

Kasey Burton (13) - Basketball

As with older sister Ella, who is also a recipient today, Kasey represented Victorian county in the Pacific Coast Slam tournament at Port Macquarie, NSW. Kasey plays with Exies-Acmy in Ballarat.

Harry Crothers-Bade (17) - Cycling

Harry's star in the cycling world keeps rising with his latest successes being gold in the national men's 19 year 4000m team pursuit. Harry is a Ballarat Sebastopol Cycling Club member.

Aaron Edmondson (18) - Clay Target Shooting

Aaron had a top 20 finish in the world under-21 clay target championship, which he reached after a third at national and first at state under-18 level. He is a Ballarat Field and Game member.

Anthony Fisher (16) - Basketball

Anthony captained a Victorian country team at the national under-16 championships and has gone on to be selected to represent Victorian country at the national under-18 titles in New South Wales. Anthony plays with Wildcats in the Ballarat Basketball Association.

Jamie Halliday (23) - Karate

Jamie is the first down syndrome exponent of his craft to achieve a black belt in Zen Do Kai Karate in Australia and second in the world. He will also be part of the National Special Olympics this month in basketball. Jamie is a Bob Jones Academy of Martial Arts member.

Steve Hardy (60) - Kyokushin Karate

Steve will coach the Australian Kyokushin Karate team to compete in the World Cup in Spain in June, a job which in the lead up is taking him to New South Wales and Queensland for training sessions. Steve is with Ballarat Kyokushin Karate.

Emma Hills (14) - Basketball

Emma travelled to the Australian Junior Basketball Cup, at Albury in January, where she represented Country Victoria.

Ben Huggett (16) - Triathlon

Ben continues to progress in his selection sport, in which he is ranked second nationally and finished just outside the top 20 in the world championships at 16-19 year level. His latest events include representing the Victorian Secondary School Sports Association at the nationals in Adelaide. Ben is a Ballarat Triathlon Club member.

Jamie Huggett (19) - Triathlon

Jamie is the new Australian under-23 triathlon champion after a top 10 finish in a World Cup event in Queensland and is preparing to compete overseas aiming for a place in the World Triathlon Championships. Jamie is a member of Ballarat Triathlon Club.

Jaie O'Brien (14) - Badminton

Jaie was selected to play for Ballarat in the Australian under-15 championships in Brisbane. Jaie is part of the Ballarat Badminton Association and WestVic Academy of Sport programs.

Kerrie-Anne Phillips (40) - Kyokushin Karate

Kerrie-Anne will represent Australia in the Kyokushin Karate World Cup in Spain in June after finishing third in the women's open lightweight division at the Australian championships. She is a member of Ballarat Kyokushin Karate.

Kate Ryan (16) - Athletics

Kate finished fourth in the under-17 400m hurdles at the Australian All-Schools Track and Field Championships. Her progress has seen her run at the prestigious Zatopek meet in Melbourne and selected to represent Victoria at the Australian Junior Youth Athletic Championships in Sydney. Kate runs with Eureka Athletic Club.

Brooke Trainor (15) - Taekwondo

Brooke is a member of the national under-18 development squad after finishing second in the 14-17 year division at last year's nationals and taking out the state title. She was also third at the Youth Olympics. Brooke is preparing to compete in the Korean Open in July. She is a Trainor Taekwondo member.

Elizabeth Werry (13) - Basketball

Elizabeth represented Victorian county in the Pacific Coast Slam tournament at Port Macquarie, NSW. She plays with Celtic Tigers in Ballarat.

SPONSOR PROFILE

Ballarat City Council's primary responsibility is to deliver essential services, programs and facilities to the people of Ballarat. Equally important is its role as a strong leader and a dynamic driver of prosperity, growth and development.

The City of Ballarat is a \$120 million dollar a year, seven day a week business. More than 700 staff working in twenty four business units deliver over 100 core services which are accessible to people of all ages, interests and incomes.

Council's capital budget is at least \$30 million (gross) and the organisation is responsible for maintaining over \$1 billion worth of assets.

Ballarat is a city that enjoys a long and proud sporting history and Council is committed to developing and nurturing this legacy. This can be achieved by promoting the benefits of sport and by being the custodians of Ballarat's many and varied sporting facilities.

