

Media Release

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REGIONAL GRANTS FOR ALL ABILITIES SPORT

Victorians living with a disability can look forward to more opportunities to be involved in the sports they love, with the Allan Labor Government announcing the recipients of grants supporting even more people to participate on and off the field.

Minister for Community Sport, Ros Spence today announced 88 grants worth more than \$1.5 million from the *Regional All Abilities Participation Grants* program for grassroots sport and active recreation clubs, and not-for-profit organisations.

With grants of up to \$25,000, the program aims to increase access, inclusion and options for people living with a disability to reap the benefits of sport and active recreation in regional Victoria.

The Shepparton Netball Association will receive \$15,000 for a year-round All Abilities Netball Program co-designed by people living with a disability. The Program will include summer and winter seasons and a Walking Netball program.

Cycling Without Age Gippsland has scored more than \$22,000, to support people living with a physical and cognitive disability to get involved in cycling in their local community.

Murray Human Services will be using its \$20,000 grant to install MultiBall in Echuca, an interactive, all ability sport wall to support adults living with a disability including those with sensory or behavioural needs who are unable to participate in traditional sports.

Disabled Wintersport Australia received more than \$21,000 towards accessible equipment including sit skis, headsets for vision impairment, and outrigger skis to make skiing in Victoria's alpine regions more accessible.

The program is part of the Labor Government's \$40 million *All Abilities Sport Fund* that is removing barriers for people with disability to get involved in sport and recreation across regional Victoria.

Increasing opportunities for more Victorians to participate in sport and active recreation is a key objective of the Labor Government's Active Victoria 2022-2026 – a strategic framework for sport and active recreation in Victoria.

For more information on the grants and a full list of recipients visit sport.vic.gov.au

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"We're delighted to back initiatives that increase all-abilities opportunities for Victorians whether as instructors, coaches, volunteers or administrators."

"We want to create inclusive environments for people with disability to not only participate but kick start new opportunities in a range of roles in the sports they love."