

EDITORIAL



As you read through this newsletter you will find many events have past by since the last issue. Originally set to go out in July the delay has been caused by my time being allocated to other important matters (yes, I should get a life).

Travel has taken a majority of this time in the past months as well as the rewrite of the ATA Coaching Manual, which is now complete and set for publication shortly.

The senior's tour of South Africa and the UK was a great success and a story of that trip can be found later in this newsletter.

Other events of significance were the DO's Workshop, Professional Officers and Strategic Planning Meetings held in Adelaide late July. Some very positive results ensure the future of the sport is on the up curve.

The Northern Territory celebrated 21 years of History at a dinner in Darwin early August and recognised the stalwarts who helped build the Association over those years.

The 18's NTL was again a successful event that was staged in conjunction with a Trans Tasman Test series. The Australian team acquitted themselves well in the games and was an ideal preparation for next year World Cup.

The schools 16's was also conducted along with the World Masters Games in Melbourne where Touch was represented by 68 teams in divisions from over 30 to over 55.

At the time of writing this article the Australia Cup is being contested in Tasmania. Good luck to all the participants.

GREAT MOMENTS IN TOUCH

The year 1991 saw the 10th National Championships being conducted at the national capital Canberra. It was the first occasion that the ATA addressed all participants and advised them they could be subject to doping tests.

Such was the introduction of the ATA drug policy that it became a condition of entry that all participants were subject to testing if selected. Time has made such conditions obsolete as it is now a requirement of all sporting organisation to be part of the world wide anti-doping campaign and all participants are subject to test at any time (in or out of competition).

The venue for the opening ceremony was on the steps of Parliament House with the games being held at the Bruce Stadium complex and the presentation at the National Convention Centre – a real posh affair.

Late in 1991 Australian teams traveled to New Zealand for a Trans Tasman series in Hamilton where test matches were played in the three opens divisions as well as for the first and only time to date in the mens seniors (30), women seniors (27) and men masters (35) divisions.

Australia won all six test matches recording 31 touchdowns for with only 4 against Scores were:

- Men 4-0
- Women 3-2
- Mixed 8-1
- Senior Men 1-0
- (A Garry Lawless touchdown just a minute from full time)
- Senior Women 3-1
- Master Men 12-0

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Great Moments In Touch (Cont)

Following the Test series in Hamilton the Australians gathered in Auckland with 8 other countries to contest the second World Cup that was held at Avondale Race Club.

The first world Cup had Australia, Canada, New Zealand, PNG, and the USA. The new teams for the 1991 WC were Cook Islands, Fiji, Japan, Niue, Tokelau and Western Samoa. Canada and the USA did not return that year.

Australia dominated, winning all the division except the Senior Womens.

The men dominated their division with the closest games being 5-2 against Western Samoa and 4-1 against New Zealand. Although the final was touch and won 4-0, New Zealand showed their strength with a fighting displayed by the great Peter Walters and Barry Clemas with NZ Rugby's 7's Legend Eric Rush, leading the way.

Australia was well served by Bobby Brindell (player of the series - again), Scot Notley Craig Pierce, Shane Rigby, Jim Marinos and future RL star Adrian Lam. They scored 124 touchdowns with only 10 against.

After a close Test encounter the women were again pushed by New Zealand in the rounds, winning 1-0 in the first encounter and then 4-2 in the second. The final however was a dominating performance with a 7-0 victory.

Heroes for Australia that day were Karen Smith, Debby Eagan, Joanne Wong (Hanwood) and Katrina Toohey (Maher). They scored 101 touchdowns with only 3 against.

The Mixed division was also dominated by Australia with the best result for New Zealand being 0-4 in the first round. The final was won by 3-1 where a spirited effort by NZ forced the Aussie to work hard for each touchdown.

Dean Russell, Tony Howard, Rodney Thorogood and Greg Norman starred for the men while Stacey Gregory, Judith Ireland and Traci Ann Coombs were just great throughout the whole tournament. Their F & A was 150-7.

