

Riding for the Disabled

Naomi Parker from Swan Valley RDA has been nominated to represent WA in the RDA State dressage team. Naomi who has been wheelchair bound all her life is now 17 years old & rides regularly at Swan Valley. The Foundation has provided Naomi with a new riding outfit for the occasion and we look forward to news of her selection in the team.



Guilford Grammar D'Arcy Slater All Round Scholarship

2015 saw a record no of boys apply for the DS all round scholarship at GGS which provides a full remission of academic fees from year 7 – 12.

59 boys submitted portfolios with numerous Head Boys, Prefects, School Councillors and Sport Captains among those applying. The portfolios were assessed by Headmaster Steven Webber & Christina Slater with 4 boys reaching the interview stage. The scholarship was awarded to Taine McGough who was in the top ten of the Acer exam, is a School Councillor and had a huge sporting resume.

Taine is an avid soccer fan and presented with a marvellous haircut. When asked about it he told us he was a big fan of Ronaldo's and this was a Ronaldo haircut.

Taine was the champion athlete at his school in 2014 and had the highest point score in the history of the school. Taine plays soccer for the Inglewood United Football Club in the National Premier league and had an excellent reference from the head coach of the league.

A very thoughtful, well-spoken boy not afraid to express his opinion, Taine was a unanimous choice and we are confident he will make the most of his opportunities at GGS.

Cassius Hynam who was Dux of year 9 in 2013 is involved in all school activities at GGS. Cassius was the overall winner of the Youth In Focus Out Loud Public Speaking competition. After being awarded first place for the year 10-11 division, Cassius also won the Charlie Gregorini trophy for the best speaker of the competition.

Individual Scholarships

Aiden Brown started high school at Swan Christian and he is looking forward to a new set of challenges. We have supported Aiden since he lost his legs and most of his fingers to viral pneumonia.

Aiden Foules who we supported through senior school at Aquinas College is now in second year medicine at UWA and looking forward to working in medical research when he qualifies.



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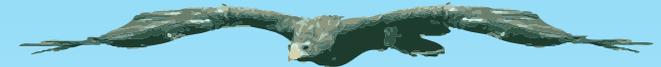
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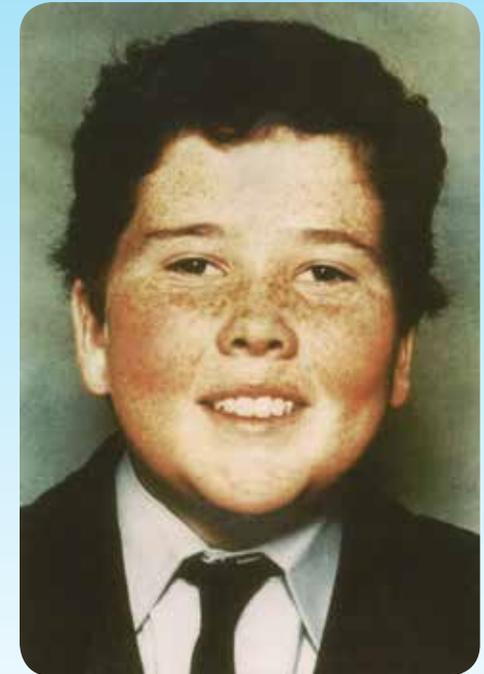
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Welcome to the 2014/15 D'Arcy Slater Foundation Newsletter.

The Foundation was started in 2009 as a not for profit Prescribed Ancillary Fund by the Foundation's lawyers, Jackson McDonald. During that time our sponsorship has contributed to many DSF events and individual sponsorships, including a London Olympian, Commonwealth Games athlete, the Para Equestrian team representing Australia and many Australian and State junior champions in their sport. We have also enjoyed our involvement with young actors at WAAPA and our Academic Scholarships, particularly the D'Arcy Slater All Round Scholarship at Guildford Grammar School.

However the bulk of our sponsorship has been for young people who are all climbing the ladder to the top of their chosen field.

The feedback we receive about the opportunities they have been able to grasp because of their DSF sponsorship is very rewarding and we recognise the personal gains for young people who have a passion in life.

Thank you to our Board members led by Chair Frank Lazenby and Accountant Bob Woodgate who keeps a steady hand on the tiller for their support. We feel that the insert of Campbell Stewart's letter and photo epitomises what we hoped to achieve when we started the Foundation.

