

Hockey players targeted by new sports academy

A NUMBER of local hockey players have secured a position with the newly created South West Academy of Sport (SWAS).

The academy, which is based in Bunbury, will operate similarly to the WA Institute of Sport and the Australian Institute of Sport and will act as a stepping stone into these institutes.

The SWAS will boost sporting development through the region by providing high-level support and training to athletes residing in the South West. It will also help reduce the stress on families of up-and-coming champions who are currently forced to travel to the metropolitan area to further their sporting careers.

Cameron Scheer, Haig Colomera, Jacob Evans, Jamie Williamson, Ashlee Robbins, Bronte Ryan,

Courtney Watson, Danika Jurat, Keeva Spencer-Wright, Natasha Robbins and Lauren Clarke all from Busselton have been selected in to the SWAS Hockey Development Squad.

These players were identified as having potential to gain selection into the WA under-15 Team (or higher) or into the Hockey WA level 1 or level 2 talent squad.

Kelly Duthie, Nayton Colomera, Grace Jilley, Hayley Bywaters, Keely Allsop and Montana Randall have been selected onto the SWAS Hockey Academy Squad. This elite squad comprises players currently in the under-18 team as well as those identified as having potential to gain selection in the WA under-18 team. It also includes athletes currently in a WAIS or Hockey WA level 3 talent squad.