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## NIAS Newsletter October

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### 2020/2021 Sport Applications

Sporting program applications are still open for [AFL](#), [cycling](#), [lone star](#) and [netball](#) programs.

[Netball applications](#) will be closing on Friday 20th November.

[AFL applications](#) will be closing the following week on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Go to our [website](#) now to see the eligibility criteria and to APPLY!



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## 2021 Squads

NIAS has merged in to the 2021 season with golf and hockey squads having been selected.

Congratulations to the following athletes for being selected in the **2021 NIAS**

### **Golf Squad:**

Nixon Bird (Walcha), Saxxon Ford (Tenterfield), Rhys Devney (Moree), Luke Devney (Moree), Charlie Milford (Coonabarabran), Harrison Milford (Coonabarabran), Ryan McKinnon (Tamworth), Matthew Reece (Inverell) and Oliver Thomas (Hillvue).

Congratulations to the following athletes for being selected in the the **2021**

### **NIAS Hockey Squad:**

**Girls:** Tahlia Barwick (Tamworth), Lili Beattie (Tamworth), Izzy Bramley (Tamworth), Brydie Chegwyn (Armidale), Olivia Clarke (Armidale), Ella Constable (Tamworth), Emma Dauparas (Armidale), Emma Gray (Armidale), Ellie Highlands (Tamworth), Jenna Marquardt (Armidale), Chloe McWilliam (Tamworth), Erin Porter (Armidale), Kara Porter (Armidale), Jorja Power (Walcha), Claudia Rodda (Tamworth), Abigail Schimann (Oxley Vale), Chloe Scicluna (Tamworth), Bridget Tydd (Tamworth), Abby Wakely (Calala) and Danika Watson (Boambee).

**Boys:** Sam Ball (Armidale), Joseph Briggs (Tamworth), Sam Griffith (Tamworth), Mason Johns (Armidale), Jude Kelly (Tamworth), Cameron Le Surf (Armidale), Rory Littlejohns (Tamworth), Eden Love (Armidale), Andrew Garette Macinas (Tamworth), Lochlan Nicoll (Armidale), Ben O'Connor (Tamworth), Ethan Schumacher (Armidale), Jayden Scott (Tamworth), Lachlan Spark (Woolomin)

# 2021 NIAS Trials



## Hockey

Trials for the 'Wests Entertainment Group Hockey program were held in Tamworth on Sunday 18th October. There were many new athletes trialing for the program, and many returning faces. The squad has now been selected, with the program having had their first training session on Sunday 1st November in Armidale



## Golf

The 2021 'Jack Newton Junior Golf' Golf squad has been selected and will gather together on the 7th and 8th November for their first training weekend. Darren Burger will head in to his 3rd year at NIAS coaching the golf athletes.



## Basketball

Our 'Tamworth City Toyota' basketball program had their trials for selection in to the 2021 squad on Saturday 10th October. The first training session will be held Saturday 7th November, with a small number of athletes still to trial on this day.





The [Glen Innes & District Services Club](#) netball program finished their program in October with a high performance inter-academy weekend. The weekend took place over the 17th and 18th October at SportUNE. NIAS welcomed the North Coast Academy of Sport netball squad to the weekend as the squads engaged in high performance skill development, inter-academy match play, strength and conditioning sessions with SportUNE's Matt Pine and personal trainer Matt Hourigan. Accredited psychologist Marni Hietbrink also delivered an education session on performance psychology. The netball athletes and coaches were able to have a combined dinner with the NIAS' major sponsors at the [Armidale City Bowling Club](#). Applications for the 2021 netball program are OPEN ([you can apply here](#)), with trials to take place in Tamworth on Sunday 22nd November.



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### 2020 'Tamworth Services Club' Rugby League

After satellite training sessions took place in each of the group 4, group 19 and group 21 rugby league areas, the 2020 '[Tamworth Services Club](#)' Rugby League squad finished their program with two combined training sessions in Tamworth. Athletes from the group 4, group 19 and group 21 region finished the program together with their combined training session on the 10th October, which led in to the trials for the Greater Northern Tigers U16's program the





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## Sponsor Recognition



The [Inverell RSM Club](#) have supported NIAS over a number of years and are the sport sponsors for the NIAS AFL program. The club was established in 1919 and has recently undergone refurbishments.

Thank you Inverell RSM for your support of the Northern Inland Academy of Sport and the region's athletes.

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**"I've failed over and over again in my life, and  
that is why I succeed"**

- Michael Jordan -

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After returning to the court following COVID-19 restrictions, the Tamworth Basketball Association hosted their finals in October and are looking ahead to their season next year.

[Watch Here](#)



Rugby 7's have made a return to Tamworth with summer competitions underway and participation levels high. Find out more about the competition by clicking below.

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Wallabies star Harry Wilson (hailing from Gunnedah) spent 36 hours in the hospital in the lead up to playing the second game in the Bedisloe Cup Test. Find out more by reading the article below.

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