

## GREG HARRIS – AAA BIOGRAPHY

Greg Harris was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Rugby Union Players' Association (RUPA) in August 2010.

Prior to taking up this appointment Greg had established a successful professional career across a diverse range of portfolios within the sporting industry.

He was the Executive Director of Sydney University Sport from 1992 to 2008 where he established the premier university sporting program in Australia. In 2008 he was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Western Force and Rugby WA before returning to Sydney at the end of 2009 and was a consultant to the Melbourne Rebels in 2010.

Greg was also Chairman of the National Rugby League Education and Welfare Committee (2003-2008), Chairman of the Australian University Sport Committee on Student Service Fees (2005-2008), an Industry Advisory Board Member to the Faculty of Education and Social Work at the University of Sydney (2007- 2008) and to Sports Knowledge Australia (2005-2008).

Greg began his senior sporting career playing AFL for the St. George club whilst still at high school. He was invited to train with VFL club Richmond but elected to study economics at the University of Sydney where he joined the rugby union club.

As a rugby union player he represented Sydney University in first grade competition from 1973-1977. He also represented Sydney Rugby Union (1975-1977) and Australian Universities (1974-1977) and in 1978 he played a season of rugby league for Cronulla-Sutherland.

Greg's sporting talent in 1979 returned to AFL where he captain-coached East Sydney to four premiership wins as well as being captain and coach of the NSW AFL team. During 1989-1991 Greg coached the Sydney Swans under-19 team and was the Chairman of Selectors at the Sydney Swans from 1994 to 1996.

Greg is a member of the Carbine Club and has a keen interest in thoroughbred horse racing and breeding.