A 3-3 draw was the opening round clash with NZ in the mens senior division. The 1-0 test result show how evenly matched these two teams were. Throughout the tournament Australia grew in confidence and easily won the final 5-1.

Garry Lawless, Dean McManus and Andy Yiangou shone out while the for and against was 76-8

The Senior Women reckon "we wuz robbed". You had to be there to believe it, and for Sharon Mitchell-Cowan and her players, disappointment is not the right word. BUT - the sun came up the next day - it's in the history books and we all move on.

Full credit to NZ as the preliminary rounds gave no indication as to who may run out the victor. Two drawn games 1-1 and 2-2 ensured the finals had to go into extra time where NZ ran out eventual winners 4-3.

Best for Australia were Judy Malcolm Debra Brown, Donna O'Connor, Kerry Staff, Theresa Batchelor and Kathy Beitzel. Their F & A was 71-10.



(The great Judy Malcolm)

The mens masters division was very one sided throughout the whole tournament. Their 32-0 victory over the Cook Island remains as a World Record. Their closest game was the final against NZ, which they won 5-1.

Ron Wall, Trevor McPhillips, Kevin Feldman and Peter Vincent best served their team. The Masters scored 205 for with only 11 against.

10th NATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

From the 11th March to the 15th in 1991 the Tenth National Championships were conducted at and around Bruce Stadium in Canberra.

The drawn finals at previous Nationals saw the ATA introduce 5 minutes each way sudden death extra time for this event. This was to prevent a drawn finals result going to the team higher on the points table at the end of full time.

Three finals went into extra time with only two of them getting a result. The mens open saw NSW out to avenge this situation from 1990 when they drew the final but lost the title to Qld. ACT came third and the ADF finished fourth.

The round games saw Qld snatch a 6-5 win over NSW and at full time in the final the score was 3-3. At the 2 minute mark of the first period of extra time, NSW player Jim Marinos took an intercept and scored the winning touchdown from NSW.

NSW women were out to retain the crown they took from Qld the previous year. Mark Egan in his first year of coaching NSW teams had the women side finely tuned, defeating Qld 6-2 in the round game and repeating the dose 9-5 in the final. ACT came third with South Australia fourth.

The NSW mixed continued their dominance of this division by winning all games (as did the Women) and taking out the final 5-2 against Qld. ACT came third with the win giving NSW their 5th consecutive National Title, having never been beaten in a final.

Senior women (over 27) provided one of the most exciting finals with the game moving from one end of the field to the other for the duration. At full time the scores were locked at 1-1 so the sudden death extra time was evoked with Qld scoring the winning touchdown at 4 minutes into time on. ACT were placed third.

Still a drawn game 0-0 after 5 minutes each way of extra time saw NSW take out the mens 30's as they finished higher than ACT on the competition table.

In reality NSW scored from the tap off at the commencement of extra time but the center referee got confused as ACT had not had possession in the extra time period. The touchdown was not recorded and play recommenced with ACT tapping off as if NSW had scored in ordinary time.

Coaches, officials, referees and players came off the field confused, angry, all searching for the Rules Book to determine what should have happened.

The official interpretation was, that the touchdown should have been awarded and play recommenced by ACT at the half way. If they failed to scores whilst they maintained possession then NSW would win 1-0.

However as the referee did not record the touchdown, the result was a 0-0 draw. Qld finished third with the Northern Territory fourth.

NSW were too strong in the Mens 35's winning all games and defeating Qld in the final 2-1. ACT were second with the ADF in fourth place.

A close tussle in the preliminary games saw NSW and Qld win one a piece and meet again in the final. The 4-1 scoreline to NSW saw them take out the title for the fourth consecutive year having not been beaten in a Final. The ADF finishing third and ACT fourth.

The most improved team overall was the Australian Defence Forces who secured the National Handicap Trophy from South Australia and NSW third.

