

Media Release

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SUPPORT FOR MOTORSPORT CLUBS SHIFTS INTO TOP GEAR

The Andrews Labor Government is revving up its support for grassroots motorsport and motorcycling clubs with more grants to keep the engines running.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence today announced the 60 projects to share in more than \$456,000 from the Labor Government's *Community Motorsport Program*.

The grants help motorsport and motorcycling clubs to upgrade safety, train volunteers and officials, boost participation particularly for women and girls and host events.

The latest round of recipients includes Club Resto My Ride in Williamstown, which received \$20,000 to update their website and set up a podcast dedicated to female car restoration enthusiasts.

Leongatha Motorcycle Club also received \$13,000 to help purchase first aid kits, upgrade its outdated membership systems and train volunteers.

The Wimmera Kart Club also received close to \$10,000 towards the purchase of a safety and recovery response car to assist with track incidents.

The *Community Motorsport Program* is part of the Labor Government's \$7.4 million *Racing into a New Era for Motorsport* initiative.

It's aimed at addressing gaps in motorsport infrastructure and equipment, training volunteers and officials, supporting young enthusiasts and women to get involved.

Motorsport in Victoria supports more than 4,000 jobs and contributes about \$700 million to the Victorian economy.

Since 2014 the Labor Government has invested more than \$1.6 billion in community sport and recreation infrastructure.

For more information about grant recipients and future funding opportunities visit sport.vic.gov.au.

Quote attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"Motorsport continues to grow in popularity and this funding program is designed to support more people to get behind the wheel."

Quote attributable to Member for Williamstown Melissa Horne

"Investments in local clubs like these make a genuine difference to motorsport clubs and the communities involved in them."

Quote attributable to Sam Martin, Membership Manager, Club Resto My Ride

"Club Resto my Ride is very excited to receive this contribution of funds from the Government to support our member website and our 'Motorvated Women' podcast."

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