



Prizes & Awards Dinner

Professor Rick Sarre hosted the *Prizes and Awards Dinner* at The Pavillion, Adelaide Oval on the 15th May. Those of you lucky enough to have undertaken “*Sport Law*” as an elective will appreciate that appointing Rick as MC was a worthy choice for our excellent prize recipients.

Richard Mellon presented **Larissa Jennings** and **Michele Kewley** with their certificates and \$250 each for winning the *Academic Excellence in Recreation Studies Prize*. Larissa was vocally cheered on by Don, Lyn and Stacey Jennings. Michele accepted her award while friend Cath Wishart edged in for a good photograph after being urged on by Michele’s mother Ann. Their table easily won the award for the most bottles of wine consumed at the award ceremony and were strong contenders in the field of most vocal support of our prize winners.

Michelle Levy received the *ACHPER(SA) Prize* for being the student with the best academic performance in their first year. Executive Director of ACHPER(SA), SPRC1007/SPRD2003 Tutor, and LBRL Career Seminar Coordinator, **Matt Schmidt**, presented her award. Her parents, Peter and Dinah Levy also attended the award dinner so were privileged to see **Duncan Murray** in a suit (he says for the last time).

Congratulations also to the other winning students from the School of Marketing, School of Management and School of Commerce who joined us with their proud families and friends making up a combined number of around 260 celebrating individuals.

... and a final BIG CONGRATULATIONS to **Larissa Jennings** - joint winner of the award for our graduate with the most outstanding second and third year results - who also received the University of South Australia Medal for the Division of Business as the graduate with the most outstanding overall results within the Division.

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Welcome to our e-newsletter - our way to keep you informed.

Newsletters are also online at <http://www.unisa.edu.au/management/Programs/UG/recmgn/LBRL.asp>.

Contact Tricia Huffa by email Tricia.Huffa@unisa.edu.au or phone 08 8302 5039 to submit articles.

Queens Birthday Honours

Many past students remember **Barry Couzner** from his days as Senior Lecturer (including returning in 2006 to run Sport and Event Management) while our industry partners may recognize him through the research work he did for CERM PI®. Current students who use the Student Common Room may also see a familiar face as he appears frequently in the vast array of photos displayed. In short, Barry has played a role in our Sport and Recreation Management Program over many years and has continued to do so in the valuable support he provides when ever asked.



This is an OAM

His dedication and commitment to sport was acknowledged in the Queen's Birthday Honours list with Barry being awarded as OAM for his services to volleyball. Barry is a Life Member and Former President of the Australian Volleyball Federation and his award was received for service to volleyball as an administrator and educator, and to the community. Only two other people from volleyball have ever been awarded this honour. If you want to know who they are, check out the Volleyball Australia website: http://www.avf.org.au/index.php?id=32&tx_ttnews%5Btt_news%5D=756&cHash=d2808f92de. Their article also lists the highlights of Barry's impressive career within volleyball.

Congratulations Barry from all the Reccies.

Developing Managers for Parks and Leisure Course

9th - 14th November 2008, City west Campus
6th Annual Course

We welcome nominations to attend this intensive course from existing/emerging managers and from final year tertiary students interested in accessing the latest research, development and contemporary studies from the parks and leisure industries.

Participation can be as professional development or by combining this course with a summer project to gain 9 units of credit for a UniSA Graduate Certificate, UniSA Diploma, UniSA university undergraduate degree, or with your home university.

If you are interested in participating in this course, please contact Tricia Huffa at Tricia.Huffa@unisa.edu.au to obtain a course brochure. Alternatively, email Gary.Crilly@unisa.edu.au if you wish to discuss the relevance of this course to your role.

Short course publications can also be found on the Sport and Recreation management home page: <http://www.unisa.edu.au/management/Shortcourses/Recmgn.asp>.





