



# **TRI STATE GAMES INC**

## **ANNUAL REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 December 2013**

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# **WHAT IT TRI STATE GAMES?**

The Tri State Games are a week long sporting event attracting around 300 athletes from disability organizations throughout Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia. The games are held yearly and focus on promoting active participation, friendly competition and positive social interaction to people with disabilities.

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

- Encourage and promote sport to people with disabilities residing in Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales.
- To provide people with disabilities the opportunity to compete against their peers in a range of sporting activities.
- Promote the fun aspect of participating in sporting activities.
- Encourage participation in sport as a means of improving health, fitness and quality of life.
- Promote the values of sportsmanship and team spirit.
- Appoint a Committee of Management to represent and act on behalf of its members in accordance with these rules and good management practices.
- Encourage people with disabilities to pursue sporting interests in mainstream competition.
- Promote the sporting achievements of people with disabilities to the broader community.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Executive Officer**  
**Chairperson**  
**Secretary**  
**Current Host Coordinator**

Sean Hames  
Daryle Baldock  
Debi Gobbett  
Gaynor Davies  
Janet Hooper  
Noel Phillips  
Suzy Shaw  
Heather Thomas

## **COMPETING TEAMS 2013**

### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

Arrows SA  
Hookers Hornets  
Victor Sharks  
SAS Supercats  
Triangle Trekkers  
Mt Barker Thunderbolts  
Barossa Grapebusters  
Murray Magpies  
Murray Bunyips  
Spencer Sprites

### **VICTORIA / NSW**

Yooralla Canons  
Warrack Warriors  
Horsham Rockets  
Ararat Pumas  
Ararat Braves  
Stawell Swifts  
Riverboat Rebels  
Mildura Magic  
Murray Magics  
Cooina Kookaburras  
PALS Panthers  
Grampians Hot Shots

## MILESTONE'S

1986 – Inaugural Tri State Games event held in Mildura, hosted by the Christie Centre.

1989 – Tri State Games held in Wodonga, the first venue outside of Mildura to Host the event.

1992 – Tri State Games held in Broken Hill, the first time the event was held outside of Victoria, and the first time held in new South Wales.

1994 – Tri State Games held in The Riverland in South Australia. First time the event is held in SA.

2000 – Riverland Rockets (SA) Tri State Team win their 7<sup>th</sup> Perpetual Shield. Perpetual Shield is awarded to the team that accumulates the most points in their events during the week of the games each year.

2001 – Following on from successful events being run in Benalla (Vic) Victor Harbor & Murray Bridge (SA) planned hosts Shepparton (Vic) pull out of hosting the 2002 event. Goulburn Options in Seymour put their hands up to Host at late notice to host in order to keep the Tri State Games event going.

2002 – Seymour Tri State Games held in conditions of extreme duress. None of the Host committee had ever attended the event before and as a result the event was difficult for all in attendance. All appreciate the effort put in by Goulburn Options in ensuring the event went ahead, but all agreed change was imminent to ensure the event was able to be continued. Goulburn Options unable to Host again in 2003, so Murray Human Services in Echuca nominated themselves as potential hosts. All agree that 2002 proved to be a watershed year in the development of the Tri State Games.

April 2003 – Interim Tri State Games committee meeting held in Horsham to ascertain future direction of the Tri State Games event. Facilitated by Maree Kelly from Goulburn Options in Seymour the meeting acted as a catalyst for change. In attendance were interested parties from competing teams as well as Eddie Hadzig (Access All Abilities) and from Murray Human Services in Echuca who was to be the Host Coordinator for 2003/04. Out of this meeting came the development of the new Sports Program which was based on 'entered times' for athletes as opposed to the previous system of grading which was identified as being difficult to follow. Also was the suggestion of developing a 'Rules & Regulations' booklet for all competing teams and volunteers to streamline running of events.

September 2003 – Working committee consisting of Sean Hames (SA), Peter Bobridge (SA) and Suzy Shaw (Vic) complete 1<sup>st</sup> Rules & Regulations booklet to be used for the 1<sup>st</sup> time at the 2003 Tri State Games event in Echuca.

November 2003 – First Tri State Games using new Sports Program system held in Echuca.

April 2004 – Formation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Executive Committee at a meeting held in Horsham (Vic). Inaugural Chairperson appointed (Eddie Hadzig) and other committee appointed based on anyone willing to attend from competing teams and other interested parties.

