

*MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INC.*

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# *ANNUAL REPORT*



*2019 — 2020*



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## Committee of Management & Staff 2019-2020

### Board of Management

Chairperson	Mr Greg Leslie
Vice Chairperson	Ms Gayle Danson
Secretary	Ms Leanne Morgan
General Members	Ms Shirley Boulton
	Mr Ben Beasy
	Ms Maddie Allomes
	Mr Chris Harvey
	Mr Troy Bailey
	Ms Louise Williams

### Staff

Executive Officer	Ms Carmel Mackay
Administration	Ms Jeanette Worthington
Finance	Ms Anna Legg
Project Officers (SwanHill)	Ms Delia Baber
(Wycheproof)	Ms Rhonda Allan
(Mildura)	Ms Tanya Wild
	Ms Jeanette Worthington
	Ms Elena Nemtsas
Volunteer	Ms Maureen Hewitt
Volunteer	Mr Wayne Stewart





# Agenda

**Tuesday, 27th October, 2020 7.00pm**

**Welcome:**

**Acknowledgement to Country:**

*"We wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land, which we meet and pay our respect to elders past, present and our emerging leaders. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and contribution they make to the life of this city and this region"*

**Apologies:**

**Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting: 16th October, 2019**

Moved:

Seconded:

**Reports:**

- Chairperson
- Executive Officer
- Project Officers -
  - Swan Hill,
  - Mildura,
  - Gannawarra/Buloke

Moved:

Seconded:

- Auditor

Moved:

Seconded:

**Election of Board of Management: 2020/2021**

**General Business:**

**Appointment of the Auditor: Kellie Nulty**

**Guest Speaker: Mr Josh Barila:**

2019 Aligned Leisure Coach of the Year, 2018 Vicsport Young Volunteer of the Year.

**Close:**

# Minutes

**Mallee Sports Assembly Inc.**

***Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7.25pm  
Mildura Workers Bowls Club***

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the participants enjoyed a barbeque meal prepared by the club members from Mildura Workers Bowls Club.

The meeting opened at 7.25pm by Ms Leanne Morgan (Secretary) in the absence of Greg Leslie Chairperson of the Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly. Ms Leanne Morgan welcomed all those in attendance.

A special mention was made of Ms Shirley Boulton and Mr Len Spence both Life Members being present.

Welcome to Country

**Present:**

Ms Gayle Danson	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Ms Leanne Morgan	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
	Diving Sunraysia
Ms Shirley Boulton	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
	Life Member
Mr Ben Beasy	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Mr Troy Bailey	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Mr Len Spence	Life Member
Ms Carmel Mackay	Executive Officer, Mallee Sports Assembly
Ms Kellie Nulty	Auditor
Mr Garry Wescombe	Mildura Workers Bowls Club
Mr Ron Boyd	Mildura Workers Bowls Club
Mr Don Baird	Mildura Workers Bowls Club
Mr Ian Benning	Mildura Gliding Club
Ms Haley Hlasny	Mildura Pistol Club
Mr Rick Hlasny	Mildura Pistol Club
Mr Steven Ladd	Ladd's Boxing Club
Ms Susan Watt	Football Federation Sunraysia,
	Sunraysia Academy of Sport
Ms Jeanette Worthington	Mallee Sports Assembly - staff
Ms Tanya Wild	Mallee Sports Assembly - staff
Ms Elena Nemtsas	Mallee Sports Assembly – staff
Mr Lachlan Cole	Football Federation Victoria – Club Ambassador

## Minutes - continued

### Apologies

Mr Greg Leslie	Chair, Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Ms Maddie Allomes	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Mr Chris Harvey	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Ms Louise Williams	Board of Management, Mallee Sports Assembly
Mr Brian Weightman & Mrs Margaret Weightman	Hall of Fame
Mr Phil Gee	Individual Member
Ms Helen Kay	Mildura Dragon Boat Club
Ms Sarah Dowling	Senior Project Officer, VicHealth
Ms Jennifer Simpson	Sea Lake Golf Bowls Club
Mr Geoff Dea	CEO, Sunraysia Institute of TAFE
Ms Alison McTaggart	
Ms Simone Heald	CEO, Sunraysia Community Health Services
Ms Kara & Mr Rob Toms	Totally Workwear
Ms Teresa Crisp	Mildura Masters Swimming Club
Mr David Cofield	Sunraysia Institute of TAFE
Ms Marian Leuhman	Sunraysia Residential Services
Ms Raelene Stephens	Mallee District Aboriginal Services
Ms Jeni Snadden	Mildura Rural City Council
Ms Jeannyfe Spary	East End House Co-Ordinator
Ms Rhonda Allan	Mallee Sports Assembly – staff
Ms Delia Baber	Mallee Sports Assembly – staff
Ms Anna Legg	Mallee Sports Assembly - staff

### Confirmation of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 30th October, 2018

It was moved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 30th October, 2018 with the minor adjustments

**Moved:** Gayle Danson

**Seconded:** Shirley Boulton

**Carried**

### Reports

#### Chairperson's Report – Mr Greg Leslie

Ms Leanne Morgan presented the Chairperson's report as tabled in the Annual General Meeting booklet.

#### Executive Officer - Ms Carmel Mackay

The Executive Officer presented her report as tabled in the Annual General Meeting booklet

The Executive Officer spoke of the lengthy process to review and endorse the MSA 2018-2021 Strategic Plan.

Carmel highlighted activities in her report giving the attendees a greater understanding of the work of the Assembly and its vast geographical area.

#### Program and Activity Reports

As tabled in the Annual General Meeting booklet:

It was resolved that the Chairperson's, Executive Officer and Program and Activity Reports be accepted.

**Moved:-** Ben Beasy

**Seconded:** Ian Benning

**Carried**

## Minutes - continued

### Financial Statement/Auditor's Report – Ms Kellie Nulty - Auditor

Ms Kellie Nulty Auditor presented her report as tabled in the Annual General Meeting booklet.

Ms Nulty explained the financial situation of the Mallee Sports Assembly as at the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

It was stated that there were no major issues and it was all good at the MSA from an accounting position

It was resolved that the Financial Statement and Auditor's Report be accepted as a true and accurate record of the previous twelve months of the organisation activities.

Moved: Susan Watts

**Seconded:** Troy Bailey

**Carried**

### Election of Committee of Management 2019/20

As the number of nominations did not exceed the number of vacancies the following people were duly elected the Board of Management of Mallee Sports Assembly 2019/2020:

The Committee of Management being:

Chairperson	Mr Greg Leslie
Vice Chairperson	Ms Gayle Danson,
Secretary	Ms Leanne Morgan
General Members	Mr Ben Beasy, Ms Shirley Boulton, Ms Maddie Allomes, Mr Troy Bailey, Mr Chris Harvey, Ms Louise Williams

**Appointment of Auditor** – It was resolved that Ms Kellie Nulty be appointed the Auditor of Mallee Sports Assembly.

### Guest Speaker:- Mr Lachlan Cole - Football Victoria – Club Ambassador

My Journey – Greater Loddon Mallee Region

Lachlan was raised in a sports mad family who was involved in community sport in Kyneton. His number one sport was soccer which involved generations of his family being involved in the game.

At university Lachlan studied and graduated with a Bachelor of Business. He has played, coached and refereed at State League in metropolitan Melbourne.

Football Victoria – Club Ambassador role is to support the club, take knowledge to outer areas with Football Victoria having eight Club Ambassadors. Victoria is divided up with three city and five country region club ambassadors. A club ambassador role is:-

- To support clubs on growth, development, engage and accessibility.

In his area Lachlan has 21 clubs, 10 local government areas, 2 regions – Bendigo and Mildura with 5000 participants. His role also covers the club engagement program where he meets and works with the 21 clubs in his area. Lachlan spoke of future plans for football in the local area.

The Football Federation has introduced a National Club Development Program which is an on-line tool which helps clubs with succession planning and houses all their documents in the one place.

The Executive Officer Ms Carmel Mackay presented Lachlan Cole with a small gift as appreciation for his presentation on the life of a Football Victoria – Club Ambassador. Also, Carmel expressed her appreciation to the Mildura Workers Bowls Club for their support, partnership and a great advocate for Mallee Sports Assembly.

Meeting closed at 8.15am

# Chairperson's Report

I am pleased to deliver the 2019 – 2020 Chairperson's report for the Mallee Sports Assembly.

It is a fortunate position to be able to report a healthy surplus of \$95k, given the tight budget that was set for the year. That result however, is subject to explanation owing to two matters of note.

Firstly, in the 2019/20 financial year \$208,800.00 funds for the Beyond the Front Step Program was received and \$94,000 has not been expended in this period. Disruption to that program in the back end of the financial year associated with COVID-19 impacted program delivery and accordingly allocation of expenditure. These need to be considered and carried forward into the next period when the program resumes.

Secondly, since March and in response to workplace restrictions, staff were supported to continue work from home where possible by JobKeeper subsidies, and the MSA was able to access various government business continuity measures recognised as Income in the financial statements. These have provided much welcome employment security and enabled service delivery for our community, albeit under a very different model.

The MSA takes its responsibility to its members, the community, our funders and our staff with utmost sincerity, our team should be congratulated for the exceptional work they've undertaken and outcomes achieved faced by the challenges they endure.

I take this opportunity to congratulate Carmel for her tireless work being on top of our program requirements, negotiating with stakeholders to ensure the best outcomes for all parties and continuing the MSA's operations through what has been a very challenging period.

At the time of writing, it's easy to be consumed by recent experiences at the expense of reflecting on what's been a largely positive and successful year.

Marquee activities of the MSA continue to be well supported, another very successful Northern Mallee Sports Star of the Year campaign held on February 7, saw Luke Argiro receive his second Sports Star of the Year Award at the event, where stalwarts Deserie Baynes (nee Wakefield), Greg Rhodes and Alison Styles (nee Diggle) were fittingly inducted into our Hall of Fame.

Just a fortnight earlier, MSA Hall of Fame member, and staunch supporter Brian Weightman was honoured with the dedication of Number 1 oval in his name. We were saddened by Brian's passing in March this year and take this chance to acknowledge his enormous contribution to sport in our region.

Over the year we continued to advocate for initiatives and investigate areas where the MSA could leverage its well established community networks to increase health and wellbeing through active participation. The provision of the Commonwealth Government "Beyond the Front Step" program is a wonderful initiative for older Australians. We are fortunate to partner with Macedon Ranges Shire together with 9 other local government areas to provide this service in our region and look forward to our plans bearing results when circumstances permit.

I acknowledge the financial support and oversight of the Victorian Government Department of Sport and Recreation and VicHealth, and also give thanks to our Regional Sports Assembly colleagues for ongoing assistance.

A number of corporate and community partners enable us to continue our important work through their generosity and corporate community stewardship.

To the volunteers and supporters, I also thank you for your contribution.

I am heartened by the resilience of our community, members and clubs, who passionately and tirelessly dedicate their efforts so that others have an opportunity to participate in various sports. They have been confronted with challenges beyond our comprehension, scheduling uncertainty, financial viability and health and safety risks. Yet they adapt. Participation in video-conferencing was an effective engagement strategy with results well beyond our estimation. Using it we were able to deliver key messages quickly and safely.

# Chairperson's Report

The disruption we have all experienced since March 2020, has changed the way we do things. From experience we know the communities that make up the Mallee region are as adaptable as they are resilient, we look forward to being a guiding hand to make sure everyone across our vast region has access and ability to participate in sport, regardless of their ability.

I conclude by again, extending gratitude to Carmel and the MSA staff for their work.

I also thank my Committee of Management colleagues for their devotion to the MSA. I pay particular tribute to Gayle Danson who has endured a difficult year personally with the passing of her husband Peter, a respected community leader and sporting legend.

As I retire from the committee at this AGM, I offer my best wishes for all associated with the Mallee Sports Assembly. The MSA fulfils an important role in connecting individuals and clubs, keeping them informed of vital information and advocating for our region to receive its fair share. In a changing landscape, the MSA has proven its ability to adapt with its stakeholders to deliver much needed programs across the Mallee.

**Greg Leslie**  
**Chairperson**

# Executive Officer's Report

Welcome everyone to the Mallee Sports Assembly 37th Annual General Meeting this evening and it is with pleasure that I present my Annual Report.

The 2019/2020 year could be described as different, challenging and it will continue to provide unprecedented directions and for some time to come. It will be a critical time going forward to support and work together with our local clubs, organisations and our communities to restore the capacity of our local sport & recreation; and the confidence in our community members to feel safe to be active.

The last 12 months could be dissected into distinct categories pre Covid 19; the passage through the peak of Covid 19; and now the ongoing journey to rebuild the future of our sport & recreation; and participation opportunities for ALL.

The commencement of the year was with enthusiasm and great expectation to implement carefully planned programs & activities in partnership with our communities. Extensive work was completed with Sport & Recreation Victoria to co-design workplans for the **'Together More Active Program'** to build a more resilient, connected and sustainable sport and recreation sector across the Mallee that is supported by a capable volunteer workforce; and to increase the equity, diversity and inclusiveness of sport and active recreation.

The highlights of the **19/20 TMA Program** has included:- **Fair Play Code, RSA, Liquor Licensing Courses, Bowls Victoria & Level 1 Sports Trainer Courses, Club Health Assessments, Club Webinars, promotion & marketing strategies**—[bimonthly newsletters; Calendar of events; Facebook, website, media, weekly radio segments], **Club Inclusion Programs, Disability Awareness Programs; International Day for People with a Disability; Regional Carnivals (Lawn Bowls & Cricket); Volunteers week**, just to name a few

We entered the second year of our three-year funding agreement for the VicHealth **Regional Sport Program** which has a focus on:- increasing **Physical Activity** of Women & girls (all ages); and Young people (12-17yrs); and **Gender equality** to support VicHealth to promote **This Girl Can – Victoria** and to work with local clubs to conduct the Quick Wins Checklist.

We were very fortunate to have the new VicHealth CEO, Sandro De Maio, visit Mildura in December. We also arranged visits to two local clubs, who were successful recipients of the VicHealth Active Clubs Grants.

