

# Annual Report | 2016 - 2017

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# **REPORT** Australian Sports Commission John Wylie AM - Chair

# Message from the Australian Sports Commission

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) thanks all of our partner national sporting organisations (NSOs) for your continued hard work and commitment to excellence. All of you understand innately the importance of sport in Australian life. It's much more than a source of national identity and pride, it's the fabric that binds us together - a common language for all, with multiplier benefits in health, education, social cohesion and the economy.

There were many great sporting events to celebrate during the course of last year – the launch of both the AFL Women's competition and the National Netball League with prime-time TV coverage, our most successful winter sports season ever on the world stage, and fairytale victories against the odds for Cronulla in the NRL and the Western Bulldogs in the AFL.

Last year's Olympic and Paralympic Games underscored the challenge however for Australia in retaining its status as one of the world's pre-eminent sporting nations, given rising competition from developed and developing nations alike. We must keep innovating, being bold and willing to change both on and off the field if we are to succeed, not just in Olympic and Paralympic sports but across the sporting spectrum.

We appreciate the willingness of NSOs to embrace this challenge. We commend athletes for their dedicated commitment to training ahead of the PyeongChang 2018 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games and, further ahead, the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

One of the most important long-term challenges for our country is to help our children be physically active, to participate in sport and enjoy its lifelong benefits.



The ASC's Sporting Schools program has now reached more than 5,600 primary schools around Australia and has already begun a targeted program for high schools. It is vital to ensure physical education is re-emphasised in the national school curriculum. To this end, the ASC has been doing ground-breaking work on physical literacy for children and youth and we look forward to rolling this out nationally in the year ahead.

As the national leadership organisation for sport in Australia, the ASC was delighted when our new Minister for Sport the Hon. Greg Hunt recently proposed a National Sports Plan, the preparation of which will be led by the ASC. This will create, for the first time, a comprehensive blueprint for Australian sport. It's an outstanding initiative and we thank the Minister for his leadership and vision. We hope all NSOs take the opportunity to contribute their views to the plan.

Most of you will know that this year the ASC welcomed a new CEO Kate Palmer, a talented sports leader, who has quickly built excellent relationships with sports and is embracing the challenges ahead with an inspiring enthusiasm.

Finally, I say a big thank you to the army of volunteers – parents, coaches, officials and administrators - who contribute their time and services for the good of Australian sport. You bring community strength, passion and great value to the identity, productivity, cohesion and health of our nation.

The ASC wishes you every success in the year ahead. We look forward to working closely with you for the common good of Australian sport.



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# REPORT Sport Inclusion Australia President Wayne Bird

Welcome to the 2017 Annual General Meeting. This has been a hectic year, full of many highlights and I have pleasure in presenting my report to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting. My report is brief as Robyn has prepared a more detailed overview



Another highlight has been the work we have completed in China through the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Asian Sport Partnership. We are delighted that Kelly Bowen has joined us to teach basketball to children with a disability and coach the coaches in Shenzhen, the sister city of Brisbane. This has led to Sport Inclusion Australia building a strong relationship with National Paralympic Committee China and later this month we will conduct an eligibility forum for in excess of 30 Chinese psychologists to ensure that athletes with an intellectual disability have access to International pathways. We also look forward to seeing China compete in National events here and the Global Games in Brisbane.



Due to my work commitments, I have had to cut down on a few of my commitments. I did not seek re-election to the INAS Governing Board early in the year and have recently stepped down as Chair from the Global Games Sports Company. I will still stay closely involved through



my Presidency with Sport Inclusion Australia. I wish Rob Peak, the newly appointed Chair, every success.

Finally, I want to thank the Sport Inclusion Australia Board who have provided extensive support to myself as the President and the staff. We want to make special mention of Deidre Anderson who is not seeking reelection and sincerely thank her for her incredible contribution to the Board, we have certainly benefitted from her vision and skills. We wish her well in her future endeavours. Lalso want to thank all of the State Member Organisations, who are in fact the backbone of the organisation, for the continued work you do to provide for our athlete members. Finally, to Robyn and her staff, Kellie, Michael, Jenny, Samantha and Greg for the wonderful work they have done.

Thank you all and best wishes.

Wayne Bird President



# It's About Sport



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# **REPORT** Sport Inclusion Australia CEO

Welcome to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of Sport Inclusion Australia, our first full year under the Sport Inclusion Australia banner. The rebranding has continued to provide a strong platform for change and innovation and combined with strong strategic goals has provided us with direction and a myriad of initiatives in the 2016/2017 year and I have pleasure in providing my report.

Coordinating the foundation blocks for the 2019 INAS Global Games, employing a few additional staff, working across Victoria following the merge with VICSRAPID, conducting forums, consolidating the NEXT GEN ATHLETE project and development of the Asian Sport Partnership in Shenzhen China has added to the enormity of the year.





The NEXT GEN ATHLETE Grant and Scholarship program has been a fantastic initiative. We have worked closely this past twelve months with our Queensland Member Organisation, Life Stream Australia to deliver this crucial engagement strategy for the 2019 INAS Global Games. The NGA program will leave a lasting legacy demonstrating how sport can play a more significant role in the inclusion of people with an intellectual impairment into the Community.



#### Australian Government

Our Asian Sport Partnership funded through the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade has been incredibly successful. It has not only provided a vehicle to share best practice regarding inclusive sport, but to assist the China Paralympic Committee with International eligibility requirements for INAS and Paralympic events. This is another engagement strategy which will potentially see China compete in future national inclusive events including the 2019 INAS Global Games.



#### Governance

Sport Inclusion Australia has dedicated time identifying how to effectively utilise the resources, while raising the profile of the organisation and our unique philosophy. Ensuring that we meet governance statutory compliance requirements remains a key target, however we constantly do this highlighting our organisational size and capacity.

We are delighted with our ongoing relationship with the State Government of Victoria through Sport and Recreation Victoria which commenced last financial year and we were delighted to welcome the Sport Minister Eren to the Opening of the Australian Tennis Championships this year We acknowledge, Jason Calleja and Tim Burke for their ongoing commitment to inclusion of all Victorians into sport.



The ASC remains our major sponsor having provided 15% of our funding for 2016/2017 - \$100,000. ASC personnel continue to provide invaluable guidance regarding policy and governance matters. We pass on our sincere thanks to Simon Hollingsworth for his tenure as CEO until September 2016 and welcome Kate Palmer to the role. Kate commenced in January this year and has already made a huge impact. We look forward to working with Kate to ensure that inclusion becomes core business for sport in Australia. We also thank other ASC staff, in particular Matthew Warr and Natalie Brown.



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Our main administration secretariat remains in Benalla, however we also have Jenny Leach, General Manager Sport Inclusion Australia and Greg Dunk, General Manager Global Games Sports Company, GGSC, working part time and remotely from Brisbane. We welcome Jenny back after nine months maternity leave and congratulate her and Adam on the birth of their first child. Greg Dunk joined the team in January 2016 and has proved a very valuable asset to the movement. I am also spending more



time in Brisbane after commencing as the Chief Executive of the GGSC on July 1, 2016. Kellie Keen continues to run the office and is also in charge of eligibility. The number of eligibility applications continue to grow at such a rate – 17% in the past twelve months, which has seen us employ an AFL Trainee, Samantha Delaney to assist. Samantha will work with us until February and has been an asset. After Liz Martyn's departure in September 2016, we were lucky to be able to appoint Michael Thomson to the vacant part time administrative role and he has also taken on the social media role which has seen our profile and reach increase significantly.

We also have Steve Bailey working voluntarily as Sport Inclusion Australia National Eligibility Officer, who performs a vital role often under tight timelines. Mal Webster also keeps our website updated and produces outstanding graphic design work.

## Partnerships

Our partnerships with National Sporting Organisations (NSO), Australian Paralympic Committee (APC) and State Sporting Organisations (SSO's), remain vital to the success of inclusion, as do our vital relationships with our Member organisations.

We are also very proud of our ongoing partnership with the Lord's Taverners Australia and its branches.



## Policy and Culture

Since our inception in 1986, we have espoused the same philosophy – the power of inclusive sport to address social justice principles. Even with limited resources, the outcomes have been considerable. Including this as a key focus area in our strategic plan conveys to the wider community that not only do we support people with an impairment to achieve social inclusion through sport, but we need to create choice.

We can influence governments and service providers to implement inclusive practices but until we change the culture of the Australian Sporting landscape to offer opportunities to all Australians based on ability, then Sport Inclusion Australia's work is far from done.

We continue to approach initiatives in a far more holistic way – sport, athletes, potential participants, disability sector, health sector, education sector and funding agencies.





Table Tennis Player – Sam Von Einem and Swimmer Daniel Fox at the Rio Paralympics



Global Games Director Noeleen Dix, Sport Robyn Smith and Sport Inclusion Australia Director Lorraine Landon

# International

Hosting the INAS Conference and General Assembly in Brisbane in April was a highlight this year and provided a wonderful opportunity to show off Brisbane and some of the venues being utilised in 2019. We had in excess of 70 delegates from 32 countries take part in the three-day event, including a civic reception hosted by the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, The honourable Graham Quirk along with the INAS Awards. The Award ceremony included Life Stream awards. At the General Assembly, new governance changes were accepted and took effect immediately which sees the structure of the Governing Board change significantly. Our role in INAS remains significant with my role as Vice President of the Governing Board and responsibility for Oceania. We are constantly exploring ways to grow the Oceania region and create strong links with Asia and the Americas, while building links with International Sporting Federations.

We have produced a number of videos which have been used for the promotion of the INAS Global Games -Brisbane 2019 and these have been viewed globally.



# Major Events

# **International Championships**

Approximately 70 athletes with intellectual impairment competed in these events in 2016/2017

- Japan Basketball Tour, August 2016
- IPC Paralympic Games, Rio, September 2016 .
- INAS Athletic Champs, Thailand, May 2017
- INAS World Tennis, Bolton UK, April 2017
- INAS Tri Nations Series, UK July 2017

Congratulations to all the various Officials who support the teams and NSO's behind the organisation.





# National Championships

Our role in national events varies depending on the national sporting organisation and the event. Our respective partnership agreements with the NSO's detail our level of involvement.

