

2011 SASI Scholarships Holders

Congratulations to the following players on their selection to the SASI Netball Program for 2011.

Pre-season commenced in November with the athletes training up to 8 times per week. Gold scholarship holders are currently training alongside the Adelaide Thunderbirds and will come into the SASI environment in mid-January. Most players are working towards state underage selection at the end of January 2011. If selected they will compete in Brisbane in April 2011.

GOLD

Chloe Joyce
Cody Lange
Laura Marslen
Laura Packard
Melissa Rowland
Amehlia Schmidt
Luka Thompson
Sheree Wingard

SILVER

Lyndall Crichton
Kate Easter
Abbey Holmes
Jessica Johannsen
Lillian O'Sullivan
Khao Watts

BRONZE

Gia Abernethy
Sophie Cocks
Kailah Greenwell
Rebecca Hyde
Ashleigh Jones
Hollie Joyce
Sarah Klau
Chelsea Lemke
Briony Pratt
Che Revill
Maddie Smart

State League Season finishes

The SASI team has finished 7th in it's final season in the South Australian State League competition. Netball SA is revamping the competition, dropping the number of competing teams from ten to eight. SASI will not be one of those teams. The SASI program will focus on working with nationally identified athletes and will have a closer alignment to South Australia's Trans Tasman team, The Adelaide Thunderbirds.

21/under selection

Congratulations to **Kim Walker**, **Laura Marslen** and **Amehlia Schmidt** on selection in the South Australian 21/under team and **Nicola Yeeles** who has been named as a reserve. Former scholarship holders, **Kate Shimmin**, **Lyndall Crichton**, **Mel Rowland**, **Georgia Beaton** and **Luka Thompson** have been selected as well.

These girls will compete in the 21/under National Championships to be held in Brisbane from 29th September to 4th October.

ANL Update

The ANL (underpinning competition for the ANZ Championships) starts for the South Australian team this weekend. SA will take on Queensland Fusion at 2pm at ETSA Park on Saturday followed up with the Territory Storm game at 10am on Sunday. Come and support our team, which includes current SASI scholarship holders, **Laura Marslen**, **Amehlia Schmidt**, **Cody Lange** and **Chloe Joyce**.

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 06 August 2010

Congratulations to full scholarship holders **Laura Marslen**, **Chloe Joyce**, **Maddy Proud** and **Amehlia Schmidt** and associate scholar **Cody Lange** for their selection in the South Australian ANL team for 2010.

The ANL is the underpinning competition for the ANZ Championships. The first game for the SA team is at ETSA Park on Saturday August 14 against Queensland Fusion at 2pm. The following day the team will compete against Territory Storm at 10am.

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 July 2010

There have been some mixed results for the SASI Netball Team during the past three weeks.

The girls won their game against Garville by 12 goals. They played more direct netball in this game and implemented some set plays that they have been working on in training. **Kim Walker's** shooting percentage was excellent scoring 35 goals from 38 attempts at 92%. **Nicola Yeeles** played well at GK and **Tayla van Hees** played her best game for SASI at Goal Defence.

SASI's next couple of games have been against older and very experienced teams in Oakdale and Jaguars. They started well against Oakdale but couldn't sustain this for the whole game. Against Jaguars the girls were slow to start but finished off the game with more direction. These games have shown us that we need to bring and try to sustain our A-game for the whole 60 minutes. This is something we will be endeavouring to do for our last three games.

SASI 51 V Garville 39

SASI 40 V Oakdale 83

SASI 33 V Jaguars 84

ANL selection

Congratulations to full scholarship holders [Kim Walker](#), [Laura Marslen](#), [Chloe Joyce](#), [Maddy Proud](#) and [Amehlia Schmidt](#) and associate scholars [Cody Lange](#) and [Kate Easther](#) on their selection in the ANL squad for 2010. [Ashton Hurn](#) and [Nicola Yeeles](#) have been named as reserves. The ANL is the underpinning competition for the ANZ Championships. The final team will be announced on July 25 and we wish these girls the best for the final selection.

