



Louise Dobson

Louise Dobson began her international hockey career as member of the 1993 Australian Junior World Cup Team that finished with a silver medal. In the following year she captained the Australian Youth Team which toured Asia.

Louise's first selection in the Australian Senior Team came in July 1995, for the Atlanta Challenge Cup. Once she joined the Hockeyroos Louise made a major contribution to their dominance. Their gold medal winning performance in Atlanta brought up an incredible 39 match winning streak.

After Atlanta, Louise was part of the Hockeyroos team that successfully defended their Champions Trophy title in 1997 and 1999.

However, 2000 was not an easy year for Louise as she had an injury interrupted season and narrowly missed selection for the Sydney Olympics.

Despite the obvious disappointment of missing out on her second Olympic Games, Louise returned to the Australian team for the Champions Trophy in 2001.

As a senior player and vice-captain, Louise was highly respected for her strong work ethic. She received both the Hockeyroos Player of the Year and Australian Hockey League Player of the Year awards within 12 months.

Dobson was part of the Hockeyroos home assault on the Champions Trophy in Sydney in late 2003. A constant threat around goal and at penalty corners throughout the tournament, Dobson collected her third Champions Trophy gold when Australia defeated China in the final.

At her second Olympics in Athens, Dobson was an important leader of the team that finished fifth, losing only to Gold medallist Germany and runner-up the Netherlands.

Retiring at the beginning of 2005, Dobson's high profile will continue with regular media and public appearances. She is a terrific speaker, particularly in matters relating to commitment, teamwork and goal setting.

Fact File

D.O.B.: 1 September 1972
Home: Melbourne
Event: Hockey

Honours:
 Hockeyroos vice-captain 2002
 AHL Player of the Year 2002
 Hockeyroos
 Player of the Year 2001
 Order of Australia 1997
 Captain Aust. Youth Team 1994

Olympics:
 2004 Athens 5th
 1996 Atlanta Gold

Career Achievements:
 2003 Champions Trophy Gold
 2002 World Cup Fourth
 2001 Champions Trophy Bronze
 2000 Champions Trophy Bronze
 1999 Champions Trophy Gold
 1998 Commonwealth Games Gold
 1997 Champions Trophy Gold
 1993 Junior World Cup Silver