# National events

Approximately 800 athletes with an intellectual impairment competed in these events in 2016/2017

- 25<sup>th</sup> The Lord Taverners Shield - July 2017, Mackay QLD
- Marie Little OAM Shield – August 2016, Sydney
- FFA Futsal Championships January 2017, Sydney
- Australian Tennis Championships Jan 2017, Melbourne •
- National Cricket Inclusion Champs Jan 17, Geelong •
- Australian Bowls Open June 2017, Gold Coast
- Ivor Burge Championships February 2017, Bendigo
- Athletics Champs (Junior/Open) March 2017, Sydney
- Swimming Championships April 2017, Brisbane ٠
- AWD Table Tennis February 2017, Mornington
- Tenpin Bowling Championships June 2017, NSW
- AFL Inclusion Carnival August 2016, Melbourne

The Lord's Taverners Australia and their member organisations were again the major sponsors for the 25<sup>th</sup> Lord's Taverners Shield and The Lord's Taverners Australia - Victorian Branch supported the Australian Tennis Championships for the nineteenth year.

# The Future

The next twelve months will be extremely hectic with the planning for the 2019 INAS Global Games and many engagement strategies impacting on Sport Inclusion Australia.

- Collaboration and delivery of implementation strategy for additional classes of eligibility;
- Expand relationship with school sport and link pathways;
- Expand NGA into other regional councils in Queensland and other major cities;
- Development of the INAS Oceania Region;
- Build stronger links in China;
- Emulate project in China in India;
- Work more closely with Inas Asia to enhance coregional events;

- Commence planning to update Strategic Plan;
- Consolidation of partnerships with NSO's;
- Prepare for the 2019 Global Games;
- Continuing delegations to State Sporting Ministers and relevant Federal Ministers;
- Drive inclusion initiatives in Victoria;
- Expand value of sport participation into the disability sector;
- Identify an agency in ACT capable of delivering inclusion initiatives;
- Assist INAS forge partnerships with International Sporting Organisations;
- Work across whole of government.

We must continue to promote the common philosophy which we and our six State/Territory organisations share, continue to build necessary partnerships with sport to ensure that more quality sporting opportunities within the Community are developed for people with an impairment.

We must continue to stay progressive and meet the challenges of our changing environment e.g. Impact of the National Disability Insurance Scheme and ensure that ultimately people with an intellectual impairment are valued and respected in our Community using sport as the medium.



## Acknowledgements

The collaboration and work that has occurred in the past twelve months is extensive and largely behind Sport Inclusion Australia's successes.

The achievements have been due to the commitment and dedication of a range of personnel working in Australian Sport and beyond. These incredible contributions must be acknowledged and as I mention year in and year out, one of the most rewarding parts of my role is the people I have met and had the pleasure to work with along the way, most of whom I can call friends.

- Kellie Keen, Eligibility and Administration Manager, has been with the organisation for in excess of fourteen years. She is incredibly capable and reliable, and we make a good team.
- Michael Thomson, who has rejoined the ranks in a part time administrative and media role. He works over and above his paid hours and has been invaluable to the organisation.

- Samantha Delaney, our young AFL trainee has joined us this year and has been on a very steep learning curve, but has been prepared to assist in any role.
- Jenny Leach has just returned from maternity leave, so has missed most of this financial year, but we really look forward to having her back as her attention to detail is valued and she provides the capacity to fully engage with our partners.
- Greg Dunk has added a fantastic level of professionalism to the team and is constantly keeping us on our toes with his innovative ideas.
- Tracy Lawrence who continues to work on projects when she can. An amazingly competent administrator we are lucky to have involved.
- Wayne Bird, President and Chair is a great leader with humility and integrity and has retained his passion for the role and the philosophy. He is a terrific sounding board and more importantly his friendship is invaluable to me.
- Rob Peak Finance Director is very engaged with the organisation and has provided another level of professionalism to our operations. We wish him well in his new role as Chair of the Global Games Sports Company following Wayne's recent resignation.
- Lorraine Landon is a wonderful role model, who continues to provide direction and passion for equity for all.
- Helen Croxford has continued to provide positive insight into governance and attended many events in Victoria on behalf of Sport Inclusion Australia.
- Sport Inclusion Australia Board Wayne Bird, Rob Peak, Lorraine Landon, Helen Croxford, Aaron Morse, Deidre Anderson and Allan Clarke– a team of very competent leaders all striving to make a difference. We are sad to see Deidre retire from the Board after many years of valuable contribution and wish her well in her future endeavours.
- Patron Steve Moneghetti AM for his support over twenty three years and his ability to find time in an incredibly busy schedule to attend events.
- Steve Bailey, who has worked as our National Eligibility Officer since 2010 continues to do a fantastic job under tight timeframes. Also a special thanks to Peter Hynninen for his tireless work to assist athletes in need of psychological testing.
- INAS, in particular Nick Parr and Lucy Dominy for their work to assist Sport Inclusion Australia and my INASGoverning Board colleagues for their support in my elected role.
- Member Organisations –Inclusive Sport SA (John Cranwell, Nathan Pepper), Life Stream Australia (Cathy Wilson, Chantel Lewis, Jenny Leach), Total Recreation

(Eileen Farrell, Keoh Goodall, Jason Bremner), Inclusion Solutions (Paul Fleay, Denver D'Cruz), Sports4all (Kelly Fishburn, Greg Brown) and New Horizons (Belinda Kitto and Edwina Dick) for their enthusiasm and preparedness to support national programs and their vital work at State level. We continue to be only as effective as our Member organisations.

- Cathy Wilson and Chantel Lewis for their ongoing support of the plans and preparations for the 2019 INAS Global Games in Brisbane through Life Stream Australia. Cathy and her team were also instrumental in helping us deliver a successful INAS Conference and General Assembly and we are extremely grateful.
- CEO Lynne Anderson and her team at the APC for their ongoing support of all athletes.
- International colleagues for their efforts to build international pathways, in particular Barry Holman, USA and Paul Charnvit Thailand.
- > National Sporting/Recreational Organisations for their ongoing loyalty to Sport Inclusion Australia and the inclusion process, in particular Brett Watton (Athletics), Michael Woods and Melissa Backhouse (Swimming), Jaquie Scammel, Brenda Tierney and Jay Schuback, (Tennis), Neil Dalrymple, Tony Sherwill (Bowls), Andrew Ingleton, Sam Almaliki, Aaron Dragwidge, Paul Milo, Briana Binch (Cricket/Indoor Cricket), Sue Stevenson, Peter Marriott (Table Tennis), Cara Honeychurch (Tenpin Bowling), Brad Allen, Michael Grant (School Sport Australia), Julia Symons (Netball Australia), Jackie Kay, Chris Mitchell (Sailing), Gareth Watkins, (Cycling), Salvatore Carmusciano (Football), Robyn Tribe (Gymnastics), Tim Hatzi Christian Hamilton (Softball), (Golf), Tim Nield, (Football Victoria)
- Lord Mayor's Charitable Trust for their foresight in funding the Next Generation Athlete initiative in particular the Lady Mayoress, Anne Quirk.
- State Sporting Organisations School Sport Victoria, Basketball Victoria, Netball Victoria, Little Athletics Victoria, Hockey Victoria, Cycling Victoria, Gymnastics Victoria, Football Federation Victoria, Swimming Victoria, Bowls Victoria, FIDA, Football Victoria, Tennis Victoria, Badminton Victoria, Golf Victoria, Athletics Victoria, Cricket Victoria, Athletics Queensland, Swimming Queensland, Rowing Queensland, Tennis Queensland and Cricket Queensland, and for their ongoing commitment to Sport Inclusion Australia.
- National Coaches Simon Robinson (Basketball), Larry Davidson (Basketball), Alison Scott (Tennis), Anula Costa (Athletics), Andrew Howard (Swimming) and John Lonergan (Cricket) for their incredible

commitment to the maintenance of elite programs for their charges.

- National Support Staff George Havakis, Trish Currie, (Basketball), Sally Duncan, Jo Larkin (Basketball), Joanna Connolly (Cricket) and Michael Woods (Swimming).
- Australian Sports Commission, CEO Simon Hollingsworth, Natalie Brown and Matthew Warr for their continued support and we congratulate Kate Palmer on her appointment to the CEO role and really look forward to working with Kate on encouraging cultural change.
- Peter Mogg for his excellent service as honorary auditor for the past twenty six years.
- Mal Webster, for his outstanding graphic design work for over 10 years.



- The Lord's Taverners Australia for their outstanding sponsorship spanning more than twenty-five years and more importantly their backing of our philosophy, a particular mention of retiring National Chair Greg Brown OAM for his passionate leadership in making a difference in the lives of people with an impairment and congratulate the newly elected Chair John Jeffreys and wish him well. Also thanks to significant contributors – Michael Martin OAM, National Secretary and Paul Sheahan AM President.
- The Lord Taverners State Branches with particular mention to the excellent services and wonderful friendship provided by Vic Levi & John McLaughlin (Newcastle) Stan Gilchrist (NSW), Gareth Andrews, Ian Crawford, Peta Phillips, Anita Mathews, Tim Winter, Carolyn Johnston (VIC), Lew Cooper OAM (QLD), Geoff Merrill (SA), Murray McGill, Patrick Oldfield, (WA), Michael Martin (NT), Paul Sheahan (TAS) and David, Nichol, Rick Smith (ACT). I would also like to acknowledge Paul George, who works on the website.
- Morrissey Malcolm for their ongoing representation in the telemarketing program.

