



Sprinter Naming Summary

V/Line's Sprinters have been named after prominent Victorian Sports people, including Olympians, AFL Footballers, Basketballers, Jockeys and Skiers. Below is a summary of each person a sprinter has been named after, and the date on which the Sprinter was named.

Note: 7019 has been in long term storage after a major accident, and Sprinters 7020-7022 are not named.

- 7001 Sir Hubert Opperman** *Named On:* Thursday December 16, 1993
Sir Hubert Opperman was Australia's most famous cyclist in his time, 60 years ago, setting a series of momentous records for endurance cycling. Following retirement from cycling, he joined the Liberal party and was elected to the Australian Federal Parliament in 1949 representing the seat of Corio. Between 1960-67 he held two portfolios, before becoming Australia's High Commissioner in Malta.
- 7002 Steve Moneghetti** *Named On:* Thursday December 16, 1993
Steve Moneghetti, a local Ballarat boy, is one of Australia's greatest ever athletes. His status in the marathon is legendary, attending and performing well in four Commonwealth and four Olympic games between 1986 and 2000.
- 7003 James Tomkins** *Named On:* Thursday March 17, 1994
James Tomkins is one of the founding crew members of the Oarsome Foursome - four Melbourne based rowers who took on and defeated the best in the world in the 1990 & 1991 Rowing World Championships and the 1992 Barcelona Olympics.
- 7004 Nick Green** *Named On:* Thursday March 17, 1994
As a member of the Oarsome Foursome, Nick Green has won nearly every honour and competition in rowing, including two World Championships, numerous National titles and two Olympic Gold medals.
- 7005 Michael McKay** *Named On:* Thursday March 17, 1994
Michael McKay is one of the founding crew members of the Oarsome Foursome - four Melbourne based rowers who took on and defeated the best in the world in the 1990 & 1991 Rowing World Championships and the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. Mike was the Australian flag bearer at the closing ceremony of the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta.
- 7006 Andrew Cooper** *Named On:* Thursday March 17, 1994
Another member of the Oarsome Foursome. Andrew has won nearly every honour and competition in rowing, including two World Championships, numerous National titles and two Olympic Gold medals.
- 7007 Faith Leech** *Named On:* Wednesday August 3, 1994
Australian swimmer at the 1956 Melbourne Olympic games who won a bronze medal in the women's 100m Freestyle and a gold medal in the women's 4x100m Freestyle relay.
- 7008 Gary Ablett** *Named On:* Thursday September 1, 1994
Gary Ablett is a Geelong Football club legend, playing for 12 years between 1984-1996, and kicking 1030 goals. He was a Norm Smith and Coleman Medalist, and also Geelong's Co-Captain in 1995-96.
- 7009 Bob Davis** *Named On:* Thursday September 1, 1994
Another Geelong Football club legend, Bob Davis was a member of the premiership teams of the early 50's, and coached the Cats to their 1963 premiership.
- 7010 Andrew Gaze** *Named On:* Wednesday December 14, 1994
A four time Olympian, Andrew Gaze is an Australian Basketball legend. He is the second all-time leading scorer at the World Championships, and not only has played in the NBL in Australia for the Melbourne Tigers for a record breaking amount of games, but has also played in the NBA in America.

- 7011 Raelene Boyle** *Named On:* Wednesday December 14, 1994
An Australian athletics champion, Raelene Boyle won seven Commonwealth Games gold medals and three Olympic silver medals in her international career that spanned from 1968 to 1982.
- 7012 Roy Higgins** *Named On:* Wednesday December 14, 1994
Roy Higgins, a former jockey, rode more than 2,300 winners in the '60s and '70s including two Melbourne cups.
- 7013 Lionel Rose** *Named On:* Saturday June 18, 1995
Lionel Rose is a champion Australian boxer, winning a world championship whilst still in his teens.
- 7014 Kirstie Marshall** *Named On:* Saturday June 18, 1995
Kirstie Marshall is Australia's first world champion skier, being Australian skier of the year six times, and winning seventeen different World Cup gold medals.
- 7015 Louise Dobson** *Named On:* Wednesday September 4, 1996
Louise Dobson is an Australian Hockeyroo, winning an olympic gold medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics. She was named the Hockeyroos 'Player of the year' in 2001, and was the 'Player of the AHL' in 2002.
- 7016 Michael Tuck** *Named On:* Saturday June 18, 1995
Michael Tuck holds the record for the most senior games in the VFL/AFL, with a massive 426 games in a 20-year career. after notching up a massive 426 games in his 20-year career.
- 7017 Debbie Flintoff-King** *Named On:* Friday November 27, 1995
Debbie Flintoff-King was an Australian athlete, setting nine Commonwealth records between 1982-88, winning Sports Women of the Year twice and the Order of Australia Medal.
- 7018 Bill Roycroft** *Named On:* Friday November 27, 1995
Bill Roycroft won a gold medal for Australia in equestrian at the 1960 olympic games, and is only one of five Australians to have participated in five separate olympic games.
- 7019 Danni Roche** *Named On:* Wednesday September 4, 1996
Danni Roche is an Australian Hockeyroo, winning an olympic gold medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.
- 7020 Un-Named**
- 7021 Un-Named**
- 7022 Un-Named**