The features of the **19/20 RSP Program** has included:- **Junior Golf, LDAT Youth Network, Active Youth Programs, Bowling with Babies, Homebase Hoops, This Girl Can, Multicultural Women's Swimming & Yoga, Masters Dance, Hits & Giggles Squash, Time 4 Me Netball, Women's Baseball, Active Girls Breakfasts, Futsal, Miniroos, Online Activities, Quickwins and Naidoc Celebrations**; not an exhaustive list but gives an indication of the breadth and diversity of activities we have facilitated during the year.

The Alcohol & Drug Foundation (ADF) continues to recognise the commitment and outcomes that the MSA has achieved for the **Good Sports Program** during the year; together with exceeding our accreditations; even through Covid 19. The implementation of a new delivery model continues to be discussed which could result in ADF staff in Melbourne managing the Good Sports across Victoria. We are continuing the implementation of the Good Sports Program until December 2020; and in the interim an extensive review/evaluation of the overall program across Regional Victoria is being conducted. The key findings from these consultations will inform the directions of the program.

A successful funding application with the **Macedon Ranges Loddon Mallee Move It Project**, saw us embark on the exciting delivery of the MSA **'Beyond the Front Step'** (BFS) in three local government areas, Mildura, Buloke and Swan Hill. The primary objectives of the project are to increase and sustain participation of community members 65+ & Aboriginal members 50+ in sport & active recreation; increase social connections; improve overall health & wellbeing; and educate and build the capacity of local sport & active recreation providers to facilitate inclusive and welcoming environments for older adults.

After extensive consultation with older adults, (family members and organisations connected) a series of innovative programs were implemented centred on the choices and interests identified by older adults. This has included: - tai chi, cardio drumming, water aerobics, dancing, basic exercise, yoga, circuit, pilates & chair based exercises.



**Mildura...Swan Hill...Gannawarra...Buloke...**

## Executive Officer's Report continued

**The 2020 Calendar of Events** embarked on new partnerships with the Merbein & District Community Bank and Mildura & District Real Estate. This supported the production of 500 calendars to promote our local sport & recreation in the Mallee and encourage active healthy lifestyles and opportunities for all.

A significant calendar item each year is the **Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M Northern Mallee Sports Star Awards** and this year recognising its 28<sup>th</sup> year. The Awards continue to go from strength to strength and the nominations exceed our expectations, along with the quality of each nomination to ensure recognition of our athletes, young and old, people of all abilities and cultures; and the people behind the scenes, volunteers, coaches, and administrators from our sporting community. It was another memorable evening to celebrate all the achievements and contributions during the 2019 year. Our gala even was even more poignant with the induction of Greg Rhodes, Alison Styles and Deserie Baynes into the **Northern Mallee Sports Hall of Fame**.

Through the investment from Sport & Recreation Victoria and VicHealth there has been extensive movement to build the capacity of **Regional Sport Victoria (RSV)**, which is the peak body that provides advocacy and leadership for Victoria's nine Regional Sports Assemblies. We have seen the appointment of a RSV General Manager (for the first time in its history) and a Youth Engagement Officer to build the capacity of RSA's; to strengthen partnerships and build an evidence base for youth. These are quite monumental steps for RSV and Regional Sports Assemblies. It highlights the significant work and commitment by all RSA's to reach this position and receive the recognition by both SRV & VicHealth.

The RSV has been essential in navigating and defining the detail of our directions in the Covid 19 environment in cohesion with our major funding & government departments.

In March 2020 our plans, momentum and pathways were significantly detoured and changed; staffing arrangements were modified, office arrangements adjusted; all program activities were postponed and/or cancelled and serious despondency was felt across our organisations and our communities, the world of Covid 19. But through continuous discussions and negotiations with our Funding Departments, Covid 19 Conceptual Frameworks were developed and amended workplans were finalised; the staff team re-engaged to move forward to support & sustain our sport into the future and participation opportunities.

During April, May, June & July Regional Sports Assemblies, including the MSA, undertook extensive 'Guided Conversations' with local clubs to gain insights into the perspectives, challenges and issues facing regional community sport in Victoria during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.

It highlighted how important it was to stay connected with our local sporting groups during such a difficult, dynamic, and emotional time. The conversations were initially designed to inform the work of the MSA and provide insights for the wider sector, but the act of reaching out and displaying empathy has enabled staff to **strengthen the relationships** we have with local sporting groups and informed our work going forward.

**Many respondents were looking forward to resuming activity, but, were feeling overwhelmed**, trying to understand the additional requirements placed on them. While the primary concern for regional sporting leagues, associations and clubs was the health of their members, many stated that **a lack of volunteers** meant that fulfilling their sports Return to Play Guidelines would be extremely difficult; and many clubs identified **the financial impacts of COVID-19 restrictions as a further factor of immediate and ongoing concern**.

During these conversations one thing remained constant – that the **physical, social, and mental wellbeing of members and communities was of paramount importance to regional Victorians**

A statement from a local volunteer epitomised the thoughts of many clubs and volunteers during Covid 19, ***"We need everyone to recognise the importance of community clubs and sport. However, we also need to recognise that a majority of clubs are not financially sustainable in the longer term based on past practices and finances. We really need to go back to what community sport and clubs are all about – providing a safe and enjoyable place to come and stay and play and/or watch sport for all ages and all backgrounds. This should be a concern for the sector."***



**Mildura...Swan Hill...Gannawarra...Buloke...**



## Executive Officer's Report continued

A series of recommendations have been delivered to the State Government; and the MSA and other Regional Sports Assemblies are uniquely positioned to enable the Victorian Government and supporting bodies to design and deliver the recommendations, to ensure that community sport and active recreation can continue to thrive in regional Victoria.

It is with sincere appreciation to the MSA Committee of Management for their support in my position as the Executive Officer and in their role to govern the organisation for today and the future. It has not been an easy year for the Committee, but with diligence and attentiveness they have continued to meet our obligations and increased responsibilities during the year.

I would like to extend a special thanks to our Greg Leslie who is stepping down from the Committee, he has been a Committee Member for 4-years, which includes being the Chairperson for the past 2years. An admirable leader who has brought a wealth of knowledge and skills to the table; and provided me with ongoing support during that time. A further farewell to both Chris Harvey & Ben Beasy who have been dedicated Committee Members for the past three years and who have also provided importance guidance & direction for the MSA.

The continued accomplishments of our organisation would not be possible without the commitment and expertise of the MSA staff team. Congratulations on a year that has been characterised by many challenges, to which the staff have relentlessly reached significant milestones and achievements, even during adversity, for our communities.

Our gratitude to the continued support from our stakeholders – members, sport & recreation clubs & associations, community organisations, schools, businesses and individuals who keep us vigilant to the important role we play in our community.

As the Mallee Sports Assembly moves into a critical year, 2020/2021 with many espousing as moving into the 'new normal', we remain dedicated to building the capacity of our local clubs & organisations; and promoting, encouraging healthy lifestyles and participation opportunities for all.

I look forward to the 2020/21 year, but with some trepidation of the intense work ahead of us, (but still enjoy a challenge), together with some unknown territories to conquer, all working in partnership with the Mallee Sports Assembly staff team, the Committee of Management and our communities.

***Remember..... Participate, Feel Great!.....***

**Carmel Mackay  
Executive Officer**



***Mildura...Swan Hill...Gannawarra...Buloke...***

# 2019 - 2020 Programs

## OUR ACTIVITIES

### Assistance with Club Development

- ◆ Training Opportunities
- ◆ Resource Promotion
- ◆ Referral & Advice
- ◆ Regional Planning
- ◆ Health Promotion through Physical Activity
- ◆ Partnership Linkages
- ◆ Inclusive Development
- ◆ Advocacy
- ◆ Promotional Opportunities for Clubs

## OUR CORE BUSINESS

- ◆ Leadership
- ◆ Sport & Recreation Development
- ◆ Health Promotion
- ◆ Industry Planning & Development
- ◆ Promotion of Resources & Education
- ◆ Promotion of Sport & Recreation



PARTICIPATE, FEEL GREAT!

## 2020

### Together More Active Program (TMA)

The program supports initiatives that increase participation in sport and active recreation by:

1. Building a more sustainable sport and recreation sector in Victoria; and
2. Increasing the equity, diversity and inclusiveness of the sport and recreation industry in Victoria..

### Activities

- ◆ Club education, training, governance and club management
- ◆ Developing inclusive opportunities for people with disabilities, Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities, disadvantaged communities, Women & Aboriginal Communities
- ◆ Newsletters, Facebook, website, radio, club resources, Calendar of Events
- ◆ Media promotions & publicity
- ◆ Events—International Day of People with Disabilities, Regional Lawn Bowls Carnivals, All Abilities Cricket Carnival
- ◆ Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M Northern Mallee Sports Star Awards (Mildura)



## 2019 - 2020 Programs continued

### 2019-2020

#### Regional Sport Program (RSP)

Create more sustainable opportunities for less active Victorians to be physically active through sport and active recreation with particular focus on young people (12-17) and women and girls.

#### Activities

- ◆ Time 4 Me—Netball
- ◆ Golf
- ◆ Tennis
- ◆ Gym for Me
- ◆ Bowling with Babes
- ◆ Hoops—Basketball
- ◆ Dance—Salsa
- ◆ Social Riding
- ◆ Social Sixes—Cricket

#### Regional Sport Program



### 2019-2020

#### Good Sports Program (Mildura)

Assisting sporting clubs to manage alcohol responsibly. Displaying the Good Sports logo sends an important message to club members and the community. It indicates that a club promotes a responsible attitude towards alcohol and provides a safe environment for players, members, families and supporters.

#### What is in it for a Good Sports club?

- ◆ Enhanced family atmosphere.
- ◆ Increased membership and attendances.
- ◆ Being recognised as a community leader on alcohol management.
- ◆ Strengthen relationships with other community organisations.
- ◆ Creation of new income sources.
- ◆ Access to Responsible Service of Alcohol training for members.
- ◆ Reduced problems from alcohol misuse.
- ◆ Reduced risk of litigation.



# Regional Sport Program



## Swan Hill

**Miniroos (4 - 11 years)** – 54 registered participants, 28 registered participants (Girls 11 & under), 28 active participants (attended at least 1 session), 20 regular participants (attended 3 or more sessions).

**Juniors (12 – 18 years)** – 66 registered participants, 54 active participants (attended at least 1 session), 50 regular participants (attended 3 or more sessions)

Both age groups are supported by 10 volunteers, 10 coaches and 6 referees.

This 19 x week program began April 2019 and continued until 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019.



## Junior Futsal

**Partners: Swan Hill Soccer League and Mallee Sports Assembly**

Swan Hill Soccer League's 10 x week Junior Futsal Competition started on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October, continuing until Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm at Swan Hill Basketball Stadium.

Junior Futsal is for ages 5-18 with 66 registered participants, 66 active participants (attended at least 1 session), 60 Regular participants (attended 3 or more sessions). The program was supported by 14 volunteers, 10 coaches and 5 referees.



## Multicultural Women Physical Activity Program

**Swimming, Group Fitness, Yoga**

**Partners: Mallee Family Care, Swan Hill Leisure Centre, Mallee Sports Assembly**

As part of VicHealth's Regional Sport Program Multicultural Women from Swan Hill have been participating in swimming program and group fitness at Swan Hill Leisure Centre. Throughout the program there was 38 registered participants, 38 active participants (attended at least 1 session) and 26 regular participants (attended 3 or more sessions) with 4 x volunteers, 2 x coaches, 2 x deliverers. The women have had one on one swimming lessons and participated in aqua classes and aerobics. Yoga was held at Swan Hill North Primary School

This is a joint initiative of Mallee Family Care, Mallee Sports Assembly and YOGAone, Swan Hill Leisure Centre working together to overcome barriers, increase physical activity opportunities and social connectedness for multicultural women.



## Swan Hill

### Active Girls Breakfast & Leadership Forum

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Cricket Victoria, Swan Hill College, Swan Hill Leisure Centre

Swan Hill Mayor Cr Ann Young opened the 2019 MSA Active Girls Breakfast and Cricket Vic Leadership Forum with champion netball player and TV celebrity Bianca Chatfield as MC for the day held Thursday 29th August 2019. The day is aimed at high school girl's years 7 to 10 to provide a relaxed day surrounded by local role models and to develop their leadership skills through a variety of different activities.

Mayor Cr Ann Young shared with the girls the benefits of keeping physically active in whatever they do with their lives. This not only benefits their health and well-being, but it also strengthens social connectedness in the community.

Bianca Chatfield proved to be a very popular MC, sharing her story as a former Australian netball player and a TV Personality and known for representing Australia at just 18 years old in 2001. In 2018, Bianca became a contestant on an Australian home renovation television show, The Block. She spoke about their time on The Block and how teamwork helped. If they had made a mistake, they would just fix it and move forward.

In attendance were approximately 70 girls and women from Swan Hill College and Swan Hill Specialist School and Echuca Discoveries-Swan Hill. With local role models sharing their life experiences of the benefits of being physically active. This included role models from Swan Hill Specialist School – Swimmer Claire Barr, headspace – Liz Hindle, Swan Hill Leisure Centre – Joanna Hodge, Swan Hill Rural City Council & Voyage Fitness – Felicity O'Rourke, AFL Central Rivers Umpire – Narelle Pollock, Swan Hill Police – Tania Peters and Courtney Neale- Cricket Victoria.

The leadership day recognised the strong relationship Cricket Victoria has with Mallee Sports Assembly, teaming up with the active girl's breakfast to allow the girls to have an all-day event all about them. The girls are empowered to explore their leadership qualities thus leading to discovering qualities they may not have known they have. This a relaxed fun filled day surrounded by influential females from all walks of life which enabled the girls to just be themselves. This Girl Can was extremely well promoted on social media posts, including Mallee Sports Assembly, headspace and Victoria Police websites and Facebook.

Special thanks to Natasha Anstee, Cricket Vic, Swan Hill College Principal Andrew Sartori, Stuart McGregor, Mayor Cr Ann Young, Bianca Chatfield, Swan Hill College, Swan Hill Specialist School, Echuca Discoveries-Swan Hill, Role Models, Perfect Fit, Coles and Woolworths Supermarkets for their support.