Robyn Smith



# Finance Report | 2016 - 2017

# SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC. - BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017

|  | June 2017 | <u>June 2016</u> |
|--|-----------|------------------|
|  | \$        | \$               |
| ASSETS   |           |                  |
| Cash On Hand – Petty Cash                                      | 14        | 49               |
| Cash At Bank – Operating Bank Accounts                         | 65,150    | 23,199           |
| Cash At Bank – Investment Account                              | 144,876   | 146,242          |
| Cash At Bank – Sport Inclusion Victoria Account                | 63,955    | 60               |
| Cash At Bank – Visa Credit Card – Closed February 2017         | -         | 477              |
| Trade Debtors  | 4,888     | 14,576           |
| Less Provision for Doubtful Debts                              | (500)     | <u> </u>         |
| Total Current Assets   | 278,383   | 184,603          |
| Production   |           |                  |
| Prepayments<br>Global Games Sports Company Clearing Account    | 53,816    | 43,183           |
| Total Other Assets   | 332,199   | 43,183           |
|  |           |                  |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS   | 00.470    | 00.470           |
| Computer Equipment At Cost                                     | 30,178    | 30,178           |
| Accumulated Depreciation                                       | (24,263)  | (22,938)         |
| Furniture & Fittings At Cost                                   | 9,746     | 9,746            |
| Accumulated Depreciation                                       | (8,282)   | (7,832)          |
| Shares in The Global Games Sports Company Pty Ltd              | 500       | 500              |
| Total Non-Current Assets                                       | 7,879     | 9,654            |
|  |           |                  |
| TOTAL ASSETS   | 340,078   | 237,440          |
| LIABILITIES  |           |                  |
| Employee Liabilities – Accrued Payroll                         | 9,324     | ×.               |
| Employee Liabilities – PAYG Tax Payable                        | 8,741     | 7,308            |
| Employee Liabilities – Superannuation Payable                  | 1.760     | 3,560            |
| Employee Liabilities – Worker's Compensation Insurance Payable | 3,654     | 1,692            |
| Employee Liabilities – Annual Leave Accrued                    | -         | -                |
| Employee Liabilities – Long Service Leave Accrued              | 52,745    | 56,324           |
| Employee Liabilities – Other Employee Accruals                 | 917       | 2,132            |
| Trade Creditors & Accruals                                     | 26,500    | -                |
| GST Collected  | 4,689     | 1,407            |
| GST Paid   | (11,144)  | (7,783)          |
| Deposits Collected from Athletes & Supporters – World Games    |           | ÷                |
| Total Current Liabilities                                      | 97,186    | 64,640           |
|  | 5         |                  |
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES<br>All Other Long-Term Liabilities     | -         | -                |
| ,  |           |                  |
| Total Long-Term Llabilities                                    | Carl      |                  |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES  | 07 496    |                  |
| TOTAL LIADILITIES  | 97,186    | 64,640           |
| NET ACCETO   |           | 470.000          |
| NET ASSETS   | 242,892   | 172,800          |
| EQUITY   |           |                  |
| Retained Earnings  | 172,800   | 108,105          |
| Current Year Surplus (Deficit)                                 | 70,092    | 64,695           |
| TOTAL EQUITY   | 242,892   | 172,800          |
|  |           |                  |

# SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC. - INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017

|   | <u>June 2017</u><br>\$ | <u>June 2016</u><br>\$ |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| INCOME  |                        |                        |
| Australian Sports Commission Grants<br>Other Government Grants & Sponsorships | 104,940<br>112,500     | 107,116                |
| Non-Government Grants & Sponsorships  | 9,164                  | 50,886                 |
| Event Income – Sponsorship  | 53,429                 | 188,840                |
| Event income – Athlete's Fees   | 153,444                | 332,517                |
| Event Income – Supporter's Fees   | 14,034                 | 36,757                 |
| Athlete Member Registration Fees  | 8,592                  | 7,652                  |
| Athlete Member Renewal Fees   | 11,963                 | 10,366                 |
| Other Subscription Income   | 2,782                  | 4,182                  |
| INAS , NSIA & Next Gen Income   | 135,000                | 13,409                 |
| Telemarketing Income  | 13,660                 | 20,019                 |
| Vicsrapid Funds Consolidated Into SIA   | 10,000                 | 125,000                |
| Interest Income   | 1,140                  | 1,979                  |
| Other Non-Operating Income  | 3,038                  | 12,419                 |
| TOTAL INCOME  | 633,686                | 911,142                |
|   |                        |                        |
| OPERATING EXPENSES  |                        |                        |
| Staffing Expenses:  | a /a -aa               |                        |
| Salaries  | 243,522                | 174,761                |
| Recovery from The Global Games Sports Company<br>Office Administration        | (118,338)              | 04 404                 |
| Superannuation  | 29,164<br>12,789       | 21,431<br>19,172       |
| Worker's Compensation Insurance   | 3,970                  | 6,337                  |
| Leave Provisions Expensed   | 2,533                  | 2,700                  |
| Telemarketing Expenses  | 6,086                  | 6,825                  |
| Other Employee Expenses   |                        | 0.5                    |
|   | 179,726                | 231,226                |
| Event Expenses  |                        |                        |
| Entry Fees  | 48,644                 | 66,806                 |
| Team Administration & Support Expenses  | 12,397                 | 96,113                 |
| Accommodation & Meals- Net Expense  | 65,048                 | 58,200                 |
| Travel - Net Expense  | 62,593                 | 300,045                |
| Uniforms – Net Expense  | 9,911                  | 26,983                 |
| Other Event Expenses<br>Uncollectable Debts Written Off / Provided For        | 7,437 500              | 23,463<br>500          |
|   | 206,530                | 572,110                |
| Occupancy Expenses  | ·                      |                        |
| Rent  | 6,413                  | 6,221                  |
| Power & Water   | 1,593                  | 1,203                  |
|   | 8,394                  | 8,014                  |
| Computer Expenses Printing & Stationery                                       | 2,116                  | 2,482                  |
| Postage & Couriers  | 5,584<br>1,584         | 10,151<br>2,162        |
| Depreciation of Office Equipment & Furniture                                  | 1,775                  | 2,634                  |
|   | 27,459                 | 32,867                 |
| Other Operating Expenses<br>Bank Charges & Merchant's Fees                    | 2,319                  | 2,113                  |
| INAS, NSIA & Next Gen Expenses  | 134,765                | 2,113                  |
| Board Expenses  | 3,319                  | 2,199                  |
| Audit Fee   | 2,100                  | 2,100                  |
| Other General Expenses  | 7,376                  | 3,832                  |
|   | 149,879                | 10,244                 |
| TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES  | 563,594                | 846,447                |
| OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)   | 70,092                 | 64,695                 |
|   |                        |                        |

# SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017

| FOR THE TEAK ENDED 30 <sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017          |           |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|
|  | 2017      | 2015      |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES                   | \$        | \$        |
| Cash receipts in the course of operations              | 632,546   | 751,422   |
| Interest received                                      | 1,140     | 1,979     |
| Cash payments in the course of operations              | (529,718) | (845,730) |
| Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities  | 103,968   | (92,329)  |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES                   |           |           |
| Payments for assets<br>Receipts for sale of assets     | -         | -         |
| Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities  |           |           |
| Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities  |           |           |
| Net increase / (decrease) in cash held                 | 103,968   | (92,329)  |
| Cash at beginning of financial year                    | 170,027   | 262,356   |
| Cash at end of financial year                          | 273,995   | 170,027   |
| CASH FLOW STATEMENT NOTES                              |           |           |
| RECONCILIATION OF CASH                                 | 2017      | 2016      |
| Cash and Cash equivalents                              |           | 2010      |
| Petty Cash   | 14        | 49        |
| Cash at Bank – Operating Accounts                      | 65,150    | 23,199    |
| Cash at Bank - Investment Account                      | 144,876   | 146,242   |
| Cash at Bank – Sports Inclusion Victoria Account       | 63,955    | 60        |
| Cash at Bank – Visa Credit Card – Closed February 2017 | 10        | 477       |
| Total Cash   | 273,955   | 170,027   |
| RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES |           |           |
| Operating profit / (loss)                              | 74,092    | 64,695    |
| Add back : Non cash flows in operating profit          |           |           |
| Depreciation   | 1,775     | 2,634     |
| Provision for employee benefits                        | (3,579)   | 2,700     |
| Provision for doubtful debts                           | 500       | -         |
| Loss on sale of assets                                 |           | 1         |
| Decrease / (Increase) in current debtors / assets      | (945)     | 59,290    |
| Decrease / (Increase) in prepayments / deposits paid   | -         | -         |
| Increase / (Decrease) in trade and other payables      | 31,180    | (4,619)   |
| Increase / (Decrease) in event deposits received       | -         | (217,030) |
| Cash flows from operating activities                   | 103,968   | (92,329)  |

# SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC. NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017

## **1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, for use by the members of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc and to fulfil the Board's requirements to prepare financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the following Accounting Standards:

| AASB 101  | Presentation of Financial Statements                            |
|-----------|---|
| AASB 107  | Cash Flow Statements  |
| AASB 108  | Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors |
| AASB 110  | Events after the Reporting Period                               |
| AASB 113  | Fair Value  |
| AASB 116  | Property, Plant and Equipment                                   |
| AASB 118  | Revenue   |
| AASB 119  | Employee Benefits   |
| AASB 1031 | Materiality   |
|           |   |

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied. 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. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The financial statements include the Profit and Loss statement, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement. As the only contributing items under Equity are Retained Earnings and Current year profit/loss, a separate Equity Statement has not been produced.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements and consistently applied to all periods covered.

## a) PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Items of property, plant and equipment are carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment loss. The items have been assessed for current replacement cost in 2015, and as a result there has been no change in the values of the individual items. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income and expenditure statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant & equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount, and are recognised net within other income in the income and expenditure statement.

#### b) DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is calculated on the depreciable amount of all fixed assets over their useful lives commencing from time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation methods and rates used for each class of assets are as follows: Computer Equipment – Diminishing value method at 20% Furniture & Fittings – Diminishing value method at 20%

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted if appropriate.

#### c) EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related oncosts. Annual leave has been assessed in accordance with the provisions of AASB 19 however, no change in classification between current and noncurrent is considered necessary.

Since Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. is registered with Consumer Affairs Victoria from 21-03-2014, from 2014-15 reporting period, basis for calculating Long service leave entitlements is changed from 13 weeks after 10 years (South Australian) to 13 weeks after 15 years (Victorian) requirement. There is no liability for accrued annual leave in balance sheet because annual leave entitlements are taken as they are accrued.

## d) INCOME TAX

Sport Inclusion Australia Inc has been granted an income tax exemption by the Australian Taxation Office.

## e) GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office .In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable or payable to the Australian Taxation Office is included as a current asset or liability in the balance sheet.

#### f) REVENUE RECOGNITION

All revenue is recognised on an accrual basis..

#### 2. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

| Movement in Carrying<br>Amounts<br>Net Carrying Amount<br><b>As at 30 June 2016</b> | Computer<br>Equipment<br>7,240 | Furniture<br>& Fittings<br><b>1,914</b> | Total<br>9,154 |
|---|--------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Additions<br>Disposals  |                                |   |                |
| Depreciation  | 1,324                          | 451                                     | 1,775          |
| As at 30 June 2017  | 5,916                          | 1,463                                   | 7,379          |

### 3. Economic dependency

Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. as a going concern is dependent upon the sustained funding from Australian Sports Commission to ensure ongoing continuance of its operations. At the date of this report, the Directors have no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.

### 4. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no known contingent assets or contingent liabilities for the organisation.

## 5. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER REPORTING DATE

Since 30 June 2017 no matter or circumstance has arisen, which has significantly affected, or which may significantly affect, the operations of the incorporation.