At the presentation evening conducted at the national Convention Centre, Over 27 Qld player Glenys Woolcock was inducted into the Touch Hall of Fame

ALLSTARS OF TOUCH

Apart from the legends Stacey Gregory and Katrina Toohey (Maher), plus Michelle Clough, 1991 saw all new faces in the Allstars Series lineup.

Katrina Toohey reappears as an Allstar after being named whilst she was a junior back in 1984. She now appears as an adult Allstar seven years later.

Other NSW players were Jamie Black, Tony Howard, Mick McCall, Judy Malcolm, Darren Shelley Garry Clarke and Jamie Thomas. Legend player Garry Lawless represented the Act,

while Qld had Donald Smith, Darryl Fry and Amanda Baska.



(Allstar Katrina Toohey (Maher))

Allstars coach was Peter McNeven, who was a previous Allstar in 1985 and 1987, while his sidekick of many years, Ian Rogers, was named as Manager. Greg Summers was named as the referee giving Qld a clean sweep of these three awards and Head Coach for NSW, Brian Rooney was named as official for 1991 in the Allstars series.

LETTERS

Rumors are going around that there may be some rule changes after the next world cup. Is this correct and if so what are the proposed rule changes.

Consideration I being given to possible changes. Any change must commence at the International level and any proposals will be debated at the next meeting in May 2003. Nothing has been determined yet.

Some ideas being floated at the moment are, removing the requirement to stand parallel to the sideline when performing the Rollball, and rewarding a good defensive effort when a defender prevents the attacking team from maintaining possession.

You must be a referee as these ideas have been circulating amongst referees since the Sate of Origin.

FAMOUS INTERVIEWS

I must apologise to Karen Smith and NSW Touch for misinformation provided with the Famous Interview with Karen Smith in the last issue. I

inferred that the then NSW TA was an unforgiving group by not reappointing Karen as coach after her team lost in 1993.

Karen wrote me to say, "I never applied to coach the Womens again basically due to the fact that I played in the 30's team and also because I had applied for the Australian Womens Assistant coaches job and never got an interview. This disappointed me to such an extent that I continued only in my administrative role with the CHS Touch"

An Interview for this section is being arranged but will be printed in the next issue. The famous Queensland of the 80's, Terry Jack is out next Legend.

2002 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

A touring part of over 100 Touch players, officials and supporters set off in June for a three week tour of South Africa, Northern England and Wales.

In South Africa besides playing touch and holding clinic the group had the opportunity to visit Kruger National Park, which for many, was the highlight of the whole tour.

Traveling to Northern England the group encountered the react Faulty Basil at the Moathouse Motel in Wigan Only they can tell you the stories.

Cardiff, Wales was a completely differ part of the world and the hospitality of the Moathouse Motel in Cardiff was exelemptery.

The Euros were played at Cardiff University and the Australian teams went exceptionally well. Teams from England, France, Jersey, Scotland and Wales contested the finals in the Championship division while teams from Australia, New Zealand London (Colonels), Hull, South Africa and England (2) played a "Rest of the World" final series.

In the mens Euros England defeated Wales 6-0 and Scotland won over Jersey 8-3. England showed their dominance and vast improvement from two years ago by defeating Scotland in the final 8-0.

The Rest of the World Invitational mens finals saw Australia 30's defeat the Colonials 2-1

The womens Euros saw England defeat Jersey 9-0 in the semis while Scotland had to go into extra time to defeat Wales 3-2. England again showed their dominance by winning the final 7-0.

The RoWI semis saw Australia 30's defeat South Africa President's 8-0, while The Colonials beat England (2) 6-0. The finals saw Australia 30's, defeat the Colonials 2-1.

Jersey went straight into the finals of the mixed division while Wales played France for the right to challenge them. With a 13-0 win over France the home team was confident of upsetting last current champions.

However the game was an extremely hard fought contest and at the end of the day Jersey retained their title with a 3-2 every so close victory.

In the Masters division there was only a RoWI final between Australia's over 35's and over 40's. The young whippersnappers won 4-0.

