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## SPORT SCHOLAR JULY PROFILE

### Hayder Shkara

Taekwondo is a tough sport where only a few high level competitors get a chance to compete internationally. Hayder has reached the international stage many times.

At 16 yrs of age, Hayder was selected in the Australian Junior Team and competed in the World Junior Championships in Vietnam. The following year Hayder again represented his country in the Australian Youth Olympic Festival and Asian Junior Championships.

Last year, Hayder was selected in the Australian Senior team to compete at the World Championships in Copenhagen. Hayder fought through to the 3rd Round in the Men's feather weight division, a division that attracts competitors from 143 other countries. After leading the entire match, Hayder lost by one point to the 2008 Olympic bronze medallist. Hayder was awarded the UTS 2009 Sportsman of the Year award in recognition of his magnificent achievements.

This year Hayder won Silver at the Korean Open and was subsequently named the #2 Black Belt Fighter in Australia (regardless of weight division) by Taekwondo Australia. He has secured his place in the Aussie Team that will compete in the British Open later this year.

Hayder is studying a Bachelor of Law and International Studies at UTS.



Hayder in action

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### Angela Reakes

During the 2009/10 season, Angela really came into her own and showed that she has what it takes to play cricket at the top level.

Her NSW coach believes she has the natural talent along with the personal traits and character needed to make it to the top. Last season Angela was selected into the NSW Breakers squad for the first time. After making her T20 and 50 over debuts early in the season she went on to show that she is one of the best spin bowlers in the country. Angela was also selected to play for the Australian Shooting Stars (U23) in 2009.

Coming into the 2010/11 preseason, Ange has again gained selection in both the NSW Breakers and Aussie U23 teams.

Angela is studying a Bachelor of Human Movement at UTS.



Vice Chancellor Ross Milbourne and Angela at the EAP Scholars Launch

## EASTERN UNIVERSITY GAMES

### UTS wins EUG's!

UTS has had an amazing 2010 Eastern Uni Games, this year held in Coffs Harbour from the 4th – 8th July.



Silver medalists UTS Women's Touch

260 students spanned across 11 sports – Basketball, Handball, Hockey, Lawn Bowls, Netball/Mixed Netball, Soccer, Tennis, Touch, Union 7's, Ultimate Frisbee and Volleyball, and lead by the team mascot Lenny the Lizard they all performed strongly over the three days of competition.

By Day 3 UTS had 5 teams in gold and 4 in bronze Medal matches, and when the final whistle was blown at 4pm had managed to come away with 4 gold, a silver and 2 bronze.



UTS Ultimate Frisbee in the Semi Final

This outstanding effort meant that UTS

won the overall pointscore, beating 20 other institutions including Macquarie, Sydney Uni and UNSW.



UTS Mixed Netball 1

This is the second time in three years that UTS has won the championship, demonstrating the growing strength of UTS on the sporting field.

Special mention must be made of the UTS Netball/Mixed Netball Club, whose Women's 1 and Mixed 1 teams both won gold, and Mixed 2 won bronze. This win means that the Mixed 1 squad are back to back champions, having won both EUG's and AUG's in 2009.



UTS Handball

#### FINAL RESULTS:

- Gold – Mixed Netball 1
- Gold – Women's Netball 1
- Gold – Mixed Handball
- Gold – Ultimate Frisbee
- Silver – Women's Touch
- Bronze – Men's Hockey
- Bronze – Mixed Netball 2

4th – Women's Volleyball

4th – Women's Hockey.

Congratulations go to all teams, performing with great sportsmanlike behavior over the three days of competition and doing UTS proud.



Women's Soccer

Further reports are on the UTS website:

<http://www.newsroom.uts.edu.au/news/detail.cfm?ItemId=22389>



Lenny the Lizard and Security

## OXFAM TRAILWALKER

### UTS Team 'Let's Get Physical'

Talk about a challenge! On the weekend of the 27th to 29th August 2010, 4 UTS students will be walking 100km to raise money and awareness for Oxfam Australia. The event is the Oxfam TRAILWALKER Sydney 2010.

The challenge is to complete 100kms in less than 48 hours as a team of four. The UTS team, consisting of Megan Roberts, Tom Tomesek, Margherita Roser and Wister Wu, are hoping to finish in 36 hours. This will see them walking through the night (with little or no sleep) until the end.

The UTS team 'Let's Get Physical' are hoping to raise well over \$9,000 to help some of the world's poorest people.

If you would like to sponsor them, please follow the link:

<http://www2.oxfam.org.au/trailwalker/Sydney/team/517> and click DONATE.

Team Name 'Let's Get Physical' and Team Number 517. For more information, contact Megan Roberts at [megzrob@hotmail.com](mailto:megzrob@hotmail.com)

## BADMINTON Winter Tournament

The 2010 UTS Badminton Doubles & Mixed Doubles Open Tournament was held on the 3rd of July. This is the first large scale tournament event that the UTS Badminton Club has organised and was deemed a success with almost 80 participants on the day.

