

Media Release

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SPORTING CLUBS IN VICTORIA ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FOR GRANTS

Sporting clubs from across Victoria are being urged to apply for funding to boost their equipment, skills and administration expertise.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence today announced that applications are now open for the latest round of the Victorian Government's *2020-21 Sporting Club Grants Program*.

The grants provide clubs with up to \$1,000 for new uniforms and equipment, up to \$5,000 for the training of coaches, officials and volunteers and up to \$5,000 to improve club operational effectiveness.

The funding will help people of all ages and abilities take part in grassroots sport, no matter where they live and is a great boost for clubs during the coronavirus pandemic.

Previous grant recipients include Altona Laverton Eagles Basketball Club which scored \$1,000 to purchase new uniforms and Bittern Tennis Club which received \$5,000 to develop a plan for increased membership, participation and sustainability.

The *Sporting Club Grants Program* is part of the Government's commitment to make sport more accessible and inclusive, build sustainable sport and recreation, and increase local participation. The Government has provided more than 4,300 sporting club grants across the state, totalling more than \$5.9 million.

For more information on the grants and how to apply go to sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/sporting-club-grants-program.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"Restrictions have had a heavy impact on participation in community sport but that hasn't stopped the people behind our clubs from continuing to work for their communities."

"We're making sure that clubs have the resources they need to invest in new equipment and uniforms, to train their people and to plan for a strong future."

"I encourage all local clubs to take this opportunity for the benefit of players, supporters and volunteers across the state."