And so, at the end of a long and arduous tour one can only do their best on a bus trip from Cardiff to London.



TRANS TASMAN SERIES 2002

Australia got off to a flying start in the three day Trans Tasman Test Series winning the opening men's and women's tests but losing the first mixed test in a 'drop-off'.

In the first match Australia fought hard to hold a slight lead at 4-3 near the end of the match. A levelling touch down from the World Champion Kiwis forced the match into a sudden death situation. A touchdown to New Zealand Mixed captain, Kopae Irihei sealed the match for the visitors in extra time.

The second game saw the Women's World Cup holders defeat their cross Tasman rivals by 6-0. In the third game the Australian men's team also looks set to retain its title as Trans Tasman

Champions after finishing the night with a comprehensive 6-3 victory. Vice Captain, Jason Zabelio, led the team from the front with two touchdowns after losing Australian Captain Neil Ward early in the match with a dislocated shoulder.

Day 2 saw the opening game between the men where NZ rebounded from the first days defeat and took on the Australians. In the end a victory to the home side 6-3 devalued the great performance by the visitor

The New Zealand mixed touch team has retained its title as Trans Tasman champion after another nail biting victory against the Australians in their second game. For the second time in two nights the Australians have lost a test in sudden death this time going down 7-6 only one and a half minutes into the 'drop off.'

Both teams traded touchdowns through the game and when the final siren sounded the two fierce rivals were again locked on level scores.

The Australian womens second game will probably be remembered as one of the greatest performances of all time as they put on a nearly faultless display. After winning game one 6-0 the Australians lifted pouring on the touchdowns seemingly at will.

Amanda Judd had a fantastic game for the home team scoring four touchdowns to add to her one from the first game. New Zealand never looked in with a chance as the Australians dominated from the outset of the game going on to win 9-0.

The final three games on day 3 of the series showcased Australia's strength leading into the World Cup. The first game was the Womens with Australia having already clinched their part of the Trans Tasman they provided the icing on the cake coming away winners 11-0.

The second game of the night saw the Australian Mens going out again in style with another convincing win taking out the Mens series 3-0 with a 4-2 victory over the New Zealand.

The final game on the night saw the mixed game again go down to the wire with Australia winning the final game of the mixed series 7-6. The Australian team was one touchdown ahead with seconds to go on the clock with New Zealand scoring to put the game into a

drop off for the third time in the series. It was Australia's turn to come away victors with former New Zealand Youth representative Dramayne Dayberg-Muir scoring for Australia in extra time

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 18 NATIONAL TEAMS

Women's

Kelly Goodwin ACT
Kara Roffey QSST
Tara Mohi Sydney Rebels
Alahna Gibbs CQ
Jarrah Jennings SQBD
Hayley Rogerson Sunshine Coast
Kelly McGinnity NQ
Melissa McCall NSWCCC
Katie Shaw SQBD
Kate Adams QSST
Kirstie Jenkins NSWCHS
Roxanne Winder QSST
Natalie Giles NSWCCC
Danielle Locke NQ

Men's

Jamie Soward Southern Suns
Adam Springfield Mets
Glenn Dewitt NSWCCC
Scott Dureau NSWCCC
Andrew Baggio NSWCCC
Josh Lewis NSWCHS
Joseph Phillipe Mets
Chris Rawlinson Southern Suns
Daniel Brown Mets
James Roberts QSST
Mark Kovacic Mets
Troy Malcolm Australian Men's Open Team
Josh Essex CQ
Adrian O'shanesy CQ

N.S.W. REFEREE'S STATE GRADING NIGHT

The New South Wales Touch Ass Referees only recently conducted their annual Dinner for State Graded Referees.

This night is used to recognize referees in front of their peers who have achieved excellence in their chosen field.

People at the top end of our sport always support this dinner evening. The same people have attended each year and are well received by the referees both current and retired.

