

■ The Australian Junior Volleyball Championships

It was a successful Australian Junior Volleyball Championships in 2009 for SASI and SA with South Australia in medal matches for all age groups of the competition. Below are the following results and All Star 7 Award winners.

Medal Results: Set 1 Set2 Set3 Set4 Set5

U/21 boys: *Bronze* WA def SA 25/23 26/28 25/19 25/23

U/21 girls: *Bronze SA* def WA 25/21 25/21 25/9

U/19 boys: *Bronze* WA def SA 20/25, 25/21 27/25 22/25 18/16

U/19 girls: *Bronze SA* def WA 25/13 25/18 20/25 25/23

U/17 boys: *Bronze SA* def ACT 28/26 21/25 25/21 25/16

U/17 girls: *Gold/Silver* NSW def SA 25/22 25/22 11/25 23/25 15/10

With a total of **3 Bronze** and **1 Silver** medals and 3rd overall for the Presidents Cup.

All star 7 Award winners (Top 7 Athletes for their division in Australia):

U17 Women – Jen Sadler AIS, Emma McEwen SASI

U17 Men – Rory Welsh SASI/AIS

U19 Men – Michael McEwen SASI

U21 Women – Beth Carey SASI, Hannah Ross SASI

U21 Men – Sam White SASI Coach

■ AVL Finals

The Australian Volleyball Federation finals will be played in Melbourne this weekend with the Adelaide Suns Competing in the first Semi Final against Melbourne's Uni Blues for a spot in Sundays Final. Following the Final Series is a National Women's Team Camp which, includes 8 out of the 11 Athletes in the Adelaide Suns Team, Hannah Ross, Beth Carey, Anna Maycock, Jess Peacock, Alicia Davidge, Olivia Orchard, Steph Collins, Sarah Choat

■ World Youth Beach Volleyball Championships – Turkey

SASI Athletes **Hamish Moore**, **Harry Peacock** SASI / AIS and SASI Coach **Adam Maskell** will depart on August 1st to the Netherlands for a training camp then off to Turkey to compete in the World Youth Beach Volleyball Championships which conclude on the 22nd August.

This will be Hamish's first World Youth Championships and Harry's third visit.

SASI Athletes **Emma McEwen**, **Steph Collins** and **Beth Carey** along with SASI Volleyball Head Coach Adam Maskell have just returned from the Arafura Games where the National Junior Women's Team won Silver after they were defeated by Macau, China in 4 sets 25-20, 25-23, 23-25, 25-19. This was the first time a Women's Junior Team has made a Final in a competition and was a big learning curve for the team on its journey to qualifying for the 2010 World Junior Championships.

SASI's **Sam Halliday** is on his way to Thailand to participate in a Tour, which will begin on Monday as a member of the Australian Junior Men's Team.

The Second Round of the Australian Volleyball League heads to the Mt Lofty Community Sports Centre this Saturday and Sunday with the majority of the South Australian State Team being represented by SASI Athletes - Games times are Saturday 1pm & 5pm, Sunday

VOLLEYBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 1 May 2009

Volleyball Update

SASI Development Squad athletes **Emma McEwen** and **Steph Collins** leave Monday for 2 weeks as part of the National Junior Women's Team participating in the Arafura Games in Darwin.

This is Emma's second selection in a National Youth/Junior team. Emma was a part of the most successful Women's Youth Team last year at the Asian Youth Championships in Manila, Philippines. The Arafura Games will be the first time Steph has been a part of a National Youth/Junior Team.

Adam Maskell SASI Head Coach will Coach the National Junior Team for his second National Youth/Junior Team Head Coach appointment and SASI scholarship holder **Beth Carey** will be a part of the Coaching Staff for her debut National Junior Team coaching responsibility.

VOLLEYBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 27 March 2009

Volleyball Update

Beth Carey (SASI Development Squad) has just returned from the National Junior Women's Teams first tour of Europe. Beth played very consistently and was approached by a Swedish club team for a possible contract in the future.

Olivia Orchard, **Anna Maycock** and **Nick Arnold** will be representing SASI at the Australian Beach Volleyball Championships this weekend at Sand Storm Beach Volleyball complex, Brisbane.

Sam Halliday (SASI Development Squad) has just been selected to represent the Australian Men's Youth team for a tour to Thailand in May. This is Sam first selection into a National Team.

SASI Squad News

SASI Development Squad member **Rory Welsh** has accepted an AIS full time Indoor Volleyball Scholarship in Canberra. Rory is also currently touring Europe with the National Junior AIS Indoor team.

SASI Scholarship holders **Zina Stone** and **Hamish Moore** are representing Australia in the Sydney Olympic Youth Festival this week. With fellow scholarship holders **Beth Carey** and **Hannah Ross** selected in the National Junior Indoor Team, which will tour Europe late February this year.

Hamish Moore and **Cameron McKenzie**, SASI Development Squad members won the U/17 Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Title at South Melbourne last week.

Emma McEwen has been selected to be a part of the National Volleyball Talent Identification Squad, which has been training at SASI this week

SASI Athletes - **Russell Moore**, **Nick Arnold**, **Owen Coffee**, **Hamish Moore**, **Cameron McKenzie** and **Zina Stone** will be taking part in the World Junior Beach Volleyball Trial Camp held in Brisbane from the 18th-22nd Jan.

Australian Junior Beach Volleyball Championships results - Russell Moore - U/17M - 2nd ranked AUS team, Beth Carey & Kirsten Smith - U/19W - 3rd ranked AUS team, Michael McEwen - U/19M - 3rd ranked AUS team, Sam Boehm & Chris McHugh - U/23M - 2nd ranked AUS team.