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Madonna Blyth

Athlete Biography

Madonna Blyth burst onto the hockey scene when she was 15, winning gold at the 2001 Australian Youth Olympic Festival. The Queenslander debuted with the Hockeyroos in 2004, won a gold medal with the squad at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne and made her Olympic debut at the 2008 Beijing Games, where Australia placed fifth.

The Hockeyroos' captain since 2009, Blyth overtook Nikki Hudson's all-time record of 303 appearances for the team at the 2015 World League Semi Finals in Belgium. Blyth is now known as Australia's most capped female hockey player, approaching 350 caps.

The midfielder captained the squad at her second Olympics in London. Having only lost one game (by one goal) and only conceding two goals for the entire tournament (both from penalty corners), the Hockeyroos missed out on the medal rounds on a goal difference of one goal and finished in fifth.

The three-time Commonwealth Games gold medalist has been a permanent fixture in the side for over a decade. Having also competed at three World Cups, it is only fitting for the skipper to contend her third Olympics in Rio.

Rated as one of the best players of her generation, the Brisbane-born athlete has been named in the World All Stars team on three occasions (2007, 2009 and 2010) and was crowned the Hockeyroos Player of the Year in 2013.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Weight 60

Born Brisbane, QLD, Australia

Status Selected

Height 165

Age 30

Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Olympic Information

- 2008 Beijing – 5th (hockey) 2012 London – 5th (hockey)

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)



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Athlete Biography

Edwina 'Eddie' Bone played her 100th game for the Australian hockey team in March 2016. Five months later she will make her Olympic debut in Rio as a defender for the Hockeyroos.

Born in Orange, in Central West NSW, Bone spent two years in Hockey Australia's women's development program in Canberra. She progressed through the junior ranks with the Canberra Strikers alongside fellow Hockeyroo Anna Flanagan, before she broke through to the senior squad when she moved to Perth in 2013.

In her international debut year, she won gold at the 2013 Oceania Cup in New Zealand and silver at the 2013 World League Finals in Argentina.

The defender established herself as a regular in the team after winning gold at the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games, and silver at the World Cup in the Netherlands and Champions Trophy in Argentina.

Bone completed a Bachelor of Sports Management from the University of Canberra in 2009. Her twin sister, Meredith is also a UC student, playing hockey for the Canberra national side and hoping to follow in her sister's sporting footsteps.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey
Event/s Hockey Women
Height 170
Age 28
Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Status Selected
Nickname Eddie
Weight 70
Born Orange, NSW, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Education

- **Primary** Orange Public School (NSW, Australia)
- **Secondary** Kinross Wolaroi School (NSW, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Sports Management - University of Canberra (2007-2009)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens
- **Primary Training Base** Canberra, Australia
- **Secondary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Favourite food Spaghetti bolognese
Favourite holiday destination Greek Islands
Favourite music Hip-hop

Dream car Audi TT

Personal Motto Never let defeat rob you of success. Act as if it were impossible to fail.

Star Sign Taurus

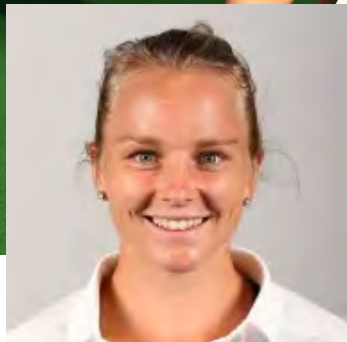
I would spend my last \$10 on Lollies

Tattoos/Piercings Belly button piercing and multiple ear piercings

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Water polo



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Jane-Anne Claxton

Athlete Biography

After bursting onto the national hockey scene in 2013, Jane-Anne 'Jane' Claxton will make her Olympic debut in Rio in the midfield for the Hockeyroos.

Claxton won gold at the 2013 Australian Youth Olympic Festival with a 2-1 victory over China. The same year she was crowned the South Australian Sports Institute Junior Female Athlete of the Year.

She secured herself as a regular in the Hockeyroos in 2013 when she helped win gold at the Oceania Cup and the World League Semi-Final, as well as silver in with World League Final. In 2014 she helped Australia claim gold at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games and silver at the Netherlands World Cup.

2015 was a huge year for the midfielder, being selected in all the major international tournaments. She also bought a house in Perth with her partner and Australian canoeist Todd Brewer, and welcomed 'Hugo' the sausage dog into her family – who even has his own Instagram account.