This year Cary Thompson, the President of the F.I.T, The complete NSWTA Executive committee, past Presidents and Referees Directors and members of the NSWTA Technical Panel were in attendance, all spoke on the pride associated with the honour of being inducted into such an elite group.

Seventeen referees received the honour of being elevated to the State Grading ranks. One referee given his chance to speak on the microphone, and to thank those who supported him to this level, proposed to his girlfriend. Lucky she didn't turn him down.

There were numerous awards for service, Referee of the Tournament and Referee of the year, but the highlight of the night was for two gentlemen who received awards for twenty years service to refereeing.

Brian Kidd, who started out as a referee and then became a coaching panel member - recently retired was one recipient of the 20 year service award while Frank Dryden who started as out referring is still, an active referee.

Frank is still contesting for the top games and still pushes the younger referees to their limits. Both of these people were State Graded in 1982. I can't see that anyone else will ever be able to achieve this and it's my belief that this is the first time in the history of the sport, that this has been achieved by referees.

- Ian Matthew, NSW Touch Ass.,
Technical Director



With another West Australian summer in sight, and the minds of many turning to the representative Touch season ahead, players and referees alike are gearing up for another crack at Super League and State Championships success.

But the Referees ranks in WA will take on a different complexion this time around, as Henry Dos Santos has retired as an active Referee at the representative level, hanging up his whistle following the Mens Open Final at the WA State Championships earlier in the year.

Henry, one of only two Level Six Referees in WA, has decided instead to focus his energy into the development of all West Australian Referees. He will also be continuing as Chairperson of the Touchwest Referees Panel.



(Henry Dos Santos in action)

While many players will openly curse the decisions of Referees, Henry has always had the respect of all the representative players. There will no doubt be a few wishing Henry were in charge during some of the games in the season ahead, and the Referees on the field will have the benefit of his experience with them.

- Mat Bamford, State Development & Technical Officer



Sport Award

Touch SA has recently been selected as a finalist in the upcoming Office for Recreation & Sport & Sport SA "Sport Industry Award". The Award is for initiatives that promote & support the development of Sport.

Touch SA has had a strong 12 Months with the implementation of its Strategic Plan, Sponsorship that supports the member base & the overall growth of upwards of 20% State-wide.

The award is sponsored by Bailetti Sports & is an honour for the state Body to be selected as a finalist. Stay tuned to see how Touch SA goes on Wednesday the 24th of July 2002.

Legends Visit

Touch SA had a big Month in April with the Technical Camp & the Carnival Weekend/presentation Night. The Carnival Weekend & Presentation Night saw some of the Legends of Touch visit the State to assist with

Development & make presentations on the Night. During the presentation an Interview of the Members gave an insight into what it takes to perform at the highest level.

Touch SA's Guests included Mark "Bus" Boland, Sam Ayoub, Tony Eltakchi, Phil Jarrett & Cary Thompson. The experience & assistance they offered to the development of the game in our State was greatly appreciated & we look forward to their next visit.

Touch SA also conducted a Technical Camp, which was attended to address all areas of the sport including Referee's, Selectors & Coaches. The Camp was attended by over 60 people in the various disciplines & will assist in the strengthening of these important facets of the game.

Thank you to Dean Russell, Cathy Gray, Stewart Freeman, John Badman & Peter Topp who all attended to present to our members. You are always welcome in our State

Primary School State Teams

Yes that's right, Primary School State Teams! Touch SA has recently selected State Teams to possibly represent the Association at the Championships to be held in Canberra in October this year. The Association is currently lobbying the SAPSASA for sanctioning to send the team under the School banner.

Touch SA will announce the Teams on sanctioning but assures all involved that we will be doing our best to give these kids the opportunity to represent the State.

State Teams & State League

The Representative Season is about to swing in with the Winter State League commencing this Sunday the 7th of July. The competition should be red hot with State Selections for Australia Cup & positions in the relevant Teams up for grabs.

