



### Welcome

Dear Reader,

Welcome to Round 5 – the final round for 2011. It's hard to believe that the main part of the season has come to an end. The finals series is just around the corner with finals teams for Years 8 to Senior announced on Friday 26 August 2011. See our website [www.debating.com.au](http://www.debating.com.au) for more details. Topics and other information is already available.

I'm sure that parents, coaches and teachers alike will agree that the improvement in students' thinking and speaking skills over the course of this season has been immense. I always take pleasure in hearing stories from our adjudicators who adjudicate a team in Round 5 that they have met previously in Round 1. Even though these rounds are a mere three or so months apart the difference and improvement is extraordinary.

### **Feedback survey**

A friendly reminder that we are seeking your feedback about this season. A feedback survey appears on the following pages. Alternatively you can complete the survey online at [www.debating.com.au/feedback](http://www.debating.com.au/feedback).

### **Awards Reception at Government House**

We are delighted to announce that His Excellency the Governor and Mrs Scarce have agreed to host a reception for the presentation of awards at Government House on Friday 4 November 2011, 5:00pm to 6:00pm.

Teams who make it to a Grand Final as well as the best speakers of each division will be invited to attend to receive an award. Once these teams and persons are known they will be able to nominate **one guest each** to attend. It is imperative that the guests are nominated and details submitted promptly as Government House will then issue formal invitations. Entry to Government House is not permitted without an invitation

### **Thank you!**

An important part of any end of season is the acknowledgement of those who have so generously contributed to what has been a wonderful season.

Thank you to our sponsors Community CPS Australia for their continued support of our programme this year. Thanks also to Dymocks Booksellers Adelaide for providing discount vouchers to students.

To the teachers, coaches and parents: thank you for supporting your students and children this year. As a teacher myself I can empathise with the many lunchtimes of preparation that teachers/coaches contribute to helping their debating teams. No doubt it has all been worth it!

To our host schools: Adelaide High School, Grange Schools, Nazareth Catholic College, Pembroke School, Pulteney Grammar School and host school staff, thank you for so generously opening your schools to the debating community – we are indeed grateful. Special thanks to Adelaide High School who very generously agreed to host two venues at short notice.

Finally and most importantly – our debaters. This programme exists solely for you and I hope that you have found that you have gained some new skills this year and have had a lot of fun in the process. Congratulations for participating this season and I hope that you will consider debating again next year.

If I don't see you at the upcoming finals I wish you all the best for the remainder of the 2011 school year and hope to see you again in 2012.

James Tran  
Administrative Officer

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### Diary Dates

#### **Friday 26th August 2011**

Finals Teams Announced at [www.debating.com.au](http://www.debating.com.au)

#### **Saturday 3rd September 2011**

Quarter Finals at Pembroke Senior School

Year 8: 10:30am, Year 9: 11:45am  
Year 10: 2:00pm, Senior: 3:30pm  
BYE FOR OPEN TEAMS.

#### **Saturday 10th September 2011**

Semi Finals at Pembroke Senior School

Year 8: 10:30am, Year 9: 11:45am  
Year 10: 2:00pm,  
Senior: Secret topic release: 2:15pm;  
debate 3:45pm  
BYE FOR OPEN TEAMS.

#### **Saturday 24th September 2011**

Grand Finals at Parliament House

#### **Friday 4th November 2011, 5pm to 6pm**

Awards Reception at Government House

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#### **Special thanks to our 2011 Host Schools:**

- Adelaide High School
- Grange Schools
- Nazareth Catholic College
- Pembroke School
- Pulteney Grammar School

**View finals team rankings online at**  
[www.debating.com.au/rankings](http://www.debating.com.au/rankings)  
**from Friday 26 Aug 2011**

**Adjudicators in Profile**

**Fay Nunn**



Fay has been working as an electrical engineer in the construction and manufacturing industries for the last 14 years and currently works for Aurecon. She loves her job because she gets to work in technical teams with other engineers, architects and construction teams and with a wide range of clients to help solve problems on complex building projects that create new spaces for people to enjoy.

