

2011 Sportsperson of the Year nominees



KIERON FARIES

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD Kieron Faries was nominated by the Collie Men's Hockey Association after selection in the under-16 State School Boys team which competed in Newcastle this year.

He played for Collie in the South West League, and was chosen to train for hockey at the South West Academy of Sport.

He captained the winning Collie Senior High School team at Country week this year.

Playing in the Collie intermediates grade, he won fairest and best, and was fairest and best for his team, the intermediates Co-op team, and runner-up fairest and best for the Co-op 2 men's team.

Kieron has represented Collie at the South West regional level twice each for under 13 and under 15 grades.

He has helped train and umpire junior teams, and been a good ambassador and role model for junior hockey players.

LOCAL SENIOR SPORTS STAR



JOHN PIKE

JOHN Pike was nominated by the Collie Men's Hockey Association after finishing in a tie with Cassidy Sanford for the association's fairest and best award.

He was also named fairest and best for the Centaurs Red Hockey Club.

Pike finished second in the Pony Express Enduro's.

In 2008, he was runner-up fairest and best for men's hockey, fairest and best for Centaurs A grade, and second in the Pony Express Enduro.



CASSIDY SANFORD

CASSIDY Sanford was nominated by the Collie Men's Hockey Association after finishing in a tie

with Cassidy Sanford as fairest and best in the men's association.

He was also fairest and best for the Co-op Hockey Club.

Sanford plays for the Collie A grade men's team in the South West League.

In the previous years, he has won the fairest and best awards for Co-ops intermediates and senior teams, and was highest goal scorer.

He represented Collie twice in the South West Regional under 15s, and once in the under 13s.

Sanford helps coach the Co-op intermediate team, and umpires games.

LOCAL JUNIOR SPORTS STAR



PREAH HETHERINGTON

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD Preah Hetherington was nominated by the Collie Women's Hockey Association after another stellar season.

Preah was the youngest ever winner of the Marie Cross medal for the fairest and best player in the women's South West league.

She is a member of the South West Academy of Sport.

A member of the Collie women's South West league team, she won the Collie Association's A grade and intermediate grade fairest and best awards.

Preah was the highest goal scorer in the Collie intermediates, and won the Collie association's Vernon family trophy for the most promising junior for the third time.

She was fairest and best for Mustangs A grade, and captained the Mustangs intermediates premiership team.

She regularly umpired intermediates and A2 division.

CLUB STALWART OF THE YEAR



JOHN SHEPHERD

JOHN Shepherd was nominated by the Collie Underwater Hockey Club.

He introduced the sport to Collie after reading about it in an American spear fishing magazine.

He saw it as a way for members of the Collie Spearfishing Club to

keep fit for weekend spearfishing competitions held throughout summer.

When this club folded, he was determined to keep underwater hockey going.

John was the first secretary, and later served as president and treasurer.

He is the driving force in organising one day carnivals annually.

He is instrumental in setting structure and policies in the club, and has set the standard for conduct in the club, at State and National level.

He is always first there to open up and get the gear out, take down the names of juniors and make up teams.

He regularly takes gear home to check and repair it.

He keeps records on who has umpired, fairest and best votes, goals scored, and encourages seniors to play their role in the club.

Collie was the first club to have a juniors under 19 competition, and is still the only club anywhere in the world to have an under 12s division - this is all due to John Shepherd.



CHAD LATHAM

CHAD Latham was nominated by the Collie Men's Hockey Association.

Latham is the 2011 association president, secretary and umpires' co-ordinator.

He umpires junior and intermediate boys hockey, and coached Co-op 2 team which reached the grand final this year.

He manages Collie no 2 team in the South West League, as well as playing in the team.

He co-ordinated both the junior and senior men's fairest and best counts, and prepared all men's fixtures for 2011.

A stalwart member of Co-oper Hockey Club, he has helped coach juniors, and umpired junior and senior games.

SPORTS TEAM OF THE YEAR



COLLIE EAGLES JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR EIGHT TEAM

THE Collie Eagles Junior Football Club Year 8 team defeated Donnybrook to become premiers for its division in the South West Junior Football League.