In the City of Ballarat 2009/2010 Budget Council committed \$15.8 million to the city's sporting precincts over five years which will ensure the quality and continuous improvement of our sporting facilities.

Ballarat City Council is a proud sponsor of the Ballarat Sports Foundation. We thank the Foundation for its ongoing commitment to providing our city's many talented young sports men and women with the opportunity to achieve their sporting aspirations.



STATISTICS

Total allocated scholarships	813
Total sports scholarships	68
Scholarships last 12 months	71
Sports last 12 months	18

INFORMATION

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\$300,000 IS NOW IN OUR SIGHTS \$259,895

- A community based project aiming to encourage and support local sportspeople who have demonstrated potential to achieve and further develop in their chosen sport,
- Foster the spirit of community pride and success through encouragement of Ballarat sportspersons to pursue sporting excellence.
- Provide a focal point to co-ordinate community sponsorship and donors,



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Ballarat Sports Foundation- Chairperson's Report April 2010

It is with a great deal of pleasure I write the Chairpersons report for the Ballarat Sports Foundation. On Thursday April 8th 2010 Scholarships were presented to 19 athletes. The presentation took place in the board room of The Courier. Sports Editor and board member of the Ballarat Sports Foundation acted as host. The Ballarat Sports Foundation is grateful to the Courier for hosting this event. A total 813 athletes have received scholarships now from the Ballarat Sport Foundation since its inception in 1995. A total of \$259,895.00 has been given to these people.

The Ballarat Sports Foundation congratulates these 19 recipients and their families and supporters on being successful for funding under our Scholarship Program. Out of 19 recipients eight were first time recipients and they were Emma Bilston, Kasey Burton, Jamie Halliday, Steve Hardy, Jaie O'Brien, Kerrie- Anne Phillips, Kate Ryan and Brooke Trainor.

Mr Steve Moneghetti who is the Patron of the Ballarat Sports Foundation gave an outstanding address to the gathering. Every person there hung onto every word Steve gave and I am sure we all went away feeling inspired by this four time Olympian. Steve is truly a great ambassador for Australia, Victoria and of course Ballarat. We were certainly privileged to have him at our Scholarship presentation.

You too can become part of the Ballarat Sports Foundation by taking out a membership. For a one year membership it costs only \$15.00 or a five year membership costs \$60.00. Please talk to Honourable Secretary Mr Noel Pidgeon if you are interested.

In conclusion I would like to thank my fellow Board members and in particular Noel Pidgeon for their hard work in keeping the Ballarat Sports Foundation going from strength to strength.

Yours sincerely

John C. Burt OAM
Chairman

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

It has very recently become necessary to change our address. Please note all future correspondence forwarded via email to the BSF needs to be addressed as follows:- bs.f1@bigpond.com

Winners of the award **Helen Pascoe and Travis Tatt Golf** (January), **Harry Crothers-Bade Cycling** (February), **Hayden Riley Athletics** (March), **Phil Orr Cycling** (April). Award Sponsors **Gold Bus, Central Highlands Water, Mars Snackfood Australia, Ballarat Aquatic Centre.**

Service to Sport Award

The BSF invites nominations for the above from the sporting fraternity of Ballarat three times annually. The award which is open to anyone connected to a sporting club/association who has significantly contributed to the day to day operations for an extended period whether on or off-field. Nomination forms are available from Noel. Closing dates 1st day of March, July and November. Do you have someone in mind? We would welcome your nomination.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The BSF again acknowledges the very valuable contribution of our sponsors/donors. Major sponsors include Rotary Club of Ballarat South, Mars Snackfood Australia, The Courier, 3BA FM, City of Ballarat and Ballarat Sportsmen's Club. Support sponsors namely, North Ballarat Sports Club, Ballarat Aquatic Centre, Gold Bus, Central Highlands Water, C.E.Bartlett Pty Ltd, NAB, McDonald's Ballarat. Generous donors include Ballarat Triathlon Club, Basketball & Badminton Associations along with the Midlands District Amateur Swimming, St.Peters Tennis Club, UFS Dispensaries Ltd, Henksan Printers, Radmac Office Choice, Eureka Athletic Club, Victorian Securities, Win TV. We particularly encourage those families of the (700) plus scholarship recipients who have financially benefited directly through our program to support our very valued sponsors/donors at every opportunity. This request is directed to those households whose children may not be currently competing but have been allocated funding in the past in addition to present/recent recipients.

