

**WA Academy of Performing Arts.** Great to see WAAPA named as one of the best performing arts schools in the world. A US poll ranked WAAPA alongside the Julliard School of Music & Drama in New York and the Guildhall School in London. It is a huge coup for the Mt Lawley based academy who boast Lucy Durack, Tim Minchin and Hugh Jackman as past alumni.

Our sponsorship at WAAPA includes a year 1, 2 and 3 drama student/The Visiting Artist Program and Overseas Study Travel which was taken last year by students from the costume department. Board Members have enjoyed productions at WAAPA when our sponsored students are performing.

**INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIPS** This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year we have supported Aiden Brown who lost both his lower legs and seven fingers when he contracted viral pneumonia. Aiden recently featured in The West Australian and great to see his achievements in soccer and that he has started to learn the guitar.

**Guildford Grammar School.** There were 54 applicants for the D'Arcy Slater Scholarship this year. Andrew McDowell of Applecross Primary School was the winner. He topped the Acer Academic Exam and was also awarded a Music Scholarship. Andrew has played the classical piano for 5 years and expressed an interest in playing the organ in the chapel. It was great to hear former D'Arcy Slater scholars James Kerr, Peter Edwards and Cassius Hymen are doing tremendously well and are recognised as high achievers in all areas of school life.

#### **D'Arcy Slater Scholarship Winners**

Cameron James Dunne (Freeth) 1997  
Steve Armin Neuwert (Henn's) 1998  
Steven Michael Bacich (Freeth) 1999  
Garry Anthony Dick (Woodbridge) 2000  
Lachlan James Donnelly (Harper) 2001  
Luke Ashley Reidy (Henn's) 2002  
Brendan Anthony Henville-Craig (Freeth) 2003  
William John Edmonds (Bennett) 2004  
Harvey Peter Munday (School) 2005  
Callum James McGovern (Henn's) 2006  
James Stoiche Kerr (Freeth) 2007  
Peter William Edwards (Woodbridge) 2008  
Jack Williams (Woodbridge) 2009  
Lee William James O'Halloran (Freeth) 2010  
Cassius Joseph Hynam (Bennett) 2011  
Jordan Alexander Syme (School) 2012



#### **SUPPORTING:**

- WA Institute of Sport
- WA Academy of Performing Arts
- Riding for the Disabled
- Guildford Grammar School



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Promoting  
Education, Sport and The Arts  
in Young People.

Welcome to the first D'Arcy Slater Foundation newsletter. It is now 21 years since D'Arcy's accident and we are delighted with the way the Foundation is progressing and the quality of the scholarship holders. It is particularly pleasing to have a DSF scholarship holder at the London Games.

Financially we are in a very sound position. We will always be grateful to Frank Lazenby who organised our major investment with Westpac and Bob Woodgate our accountant who keeps a very steady hand on the tiller.

We welcome D'Arcy's friends who are joining the board and look forward to the continued success of the Foundation.

### The Foundation

The D'Arcy Slater Foundation is a non-profit organisation dedicated to the promotion of education, sport, and the arts in young people.

The Foundation was formed after the tragic drowning of D'Arcy in the flooded Helena River when returning to Guildford Grammar School after football training.

**Funding** The Foundation is privately funded with outside donations being tax deductible.

### WAIS, WAAPA and RDA

Administer their programs and allocation of funds without charge. Our Accountant Bob Woodgate from Carter Woodgate Accountants who sits on the board also provides his services pro bono.

**Sport & Leadership** The Foundation recognises the impact sport has on the lives of those who participate. Promoting qualities such as character, leadership, discipline, sportsmanship and self esteem.

**RDA.** The Foundation has supported Fleur Litzer since 2007.

Fleur has been a great representative being twice national champion in her grade with her previous horse Eden Silver Sails.

This year Fleur was nominated to the National Para Olympic Squad. Fleur and her new horse Penroban Augustus whose acquisition we contributed towards have just returned from 3 Olympic selection trials. At the Werribee trials Fleur was 2nd to an Olympic representative in her 3 events and was Reserve Champion in her grade.

The tyranny of distance makes it very difficult for WA Equestrians and although not achieving team selection Fleur has been extremely successful in making the London Para Olympic Squad and takes every opportunity to promote the Foundation.



### Foundation Affairs

The Foundation celebrated the 20th anniversary of the death of D'Arcy with a service held by the Reverend Keith Wheeler at the GGS Chapel followed by lunch on the Swan River.



Those attending enjoyed catching up with old school mates and friends.

Bryn Harvey represented the Foundation at the Wheelchair Athletes Award Evening and was presented with a framed wheelchair competition shirt for the Foundation.

The Tennis West Awards Evening was attended by Anthony Lazenby on behalf of the Foundation.

Anthony also presented the trophies and spoke at the DSF Country Schools Tennis Classic finals at the State Tennis Centre whilst Christina Slater did the same at the Senior Girls Tennis Finals.

The DSF banner sponsored by Tennis West was christened at the Country Schools Classic Tennis Competition and was very well received.



### The Foundation Supports

**WA Institute of Sport** there were 74 individual applications for the summer round of the D'Arcy Slater Foundation scholarships in 2012.

Robin Jeffery's a Slalom Canoeist was one of our summer scholarship holders this year and achieved Olympic selection for London.

The team sponsorship valued at \$10,000 opens for applications in June, along with winter round of individual scholarships, and was won in 2011 by the High School Equestrian Team who competed in the National Finals in the Eastern States. We would like to thank Steve Laurence Director of WAIS and Simon Moore Crouch for their continued interest and support.

**Tennis West.** Tennis was D'Arcy's great love. All our sponsorship with Tennis West is country based which really fits the enjoyment D'Arcy had when playing at the country tournaments and includes

**The D'Arcy Slater Boy's Cup,** a competition for country boys where all the state zones compete and a team is finally selected to attend the national finals.

**The DSF Country Schools Classic** covers Primary and High Schools across rural WA with the finals held in Perth.

**The D'Arcy Slater Residential Boys Camp** involves coaching, competitions and lots of fun at the State Tennis Centre. Tennis West also conduct a travelling Road Show which holds tennis clinics in all the major country centres and is named after D'Arcy.

We have a very good relationship with Tennis West all their fixtures are extremely well run and organised and we always have every opportunity to promote the Foundation with invitations to speak at all the DSF fixtures.

**Goomalling Tennis Club** hold a Junior Tournament each year in memory of D'Arcy. Last year the D'Arcy Slater honour board was hung in the club rooms.