The Adelaide-born athlete credits her father Bob, current secretary of the Oceania Hockey Federation, and her brother for her entry into hockey. At the age of six she began playing in a mixed gender competition, and although the rough and tumble of playing with the boys nearly put her off, she has never looked back.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 169

Age 23

Lives Carlisle, WA, Australia

Status Selected

Nickname Jane

Weight 60

Born Adelaide, SA, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- World Cup silver
- Commonwealth games gold
- Debuting

Education

- **Primary** Marryatville primary
- **Secondary** Seymour college
- **Tertiary** Occupational therapy

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens 3 years
- **Club** Burnside, Adelaide, SA, Aus

- **Institute/Academy** SASI
- **Primary Training Base** Perth
- **Secondary Training Base** Adelaide

Q&A

Favourite food Anything sweet

Favourite holiday destination Greece

Dream car Land Rover sport

Personal Motto Trading hard, fight easy

Star Sign Scorpio

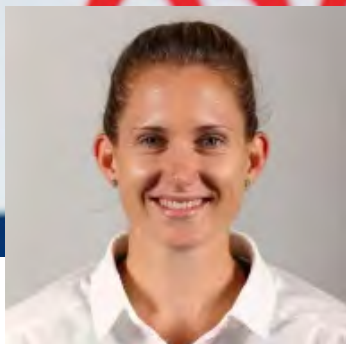
I would spend my last \$10 on Anything to do with homewares

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Triathlon

Why this sport? Love being apart of a team



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Kirstin Sheree Dwyer

Athlete Biography

Mackay born, Kirstin Dwyer is set to make her Olympic debut at the Rio 2016 Games, after recording over 100 caps for the green and gold side.

Filled with a passion for hockey at aged four, she joined her local hockey club. She grew up idolising Hockeyroos captain Madonna Blyth and says she never dreamt that one day she would be playing on the same team as her vastly experienced fellow Queenslander.

The 27-year-old was part of the recent Champion's Trophy team that finished in fourth place.

Accident-prone Dwyer [not related to Kookaburras' forward Jamie] has the tendency to run into stationary objects around hockey and the home. Back home in Mackay, Dwyer has her own 'little' crowd which includes 27 of her cousins who play in the Mackay School Hockey competition.

Dwyer was married in 2013 and also studies As she chases her goal Clinical Exercise Physiology.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 173

Status Selected

Nickname Kirst

Weight 66

Age 27**Born** Mackay, QLD, Australia

Associated Olympians



Glenn Turner



Mark Knowles



Rachael Lynch



Edwina Claire Bone

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Career Highlights

- World Cup 2013 - Silver Medalist

Education

- **Primary** St John's Catholic Primary School, Mackay QLD
- **Secondary** St Patrick's College, Mackay QLD

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens 2013 - current
- **Club** University of Western Australia
- **Institute/Academy** Australian Institute of Sport
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Star Sign Pisces



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Jodie Lauren Kenny

Athlete Biography

2015 Hockeyroo Player of the year, Jodie Kenny (nee Schulz), will once again prove why she was awarded the prestigious title when the defender makes her second Olympic appearance in Rio 2016.

The Queenslander scored the first goal in the opening round of her debut Games in London, where Australia defeated China 2-0. Australia finished the tournament in fifth place.

In 2014 the defender was awarded the Hockeyroos World Cup Player of the Tournament after she helped Australia win silver in the Netherlands. The same year she won gold with the squad at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games. Kenny is the reigning Hockeyroo Top Goal Scorer, first taking out the title in 2014 (29 goals) and defending it in 2015 (22 goals).

Known for her impressive penalty corners, Kenny is one of six children in the Schulz family that play hockey. As a pre-international match ritual, she has to play Horses by Daryl Braithwaite before she takes the pitch.