### Quick Wins

**Women and girls in sport:- Quick wins for community clubs. A resource to help clubs take action to increase promotion, participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls.**

Quick Wins was conducted at the following sporting clubs: Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club, Nyah West Golf Club, Swan Hill Croquet Club, Lake Boga Bowls Club, Swan Hill Bowls Club, Swan Hill Lawn Tennis Club with clubs identifying different ways to increase participation of women in clubs as well more professional development for volunteers and funding for travel.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic some of the clubs had to postpone their planned activities which they had identified from Quick Wins



## Swan Hill

### Disability Awareness Program

#### Mallee Sports Assembly & Bowls Australia Inclusion Awareness Workshop

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Bowls Australia, Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club, Maureen Hewitt, Swan Hill College

Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club hosted an Inclusion Awareness Workshop, Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2019 for 16 Swan Hill College Sport & Recreation students. This was co-facilitated by Delia Baber – MSA, Paul Jackson – Bowls Australia and Maureen Hewitt – MSA volunteer.

The aim of the workshop is to raise awareness and give a greater understanding of supporting people with disabilities participate in physical activities for the upcoming Swan Hill Regional All Abilities Bowls event on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019. The students learned new practical skills and strategies to modify activities to include all participants.

The results of surveys from the students showed that all (16) students have an increased awareness of people with disabilities. The feedback was very positive with comments such as:

*We have been shown different ways of changing activities so that everyone can get involved.*

*Heaps of fun learning to play, the activities that we played were easy and fun. It helped me gain confidence for the bowls day.*

*Covered all aspects and was enjoyable to listen and participate in activities.*

*The experience of the workshop was really good, and I learnt a lot more about disabilities and bowls. Providing Disability Awareness to students raises awareness of people with disabilities, provides a greater understanding and assists in creating relationships and links for people with disabilities within our community.*

Thanks to Norm Smith and Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club for providing their facility and equipment for the workshop.



### Swimming For All Program

**Partners:** Echuca Discoveries, - Swan Hill, Swan Hill Leisure Centre, Mallee Sports Assembly

Echuca Discoveries-Swan Hill participated in swimming at Swan Hill Leisure Centre on Monday mornings with 10 participants supported by 6 staff. Participants enjoyed playing water volleyball, swimming, kicking, floating, and relaxing. Echuca Discoveries-Swan Hill purchased 2 x lifejackets to support adults with disabilities in the water. For some this is a life changing opportunity to feel the freedom, peacefulness, and sense of calm in the water.



## Swan Hill

### **Murray Mallee Mallee LLEN – Student Excellence Awards - MSA Sport & Recreation Award**

**Partners: MMLLEN, Mallee Sports Assembly, Swan Hill College and MacKillop College**

The 16th MMLLEN Student Excellence Awards were held 19<sup>th</sup> November at the Grain Shed in Swan Hill. What a fantastic night showcasing the amazing achievements of our VET, VCAL & SBAT students from around our region. Congratulations to all the students nominated. To the winners what a great reward for your efforts during 2019.

Winner of the Mallee Sports Assembly Sport & Recreation Award is Rory Colville from Swan Hill College. Rory has displayed an exceptional work ethic and attitude towards learning within VET Sport and Recreation and has been a standout student. Recently he has established professional working relationships with Swan Hill Specialist School, AFL Central Murray and Swan Hill North Primary School delivering a practical 3 x week AFL program focusing on AFL for youth with a disability. Rory has been involved in assisting Swan Hill North Primary School students in preparing for their upcoming Athletics Carnival. Congratulations Rory



## **Club Development**

### **Liquor Licence Course**

**Partners:** Nyah/Nyah West United Football Netball Club, Mallee Sports Assembly,

On 11<sup>th</sup> November Greg Currie a private facilitator conducted a Liquor Licensing Club Seminar to Nyah/Nyah West Football Netball Club and Swan Hill Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club.

The Club Seminar training is undertaken by club members in place of the new entrant training in order to meet the VCGLR training requirements for restricted club licence and renewable limited club licence. The session covers: different types of liquor licence for clubs, understanding club rules and types of visitors, the supply of liquor to members under a licence, interpreting a liquor licence, understanding a red-line plan, maintenance of sign-in registers, displaying appropriate signage licence breaches and the responsible service of alcohol in a licensed venue.



## Mildura

**Project:- Women's Baseball**

**Location:- Sunraysia Baseball League, Mallee Sports Assembly**

Throughout October and December 2019, Sunraysia Baseball League conducted the inaugural Mildura Women's Baseball competition. It has been fantastic achievement and undertaking by the league to conduct and coordinate this program.

Well done to Eagles and Wanderers who entered teams and encouraged and supported new people into the sport.

A big shout out to all the volunteers who helped make it possible - those who coached, scored, umpired, supported, cooked the BBQ and of course played! It was great to see the girls all having such a good time each week and the skills improved every time they took the diamond. Well done to Eagles on taking out the inaugural premiership in a close fought affair.

Sunraysia Baseball League are look forward to building this competition into bigger and better things going forward.



**Project:- Homebase Hoops**

**Location:- Mildura**

**When:- October 2019 and February 2020**

**Partners:- MSA, Chaffey Secondary College, Sunraysia Community Health, Homebase, Victoria Police, Mallee Accommodation Support Program, Department of Justice, Mallee District Aboriginal Services, Northern Mallee Community Partnership.**

For 6 weeks in October and November 2019, Homebase Hoops programs was conducted, with 76 young people registered and over 20 volunteers each evening the program and demonstrated it was a great success. Young people aged from 10 to 17 years old participated in the weekly basketball competition at Chaffey Secondary College stadium.

The program provides young people a safe and supportive environment to play basketball. A meal was provided to everyone who attended and transport home if required. The format for the competition was a round robin competition with each team playing 2 games and completing 1 workshop. The workshops over the 6 weeks varied from Speed Cup Stacking, Scouts, Martial Arts, Craft, Agility course, and developing the code of conduct.

Homebase Hoops commenced again in Term 1, 2020 but after two weeks, disappointingly the program was postponed due to the COVID-19. At these sessions 60 players participated in 3 rounds of basketball as well as workshops to develop code of conduct, team names, and posters identifying each team.

The program has over 20 volunteers including individuals as well as a number of other organization from the local community who supported the program on a weekly basis

### Quick Wins

**Quick wins for community clubs A resource to help clubs take action to increase promotion, participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls.**

**Quick Wins was delivered with the following clubs:-** Football Federation Sunraysia, Koowinda Hockey Club, Mildura Life Saving Club, Mildura Workers Bowls Club, Mildura-Coomealla Mountainless Bike Club, Sunraysia Baseball League, Sunraysia TaeKwon Do with clubs identifying different ways to increase participation of women in clubs, as well as more professional development for volunteers and funding for travel.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic some of the clubs have had to postpone their planned activities which they had identified from Quick Wins Checklist.



## Mildura

**Project:- Sunraysia Gender Equity Breakfast**

**Location:- Mildura**

**When:- November 15, 2019**

**Partners:- MSA, Mildura Rural City Council, Gender Equity Group Sunraysia, Mallee Family Care, Aligned Leisure.**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> November, Mr Peter O'Donnell, Executive Director Southern Cross Farms, Chairperson Mildura Airport and Committee member of Imperial Football Netball Club chaired the first Gender Equity Breakfast event in the region. Peter welcomed all in attendance as well as the guest speakers for the morning.

With sixty-five attendees from a variety of local sporting clubs, individuals and community organizations were at the Sunraysia Gender Equity Breakfast to hear guest speakers Shantelle Thompson a local Brazilian Jui-jitsu world champion and Simon Bryson. (Aligned Leisure). Both spoke on the importance gender equality and equity within sport and the club environment. Shantelle spoke on her personal experience in a non-traditional sport of Brazilian Jui-jitsu and how this involvement has developed her into the person, she is today. Children learn from what you do, not from what you say, this has the greatest impact. Simon is employed as the Group Operations Manager for Aligned Leisure and addressed the topic from an organizational perspective and personal experience, on why it is important to have gender equity within sport

Two local experienced sports people Jemma Johnson and Jenny Donnelly spoke on their experiences in sport and gender equity. Both of these women have been playing sport for a number of years, across a variety of sports. They acknowledged we are leading by example of how change can happen and that there are equal opportunities for everyone to play, coach, umpire and support your club, but change has to happen from top and bottom to ensure everyone is aware of the importance of gender equity.



# Together More Active Program



## Mildura

**Project:** 2019 Country Care Group All Abilities Cricket Carnival

**Location:-** Mildura

**When:-** 24th and 25th October, 2020

**Partners:-** Country Hearing Care; Mildura Rural City Council, Mildura Weekly, Cricket Victoria, Mildura Settlers Cricket Club, Merbein & District Community Bank, Banjo's Bakery Café Mildura, Pizza Café, and Sportspower.

On the 24 and 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Country Hearing Care All Abilities Cricket Carnival was held. Five local teams from Mildura and six visiting teams from across Victoria competed. The carnival was held over two days with a senior division with five teams and six teams in the school's section. Due to the hot weather on the first day one round of games was postponed to Friday morning. Over the two days 30 games of cricket was played with over 4,000 runs scored. It was pleasing to note the cricket skills of the participants who played in the carnival this year had improved immensely.

The success winning teams in each division were: Kalianna Specialist School – School Division and Ballarat Batlers – Seniors Division. With both of these teams winning all 5 games played.

We would like to thank all of our sponsors and volunteers for helping to make 2019 event a success.



**Project:-** Disability Awareness Program

**Location:-** Irymple South

**When:** September, 2019

**Partner:-** MSA and Irymple South Primary School

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019 Mallee Sports Assembly delivered the Disability Awareness Program to over 100 students and staff along with Grade 3 and 4 students at Irymple South Primary School.

This program is an inclusive and interactive primary school session, encouraging awareness and understanding of the challenges that may face children and adults with a disability.

Students and staff had the opportunity to experience a disability for a short time, through vision impaired glasses, wheelchairs, crutches, and arm slings whilst playing games in the playground.

All students and staff were encouraged at the conclusion of the session to provide feedback. Comments included: Staff - "Great use of resources to provide a realistic experience."

"The hands on 'person with a disability' and 'carer' activity was fabulous"

"Overall, fantastic program. We will definitely access it again ."Students – "I felt challenged, because I had to catch a ball with one arm, as well as having the glasses it was hard to see"



## Buloke/Gannawarra

**Project Name:** Hits & Giggles (Squash)

**Location:** Gannawarra Shire

**Where:** Cohuna Squash Club

**When:** Sept-Oct 2019-6 weeks

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Squash Vic, Cohuna Squash Club

The new Hits & Giggles (6 week squash program targeting girls/women) was instigated from the VicHealth "Quick Wins" checklist that the club completed which identified the action to increase promotion, participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls in the sport & recreation sector. The program also fitted nicely with the VicHealth "This Girl Can" campaign which celebrates women who are getting out there being active.

This non-committal program attracted both new and old players on the squash courts for some great, fun exercise.

Following play on the final session all the participants received a Squash Vic drawstring bag and stress ball and also health information that was sourced to include in these bags for the women to take home. Well done to the club volunteers who also put their hands to help as well as the one to be the program's coach/instructor. The venue was very tastefully decorated with balloons and streamers that also represented the colours of the Vic Health "This Girls Can" initiative and this new program certainly fits under this campaign ambition.

The outcomes from completing the Quick Wins Checklist certainly addressed the club Actions with 29 females participating in squash as well as volunteers from the club who have opportunities to increase leadership skills.



**Project Name:** Time 4 Me Netball Program - 4 weeks

**Location:** Gannawarra Shire

**Where:** Cohuna

**When:** October 2019

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Cohuna Netball Club

A new netball program named "Time For Me" (a netball program targeting girls/women) was conducted at the Cohuna Netball courts.

The MSA Project Officer met Cohuna Kangas Netball Club to discuss a new program which was instigated from the VicHealth "Quick Wins" checklist which helps clubs take action to increase promotion, participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls in the sport & recreation sector. This program also fitted nicely with the VicHealth "This Girl Can" campaign which celebrates women who are getting out there being active as well as strengthening links to the Cohuna Netball Club

The club was keen to give it a go with the support from the Mallee Sports Assembly. The program certainly addressed the Quick Wins Checklist target of increasing female participation with 40 women/girls of all skill levels being involved and being affordable with a welcoming fun, friendly atmosphere. .





# Regional Sport Program



## Buloke/Gannawarra

### Quick Wins

**Women and girls in sport: Quick wins for community clubs. A resource to help clubs take action to increase promotion, participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls.**

Quick Wins was conducted at the following clubs in the Buloke/Gannawarra local government area:- Cohuna Squash Club, Cohuna Kangas Netball Club, Donald Junior Cricket Association, Kerang Lawn Tennis Club, Cohuna Cricket Club, Kerang Golf Bowls Club, Donald Pony Club, Birchip Cricket Club.

The above clubs identified different ways to increase participation of women in clubs as well increasing professional development for volunteers and funding for travel.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic some of the clubs had to postpone their planned activities which they had identified from Quick Wins actions.



Kerang Golf Bowls Club



Donald Junior Cricket Assoc



Cohuna Cricket Club



Birchip Cricket Club



Cohuna Kangas FNC



Donald Pony Club

# Together More Active Program



## Buloke/Gannawarra

**Project Name:** Tennis For All-4 week program

**Location:** Buloke Shire

**When:** Completed 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Where:** Donald Lawn Tennis Club, Donald

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Donald Lawn Tennis Club, Tennis Vic, Donald High School

Tennis has always been a popular activity for people of all abilities. A four week program was conducted at the Donald Lawn Tennis Club with great support/involvement from a club volunteer of the Donald Lawn Tennis Club, staff and students of the Donald High School and Tennis Vic. Tennis Vic provided the club with balls and handed out Tennis Vic goodies to all participants on the final day. Staff and 18 students from the Donald High School assisted the club volunteer each week with the facilitation of the program. A “buddy” system was used where each student would pair up with a participant to assist and support them with their game. This worked very well and the interaction by both sectors of the community was very rewarding to see

A club volunteer of the Donald Lawn Tennis Club was inspirational (and always has been) with his continued support and cooperation for supporting programs for people of all abilities.



**Location:** Buloke Shire

**Where:** Donald

**When:** 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Partners-** Mallee Sports Assembly, Sport & Recreation Victoria, Donald Amateur Basketball Association (DABA) on behalf of the Donald Community Precinct

This was the first time for a long time that MSA (Wycheproof office) has been involved in the mapping/planning pathways for a club to utilize the new upgrade of the Donald Community Precinct. The new upgrade commenced approximately two years ago and the MSA were only informed late in 2019 about the project. It has been a long, drawn out affair for the clubs involved as the upgrade has taken much longer than originally anticipated to complete. This has disrupted many competitions and social events.