On Saturday the 10th of July, the Australian Uni Games Men's and Women's Team organised a Malaysian Lunch Buffet Fundraising Event. The event was proudly sponsored by a fellow member of the club with all the proceeds going into the AUG fund.

The two teams have been training hard for the tournament, and are expecting to do well.

## NETBALL

### Double Gold at EUG's

The UTS Netball Club has had a huge month, culminating in double gold at the Eastern University Games, winning both the Women's and Mixed Netball Competitions, as well as bronze in Mixed by the Mixed 2 team.

This win means that the UTS Netball Club, in only its second year has now won the Mixed competition in Eastern and Australian Uni Games in 2009, as well as the 2010 EUG title.

The club is now preparing for the Australian University Games with trials being held on the 5th and 8th of August.

## DRAGON BOAT

### Novice Clinics

UTS Sydney Dragon Blades has been enjoying a relatively quiet off season, although they have been quite busy in running Novice Clinics throughout winter. Despite the freezing weather, attendance has been great and the clinics wrapped up in mid July.

They have managed to sign up some new members already from these clinics and are looking forward to the new season beginning on the 1st August.

## SKI

### Social Trip to Thredbo

The UTS Ski Club has been getting busy! As the weather has been cooling down, the UTS Ski Club is heating up. The club took 70 students to Thredbo for a week in mid July for their annual Social Trip.

This trip is a fundraiser for the Australian University Championships which will be held in Mount Buller from August 29th - September 2nd, the club looking to send 25 students to compete.

## KENPO KARATE

### Member Awarded 3rd Degree Black Belt

A member of the UTS Kenpo Karate Club, Ms Lauren Campbell has recently been awarded her 3rd Degree Black Belt. Ms Campbell is the first female instructor to ever realise this accomplishment.

The club congratulates her and wishes her the best in her martial arts career.



Lauren Campbell being awarded her 3rd Degree Black Belt

## TRIATHLON

### Annual Awards Night

Balance and UTS Triathlon club members continue to participate in a range of sporting events during the triathlon off-season. A number of people have competed in the Woodford to Glenbrook charity race, the Gold Coast Marathon and various other running races.

The newly designed Club gear was launched at Cell Bikes on Wednesday 14th July and new and existing members will now receive a free Balance and UTS cycle jersey as part of their membership.

The Club Annual Awards night, with a Wild West theme, was held on Saturday 17th July and their AGM will also be held towards the end of July.

## CRICKET

### Pre-Season Training Begins

Pre-season training has now officially started, with the Sydney Cricket Club keen to improve on last year's performance in the Grade competition and stepping it up to three sessions per week.

Dom Thornely, ex-NSW captain and all-rounder has agreed to join the SCC for the 2010/11 season, bringing a wealth of experience from Australian First Class, English County and Indian Premier League cricket. He is also joined by Englishman Joe Denley, returning after playing two seasons for the SCC in 2005/06 and 2006/07. Since his return to England, Joe has gone on to play Twenty/20 and ODI for England. The addition of these two players, along with several others, is very exciting for the club.

There have been 50 enrolments for the UTS Sydney Cricket Academy, a program for junior players that will commence on the 25th July.

## AFL

### Division 1, 2 & 3 Set for the Finals

The UTS Bats continue a strong season with the Division 1, 2 & 3 sides set to play in the finals and the Division 4 side still well in contention for a spot in this year's September action.

With one game to go before another mid-season break, the Division 1 side will travel to UNSW to play the Bulldogs whilst the remaining three sides will travel to Greystanes to play Holroyd Parramatta.

## ULTIMATE FRISBEE

### Gold in Coffs Harbour

The 4th to the 8th of July were rigorous days of sport in Coffs Harbour – but this certainly paid off for UTS Ultimate Frisbee. After some testing encounters and remarkable highlights, UTS prevailed as the 2010 Eastern University Frisbee champions.

Remaining undefeated throughout the tournament, UTS beat a very tough Sydney Uni team in the final to capture the coveted gold medal. En route to this magnificent triumph, UTS only dropped 7 points and scored a phenomenal 45 points in its pool stage. With the defeated opponents CSU, UNSW, Newcastle A & B watching on, the highly contested final was only separated by 3 points (14-11). This achievement is the best finish UTS has ever had in any tournament.

## BASKETBALL

### 4 Teams in Coffs Harbour

UTS Basketball sent 4 teams to EUG's, two Men's and two Women's.

The Men's 1sts had a good start and finished second in their pool, but unfortunately lost to Cumberland in the quarter finals by only 1 point.

The 2nds had a poor start but continued well into the second day, with two solid wins. Both teams are looking to build on this for AUG's.