Aside from spending time with her husband Shane, Kenny enjoys spoiling her dog, Bruce the Bull Mastiff. She has a certificate three and four in fitness and is currently studying for a Bachelor's degree in exercise science, with the aim to work in the sport and exercise industry in the future.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Weight 74

Born Redcliffe, QLD, Australia

Status Selected

Height 183

Age 28

Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Olympic Information

- 2012 London - 5th (Hockey)

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- World Cup Silver Medal - 2014
- Commonwealth Games Gold Medal - 2014
- Olympic Games (5th) - 2012

Education

- **Primary** Wamuran State Primary School (QLD, Australia)
- **Secondary** St Columbans College (QLD, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor Sport and Exercise Science - University of Sunshine Coast (2007 -)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2011 - current)
- **Club** UWA, Perth, WA, Australia

- **Institute/Academy** Australian Institute of Sport, Queensland Academy of Sport
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia
- **Secondary Training Base** Brisbane, Australia

Q&A

Superstition/s Same song before every game

Favourite food Sushi

Favourite holiday destination Hamilton Island

Dream car Giugiaro Ford Mustang

Star Sign Leo

I would spend my last \$10 on A scratchie and a good coffee

Tattoos/Piercings Ear piercings

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Beach volleyball

First Olympic Memory? Seeing my family in the stadium for my first game in London. They are always late normally but they were officially the first people in the stands!

Most Influential person in your career/life My parents - encouraged me to be the person I am today and to be passionate and work hard for what you want.

Why this sport? Because it's challenging physically & mentally and it's a fun team sport!



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Rachael Lynch

Athlete Biography

A decade after making her senior international debut, Rachel Lynch will compete at her maiden Olympics in Rio 2016 when she kits up as the Hockeyroos goal keeper.

Born in Melbourne, Lynch took up hockey after being selected in the primary schools state team. She placed fourth in the 2005 Junior World Cup in Chile before making her international senior team debut at the 2005 Champions Trophy in the Netherlands.

The goalie is a dual Commonwealth Games gold medalist. In Dehli 2010, she played her 100th cap for Australia in the gold medal match, where the Hockeyroos were victorious after Lynch saved the most goals in the extra time penalty shootouts.

The Victorian won silver at the 2014 Netherlands World Cup, and was named the Goalkeeper of the Tournament by the International Hockey Federation. That year she was also nominated for International Goal Keeper of the year.

Off the hockey pitch, Lynch is a nurse at the Royal Perth Hospital in Western Australia. In her down time she plays guitar and learns Spanish.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 179

Age 30

Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Status Selected

Nickname Junior

Weight 68

Born Melbourne, VIC, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- Playing my 100th cap for Australia in the gold medal match of the 2010 Commonwealth Games and winning in strokes after extra time.
- Winning Commonwealth Games Gold in Scotland (2014) and India (2010)
- World Cup Silver 2014 Holland

Education

- **Primary** Warrandyte Primary School (VIC, Australia)
- **Secondary** Eltham College of Education (VIC, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Nursing - Australian Catholic University (2006-2009)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2011- current)
- **Club** Greensborough
- **Institute/Academy** Victorian Institute of Sport

- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia
- **Secondary Training Base** Melbourne, Australia

Q&A

Superstition/s More just a routine. I always put my gear on in the same order.

Favourite food Licorice and yoghurt

Favourite holiday destination My favourite place in the world is our friend's farm near Kaniva in North Western Victoria. There is no phone coverage or internet and the TV is pretty fuzzy. I love learning about farm life and helping out around the property. A very close second is Tokyo and Nozawa Onsen. I really enjoy the vibe and culture in Tokyo and Nozawa is a beautiful village with the best snowboarding conditions going around.

Favourite music love all types

Dream car Any 4WD

Personal Motto If it doesn't hurt it doesn't work

Star Sign Cancer

I would spend my last \$10 on Licorice bullets and a scratchy

Tattoos/Piercings None. My nan would never approve.

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Basketball

Most Influential person in your career/life Rachel Imison



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Karri McMahon

Athlete Biography

Born and bred into a sporting family, Karri McMahon picked up her first hockey stick at six year-old; however it wasn't until she was 15 that she truly found her love for Hockey. In 2016 she will make her Olympic debut in Rio alongside a number of other debutants in the Hockeyroos.

The Queensland-born defender moved to Berri, South Australia during her school years, where her passion for hockey developed. She won gold in her International debut at the 2012 Champions Challenge in Dublin, Ireland.

In 2013 she competed at the Junior World Championships with the Jillaroos in Germany, finishing in sixth place. The same year she was crowned the best player in the Australian National Hockey League. The South Aussie had a very strong 2014 season, winning gold at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games, and silver at the Netherlands World Cup and Champions Trophy in Argentina.

2015 was a difficult season for McMahon, with a number of on-field injuries; early on in the year she took a lifted hit to the chin, which results in a double fracture to her jaw. A ball to the head required stitched and a stress fracture in her foot saw her sitting out of the Singapore Series in February, 2016.

