

Bonnie Griffiths (13) - Australian Rules

Bonnie was a member of the School Sport Victoria team to take out the Australian Girls' 16 Years and Under Football Championship in Canberra. Bonnie attends Mount Clear College.

Ben Huggett (18) - Triathlon

Ben continues to work his way through the elite junior triathlon ranks, being ranked one in Victoria, fifth nationally in the 18-19-year division and 22nd worldwide in the 16-19 age group. Ben is a Ballarat Triathlon Club member

Olivia Jones (16) - Basketball

Olivia was part of a large Ballarat contingent to represent Country Victoria under-18s in the Australian Country Junior Basketball Cup in Albury. Olivia plays with Exies-Acmy in the Ballarat Basketball Association.

Hannah Kozaris (12) - Soccer

Hannah played for the Victoria Country under-13 girls' team in the FFA national junior soccer championships in Canberra. Hannah plays with North United in the Ballarat District Soccer Association.

Jacinta Landers (12) - Lawn Bowls

With only 12 months in the sport behind her, Jacinta has been selected in a silver tier squad as part of Bowls Victoria's under-18 development program. Jacinta plays with Ballarat Memorial Sports in the Ballarat Regional Bowls Association.

Emma Milesevic (13) - Motocross

Emma is in training for the Australian Junior Motocross Championships in Murray Bridge, South Australia, in October, when she will strive to improve on her top 10 finish in the 12 year-under-16 age group last year. Emma is a Ballarat Rovers Motorcycle Club member and a recipient of a Rex Hollioake Youth Development Trust.

Joel Milesevic (15) - Motocross

Joel, elder brother of Emma, is this month riding at the highest possible level, representing Australia in the World Junior Motocross Championships in Italy. He will then ride in the national titles in Murray Bridge, South Australia, in October. Joel is a Ballarat Rovers Motorcycle Club member.

Matthew Norman (17) - Swimming

Matthew contested the 50m and 100m baskstroke at the Australian Shortcourse Swimming Championships in Adelaide and was also selected to represent Victoria in the School Sport Australia titles in Melbourne. Matthew is a Ballarat Gold Swimming Club member.

Jesse Pinches (10) - Futsal

Jesse will travel to Malaysia and Brunei in November-December as part of the Australian Futsal Vikings under-10 boys' team to compete in an international tournament. He was selected after his performance at the national club titles. Jesse plays with Ballarat Vikings Futsal.

Aislinn Pendergast (21) - Orienteering

Aislinn will represent Australia in the World Orienteering Championships in France on August 13-20. She has contested world junior titles, but this is her open debut. Aislinn is a member of Eureka Orienteers.

Daniel Tinker (17) - Soccer

Daniel has been selected in the Victorian 19 and under squad. He has twice represented Victoria in national titles. Daniel plays with Ballarat Red Devils in Football Federation Victoria.

Chelsea Trainor (14) - Taekwondo

Chelsea will continue her rise in the poomse division of Taekwondo at the national titles in Canberra in September, having competed internationally in the past. Chelsea is a member of Trainor Taekwondo.

Elizabeth Werry (14) - Basketball

Elizabeth was a bronze medallist with Victoria Country in the Australian Under-16 Basketball Championships in Kilsyth. This followed her performance in the Australian junior country cup early in the year. Elizabeth plays with Celtic Tigers in the Ballarat Basketball Association.

Lachlan Wood (17) - Lawn Bowls

Third in the state singles, Lachlan has been selected in the Victorian under-18 lawn bowls training squad ahead of the national championships to be played at Darebin on October 3-6. Lachlan plays with Central Wendouree in the Ballarat Regional Bowls Association.