Following the Development Tour to Melbourne various Players have put up their hand to force their way into the side, which should make things interesting for all Players. With the Wolves going back-to-back last season can anyone topple them? All regions will compete over the next 10 Weeks on Sunday afternoon with the Introduction of a Mixed Division to

allow developing players the opportunity to be exposed to the Highest-level competition in the State.

Touch SA Sponsorships

The Sponsorship to the Association is something that we at Touch SA are extremely proud of & we encourage all members of the Association to support the Business's that are supporting you. For more details on Sponsorship contact the office on ph 8373 3222.

Red Bull recently has offered support to the Association with the supply of various products at no cost to Touch SA for members at State League & other events. Touch SA is also currently negotiating a State Wide Deal with the Wakefield Sport Clinic, News to follow!

-Col Mcquire, Executive Officer, Touch SA



We have a great new Junior program starting here in October and we are going to launch our "Cactus Program" (coaches and children teaching us). The launch will kick off with our PAK tournament (Parents and Kids) at Caboolture.

Camp Quality will be the charity to benefit from the day and we aim for 100 teams to participate. The PAK Teams will consist of maximum of 5 adults and 5 kids. The whole focus will be on fun and participation - no trophies but lots of give aways : banner competition etc.

Following the launch, 12 of our young representative players will visit affiliates throughout the region with our SDO and Director of Juniors to conduct 1 day coaching clinics for coaches and juniors and wind the day up with a round of games with the "Cactus kids".

Following these visits, the SDO will link in with further Coaching Development and courses. Referees are also involved in the program and the Cactus kids will be supplied with uniforms etc.

Qld Junior State Cup the weekend of 8/9th July at Sunny Coast (Glasshouse

Mountain) - 80 teams from U11 to U17 - Mal Brough Federal Family & Employment Minister opening the event. It's cold and windy but come the weekend weather should be superb - *Bronwyn Holland,*

**BO DE LA CRUZ
NAIDOC SPORTS PERSON
OF THE YEAR**

Bo De La Cruz wins NAIDOC sportsperson of the year

Australian Touch player Bo De La Cruz was recently announced as NAIDOC sports person of the year. A member of the highly successful Australian womens open Touch team and past member of the Australian Youth womens World Cup champion team she was crowned with the award at the gala event in Sydney on 12 July.

NAIDOC Week is a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's uniqueness of traditions and cultures. Although NAIDOC week is celebrated nationally, each year a city is chosen to host the national focus for NAIDOC. This year the national focus, under the theme - Recognition, Rights and Reform - was held in Sydney from 7-14 July.

As part of these celebrations Sydney was the host of the national NAIDOC ball that was held on Friday 12 July. These national awards recognise the significant contributions that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people make within their communities in many diverse fields.



One of the major categories at the awards was the national sportsperson of the year. Previous recipients of these awards have been Kyle Vander-Kuyp and Warren Lawton (paralympian). This year Bo De La Cruz who is a current Australian Touch Association representative won the award for national sportsperson of the year for her achievements not only within the sport of touch but also for her role as an ambassador for younger indigenous athletes.

In her acceptance speech Bo thanked current Australian womens open coach, Peter Bell and Australian Youth womens coach Kerry Norman for their support and guidance in her Touch career.

The Australian Touch Australian and all associated congratulates Bo on the award.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2002

17/19 th October	Australia Cup	Tasmania	Australia
29 th Nov – 1 st December	NSW State Cup		

2003

22/27 th January	Aust. Youth Tour Indian Ocean Cup	Perth	Australia
8/9 th February	Tasmanian State Cup	Meecroft/Devonport	Australia
8/11 th March	Australian Nationals (Seniors)	Coffs Harbour	Australia
13/16 th March	Australian Nationals (Opens/20's)	Coffs Harbour	Australia
17/23 rd May	ARFURA Games	Darwin	Australia
24/28 th May	FIT World Cup (Opens & Masters)	Kumagaya	Japan
17/20 September	Australian Youth Championships	Coffs Harbour	Australia
Sept/October	FIT World Clubs (Opens/Masters)	Various Venues	Australia
October	FIT World Schools Championships	Brisbane's White Hill	Australia
30 Oct/1st Nov.	Australia Cup	TBA	Australia