After her hockey career she dreams of becoming a paramedic and is currently studying a bachelor of Paramedic Studies at Flinders University South Australia.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 177

Age 24

Lives Wilson, WA, Australia

Status Selected

Nickname Karrots

Weight 70

Born Townsville , QLD, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 wil be Olympic debut
- 2013 Sydney AYG - Gold (Hockey)

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- Commonwealth Games 2014 - Gold Medal
- World Cup 2014 - Silver Medal
- Champions Trophy 2014 - Silver Medal

Education

- **Primary** Patricks Road Primary School (QLD, Australia)
- **Secondary** Glossop High School (South Australia, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Paramedic Studies - Flinders University South Australia 2010-current)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2012-current), Craig Victory (2008-2012)
- **Club** YMCC Hockey Club Perth & Adelaide Hockey Club
- **Institute/Academy** AIS, SASI, Hockey Australia High Performance
- **Primary Training Base** Perth - Curtin University

Q&A

Superstition/s Watching my highlights video on the bus to a game

Favourite food Surf and turf

Favourite holiday destination Cinque Terre - Italy

Favourite music Peking Duck

Dream car Range Rover

Star Sign Pices

I would spend my last \$10 on Lemon Meringue Pie

Tattoos/Piercings Ears only!

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Diving

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? Cathy Freeman winning in Sydney

First Olympic Memory? Cathy Freeman winning in Sydney

Most Influential person in your career/life My parents

Why this sport? I love the team dynamics, pace and skill involved



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Georgina Morgan

Athlete Biography

As one of the newest faces on the Hockeyroos squad, Georgina Morgan proved herself to be worthy of the green and gold with a penalty corner drag flick that secured Australia's 2-1 victory over the home team, Argentina at the 2015 World League Final. Her signature drag flick has also led the nation to a 1-nil victory over China in the opening round of the tournament.

Born in Armidale in the Northern Tablelands, Morgan picked up her first hockey stick as a six-year-old. She played in the local competition during school, as well as the NSW state representative team.

At 17, Morgan was selected to tour Asia with the 2010 Australian All Schools Team.

She made her first international appearance for the Hockeyroos during a test series against New Zealand in 2014. The following year she helped Australia win gold at the Oceania Cup and the Hawkes Bay Cup, both in New Zealand. Two years after her Hockeyroos debut, the defender will compete at her first Olympic Games in Rio.

She is currently studying a Bachelor of Applied Science, majoring in Exercise Physiology at the University of Sydney. She hopes to take up a clinic position in Physiotherapy later down the track.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey
Height 179
Age 23
Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Status Selected
Weight 70
Born Armidale, NSW, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Career Highlights

- Winning Hawkes Bay Cup in New Zealand, 2015
- Winning Oceania Cup in New Zealand, 2015
- Playing my first major tournament at World League Finals in Argentina, 2015

Education

- **Primary** Ben Venue Public School (NSW, Australia)
- **Secondary** Duval High School (NSW, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Applied Sciences - Exercise Physiology - University of Sydney (2012-)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2015-current)
- **Institute/Academy** Hockey Australia
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Favourite food Cheese

Favourite holiday destination The beach or the snow

Dream car Range Rover

Star Sign Taurus

I would spend my last \$10 on Food

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Diving

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? Cathy Freeman 2000 Olympics

First Olympic Memory? Hockeyroos gold medal at 2000 Olympics

Most Influential person in your career/life Family

Why this sport? Team culture. Playing for your teammates



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Gabi Nance

Athlete Biography

Gabrielle Nance will make her Olympic debut at the Rio Games, after solid performances in recent international tournaments becoming an ever-presence force on the pitch.

The 21-year-old grew up in Kingscliff, NSW, before moving to South Australia to pursue her hockey dreams with the South Australian Sports Institute. She represented NSW as a junior before getting her chance in the Australian Hockey League with the SA Southern Suns as a domestic import player.

Nance made her Australian senior international debut against New Zealand in late 2014, going on to play at the Champions Trophy and 2015 World League Finals in Rosario

She took up hockey at the age of eight after moving to Kingscliff where her sister began playing after seeing a sign on the way into the town advertising the local hockey club. Not wanting her sister to be better than her, young Gabi also signed up.

