

2011 AJC Tour Manager's Report

All in all a very good tour, the accommodation was very clean and the meals were of a good standard.

The sleeping areas were quite spacious and everyone adapted well to dormitory style living.

Our living quarters were shared with NT and all got on well with each other.

The second week we were overcome by approximately 70 Junior Rugby Players who attempted take over; however, after speaking with the Management everything was sorted out.

Transportation was always going to be an issue, however, we managed thanks to Eve making a couple of trips per day and some opting out to travel by tram.

A few made comments that they were charged for the Hire Cars but in the second week they had to take public transport, maybe those people should be reimbursed.

Washing seemed to be taken care of, Donna had the allocated money and she took control of the distribution of the funds.

All players were well behaved on the courts and apart from mischievous activities all bonded extremely well.

At the start of the second week tiredness set in due to lack of sleep and a heavy schedule. My recommendation would be that should we as a group have to stay together than perhaps dormitory style living is not used.

As mentioned earlier it was a good but tiring trip and by the last day all were eager to get home.

The highlights of the event were: -

All the States took notice of our Tasmanian Players and followed our progress with great interest.

Tom Strugnell receiving the MC Hazel Award

Kate, Claire, Megan, and Grace asked by Vicky Cardwell to attend her introduction to her new proposed National Development Program.

The AIS taking an interest in Darcy.

Two brief training sessions by Vicky Cardwell attended by Claire and Grace

A special thanks to both Greg and Janet who guided and helped me settle into my role. Their assistance was most valuable, and made my task easier.

Leon Barnett (Tour Manager)