2004

20/26 th January	Australian Youth (20's) Tour		Fiji (TBC)
12/14 th March	Australian Nationals (Opens/20's)	Coffs Harbour	Australia
16/19 th March	Australian Nationals (Seniors)	Coffs Harbour	Australia
June	Asian Touch Championships		Singapore
June / July	European Championships	TBA	TBA
22/25 September	Australian Youth Championships	Coffs Harbour	Australia
Sept/October	Australian All Schools (15's)	TBA	Australia
28/30 th October	Australia Cup	TBA	Australia

2005

19/23 January	FIT Youth World Cup	TBA	Australia
19/22 nd March	Australian Nationals (Opens/20's)	TBA	Australia
24/26 th March	Australian Nationals (Seniors)	TBA	Australia
June	Asian Touch Championships		Singapore
15/24 th July	World Masters Games	Edmonton	Canada
21/24 September	Australian Youth Championships	Coffs Harbour	Australia
Sept/October	Australian All Schools (15's)	TBA	Australia
October	FIT World Schools Championships	Cold Coast	Australia
27/29 th October	Australia Cup	TBA	Australia
11/13 November	Trans Tasman Test Series	South Island	New Zealand

2006

18/21 st March	Australian Nationals (Opens/20's)	TBA	Australia
23/25 th March	Australian Nationals (Seniors)	TBA	Australia
June	Asian Touch Championships		Singapore
June / July	European Championships	TBA	TBA
20/23 September	Australian Youth Championships	Coffs Harbour	Australia
Sept/October	Australian All Schools (15's)	TBA	Australia
Sept/Oct	FIT World Clubs (Opens/Masters)	Cold Coast	Australia
26/28 th October	Australia Cup	TBA	Australia

2007

17/20 th March	Australian Nationals (Opens/20's)	TBA	Australia
22/24 th March	Australian Nationals (Seniors)	TBA	Australia
June / July	FIT Master World Cup	TBA	TBA
June / July	FIT Opens World	TBA	TBA
19/22 September	Australian Youth Championships	Coffs Harbour	Australia
Sept/October	Australian All Schools (15's)	TBA	Australia
1/3 November	Australia Cup	TBA	Australia

If you wish to have any Touch event listed here then please provide details and it will be published in the following issues.

Touch Web Sites

Federation International Touch
www.internationaltouch.com.au

Australia Touch Association
www.austouch.com.au

Chile – Santiago Touch Rugby Club
www.atamericas.com/touch

Richmond Touch Rugby (England)
www.touchrugby.com

Dallas Touch Association
www.dallastouch.com

St. Helens Touch - England
www.st-helens-touch-rugby.co.uk

England
www.touchrugby.com

France
www.multimania.com/touchrugbyfr

Fiji Touch
www.teivovo.com

New Zealand Touch
www.touchnz.co.nz

Canterbury NZ
www.touchcanterbury.co.nz

Japan Touch
www.jp-touch.com

Paradise Touch (USA)
www.macatwork.com/paradisetouch/aboutus.htm

Portugal Beach Touch Rugby
www.bdj3.pt

Rhondda Cynon Taff Touch
www.rcttouch.co.uk

San Diego
www.sandiegotouch.com

Scottish Touch
www.scottishtouch.co.uk

Touch Singapore
www.touchsingapore.org

South Africa
www.touchrugby.co.za

Welsh Touch (see below also)
www.walestouch.org.uk

USA Touch
www.usfit.com

European Championships 2002
<http://euro2002.walestouch.org.uk>

ACT Touch
www.acttouch.com.au

NSW Touch
www.nswtouch.com.au

Queensland touch
www.qldtouch.com.au

Touch SA
www.touch-sa.asn.au

Victoria Touch
www.victouch.com.au

Western Australia Touch
www.watouch.com.au

World Masters Games
www.2005worldmasters.com



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