Nance counts former Hockeyroos Kim Small and Sharon Buchanan amongst her hockey idols. Off the pitch, Nance is a keen surfer as well as an accounting student who says she hopes to change the perception of accounting as 'boring'.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey
Event/s Hockey Women
Height 169
Age 21
Lives Rivervale, WA, Australia

Status Selected
Nickname Gabi
Weight 55
Born South Brisbane , QLD, Australia

Associated Olympians



Kirstin Sheree Dwyer



Fergus Kavanagh



Daniel Beale



Rachael Lynch

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Career Highlights

- Champions trophy silver medal 2014
- Scoring my first goal for Australia in Korea series 2014
- Being a part of the Olympic squad 2016

Education

- **Primary** Kingscliff highschool
- **Secondary** Stuartholme
- **Tertiary** Accounting and finance- open colleges 2014-current

Training

- **Coach** Adam commons 2015-current
- **Club** Westside wolves, shenton park WA, Australia
- **Institute/Academy** AIS
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Favourite food Chocolate

Favourite holiday destination Woolli

Favourite music Jamie T

Dream car Land Rover

Personal Motto Everyone is fighting their own battles, be kind.

Star Sign Leo

I would spend my last \$10 on Race 7 doomben

Tattoos/Piercings Nil

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be 800m run

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? Gold medal 2000

First Olympic Memory? Nil

Most Influential person in your career/life Father/mother

Why this sport? Team sport and and it involves all attributes, speed, skill etc



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Georgie Parker

Athlete Biography

Born in the South Australian country town of Berri, Georgina 'Georgie' Parker played her first game of hockey on her eighth birthday. Ever since her first game she dreamt of competing at the Olympics. In 2016 she will make her dream come true when she debuts in Rio as a member of the Hockeyroos.

Parker won silver at the 2009 Australian Youth Olympic Festival after narrowly going down to Great Britain 2-3 in the final.

Two years later she joined the Hockeyroos in the Netherlands, where Australia placed sixth in the Champions Trophy.

In 2013 the forward won gold in the World League Semi-Final in England, and silver at the World League Final in Argentina. The following year she won gold at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow and silver in the Hockey World Cup in the Netherlands.

Parker is known as the Hockeyroos resident musician and jazz enthusiast. Her love for music developed over her school years where she learnt to play the piano and trumpet, and sung in school choirs.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 159

Age 27

Lives Marmion, WA, Australia

Status Selected

Nickname Peter or Parker

Weight 68

Born North Adelaide, SA, Australia

Olympic Information

- AYOF 2009

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)
- 1st – 2014 Commonwealth Games (Glasgow, Scotland)

Career Highlights

- World Cup silver 2014
- Commonwealth games gold 2014 and scoring a 1v1 in the final v England
- World league silver 2013

Education

- **Primary** Berri primary (SA, AUS)
- **Secondary** Wilderness school (Adelaide,AUS)
- **Tertiary** Journalism and PR, Curtin university, 2013-

Training

- **Coach** Adam commens 2011-current
- **Club** Adelaide hockey club, SA, Australia
- **Institute/Academy** AIS - SASI
- **Primary Training Base** Perth - Australia
- **Secondary Training Base** Adelaide - Australia

Q&A

Superstition/s Go to the game with shoelaces undone, left shin pad on first

Favourite food Pizza

Favourite holiday destination Anywhere with my family

Star Sign Taurus

I would spend my last \$10 on Pizza

Tattoos/Piercings Smiley face tattoo on my wrist - no meaning Elephant on my ankle - sister tattoo with one of my sisters 'Hottyroo' on my rib - after winning a medal at World Cup (lost a bet) Roman numerals on my other rib - mine and my best friends Australian playing number.

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Shooting

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? Eric the eel

Why this sport? Because I love it



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Brooke Peris



Athlete Biography

2014 Northern Territory Athlete of the Year, Brooke Peris will make her Olympic debut in Rio as a member of the Australian Hockeyroos.

The Darwin-born forward is the cousin of former Olympic Hockeyroo gold medallist, Olympic athlete and Australian Senator Nova Peris. Nova was the first Indigenous athlete to win an Olympic gold medal at the 1996 Atlanta Games and is big influence in Brooke's sporting career.

In 2013, 19-years-old Peris made her international debut when she won gold at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival with a 2-1 victory over China. The same year she won gold at the Oceania Cup in New Zealand, and silver at the World League Finals in Argentina.

Peris won gold at the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games and became an internet sensation whilst in Great Britain after capturing a 'selfie' with the Queen in the background with retired teammate Jayde Taylor.