Statistics

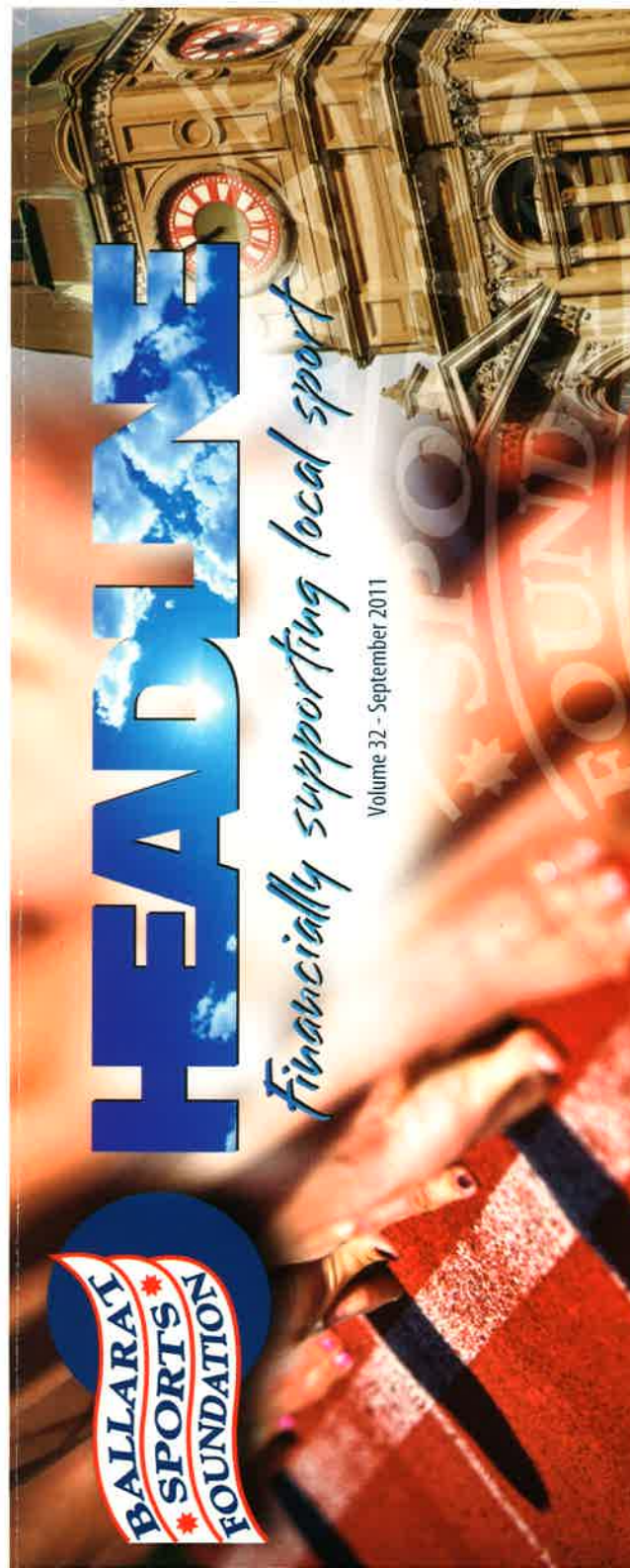
Total allocated scholarships	904
Total sports scholarships	71
Scholarships last 12 months	67
Sports last 12 months	23



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BSF Philosophy

- 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 sportspeople to pursue sporting excellence.
- Provide a focal point to co-ordinate community sponsorship and donors.

Chairman's Message

Chairperson's Report August 2011

It is with a great deal of pleasure I write the Chairperson Report for the Ballarat Sports Foundation.

On Thursday, 4th August 2011 at the Ballarat YMCA Aquatic Centre Round 47 Scholarship Presentations were made. The BSF would like to acknowledge and thank the Aquatic Centre for hosting this event.

The total number of recipients was 20. These athletes represented 11 different sports. The amount allocated for this funding brought the total funding to almost \$300,000.00. We sincerely thank our many sponsors for their continuing support. Without them the Ballarat Sports Foundation would not exist.

These rounds of scholarships were presented by our various sponsors. Board member Janet Jones assisted with the presentations. Following the presentations of the scholarships Andrew Wood a well known Ballarat athlete gave a very stimulating address. Andrew talked about his day as a 15 year old being a boxer, judo (black belt) and junior footballer. He has run many marathons with his best time being 2 hours, 29 minutes. Andrew was an inspiration and spoke with great passion and encouragement to the young people in attendance.

