way. In 1982 she was the first Tasmanian to win a Commonwealth Games swimming medal (Brisbane), carrying off the bronze medal in the 100 metres backstroke event.

In 1983 Audrey was a gold medallist in the same event in the national titles and in the following year she won silver medals in both the 100 metres and 200 metres backstroke events. In 1986 she won the silver medal in the 200 metres backstroke at the Australian championships, which gained her selection to the Edinburgh Commonwealth Games.

Audrey also represented Australia at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, winning the consolation final. Audrey's combination of dedication and application, together with her good nature, clearly demonstrated that she could match it not just with the country's best, but also with the world's best.



19 September 1964



TASMANIA

## SIMON JOHN ARTHUR YOUL

#### **Tennis**

Introduced by his family at the age of 8 to the game of tennis, Simon showed a natural aptitude for the game and later private lessons enhanced that raw talent. Significant support from his family enabled him to progress through school, club and state under age ranks. That wonderful support followed him throughout his career.

He went on to receive a junior scholarship under the Custom Credit support scheme, moved to Sydney at the age of 14 and came under the influence of John Newcombe and Tony Roche. He then earned a scholarship to the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra where Ray Ruffels was one of his coaches.

As a junior his career was outstanding. He won a national under 13 singles title, but in 1983 he made his mark on the international scene in an exceptional year of achievements. In singles, he won the Canadian Junior Title and was runner up in both the United States & Australian titles and was a quarter finalist at the Wimbledon Juniors. With his partner Mark Kratzman, they won the French, Wimbledon, United States and Canadian Open junior titles. At the end of the year, he was ranked No. 5 junior player in the world and not unexpectedly, No.1 (with Mark) in the doubles.

Moving out of the juniors at the beginning of 1984 he joined the tough A.T.P circuit mainly playing the Challenger series. In that open field, Simon recorded his first singles win in the 1984 Australian Hardcourt Championships. In later years he won titles in Singapore, Schevingen, & Newcastle. He never forgot his Tasmanian connections and one of his most pleasing wins was the 1990 Challenger Title in Hobart.

With many different doubles partners over the years, Simon won events in Casablanca, Nagoya, Christchurch and Bucharest and was a quarter finalist at Wimbledon in 1986 and again in 1989.

Simon has twice been selected in the Australian Davis Cup squad. He was forced to retire in 1994 because of persistent knee and back injuries – leaving with a legacy of 13 years on the professional circuit.

Regarded as one of Tasmania's best ever tennis players, Simon, since his retirement, has given back to the game a significant amount of his undoubted expertise by coaching many of the states' current elite players - both juniors and seniors.

Simon is a very worthy addition to the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame.



1 July 1965



TASMANIA