MSA finally met with three members of the Donald Amateur Basketball Association in March 2020. We completed a “Participation Plan” for the DABA which was submitted to SRV. Following our meeting, the Secretary of the Donald Amateur Basketball Association gave me a “tour” of the venue which is very impressive and accessible for all abilities.

SRV required more information that included other users of the venue and with the help from Gippsport this gave MSA a better insight of what was required and a great guide of how to address the reporting requirements for SRV.

With great assistance from MSA Mildura (who travelled down to Wycheproof for the day) we developed a template which was sent to the DABA to complete. Once completed and returned, the information (with participation photos) was forwarded on to SRV.

I enjoyed this new challenge and appreciated the extra support from Carmel, Gippsport and great cooperation from the executive of the Donald Amateur Basketball Association ward to the developments in the future.

# Sports Star - Mildura

Merbein & District  
**Community Bank** Branch **Bendigo Bank**



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## 28th Annual 2019 Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M

### Northern Mallee Sports Star Gala Awards Evening

The 2019 Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M Northern Mallee Sports Star Gala Awards evening was held on Friday 7th February, 2020. The Club Da Vinci Mildura was beautifully decorated for the occasion and the room was filled with representatives from many sporting codes. Mr Bill Sauer was the Master of Ceremony for the evening. To commence the evening Deserie Baynes (Wakefield) - Clay Target Shooting, Greg Rhodes - Golf, Life Saving, Football Umpiring, Volleyball and Alison Styles (Diggle) Volleyball were all inducted into the Northern Mallee Sports Hall of Fame.

After the presentation of the Northern Mallee Sports Hall of Fame we moved on to the presentation of the awards covering Master, Junior Encouragement, Senior Team, Junior Team, Club, Coach, Administrator, Disability, Aboriginal and Volunteer Awards. This was followed by the guest speaker for the evening being Mr Josh Dunkley-Smith a dual silver medalist at London and Rio De Janiero in the field of rowing.

Josh was born in 1989 and rowed for Mercantile Rowing Club in Melbourne with his first international event in 2009. He spoke of his pathway to rowing and how he was identified whilst in secondary school. His rowing achievements include: world record for 2km ergo trial (indoor rowing machine), 2 silver and 5 bronze World Championships and 2 silver Olympic medals.

Josh spoke about high and low expectations and how things like illness, accidents, team being under strength and factors outside of the your control can change everything. He spoke how you need to put things into perspective and how this has helped him though his sporting career and life. The most important message he has about life is that to be a good person and that entails being a "better person tomorrow than today and yesterday".

The final segment of the evening was the announcement of the 2019 Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M Northern Mallee Sports Star of the Year being Luke Argiro who was nominated by his home club of Mildura Clay Target. Luke was presented with the Peter Manolas Trophy as the 2019 Merbein & District Community Bank 97.9 Triple M Northern Mallee Sports Star of the Year.





## Sports Star - Mildura continued

Mallee Sports Assembly congratulates all nominees and winners of the Sports Star awards. The category winners on the night were:

**Northern Mallee Hall of Fame inductees** - Deserie Baynes (nee Wakefield).- Clay Target Shooting, Greg Rhodes - Golf, Life Saving, Football Umpiring, Volleyball and Alison Styles (nee Diggle) Volleyball

**Telstra Store Mildura - 2019 Master Athlete of the Year Award** - Kamahl Lord - BMX Racing

**AV Trophies - 2019 Junior Encouragement Award** - Willem Allen - Swimming

**Viatek - 2019 Senior Team of the Year Award** - Full Noize Racing Team - Speedway Sidecar Racing

**WIN TV - 2019 Junior Team of the Year Award** - Red Cliffs Football Netball U15 Division 2 Girls Netball Team

**Autosynergy - 2019 Club of the Year Award** - Ataru International Taekwon-Do

**Aligned Leisure - 2019 Coach of the Year Award** - Josh Barila - Swimming

**Sunraysia Daily - 2019 Sports Administrator of the Year Award** - Toney Hurley - Football (AFL) & Netball

**Rural Access - 2019 Athlete with a Disability Award** - Cosimo Cirillo - Football (Soccer)

**Mallee District Aboriginal Services - 2019 Aboriginal Sportsperson on the Year Award** - Jemmika Douglas Football (AFL)

**Mildura Rural City Council - 2019 Volunteer of the Year Award** - Marion Leslie - Football (AFL) & Netball



## Sports Star - Mildura continued

Mallee Sports Assembly acknowledges the support from the following sponsors of our Annual Awards

Merbein & District Community Bank

Telstra Store Mildura

Viatek

Autosynergy

Sunraysia Daily

Mallee District Aboriginal Services

Sportspower

Audisound

97.9 Triple M

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Aligned Leisure

Rural Access

Mildura Rural City Council

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Jeanette Worthington

Project Officer



# Good Sports



Good Sports has been the Community Partner with Mallee Sports Assembly for in excess of 18 years and I have delivered this program for more than 15 years. Each year Good Sports allocates a target for the MSA Mildura office, for club visits and community awareness and the 2019-2020 was 6, MSA accredited 13 clubs which exceeded our target by 7.

As the target was reached early Good Sports liaised with MSA and gave us more clubs to accredit with one being the Gannawarra local government area. Also, Good Sports had ceased a community partnership with Bowls Victoria who looked after the bowling clubs in Victoria who were Good Sports Accredited clubs. So with this Mallee Sports Assembly gained five extra bowling clubs to either move to the next accreditation. Also, once a club is accredited Level 3 they are each year to complete their monitoring on line. With a number of clubs not completing on line for various reasons Good Sports released a campaign to re-engage with clubs and MSA were given a number of clubs to engage with. From this Come Back Clubs campaign MSA re-engaged 8 clubs and Red Cliffs Bowling Club was the successful club in the Come Back Club campaign with their prize being \$1000 to go towards an event that they plan to conduct. Red Cliffs Bowling Club has not been able to conduct their event due to the Corona Virus 19 pandemic.

In 2019-20 Mallee Sports Assembly accredited 13 clubs (7 above the target) being:-

Coomella-Mildura Mountainless Bike Club	L1	Merbein Golf Club	L2
Mildura Life Saving Club	L2	Red Cliffs Bowling Club	L2
Sunraysia Rugby League	L2	Underbool Bowls Club	L2
Merbein Bowling Club	L3	Ouyen Bowls Club	L3
Mildura Lifestyle Plus	L3MR	Red Cliffs Fire Brigade Cricket Club	L3MR
Quambatook Bowling Club	L3MR	Red Cliffs Golf Club	L3MR
Ouyen United Football Netball Club	L3MR		

I attended one meeting of the Mildura Liquor Accord sub committee but since Covid-19 these meetings have not being conducted. By attending these meetings it keeps MSA abreast with the liquor licensing laws, compliance and liquor issues as well as strong links with the local police.

Due to Covid-19 we were unable to deliver Responsible Service of Alcohol courses and so therefore we only conducted 2 courses one with David Zacher on the 11th December, 2020 at Merbein South Cricket Club. We engaged with Jo Murray to be another deliverer of RSA courses as David did not wish to deliver so many as in previous years. So unfortunately Jo only delivered one at Irymple Football Netball Club on the 18th March and then Covid-19 lockdown hit. A RSA was planned to be held on 24th March, 2020 at the Imperial Football Netball Club with 24 enrolments but this was cancelled due to Covid19.

11/12/19 - Merbein South Cricket Club	18 participants - 09 sporting clubs
18/03/20 - Irymple Football Netball Club	15 participants - 04 sporting clubs

A total of 33 participants from 13 sporting clubs and organizations completed the RSA courses in the 2019/20 year.

Two Liquor Licensing Club Seminars were conducted at MSA Mildura to 3 participants from Nichols Point Tennis Club and Patchewollock Gun Club.

Mallee Sports Assembly is in the process of investigating the possibility of running both the Responsible Service of Alcohol course and the Club Seminars on-line.

I would personally like to thank Good Sports Victoria - Alcohol & Drug Foundation, Bill Karametos, Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation, Victoria Police, Mildura Liquor Accord, David Zacher, Jo Murray and especially all the accredited Good Sports clubs.



RSA Merbein South Cricket Club

### Level 1

Sunraysia Field & Game Nullawil FC South West Cricket Club, Mildura Harness Racing Club Sunraysia Willowfest Wentworth District Rowing Club (NSW)	Sunraysia Eight Ball Association Mildura Roller Derby, Nichols Point Cricket Club, Mildura United Soccer Club <b>Coomeealla Mildura Mountainless Bike Club</b>	Rivaside Hockey Club Irymple Football Netball Club Football Federation Sunraysia Cardross Cricket Club
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### Level 2

Mildura Rowing Club Mildura & District Ski Club <b>Merbein Golf Club</b> <b>Sunraysia Rugby League</b> Gol Gol Hawks Football Club (NSW)	Murrayville Football Club Irymple Cricket Club, <b>Red Cliffs Bowling Club</b> <b>Underbool Bowls Club</b>	North West Motorcycle Club Millewa Cricket Club <b>Mildura Life Saving Club</b> <b>Ouyen Bowling Club</b>
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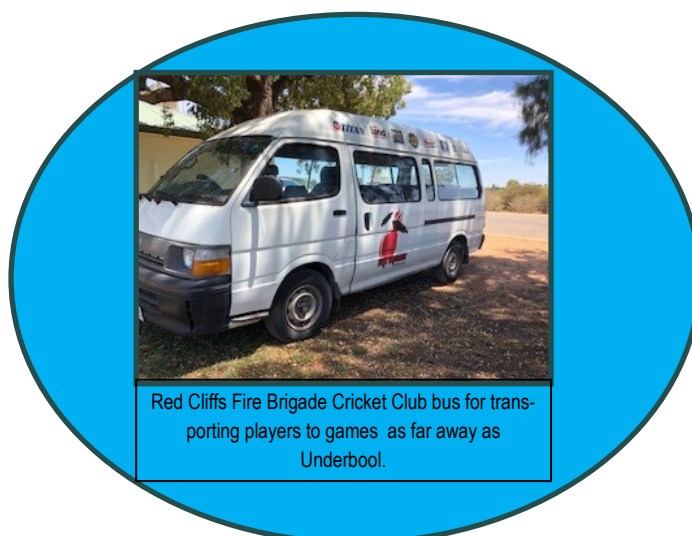
### Level 3

Mildura Motorcycle Club Mildura Speedway Drivers Club Mildura Settlers Cricket Club Mildura Lawn Tennis Club Wanderers Baseball Club Werrimull Football Netball Club Irymple Bowls Club Kenny Park Tennis Club Imperial Football Club Saints Baseball Club Mildura Basketball Association Mildura City Soccer Club Meringur Football Club <b>Lifestyle Plus Mildura</b> <b>Merbein Bowling Club</b> Workers Gol Gol Cricket Club (NSW)	Merbein Football Netball Club Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club Inc Bambill Football Netball Club Hawks Baseball Club Mildura Football Club Werrimull Football Club Sunraysia Dirt Karters Club Red Cliffs Football Netball Club Cardross Football Netball Club Merbein South Cricket Club Inc Mildura Workingman's Bowling Club Irymple Bocce Club Mildura Bowls Club <b>Red Cliffs Golf Club</b> <b>Quambatook Bowling Club</b>	Nangiloc Football Netball Club Sunraysia Softball Association Ouyen Lawn Tennis Club Sunraysia Football Umpires Association Sacred Heart/St Andrews Tennis Clubs Mildura East Cricket Club South Mildura Sporting Club Riverside Golf Club Robinvale Football Club Eagles Baseball Club Red Cliffs Golf Club Mildura Kart Club  <b>Ouyen United Football/Netball Club</b> <b>Red Cliffs Fire Brigade Cricket Club</b>
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### Level 0 (Alcohol free clubs)

Sunraysia Tae Kwon Do Red Cliffs Netball Three Colours Soccer Club Ouyen Gymnastics Club	Irymple Junior Football Club Robinvale Storm Rugby Club Mildura Powerlifting Club Mildura Alcheringa Pony Club	Diving Sunraysia Nichols Point Soccer Club Mildura & District Little Athletics
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**2020/21 Breakdown of Accredited Clubs - indicates accredited 2020/21 year Key - Red – Accred /Monitored MSA**



Jeanette Worthington

Project Officer

## Beyond the Front Step



In October 2019, MSA, commenced The Loddon Mallee Region Move It Project - 'Beyond the Front Step' (BFS) overseen by Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC) and Mildura Rural City Council (MRCC). This project is made possible by Australian Government's Move It AUS Better Aging Grant through Sport Australia.

The three Local Government Areas (LGA's) which include Buloke Shire Council, Swan Hill Rural Council and Mildura Rural City Council are proud to offer a wide range of activities to support people 65+ years and Aboriginal people aged 50+ years to be active, and improve older residents understanding of the benefits of regular physical activity, mental well-being, social connectedness and build the capacity of groups to deliver physical activities to older residents.

Our BFS project focuses on building the capacity of existing sport & active recreation providers; and developing new and exciting opportunities for people 65+ to be more active and connected and sustained, where possible.

BFS Project Officers planned, partnered with various organisations and individuals, and in some cases facilitated groups increasing skills and knowledge for and with participants, to enable Educate Taste & Test (ETT) sessions.

The 9 x 6week Education, Taste and Test (ETT) sessions attracted a total of 290 participants in our three LGA's engaging in various activities. Each participant, and others were invited and encouraged to complete our in-house survey. The ETT survey asked participants to indicate their current physical engagement and level of physical activities and desired choice of future activities for 65+

Most participants who were already engaged in physical activity indicated they would like to take up more activities, especially, if those they preferred were offered, some were happy with activities currently engaged in, and those not engaged in any activities would be interested in activities that were low or fee free.

Other factors participants told us which influenced their attendance was transport or access to transport or locally accessible areas to engage in activities. An example noted was that a public swimming pool not available in their town.

Many disclosed a health issue or condition, however, were generally happy to be involved in the next phase, where possible, and were pleased that exercises could be adapted to their own ability, more suitable times, days and affordable with most classes at a low or no cost.

The information collated directly drove the planning and implementation of activities offered for Stage Two of the project for January 2020.

