

**SPORTING TRADITIONS XIII
ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

10 - 13 JULY 2001

The 2001 conference of the Australian Society for Sports History will be held at Aquinas College, North Adelaide, South Australia from 10-13 July 2001.

Theme: Identity and Narrative

The central theme of Sporting Traditions XIII will be **Identity and Narrative**.

In a year which celebrates the Centenary of Federation and (for many) the real start of the new millenium the time is opportune for an examination of Australian sporting identities. The conference will be both reflective and forward looking. It will look at where we have come from as well as where we are going. An *Olympic postmortem*, for example, would offer the opportunity to measure both our international performance as an event manager as well as our national performance. In looking *Beyond Sydney* we could consider both identity questions again. What do we want for Australian sport in the future? What balance do we strike between recreational sport and elite sport?

Presenters may like to consider developing papers under the various identities

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| √ | International | √ | Aboriginal/Racial |
| √ | National | √ | Ethnic |
| √ | Regional | √ | Personal |
| √ | Imperial | | |

and realise the freedom and flexibility such categories allow. (International = managing major events such as Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Grand Prix racing, America's Cup; Regional = state, town, suburban identities including fandom; Imperial = Empire and Commonwealth Games, Bodyline; Personal = individual athletes put self before nation, fandom, etc.)

A sub-theme will be the role of narrative in Australian sports history. Narrative has made a strong comeback in the wider world of history and writers like Martin Flanagan in *The Call* have blended historical fact and fiction. This session is intended to open up debate and recognise that among our best sports writers and sports journalists are also some of the best exponents of history we have.

Call for Papers

Abstracts of no more than 200 words should be submitted by 31 November 2000.

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