

## PROGRAM

### *The Centenary Conference of Rugby League in Australia*

**7-8 November 2008**

**Target Theatre,  
Powerhouse Museum, Sydney.**

#### **FRIDAY: 7 November 2008**

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
9.00-9.30 am	Registration	
9.30-9.45 am	<b>Rodney Cavalier AO</b>	Welcome address
9.45-11.00 am	<b>Ian Heads</b>	<b>Keynote Address</b> Messing about in Boots: a journey through rugby league
11.00-11.30 am	Morning Tea	
11.30 am	<b>Erik Nielsen</b>	'Oh Error, Ill-conceived.' The New South Wales Amateur Sports Federation, rugby league and amateur athletics
12.00 pm	<b>Andy Carr</b>	My good comrade of the rugby league': discovering the writings of Harry Sunderland in the State Library of New South Wales
12.30 pm	<b>Andrew Sneddon</b>	On the Field of Battle, On the Field of Play
1.00-2.00 pm	Lunch	
2.00 pm	<b>Bob Moore</b>	Black Stars on a White Background: 100 years of rugby league in the Bundjalung Nation
2.30 pm	<b>Drew Cottle</b>	City Money and the Boys from the Bush: Country Rugby League in New South Wales – A political economy of immiseration
3.00 pm	<b>Chris Valiotis</b>	Suburban footballers of Pacific Islander ancestry: the changing face of rugby league in Greater Western Sydney
3.30-3.45 pm	Afternoon tea	
3.45-4.45 pm	<b>Guy Hansen</b>	Exhibition walk

## SATURDAY : 8 November 2008

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
9.00 am	<b>Andrew Moore</b>	Alex Buzo and Norfs: with thanks and in appreciation
9.30 am	<b>John Low</b>	Riding the Deadwood Stage: reflections on place, identity and the NRL
10.00 am	<b>Lindsay Barrett</b>	Twilight of the Idols
10.30-11.00 am	Morning Tea	
11.00-12.00 pm	<b>Tony Collins</b>	<b>Keynote Address</b> Rugby League before it was Rugby League: a look at how the game was played before 1906.
12.00 pm	<b>Katherine Haines</b>	When Girls Play On The Ball
12.30 pm	<b>Guy Hansen</b>	Gladiators: the making of a myth
1.00-2.00 pm	Lunch	
2.00 pm	<b>James Connor</b>	South Sydney's fight to play – a clash of new and old
2.30 pm	<b>Greg Mallory</b>	The Brisbane Rugby League competition: an oral history journey from 1950s to 1970s
3.00 pm	<b>Rodney Noonan</b>	Rugby league on the big river: class, commerce and community along the Clarence
3.30-3.45 pm	Afternoon tea	
3.45 pm	<b>Braham Dabscheck</b>	The Tutty Case
4.15 pm	<b>Rollo Manning</b>	The Future of Two Rugbys: an examination of the synergy between rugby union and rugby league across the 100 years time span since the big split of 1908
4.45-5.00 pm	Close	