After her hockey career, Peris hopes to have a career in primary school teaching.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Status Selected

Event/s Hockey Women
Height 172
Age 23
Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Nickname Chookie
Weight 57
Born Alice Springs, NT, Australia

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- 2014 Commonwealth Games Gold Medal in Glasgow

Education

- **Primary** St Marys Primary School, NT, Darwin
- **Secondary** St Johns College, NT, Darwin, Australia

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commons 2012 - Current
- **Club** Tigers, Darwin, NT, aUSTRALIA
- **Primary Training Base** NTIS- Darwin
- **Secondary Training Base** AIS Perth

Q&A

Favourite food coconut curry chicken

Favourite holiday destination Darwin

Favourite music Tupac Shakur

Dream car Optimus Prime

Personal Motto "Thats myyyyyy giiiiir!" "Nah Gammon" "that's Nuff"

Star Sign Capricorn

I would spend my last \$10 on Buy Light Pauls Iced Coffee; Comes with the territory

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be NBA Baller

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? 2004 Kookaburra Gold medal game

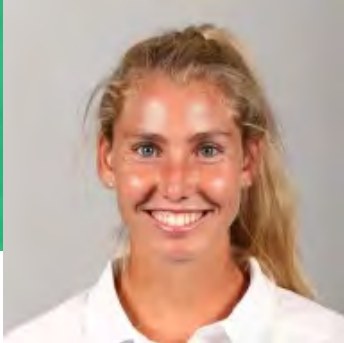
First Olympic Memory? 2000 woman hockeyroos gold medal

Most Influential person in your career/life My brother Jonathan Peris

Why this sport? Because I love it



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Casey Sablowski

Athlete Biography

At just 19 years-old, Casey Sablowski (nee Eastham) was the youngest Hockeyroo competing at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games that finished fifth. The following year she was crowned the International Hockey Federation World Young Player of the Year.

In 2009 and 2010 she was named in the World Hockey Team. In 2012 she competed in her second Olympic Games in London, finishing fifth again. She will contend her third games in Rio as the second most capped player after dual Olympian and captain Madonna Blyth

Born in Shellharbour, Sablowski began playing hockey at the age of five. In 2007 the talented midfielder won a silver medal at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival. She is a dual Commonwealth Games gold medalist, taking out the title in penalty shootouts in both Delhi and Glasgow.

She married her partner Scott in Bali in 2014 before signing a hockey contract with Dutch club Pinoke. In 2015, Sablowski divided her time between Australia and Amsterdam while she participated in the Hoofdklasse league.

Her cousin, Australian 1500m record holder Ryan Gregson joined Sablowski at the 2012 London Games, the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow and has qualified for the Rio Games.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Height 170

Age 27

Lives Shellharbour, NSW, Australia

Status Selected

Nickname Case

Weight 62

Born Shellharbour, NSW, Australia

Olympic Information

- 2012 London - 5th (Hockey) 2008 Beijing - 5th (Hockey)

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)
- 1st – 2014 Commonwealth Games (Glasgow, Scotland)

Career Highlights

- Winning two gold medals at consecutive commonwealth games tournaments through penalty shoot outs (Delhi 2010 & Glasgow 2014).
- Competing in my first Olympic Games tournament in Beijing 2008 aged 19.
- Being named Junior World Player of the year in 2009 and also being named in the world team in 2009 & 2010.

Education

- **Primary** Albion Park Primary School (NSW, Australia)
- **Secondary** Albion Park High School (NSW, Australia)
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Primary Education, Murdoch University WA (2009-current)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2011-current)
- **Club** Albion Park, South Coast NSW, Australia & Westside Wolves, Perth WA, Australia
- **Institute/Academy** NSWIS AIS
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia
- **Secondary Training Base** Sydney, Australia

Q&A

Superstition/s I always put my left shin pad on before my right.

Favourite food Pizza

Favourite holiday destination Croatia

Favourite music All kinds

Dream car Audi

Personal Motto It's not whether you get knocked down, It's whether you get back up that counts.

Star Sign Pisces

I would spend my last \$10 on Give it to a person in need

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Triathlon

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? 2004 Olympics in Athens Mens Hockey Gold medal match

First Olympic Memory? Watching the Hockey at the Sydney Olympics with my dad

Most Influential person in your career/life my mum

Why this sport? whole family played



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Kathryn Slattery

Athlete Biography

New to the Hockeyroos National Squad in 2015, Kathryn Slattery competed in every major international tournament, and secured her Olympic debut in Rio 2016.

