

# Official Sports Services Annual Review 2015

Our busiest and most successful year yet! In 2015, Official Sports Services (OSS) staff completed an amazing schedule of major sporting events with close to 100 therapists employed across six different sports at 18 sporting events. The year was a huge success and we would like to thank all our staff, partners and teams for the part you played in the season as well as for your continued support.

OSS continued to provide first class treatment to sporting professionals at the highest level in a multitude of sports in 2015, including Rugby Union, Rugby League, Rugby 7's, American Football (NFL) and Motorsport, as well as breaking new ground in Cricket. Our first ever venture into Cricket saw us work at the very highest level with the Australian National team and during one of the worlds most prestigious sporting events, The Ashes.

We're delighted to have continued our longstanding relationship with a number of teams and organisations again in 2015, including the RFL, South Africa 7's, Australia Rugby Union, South Africa Rugby Union, Jacksonville Jaguars NFL, St George Illawarra NRL, United Autosports and Murphy Prototypes, who we completed our sixth Le Mans 24 hour event with.

The 2015 Rugby World Cup was an incredibly successful tournament for OSS. Almost 70 OSS therapists worked across the UK with the eventual top three teams - World Champions, the New Zealand All Blacks, Australian Wallabies (runner-up), and the South African Springboks, who achieved third place.

Below is a month-by-month breakdown of our highlights:

#### January

- Rugby League; RFL Match Officials entered the eighth consecutive year working with the RFL match officials, providing mid week recovery and match day support at all Super 8, Challenge Cup and international fixtures
- Rugby League; Catalans Dragons entered partnership with the French team to provide match day support and recovery massage at all UK Super League and Challenge Cup fixtures
- We also continued to work privately on a one to one basis with many elite athletes in the worlds of Rugby Union, Rugby League and Motor Racing

### February

- Rugby League; South Sydney Rabbitohs provided masseurs in Leeds, Liverpool and St Helens during their World Club Challenge victory
- Rugby League; Brisbane Broncos World Club Series London and Wigan
- Rugby League; St George Illawarra World Club Series Manchester

### April

Motorsport; Patrón ESM - World Endurance Championship - Silverstone, UK

### May

- Rugby 7's: HSBC Sevens event Glasgow with teams South Africa, Australia and Canada
- Rugby 7's; HSBC Sevens event London with teams South Africa, Australia and Canada
- Rugby League; Magic Weekend @ St James Park, Newcastle with RFL Match Officials



#### June

- · Motorsport; Le Mans 24hr Event with teams;
  - o Murphy Prototypes (drivers: Karun Chandhok, Nathanael Berthon & Mark Patterson)
  - o Krohn Racing (drivers: Tracy W. Krohn, Joao Barbosa and Nic Jonsson)

# July

- · Cricket; Australian Men's Cricket Team Derby
- Cricket; Australian Women's Cricket Team London, Coventry and Colchester
- · Rugby League; RFL Founders Charity Walk

# August

- · Rugby League; Challenge Cup Semi Finals with RFL Match Officials
- · Rugby League; Challenge Cup Final with RFL Match Officials at Wembley Stadium
- Motorsport; Historic Formula One with United Autosports at Laguna Seca, California, USA

# September

- Rugby League; Super 8's with RFL Match Officials (eight games per week)
- · Rugby Union; Rugby World Cup:
  - o South Africa (Springboks) exclusively managed the teams massage program throughout the entire tournament, providing masseurs for the team at all mid week recovery sessions in Eastbourne, Birmingham, Newcastle, London and Surrey. The team finished the tournament in 3rd place.
  - o Australia (Wallabies) exclusively managed the teams massage program throughout the entire tournament, providing masseurs for the team in Bath and London. The team were unbeaten until the final hurdle and finished runners-up.
  - o New Zealand (All Blacks) organised the teams massage program in Newcastle and again in London and Surrey in preparation for the teams semi-final and final. The team were worthy winners of the 2015 Rugby World Cup.

#### October

- Rugby Union; Rugby World Cup: South Africa, Australia, New Zealand (see above)
- American Football; NFL, Jacksonville Jaguars and Buffalo Bills London
- Rugby League; Grand Final with RFL Match Officials at Old Trafford, Manchester

### November

- · Rugby League; international series with New Zealand Leeds, Hull, London, Liverpool and Wigan
- Rugby League; internationals in England, Wales, Ireland and France with RFL Match Officials

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