November 2005 – Host organization for 2005/06 appointed. CLASS Inc in Strathalbyn appointed as hosts.

April 2005 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Committee meeting held again in Horsham (Vic). Host organization for 2005 / 06 appoint existing Executive Committee member Sean Hames as Host Coordinator.

November 2005 – Tri State Games held in the Adelaide Hills saw the inclusion of new events for the first time and the introduction of the 25% rule.

2006 – 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Tri State Games was celebrated at the Adelaide Hills event. Christie Centre in Mildura appointed hosts for 2007/08.

December 2006 – Executive Committee appoint Sean Hames as new Tri State Games Chairperson upon the resignation of Eddie Hadzig. Executive committee agree to incorporate Tri State games and to take a more active role in coordination of the event as well as administration of finances.

April 2007 – Tri State Games is officially incorporated as a Sporting Association. Constitution adopted and passed.

December 2007 – Executive Committee expands their role to include the preparation of the Official Sports program.

September 2008 – Stawell Intertwine & McGregor House appointed to jointly host 2009/10 event in the Grampians.

July 2010 – Tri State Games be run in the Adelaide Hills in 2011/12. Due to a lack of applications to host the Executive Committee will also act as host organization.

November 2011 – Tri State Games run for the first time with the Executive Committee hosting with support from the Mt Barker Community Centre. As the year was such a success and ran so smoothly it has been decided that the Executive Committee will expand their administrative tasks each year to include catering and meal expenses. This will take a lot of burden off host regions in the future.

June 2012 - Announcement made that the Tri State Games have successfully found host regions up until 2016. Murray Bridge will follow on from the Adelaide Hills in 2013/14 followed by Horsham in 2015/16.

July 2012 - Tri State Games is awarded 'STARCLUB' status by the Office for Recreation & Sport.

2013 - Tri State Games returns to Murray Bridge after having previously hosted the event in 2000/2001. Tri State Games becomes a registered charity.

**AGM Meeting Minutes  
15<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

The annual general meeting of the Tri State Games Executive Committee was called to order at 5.30pm on 15/02/13 at the Dukes Motor Inn  
Bordertown

Present: Sean Hames (SA), Daryle Baldock (Vic), Suzy Shaw (Vic), Heather Thomas (Vic), Gaynor Davies (SA), Debi Gobbett (SA) & Janet Hooper (Vic)

Apologies: Noel Phillips, Emily Jean Bennett, Michelle Read, Bob Fisher & Peter Marsh

1. Chairpersons report – Sean read the Chairpersons report for the year. Sean proposed the acceptance of the report, seconded Heather.
2. Host report for 2012 – Debi presented her report for the 2012 Tri State Games event in the Adelaide Hills. Debi proposed the report be accepted, seconded Daryle.
3. Finance report – Sean read out the financial report for 2012 interim financial year. All agreed that the financial report was accurate. Bank account as of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2013 was \$12948.26. Sean proposed the treasurers report be accepted, seconded Suzy.
4. Review of new committee structure – Sean went through this as previously recommended by the Executive Committee. This included the separation of the role of Executive Officer from that of Chairperson. Sean proposed we adopt this change, seconded Debi.
5. Nomination of Committee members –

Chairperson – Daryle Baldock  
Nominated Debi, Seconded Sean

Secretary – Debi Gobbett  
Nominated Sean Hames, Seconded Daryle Baldock

Board Members – Heather Thomas, Suzy Shaw  
Nominated Sean Hames, Seconded Janet Hooper

Members not up for re-election

Janet Hooper  
Gaynor Davies  
Noel Phillips

Non-voted positions

Executive Officer - Sean

**Meeting closed at 6.05pm**



## EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

Twelve years after one of my personal favorite Tri State Games events took place, we were back in Murray Bridge for the 2013 games. Since 2001 when Community Lifestyles last hosted Tri State Games we have seen our unique event travel all over South Australia, New South Wales and Victoria. We have been to Seymour, Echuca & Moama, The Adelaide Hills twice, Stawell & Ararat and Mildura.

One of the things I enjoyed most in 2013 was seeing a lot of the same faces involved that were around in 2001. A big thank you must go out to Community Lifestyles for agreeing to host the event again in the midst of very difficult times for many disability services.