## 6. TRADE CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS

The general accrual provision contained in the accounts represents expected expenditure relating to the DFAT programs and will be funded from grant funds already received from the Federal Government via DFAT.

# SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC REPORT BY THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017

- In accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. reports as follows:
- (a) The directors and management of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc as at 30th June 2017 were:

| President:               |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Chief Executive Officer: |  |
| Finance Director:        |  |
| Board Members:           |  |
|                          |  |

Wayne Bird Robyn Smith Rob Peak Deidre Anderson Allan Clarke Lorraine Landon Aaron Morse

- (b) The operating profit of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc for the year ended 30th June 2017 was \$70,092 compared to a profit in 2015 of \$64,695
- 8. In the opinion of the Board:
- (a) The accompanying Income and Expenditure Statement gives a true and fair view of the financial results for Sport Inclusion Australia Inc for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017
- (b) The accompanying Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the financial position of Sports Inclusion Australia Inc as at 30th June 2017;
- (c) That it has reasonable grounds to believe that Sport Inclusion Australia Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due; and
- (d) That these statements have been prepared in accordance with the prescribed Australian Accounting Standards in combination with other applicable mandatory reporting requirements.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Management:

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Wayne Bird President

Rob Peak Finance Director



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16 October 2017

Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. 4 Lowry Place BENALLA VIC 3672

Dear Committee,

# ENGAGEMENT AS AUDITORS Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (VIC) & Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)

# The Objective and Scope of the Audit

You have requested that we audit the financial statement of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2017 which comprises the Annual Financial Statements which are subject to audit. We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this engagement by means of this letter. Our audit will be conducted pursuant to the Australian Auditing Standards with the objective of expressing an opinion on the financial statement.

# The responsibilities of the auditor

We will conduct our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal controls.

However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies in internal controls relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

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Directors: P.T. Mogg FCPA, B.Ec.

Finley Office: 130 Murray Street, PO Box 105, Finley NSW 2713 Phone 03 5883 2366. Fax 03 5883 2234 Email: finley@moggosborne.com.au Our audit is not designed to be a complete examination of all aspects of your accounting system. Accordingly any matters that are reported to you verbally or in writing should not be regarded as all-inclusive.

# Responsibilities of the Board of Management

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management and, where appropriate, the Board of Management acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

- a) For the preparation of the financial statements that present fairly the results of the Association for the reporting period and the financial position of the Association as at the end of the reporting period.
- b) To provide us with:
  - Access to all information of which the directors and management are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial report such as records, documentation and other matters;
  - ii. Additional information that we may request from the directors and management for the purpose of the audit; and
  - iii. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- c) To advise us of any material and/or contentious issues relating to the preparation of the financial statements and any known or suspected frauds which have occurred within the Association.
- d) To maintain adequate accounting records, to ensure that proper internal controls are in place, to ensure the accuracy of all financial records, and to maintain and safeguard the entity's assets to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Such internal controls reduce but do not eliminate the risk of misstatements in the financial statements from fraud or error. The Board of Management assume responsibility for such risk. While the conduct of an audit may act as a deterrent against fraud or error we cannot be held responsible for preventing them.

The Board of Management are responsible for adjusting the financial statements to correct identified material misstatements. At the conclusion of each financial reporting engagement we provide the Board of Management with a summary of any uncorrected misstatements we identify and request to confirm in writing that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

# Reporting

We anticipate the issues of an unqualified audit report in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, however the form and content of our report may need to be amended in the light of our audit findings.

# Representations from the Board of Management

As part of our audit process, we will request from the Board of Management written confirmation concerning oral representations made to us by Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. in connection with the audit and that Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. acknowledges that such representations would be relied upon by us during the audit.

## Independence

We have established policies and procedures designed to ensure our independence, including policies on the provision of non-audit work.

# Fees

Our fee for the audit of the financial statement of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. for the year ending 30 June 2017 is \$2,400 plus GST and out-of-pocket expenses, as agreed.

# Please note a donation cheque of \$2,400 will be attached to your invoice.

This fee assumes that all accounting transactions will have been processed and we will be presented with a final trial balance / set of financial statements at commencement of the audit.

If we incur additional costs as a result of factors such as:

- information not being provided to us within agreed time limits
- · significant errors in the information that is provided
- the scale of the business significantly changing
- a material issue arising which was not reasonably contemplated at the time of the fee quote then this additional time will also be billed.

Our fees will be billed as the work progresses.

## Other services

We are pleased to provide any additional services that may be required from time to time, provided such services do not impair our independence. We note that this engagement letter applies only to the work described in this letter. Should further work be required over and above such work, separate terms of engagement will need to be agreed. In particular, this letter does not deal with accounting advice or assistance with accounts preparation.

# Presentation of Auditing Financial Statements on the internet

If Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. presents the audited financial statements and auditors' report electronically on a web site, the security and controls over information on the web site should be addressed by the Association to maintain the integrity of the data presented. The examination of the controls over the electronic presentation of audited financial information on the Association web site is beyond the scope of the audit of the financial statements. Responsibility for the electronic presentation of the financial statements on the Associations web site is that of the governing body of the entity.

# **Quality Control**

The conduct of our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards means that information acquired by us in the course of our audit is subject to strict confidentiality requirements. Information will not be disclosed by us to other parties except as required or allowed for by law or professional standards, or with your express consent. Our audit files may, however, be subject to review as part of the quality control review program. We advise you that by signing this letter you acknowledge that, if requested, our audit files relating to this audit will be made available under this program. Should this occur, we will advise you. The same strict confidentiality requirements apply under this program as apply to us as your auditor.

# Other financial information in reports

We read the financial information contained in the documents or statements that are issued with any of the financial statements, including the Committee reports, to identify material inconsistencies with the financial reports. However, we will not verify such other information.

## General matters

The terms of this letter apply to all work carried out by us in connection with this engagement prior to the date of signing this letter.

This letter will be effective for future years unless we advise you of its amendment or replacement or the engagement is terminated.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgement of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statement, including our respective responsibilities.

Yours sincerely

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Peter Mogg - Director Mogg Osborne Audit Pty Ltd ABN 58 131 580 017

# Acknowledgement

We hereby acknowledge that the engagement letter dated 16 October 2017 is in accordance with our understanding of the arrangements for the audit of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc.'s financial statements.

Signed for and on behalf of the Committee of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc.:

Signature: ...

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Name:

Rob Peak - Finance Director

Date:

23 October 2017

# **Representation Letter for Incorporated Associations**

Mogg Osborne Audit Pty Ltd PO Box 101 COBRAM, VIC 3644

Dear Auditor,

# Re: Sport Inclusion Australia Inc.

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial report of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2017, for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial report is presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the relevant Australian accounting standards and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (VIC) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth).

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, having made such enquiries as we considered necessary for the purpose of appropriately informing ourselves, the following representations made to you during your audit:

## Financial report

- We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement 16 October 2017 for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards in particular, the financial report is fairly presented in accordance therewith.
- We have disclosed to you the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud.
- Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
- We have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- Any related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of Australian accounting standards.
- All events subsequent to the date of the financial report and for which Australian Accounting Standards require adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
- The effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial report as a whole. A list of the uncorrected misstatements is attached to the representation letter.

## Information provided

- We have provided you with:
  - a) access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation of the financial report such as records, documentation and other matters.
  - b) all requested information, explanations and assistance for the purposes of the audit.
  - c) unrestricted access to persons within the Association from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial report.
- We confirm financial report is not materially misstated as a result of fraud risk assessment.
- We have disclosed to you all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial report; and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

- We have provided you with all requested information, explanations and assistance for the purposes of the audit.
- We have provided you with all information required by relevant statutory and other requirements.

## General

- We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying values or classification of assets and liabilities.
- The Association has satisfactory title to all assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor have any assets been pledged as collateral that have not been disclosed in the financial report.
- There have been no known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations or contractual agreements whose effects should be considered in preparing the financial report.

## Fraud

- We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud and confirm we have disclosed to you:
- a) the results of our assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud
- b) all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud that we are aware of and that affects the entity and involves:
  - i, management
  - ii. employees who have significant roles in internal controls or
  - iii. others where the fraud could have a material effect in the financial report and
- c) all information in relation to allegations of fraud, or suspected fraud, affecting the entity's financial report communicated to us by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

## Commitments

 There were no material commitments for goods or services at year end, other than those disclosed in the financial report.

## Impairment of assets

 We have considered the requirements of AASB 136: Impairment of assets when assessing the carrying values of assets and in ensuring that no assets within the scope of AASB 136 are stated in excess of their recoverable amount.

## Liabilities

 There are no financial guarantee contracts in place to third parties which could be called upon in the event of a default, other than those disclosed in the financial report.

## Inventory

- We have no plans to abandon lines of product or other plans or intentions that will result in any excess or obsolete inventory, and no inventory is stated at an amount in excess of net realisable value.
- Provision has been made for material losses arising from the fulfilment of, or an inability to fulfil, any sale commitments or as a result of purchase commitments for inventory quantities in excess of normal requirements or at prices in excess of prevailing market prices.

# Property, plant and equipment

- Rates of depreciation, applied to reduce book values of individual assets to their estimated . residual values, reflect the probable useful lives of those assets to the association.
- Allowances for depreciation have been adjusted for all significant items of property, plant and equipment that have been abandoned or are otherwise unusable.
- The association has no 'make good' obligations in respect of its property, plant and equipment for which it would be required to make a restorative provision under AASB 137 Provisions, contingent . liabilities and contingent assets which have not been included in the financial report.

# Electronic presentation of financial report

- With respect to presentation of the financial report on our website, we acknowledge that:
  - a) we are responsible for the electronic presentation of the financial report
  - b) we will ensure that the electronic version of the audited financial report and the auditor's report on the website will be identical to the final signed hard copy version
  - c) we will clearly differentiate between audited and unaudited information in the construction of the entity's website as we understand the risk of potential misrepresentation
  - d) we have assessed the controls over the security and integrity of the data on the website and confirmed that adequate procedures are in place to ensure the integrity of the information presented and
  - e) we will not present the auditor's report on the full financial report with extracts only of the full financial report.

Yours since

Rob Peak - Finance Director

~ Octobe 2017 Date: 23

Signed on behalf of the Board of Management of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc.

## STATEMENT BY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SPORT INCLUSION AUSTRALIA INC.

We, <u>ROB</u> <u>PEAK</u> and <u>ROBYN</u> <u>JMITH</u>, as authorised representatives of Sport Inclusion Australia Inc. hereby certify that the information provided by the association, relating to the funding, presents fairly the funding received and expenses incurred by the association during the funding period ended 30th June 2017.

