



Kick, swim, hit: scoring points for Indigenous sport

An all-star line-up will appear before the House of Representatives Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs on Thursday, 6 December in Brisbane. The Former Origin Greats, rugby league teams, Swimming Australia, Hockey Australia and Tennis Australia are among those who will discuss the contribution of sport to Indigenous wellbeing and mentoring. This follows on from successful hearings in Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra.

Committee Chair, Mr Shayne Neumann MP said, “The sporting codes all run excellent sporting and mentoring programs for Indigenous youth. We look forward to hearing how their work contributes to health, education and employment outcomes for Indigenous people.”

The Committee will also hear from the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council, who conducts health checks on participants at Indigenous sporting events, and Dr Steven Rynne, an academic from the University of Queensland, will tell the Committee about his Indigenous surfing study.

Public Hearing
Thursday, 6 December 2012
9:00am – 1:00pm
Venue: Queensland Parliament House, Undumbi Room
Corner George and Alice Street, Brisbane

9.00am – 10.00am	Former Origin Greats, Brisbane Broncos, Titans 4 Tomorrow, North Queensland Cowboys, Queensland Rugby League
10.00am – 10.30am	Swimming Australia
10:30am – 11.00am	Hockey Australia and Hockey Queensland
11.00am – 11.15am	Break
11.15am – 12.00pm	Tennis Australia and the Evonne Goolagong Foundation
12.00pm – 12.30pm	Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council
12.30pm – 12.45pm	Dr Steven Rynne, University of Queensland

The hearing will be broadcast live via: <http://www.aph.gov.au/live>.

For more information, see the Committee’s website at www.aph.gov.au/sport or contact the committee secretariat on **(02) 6277 4559**.

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