It should also be noted that we receive valued membership support from individuals, sporting clubs/associations. We urge those many families and sporting entities who have benefited under our scholarship program to show their appreciation by joining others who have acknowledged their responsibility through membership.

The entire Ballarat community should take ownership of the BSF whilst appreciating the concept was established many years ago to benefit local sport and that the current Board are not owners but merely the custodians of your Foundation.

BALLARAT BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

In 2009 Ballarat Basketball celebrated 100 years of the sport being played in this city, and the occasion brought the changes into sharp focus. From a game that was basically played by young men in Church Halls as a form of keeping fit for football and cricket, it has grown to be one of the major sports in Ballarat.

Today around 3000 players in over 400 teams compete each week in competitions running at the WIN MinerDome and the Wendouree Sports and Events Centre spread over the seven days of the week. In addition the flagship teams, the Miners and Lady Miners play in the SEABL competition, the tier below the National League. The feeder teams to this play in the statewide SEABL D League, and 120 junior players represent the city at Country Age Championships and Victorian Junior Basketball League competitions.

The Ballarat Association has conducted a Senior Tournament and a Junior Tournament on the long weekends in March and June each year for forty years. The junior tournament brings 250 teams to

the city each year and the estimated annual economic benefit to Ballarat in current terms is around \$1.4 million.

Over the last 15 years the Ballarat Association has hosted a National Championship on behalf of Basketball Australia on 9 separate occasions. Each of these week long carnivals have returned a benefit measured around the \$1.5 million mark.

Ballarat has produced some of Australia's finest players. Ray Borner and Robyn Maher lead the way with national representation in multiple Olympics and World Championships heading their stellar careers. Alison Tranquilli and Gina Stevens are others to have worn the green and gold with pride.

Through the Miners program which is now 25 years old, the Association has been instrumental in developing the careers of some of Australia's best coaches, Brian Goorjian, Al Westover, Brendan Joyce and current coach Guy Molloy have honed their skills within this Association.

The Association's move to its current headquarters at the WIN MinerDome in 1970 saw the sport boom and also saw the beginnings of a professional work force develop around the sport. Whilst many volunteers within local Clubs remain the backbone of the sport, the increasing demands from the players for a facility, which is of such a high standard that Commonwealth Games preliminary matches were held in the venue in 2006, has seen a workforce across all areas at the MinerDome increase to around 50.

It is a sport which is proud of its history but is always looking forward. It understood that the Ballarat Sports Foundation would be of significant benefit to aspiring young sports men and women in the region, and remains grateful for the support that this organisation has provided to basketballers looking to develop their careers.

ROUND 43 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations are extended to twenty-six local athletes presented with BSF scholarships at a recent function hosted by the City of Ballarat .

Details as Follows:-

Kaitlyn Ashmore (18) - Athletics

Kaitlyn is the state under-20 javelin champion and has complemented this with a third in the open event as well as finishing third in the national under-20 title. She is a member of Eureka Athletics Club.

Joel Bee (17) - Athletics

Joel is taking all before him with wins in the national under-18 400m championship, which gives him the national number one ranking. On his way to this achievement Joel took out Victorian country open and all-school under-18 titles. He is a member of Wendouree Athletics Centre.

Emma Bilston (13) - Cycling

Emma recently won the U/15 girls 2 Km pursuit an event she has not been beaten. Selected in the Victorian junior track team to compete in the pursuit, time-trial & scratch event. Funding has been allocated from the Rex Holloake Youth Development Trust.

Katelyn Bugden (16) - Taekwondo

Katelyn has been selected to represent Victoria, having won a state 14-18 year title and finished second nationally in the same age group. She is a member of Trainor Taekwondo.

Ella Burton (16) - Basketball

Ella was among a group of Ballarat basketballers to represent Victorian county in the Pacific Coast Slam tournament at Port Macquarie, NSW. Ella plays with Exies-Army in L...t.