BFS Phase Two started the year with preferred activities and included the addition of pre and post surveys conducted by and to be evaluated by Latrobe University, which will provide valuable information for future programs to benefit older Australians, going forward.

The physical activities are exactly what many of our cohort told us they wanted to participate in, and our Project Officers responded by enabling those physical activities.

These included Tai Chi, Life ball, Circuit, Cardio-Drumming, Pilates, Basic and Chair based exercises, Swimming/Aqua, Water Aerobics, Yoga Rock 'n' roll and Line Dancing.

Further information on the activities is provided by our Project Officers.

# Beyond the Front Step continued

## Buloke



Educate, Taste and Test activities were conducted across the Buloke local government area in Donald, Sea Lake, Birchip and Wycheproof to give the 65+ community an opportunity to try these activities. At the conclusion participants were surveyed to identify what physical activity sessions they would like to become involved in. From these surveys the following activities six week activities were planned:-

- Water Aerobics - Donald 6 weeks - twice a week - completed
- Water Aerobics - Wycheproof 6 weeks -- completed
- Line Dancing - Sea Lake - 5 weeks completed - the last session cancelled due to Covid-19
- Rock N Roll Dancing - Sea Lake - 6 weeks - 4 weeks completed - the final two sessions cancelled due to Covid-19
- Water Aerobics - Sea Lake - 3 weeks - twice a week - completed
- Yoga Flow - Wycheproof - 6 weeks - Only two sessions completed the last four sessions cancelled due to Covid-19

Other planned activities being Yoga (6 weeks) at Donald and Tai Chi (6 weeks) at Birchip had to be cancelled due to Covid-19. Both these activities will re-commence when restrictions are lifted.



Educate, Taste, Test at Birchip



Educate, Taste, Test at Sea Lake



Educate, Taste, Test at Donald



## Beyond the Front Step continued



### Buloke



Beyond the Front Step activities in Buloke area:

Line Dancing at Sea Lake

Donald Dolphins

Water Aerobics at Wycheproof

Yoga Flow at Wycheproof



# Beyond the Front Step



## Swan Hill

### Educate Taste Test

**Swan Hill Neighbourhood House, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Partners:** Swan Hill Neighbourhood House, Swan Hill District Health, Darren Keune, headspace, Art Therapy, Swan Hill Rock & Roll Club, Mary Day, Mallee Sports Assembly

This was the first of three Beyond the Front Step Educate, Taste, Test workshops in Swan Hill Shire and wow what a great day it was! We had fantastic guest speakers and physical activities to try including, Cardio Drumming, Art Therapy, Rock & Roll, Tai Chi, and guest speakers from Swan Hill District Health, and headspace.

The participants showed an interest in attending Cardio Drumming with Darren, which was anticipated to be held early 2020. The atmosphere in the room was incredible when the group was drumming. They were exercising and having great fun at the same time! The Tai Chi session was also very popular and hopefully there will be an increase in numbers attending the class held at Swan Hill Neighbourhood House on Tuesday nights.

Feedback regarding the day from participants was very positive, survey results regarding the barriers to physical activity were mainly health problems, back pain, and transport. As well as the Cardio Drumming & Tai Chi participants listed in the survey an interest in Pilates, Tennis, Dancing, and swimming. Which was to be followed up in 2020.

**Woorinen South Community Centre, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Partners:** Woorinen District Progress Association, Swan Hill District Health, Art Therapy, Mary Day, Mallee Sports Assembly

This was the second Educate, Taste, Test Workshop with great speakers and activities including Chairbased exercise – Delia Baber, guest speaker Matt Toohey from Swan Hill District Health talking about the benefits of exercise for mental health, Art Therapy with Lorri Lambert and Tai Chi with Mary Day followed by afternoon tea. The participants enjoyed the activities and presentations, it was great to see such a big roll up from a small community. Survey results from participants showed the barriers are: cost, work, health, pain, transport and arthritis. Activities that they would like to participate in: Tai Chi, Yoga, Pilates, arts, swimming, golf, tennis, walking and Chair Yoga.

**Swan Hill Leisure Centre, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

**Partners:** Swan Hill Leisure Centre, Donna Salathiel, Darren Kenue, Shirley Swan, Sharon Rogers, Shanai Kelly, Mallee Sports Assembly.

This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final Educate, Taste, Test Workshop also having great speakers and activities! Twelve people 65+ attended Beyond the Front Step at Swan Hill Leisure Centre, the group had a great time trying out equipment and having a look around the Centre. Donna Salathiel, Sharon Rogers and Shirley Swan shared their expertise regarding the benefits of physical activity and healthy lifestyles. Shanai Kelly demonstrated the use of circuit equipment in the gym.

A positive outcome from this workshop is the request from the participants of circuit and aqua/swimming, stretching and Pilates classes. Plans were put in place for the program to begin 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 of a 6 x week program consisting of: 2 x weeks of circuit, 2 x weeks of swimming/aqua, 2 x weeks of Pilates.

A sincere thank you to Swan Hill Neighbourhood House, Woorinen Progress Association, Swan Hill Leisure Centre, Swan Hill District Health, headspace, Darren Kenue, Mary Day, Swan Hill Rock & Roll Club and Art Therapy for your expertise and for making all our participants feel very welcome at the Educate, Taste, Test workshops!

**Promotion** was by email through local networks, visiting existing exercise groups, FB, newsletters, and radio.



1st Educate Taste Test



2nd Educate Taste Test



3rd Educate Taste Test

# Beyond the Front Step



## Swan Hill

**Swan Hill Neighbourhood House** - Swan Hill Neighbourhood House received equipment funding through MSA's Beyond the Front Step Program for 25 new stackable chairs to ensure the sustainability of older adult exercise classes once the Beyond the Front Step (BFS) 65+ program is complete.



### Beyond the Front Step Six Week Physical Activity Program for Adults 65+

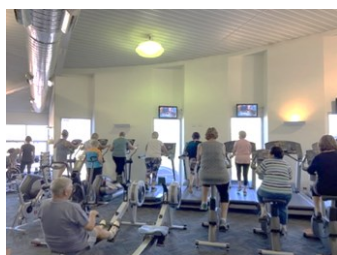
**Partners: Swan Hill Leisure Centre, Donna Salathiel, Darren Kenue, Mallee Sports Assembly**

The launch of this physical activity program was held on Wednesday 19th February 2020 at Swan Hill Leisure Centre with a circuit class followed by a healthy lunch attracting 23 participants.

For some it was the first time they had ever been into a gym, so it was very exciting! Participants enjoyed trying out the cardio equipment – treadmills, both the stationary & recumbent exercise bikes, rowing machines, stair climbers and cross trainers also the pin-loaded weight machines. It was great to see the participants trying out the equipment in the gym, everyone was supported by experienced and motivational instructors.

The program is designed to suit all ages and fitness levels of people 65 and over and is a mixture of various activities for participants to try out to consider what activity suits them best. This six week program consists of two weeks of circuit, followed by two weeks of swimming/aqua and two weeks of Pilates/stretching. Then we stopped abruptly once Covid-19 restrictions were announced with our final session on 18th March. We are looking forward to restarting this program once Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. It is anticipated that an ongoing weekly physical activity program for 65+ will be planned at the Leisure Centre.

Special thanks to Swan Hill Leisure Centre and staff members Darren Keune and Donna Salathiel for their expertise, care, and support of participants.



## AGE NO BARRIER

THE Mallee Sports Assembly launched a new six-week physical activity program for adults aged 65 or older last month.

The Swan Hill Leisure Centre hosted the launch party on February 19, where 23 participants took part in a circuit class and lunch.

Mallee Sports Assembly project manager Delia Baber said it was pleasing to see some people walking into a gym for the first time.

"Participants enjoyed trying out the cardio equipment — treadmills, both the stationary and recumbent exercise bikes, rowing machines,

stair climbers, cross trainers and pin-loaded weight machines," Baber said.

"It was great to see everyone trying out the equipment in the gym, where everyone was supported by experienced and motivational instructors."

The program is designed to suit all ages and fitness levels of people 65 and over, with a mixture of various activities for participants to figure out what activity suits them best.

Funding for the program was received through the Australian Government's Move It AUS - Better Ageing Grant program.

The grant aims to develop and implement local community-based activities and promote physical activity among older people.

Baber said the six-week program consists of two weeks of circuit, followed by two weeks of swimming/aqua and two weeks of pilates/stretching.

"If this program continues to attract participants, it is anticipated that an ongoing weekly physical activity program will be planned at the leisure centre," she said.

For more information, contact Baber on 0429 332 008.



Participant Rod Perris, Swan Hill Leisure Centre staff member Darren Keune, participant Glenys Perris and Swan Hill Leisure Centre staff member Donna Salathiel. **Picture: PAMELA BLACKMAN**



# Beyond the Front Step



## Mildura

### Educate, Taste and Test Sessions

**Partners:- MSA, Red Cliffs Community Resource Centre, Red Cliffs Physiotherapy Centre, The Vines, Lime Therapy, Janet Stanbrook, Mallee Track Health & Community Services**

During November and December 2019, MSA conducted three Educate, Taste and Test sessions for the Beyond the Front Step program in Red Cliffs, Ouyen and Mildura. With 114 people attending and completing our brief survey to determine what, why and how people over 65 exercise in the region.

Each of these sessions included something for everyone. In Red Cliffs, Sandra Boulton from Red Cliffs Physiotherapy Centre conducted two sessions on the importance of being active and exercise you can do at home.

In Mildura, a session at The Vines Retirement Village, a Lifeball demonstration was conducted by Janet Stanbrook, chair based exercises delivered by and Lime Therapy visited and spoke on the importance of being active.

An Ouyen session was well attended by the local residents. Sandra Monaghan conducted a Tai Chi session, and the local physiotherapist at Mallee Track Health and Community Services, delivered an information session on the importance of being active for life.

The participants completed a survey throughout the Educate, Taste and Test sessions which determined people are currently already doing a variety of activities to keep them active within the local community. These include: Walking, Golf, Lawn Bowls, Swimming, Tai Chi, Gym/Fitness sessions, Croquet, Lifeball and more.

These participants indicated that they would like to try additional sports and activities including: Tai Chi, Dancing, Basic exercise, Pilates, Yoga, and Aqua Aerobics, to name a few. This information advised us on what activities and sports that people in the Sunraysia region would like to see more of.

Red Cliffs



Mildura



Ouyen





# Beyond the Front Step



## Mildura

### Basic Exercise and Tai Chi – Red Cliffs

**Partners:- MSA, Red Cliffs Physiotherapy Centre, Red Cliffs Community Centre, Karen Willcock**

During February and March, Mallee Sports Assembly along with Red Cliffs Community Resource Centre conducted Tai Chi and Basic Exercise Classes with great success. These classes have been open to people over 65 in the local community.

Karen Willcock, a Tai Chi instructor taught the of basic moves and the benefits of Tai Chi to the participants for the 6 weeks of the program.

Basic Exercise Classes with Amanda Ramsey from Red Cliffs Physiotherapy Centre has been a success with up to 11 people attending the six weekly classes held at the Resource Centre. With this partnership with the Red Cliffs Community Resource Centre this has resulted in new people visiting their facilities at the centre and enjoying the weekly classes. Further classes are been discussed for the coming months.



Basic Exercises

Tai Chi



## International Day of People with Disability

**International Day of People With Disability** is a United Nations sanctioned day that is celebrated internationally. It aims to increase public awareness, understanding and acceptance of people with disability and celebrate their achievements.

### Swan Hill

**Partners:** Lake Boga Yacht Club, Sailability, Progressive Unity Disability Network, Mallee Sports Assembly

In Celebration of International Day for People with Disabilities a day at Lake Boga was planned featuring sailing with Sailability, jack attack bowls, minor games, art, craft, bike riding and swimming. This was a very successful event with approximately 90 people attending, With Harry the DJ playing great music added to the atmosphere and the weather was perfect, especially for sailing.

The event was open to the community to attend, participants were from Swan Hill Specialist School, Echuca Discoveries & Echuca Discoveries – Swan Hill, VIVID and people from Swan Hill Shire.

The Sailability event would not be a success without the support from Lake Boga Yacht Club volunteers plus Ian and Hamilton from Sailability. Thank you for your expertise and support especially for providing your assistance and patience to participants for safe entry to Sailability Access Dinghy and safety boats. This was a wonderful experience for many people to be able to go sailing!

International Day was organised with the assistance of Mallee Sports Assembly, Carer Support Services, Rural Access, Swan Hill Rural City Council, Swan Hill Neighbourhood House, Sunraysia TAFE, Axis Employment, Echuca Discoveries & Echuca Discoveries – Swan Hill and PUSH committee.

Special thanks to Carer Support Services for providing funding for Sailability, Rural Access, Tracy McLoughlan for providing art, craft and games, Axis Employment for providing BBQ lunch, Sarina Kelly for donating fruit and PJ McCoy for bringing his bikes. Thanks to Sailability, Lake Boga Yacht Club, all volunteers and organisations for assisting the event to be such a success.



### Mildura

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Cardross Primary School

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2019 Mallee Sports Assembly visited Cardross Primary School and celebrated International Day of People with a Disability with grades 2 to 6 by conducting the Disability Awareness Program. Seventy students from these grades were involved in the sessions throughout the day.

This program is an inclusive and interactive primary school program encouraging awareness and understanding of the challenges that may face children and adults with a disability. The program explores opportunities to increase disability awareness in order to reduce stigma, encourage access, inclusion and increase participation. Students had the opportunity to experience “hands on” activities and discuss it afterwards.

Many thanks to the Cardross Primary School for having the Disability Program delivered during International Day of People with a Disability.



## International Day of People with Disability

### Buloke

**Partners:** Buloke Shire Council, Donald Primary School and Mallee Sports Assembly

Mallee Sports Assembly Wycheproof Project Officer co-ordinated the event with support from the Buloke Shire Council. The celebrations were conducted on Wednesday November 27<sup>th</sup> 2019 at the Donald Primary School stadium.

The morning commenced with Karen Bibby of Woodbine conducting a warm up drill to get everyone in the mood and ready for action. This was followed by a 40 minute dance/exercise session facilitated by Certificate 1V Fitness instructor Brenda Doran from Birchip. Brenda had the music pumping and everyone was moving well whilst following her moves. There were plenty of smiles around the stadium and the participation by all was excellent. In between this exercise, many also played table tennis on the three tables set up for a good hit. The activities worked up a hunger for all the participants.