The Western Australian progressed through the state's junior ranks before competing at the 2013 Australian Youth Olympic festival where Slattery scored one of Australia's two goals in the 2-1 gold medal victory over China. The following year she advanced to the Hockey Australia development squad.

The defender made her senior international debut in a test-series against New Zealand before winning silver at the 2014 Champions Trophy in Argentina.

2015 saw Slattery claim gold at the Oceania Cup, bronze at the World League Semi-Final and place sixth at the World League Final.

An identical twin with sister Meg, Slattery hails from a farming family in the small community of South Stirling, five hours' drive south of Perth. The family farm covers 10,000 acres and with a degree in Agribusiness from Curtin University, Slattery plans on returning to the property after her hockey career.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

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| Sport Hockey | Status Selected |
| Event/s Hockey Women | Nickname Slatts |
| Height 173 | Weight 68 |
| Age 22 | Born Albany, WA, Australia |
| Lives Perth, WA, Australia | |

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Career Highlights

- Silver medal at Champions Trophy 2014

Education

- **Primary** South Stirlings primary school, WA Australia
- **Secondary** Como Secondary College, Perth Australia
- **Tertiary** Bachelor of Agribusiness - Curtin university, Perth

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens 2015-current
- **Club** WASPS - Perth, Australia
- **Institute/Academy** Western Australian Institute of sport
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Favourite food Steak Sandwich

Favourite holiday destination Camping anywhere near a beach

Favourite music Vance Joy

Dream car Toyota Hilux

Personal Motto Reach for your peak

Star Sign Leo

I would spend my last \$10 on Chicken nuggets. Yum

Tattoos/Piercings Small birds on my left wrist. Something me and my twin sister got together on our 18th birthday

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Handball

First Olympic Memory? Sydney opening ceremony!

Most Influential person in your career/life My parents

Why this sport? I like the team environment



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Emily Smith

Athlete Biography

London Olympian Emily Smith will make her second Games appearance in Rio 2016. A key component to the Hockeyroos forward line, she will often be seen leaping and diving over opponents in the attacking circle to secure goals for Australia.

Born in the small NSW country town of Crookwell, Smith started playing hockey as a five-year-old because her mum and sister both played. She played on the grass fields in her hometown for 14 years.

The forward made her Hockeyroos debut at the 2011 Oceania Cup in Tasmania against New Zealand. The 19-year-old scored her first international goal in the second game of the competition, and came home with the silver medal from the tournament

As one of the youngest in the London squad (19), Smith made her Olympic debut in 2012, where Australia finished in fifth place. She helped Australia win gold at the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games and silver at the 2014 World Cup in the Netherlands.

Away from the hockey pitch, Smith has a passion the great outdoors. She loves spending time at the beach with her dog Leo and often goes camping, fishing and jet skiing with her family and friends.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

Sport Hockey

Event/s Hockey Women

Weight 55

Born Crookwell, NSW, Australia

Status Selected

Height 159

Age 24

Lives Perth, WA, Australia

Olympic Information

- 2012 London- 5th (Hockey)

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2014 Champions Trophy (Bhubaneswar, India)

Career Highlights

- 1st at Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, 2014
- 2nd at Hockey World Cup in Holland, 2014
- 2nd at Champions Trophy in Argentina, 2014

Education

- **Primary** St Mary's Primary School Crookwell, NSW, Australia
- **Secondary** Crookwell High School, NSW, Australia

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens (2011- current)
- **Institute/Academy** NSWIS
- **Primary Training Base** Perth WA

Q&A

Favourite food Mango

Favourite holiday destination Fiji

Personal Motto Try to be a better person and athlete than I was yesterday.

Star Sign Leo

I would spend my last \$10 on Frozen yoghurt

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Rugby 7's

Why this sport? Everyone in my family plays



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Grace Stewart

Athlete Biography

On her Hockeyroos debut at the 2016 International Tri-Series in Singapore, 18-year-old Grace Stewart scored a goal to secure Australia a 1-all draw against Germany in the opening round of the tournament.

The rookie from the NSW South Coast proved herself to be quick and agile in the goal circle, helping Australia defeat Great Britain in a six game series in early 2016. A flurry of goals at the 2016 Hawkes Bay Cup, where Australia secured the bronze medal, cemented Stewart's position in the Hockeyroos for the final tournaments leading up the Rio Games.

