



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT**

**Community Recognition Statement**

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**UNDER 15 HOCKEY STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Ms SONIA HORNERY ( Wallsend ) :**

Newcastle has a proud tradition of producing hockey champions and that continued with the recent National Under 15s National Hockey Championships held at Bathurst.

As the sporting capital of NSW, Newcastle sent along a swag of players as part of the four NSW teams.

After a tough week of matches against the other States, both the New South Wales State teams were crowned 2021 Australian Under 15 Boys and Girls Hockey Champions.

The NSW Girls team defeated Western Australia in the grand final 5 goals to 3 after some adversity during the week, injuries and some incredibly tough games.

Our NSW Boys overcame Tasmania in the grand final, 4 goals to 2, with superstar goal keeper Ashley Dimmock starring in the second half of the match.

Congratulations to local hockey superstars, Ashley Dimmock, Kane Nutley from the NSW Boys team and Matilda Woolnough and Hannah Baxter from the NSW Girls team who all returned with gold medals.

We also had four amazing players in the Girls and Boys Blues teams that finished ninth and seventh respectively. A great effort. Congratulations to Luke Hill, Gus Anson Smith, Sienna Harvey and Maliah Abel on a great performance