The Role of Sport in Boys’ Schools  
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Shore School North Sydney

The Organising Committee of the IBSC/Shore Conference – The Role of Sport in Boys’ Schools has pleasure in announcing the Keynote Speakers and Workshops and Q&A Panel for the conference

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Keynote Speakers

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Dr Tim Hannan

Tim Hannan is a clinical psychologist and clinical neuropsychologist who has worked with children and adolescents since 1990. He is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Psychology at the University of Western Sydney where he teaches in the areas of psychological assessment, child clinical psychology, clinical and forensic neuropsychology and sport psychology. Tim is a former staff member of the Children's Hospital at Westmead.

Tim holds postgraduate degrees in Clinical Psychology (University of Sydney), Clinical Neuropsychology (Macquarie University) and Cognitive Science (University of NSW), Sport Psychology (University of Western Sydney), and is presently undertaking further postgraduate studies. He is a member of the Australian Psychological Society (APS), Colleges of Clinical Psychologists, Clinical Neuropsychologists, Forensic Psychologists, Educational & Developmental Psychologists, and Sport Psychologists, and has served on national or state committees of each of these colleges. He is a past National Chair of the APS College of Clinical Neuropsychologists (1999-2001) and the APS College of Educational & Developmental Psychologists, (2003-2005).
Dr Dirk Wellham

Dr Dirk Wellham is Deputy Headmaster of Anglican Grammar School (Churchie) in Brisbane and he has completed his PhD thesis titled: *The Relationship Between Academic Achievement and Co-curricular Involvement* (2009). His study examines co-curricular involvements of boys and girls at nine south-eastern Queensland Independent Schools (431 students) in relation to their Year 12 OP (UAI or TER equivalent) and their involvements in each activity from Years 8 to 12 of schooling.

Dirk’s research project sets out to examine the relationship between students’ involvement in school co-curricular activities and their academic performance. The warrant for the study emerges out of consistent claims made about the provision of co-curricular, namely sporting, activities and the development of a more rounded and successful student. The primary question being asked was: “Are students’ academic performances, as measured by their results for tertiary entrance in their final year of school, improved or reduced by their participation in co-curricular activities?”

Alan Jones AO

Alan Jones is an Australian radio broadcaster, former teacher, parliamentary speech writer, coach of the Australian Wallabies, Rugby League coach and administrator. Alan Jones hosts Sydney’s most popular breakfast radio program on radio station 2GB. Alan Jones is one of Australia's most highly paid media personalities and sometimes uses his program and his popularity to advocate his conservative views; he has been described as one of the most influential broadcasters in Australia.

In 1982 Alan Jones commenced his association with semi-professional rugby, firstly appointed as (part-time) Manager of the NSW Rugby Union team. The next year he served as First Grade coach for the Manly Rugby Union team, which won the Premiership for the first time in 32 years.

In February 1984, Alan replaced Bob Dwyer as coach of the Australian Rugby Union national team and coached the Australian team for 4 years with victories in 102 matches, including 23 victories in 30 Tests. Also in 1984 the Wallabies won the Grand Slam victories over England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland, and a side made up of the best players of those countries and France.

The 1986 Bledisloe Cup victory against New Zealand was the first time that had been achieved in six years and only the third since 1949. Jones was awarded the Rostrum Speakers’ Award as the Communicator of the Year, and named the 1985 Confederation of Australian Sport as Australia's Coach of the Year.
Workshops and Q&A Panel

**Rebecca Wilson - Q&A**

Rebecca Wilson has worked with the Courier Mail, Channel 10, ABC Television, Super League, the Rugby World Cup, the Daily Telegraph, the Sunday Telegraph, the Adelaide Advertiser, Channel Seven, Triple M and Foxtel.

Wilson currently co-writes a sports blog called *Bec and Buzz* with Phillip Rothfield in the Daily Telegraph. Wilson and Rothfield source information from sports stars social network pages. Rebecca has had two sons educated at Cranbrook.