Her impressive performance at the 2016 Champions Trophy in London and the International Hockey Tournament in Darwin secured Stewart her debut Olympic appearance in Rio 2016.

The forward moved from her hometown Gerringong to Perth in 2016 when she was promoted from the National Junior Squad and awarded a Hockey Australia Scholarship to train full-time with the senior team at the Western Australian base.

A love of hockey runs in the Stewart family, with her two sisters Lilly and Demi also representing NSW on the hockey pitch

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Hockey

Fast Facts

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| Sport Hockey | Status Selected |
| Event/s Hockey Women | Height 175 |
| Weight 68 | Age 19 |
| Born Nowra, NSW, Australia | Lives Leederville, WA, Australia |

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be Olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 2nd - 2016 International Hockey Tournament (Darwin, Australia)
- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 3rd – 2016 Hawkes Bay Cup (Hawkes Bay, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2016 International Tri-series (Singapore)
- 1st – 2016 Six Game series with Great Britain

Career Highlights

- 2016- Debut for the Hockeyroos in Singapore
- 2016- First International goal on debut in Singapore
- 2015- Australian Hockey League debut for NSW

Education

- **Primary** Gerringong Public School (NSW, Australia)
- **Secondary** Kiama High School (NSW, Australia)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens - 2016
- **Institute/Academy** NSW Institute of Sport WHHP scholarship
- **Primary Training Base** Perth, Australia

Q&A

Favourite food Watermelon

Favourite holiday destination Lake Conjola, South Coast NSW

Favourite music R&B

Dream car Range Rover

Star Sign Taurus

I would spend my last \$10 on food

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Gymnastics

Most Inspiring Olympic Performance? Cathy Freeman 2000 Sydney Olympics

First Olympic Memory? The 2000 Sydney Olympics

Most Influential person in your career/life Mum

Why this sport? All my family played



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Mariah Williams

Athlete Biography

As one of the newest and youngest players in the Hockeyroos squad, Mariah Williams will join a team of mostly debutants when she competes in her maiden Olympic Games in Rio 2016.

At just 17 years of age, the forward received her first international cap during a test series against Korea in Perth. However she placed her hockey career on pause just long enough to graduate from high school.

She secured her regular fixture in the Australian team during 2015, when she competed in every major international tournament, winning gold in the Oceania Cup, bronze in the World League Semi-Final and placing sixth in the World League Final.

Born in Parkes in Central West NSW, Williams grew up loving touch football and soccer, as well as hockey. She has always admired, dual Olympian and teammate Casey Sablowski for her talent and mentoring capabilities.

Williams helped Australia to a 3-2 victory over China during an early 2016 series, but had to sit out the 2016 International Hockey Open in Darwin in June due to a knee injury. However was back in the squad for the 2016 Champions Trophy in London where Australia placed 4th.

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Hockey

Fast Facts

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| Sport Hockey | Status Selected |
| Event/s Hockey Women | Nickname Rye |
| Height 168 | Weight 66 |
| Age 21 | Born Parkes, NSW, Australia |
| Lives St James, WA, Australia | |

Olympic Information

- Rio 2016 will be olympic debut

Recent Performances

- 4th – 2016 Champions Trophy (London, England)
- 6th – 2015 World League Final (Rosario, Argentina)
- 1st – 2015 Oceania Cup (Stratford, New Zealand)
- 3rd – 2015 World League Semi-Final (Antwerp, Belgium)

Training

- **Coach** Adam Commens - 2013

Q&A

Favourite food Anything with lamb

Favourite holiday destination Haven't been but I want to go to Bora Bora

Favourite music Hip Hop

Dream car Range Rover

Personal Motto If you want to be the best, you have to train harder than the rest!

Star Sign Gemini

I would spend my last \$10 on Food

Tattoos/Piercings 7 tattoos. Behind my left ear saying 'Family First', left rib is a rose, left wrist is 'CDLXVI' meaning 466 which is my Australian debut number, right bicep 'The pain you feel today, Will be the strength you feel tomorrow' got that one during rehab, right rib 'She flies with her own wings' and a frangipani for my Nan, right wrist sisters sign and right hip 3 birds.

If I could try another Olympic sport it would be Beach Volley Ball

First Olympic Memory? Watching Emily Smith play for Hockeyroos

Most Influential person in your career/life Obviously my Mum and Dad but Casey Sablowski is pretty influential to me as well.

Why this sport? My family played
