

## **Renato Petrillo**

### **Open Men's Head Coach #4**

Renato Petrillo was appointed to the role of Open Men's Head Coach in 1999. His job was to prepare the men for the 2000 Men's World Championship in East London, South Africa.

Preparations began with a Trans-Tasman Challenge in Canberra, followed by participation in the Island Bay Tournament in New Zealand and a six game Test Series against the New Zealand Black Sox. While the men didn't manage a win against the Black Sox, they were in a winning position in four of these games only to lose them in the seventh innings.

Things didn't go to plan for the Open Men at the World Championship, winning four of their seven round-robin games and finishing 6<sup>th</sup> in their pool. They did however, manage a historic 3-2 win over Canada who finished the World Championship in fourth place.