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 25 June 2010

Round 12

SASI produced their best performance for season 2010 in round 12 with a 19-goal win against Harlequin. This is a 43-goal turn around from our first encounter against this team. We have been working on specific plays to use during our game and implemented them well. 10 players were used and all played their part in the win. The shooters, [Kim Walker](#) and [Laura Marslen](#) are to be commended on their performance with a combined percentage of 85% for the game. [Michelle Gifford](#) was the standout in the defence end, creating numerous turnovers and opportunities for the team. Final score – SASI 59 Harlequin 40

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 4 June 2010

Round 10

Round 10 was the start of the second round of matches in the Subway Cup. In SASI's first outing against Woods Panthers they were convincingly beaten by 32 goals. This time a much more competitive game was produced. SASI started strongly and lead for the majority of the first half. [Laura Marslen](#) sustained a heavy knock during the second quarter and had to be carried from the court. She will miss 1 –2 weeks of training while she recovers. The second half was a very close encounter. Some great rebounding by [Amehlia Schmidt](#) kept the ball in SASI's possession however the players didn't value this possession enough and didn't make the most of opportunities. Final score SASI 46 Woods Panthers 48.

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 28 May 2010

Round 8

The young SASI team played against the experienced Matrics side in Round 8. Matrics started the game very well and secured a handy lead. During the second half of the game SASI stepped it up a notch and was a lot more competitive. SASI captain **Kim Walker** led the way shooting at 90%. 17-year-old **Tayla van Hees** played well against her more experienced opponent and was slowing the play up in the SASI defence end.

Final score SASI 39 Matrics 66

Round 9

A dynamic first half saw SASI leading against Contax by one goal at half time. **Ashton Hurn** played her best netball for the year by playing to instruction and shutting down her direct opponent. **Laura Marlsen** was finding space and driving strongly into the goal circle and **Maddy Proud** played a great defensive game. The much more experienced Contax side over ran us in the second half but a lot of positives did come out of the game.

Final Score SASI 47 Contax 65

Maddy Proud, **Amehlia Schmidt** and Laura Marlsen were rewarded for their consistent month of netball by being invited to train with the Thunderbirds. The three SASI girls loved the challenge and being involved in the Thunderbirds training environment. Well done Maddy. Laura and Amehlia.

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 14 May 2010

Now that the national underage championships have been played the SASI Netball team is back in full swing competing in the State League competition.

Round 4 produced the team's first win against Garville. **Amehlia Schmidt** produced a great defensive game. She continually turned the ball back into our possession with plenty of deflections and interceptions. Due to injury we played associate scholar **Emma Raper** and her shooting was a highlight in the second half. Final score SASI 38 Garville 37

Round 5 saw the team play against last year's premiers Oakdale. The inclusion of some Thunderbird players lifted the younger SASI athletes up a level. Amehlia Schmidt again produced a strong game against tough opposition. **Maddy Proud** was a driving force through the centre court. Final score SASI 46 Oakdale 58

Round 6

For the first half the young SASI outfit played their best netball for the season. They played an intense and skilled brand of netball against a much more

experienced side. Most pleasing was the fact we were meeting and exceeding our pre game goals. The second half we weren't able to continue this and let the score blow out. **Chloe Joyce** was a great driving force through the mid court and connected well with Maddy Proud at WA. Amehlia Schmidt was taking most rebounds at GK. Captain **Kim Walker** and **Laura Marslen** combined well in the goal-shooting circle.

Final score SASI 43 Jags 70

Round 7

The SASI team started slowly but worked their way into the game. We again had some Thunderbirds play with us and it was exciting to see our future stars play with these experienced players. Laura Marslen's second half was encouraging and **Ashton Hurn** produced her best game for the year. She stuck to her pre game plan and completely cut her opponent out of the game.

Final score SASI 63 Tango 26

NETBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 APRIL 2010

Following the National Netball Championships held at ETSA Park 7-12 April 2010 the following SASI players were selected in Australian under-age squads.

19/Under

Kate Shimmin – SASI graduate 2009

Lyndall Crichton – SASI graduate 2009

17/Under

Maddy Proud – SASI Scholarship 2010

Amehlia Schmidt – SASI Scholarship 2010

Cody Lange – SASI Associate 2010

Chelsea Lemke – SASI Associate 2010

Gia Abernethy – SASI Associate 2010

Invitees to the TID camp in July are:

19/under

Ashton Hurn - SASI Scholarship 2010

Laura Marslen - SASI Scholarship 2010

Lenise McIntyre – SASI graduate 2009

17/under

Kate Easther – SASI Associate 2010

These athletes will participate in a camp from 15 -18 July at the AIS. Participants will experience the state of the art high performance facilities and services provided by the AIS and will be coached by high performance coaches from around Australia.