Both Women's teams improved from their 2009 performances, but unfortunately weren't able to make the finals.

## CAPOEIRA

### Batizado (Grading)

In preparation for the upcoming Batizado (grading), the Capoeira Club has increased their training and fundraising. Plans to have the Master and co-founder of the group "Mestre Boneco" and other guests from Brazil visit for the grading are well under way and excitement is growing.

The Club's trainer Professora Potiguara has just flown over to Brazil to join Mestre Boneco for an intensive training tour; she will no doubt bring back many new moves and knowledge. Acrobatics classes continued this month, with new skills like back flips added to the growing repertoire of the clubs students.

The Capoeira Club is offering free trial classes to UTS students, to find out more, visit their website

[www.australiacapoeira.com.au](http://www.australiacapoeira.com.au).



UTS Capoeira Club member Tom Gordon at training

## SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

### Navshield

In the last month members from the UTSSS competed in the 'Navshield' - an emergency services navigation event. Members were part of the NSW Cave Rescue Squad teams. Two teams entered (one 1 day team and one 2 day team). Both teams had an enjoyable time and the 2 day team came second in their class.

## GRIDIRON

### Colts Members in NSW Wolverine State Squad

UTS Gridiron is currently preparing for the upcoming Division 1 season, with rookies and vets now training.

The UTS Flag Competition was also completed (despite the incessant rain) and was again won by last year's champions - the Alabama Hot Pockets.

UTS was also represented in the NSW Wolverine State team by members of their two Colts teams - UTS Titans & UTS Spartans, playing against a touring American team (made up of various American High School players).

## TENNIS

### Men's Team 3rd at EUG's

The UTS Tennis team recently took on EUG's, led by Andrew Hackett and Simon Bonnefond and finished 3rd overall.

This was a great result for the club, as they have been putting in many hours training at Jensen's Tennis Centre in the lead up.

## OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CLUB

### 47th Paddy Pallin Rogaine

The winter has continued to hamper the range of events offered for June/ July 2010.

The club has still managed to complete several activities – bushwalking in the Royal National Park, advanced climbing at Mount Kuring Gai on the North Shore, as well as some advanced Canyoning.

The club also competed in the 47th Paddy Pallin rogaine, a 6 hour event near Gosford, not placing in the top few clubs but all thoroughly enjoying the day.

## HOCKEY

### Annual Trivia Night

Over 100 people attended the UTS Hockey Club's annual trivia night, and raised over \$3,200 for their Australian University Games teams for their trip to Perth in September.

The EUG's have also just been completed in Coffs Harbour. Congratulations go to both the men's and women's teams, the boys taking out the bronze medal, with the girls finishing in 4th place.

In Club news, the competition has moved into the final third of the season, with over half the teams in contention for finals in September.

## SWIMMING

### Metro and State Competition

UTS Swimming has seen it's top athletes compete at Metros and State over the past month. Thomas Rhall made it to the finals for 50 free, as well as 50 and 100 breast. Thomas also qualified for State and made the finals for 50 and 100 breast achieving times of 30.60sec and 1.07.82 respectively.

Alex Patrulescuc has also achieved fantastic results. Alex competed at Metros in 50, 100, 200 and 400 free. Alex came 5th in the 200 free with a time of 1.51.14. Alex also qualified for State and made it to the finals in 50, 100 and 200m free.

The club will be sending a team to the Mounties carnival on the 25th of July. This will be the last carnival before UTS Swimming heads off to the Australian University Games.

Trials for the AUG Swimming team will be open to all UTS students during the first week of August. These will be held at the Ian Thorpe Aquatic Centre, from 7.30am.

Please email [utsswimming@gmail.com](mailto:utsswimming@gmail.com) for details.

## TOUCH

### Women's Silver at EUG's

UTS Touch launched an ambitious assault on EUGs by sending a record 50 players to compete in Coffs Harbour. The results were outstanding.

On the field, the Women's side led the way. With an imposing 52-0 try ledger after the first two days of competition, it seemed that nobody could pass these girls! The weeks of training paid off with an 11-1 semi-final victory over Sydney Uni and the girls were pumped for a huge Grand Final against Canberra Uni. It went down to the wire, the girls just missing out in a drop off after the game went in to overtime.

The two UTS Mixed teams improved incredibly and managed a valiant 8th and 9th place against stiff competition. The fourth team UTS entered was a Men's side going through a redevelopment phase- but on the field they already showed enormous potential. The boys had an incredibly tough draw and narrowly made the repercharge, again just going down in overtime. The Men's side finished 6th and are already looking to build on this to defend the silver medal won by UTS at AUGs 2009.



The UTS Touch Club in Coffs Harbour

For more information on any of these clubs, check out the UTS Union Sports Clubs page at [www.utsunion.uts.edu.au/sports](http://www.utsunion.uts.edu.au/sports)