

The Sport Australia Hall of Fame

At the recent Sport Australia Hall of Fame dinner SASI scholarship holder **Matthew Goble** was awarded a Sport Australia Hall of Fame Scholarship.

To help young Australian athletes reach the highest level in their sports, the SAHOF Scholarship Program that was first introduced in 2006 provides encouragement and funding over 12 months. As part of the scholarship Matthew will receive mentoring support from a Hall of Fame Member for 12 months, a grant of \$5,000 and the opportunity to participate in development and leadership workshops.

In 2009 sprint Kayaker Matthew made his debut in the Senior National Team, competing in the K1 and K2 200m. In World Cup 3 in Szeged, Hungary he claimed 2nd place in the K1 200m just behind the 2007 world champ Jonas Ems, and a fifth place in the 200m K2 with Jessie Philips. Following the Senior Tour he joined the Under 23 Team competing in two international regattas in Germany and Poland winning two gold medals in the K1 500m and a 3rd gold in K2 500 with Queenslander Mitch Thompson. Matthew was also 1st in both the K1 200m and K2 200m at the Senior Australian National Championships in Perth.

World Junior Canoe Sprint Championships – Moscow Russia

52 Countries contested the 2009 Junior Canoe Sprint World Championships in Moscow, Russia last weekend and SASI junior scholarship holders as members of the National Team produced the following results.

Glenn Rypp 2nd "B" final K1 1000m (11th) 9th "A" final K1 500m

Fiona Kidd / Kate Ferguson - 1st "B" final K2 500m (10th)

Laurence Fletcher / Jeremy Petho - Semi Final K2 500m

Adrian Laub / Zac Ryan / Henry Laws - Semi Finals K4 500m and 1000m

SASI Kayak Update

Four SASI Kayak squad athletes, **Hannah Davis**, **Luke Morrison**, **Chad Alston** and **Matt Goble** depart for World Championships next week to finish their preparations as members of the National Team in the lead up 2009 Senior Canoe Sprint World Championships Dartmouth, Canada 13-16 August. Hannah, Chad, Matt and SASI Head

Coach David Foureur (National Men's Coach) leave our shores early next week and will meet up in Canada with Luke Morrison who has based himself in Europe since the World Cup series where he has been training in a squad including 2004 Olympic Champion Adam Van Koeverden (Canada) and 2008 Olympic Champion Ken Wallace (Australia) - Luke hopes to continue his impressive form at the 2009 World Championships in the K2 1000m event after being undefeated at the 3rd World Cup in Hungary and the Hungarian National Championships where Luke and K2 partner David Smith were matched against some of the worlds best K2 crews.

Olympic bronze medalist Hannah Davis is also expected to perform well as a member of the women's K4 and K2 crews. Matt Goble and Chad Alston will race their first Senior World Championships but are also expected to perform well in their respective events having both achieved some exciting results in the World Cup series. Matt finished with a silver medal in the K1 200m event at World Cup 3 and Chad's K4 1000m crew finished with two 5th placing in World cup 1 & 3.

The 2009 World Championships will cap off an exceptional year for the SASI Kayak program with 16 squad athletes being selected onto various National teams - also departing Australia this week will be 8 of our Junior (U18) athletes who will compete in the 2009 Junior World Championships Moscow, Russia 31 July - 2 August.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 17 JULY 2009

SASI Athlete at the Hungarian National Championships

SASI Canoe sprint scholarship holder **Luke Morrison** currently based in Europe preparing for the 2009 World Championships - (Dartmouth Canada, 13-16 August) produced some outstanding performances at last weekends Hungarian National Championships/Selection trials. The Hungarians are arguably the best Canoe sprint country in the world and it is unusual for any foreign athletes to gain entry in their championships but on this occasion Luke and a few other Australian athletes were permitted to race. Luke came away with 2 gold medals winning the K2 1000m with partner David Smith and teaming up with Jacob Clear, David Smith and Olympic Gold medallist Ken Wallace to also take out the prestigious K4 1000m final.

The win in the K2 1000m event is the pairs second major win this year after winning the same event at the 3rd World Cup in Szeged, Hungary 5 weeks ago.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 10 JULY 2009

Under 23 Team at the Bydgoszcz International Regatta

Eight Nations competed at the U23 Nations Trophy held in Poland on the 27th – 28th June. Australia finished 1st, followed by Poland and Slovakia. Results for SASI Athletes participating in the event are detailed below.

