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NETTYS TO PLAY AT WEC

The academy netball squad will play the curtain raiser to the Sydney Swifts at the Wollongong Entertainment Centre on June 29th.



This is a rare hit-out for the Illawarra academy side as it prepares to compete at the Hunter festival of sport series in Maitland in July.

The WEC match will pit our girl's against those at the South East Regional Academy of Sport.

The match against the two academies is a promotion developed by Netball NSW to profile up and coming players in the regions.

The Swifts match will have special significance for the academy as it will mark the return to the Illawarra of Leah Shoard in the Australian Institute of Sport team.

The match will no doubt be a highlight too for Shoard as she will play against her 2006 teammates from the Sydney Swifts side.

ILLAWARRA TAKE ON NSW

Over the weekend of 16 & 17 June, Illawarra will compete against NSW at The Grange Golf Club.



The format of play is foursomes on Saturday with single match play to be played on Sunday.

In the senior's team, Academy graduates Lincoln Tighe and Peter Nascimento will feature with the colt's team to include graduates Mitchell Tighe, Lewis Westhoff & Michael David.

The Illawarra junior's team will be represented by current athletes Aaron Keevers (Unanderra), Adam Kempt (Basin View), Jordan Zunic (Mt Warrigal), Sam Taunton (above) from Nowra & David McLaren (Keriaville).

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STATE OPEN WIN TO ILLAWARRA

Academy graduates and current scholarship holders featured prominently in the Illawarra open men's hockey team which won the state championships in Armidale last weekend.



Of the 15-man squad, six were graduates and a further 3 current City Coast Credit Union scholarship holders. Tristan White (Woonona), Josh Anderson (Wollongong) and Jake Jones (above) from Dapto all performed exceptionally well against older and more experienced opponents.

Graduates, Simon Beaton (Mt Warrigal) and Kieran Govers (Keiraville) starred in the forward line, John Bessell (Figtree), Ben Heemskerk (Woonona) and Kurt Ogilvie (Woonona) defended strongly and Scott McGlin (Albion Park Rail) provided utility value and scored a sensational goal in the final.

The team was undefeated in the tournament and won the final convincingly against Newcastle 5-1.

Southern Highlands team also contained graduates including Jye Bunt (Bowral), Jason Southcott (Bundanoon), Jed Schofield (Avoca) and Graham Isedale (Mittagong).

A report on the open women's state championships will be in next week's eNEWS.

VALE TOM PENROSE

The Academy, its board and staff are saddened at the passing of Tom Penrose - the Academy's inaugural chairman.



Tom was an integral driver and convenor of the steering committee which established the then "Illawarra Institute of Sport" in 1985 and was instrumental in guiding the organization in its formative years as chair & then board member until 1994.

Our sympathy is extended to his wife Patricia, his family and friends.

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