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Michelle's International Softball Career is at an "All Star" High

Roseville College Year 12 student and Australian Women's Softball representative, Michelle Cox of Belrose, was recently named in the 2009 International Southern Cross Challenge's elite "All Star Team".

On a 6 month AIS scholarship, Michelle is a new addition to the Australian Women's Softball team. Her inclusion in the All Star team results from a strong performance at the International Southern Cross Challenge in New Zealand; an honour for someone so fresh in the international arena.

"Michelle has trained consistently with our Head of Softball, Angela Knight, to develop her natural ability in the sport," says Head of Sport at Roseville College, Mrs Ann Osborne. "Her inclusion in the All Star team, honouring the best players competing at the 2009 Challenge, is testimony to her athleticism and commitment."

The Challenge was Michelle's first competition as a member of the Australian team which won the competition convincingly, then backed it up with a 4-1 defeat of New Zealand in the Trans-Tasman Test Series.

This week, the young woman who has played softball for Roseville College since Year 7 – and captained her team to win this year's Independent Girls' School Sport Association (IGSSA) Championships for a record 15th time in 25 years – received more exciting news: she is in the Australian team to tour Japan in July.

"Over the past six years, I've played softball for Roseville College and loved representing my School," says Michelle. "The opportunity to represent my country is amazing and has inspired me to aim for the 2010 World Championships."

The School's unparalleled track-record in softball was pivotal to Michelle choosing Roseville College; she is now the School's third softball player to be selected at a national level; prior Australian representatives are Sophie McGilvray (2003) and Zowie Udowenko (1998).

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Photographs: *top* Roseville College Year 12 student and Australian Women's Softballer, Michelle Cox.
bottom Michelle Cox currently represents Australia in Women's Softball.



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