Christina Hagger



Jacob Gracey



Shelley Young



Steven Rypp



Holly Thompson



James Beal



Katherine Wright

From our Third Year Student Representatives

To the Sport and Reccies of 2008

Our program is always changing with the Program Director, Duncan Murray, and Course Coordinators aiming to help us gain a comprehensive education of the Sport and Recreation Field/Industry and equipping us with the tools we can use when we get out in the 'real world', as we call it, after graduating. As you would all be aware, our industry has limited job opportunities and so course structures and content will have an impact on the skills and knowledge we can offer prospective employers. One of our jobs as student reps is to take any feedback which YOU think could improve our Program for your second and third years of study and for those of you in your final year, (thank god its here), for the future sport and reccies to come. So, if you have any positive feedback or recommendations, we want to hear it!!

Finally, the newly developed AWESOME LAKES Crew with Anita, Ali and Scott (your fellow sport and reccies) are working together to set up various events on and off campus through out the year so get involved and watch your emails for details!! There will be some great events coming up!

Good luck for the rest of the year everyone.

Jacob and Shelley

If have any further comments or queries please don't hesitate to get in contact with us (or any of the other Student Reps) via our email:

1st Year Student Representatives

[Wright, Katherine Jayne - wrikj003](#) and [Beal, James David - BEAJY004](#)

2nd Year Student Representatives

[Thompson, Holly Meg - thohm003](#) and [Rypp, Steven James - rypsi001](#)

3rd Year Student Representatives

[Young, Shelley Renee - yousr001](#) and [Gracey, Jacob Lawrence - grajl003](#)

Post Graduate Student Representative

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2nd Year Rep on International Student Exchange

Congratulations **Holly Thompson** who has been awarded a travel grant and scholarship to study overseas in Study Period 5 (Semester 2). **Samantha Homan** has recently returned from her Study Period 2 exchange in Norway. We hope to have an update from both students for our September Newsletter.

What is the Role of a Student Representative?

Two representatives for each year of the undergraduate degree, a post-graduate representative, and core LBRL staff form the *Sport & Recreation Management Student/Staff Liaison Group*. They attend meetings with LBRL staff twice per semester (eg week 3 and week 16). The week 16 meeting includes a review of that semester's student feedback on courses.

The main roles for this liaison group is to identify problems or areas for development with courses, library, space (eg teaching rooms, student informal meeting facilities, drinking fountains, car parking), equipment (eg computer access, photocopy machines), and to arrange LBRL student social functions.

Student Ambassadors are also recruited from this group to assist with Program & School promotion.

Congratulations to our Students who will Graduate in August 2008



Yves Sibenaler



Toby Medlin



Anna-Maria Tassone



Teresa Wilkey



Lesley Grady



Aaron Bayliss

Take our Quiz: How well do you know your lecturers?

Our permanent lecturing staff have a real passion for sport, recreation and leisure that extends well beyond their teaching commitments. Test your knowledge on the following questions. It shouldn't be too hard as there are only five people to choose from so the answer has to be Gary Howat, Gary Crilley, Duncan Murray, Anne Eastgate or Gavin Colville.

- 1 Who has represented their respective states at sport?
- 2 Who is the President of SA Rugby Union Referees Association?
- 3 Who currently plays A Grade SANFL football?
- 4 Who has been employed by an overseas university?
- 5 Who supervises PhD candidates?
- 6 Who are the Directors of the CERM(PI)® Project?
- 7 Who started their UniSA Career with the Student Association?
- 8 Who started their UniSA Career as a Research Assistant with CERM(PI)®?
- 9 Who presented research papers at the 2007 European Sport Management Conference in Turin?
- 10 Who co-authored a book which has been published in traditional Chinese?
- 11 Whose father was a horse jockey and trainer?
- 12 Whose research work is based on Ironmen Triathlon?
- 13 Who has worked as a volunteer at the Commonwealth Games?
- 14 Who worked as a volunteer at the Sydney Olympic Games?
- 15 Who is a qualified Fitness Instructor?

ANSWERS: 1 Anne Eastgate (hockey & athletics), Gary Howat (rugby & athletics), Gary Crilley (Touch) & Gavin Colville (football). 2 Gary Howat. 3 Gavin Colville. 4 Gary Howat. 5 Gary Howat, Gary Crilley & Duncan Murray. 6 Gary Howat & Gary Crilley. 7 Gavin Colville. 8 Duncan Murray. 9 Gary Howat & Anne Eastgate. 10 Gary Howat. 11 Gary Crilley. 12 Anne Eastgate. 13 Gary Howat. 14 No-one here. 15 Duncan Murray.