Then everyone adjourned to the kitchen/dining room of the Donald Primary School for a healthy, light lunch with many of the attendees dressing in "Christmas festive" bling. Games were organized by staff of McCallum Day Services and Woodbine for some fun and entertainment. Everyone also received a badge, pens and balloons from the International Day for People With a Disability organization and we thank them for their continued support.

MSA Project Officer Rhonda thanked the Donald Primary School for use of their venue as well everyone for coming and the wonderful staff from both the day services and parents/carers for their continued support and encouragement to ensure they have the best time as well as including physical activity into their daily routine. A great day had by all.



### Gannawarra

**Partners:** Mallee Sports Assembly, Gannawarra Shire Council, Central Victorian Training Group, Kerang Golf Club

The Kerang Golf Club hosted the 2019 International Day for People With a Disability with participants attending from Vivid Living (Kerang). Activities on the day were mainly putting and driving (golf), quoits and the old timers game of horseshoes. All Activity winners were presented with medals donated by Sportspower-Kerang. This was followed by a healthy BBQ lunch along with fresh fruit platters provided the wonderful staff of Central Victorian Training Group.

This day was well received by all in attendance along with the Mayor of Gannawarra - Lorraine Learmonth as well as Kerang Golf Club.



## Regional Events

### Regional All Abilities Bowls

#### 2019 Annual Regional All Abilities Lawn Bowls Carnival

**When:** Thursday 22nd August, 2019

**Where:** Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club

**Partners -** Mallee Sports Assembly, Bowls Australia, Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club, Swan Hill College Sport & Recreation students.

Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls hosted the fifth Regional All Abilities Bowls event Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019. The day was a great success with 70 participants of all abilities from: Vivid – Swan Hill & Kerang, Balranald MacKillop Rural Community Services, Swan Hill Specialist School, Echuca Discoveries & Echuca Discoveries - Swan Hill and Mallee Family Care.

Swan Hill College Sport & Rec students assisted participants with games over the day. The students are a credit to the College as students did an awesome job providing support with great skills and enthusiasm! Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club and club volunteers certainly put every effort into providing a welcoming environment for people of all abilities, ensuring everyone has a great time.

Participants enjoyed morning tea before hitting the rinks playing Lawn Bowls and Jack Attack Bowls. This was followed by lunch which was catered for by the club for approximately 100 people including supporting staff, students, teachers, carer's and volunteers. Mallee Sports Assembly, Bowls Victoria and Bowls Australia provide support and equipment to Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club for the event. Bowls Victoria provided a lawn bowls green friendly wheelchair that has bigger tyres so there are no divots made in the greens. Participants received show bags supplied by Bowls Victoria.

Special thanks to Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club, Swan Hill College Sport & Rec students, Bowls Victoria, Bowls Australia, volunteers, carer's and all staff for joining together to provide this wonderful opportunity to people of all abilities.



#### 2020 Annual Regional All Abilities Lawn Bowls Carnival

**When:** Thursday 5th March 2020

**Where:** Mildura Workers Bowls Club,

**Partners -** Mallee Sports Assembly, Mildura Workers Bowls Club, Bowls Australia, Bowls Victoria, Bowls Sunraysia Euston Bowling Club

The second Mildura All Abilities Regional Lawn Bowls Carnival was conducted on the 5th March, 2020. A great event was held with 45 students from Mildura Specialist School playing bowls in the morning and 18 adults participating in the afternoon. The skill level and enthusiasm for the carnival showed a great deal of improvement from week 1 of practice.

The inclement weather did reduce the amount of time played in the morning, but this made the teams and individuals more competitive. As part of the event, two teams played Jack Attack games.

In the afternoon matches, participants from Sunraysia Residential Services (SRS) played against SuniTafe/ Christie Centre. Everyone played in pairs for the competition with the winning pair scoring over 17 points.

All players, carers, support staff and volunteers had a wonderful day bowling with lunch in the club rooms. Many thanks to partners involved in the day to make it such a successful day.





## Regional Events

### Regional All Abilities Bowls

#### 2019 Annual Regional All Abilities Lawn Bowls Carnival

**When:** Thursday 19th September, 2019

**Where:** Stawell Bowling Club

**Partners -** Mallee Sports Assembly, Stawell Bowling Club, Wimmera Regional Sports Assembly, Sports Central - Ballarat, Bowls Australia

The Annual Regional Lawn Bowling All Abilities event was once again conducted at the Stawell Bowling Club. The theme as in past years was “footy” colours with most attendees wearing their favourite football colours with a variety of AFL teams represented.

With sixty-nine participants, 23 staff/carers/spectators, 4 sports staff and 9 Stawell Bowling Club volunteers present on the day. All participants were graded before the day and placed in different skill level sections this allowed a section for every ability. Jack Attack kits provide a modified game to encourage increased participation. This equipment assist new-comers and participants with limited ability with their game. This was very popular which gave their game angle angle of approach. A tube device was set-up which also allowed people with limited movement to join in on the game.

Following play, everyone enjoyed a BBQ lunch along with fresh fruit prepared by the Stawell Bowling Club. Many thanks to the supportive staff and carers who assisted and encouraged the participants and helped to make this a successful events. To the Stawell Bowling Club many thanks for providing all the bowling equipment, coaching, cooking and serving of the food, this was appreciated by all at the event.



#### Bowls Victoria Grants Workshop – Swan Hill

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September, Mallee Sports Assembly co-presented a grants workshop to Lawn Bowls clubs from across the Mallee region at Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club. Mallee Sports Assembly was represented by Tanya from the Mildura office and Rhonda from the Wycheproof office. The three hour workshop was part of series of sessions that Bowls Victoria have delivered across the state to help, assist and support local bowls clubs.

Presentations on the day were from Bowls Victoria, MSA and Swan Hill Rural City Council on the topic of grants available. With 11 people in attendance from 9 different clubs across the Mallee region including – Birchip Bowls Club, Woomelang Bowls Club, Sea Lake Bowls Club, Cohuna Golf Bowls Club, Kerang Bowls Club, Culoga Bowling Club, Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club, Mildura Workers Bowls Club, and Underbool Bowls. The grants workshop was to assist grant writers within clubs to better understand how to put a successful application together. MSA provided the clubs represented with a template on some of the questions funding bodies may ask when submitting an application. The clubs were asked to look at all aspects of their club, in what, how and why they do, to ensure they have all the information needed when developing a submission for a grant, large or small.





# Regional Events

## Calendar of Events



Merbein & District  
**Community Bank** Branch **Bendigo Bank**



Mallee Sports Assembly is proud to announce a new partnership between the Merbein & District Community Bank and Mildura Real Estate to sponsor the 2020 Calendar of Events. The calendar brings customers and communities together across the Mallee region. This calendar is an effective promotional tool to show case the broad range of sport and recreation events held across the Mallee. The calendar also is another way to raise the profile of the different clubs and associations that exist in these communities.

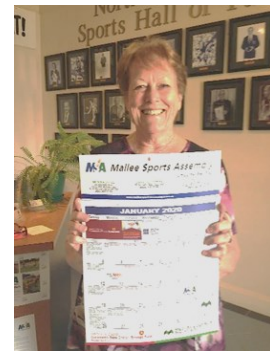
The 2020 MSA Calendar aims to encourage participation for all including people least active, people with disabilities as well as multi-cultural and people from low socio-economic backgrounds.

Five hundred calendars have been printed and will be distributed to sport, recreational groups as well as other organisations across the local government municipalities of Mildura, Swan Hill, Buloke and Gannawarra.

Mallee Sports Assembly Executive Officer Carmel Mackay said "The calendar is an important annual program coordinated by the Assembly, especially in times of hardship when social interaction in communities becomes so important for all."



Sponsors of 2020 MSA Calendar – Mildura & District Real Estate – Rodney Healy and Laura Waters; MSA Executive Officer Carmel Mackay and Merbein & District Community Bank - Pat Irwin



Mildura Dragon Boat Club



Donald Pony Club



Swan Hill Bowls Club



Cohuna Golf Club

## Regional Events

### Mallee Sports Assembly Club Webinars

As a result of Corona Virus –19, Mallee Sports Assembly staff contacted over 80 sporting clubs and associations across the Mallee region in regard to the issues and concerns clubs were experiencing. Many of the issues included - finance, meetings, mental health and the future of their club.

The clubs were contacted via phone, email, Facebook, Website and three online webinars. Mallee Sports Assembly offered support and advice to the clubs and associations.

Executive Officer, Carmel Mackay said “keeping in contact with our local sporting clubs and members is important during these times. We want to support and assist our clubs to ensure they are ready to re-start their sport once restrictions have eased.”

Mallee Sports Assembly conducted three online workshops – 12 & 14 May and the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020; also in attendance were leaders from the community who had expertise covering governance, law and finance. With 67 clubs from across the Mallee region in attendance several topics were discussed including how and what to do during this downtime, to prepare their sport for when it begins again. These included: strategic planning, financial management, communication strategy, facility improvements and planning major events. Clubs were also given the opportunity to share their issues and good news stories as part of the online sessions.

Sports from across the Mallee involved included: Bowls, AFL Football, Netball, Golf, Horse Riding, Gliding, Hockey, Tennis, Squash, Swimming, Basketball, Baseball, Athletics, and Soccer. Many thanks to Peter O'Donnell, Don Harley and Kathy Carusella for the guidance given at these webinars.

**CLUB WEBINAR  
WORKSHOP**

**WEBiNAR**

# Mildura Acquired Brain Injury Recreation

## Woodwork Group

**The Mildura ABI Recreational Woodwork Program** was initiated in 1995 for people with Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) through the collaborative efforts of a number of local community agencies. Over the 25year journey there have been extensive achievements of individuals and overwhelming & positive impacts on people with ABI, their families and carers; which has led participants exploring other opportunities in the community.

The program has created a raised community awareness of ABI, which develops a greater understanding and leads to an increased participation of people with ABI in community sport & recreational activities.

The 2019 program continued to have the long term support from Bendigo Health Care, TAFE Building Studies Department, our very own MSA volunteer – Wayne, staff support from Mildura City Council Aged & Disability Services; and transport assistance from Sunassist. The funding to underpin the program has been provided for over 10years from Bendigo Health. With the introduction of the NDIS the group funding for this program is no longer available and factor in Covid 19 the program has not been facilitated this year; maybe 2021 will bring new opportunities.





# International Men's Day

**International Men's Day** encourages **men** to teach the boys in their lives the values, character and responsibilities of being a man. Mahatma Gandhi said, "We must become the change we seek." It is only when we all, both **men** and women, lead by example that we will create a fair and safe society which allows everyone the opportunity to prosper.

**International Men's Day – Celebrated annually on the 19th November**

**Mallee Sports Assembly celebrating International Men's Day with our Blokes/Mates in the Mallee**



Mallee Sports Assembly acknowledges the contributions from Merbein-South Cricket Club and Sunraysia Rugby in supporting the International Men's Day.

**INTERNATIONAL  
MENS DAY  
November 19**

## 2019-2020 Projects Summary

2019 Country Hearing Care All Abilities Cricket Carnival

Active Girls Breakfast and Leadership Forum

Active Youth Program – Birchip

All Abilities - Tennis – Donald

All Abilities – Basketball - Donald

All Abilities – Circuit and Swimming – Swan Hill

All Abilities – Cricket Camp – Donald

All Abilities – Golf – Kerang

All Abilities – Netball – Donald

All Abilities – Tennis – Kerang

All Abilities Bowls Carnivals – Stawell, Swan Hill and Mildura

All Abilities Football – South Mildura

All Abilities lawn Bowls – Mildura Workers Bowls Club

Acquired Brain Injury Woodwork Recreational Program

Beginners Tennis – Swan Hill Tennis Club

Beyond the Front Step - Tai Chi – Red Cliffs

Beyond the Front Step – Basic Exercises – Red Cliffs

Beyond the Front Step – Donald Dolphins, Wycheproof Water Aerobics, Sea Lake - Line Dancing, Rock N Roll Dancing, Water Aerobics

Beyond the Front Step – Educate, Taste & Test – Sea Lake, Donald, Birchip, Swan Hill, Red Cliffs, Ouyen and Mildura

Beyond the Front Step – Swan Hill Physical Activity Program, Circuit, Aqua

Beyond the Front Step – Wycheproof – Yoga Flow

Bowling with Babies

Bowls Victoria Grants Presentation

Club Health Check – Mildura Pistol Club

Club Health Checks – Nyah West Golf Club

Disability Awareness Program – Cardross Primary School, Irymple South Primary School

Disability Awareness Workshops – Murray ACE and Sunraysia TAFE – Swan Hill'

Echuca Discoveries – Swan Hill

Fair Play Code Workshop

Fast 4 tennis program – Charlton this was cancelled due to harvest

Fast 4 tennis program – Wycheproof - this was cancelled due to harvest

Futsal

Gannawarra Health & Wellbeing Network – committee member

Gannawarra Youthworks – committee member

Gender Equity Action Group Sunraysia

Golf program – Donald

Golf program – Kerang

Homebase Hoops

Inclusion Workshop – Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club – see Carmel



## 2018-2019 Projects Summary continued

International Day – Swan Hill, Buloke, Gannawarra, Mildura

Introductions to Taping and Emergency Response Coordinatory Course

Junior Golf Program

LDAT Youth Network

Level 1 and 2 Sports Trainers course Re-accreditation course – Charlton

Level 1 Sport Trainers course – Charlton

Level 1 Sports Trainer Course & Reaccreditation – Lake Boga Football Netball Club

Level 2 Sports Trainers Re-accreditation and spinal course – Kerang

Mallee District Aboriginal Services – Elders

Masters Dance

Member Protections Information Training (MPIO)

Mental Health event – Buloke Shire

Mind, Body and Fitness – Swan Hill Leisure Centre

MMLN – VET in Schools Students Excellence Awards

MSA Club Webinar

MSA Family Violence Presentation

MSA Guided Conversations –

MSA, Community Bank of Merbein, Mildura District Real Estate - Calendar of Events – Mildura, Swan Hill, Buloke & Gannawarra