We are satisfied that, where applicable:

- (a) An amount equal to the total advance/grant received has been expended in the approved project consistent with the allocation specified in the Service Agreement with the relevant Government Department.
- (b) Establishment of all reserve provisions is justified.
- (c) Payments to associated or affiliated bodies have been adequately disclosed.
- (d) All expenditure and establishment of provisions have been approved in accordance with the Association's rules.
- (e) A full and complete set of financial records has been maintained.

| Signature   | 24, 10, 2017 |
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| Print Name. Roß PEak  | /            |
| Print Name. ROB PEAK<br>Position. FINENCE DIRECTOR                                      |              |
| Signature ROBYN J SMITH<br>Print Name ROBYN J SMITH<br>Position CHIEF EXECUTIVE DEFICER | 24,10 12017  |



# Member Organisation Reports



# **REPORT** Inclusion WA

The Sport and Community Development Team at Inclusion WA was formed many years ago to complement the work of the organisation and to specifically support the sport and recreation industry in Western Australia.

Over these years, the team has built the capacity of the sport and recreation industry through the provision of training and mentoring, while supporting a significant number of Western Australians to join sports clubs and community groups.

For the Sport and Community Development Team, 2016-17 will mean the end to the journey under the umbrella of Inclusion WA. From 2017-18, the Sport and Community Development Team will transition in to a stand-alone entity called Inclusion Solutions. This manoeuvre will enable the team to focus on all marginalised and lowparticipation groups, while also growing the consultancy to support organisations and communities in a more-comprehensive manner.

The last year under Inclusion WA has been an extremely busy one with the team involved in projects in metropolitan and regional WA. These partnerships have led to the following positive outcomes in 2016-2017.

# **KEY OUTCOMES**

- 33 State Sporting Associations supported
- ✓ 20% of WA's Local Governments supported
- Over 490 sporting clubs and community groups were supported in varying capacities including training and mentoring
- ✓ Over 1500 Western Australians attended social inclusion training
- ✓ 3200+ hours of volunteerism recorded through Inclusion WA equating to an \$88,000 boost to the local sport and recreation industry
- ✓ 5,000+ attendances were recorded in programs supported by Inclusion WA
  - 59% of participants did not belong to any local sports club or recreation group
  - 22.6% of participants were of indigenous background
  - 11% of all participants had a disability

"The Roleystone Gymnastics Club has achieved so much in that short time, and we couldn't have done it without the assistance of Inclusion WA. They took the time to listen and really understand what we wanted to achieve. Our ideas and visions were challenged, but this has resulted in our eyes being opened to the bigger picture and what being inclusive really means. Now, thanks to Inclusion WA, we have the confidence and tools required to assist us in reaching our goals." Carly Smith, Roleystone Gymnastics Club

These statistics tell an important story and highlight the team's ability and success in engaging people from all low-participation backgrounds. With 59% of participants across all programs not belonging to any community club or group, it is clear to see the critical role the Sport and Community Development Team play in the lives of disengaged community members. The team's focus is on ensuring that these participants can progress to join local clubs and community groups.

In 2016-2017, The Sport and Community Development Team also engaged with the following sports in varying capacities and across a range of locations around Western Australia:

| Athletics        | Australian Rules Football | Badminton            |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Baseball         | Basketball                | Canoeing             |
| Cricket          | Cycling                   | Dance                |
| Floorball        | Football                  | Golf                 |
| Gymnastics       | Hockey                    | Indoor Cricket       |
| Karate           | Land Sailing              | Lawn Bowls           |
| Life Saving      | Little Athletics          | Mixed Martial Arts   |
| Motor Cross      | Netball                   | Power Chair Football |
| Rugby League     | Rowing                    | Squash               |
| Swimming         | Table Tennis              | Tee Ball             |
| Tennis           | Ten Pin Bowling           | Touch Football       |
| Ultimate Frisbee | Volleyball                |                      |

Inclusion WA encourages people to participate in community clubs and groups across Western Australia. This is not limited to sport alone; with a major focus also placed on recreational activities. The ultimate aim is to connect people to the community around them while also building the capacity of entire communities so that all residents can be valued and find a valued role.

Major projects supported by Inclusion WA's Sport and Community Development Team over the past year include but are not limited to:

# MAJOR PROJECTS

- Sport Inclusion Australia Classification
- Bayswater Connect Project
- Catch Music Development
- City of Armadale Club Abilities Project
- City of Bayswater 'Have a Go' Day Initiative
- Esperance Community Program
- Hedland Community Program
- Inclusion Sports Days
- Karratha Community Program
- Mirrabooka One Community Project
- Northam Inclusive Program
- Social Inclusion Group Mirrabooka
- Toodyay Inclusive Community Program
- WACA Integrated Cricket League
- WAFC Integrated Football

# EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK City of Armadale: Club Abilities Project

The 'Club Abilities Program' is built upon a partnership between Inclusion WA and the City of Armadale. The aim of the program is to develop and build the capacity of local sport and recreation clubs



to open their doors to all community members, particularly those from low-participation backgrounds.

A primary focus of this project is sustainability, and as such Inclusion WA has been working heavily with existing clubs, community organisations and community leaders within the Armadale community. The intended outcome is for the project to be sustained long into the future, with the help of local 'inclusion champions' developed through the project's Steering Group.

Just six months in, the project has already delivered many benefits for clubs including boosting membership bases (both volunteer and participation), raising community profiles and building the capacity of local clubs to become more inclusive in their practices.

"In just a few months, the Club Abilities Project' has delivered much needed training and has seen twenty sporting clubs and community groups engage in mentoring to help them develop strategies and initiatives to achieve inclusive outcomes. The City of Armadale sees great value in the work carried out by Inclusion WA and the City thoroughly recommends other local governments to partner with Inclusion WA as there are significant community-wide benefits to be had" David Thomason, City of Armadale As a result, there will be an increase in opportunities for community participation within Armadale, and ultimately this will help the community to become more inclusive of all community members. A big focus of this project will also see the delivery of training and club mentoring and will culminate in a community open day and knowledge sharing platforms.

# **KEY OUTCOMES**

- ✓ 20 sports clubs and community groups mentored
- ✓ 5 x training sessions delivered across a range of topics including: increasing volunteerism, social inclusion, disability awareness and creating healthier, stronger clubs.
- Development of a 'Inclusion Champion Network' which the City can continue to draw from beyond the funded project
- ✓ Open day where all clubs and community groups can share new skills with broader community



# EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK *City of Bayswater: Bayswater Connect Project*



Inclusion WA partnered with The City of Bayswater to implement 'Bayswater Connect' – an innovative project to improve the quality of life and sense of belonging for Bayswater residents. The project linked local residents to available opportunities at a range of local sport, recreation and community groups, based on the skills and goals of individuals and the available opportunities and gaps and available positions at local community clubs.

An Inclusion WA Project Officer facilitated personalised interviews and introductions with community members to match their passions and interests with a valued role in a local club or group. The Project Officer assisted local community, recreation and sports groups in the City of Bayswater to increase membership and volunteers while removing barriers for community participation. Groups involved in the project benefitted from free club mentoring and training on topics such as social inclusion, disability awareness, increasing volunteers and memberships and improving club culture.

"Last season we had 15 players down to training, this year with the help of Bayswater Connect we had over 45! The Bayswater Lacrosse Club would love to continue our partnership with Bayswater Connect in the future, and look forward to a successful 2017" Paula Olofsson, Bayswater Lacrosse Club

# **KEY OUTCOMES**

- ✓ 151 people engaged with the Project Officer to avail of opportunities in the community
- ✓ 29 open days hosted by 12 community clubs, groups and organisations in Bayswater
- ✓ 1,129 participants attended the open days
- ✓ 34 clubs received mentoring from the Project Officer, building their capacity for the future
- ✓ Inclusion WA facilitated 5 x Social Inclusion and Disability Awareness training sessions, with over 40 club representatives attending training
- ✓ 55% of the club/groups represented had never engaged in Social Inclusion training prior to the Bayswater Connect project
- ✓ Volunteers contributed over \$14,000 of time and value to the Project
- ✓ 126 students engaged with the Bayswater Connect Project



# EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK Hedland Community Program

The Hedland Community Program was developed based on a dire and pre-identified need for more engagement style activities in Hedland, particularly for disengaged youth and those living with a disability in the community.

Through the Hedland Community Program, 24 primary sessions and 38 secondary sessions were coordinated with key community partners which included 20 community clubs and groups. 828 individuals attended sessions from all walks of life across the community. Local community groups and clubs participated in the program, addressing their individual goals along the way, all while receiving support and training from Inclusion WA.

Sixteen individuals represented a broad variety of organisations in the community on the Hedland Community Program Steering Group, positively shaping and moulding outcomes for the wider community. The Steering Group members have been upskilled and now better-understand the key principles of social inclusion. The Steering Group members act as 'inclusion champions' at the respective organisations that they represent, further building community capacity.





"As an organisation, the Hedland Community Program is a breath of fresh air. Finally, our members (with disabilities) can actually try out a local sport or two. Until now, our members have not had any options and have basically been cut off from the community. Thanks to this opportunity, we can actually mingle with mainstream members of the community in everyday settings" Skye Hinton, Lifestyle Solution

The Hedland Community Program has led to an increase in collaboration, increase in physical activity, improvements in mental health and a significant increase in volunteerism across Hedland. This program has also enabled people with disabilities to actively seek a belonging at a range of participating community clubs in and around Hedland. This initiative has also regenerated community groups such as Lisa's Kangaroo Retreat, a group dedicated to looking after and rehabilitating injured wildlife. Lisa's Kangaroo Retreat now offers people with disabilities, amongst other community members, opportunities to volunteer and belong to a community group in the local community.

# **KEY OUTCOMES**

- ✓ Over 60 sessions coordinated by local sports clubs and community groups
- ✓ 828 individuals participated in the HCP
- 16 members joined the 'Inclusion Champion Network' to further develop the community
- 20 clubs participated in the initiative
- ✓ Increase in physical participation
- ✓ Increase in club memberships
- ✓ Increase in volunteerism across community



Inclusive Sport SA has a simple purpose that we strive to achieve every day. We passionately believe that building an inclusive culture in sport and recreation will help all of our members and their families to have positive lifelong engagement within the community.