Now, try matching them with the home university for their PhD research.

- 1 University of Illinois
- 2 University of South Australia
- 3 Flinders University
- 4 Griffith University

ANSWERS: 1 Gary Howat. 2 Duncan Murray. 3 Gary Crilley. 4 Anne Eastgate.

For our next challenge, we have our post-graduate students (Ashley Bryant, Christina Hagger, Alicia Kilvington, Richard McGrath, & James Smith) who also teach. This will be harder!

- 1 Who is a Parks and Leisure Australia SA/NT Committee Member?
- 2 Who presented a research paper in Charleston, South Carolina in 2007?
- 3 Who presented a research paper at the 2008 ANZALS Conference in Melbourne?
- 4 Who is proficient in Spanish and German?
- 5 Who won two silver medals in Rowing at the Masters Games in 2008?
- 6 Who runs her own dance studio?
- 7 Who is a Research Associate with the Centre for Tourism & Leisure Management?
- 8 Who currently plays an active role in the running of a local sports club?
- 9 Who jointly named and was part of the original Awesome Lakes crew? (Hint: created in 2006)

ANSWERS: 1 Richard McGrath. 2 Christina Hagger. 3 Richard McGrath & James Smith (Gary Howat & Gary Crilley also presented). 4 James Smith. 5 Christina Hagger. 6 Alicia Kilvington (DanceVigour). 7 Richard McGrath. 8 Ashley Bryant. 9 Ashley Bryant.

Finally, a question about a graduate:

- 1 How many times has Larissa Jennings name appeared in this Newsletter?

five - I used word search

Graduate News

Grant (Snowy) Day is currently a Lifestyle Advisor with the Central Northern Adelaide Health Service, Primary Health Care Services, Aboriginal Outreach Health Service. Grant says "Old reccies (86-88) would know me as Grantley, but the older I get the less I get called that!! I have worked in health / Aboriginal communities since 1999 after previously working at the Sturt Football Club & Volleyball SA. Prior to my current role, I worked at Muna Paiendi Primary Health running an Indigenous Tobacco Control Project. Now I am with SA Health working Pre Chronic Disease (termed Lifestyle Risk Factor Program 4 now). In my spare time, I run Livingworks Suicide Intervention workshops." If you want to get in touch with Snowy, you can reach him at grant.day@health.sa.gov.au.

Paul Gallasch writes: "So, I don't know if you heard but I'm finally a man. Let's just say that you now know a world record holder. Just check out this website and all will be revealed: <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2008/05/27/BAGM10TUFF.DTL> (if that doesn't work, search for: 'Two friends shake hands for 9.5 hours in SF to set a new world record' at sfgate.com.) ... and yes, my arm is sore! PS: Check out the comments at the bottom, they're hilarious."

I thought it would be easy, but this compares with trekking in Nepal and enduring altitude sickness.



Sonya Simpson (LBRM Graduating Class of 1994) works for the Cycling Australia/Australian Institute of Sport High Performance Programs as one of 3 Administrators who looks after 9 programs - 2 Administrators based at the Adelaide Superdrome 12 months of the year and their 3rd Administrator based in Italy 6 months of the year looking after our Road Programs. Sonya looks after the Adelaide Office Finances as well as BMX, MTB & Anti-Doping. Needless to say she needed help and asked me to advertise an excellent career opportunity to our recent graduates.



... and the successful applicant is **Ken Dudek**. He agrees with Sonya that the office is an extremely busy environment - and he's loving it!. Ken writes: "My duties are quite broad at this stage as I am involved in all areas of the organisation, however my main responsibility is the Mountain Bike program. I'm sure Cycling Australia are happy with my progress as I have been sent to Sydney 3 times for training purposes since beginning my employment."

You may see **Jess Clark** (Class of 2007) around the building, but you won't recognize her from the photo (she's blond now). Jess is currently doing some research work for the Centre for Tourism & Leisure Management.



