



Sydney Rowing Club Farewell's Head Coach

After four and a half years with the Club, Head Coach John Bowes has resigned his position to return to his native Queensland. John has taken up the position of Head Coach at Brisbane's Commercial Rowing Club.

There have been many highlights to John's tenure at Sydney Rowing Club (SRC) most notably coaching the Sydney Rowing Club Quad Sculls crew which won the prestigious Fawley Cup at the 2005 Henley Royal Regatta in England. After many years of sending crews to Henley this was the first year that SRC had won the event.

Apart from coaching at Sydney Rowing Club, John's credentials include coaching the 2004 Bronze Medal winning Australian Under 23 Men's Quad Sculls crew who competed in Poznan in Poland, in 2006 John was appointed the Head Coach of the Australian Junior Team and Coach of the Bronze medal winning Australian Men's Junior Quad Sculls crew who competed on the Bosbaan in Amsterdam.

Prior to these crews, an Australian national crew had not rowed off the SRC pontoon since 1991.

John also introduced the Talent Identification Programme (TIP) to SRC, which targeted nonrowing schools in the local area – this programme was very successful and introduced a number of talented athletes into the sport of rowing.

John Bowes said "Sydney Rowing Club is all about people and the development of young athletes, I have enjoyed working with the Rowers at SRC and I will always have fond memories of my time here".

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