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AUSTRALIAN BIATHLETES – UNIVERSITY GAMES – TURKEY JAN 2011

Three AUS university student biathletes will be attending the prestigious Winter Universiade in Erzurum, Turkey, 27 Jan-6 Feb 2011, accompanied by their Coach/Manager.

In early January 2011, as part of their preparation, **Neil Burbidge**, **Hamish McLean** and **Giles Richardson** will be meeting at Hotham/Whiskey Flat/Dinner Plain for a fortnight of altitude training, under the guidance of **Bob Cranage OAM**, Coach/Manager.

Burbidge has just finished the third year of his Civil Engineering degree at Swinburne University, **McLean** has just completed his Honours degree in Science and is about to start a double Masters (Commerce & International Business) at Sydney University, while **Richardson** has just completed his first year of Environmental Studies at the University of Ballarat.

Cranage was the first Australian to represent this country in biathlon overseas. He has also been Australian Olympic Cross Country and Biathlon Team Section Manager, Australian Junior Cross Country Team Manager, as well as Australian Ski Jumping Team Manager, Australian World Championships.

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