**George Shirling - Workshop**

George is a sport psychologist and has written a book, "Exploding Sports Myths" (*Exposes the nonsense in some of our fondest notions about sport*). The book proposes a different set of assumptions for participation, and the coaching and management of sport.

George will explain how ‘sports myths’ came about, and what can be done to steer a better course. Details and contacts can be found at [http://www.explodingsportsmyths.com.au](http://www.explodingsportsmyths.com.au).

**Dr Dirk Wellham - Workshop**

Dirk is Deputy Headmaster of Churchie, Brisbane and has completed a PhD thesis: The relationship between Academic Achievement and Co-Curricular Involvement (2009). Dirk’s workshop session will expand his research about the Co-Curricular involvement of boys from nine independent schools in south-eastern Queensland.

**Br Anthony Boyd - Workshop**

Tony Boyd has coached rugby and rowing at St Joseph’s College for many years. He has coached the 1st XV over many winter seasons. Tony is a coach and mentor to his team members and his guidance has extended beyond school for many of his players. In recent years he has also mentored and counselled indigenous students in his role as Deputy Headmaster and sporting coach. Tony’s workshop is based on his experience of how mentoring in sport can connect boys to Academic and Co-Curricular activities of the school.

**Peter Stokes - Workshop**

Peter has coached senior schoolboy rugby teams at Shore, Cranbrook and Trinity Grammar. Peter has written programs to introduce ‘outside coaches’ to the aims and objectives of the school’s sporting program. The instruction also includes making visiting coaches fully aware of the philosophy of the school’s sporting program and a point of reference to a well organised development agenda in sport.
Oscar Gonzalez - Workshop

Oscar works in the High Performance Unit of Football NSW Ltd. The objective of the workshop will be to demonstrate the benefits of utilising modern technology in sport for boys (13-18 years). The use of GPS and internet will be discussed along with feedback provided by players by way of questionnaire and video analysis.

David Gallop - Workshop

David has been the Chief Executive Officer of the National Rugby League since February 2002. Mr Gallop has also been the Secretary of the Rugby League International Federation since its inception in 1998. Gallop was born in Canberra and lived there until the age of 14 whilst his father worked as a lawyer. He spent a short time in Darwin before returning to Canberra in the suburb of Narrabundah. Gallop played cricket and rugby union at Canberra Grammar, however his father converted him to become a Canberra Raiders supporter. He started a sports administration course at Canberra College of Advanced Education but bowed out after just a week for arts at the Australian National University. He then moved to Sydney in 1984 to study law at the University of Sydney, graduating in 1988. In 1989 he travelled to England to play cricket in the Kent League.

Barbara Doran - Workshop

Female Coaches in Boys Schools: The Challenges and Rewards

From Basketball to Rugby, female coaches in boys' schools have to work that little bit harder to gain the respect of their players. A teacher and sports coach in boys' schools for over twenty years, Barbara has experience in dealing with the sometimes difficult attitudes that both parents and boys can present when faced with a female coach in their chosen sport. Learning how to build rapport and credibility with a sports team has huge payoffs in the classroom for all teachers, but particularly for females. This workshop will be an opportunity for female teachers to share ideas about what works and what doesn't when it comes to their coaching responsibilities.

Accomodation

Harbourview Hotel
Located 50 metres from North Sydney Station, just over the water from the Sydney city centre. All of the modern rooms include LCD satellite TV and a work desk. All guests receive complimentary passes to the North Sydney Olympic pool, plus discount passes to the local fitness centre. The air-conditioned rooms at North Sydney Harbourview Hotel benefit from tea and coffee making equipment. Some of the rooms also feature panoramic harbour views.

LB’s Harbourview Restaurant serves a variety of Bistro style dishes for both lunch and dinner and offers a selection of Australian wines. Guests can enjoy live music on most evenings at the Blues Bar in the hotel lobby. The key attractions of Sydney, including Luna Park and the Royal Botanic Gardens, are less than 3.5 km away. The Harbourview is a 45 minute drive to the Sydney International and Domestic Airports.