



Australian Capital Territory  
Broomball Association

**19 April 2010**

## Makeshift brooms leads to a love of the sport

Bryce Marshall of Monash is going to the Broomball World Championships in Austria, this year; he is very excited because at the Word Championships in 2008 he was an umpire which was a huge honour for him. Bryce said of his trip “I enjoyed meeting a lot of different people around the international broomball community and learning a lot about broomball across the board.” But now he goes as a player. Bryce is following in his Dad’s footsteps Peter Marshall of Monash who represented Australia at the Broomball World Championships in 1991, and toured Canada at the same time.

Bryce has fond memories of growing up at the ice rink. “I remember being a young kid and being at the ice rink and being able to have a hit around and getting makeshift brooms made for me and my brother to practice with. I also remember that Dad went away and toured Canada for Australia, which I guess has been my drive behind my sporting endeavours and representing Australia myself.” Peter played broomball for 9 years, and represented the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) from 1990 to 1997. Bryce has represented the ACT at three Nationals since 2006, and looking forward to representing the ACT on home turf, this month.

Peter got into broomball in the traditional method “roped in through a friend at work and decided to give it a go as it was something new.” Bryce has got into broomball by watching his Dad.

Peter was a stalwart for the volunteer organisation that ran the local broomball league for many years, and Bryce is shaping up to follow closely in his fathers footsteps, saying “I want to be able to keep representing my country and be able to help grow the sport both locally here in the ACT and nationally.” We will be hearing more from Bryce in the years to come.

You can watch Bryce represent the ACT at the Australian National Broomball Titles at the end of this month. He will be playing on the men’s elite team, known as the ACT Flames.

**Bryce is available for interview on 0405 022983**

Australian National Broomball Titles is being played at the Phillip Swimming and Ice Skating Rink, Thursday April 28 to Sunday May 2 2010.

Website for Background <http://www.actbroomball.org.au/> Media Centre