Another highlight for me in 2013 was the continued involvement of school students. The positive effect that volunteering for Tri state Games week has on young people cannot be under estimated. Our athletes also really respond to the students and I think it is a positive relationship all around. Our end of year evaluations for the last few years have identified how much teams and athletes appreciate the support the students provide.

We were extremely grateful to have the support of a new sponsor in 2013. A big thank you to the Blind Sporting Council for their financial contribution which looks like it may continue into the future. It was also great for John Cornaggia from the Blind Sporting Council to be able to speak and help out with presenting some awards at our gala dinner. John has been a hugely successful sportsperson over the years and it was wonderful for him to be able to witness the Tri State Games spirit.

I think that we were very privileged to have Chad Wingard as our patron for the 2013 games. We hope to be able to secure his services in 2014 as well. We all appreciated the time he gave following the opening ceremony signing autographs, posing for pictures and chatting with our athletes. It was also a great privilege to have Rachel Sporn attend Tri State Games to support and raise awareness of skin Cancer. Rachel is another truly great sportsperson that is an inspiration to us all and continues to do wonderful work.

Sean Hames – Executive Officer

**Tri State Games Inc**  
**Statement of Income & Expenditure**  
Financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2013

Opening Balance		\$14599.75
Add <u>Income</u>		
Registrations	\$11950.00	
Grants	\$8064.00	
Sponsorship	\$3000.00	
Fundraising	\$590.00	
Merchandise	\$2500.40	
Catering	\$40052.00	<u>\$66156.40</u>
		\$80756.15
Less <u>Expenses</u>		
Equipment	\$1,895.30	
Catering	\$31938.86	
Venue / Equipment Hire	\$8969.85	
Website	\$264.00	
Sound & Photography	\$4,642.00	
Marketing	\$838.00	
Medals & Trophies	\$2514.59	
Coordination	\$10,000.00	
Insurance	\$1004.85	
Storage	\$783	
Memberships	\$55	
Registration Costs	\$4902.44	<u>\$67807.89</u>
Closing Balance		\$12948.26



## **RESULTS 2013**

### **Perpetual shield**

Winner	Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Murray Magpies A (SA)
Third place	Horsham Rockets (Vic)

### **Team Award – athletic track & field**

Winner	Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Murray Magpies A (SA)
Third place	Ararat Pumas (Vic) SAS Supercats (SA)

### **Team Award – aquatics**

Winner	Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	PALS Panthers (Vic)
Third place	Murray Magpies B (SA) Mildura Magic (Vic)

### **Team Award – indoor sports**

Winner	Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Horsham Rockets (Vic)
Third place	Warrack Warriors A (Vic)

### **Best Male athlete – Category A**

Winner	Robert Pritchard – Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Dale Pritchard – Arrows SA (SA)

### **Best Female athlete – Category A**

Winners	Roslyn Thomas - Murray Magpies (SA) Ann-Marie Wolf – Arrows SA (SA) Danah Gobbett – Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Maureen Cameron - Horsham Rockets (Vic)

### **Best Male athlete – Category B**

Winner	Peter Kimmins – SAS Supercats (SA)
Runner up	Alex Perkins – Murray Magics (Vic)

### **Best Female athlete – Category B**

Winner	Joelene Schmerl – Arrows SA (SA)
Runner up	Vanessa Humphries – SAS Supercats (SA)

<b><u>Community Inclusion Award</u></b>	Warrack Warriors (Vic)
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<b><u>Sportsmanship Award</u></b>	Murray Magics (Vic)
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## OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

During the past year we have collected and collated statistical data on a number of important aspects of the Tri State Games and its service.

### **Participation**

Athletes	230
Support Staff	96
Volunteers	83
Special Guests	17
<b>Total participation numbers for 2013</b>	<b>426</b>

### **Sports Statistics**

Individual Sporting Events	220
Gold Medals	241
Silver Medals	226
Bronze Medals	217
Personal Bests	34
Disqualifications	23

### **Volunteer Hours**

<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Area of involvement</b>	<b>No. of Hours</b>
Executive Committee Members	Governance, Tri State Games Event and Executive Committee Meetings	880
Event Volunteers	Sporting events & evening entertainment	330
Executive Officer	Governance, receipt of registrations and expenses, financial accountability	136
<b>Total Volunteer Hours for 2013</b>		<b>1346</b>

**MAJOR SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS**



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