



Edition 36 – 2010

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

The Nationals are rapidly approaching and the preparations are really ramping up. We recently held a volunteer induction session at Sport SA where over 45 people were in attendance. There were a number of people, who for various reasons were unable to attend the session and I urge you all to contact Rick French - [rhfrench@bigpond.com](mailto:rhfrench@bigpond.com) as soon as possible if you wish to volunteer for the Nationals.



Entries are now being collated and it appears that these Nationals will be the largest yet and it will be fantastic to have such a huge event at our own backdoor.

State team training has commenced and the turn-out has been a little disappointing considering that the Championships are in Adelaide and the cost to compete will be minimal. We have the capacity to enter two teams in each category and at the moment we are struggling for numbers for even one team in several of the categories. Paddling for your State is a great experience and honour, and I urge more of you to come out and give it a go – it doesn't matter how experienced you are.

DBSA has signed up with the Office for Recreation and Sport to participate in their Green Shirt Program which facilitates the recognition of new and inexperienced officials and encourages participants to make allowances for the fact that they are in a learning role and help them. The program will be presented to all Clubs as soon as the O.R. & S. supplies us with the kits.

The Port Pirie Masters Games are on the weekend before our State Titles and entries are still being accepted – it is not a long way to travel and is a great way to spend a Saturday with some friendly competition. It was thought that competition could be programmed over two days but in the interests of getting more people to attend without the hassles of overnight

accommodation; the racing will be completed on the Saturday.

The State Titles are on the weekend before the Nationals and will be held on the new rowing course and used as a test event for the Nationals. It is planned to move all the boats and equipment to the rowing course for the State Titles and leave them there until after the Nationals and there will be security at the course and clubs may leave their tents etc. there if they wish.

The last issue I need to raise is again the storage of our equipment in the boatshed. The Association has invested a great deal of money and time in sourcing the equipment needed to run successful events and we need to ensure that it all remains serviceable and is ready for use at each event. We have found a spot to store each item and they all need to be returned to their correct locations after use. After the last race meeting it is evident that equipment was just dropped anywhere and will again need some one to put it all away and safely store everything out of harms way. Could all teams please ensure that everything is returned to its home and if you don't know where something belongs, ask.

On the subject of the last race day I would like to congratulate all teams for battling through the conditions and completing the program. Thanks also to our volunteers and particularly to our starter who for a first effort really did a good job and kept all crews on their toes. We will try to give our volunteers some extra training in the use of walkie talkies and endeavour to ensure that all sweeps have theirs on and working.

All the best for the remainder of the season and I look forward to some great competition at both the State and National Titles.

**John Holland**  
President - DBSA.

## NEXT DRAGON'S BREATH

Next Dragon's Breath Articles and Pictures are due:

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

**be active** go for a paddle

## JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT OFFICER PART TIME



This position has been created to promote Dragon Boat racing and co-ordinate the participation of young people in the sport and is based on an average of 10 hours work per week.

The target group is young male and female adolescents from 12 to 18 years of age. The successful applicant will build strong links with schools and sporting organizations and recruit individuals and teams to participate in the Dragon Boat racing season (October to March each year).

Applications should be sent to:  
[info@dragonboatsa.com](mailto:info@dragonboatsa.com)

Or posted: GPO Box 684 Adelaide 5001  
Closing Date – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2010

For a job description email:  
[info@dragonboatsa.com](mailto:info@dragonboatsa.com).

## OFFICE FOR RECREATION & SPORT

### Child Safe Officers Course in Sport and Recreation

- Learn how to assist your club develop a good screening process.
- Learn the Seven Principles of Good Practice and how organisations have a **legal** obligation to comply including having a child safe policy.
- Understand the definitions & indicators of child abuse and neglect.
- Know how to respond if concerned.

Courses are of 3 hours duration. Course dates:  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 6.15pm – 9pm  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am till noon  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 6.15pm - 9pm

### Conflict Management 1 Day Training Course

**Sunday 14 March 2010, 8.30am – 4.30am**

- Understanding conflict strategies
- Developing cooperative power approaches to conflict Interest based negotiation and problem solving
- Relevant legislative frameworks
- Complaint and grievance process.

Both courses will be conducted at: Office for Recreation and Sport, 27 Valetta Road Kidman Park. For further information please contact Jan Stirling: 7424762 or: [jan.stirling@sa.gov.au](mailto:jan.stirling@sa.gov.au) .

## The State Coaching and Officiating Centre

The **New Training Calendar** for February - June 2010 is out now.

Register for courses on-line and save 10%.  
Click here for more information:

<http://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/coaching-officiating/courses.html> .

The 2010/2011 SA State Coaching and Officiating Centre (SCOC)

**Scholarship Program** for coaches, officials and volunteers is now open. Scholarships are available in the following 5 categories:

- **Wendy Ey Memorial Coaching Scholarships for women**
- **ORS Coaching Scholarships**
- **ORS Officiating Scholarships**
- **Individual Sport & Recreation Volunteer Scholarships**
- **Sport & Recreation Associations Volunteer Scholarships.**

Further information, Frequently Asked Questions and nomination forms for all scholarship categories can be found by logging onto the ORS website:

<http://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/grants-scholarships/volunteer-scholarship.html> .

For any other queries contact the State Coaching and Officiating Centre on 7424 7605 or email [orscoachingandofficiating@saugov.sa.gov.au](mailto:orscoachingandofficiating@saugov.sa.gov.au) .

**Nominations close at 5.00pm Friday 5 March 2010.**

### Are you an Active Recreation or Sport Club looking For Funding?

The opening date of Round two of the 2009-10 Active Club Program has been brought forward with applications now welcome from **Saturday 6 February!**

The Active Club Program supports clubs at a grassroots level by providing active recreation and sport funding under three categories:

1. Programs and Equipment
2. Facilities
3. Programs to engage Youth At Risk (YAR).

Further information including organisation eligibility, guidelines and application forms are available from the ORS website [www.recsport.sa.gov.au](http://www.recsport.sa.gov.au) .

For further information, contact a Funding Consultant on (08) 7424 7708.