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Olympian announced as new Sport SA President

Two-time Olympian, Pat Mickan OLY will today be announced as the new Sport SA President. Mickan, who also represented the Opals at three World Championships will be the first female President in the Federations thirty-two-year history.

In addition to her exceptional basketball career, incredibly, Pat was also an Australian squad member in netball and post her playing career, she was a highly regarded netball coach. She was also a trailblazer when she became the AFL's first female skills coach, taking on the role with the Adelaide Football Club.

With an established a career in journalism, she was a television and radio commentator in the NBL and has also been a small business owner.

Sport SA CEO, Leah Cassidy rates Pat Mickan as an incredible choice as the new Sport SA President. "Along with her skill and experience, she is a thoughtful, articulate, intelligent, kind and generous person". We are very fortunate to have her take on the role of Sport SA President".

Retiring Sport SA President, the Honourable Michael Wright and legendary sports broadcaster, Bruce McAvaney OAM will also be announced as the organisations first ever Ambassadors, working with Sport SA to enhance the role of sport in South Australia.

Quotes attributed to the new President:

"Sport SA is a modern and reputable peak body of sport in South Australia.

It has an outstanding CEO whose professional standards and practices are inspiring. We are blessed indeed to have Leah Cassidy in this role.

The Board that oversees its direction has been led with wisdom by Michael Wright for a decade.

Never seeking the limelight, he has shown huge commitment to this role, therein benefiting sport in South Australia on all levels. Michael, along with the peerless Bruce McAvaney OAM will bring a wealth of knowledge, experience and gravitas to further enhance the role of Sport SA and indeed sport in South Australia.

For these reasons, and many more, to be invited to lead the Sport SA Board is an exceptional responsibility and honour. I wish to commit myself to building on Michael's formidable legacy."

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Quote attributed to Bruce McAvaney OAM:

It's an honour to be asked to contribute to the work that Sport SA are leading, in particular the Marjorie Jackson-Nelson Centre for Women's Sport, which I am very proud to add my weight of support to.

Quote attributed to Hon. Michael Wright:

It's an honour to continue to serve Sport SA in my new capacity as Ambassador, along with Hall of Fame Legend, Bruce McAvaney OAM, continuing to build on the fantastic work of the team at Sport SA.

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