Multicultural Come and Try Football & Netball - Swan Hill

Multicultural Women's Swimming Program - Mildura

Multicultural Women's Yoga - Swan Hill

Progressive Unity Swan Hill Disability Network

Provide First Aid – Swan Hill Neighbourhood House

Quick Wins – Birchip Cricket Club

Quick Wins – Cohuna Cricket Club

Quick Wins – Donald Pony Club

Quick Wins - Donald Junior Cricket Association

Quick Wins – Football Federation Sunraysia

Quick Wins – Kerang Golf Bowls Club

Quick Wins - Kerang Lawn Tennis Club

Quick Wins – Koowinda Hockey Club

Quick Wins – Lake Boga Bowls Club

Quick Wins – Mildura Life Saving Club

Quick Wins – Mildura Workers Bowls Club

Quick Wins – Mildura-Coomealla Mountainless Bike Club

Quick Wins – Nyah West Golf Club,

## 2018-2019 Projects Summary continued

Quick Wins – Swan Hill Bowls Club  
Quick Wins – Sunraysia Baseball League  
Quick Wins – Sunraysia TaeKwon Do  
Quick Wins - Swan Hill Croquet Club  
Quick Wins – Swan Hill Lawn Tennis Club  
Quick Wins - Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club,  
Rock Up Netball - Swan Hill, Mildura  
SMPCP – Health & Wellbeing Partnerships  
SMPCP – Promoting Healthy Lifestyles  
Sunraysia Sporting Equity Breakfast  
Swan Hill Community Services Network  
Swan Hill Food Security  
Swan Hill Leisure Centre  
Swan Hill Neighbourhood House Committee – OH&S, Finance, Forest of Christmas Trees, Men's Shed  
Swan Hill Rural City Council – Recreation Reserves Master Plan Study, Aquatics Steering Committee, Our Game Plan  
Swan Hill Settlement Service  
Swan Hill Soccer League  
Tennis for All - Mildura  
Tennis program – Birchip  
Tennis program – Kerang  
This Girl Can – Buloke, Gannawarra, Swan Hill and Mildura  
Vivid  
Volunteers Day  
Woorinen South Progressive Association  
Woorinen South Walking Club  
Woorinen South Walking Club – 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday

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 Donald High School

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 Donald Lawn Tennis Club Inc  
 Donald Netball Club  
 Eagles Baseball Club (Mildura) Inc  
 East End Community House  
 Football Federation Victoria - Sunraysia  
 Gannawarra Shire Council  
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 Hawks Baseball Club  
 Irymple Bowls Club  
 Irymple Football Netball Club  
 Irymple Knights Soccer Club  
 Irymple Secondary College  
 Irymple Swimming Club  
 Kerang Golf Bowling Club  
 Kerang Bowling Club Inc  
 Kerang Football & Netball Club Inc  
 Koondrook/Barham Football Netball Club  
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 Lake Boga Bowling Club  
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 Mallee Touch Association  
 Merbein Golf Club  
 Merbein P-10 College  
 Merbein-South Cricket Club  
 Meringur Football Club  
 Mildura & District Little Athletics Centre  
 Mildura Alcheringa Pony Club Inc  
 Mildura and District Ski Club  
 Mildura Basketball for All  
 Mildura BMX Club  
 Mildura Bowls Club Inc.  
 Mildura Calisthenics Club  
 Mildura City Soccer Club Inc  
 Mildura Clay Target Gun Club  
 Mildura Club Da Vinci Inc.

## Financial Members - continued

Mildura Dragon Boat Club	Nullawil Lawn Tennis Club
Mildura East Cricket Club	Nullawil Netball Club
Mildura Football/Netball Club	Nursery Ridge Cricket Club
Mildura Golf Resort	Nyah District Bowling Club Inc
Mildura Gymnastics Club	Nyah West Golf Club Inc
Mildura Harness Racing Club	Ouyen Bowls Club
Mildura Horse Complex	Ouyen Golf Club
Mildura Go-Kart Club Inc	Ouyen Lawn Tennis Club
Mildura Lawn Tennis Club	Ouyen United Football & Netball Club Inc
Mildura Life Saving Club	Patchewollock Gun Club
Mildura Motorcycle Club	Quambatook Football Netball Club
Mildura Murray Masters Swimming Club	Red Cliffs Bowling Club
Mildura Pistol Club	Red Cliffs Cricket Association
Mildura Powerlifting Club Inc	Red Cliffs Football Netball Club
Mildura Racing Club	Red Cliffs Golf Club Inc
Mildura RC Car Club	Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club
Mildura Roller Derby	Robinvale Euston Football/Netball Club
Mildura Rowing Club	Robinvale Lawn Tennis Club Inc
Mildura Rural City Council	Sacred Heart/St.Andrews Tennis Club
Mildura Settlers Cricket Club	Saints Baseball Club
Mildura Smallbore Rifle Club Inc	Sea Lake & District Community Centre
Mildura Speedway Drivers Club Inc	Sea Lake Golf Bowls Club
Mildura Squash Inc	Sea Lake/Nandaly Tigers Football Netball Club
Mildura Swimming Club	South Mildura Sporting Club Inc
Mildura United Soccer Club	South West Cricket Club
Mildura West Cricket Club Inc	St Joseph's College Mildura
Mildura Workers Bowls Club	Sunraysia Academy of Sport
Mildura-Coomealla Cycling Club	Sunraysia Baseball League Inc.
Mt Wycheproof & District Field & Game	Sunraysia Cricket Association
Murrabit Lawn Tennis Club Inc	Sunraysia Darts League
Murrabit Netball Club Inc	Sunraysia Dirt Karters
Murray Adult Community Education	Sunraysia Drag Racing Association
Murrayville Recreation Reserve	Sunraysia Eightball Association
Nangiloc & District Bowls Club	Sunraysia Field & Game Inc
Nangiloc & District Football Club Inc	Sunraysia Football Netball League
Nichols Point Cricket Club	Sunraysia Football Umpires Assoc Inc
Nichols Point Soccer Club Inc	Sunraysia Gliding Club Inc
North West Vic Adult Riding Club	Sunraysia Hockey Association
North West Victorian Motorcycle Club	Sunraysia Rugby League
Northern District Health Services	Sunraysia Softball Assoc Inc
Nullawil Football Club	Sunraysia Table Tennis Association

## Financial Members - continued

Sunraysia Taekwon Do  
Sunraysia Volleyball Inc  
Sunraysia Willowfest  
Swan Hill Bowls Club Inc  
Swan Hill Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club  
Swan Hill Gymnastics Club Inc  
Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club  
Swan Hill Soccer League Inc  
Three Colours Soccer Club Inc  
Tooleybuc Managatang Football Netball Club  
Tyntynder Football Club  
Vision Australia  
Wandella Football Netball Club  
Wanderers Baseball Club  
Wentworth & District Football Club  
Wentworth Bowling Club  
Wentworth District Rowing Club  
Werrimull Football/Netball Club  
Woodbine Inc  
Woorinen & District Progress Assoc  
Woorinen South Walking Club  
Workers Gol Gol Cricket Club  
Wycheproof & District Lawn Tennis Club Inc  
Wycheproof Community Resource Centre  
Wycheproof Narraport Football Club Inc  
Wycheproof P12 College  
Wycheproof-Narraport Hockey Club Inc



## Acknowledgements & Major Supporters



3SH –Swan Hill	Buloke Shire Council
97.9 Triple M	Buloke Times-Donald
ABC Mildura-Swan Hill	Cardross Primary School
Advance Sea Lake	Carol Reid - Birchip
AFL Sunraysia	Central Murray Football Netball League
AFL Vic Country	Chaffey Secondary College
Alcohol & Drug Foundation - Good Sports	Change Our Game
Aligned Leisure	Charlton Badminton Club
Andrew Spitty—PGA coach	Charlton Netball Club
Asteria Services	Charlton Pony Club
Audiosound	Charlton Recreation Reserve
Autosynergy	Club DA Vinci
AV Trophies	Cohuna Cricket Club
Averyll Loft - Wycheproof	Cohuna Golf Bowls Club
Axis Employment	Cohuna Kangas Football Netball Club
Bambill Football Netball Club	Cohuna Squash Club
Banjo's Bakehouse Mildura	Committee of Management - MSA
Basketball Victoria	Community Bank - Charlton, Donald
Bendigo Bank - Kerang	Community Bank Merbein and District
Bendigo Bowling Centre	Country Hearing Care
Bendigo Carer Support	Cricket Victoria
Bendigo Health Care Group	Damian Gibson
Bendigo Pistol Club	Darren Keune
Bill Madaferri	David Alderuccio
Birchip Business & Learning Centre	David Jonkers
Birchip Cricket Club	David Zacher
Birchip P-12 School,	Dawn Ferrier (SMA Instructor)-Echuca
Birchip Rifle Club	Department of Health & Human Services
Birchip Tennis Club	Department of Justice & Regulation
Birchip-Watchem Netball Club	Don Harley
Bowls Australia	Donald Amateur Basketball Association
Bowls Sunraysia	Donald Bakery
Bowls Victoria	Donald Cricket Club
BRACE	Donald CWA
Brenda Doran - Birchip	East End Community House

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Donald Field & Game  
 Donald Golf Bowls Club  
 Donald High School  
 Donald Junior Cricket Association  
 Donald Lawn Tennis Club  
 Donald Learning Centre  
 Donald Netball Club  
 Donald Pony Club  
 Donald Primary School  
 Donald Recreation Reserve  
 Donna Salathiel  
 Dr Ros McCallum - Sea Lake  
 E.W.Tipping Foundation  
 Eaglehawk YMCA  
 East Wimmera Health Service-  
 Echuca Discoveries – Swan Hill  
 Evelyn Keyes-Ultima  
 EWorks  
 eWorks-Kerang  
 FLO  
 Gannawarra Health & Well-being network  
 Gannawarra Shire Council  
 Gannawarra Times-Kerang  
 Gannawarra Youthworks Network  
 Garry Johnstone  
 Genevieve Foot - Birchip  
 Gippsport  
 Golden Groover's Exercise Group  
 Golf Australia  
 Greg Keyes-Ultima  
 Hands Up Mallee  
 headspace  
 Homebase  
 Ian Jinnette  
 IPWD-Melbourne  
 Irymple Football Netball Club  
 Irymple Secondary College  
 Irymple South Primary School

Jacinta Connelly-Birchip  
 James Huckson  
 Jeanette Young  
 Jeffcott Cricket Club  
 Jemma Johnson  
 Jenny Donnelly  
 Jilarty Café  
 Jo Jos Pizza-Bendigo  
 Joanne Murray  
 Julie Stephens - Sea Lake  
 Kalianna Specialist School  
 Karen Willcock  
 Kathy Carusella  
 Kerang Amateur Basketball Association  
 Kerang Bowling Club  
 Kerang Community Care  
 Kerang Football Netball Club  
 Kerang Get It Done-  
 Kerang Golf Bowls Club  
 Kerang Golf Club  
 Koondrook Barham Football Netball Club  
 La Trobe University  
 Lake Boga Bowls Club  
 Lake Boga Football Netball Club  
 Lake Boga Yacht Club  
 Lakeside Golf Club  
 Leitchville Bowls Club  
 Lime Therapy  
 Loddon Murray Hockey Club  
 MacKillop College  
 Macorna Football Netball Club  
 MADEC  
 Mallee Accommodation Support Program  
 Mallee District Aboriginal Services – Mildura, Swan Hill  
 Mallee Family Care  
 Mallee Track Health & Community Service  
 Mallee Accommodation Support Program  
 Mallee District Aboriginal Services – Mildura, Swan Hill

## Acknowledgements & Major Supporters

Mallee Family Care	Peter O'Donnell
Mallee Track Health & Community Service	Pinnacle Inc
Maree Cullen - Donald	Pizza Café
Maureen Hewitt - Volunteer	Progressive Unity Swan Hill
Maxine Thompson	Quambatook Football Netball Club
McCallum Day Services - St Arnaud	Rachel Ferrier-Birchip
Melbourne Renegades	Radio 3SH
Merbein Football Netball Club	Ramsay Health Care – Mildura Base Hospital
Merbein South Cricket Club	Red Cliffs Community Resource Centre
Mildura and District Real Estate	Red Cliffs Physiotherapy Centre
Mildura Bowls Club	Regional Sport Victoria
Mildura Calisthenics Club	Royal Hotel - Sea Lake
Mildura First Aid Services	Rural Access
Mildura Mixed Martial Arts	School Focused Youth Service - Kerang
Mildura Netball Association	Sea Lake Nandaly Football Netball & Hockey Club
Mildura Pistol Club	Sea Lake Neighbourhood House
Mildura Rural City Council	Settlement Planning Committee
Mildura Scouts Group	Shantelle Thompson
Mildura Senior College	SMARTFM
Mildura Settlers Cricket Club	South Mildura Sporting Group
Mildura Specialist School	Southern Mallee Primary Care Partnership
Mildura Weekly	South West Sports Assembly
Mildura Workers Bowls Club	Sports Central (Ballarat)
MIXXFM	Sports Medicine Australia
Move It Program	Sportspower – Mildura
Multicultural Women's Group	Sportspower - Kerang
Murrabit Lawn Tennis Club	Squash Victoria
Charlton Amateur Basketball Association	Stawell Bowling Club
Murray ACE – Adult Education	Stawell Times - News
Murray Mallee LEN	Sunraysia Baseball League
Natalie Jenkins	Sunraysia Community Health Services
Netball Victoria	Sunraysia Daily
Nicole Cutri	Sunraysia Gliding Club
North Central News -St Arnaud	Sunraysia Institute of TAFE
Northern District Community Health Service (Kerang)	Swan Hill Adult Day Services
Nyah District Bowls Club	Swan Hill Basketball Association
Nyah West Golf Club	Swan Hill Bowls Club
Nyah/Nyah West United Football Netball Club	Swan Hill Cricket Association
Perfect Fit	Swan Hill Community Services

## Acknowledgements & Major Supporters

Swan Hill College  
Swan Hill Croquet Club  
Swan Hill Gymnastics Club  
Swan Hill Health and Wellbeing Network  
Swan Hill Health Promotion  
Swan Hill Health Service  
Swan Hill Indoor Recreation Centre  
Swan Hill Leisure Centre  
Swan Hill Mental Health  
Swan Hill Neighbourhood House  
Swan Hill Netball Association  
Swan Hill Rural City Council  
Swan Hill Racecourse Bowls Club  
Swan Hill Settlement Services  
Swan Hill Soccer League  
Swan Hill Specialist School  
The Guardian Newspaper  
Telstra Business Centre – Mildura  
Tennis Victoria  
The Christie Centre  
The Vines Retirement Village  
This Girl Can  
Times Ensign - Sea Lake  
Tony Scott  
Tooleybuc Manangatang Football Netball Club  
Tyntynder Football Netball Club  
Totally Workwear  
Verdict Catering  
Victoria Police – Mildura, Swan Hill  
Vivid  
Wandella Football Netball Club  
Warracknabeal Herald - Warracknabeal  
Wimmera Mallee Cricket Association  
Wimmera Regional Sport Assembly  
WIN TV  
Woodbine  
Wycheproof Bowls Club

Woorinen Football Netball Club  
Woorinen South Walking Club  
Wycheproof Community Resource Centre  
Wycheproof-Narraport FC

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**Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**

**Financial Statements**  
**For The Year Ended 30 June 2020**

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## MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED ABN 23 602 119 389 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

### Principal Activities

During the year, the principal activities of the Mallee Sports Assembly (MSA) were to conduct programs and activities in the Mallee that promote and encourage healthy lifestyles, wellbeing and active recreation through inclusion of all.