Outside of her work she loves to read and is part of reading groups, runs a regular mah-jong group and loves to travel to see other cultures and immerse herself in history. As a Debating SA adjudicator she is energised by seeing the effort that all the participants put into each debate and enjoys listening to the ideas that come up throughout the debates

**Lily Hirsch**



Lily was a debater at school from 2001-2004 and has been adjudicating for Debating SA since 2005. When she isn't busy at circus school or training wild camels, you can find her on a crowded train, probably in India studying for her Master's Thesis. In her spare time, Lily enjoys inventing new culinary delights in the kitchen with her housemates, trying to not kill her garden and teaching her cat, *Espionage etiquette*.

**Claire Hardwick**



Claire has been keenly involved in debating since Primary School. She is in her third year of a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Journalism at Uni SA and works part time at the Happy Valley Newsagency. As well as adjudicating, she spends her (limited!) free time reading and playing the flute and clarinet. She plays in the Onkaparinga City Concert Band, and is the Secretary of the band's Management Committee. Claire believes that debating is a fantastic pursuit for every child; the skills it gave me over the seven years she debated has proven especially invaluable for her studies and encourages all debaters to "keep it up!".

# Sudoku Puzzles

Instructions: Fill in the empty spaces with the numbers 1-9 such that each row, column and 3 x 3 grid contains each number once only. Solutions next issue.

	7			1				4
3					9	8		
5			6			1		
1	2	7			5			
4				9				5
			1			7	8	3
		1			2			7
		3	4					8
8				6			9	

**EASY**

		3	4					2
				1		4	8	
	9			6				
3	5			2				7
8		7			2			1
				4			2	
	7	6		9				
5					6	9		

**HARD**

2	5	6	4	3	9	8	7	1
8	1	9	6	2	7	4	3	5
4	3	7	1	5	8	9	2	6
6	7	2	9	4	5	1	8	3
9	4	3	7	8	1	5	6	2
5	8	1	2	6	3	7	9	4
1	6	5	8	7	2	3	4	9
7	9	4	3	1	6	2	5	8
3	2	8	5	9	4	6	1	7
6	7	3	5	1	9	8	2	4
1	9	2	6	4	8	3	7	5
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4	3	7	9	8	2	1	5	6
6	5	7	2	1	3	4	8	9
8	3	4	7	9	5	6	2	1
7	2	4	6	3	1	8	9	5
3	1	5	8	2	6	4	7	9
4	9	2	8	6	5	7	1	3
6	5	7	2	1	3	4	8	9
8	3	4	7	9	5	6	2	1

Issue 4 Easy Solution

Issue 4 Hard Solution

8	4	2	6	9	7	5	1	3
7	9	3	4	5	1	6	2	8
6	5	1	9	8	2	3	4	7
4	3	8	7	9	6	2	1	5
1	2	7	8	3	5	4	6	9
1	2	7	8	3	5	4	6	9
5	8	9	6	4	3	1	7	2
3	1	4	2	7	9	8	5	6
2	7	6	5	1	8	9	3	4

Issue 5 Easy Solution

Issue 5 Hard Solution



cordially invites all members of the Debating SA community to attend

**The Grand Finals  
of the  
2011 Schools' Debating Competition**

to be held on  
**Saturday 24 September 2011**

Debates will be held throughout the day as follows:

- Year 8 division: 10:00am
- Year 9 division: 11:00am
- Year 10 division: 12:00pm
- Senior division: 2:00pm
- Open Division: 3:30pm

in the

The House of Assembly Chamber  
Parliament House  
North Terrace, ADELAIDE SA 5000

**RSVP by 5:00 pm Friday 16 September 2011**

James Tran (Administrative Officer): enquiries@debatingsa.com.au.

**Please indicate your name, school and how many people will be attending.**

**View team rankings  
online at**  
[www.debatingsa.com.au/rankings](http://www.debatingsa.com.au/rankings)



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## 2011 Schools' Competition Feedback Form

(You can also provide feedback online at [www.debatingsa.com.au/feedback](http://www.debatingsa.com.au/feedback))

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes please add me to the mailing list and keep me informed about training events and programme changes by email.

I am a        debater / teacher / coach / parent    (please circle)

### Debating division

Primary B / Primary A / Year 8 / Year 9 / Year 10 / Senior / Open (Please circle)

### Feedback

*You may wish to consider the following areas in your feedback:  
Topics, adjudication, website, newsletter, training workshops, event organisation,  
timing of rounds, timing of debates*

What have been the positive aspects of this year's programme?

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**Please turn over**

How can we improve our programme?

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**Thank you for your feedback.**