K1 Men 1000m – Luke Haniford 3rd

LK1 Women 1000m – Mieke Boerema 2nd, Sarah Dehey 4th

K2 Men 1000m – Luke Haniford 3rd
LK2 1000m – Sarah Dehey 3rd
K4 Men 1000m – Matt Goble & Luke Haniford 4th
LK1 Women 500m – Mieke Boerema 1st, Sarah Dehey 5th
K1 Men 500m – Matt Goble 1st
K2 Men 500m – Matt Goble 1st
LK2 Women 500m – Sarah Dehey 4th
K4 Women 500m – Mieke Boerema & Sarah Dehey 2nd
K4 Men 500m – Luke Haniford 5th

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 26 JUNE 2009

Results from the 57. International Ruhr Regatta

As members of the U23 Australian Canoe Sprint Team SASI athletes **Mieke Boerema** and **Matt Goble** have both had wins in their respective K1 500m races at the 57th U23 International Ruhr Regatta in Bochum, Germany. Other SASI Athletes who competed in Germany are Sarah Dehey and Luke Haniford; their results are listed below. The team is now off on the road to Poland

U23 Women's Landerfkampf Category

LK1 500m - **1st M. Boerema** and 3rd: B. Wallace
LK2 500m - **4th place: S. Dehey** / H. McGinty; 6th J.Tyrrell / C.Pickup and E. LeCoultré / I. Kanyitur
LK4 500m - **2nd place: M.Boerema, S. Dehey**, B. Wallace, J.Tyrrell
LK1 1000m - 3rd B. Wallace and **4th M. Boerema**
LK4 1000m - **2nd place: M. Boerema, S. Dehey**, B. Wallace, J. Tyrrell

U23 Men Landerkampf Category

K1 500m - **1st M. Goble**
K4 500m - **M.Goble**, D.Bowker, D. Blanche, M. Farrugia (5th place)
K1 1000m - **5th place L. Haniford** and 7th: D. Bowker
K4 1000m - **3rd place M. Goble**, D.Blanche, D.Bowker, **L. Haniford**

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 12 JUNE 2009

Success for SASI Canoe Sprint athletes at World Cup 3 Szeged, Hungary

With 34 countries competing at World Cup 3, SASI athletes have claimed a Gold and a Silver Medal in Szeged Hungary 5-7 June as members of the Australian Canoe Sprint Team.

SASI athlete **Luke Morrison** teamed with NSW athlete David Smith beating a very strong field to win the Gold Medal in the K2 1000m final on Saturday finishing in front of Hungary (Silver) and Germany (Bronze).

Matt Goble won the Silver Medal at his first ever Senior International Regatta in the K1 200m narrowly beaten by current World Champion Jonas Ems of Germany, this follows Matt's Junior World Championship Bronze Medal back in 2007 in the K1 500m.

Following a break from International competition after the Olympic Games, Beijing Bronze Medallist **Hannah Davis** finished the regatta with a fourth placing in the K4 500m and a sixth place in the K2 500m. **Chad Alston** finished 5th in the K4 1000m final and **Mieke Boerema** finished 4th in the "B" ladies K1 1000m final (13th).

SASI athletes will now continue to prepare for the 2009 World Championships 12-16 August Dartmouth, Canada. Hannah Davis and Chad Alston have returned to Adelaide. Luke Morrison has remained in Europe training with a small Aussie group including Olympic K1 Gold and Bronze Medallist Ken Wallace and his coach.

SASI U23 athletes **Luke Haniford** and **Sarah Dehey** departed Australia this week as members of the U23 National Canoe Sprint team, the team will contest two International Regattas in Bochum, Germany 19-21 June and Bydgoszcz, Poland 26-28 June. Mieke Boerema and Matt Goble will also join the U23 team before returning to Adelaide.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 22 MAY 2009

World Cup Regatta Results

A number of SASI Athletes from the Kayak Program are away competing in the 2009 World Cup Regatta Series at the moment. The first one was held in Czech Republic.

Key Results:

K4 1000m (crew with **Chad Alston**) 5th in A final 1.4 sec from 1st and only 1/10th sec from Bronze medal - Very Solid Performance

K2 1000m (crew with **Luke Morrison**) 7th in A final - Both Luke and his K2 partner raced 500m and K4 1000m at the event and will now just focus on the 1 event at the 3rd Regatta in Szeged.

WK4 500m (crew with **Mieke Boerema**) 5th in A final - Mieke also made WK1 1000m B final finishing 5th.

SASI athletes **Hannah Davis** and **Matt Goble** will join the rest of the team, who are now based in Verase next week.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 1 MAY 2009

SASI well represented at 2009 World Cup

SASI Canoe Sprint athletes **Chad Alston**, **Luke Morrison** and **Mieke Boerema** along with SASI Head Coach David Foureur will depart Adelaide on Monday May 4th to contest World Cup #1 in Recice, Czech Republic on the 8th – 10th May. Fellow SASI scholars and Senior National Team members **Hannah Davis** and **Matthew Goble** will meet the rest of the team in Verase, Italy for a training camp followed by World Cup #3 in Szeged, Hungary on the 5th –7th June.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 27 MARCH 2009

Davis wins again

SASI Athlete and 2008 Beijing Olympic Medallist **Hannah Davis** was recently awarded this years Channel 9 Young Achiever Award in the Sports Award category. Other finalists in this category were fellow SASI scholarship holders, swimmers Matthew Cowdrey and Jay Dohnt.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 20 MARCH 2009

15 SASI Scholarship holders selected on National Teams

The SASI Canoe sprint squad has returned from the 2009 National Championships held at Champion Lakes in Armadale, Perth triumphant. Fifteen of the squad's nineteen scholarship holders that competed in Perth were selected on National Teams for 2009 to contest World Cups and World Championships throughout May, June, July and August 2009.

