

Secondary School Sports Award

The Secondary School Sports Award, sponsored by Messenger Newspaper is awarded to a Secondary School student aimed at recognising an outstanding sporting achievement.

Matthew Carter

Sport: Diving

School: Pembroke School

Matthew has had a big year of international diving competing at both the junior and open level. He competed in the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast in April winning a bronze medal in the 3m synchro springboard. At the Australian Open and World Cup Team trials he finished with silver in the 3m platform and 2 gold medals in the 3m springboard and the mixed 3m synchro springboard. He then successfully competed in the Canada Cup Grand Prix, the FINA World Cup in China and the FINA World Junior Diving Championships in the Ukraine making the final in a number of events. Matthew has been Member of Australian Junior and Senior National Diving Team for 4 years.

Alexandra Haydon

Sport: Squash

School: Henley High School

Alexandra has had a very successful 2018. She finished 2nd in the Oceania and Australian Junior Championships in January playing up an age group, first in the Auckland, New Zealand Junior Open in May and 1st in the Australian Junior U17 championships. Alex has now won 5 consecutive Junior National Titles since 2013 and has represented South Australia in the State junior Team since 2012. Alex has represented Australia at the Commonwealth Youth Games in 2015 & 2018, World Junior Championships in 2016, 2017 & 2018 and in the Trans-Tasman events (Australia v New Zealand) since 2014. She was selected in her first senior level Australian team in September competing in the World Women's team Championship in China.

Alex Hoberg with Raleigh Hoberg representing Alex

Sport: Shooting

School: Marryatville High School

Alex has had a memorable 2018 being named a member of the Commonwealth Games Australian team and finishing fourth at the Games after a shoot-off for the bronze medal in the men's 10m air rifle. Prior to the Commonwealth Games he

finished in 1st place in the Commonwealth Games test event and first at the Australia State Teams Championship in Canberra. He is currently the Australian Record Holder for the U21 Air Rifle. As a 16 year old Alex has competed at the 2017 ISSF junior (U21) World Championships in Germany, the 2018 ISSF Junior (U21) World Championships in Sydney and the 2018 ISSF World Championships in Korea. As part of the European Air gun tour Alex won bronze in Munich. Alex was recently selected to compete in the Youth Olympic Games in Argentina.

Thank you to the Sport SA Awards Committee:

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Remember to book now for The Advertiser Channel 7 celebration of South Australian Sport on the 16th of November where the Award winners will be announced.