We are very lucky that sport and recreation are our 'tools' because of the significant role they play in the fabric of Australian culture. I love hearing stories from our members about how their participation in Rapidswim, C7 Football, C6 Netball and all of our other supported sport has given them an opportunity to make new friends, build their confidence and increase their capacity to engage with the wider Australian community. This year we took a more active role in sharing these stories with all South Australians through social and traditional media.

Humans of Sport in SA (HOSISA) is a Facebook campaign supported by the Office for Recreation and Sport that actively engaged the 500,000+ South Australians that regularly participate in sport and recreation in the community. Through our own research we found that the biggest barrier to participation in sport and recreation comes from a lack of understanding of difference and in turn a lack of confidence to engage. HOSISA shares personal stories of the impact sport and recreation has played in the lives of everyday South Australians in helping them feel included.

To build an inclusive culture, Inclusive Sport SA works on two fronts. Working with individuals and working within the sport and recreation sector. To increase our impact on the latter, we partnered with the Office for Recreation and Sport to host the Inclusion and Diversity in Sport (IDS17) Conference, taking over from their previous Diversity in Sport Conference. IDS17 was a great success with more than 190 people attending the full day conference and 100 people attending the preworkshop focussing on planning inclusion programs. The most rewarding work that we do is in building the capacity and capability of our members. The Rapidswim program continues to be a leader in disability specific Learn to Swim (LTS) sessions and Aquatic Therapy (AT).

The Rapidswim programs provide the opportunity for children and adults living with disability to increase water confidence, water safety and awareness. The Rapidswim: Learn to Swim Program supports participants to develop and refine the swimming skills needed to transition into community based swimming options, such as mainstream group lessons and the ability to be safe and have fun in aquatic environments. The Rapidswim: Aquatic Therapy Program provides participants with water based therapy to improve areas that impact the everyday functioning for children with disabilities. Interventions include but are not limited to communication skills, social skills, gross and fine motor skills. Rapidswim staff utilise best practice techniques to assist participants with specialised needs such as the use of visual communication systems, support at times of transition and recognition and support to assist with sensory and motor dysfunction. The Rapidswim Program are registered for provision under the NDIS and our staff work specifically with individuals to support their individual and NDIS goals.

Over the last 12 months we had a significant change in our permanent office staff. Our Rapidswim Manager, Ashleigh Stratford, finished in August 2016 to take on a role with Netball SA. Ashleigh is a passionate netballer and we wish her all the best with her new role. After an extensive hiring process, including an interview that was interrupted by the state-wide blackout, we welcomed Carrie Collopy as the new Rapidswim Manager. Carrie has had an immediate and significant impact on the Rapidswim program and has assisted the organisation in its NDIS transition.

We invested in two new roles this year, firstly a Rapidswim Coordinator to assist the Rapidswim Manager and an Events Officer to assist with the IDS17 organisation and other events. Our two new staff, Deb Tippins and Brigitte Neubauer-Cooke have both brought fun and energy to our small team.

2016-17 has been a great year for Inclusive Sport SA and I would personally like to thank our Directors, our permanent and casual staff, and most importantly our members and their families. Your support is to integral building an inclusive culture in sport and recreation.



# **REPORT** The New Horizons Club

New Horizons Club mission: Ability from disability:Opportunities and friendships through sport, recreationandsocialactivities.

# Structure:

The Club continues to be a private organisation part funded from the State Government's Health and Human Services. This funding is secured until end of June 2019 and the remaining costs are met by club fundraising, memberships, sponsorship and grants. Staffing currently is one full-time Manager, one parttime Office Assistant, and a part-time Marketing and Fundraising co-ordinator. Sub-branches in the North East and North West are also staffed by volunteers.

The NHC premises are fully utilized as offices and an activity centre for many meetings, activities and functions. NHC facilities are also an asset to many other community groups.

# <u>Sport</u>

# International:

- Aran Miller was again selected in the Australian swimming team to compete in the Down Syndrome Games. Aran also holds multiple world records in his name. Congratulations Aran!
- Justin Nilon was selected in the Australian Cricket Team, and travelled to the UK as a representative.
- > Dylan Pace represented Australia in Basketball.
- Dennis O'Keefe was selected as team member for the AFL All-Australian Inclusion Team.

# National:

- Tasmania fielded a men's team in the Ivor Burge National Basketball Competition.
- New Horizons Club was represented at the National Boccia Championships.
- We fielded a Tasmanian team in the Futsal Nationals in Sydney in January.
- A Tasmanian team participated in the AFL Inclusion Carnival. I would like to acknowledge

the sponsorship and support from Hudson Civil Products, Timberlink Australia, Boland's IGA, Burnie Auto Plant, TPG Jones and AFL.

This was the first year a Tasmanian team participated in the Cricket Nationals in Geelong. It was great working with Cricket Tasmania to provide this opportunity.

# Local:

- Weekly sporting and recreational activities take place throughout the year on a regular basis and are advertised in our monthly newsletter.
- New Horizons Club has been represented at, and hosted tenpin trips, boccia & swimming competitions, golf days, plus 'come and try's' around the state.
- Regular activities for our members include; AFL, Athletics, Aquatics, Cricket, Tennis, Basketball, Tenpin, Carpet Bowls, Gymnastics, Indoor Soccer & Futsal, Golf, Fitness Classes, Taekwondo, Bocce, Craft, Song & Dance, Junior Song & Dance, Boccia, Cooking Classes, Woodwork, Running Group, social functions and more.
- The annual Carol Tanner Memorial Swim Carnival was again hosted at Scottsdale in conjunction with Scottsdale Swim Club.
- NHC has hosted various matches with visiting interstate sporting teams, in various sports (soccer, futsal and more), as well as organised post-match social functions.
- NHC hosted Tasmania's first stadium stepping event in March. Stadium Step-Up was held in March at UTAS Stadium and invited the local Northern Tasmanian community to join our members to come and 'Step-Up for Inclusion'. A wheel-chair friendly inclusive course was also available.



# Recreation:

- Song & Dance and Junior Song & Dance programs are very popular
- Blocks of cooking classes have been held throughout the year.

- Picture Us All Exhibition and Photography classes sponsored by City of Launceston Council have taken place for the last two years. The photos at the exhibition were amazing.
- The Member's Awards night and Member's ball again were great celebration nights.
- NHC established a social 'dinner club', where member's get-together and dine at local venues approx. every two months. This has been very popular.

# Sponsorship, Grants & Fundraiser's

- Hudson Civil Products, our major sponsor, has been a valuable partner of New Horizons Club.
- The Launceston Kitchen Centre has been a long-time supporter of the club. We are very grateful for their support of the Gala Dinner and their generous ongoing update works in our kitchen.
- We now have two new 12-seater vans thanks to support from Variety, Sport and Rec Tas, the Tasmanian Community Fund and W.D Booth Trust
- City of Launceston Council provided sponsorship for Picture Us All Exhibition and Stadium Step-Up
- Premiers Grant provided a contribution to a new reverse cycle heat pump.
- Commercial Travellers Association again provided the club with a very generous donation to update the clubrooms.
- The club was successful in receiving a Volunteers Grant.
- We are grateful from the support from Rotary, Riverside Ladies Golf Group, Lords Taverners, Inner Wheel and all of the businesses and people that donate in kind and prizes to the club.
- A generous benefactor contributed substantial funds to assist in fixing the rotting floor in part of our Clubhouse offices.
- The Rotary Club of Launceston is mid-way through leading a major refresh of our outdoor space.
- A supporter of NHC led the hosting of a NHC fundraising Golf Day, with support from our office.

Our main fundraisers each year have been the 'Great Western Tiers Cycle Challenge' & our Corporate Gala Dinner & Auction and The Gourmet Gold Ticket.



**Recognition** 

The Annual Awards night was held in February. Many New Horizons members, volunteers and supporters were all recognized at the event.

It was an honour to have the Governor General of Australia – Sir Peter Cosgrove and Lady Cosgrove, visit New Horizons Club this year.

The Premier of Tasmania visited New Horizons Club and committed to supporting the Club through the uncertain time of our transitioning to NDIS funding. He is keen for our State-wide expansion and excited at the opportunities this will bring to a much wider pool of Tasmanians with disability.

Volunteer cocktail parties have taken place throughout the last 12months as a fun way of saying a big thank you.

The Club has had a positive and consistent presence across Tasmanian media.

# Moving Forward

Commonwealth Bank has come on Board as a threeyear partner for New Horizons Club to provide funding to assist with our State-wide expansion. We will be introducing pilot programs in the South of the State in 2018. This is a very exciting and busy time for us.

We are continuing to work on meeting all the goals of our strategic plan.

The standards to meet, reporting, risk management and ever-increasing governance is a big job for the Board and staff and is currently our focus to continue to work on these areas of the Club.

We continue to work hard to develop partnerships and opportunities for our members in sport and recreation.

We look forward to working with you all in the following years and expanding New Horizons Club opportunities for our members and families.





# **REPORT** Total Recreation

Total Recreation continues to partner with peak sporting bodies, local clubs and other community groups to maximise opportunities for our members to participate in social inclusion and active recreation activities/programs. Over the last 12 months, programs have been well attended, facilitated and changes made where necessary. Weekly boot camp activities have established and member interest and been participation has grown with further active recreation programs such as walking groups, indoor boot camp, and Aquafit and pump classes on the cards for late 2017 and into 2018. Total Recreation has developed a partnership with AFL NT in order for male adult members to participate in weekly training sessions, leading up to participation in the Annual Inclusion Games. Athletics and swimming squads have again increased in participation numbers and the local social and travel activities have maintained popularity amongst members. The Dancing with the Celebrities Ball and Katherine to Darwin Challenge continue to be the 2 major fundraising activities and both are raising the profile of the organisation within the local business community, increasing further partnership opportunities to fundraise into the future.

# Social Clubs & Special Events

Social activities over the past 12 months attended by Total Recreation members have included the NT Thunder finals games, a Jessica Mauboy concert, a Christmas lights bus tour, mud racing, twilight racing at Fannie Bay Turf Club, Lee Kernighan, Bass in the Grass, the V8 supercars, AFL games at TIO stadium, lawn bowls and dinner, regular movie nights and a number of Darwin Festival events. Members have also attended cultural events such as the Greek Glenti and the Garrmalang Festival. These activities are very popular and in demand with an average of 15 members attending each social event and 7 per special event throughout the past year and Total Recreation will continue to offer all members varied opportunities to access events and venues.