National Senior Team

Hannah Davis
Luke Morrison
Chad Alston
Mieke Boerema
Mathew Goble

National U23 Team

Luke Haniford
Sarah Dehey

National Junior Team

Glenn Rypp
Fiona Kidd
Jeremy Petho
Adrian Laub
Laurence Fletcher
Kate Ferguson
Henry Laws
Zac Ryan

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 20 February 2009

Results from the 2nd Grand Prix Regatta

K1 1000m

Luke Morrison **4th**

Chad Alston 2nd "B" final **5th** Australian on time
Luke Haniford 6th "B" final **13th** Australian on time
K2 1000m
Justin Needham/Luke Haniford **5th**
K4 1000m
Luke Morrison + AIS athletes **2nd**
Chad Alston/Rhys French/Justin Needham/Luke Haniford **3rd**
WK4 500m
Hannah Davis + AIS athletes **1st**
Mieke Boerema + AIS athletes **2nd**
WK2 500m
Hannah Davis/Brigden-Jones **2nd**
Mieke Boerema/Sarah Dehey **4th**
K1 500m
Matt Goble **7th**
Chad Alston 3rd "B" final **9th** Australian on time
WK1 500m
Hannah Davis **2nd**
Mieke Boerema **6th**
Sarah Dehey 4th "B" final **11th** Australian on time
K2 500m
Matt Goble/Luke Morrison **6th**
Glenn Rypp/Justin Needham **8th**

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13 February 2009

SASI Athletes at the 2nd GP Regatta

Following on from last weekend's successful state championships, SASI's Canoe Sprint scholarship holders will compete this week at the 2nd Grand Prix regatta for 2009 in Penrith, NSW. This is the squad final opportunity to prepare themselves before next months National Selection Trails, which will be held in Armadale, Perth.

Competition is expected to be very tough with the return of all but two 2008 Olympic Team Athletes. SASI Scholarship holders **Chad Alston** and **Mathew Goble**, both winners of their individual events at the 1st Grand Prix for 2009, will face a big challenge with the return of Olympic Gold medallist Ken Wallace.

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 23 January 2009

SASI Kayak at the AYOF

Australia came away with a bronze medal in the men's K4 500m, the final event on the program for the flat water kayaking at the AYOF. The crew consisted of two SASI scholarship holders, **Laurence Fletcher** and **Adrian Laub**. Earlier in the day Fletcher had teamed with fellow SASI scholarship holder **Jeremy Petho** to add to Australia's medal tally with a convincing win in the final of the men's K2 500m. They took the race in a time of 1:35.66 to claim their second gold medal of the regatta over Hungarians Miklos Dudas and Peter Holicza. Australia also walked away with a bronze medal when **Tom**

Boerema and **Luke Haniford** held on to finish just over a boat length behind the Hungarians.

The final of the WK4 500m saw Hungary and New Zealand take out an early lead from the field. But the Australian crew, despite a slow start worked hard to catch up. In the end, the Hungarian crew were too strong, winning the race by half a boat length. SASI athlete **Fiona Kidd** and fellow Australian crewmembers had a barnstorming last 100m to pip the New Zealand crew to win the silver medal.

The men's K1 500m was a tight affair. SASI scholarship holder **Glenn Rypp** got off to a flying start and had a hard battle on his hands to beat Hungary by .05 of a second for the bronze medal

CANOE/KAYAK HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 January 2009

Excellent results for SASI at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival

Medals were shared evenly among the competing nations in the kayaking on Day 2 of the Australian Youth Olympic Festival at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith.

In soaring heat that reached 43 degrees to the west of Sydney, many athletes succumbed to the sweltering heat and strong winds.

SASI Scholarship holder **Luke Haniford** showed the heat did not get to him with a gold medal win in the men's K1 1000m. Haniford was closely followed by fellow scholarship holder Glen Rypp who won the silver and Great Britain took the bronze medal.

Haniford won the final in a strong headwind in a time of 4:02.06 and was rightly pleased after the race. "I am obviously really happy with the result and it makes all the hard work worth it," Haniford said. "I was a bit slow at the start and had to switch race plans but came home really well."

Australia's second gold medal of the day came from two more SASI scholarship holders in the men's K2 1000m as the strong wind changed directions and came over the left shoulders of the athletes.

Laurence Fletcher and **Jeremy Petho** paddled an excellent race to cross the line in a time of 3:26.70. Hungary claimed the silver medal while New Zealand won the bronze medal, edging out the second Australian crew of **Tom Boerema** and **Adrian Laub** by less than half a length.

Australia completed a strong opening day of the program with SASI athlete **Kate Ferguson** and crew members Stacey Higgins, Amy Peters and Danielle Polson winning the silver medal in the women's K4 1000m.