

Soccer starlet shines for WA

AUSTRALIND South West Academy of Sport soccer player Rachel Thomson recently returned from her first overseas tour after being selected into the under-17 WA Regional Select Squad that played against Singapore college and university teams.

The 15-year-old mid-fielder caught the eye of the selectors after her outstanding performances at QBE Country Week and Country Camp this year and represented WA at the FFA Girl's National Youth Championships in Coffs Harbour last July.

The tour of Singapore was a valuable experience for Thomson.

"Because it was really humid and hot, it was really tough - but we won all of the games apart from one," she said.

"It was really great. I got to meet a lot of new people and had the experience of going overseas."

The island tour capped off an exciting year for the aspiring soccer player who was one of 80 athletes being awarded a Smarter than Smoking Country Sport Scholarship on November 18.



Soccer talent Rachel Thomson, right, recently played for WA.