## Dancing with the Celebrities

Nineteen members attended weekly dance classes for 4 months leading into the ball with 13 celebrities joining them for the final 6 weeks. In 2016, The Annual Dancing with the Celebrities Ball celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, once again held at the SkyCity Beachside Pavilion on Saturday October 22nd. With over 300 people in attendance, this event provides a wonderful opportunity for members to demonstrate the skills learnt during the dance classes with 3 competitive dances on the night and 2 social progressive dances. The event itself raises vital funds and increases the awareness of Total Recreation in the wider community and our mission within the Darwin community and allows for us to hold a number fundraising activities. The live and silent auctions together raised just over \$10,000 and with sponsorship income and the raffle the DWTC Ball continues to raise approx. \$20,000.



# Arts & Crafts

Weekly arts and crafts lessons are run in partnership with Darwin Tactile Arts Studio with an average of 9 members participating. The works undertaken include pottery, Ceramics, tile making, screen printing canvas and fabric works and seasonal decorations. Created pieces and works were displayed at the Right on Show at the Supreme Court Foyer and at the Royal Darwin Show. The art teacher of 6 years, Ingrid Germanis endeavours to work closely with members to ensure the development of their skills and Total Recreation aims to seek additional opportunities for members to exhibit their art to the wider community.



# **Total Recreation Travel**

Travel opportunities have remained popular among members with many attending the various holiday options available over the past 12 months.

- In late November, 8 members flew to Sydney and boarded a week long cruise of Tasmania visiting Hobart, Port Arthur, and Burnie experiencing all the wonderful cold weather Tasmania had to offer. The group was supported by a TR staff member and a volunteer.
- In January 2017, a group of 9 members, 2 Total Recreation staff members and a volunteer travelled to Tamworth Country Music Festival to experience all that this iconic festival had to offer including Rodeo's, toe taping fiddle music, cowboy hats galore, daily concerts with the greats, John Williamson, Troy Casser Daley and the McClymonts and of course a visit to the Golden Guitar.
- In late April, 6 members attended the AFL/Sports Holiday for 5 days/4 nights. They went to a number of different sporting games including soccer, rugby and the epic ANZAC day clash between Essendon and Collingwood. Members also took in the sights of Melbourne and had a good time at the Sports Museum.

Further holiday options provided to members in 2017/2018 include Litchfield Weekender, Kakadu Experience, Malaysian Cruise, Adelaide Clipsal 500 and Bali.



# Katherine to Darwin Challenge

# Katherine to Darwin Challenge

Now in its fourth year, this fundraising event is growing bigger and better. A quiz night was held in early April followed by a Fun Run later in the month, both raising adequate funds to cover the costs of holding the Katherine to Darwin Challenge. In late June, 24 riders rode over 300km over 3 consecutive days. This event is held in partnership with Simon Watts who continues to be the driving force and commits a huge amount of his personal time to ensuree the ongoing growth and success of this event. Well done and many thanks must go to Simon. The 2017 K2DC had 4 major sponsors and 24 riders, well on our way to our aim of 40 riders. This year was again quite successful, with approx. \$40,000 raised and increased community awareness.

# **Tenpin Bowling**

The weekly winner's league continues each Saturday with over 30 bowlers competing. 16 bowlers attended the National Tenpin Disability Championships in June, held in Rooty Hill, NSW. The team ended the competition placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall, with many participants coming back with personal bests and lots of medals. NTTBA will now be managing the Tenpin Program and members and sponsors will be notified via a combined letter and the Total Recreation Newsletter. Total Recreation will support members to access the program.

# Boot Camp

Two Boot camp sessions of 8 weeks each have been held over the past 12 months, August to October 2016 and May to July 2017. Members were given the option to access 1 or 2 sessions per week held at either Palmerston or Northern Suburbs with a PT on hand to deliver planned and specific instruction on a need by need basis. 12-14 members participated in each weekly session/s. A Portion Plate was presented to members on the final week of each boot camp and a healthy BBQ was provided to promote healthy food choices and options. Due to the popularity of the program we are planning an Indoor Boot Camp Program to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> November – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017 to cater to needs during the wet season.

# Basketball

The Basketball program –Rising Stars proved very successful with many members interested in taking part in the 2 tournaments held in the past 12 months. The program ran for 8 weeks each season, held at Marrara Basketball Stadium, with 10 members participating in the weekly competition. Due to increased member interest and popularity, Total Recreation aims to have 2 teams competing in each tournament. Chris Lees, our Captain, received the Best and Fairest Award for Tournament 3

## **Swimming & Athletics**

Weekly athletics and swimming squads continue through the dry season with 12 and 9 youth athletes competing in each program respectively. These are both run by local sporting clubs with the support of Total Recreation and provide coaching and skill development as well as qualifying pathways through the NT Championships for each sport as well as accessing opportunities to compete at a national level in the Junior National Games-Special Olympics. Total Recreation continues to promote these pathways to students participating the Sports in Schools program and work with a number of peak bodies to increase pathways for athletes with a disability.

## Futsal (aka indoor soccer)

In response to ongoing feedback from members and their families a weekly futsal league has been developed which commenced in early May of 2016. The sessions are run by a qualified coach and supported by two Total Recreation staff members. The sessions experienced a down turn in interest during term 2 of 2017 and the program ceased during this time. This changed recently and 14 members are currently attending and the future aim is to still grow the league in order to allow for multiple teams to be developed.

## Youth Holiday Program and Camp

During the January school holidays of 2017, Total Recreation ran a week long Active Holiday Program for youth members. This program was very well attended with 11 youth members attending each day for the week. The program included mornings of sports based activities with afternoons spent accessing local attractions and venues around Darwin. In April during National Youth Week Total Recreation held a 3 day/2night camp at the Territory Wildlife Park after receiving a \$2000 grant from the Office of Youth Affairs. The trip included many private tours at the park, where members met and learned about Quolls, Possums, Sugar Gliders and a tiny baby wallaby as well as an afternoon at Litchfield National Park and a Jumping Crocodile tour. The youth members also enjoyed night tours behind the scenes of the crocodile display and the Nocturnal House. This trip was unfortunately cancelled early and the members returned home late on the second day due to the weather.

## Sports in Schools

Total Recreation continues to provide sporting programs to 6 special needs schools and annexes in partnership with territory sporting bodies with sessions being delivered to over 300 students annually. Swimming, athletics, soccer, AFL, cricket and rugby league continue to be very popular and after 2 or 3 weeks of sessions held in the schools' grounds, opportunities for students to compete at Gala Days are provided. The Adventure Race, swimming and athletics carnivals as well as the soccer, AFL and cricket gala days all continue to be highlights throughout the year with over 100 students competing at each of these events.


# **REPORT** Life Stream Australia

2016/17 was a big year for Life Stream Australia! One of our key priorities continued to be our partnership work with State Sport Organisations and local sports clubs to ensure the delivery of inclusive mainstream community sport programs. We have also seen some outstanding performances by many of our Queensland athletes who have competed in local, state, national and international events. We continue to play a vital role in ensuring that athletes are supported to reach their full potential through access to inclusive pathways in sport. This report provides an update on the last 12 months, as well as a snapshot of some of our success stories.

#### Funding

Life Stream has continued to receive funding from the State Government's Department of National Parks, Sport and Racing. This funding enables us to deliver a range of sport and recreation services, and we are grateful for the ongoing recognition and support from the Department.

#### State Sport Organisation partnerships

Life Stream Australia currently has active Partnership Agreements with 17 SSO's. These partnerships confirm the commitment of SSO's to address the inclusion of people with an intellectual disability in sport. We aim to align State agreements with National level agreements between Sport Inclusion Australia and National Sport Organisations where possible. This approach assists us to streamline strategies in Queensland that are reflective of goal setting at national level.

| State Sport Organisation Partners |                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Swimming QLD – Year 4             | Table Tennis QLD – Year 3   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tennis QLD – Year 4               | Netball QLD – Year 3        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bowls QLD – Year 4                | Rowing QLD – Year 3         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Football QLD – Year 4             | Athletics QLD – Year 3      |  |  |  |  |  |
| AFL QLD – Year 4                  | Waterpolo QLD – Year 3      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tenpin Bowling – Year 4           | Touch Football QLD – Year 3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Golf QLD – Year 4                 | Rugby Union – Year 2        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cricket QLD – Year 3              | Rugby League – Year 2       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hockey QLD – Year 3               |                             |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Next Gen Athlete Funding

Our biggest nominations yet! Life Stream Australia is grateful to Sport Inclusion Australia for supporting the development of Brisbane based athletes through the Next Gen Athlete Program. We are very thankful to the Brisbane City Council Lord Mayors Charitable Trust for providing such substantial financial backing for many of our athletes.



Life Stream Australia supported Sport Inclusion Australia and Global Games Company in the 2017 INAS Conference and General Assembly 20-24 April 2017 in Brisbane. This provided us with a fantastic opportunity to showcase the wonderful sporting facilities, infrastructure and features of Brisbane to our International delegates in the lead up to the 2019 INAS Global Games.



#### Athletes - active participation

Life Stream has continued to assist Queensland elite athletes to access the Sport Inclusion Australia and INAS classification pathway. During the past 12 months we have helped over 100 individuals to complete the required eligibility paperwork and lodge applications with Sport Inclusion Australia. We continue to represent students with an intellectual disability through our representation on the Queensland School Sport Disability Advisory Committee.

We have promoted the state Governments Young Athletes Travel Subsidy program, which provides athletes competing in State, National and International events with financial support to compete in events. We have also promoted the Governments Get in the Game "Get Started Vouchers", which support people to pay for club membership fees.

#### Athletes - competing in events

INAS Athletics Championships, Bangkok 12th to 19th May 2017.

2017 marked the 11th INAS Athletics Championships; this was the first time the event was held in an Asian continent. Life Stream Australia Cathy Wilson (CEO) and Chantel Lewis (Community Sport Coordinator) were lucky enough to travel with the largest team yet to represent Australia in athletics, traveling to Bangkok with 22 athletes, 14 of those athletes making their debut for Australia.

# Australian Cricket Team

Cricket Australia, announced the squad for the 2017 Australian Cricket Team, Huge congratulations to everyone selected and a big shout out to the 5 Queensland players selected in the squad:

- 1. Brett Wilson (QLD)
- 2. Brendan Westlake (QLD)
- 3. Hadyn Brumm (QLD)
- 4. David Baird (QLD)
- 5. Nicholas McConnell (QLD)

The five QLD selected players were presented their uniforms at Life Streams combined Cricket and AFL Gala Day.



