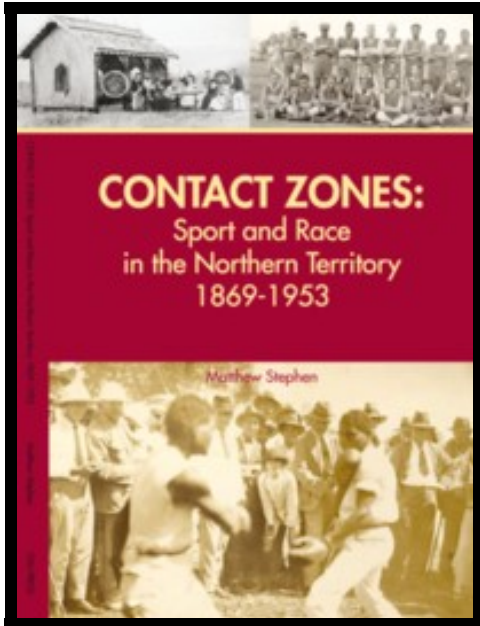


Contact Zones: Sport and Race in the Northern Territory 1869-1953 by Dr Matthew Stephen



Our President's book was launched by well known sporting identity, Charlie King on 25 November 2010 at Angus and Robertson's Book Shop in The Mall.

Contact Zones is a unique look at the dynamic that saw Indigenous athletes in the Territory subjected to more extreme and prolonged adversity than their southern counterparts. Dr Stephen, who graduated with a Doctor of Philosophy from Charles Darwin University in May last year, said that the obstacles of poverty, oppression, bigotry and discrimination that confronted non-white participation in sport throughout Australia were not different in the Territory, but that the social, political and physical environment meant that they were more exaggerated and prolonged. "At the heart of this history from sporting exclusion and segregation to integration and liberation for the Territory's non-white sportsmen and women is the struggle for human rights and recognition," he said. The book also addresses common stereotypes that exist around Aboriginal athletes.

The book is published by Charles Darwin University Press and can be ordered on line at www.cdu.edu.au/cdupress



Charlie King launching Matthew's book



Dr Matthew Stephen promoting his book.



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