The President writes......

2006 has proved to be again an exciting and challenging year in School Sport. 

The first half of the year has seen the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association conduct fifteen (15) State Carnivals involving some four thousand, four hundred (4400) students in excess of three hundred (300) teachers. Undoubtedly these events would not be as successful without the support of numerous community sporting groups, who provide much of the infrastructure and the support of the principals in our schools. On behalf of the students could I take this opportunity to thank all of those involved for ensuring the students enjoy positive and educational experiences. For many it provides memories for life.

Third term will see some four hundred (400) students and forty (40) teachers involved in School Sport Australia Exchanges around Australia from Darwin to Perth to Hobart.

The New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association actively promotes participation for all students in School Sport activities. It is with this in mind we are inviting Zones/Districts to apply, by way of submission, for a grant to support Professional Development Programs within their local areas. The NSW PSSA has allocated $15,000.00 to support successful submissions. It is hoped that this will be increased in future years and schools and principals will support these initiatives by allowing staff to attend such courses. All Zone/District PSSA secretaries would have recently received information pertaining to the ‘Zone/District Grant Initiative’. A copy of this information is included in this newsletter.

As we race towards the end of the year could I also draw your attention to two [2] very important dates. Firstly, entries for the NSW PSSA Knockout Program close on Friday 29 September. The entry form may be found on the NSW PSSA website (http://www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au/nswpssa/forms/konomination.doc).

Secondly, the Special Recognition Certificates. You may have teachers, community members and parents in your school community who have provided outstanding services to School Sport. Again this nomination can be found on the NSW PSSA website (http://www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au/nswpssa/journal/year_2006/2_section5.doc).

In closing can I once again thank you for your support and encourage your school to ‘Be a part of it’.

M. Sanders
Mark Sanders
President

NSWPSSA Website

All the information you require can be found at

www.sports.det.nsw.edu.au

Including –
- Calendar
- State Carnival Information
- NSW PSSA Handbook
- Personnel
- State Records
- Extra / Extra – Journals
- Knockout Draws (Winter and Small Schools draws available late March)
- Application Forms
  - Coach / Manager positions
  - Knockout Nominations
  - Official Applications

Please Note:
Closing date for NSW PSSA Knockouts 2007
29 September 2006
**State Carnivals**

**Term 3**
- July 18 - 20: Netball - Tweed Heads
- July 21: Cross Country - Eastern Creek
- August 8 - 10: Rugby - Granville
- August 8 - 10: Touch (Girls) - Inverell
- August 29 - 31: Touch (Boys) - St Marys
- September 5 - 7: Softball (Boys) - Miperra
- September 15: Golf - Port Kembla

**Term 4**
- October 17 - 19: Softball (Girls) - Mayfield
- Oct 30 - Nov 2: Cricket (Girls) - Miperra
- November 8 - 9: Athletics - Homebush
- November 13 - 16: Cricket (Boys) Shoalhaven

**Sponsors 2006**

The New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association gratefully acknowledges the support of the following parent bodies and sponsors in implementing its school sporting programs:

**School Sport Foundation Sponsors**
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- NSW Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
- Integral Energy
- WIN TV
- NBN TV

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- NSW Rugby League
- Rugby
- NSW Rugby Union
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- NSW Swimming Inc
- Tennis
- Tennis NSW
- Touch
- NSW Touch Association
- General
- Teachers Credit Union
- Teach NSW
- Instant Photos Australia
- SDS

**Knockout Final Series**
- September 11: Basketball
- September 12: Basketball
- September 13: Rugby
- September 18: Australian Football
- September 25: Hockey
- September 27: Netball
- October 16: Football
- October 20: Small Schools
- November 7: Touch
- December 5: Cricket
- December 7: Softball

**Important Dates**
- October 25: NSW PSSA Annual Dinner
- November 8-9: Athletics Championships
- November 18: NSW PSSA AGM

**Closing dates for NSW PSSA Applications**
- September 8: Athletics Officials
- September 27: Grant Applications
- September 29: Knockout Nominations 2007
- October 26: Executive/Convener Nominations 2007

**Meetings**
- August 17: Council Meeting
- September 21: Executive Meeting
- October 25: Council Meeting
- November 16: Annual General Meeting

**School Sport Australia Exchanges**
- Aug 27 - Sept 1: Football - NT
- Aug 27 - Sept 1: Basketball - WA
- September 2 - 9: Tennis - QLD
- September 3 - 8: Netball - SA
- October 22 - 27: Touch - WA
- November 19 - 25: Softball - VIC
- November 22 - 27: Track and Field - QLD
- January 6 - 14, 2007: Cricket - SA
Outcomes:
To encourage and promote the involvement of teachers and schools in school based sporting programs.

Criteria for Funding:
Preference will be given to programs that:
- Promote active involvement by teachers in presentation of School Sport
- Provide accreditation in coaching, officiating etc
- Promote best practise - “how to series”
- Teacher training and development programs
- Support a clearly identified need
- Sport safety programs
- Are within the $500.00 to $2500.00 funding range

How to Apply
Zones /Districts may only submit one application per year. Applications must be submitted on the correct proforma.

In preparing submissions zones/districts must include:
- Proposed date
- Course Title – (Area of Focus)
- Anticipated numbers
- Anticipated expenditure
- Identify - Facilitator or Secretary (Zone/District)
- Be prepared to share “programs” courses with other zones/districts.

Course Completion
At the completion of the course
- Provide a report of activity
- Provide a reconciliation of expenditure
- Return any unexpended monies.

We would encourage you to support this initiative and promote the benefits of School Sport to a wider audience.

Closing date for applications: 27 September 2006
Please carefully read the accompanying guidelines before completing your application.

Zone/District PSSA: 

School: 

Address: 

Post Code: 

Telephone: 

Facilitator: 

Proposed Date(s): 

Anticipated Numbers: 

Course Title (Please provide a brief description of your initiative plus how it promotes School Sport).

Demonstrate how the initiative will provide ongoing benefits to your Zone and/or students:

Program Implementation (clearly identify how the initiative will be carried out)

Identify how the initiative will be evaluated:

Funds Required
Cost of personnel (include item description)
Teacher release days (if any) $ 
External agencies/organisations (please specify) $ 
Total (GST inclusive) $ 

Cost of Equipment (Include item description)

Total (GST inclusive) $ 

Cost of Consumable (Include item description)

Total (GST inclusive) $ 

Other (Include item description eg. venue hire, travel etc) $ 

Total (GST inclusive) $ 

Please detail your Zone/District contribution and commitment to the proposed initiative