To all our sponsors who are listed we are indeed grateful and thankful for their continued support to our BSF. To all board members we thank them for their constant work and efforts. In particular I would like to thank Noel Pidgeon, our hard working secretary for his commitment to the BSF.

Best wishes to you all,



John C. Burt OAM
Chairman



3BA FM/BSF Monthly Sports

Winners of the award **Matt Curwood** (May), **Aislinn Prendergast** (June), **Mitch Rogers** (July), **Jaron Gardiner** (August). Award Sponsors **McDonald's Ballarat, City of Ballarat, Rotary Club of Ballarat South, City of Ballarat.**

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. Congratulations to Russell Walker a longstanding, valuable and tireless volunteer for The Ballarat Kyokushin Karate Club. Russell was presented with his Certificate during the Round (47) Scholarship Presentations at The Ballarat Aquatic Centre.

Nomination forms are available from Noel if you wish to nominate a member of your club/association. Closing dates 1st day of March, July & November. Do you have someone in mind? We would welcome your nomination.

Acknowledgements

The BSF is very fortunate to enjoy the longstanding contribution from Corporate Ballarat along with the sporting fraternity. Major Sponsors comprise the Rotary Club of Ballarat South, Mars Snackfood Australia, City of Ballarat, The Courier, 3BA FM 102.3. Our significant list of Support Sponsors consist of Ballarat Sportsmen's Club, North Ballarat Sports Club, Ballarat Aquatic Centre, Gold Bus, Central Highlands Water, C.E. Bartlett Pty Ltd, NAB, McDonald's Ballarat plus the most recent, Regent Cinemas Ballarat (referred to earlier in this edition). Whilst we have a long list of Corporates, Sporting entities and Individuals making annual donations. These include Ballarat Triathlon Club, Basketball & Badminton Associations along with the Midlands District Amateur Swimming, UFS Dispensaries Ltd, Henskan Printers, Radmac Office Choice, Eureka Athletic Club, Victorian Securities, Ballarat Kyokushin Karate, Win TV.

Significant funds have also been generated through bequests, namely the Estates of Desmond Oates (Dec'd) and June Wilson (Dec'd). Valuable cash amounts are held in Trust from St. Peter's Tennis Club and The Rex Holloake Youth Development. 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 along with 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 yet to take up the challenge 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.

New Sponsor

The BSF proudly welcomes Regent Cinemas Ballarat who have recently joined us as a Support Sponsor. We thank Stephen Anderson for the involvement acknowledging the considerable demands businesses are faced with for sponsorship. As is the case with all our valued sponsors we call on our members and the sporting public to give these sponsors your support at every opportunity.

Round 47 Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations are extended to twenty local athletes presented with BSF scholarships at a recent function hosted by The Ballarat Aquatic Centre

Details as Follows:-

Sarah Bone (28) - Triathlon

Sarah has been selected to represent Australia in the 25-29 year age group team in the World Triathlon Championships in Beijing on September 6-12. She is a member of the Ballarat Triathlon Club.

Justin Brennan (21) - Triathlon

Justin has been selected to represent Australia in the 20-24 year age group team in the World Triathlon Championships in Beijing on September 6-12. He is a member of the Ballarat Triathlon Club.

Katelyn Bugden (17) - Taekwondo

Katelyn will continue her sporting journey in the national taekwondo championships in Canberra in September. She is ranked number one in Victoria and Australian in the 14-18 year age group, and 18 in the world. Katelyn is a member of Trainer Taekwondo Black Belt Academy.

Daniel Cavanagh (21) - Swimming

Daniel competed in Australian Shortcourse Swimming Championships in Adelaide in July, competing in the 50-metre butterfly. He is a member of the Ballarat Gold Swimming Club.

Natasha David (16) - Badminton

Natasha represented Victoria in the Australasian Under-17 Badminton Championships - the June Bevan Carnival in Wellington, New Zealand. Natasha plays in the Ballarat Badminton Association.

Mitchell Gervasoni (14) - Badminton

Mitch represented Victoria in the Australasian Under-17 Badminton Championships - the June Bevan Carnival in Wellington, New Zealand. Mitch plays in the Ballarat Badminton Association.