Programs delivered by MSA on behalf of the following in the past year include::

- VicHealth - Regional Sport Program
- Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions - Together More Active Program
- Alcohol & Drug Foundation - Good Sports Program
- Macedon Ranges Shire Council - Beyond the Front Step Program
- Bendigo Health Care - ABI Recreational Woodwork

These activities are consistent with the regular operations of the Mallee Sports Assembly and reflect its articulated vision, mission and values.

Expenditure increased by 25% during the year with employee expenses accounting for 30% of the total increase. Rent relief was received during the year due to COVID-19.

The surplus for the year was \$95,813 (2019: surplus of \$16,531). The 2019/20 surplus is primarily the unexpended funds for the Beyond the Front Step Project, (due to the Covid 19 Pandemic all activities & associated costs were postponed). These funds will be expended in the 2020/21 year to complete the program.

An amount of \$60,000 was received late in the financial year for the 'Together More Active' Program. This has been recorded as "Other current liabilities" on the balance sheet to then be recorded as income in the 2020/21 financial year.

### Short-term Objectives

The short term objectives of the MSA are expressed in its 2018-2021 Strategic Plan and include:

- Continue to increase the range of services to individuals who are disadvantaged, experience poverty and distress, have disabilities along with the wider community through connections primarily through sport and active recreation.
- To promote the activities of the MSA and the health, education and social benefits of sport, active recreation and social inclusion.
- To ensure the MSA has the resources, financial capacity and capability to deliver programs and services in a sustainable manner to meet the needs of the community as identified by funding bodies and grants.
- Provide services and programs which accommodate identified local needs across the region through partnering and responding to funding opportunities while maintaining financial viability of the MSA.

### Long-term Objectives

- Develop and participate in programs by enhancing relationships with agencies and deliver programs in the Mallee to promote sport, active recreation and healthier lifestyle programs to support individuals and clubs/groups in the Mallee.
- Provide support to individuals within each community utilising local clubs to include those from Culturally & Linguistically Diverse backgrounds, Indigenous communities, young people, women & girls, seniors, those from low socio economic backgrounds, disadvantaged and people with disabilities.
- Undertake programs using sport and active recreation as one entry point for individual social program interventions to assist at risk individuals across the Mallee.

### Strategies for achieving short and long-term objectives

- Ensuring program objectives and design align with any funding organisation's vision and goals.
- Each program delivered by MSA will provide strong administrative and project management support to deliver high quality outcomes.
- Developing effective relationships with other organisations that may have an interest in supporting & developing program/s.
- Involving people from a range of backgrounds in planning and implementing the program activities.

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**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
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- Ensuring people who are involved in programs from a range of backgrounds feel encouraged and supported to participate in safe & welcoming environments.
- Distributing information about the program activities in diverse forms through a range of mediums, such as social media, newsletters, website flyers, community radio, local media and calendar of events.
- Review and evaluate the impact of the programs being implemented.

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**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS & OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Revenue	2	704,805	505,132
Employee Expenses		462,164	355,629
Depreciation		4,348	5,395
Rent		20,578	24,514
Travelling Expenses		10,056	12,256
Advertising		6,479	6,669
Telephone		8,846	11,774
Other Expenses	3	96,521	72,364
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>608,992</b>	<b>488,601</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>95,813</b>	<b>16,531</b>
<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the Year</b>		<b>95,813</b>	<b>16,531</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020 \$	219 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4	438,005	438,762
Trade & Other Receivables	5	1,139	6,675
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>439,144</u>	<u>445,437</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Plant & Equipment	6	19,560	17,178
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>19,560</u>	<u>17,178</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>458,704</u>	<u>462,615</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Payables	7	23,896	49,412
Provisions	8	150,542	125,681
Other Current Liabilities	9	60,000	157,500
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>234,438</u>	<u>332,593</u>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Provisions	8	3,841	5,410
<b>TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>3,841</u>	<u>5,410</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>238,279</u>	<u>338,003</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>220,425</u>	<u>124,612</u>
<b>MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>			
Reserves	10	9,152	9,152
Retained Earnings		211,273	115,460
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>		<u>220,425</u>	<u>124,612</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	Retained Earnings	Asset Revaluation Reserve	TOTAL
		\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2018		98,929	9,152	108,081
Surplus for the Year		16,531	-	16,531
Balance at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2019		115,460	9,152	124,612
Surplus for the Year		95,813	-	95,813
Balance at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2020		<b>211,273</b>	<b>9,152</b>	<b>220,425</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



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**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from grants & customers		611,529	554,286
Payments to suppliers and employees		- 606,868	(477,565)
Interest received		1,312	1,001
<b>Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities</b>	11	<u>5,973</u>	<u>77,722</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment			-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(6,730)	-
<b>Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities</b>		<u>(6,730)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Payment of borrowings		-	-
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(757)	77,722
Cash at beginning of financial year		438,762	361,040
<b>Cash at end of financial year</b>	4	<u><b>438,005</b></u>	<u><b>438,762</b></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

**Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

These financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria. The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Association in the preparation of these financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

- a. Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)**  
Plant and equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.  
The depreciable amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.
- b. Employee Benefits**  
Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.
- c. Cash and Cash Equivalents**  
Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.
- d. Revenue and Other Income**  
Grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered, or conditions are fulfilled, are considered reciprocal. Such grants are initially recognised as a liability and revenue is recognised as services are performed or conditions fulfilled. Revenue from non-reciprocal grants is recognised when the Association obtains control of the funds.  
  
All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).
- e. Goods and Services Tax (GST)**  
Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.
- f. Comparatives**  
Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year where required by accounting standards or as a result of a change in accounting policy.

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MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

## Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

### g. Key Estimates

#### *Impairment*

The Association assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluation of conditions and events specific to the group that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

### h. New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The AASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods and which the Association has decided not to early adopt. The Association does not expect that these changes will have a material effect on its financial statements.

**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 2: REVENUE</b>		
Interest	1,312	1,001
Operating Grants	573,155	425,798
Member Subscriptions	4,078	3,482
Profit on Sale of Assets	-	-
Sponsorship & Donations	15,659	13,791
Cash Flow Boost & Job Keeper Payments - COVID	59,471	0
Other Revenue	51,130	61,060
	<b>704,805</b>	<b>505,132</b>

**NOTE 3: OTHER EXPENSES**

Catering	13,041	12,528
Programs & Workshops	14,930	11,828
Consulting & Professional Fees	-	1,716
Insurance	5,865	6,681
Motor Vehicle Expenses	4,679	4,857
Photocopier	4,163	6,153
Auditors Remuneration	2,000	2,000
Other Expenses	564,313	442,838
	<b>608,991</b>	<b>488,601</b>

**NOTE 4: CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Cash at Bank	363,931	366,000
Term Deposits	74,074	72,762
	<b>438,005</b>	<b>438,762</b>

**NOTE 5: TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES**

Trade Debtors	2,459	6,675
Accrued Income	(1,320)	-
	<b>1,139</b>	<b>6,675</b>

**NOTE 6: PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

Computer Equipment	44,234	36,902
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(37,015)	(35,537)
	<b>7,219</b>	<b>1,365</b>
Office Furniture & Equipment	8,007	8,007
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(6,662)	(6,360)
	<b>1,345</b>	<b>1,647</b>
Motor Vehicles	49,888	49,888
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(38,892)	(35,722)
	<b>10,996</b>	<b>14,166</b>
Total Plant & Equipment	<b>19,560</b>	<b>17,178</b>

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## MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED

ABN 23 602 119 389

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

#### NOTE 6: PLANT & EQUIPMENT

##### a. Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant & equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

	Plant & Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Opening Balance	3,012	14,166	17,178
Additions	6,730	-	6,730
Disposals	-	-	-
Depreciation Expense	(1,178)	(3,170)	(4,348)
Closing Balance	8,564	10,996	19,560

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 7: PAYABLES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accrued Expenses	3,848	15,978
GST Payable	6,964	22,615
Payroll Liabilities	12,994	9,109
Other Payables	90	1,710
	<b>23,896</b>	<b>49,412</b>

#### NOTE 8: PROVISIONS

##### CURRENT

Provision for Annual Leave	48,504	42,409
Provision for Long Service Leave	102,038	83,272
	<b>150,542</b>	<b>125,681</b>

##### NON CURRENT

Provision for Long Service Leave	3,841	5,410
	<b>3,841</b>	<b>5,410</b>
	<b>154,383</b>	<b>131,091</b>

#### NOTE 9: OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Income Received in Advance	60,000	157,500
	<b>60,000</b>	<b>157,500</b>

#### NOTE 10: RESERVES

##### Asset Revaluation Reserve

- The asset realisation reserve records revaluations of property, plant & equipment.



**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 11: CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>		
<b>Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		
Surplus/(Deficit)	95,813	16,531
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
Depreciation	4,348	5,395
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
increase in trade and term debtors	5,536	(2,345)
increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(25,516)	6,916
increase in employee benefits	23,292	1,275
increase in other liabilities	(97,500)	52,500
	<u>5,973</u>	<u>77,722</u>

**NOTE 12: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

At 30 June 2020 the Committee is unaware of any liability, contingent or otherwise, which has not already been recorded elsewhere in these financial statements.

**NOTE 13: CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

At 30 June 2020 the Committee is unaware of any capital or leasing commitments which have not already been recorded elsewhere in these financial statements.

**NOTE 14: RELATED PARTIES**

The names of the Committee members who have held office during the period are:

Greg Leslie - Chairperson	Leanne Morgan - Secretary
Gayle Danson - Vice Chairperson	Ben Beasy
Maddie Allomes	Shirley Boulton
Troy Bailey	Chris Harvey
Louise Williams	

If there are any transactions between related parties they are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties.

**NOTE 15: EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER REPORTING DATE**

Since the date of these financial statements, there have been no events occurring after reporting date which require specific disclosure.

**NOTE 16: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

The association's activities are funded by the Department of Health & Human Services and Vic Health. At the date of this report, the members of the Committee had no reason to believe that these government departments would not continue to provide financial support to the Mallee Sports Assembly.

# Finance Report

MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED

ABN 23 602 119 389

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

## NOTE 17: ASSOCIATION DETAILS

The principal place of business of the association is:

101-101A Ninth St  
MILDURA VIC 3500

# Finance Report

**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that these special purpose financial statements should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Committee the financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated as at 30 June 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



Greg Leslie - Chairperson



Leanne Morgan - Secretary

Dated this 26th day of October 2020

# Finance Report

## INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED ABN 23 602 119 389

### Auditor's Opinion

The financial report of Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated has been audited. This comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the responsible persons' declaration.

In my opinion, the financial statements of Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated present fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Mallee Sports Assembly Incorporated as of 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic).

### Basis for Opinion

The audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statement' section of the report. I am independent of the organisation in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standard Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to the audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

The audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic) and for such internal control as the responsible persons determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the responsible persons are responsible for assessing the organisation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the responsible persons either intend to liquidate the organisation or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The responsible entities are responsible for overseeing the organisation's financial reporting process.

### Auditor's Responsibility

The auditor's objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, professional judgement is exercised and professional scepticism is maintained throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by responsible entities.

# Finance Report

## INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED ABN 23 602 119 389

- Conclude on the appropriateness of responsible entities' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I'm required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion. Conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with responsible entities regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that are identified during the audit.



Kellie Jane Nulty  
Dated this 26th day of October 2020



# Finance Report

**MALLEE SPORTS ASSEMBLY INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 23 602 119 389**  
**DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Income</b>		
Member Subscriptions	4,078	3,482
Interest Income	1,312	1,001
Subsidies & Grants	573,155	425,798
Sponsorship & Donations	15,659	13,791
Dinner Tickets	8,895	7,929
Cash Flow Boost & Job Keeper Payments - COVID	59,471	-
Other Income	42,235	53,131
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>704,805</b>	<b>505,132</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Accounting Fees	1,752	2,514
Advertising	6,479	6,669
Administration - MSA	18,119	-
Bad Debts	4,090	-
Bank Charges	465	614
Catering	13,041	12,528
Cleaning	491	1,142
Computer Expenses	3,910	723
Consulting & Professional Fees	-	1,716
Depreciation	4,348	5,395
Electricity	2,718	2,389
Employee Benefits Expense	23,292	(1,275)
FBT Costs	390	604
General Expenses	1,377	1,391
Hire of Plant & Equipment	101	606
Insurance	5,865	6,681
Motor Vehicle Expenses	4,679	4,857
Permits, Licenses & Fees	63	-
Photocopier	4,163	6,153
Postage	886	1,185
Printing & Stationery	3,782	3,440
Programs & Workshops	14,930	11,828
Rates	3,164	5,261
Rent	20,578	24,514
Repairs & Maintenance	-	-
Salaries	401,667	327,709
Speaker Fees	1,182	1,000
Staff Training	837	136
Subscriptions	4,931	4,499
Sundry Expenses	5,975	3,701
Superannuation	36,815	28,591
Telephone	8,846	11,774
Travelling Expenses	10,056	12,256
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>608,992</b>	<b>488,601</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) Attributable to Members</b>	<b>95,813</b>	<b>16,531</b>