Matt Schmidt (ACHPER(SA)) hosted the Careers Seminar for our 2nd and 3rd year students on 20th June. Speakers included graduates **Larissa Jennings** (City of Onkaparinga), **Daniel Polkinghorne** (Wilderness Escape), **Tracey Fisher** (Port Adelaide Football Club), **Andrew Swift** (Active After School Communities) and **Brianna Whyatt** (Volleyball SA). Thank you to our students who deserve a great pat on the back for the best ever attendance, networking, recycling, and tidying up effort for a LBRL Careers Seminar.



The 3rd Annual Concert of *DanceVigour* was held on the 24th June. Our very own PhD Candidate, Tutor, and LBRM Graduate (Class of 2006), **Alicia Kilvington**, is the dance teacher, choreographer and owner of the dance school. Those of us lucky enough to attend were in for an additional treat - **Lauren Stewart** (Class of 2006) was also performing. It was a great night with group and individual performances by all dancers - yes, the guys also did excellent solos, but it goes without saying that no-one was better than Alicia and Lauren! Well done girls (and guys) and especially Alicia.

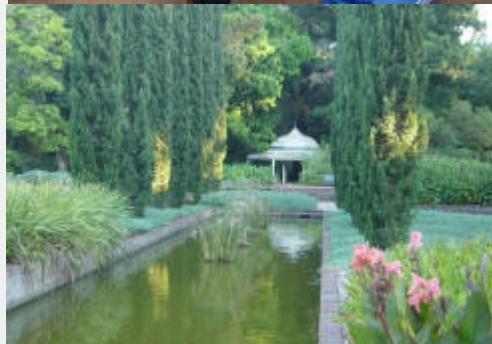
Projects

On behalf of the CERM PI Team, **Dr Gary Howat** conducted a series of workshops for senior managers of sports & leisure facilities in New Zealand April 27-30 and May 15 -19. The CERM PI® Team provides service quality and operational management reviews for over 20 major sports & leisure facilities throughout New Zealand each year. Similar workshops were conducted for WA industry research partners in early May.

Professor John Benson, Head of School of Management (UniSA) and Dr Phil Moors, President of the Botanic Gardens of Australia and New Zealand, recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding to develop visitor service quality benchmarks for its 42 member organisations. The agreement covers cooperation in the fields of visitor services and management, including level of visitor's satisfaction, engagement, service quality, and behaviour post-visit. **Dr Gary Crilley** is coordinating this research project.

Dr Gary Crilley is Chief Investigator for a 3 year contract research project with Parks Australia. The project will involve on-site surveying of visitors to three (3) national parks throughout Australia (Kakadu, Uluru & Booderee). The surveys are designed to collect information on a regular basis that can be used within Parks Australia's reporting framework, to generate tourism trend information that can be shared within the tourism industry and other stakeholders, provide regular information to assist park management in responding to visitor issues; and to assist with measuring the effectiveness of implementing initiatives such as branding, marketing and tourism plans. The pilot survey has been completed for Kakadu and Uluru recently, and the data received by CT&LM for analysis and reporting on.

CT&LM are currently undertaking Stage One of a research project with BGANZ (Botanic Gardens of Australia & New Zealand), with **Dr Gary Crilley** as lead academic researcher. This project involves the study of adult visitors to botanic gardens throughout Australia and New Zealand, reporting on visitor profiles and the way visitors interact with the garden. Those gardens currently involved include: Kings Park & Botanic Garden (WA), Brisbane Botanic Garden Mt Coot-tha (Qld), Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, and Royal Botanical Gardens Cranbourne (Vic), North Coast Regional Botanic Gardens (NSW), Wollongong Botanic Garden (Vic), Wellington Botanic Garden & Otari Wilton's Bush (NZ), Dunedin Botanic Gardens (NZ), and Christchurch Botanic Gardens (NZ).



Refereed Journal Article

Howat, G., Crilley, G. & McGrath, R. (2008). 'A focused service quality, benefits, overall satisfaction and loyalty model for public aquatic centres', *Managing Leisure* (UK), 13, 1-23.

Staff Update

Emily Moskwa has accepted a position as our new Research Associate with the Centre for Tourism & Leisure Management. She commenced on 23rd June 2008 and is situated in P2-12.