World beaters

Three athletes from very different sports have come up trumps in the Sport Star of the Year WORDS LISA CHANT

Katherine Hull’s second placing at this year’s British Open at Royal Birkdale has won her senior honours in the Sunshine Coast Sport Star of the Year awards for July.

The Sunshine Beach golfer, hampered by a two-over second round of 74, fell just one shot short of the winner, Taiwan’s Yani Tsang.

However, the tournament was enough to rocket Katherine back into the women’s golf Top 20 rankings.

She now moves on to this month’s Safeway Classic in Oregon, followed by the Canadian Open, which she won in 2008.

In junior ranks, the honours have been shared by Luke Walker and Cameron Patrick.

Luke, who is a student at Good Shepherd Lutheran College at Noosa, was acknowledged for winning the karate budokan Youth World Cup in Greece.

It was a major achievement for his club, Noosaville’s Karate Budokan, and a first for an Australian competitor.

Cameron, who is in Year 12 at Mountain Creek State High School, was recognised for his selection in the Australia A School boys squad.

The rugby player earned his cap at the Australian Schools National Championships, where he scored the winning try as Queensland beat New South Wales 1-1 in the final.

He will take on Fiji in Sydney in September.

Triumphant trio: Katherine Hull, centre, and joint junior winners Luke Walker, pictured, top right, and Cameron Patrick.