Tennis West

DSF Country School Classic

Strong competition between country schools resulted in Great Southern Grammar No 1 from Albany and Geraldton Grammar taking out the 2 girls' competitions with Wyalkatchem DHS and Great Southern No 2 team as runners up.

The boys' divisions were won by Bunbury Catholic College and Mt Barker Community College from both the Great Southern Grammar teams who had a big contingent of players at the tournament.

The Primary School section was won by Beverly DHS with Kojonup DHS as runners up. The new DSF banner was a great success with many of the teams lining up to have their photo taken behind the banner.



The D'Arcy Slater Boys Cup

The players appreciated the bright, sunny day and came from as far afield as Albany, the Midwest and Moore Districts with many other country towns being represented. One of the teams flew up from boarding schools in Perth so as not to miss any school.

Players competed for team and individual awards with South West A taking out 1st place, Central Districts were 2nd with Lower Great Southern in 3rd place. Michael Frane from South West was the boy's single champion.

Competition for places in the state team selected from this tournament was fierce, with the 4 boys representing South West A being selected to go East for the nationals. The team provided WA with their best result in the East so far, taking out 3rd place.

2014 DSF & Women in Tennis Active Girls Live in Camp

20 girls and 21 boys took part in this year's camp with participants coming from Kununurra and Esperance to enjoy a weekend filled with coaching and many great social activities. A big thank you to the coaches and all those involved in the successful running of the camp.

Goomalling Tennis Club

A hot and humid day greeted players in the Sun Smart DSF Junior Tennis Tournament held at the Goomalling Tennis Club in late December 2014.

However the weather conditions didn't affect the strong competition with Jessica Jenzen from Cunderdin winning the girl's competition and Zac Sanderson from Kalannie taking out the boy's competition.

Bill Slater who was in WA from Sydney, presented the trophies and thanked the Goomalling Tennis Club for their ongoing support of the Tournament and the players and their parents who had travelled from all over the Wheatbelt to play.



The Equestrian WA Services to Sport Award

Sponsored by the DSF was won by Kerrie Robbins who has an amazing list of credentials. Kerrie is FEI 3* and 4* technical delegate. She's officiated at many international events, including the Sydney Olympics and World Equestrian games in both Kentucky and France. Kerrie is also an FEI international Show Jumping Judge. Local young rider squads benefit from Kerrie's knowledge through her talks at their clinics about the rules and regulations of the sport and we feel very privileged to have her as the winner of our award.

WA Institute of Sport

There were 64 applications for the summer round of D'Arcy Slater Scholarships at WAIS. The following athletes were selected by the WAIS High Performance Managers to receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

Craig Wiggins- Cycling. Craig is from Albany and regularly comes to Perth for training and competition opportunities. He won the National Under 17 two km time trial in September 2014 and plans to attend 4 National events this year in the Eastern States.

Jessica Manson- Equestrian. A targeted Rio athlete, Jess won the 2015 Adelaide 4* 3 day event against all Australian based prospective Olympians. Jess has just been selected for the senior Trans-Tasman Eventing Team for the Oceania Games in New Zealand. Taking a horse East is far more difficult than taking your average sporting equipment.

We wish Jess every success on the road to Rio.



Nia Jerwood- Sailing Nia competes in the 420 class. Her short term goal is to compete for Australia at the IASF Youth Worlds in Malaysia and long term to represent Australia at the Tokyo Olympics.

Emily Little- Women's Artistic Gymnastics. A London Olympian, Emily took 2 years off the sport and returned at the start of 2014 stronger and more committed than ever. She is a targeted athlete for the Rio games.

WA Academy of Performing Arts

Great to see Jessica Paterson the DSF 2' year Acting Scholarship holder taking out the 2015 Third Year Scholarship with Alexander Daly winner of the first year acting Scholarship moving on as the winner of the DSF 2015 second year Scholarship.

The DSF Production & Design Scholarship was awarded to

Rhiannon Walker who travelled to England where she worked on the Dick Whittington Rock and Roll Pantomime in Leeds.

The Foundation also supports the Visiting Artist Program with Tom Healy filling that position for 2015. Tom worked with the 3 year Graduating Acting Students on their production of Arthur Millers 'All my Sons' performed in the Round House Theatre at WAAPA.