## Athletes - non-active participation

Life Stream supports athletes to engage in roles outside of being an active participant. It's important that athletes are given an opportunity to give back to their sport and to the community. Life Stream have supported a young man aged 17 to get his level one cricket qualification he is now currently assisting a local club coach and playing indoor cricket.

# Sport Awards

## Award 1

2016/17 Sue Fleming Sports Award

An award presented to an athlete with an intellectual disability from Queensland who has demonstrated outstanding elite performance in their chosen sport.

## Award 2

2016/17 Fraser Sportsmanship Award

An award presented to an athlete with an intellectual disability from Queensland who has demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship qualities in their chosen sport.

The awards honor the commitment of two individuals who have dedicated an extraordinary commitment to inclusion in sport, including the late Sue Fleming.

The prize money of \$1000 per award can make a big difference to the winning athletes by assisting with event related costs including travel, accommodation, uniform and equipment.

## **Club Development**

Life Stream Australia provides Inclusion Workshops to State Sport Organisation staff and local club coaches. We have delivered a number of inclusion workshops during the past 12 months, focusing on inclusive best practice and pathways in sport. In 2017 Life Stream Australia have taken the work shop regionally and delivered a workshop in Mackay and Rockhampton.

## School Sport – Brisbane

Over the last year the Life Stream Community Sport Program has continued to deliver participation opportunities for students with a disability to engage in sport and recreation. Through our continually growing partnerships with both State Sport Organisations and local clubs and coaches, Life Stream has provided 6,734 participation opportunities across the greater Brisbane region (July 2016 – June 2017).

We have also grown our school sport program and expanded to support, organise and run interschool competitions in 4 special schools in Brisbane's south.

#### School / Community Events

Claremont Special school netball program

Suncorp pre game Match - in partnership with SIA and Slater and Gordon

Supported Ipswich and Claremont Special School in QLD day celebrations - Lawn Bowls

Regional Athletics Carnival Supported 5 West Special Schools - LSA Athlete attended to help

Touch QLD State Championships

North Brisbane NRL interschool sport program

Gymnastics school sport program

Softball school sport program

School Sport – South East Queensland Gala Days

Over the last year Life Stream in partnership with Tennis QLD, Netball QLD, Rugby league QLD, Cricket QLD, AFL QLD, Water Polo QLD, Lawn Bowls QLD have ran 6 Gala Days providing 649 students with an opportunity to come together at a local club, socialise, try new skills and have fun.









#### Regional Sport – Rockhampton

#### School Sport

Rockhampton Life Stream Community Sport provided 3901 opportunity for school student's participants.

Rockhampton sports officer has been working with a number of SSO to deliver tri series interschool competitions this has been a great success and will continue on.

## Thank you Sport Inclusion Australia

Life Stream would like to thank Sport Inclusion Australia for its ongoing support during the past 12 months. Robyn and her team of staff do a fantastic job at keeping inclusion at the front and Centre in the minds of National Sport Organisation personnel, and it is this that enables us at State level to achieve some great outcomes and awesome success stories like those mentioned in this report.



# **REPORT** Victoria

Over the past 12 months Sport Inclusion Australia has continued to represent Victoria and maintain links with all key stakeholders in Victoria.

It is pleasing to see during this time that athlete participation across the sports continues to grow with increased success at all levels.

We also acknowledge the support and commitment of the State Government of Victoria through Sport and Recreation Victoria. Their ongoing commitment to inclusion to all Victorians is evident not only in their financial support of our organisation, but their commitment to conducting workshops and attendance at events. In particular we would like to thanks Jason Calleja and Tim Burke for their genuine commitment to inclusion for Victorians with a disability.



Our athletes have continued to represent at State, National and International level.

#### AFL – FIDA

Coordinated by AFL Victoria the AFL FIDA program continues to go from strength to strength with 660 registered players in 2017, an increase of 48 players from 2016. 28 teams compete in 3 conferences across the state.

Victoria was represented by two teams VIC Metro and VIC Country at the National AFL Inclusion Carnival on the Gold Coast. Vic Metro winning the Championships.



Victoria's Jarrod Redcliffe, Tyson Harris, Kelvin O'Connor, Ross Ursino, Yaser Shubeilat and Rodney Pettit were named in the All Australian team with Vic Metro Coach Rob Klemm named as the All Australian Team Coach.



Tim Nield (AFL Victoria) and Logan Whittaker (AFL) should be acknowledged for their outstanding work and commitment to the FIDA and AFL programs.

#### Athletics

Participation numbers in Athletics continue to grow with Victorian athletes also performing on the International stage. Todd Hodgetts and Nicholas Hum represented Australia at the RIO Olympics in 2016, with Todd winning a Bronze medal in the men's shot put. Nicholas finishing fifth just 10cms from a medal in the men's long jump.

Victorian's dominated the Australian team that competed at the INAS Athletics Championships in Bangkok with 15 year old Caytlyn Sharp winning gold in the women's high jump, Bronze in the women's triple jump and Bronze in the women's 4 x 100m relay. Geelong's Eliesha Byrt finished with two Bronze medals in the women's 3000m and women's 4 x 400m relay. Other Victorian's to represent included Drew Semmens (400m and 800m) and Aaron Bird (5000m and 10,000m) along with Nicholas Cross (Physiotherapist) and Anula Costa (Head Coach).



Geelong's Eliesha Byrt proudly displaying her Bronze medal and Australian Flag.

#### Basketball

Basketball Victoria's Ivor Burge Men's and Women's teams dominated the 2017 Ivor Burge Basketball Championships in Bendigo. The Men's team winning their fourth consecutive Championship while the Women regained the title from NSW, having won the previous four Championships.

Victoria's James Myers, Jake De La Motte, Frazer Dawber, Jarrod Thomson, Molly Urquhart-Moran, Kaitlyn Papworth, Evie Patterson, Kate Leckenby and Jessica McCulloch all selected to represent Australia at the 2017 INAS Basketball World Championships in Italy later this year. The players will be in good hands with fellow Victorians Simon Robinson (Head Coach) George Havakis (Asst Coach) and Jennifer De Gabriele (Manager) in Charge of the mens team (Boomerangs) and Sally Duncan (Manager) and Jo Larkin (Asst Coach) with the women's team (The Pearls).



Basketball Victoria continue to run popular programs for players with an intellectual impairment with a number of other competitions being run within Victorian Schools.

#### Cricket

Victorian Cricketers represented the state at both the 2016 Lord's Taverner's Shield (Indoor Cricket) conducted at Springvale and the National Cricket Inclusion Championships in Geelong.

The Victorian Lords Taverner's Shield team winning the Indoor Championships and the Victoria Vikings winning the outdoor National Cricket Inclusion Championships.

Following the National Cricket Inclusion Championships 5 Victorian players were named in the Australian team to tour England in July with Victoria's Gavan Hicks named as Team Captain.

2017 Australian Cricket representatives: Gavan Hicks (Captain), Daynah Hopkins, David Alford, Mitch Cutter-Rabl, and Lachlan MacRae.

#### Tennis

Victoria's Albert Park Reserve and Melbourne Park continue to host both the Victorian and Australian Tennis Championships.

The 2017 Australian Tennis Championships conducted by Tennis Australia and supported by Tennis Victoria, Sport Inclusion Australia and Lord's Taverners Australia Victoria Branch, also received support from the Victorian Government through the Significant Sporting Events Program. The most successful tournament in its 20 year history saw record numbers of entries including international players from England and Japan.

Victoria's Carla Lenarduzzi finished second in the Women's singles and doubles, with Sharon Morse pairing with NSW's Kelly Wren to win the doubles.

2017 also saw an increase in entries by Victorian players in the Championships with two new players playing their first Championships.

Following the Championships and her selection in the Australian Tennis team, Carla Lenarduzzi was nominated for the Tennis Victoria awards in the most outstanding player with a disability category by Wilson Park Tennis Club. Carla made the final 3 for the Award which was won by Dylan Alcott.



John Eren MP surrounded by Victorian players at the 2017 Australian Tennis Championships

#### The Victorian Advisory Committee

Helen Croxford (Chair), Karen Pearce, Logan Whitaker, Scott Nicholas, Shaun Evans, Felicity Smith, Michael Thomson

We have had delegates represent Sport Inclusion Australia at every forum or SRV event this year.

It is important to take time to establish whether there are any gaps in the representation of people with an intellectual disability in the sporting sector.

Our work plan highlights are:

- Build sustainable partnerships with relevant industries
- Maximise Community pathways leading to more quality ongoing inclusive opportunities
- Influence social policy and create cultural change.



# **Affiliation Reports**



# **REPORT** Australian Football League Logan Whitaker

#### 2017 AFL National Inclusion Carnival

In July 2017, the AFL coordinated the 4<sup>th</sup> annual AFL National Inclusion Carnival for players with an intellectual disability which for the first time ever included representation from every State/Territory being; New South Wales/ACT, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria Metro, Victoria Country and Western Australia.

Due to the increase in team numbers the carnival was split into two divisions to help foster more competitive games of football across the week, players also ran football clinics as part of visits to special schools, took part in education sessions including healthy eating and drug and alcohol education and completed a lap of honour before the Gold Coast SUNS v Richmond game at Metricon Stadium.



Through strong partnerships between the AFL's state affiliates and Sport Inclusion Australia's state affiliates it is hoped that the momentum gathered through the AFL National Inclusion Carnival provides the catalyst to create greater local participation opportunities for people with an intellectual disability in the future.



#### AllPlay Program

The AFL have partnered with Deakin University to create the <u>AllPlay program</u>, designed to support families of children of All Abilities to participate in NAB AFL Auskick. AllPlay is a set of resources split into three categories; Coaches, Parents and Kids that aim to support inclusion at local NAB AFL Auskick centres.

#### Acknowledgements

The AFL would like to thank Sports Inclusion Australia for their ongoing support and assistance in providing opportunities for people with intellectual disability to play AFL. The AFL would particularly like to thank Robyn Smith and Sports Inclusion Australia's state affiliates for their passion, encouragement and continued support for the AFL National Inclusion Carnival.





**REPORT** Australian Paralympic Committee

The Rio 2016 Paralympic Games was the second Games since Sydney 2000 to include sport for athletes with an intellectual impairment.

The Australian Paralympic Committee (APC) is pleased with the overall performance of the 2016 Australian Paralympic Team, which finished fifth on the medal tally with 81 medals in total, consisting of 32 gold, 23 silver, 30 bronze medals.

Athletes with an intellectual impairment contested three sports in Rio 2016 – athletics, swimming and table tennis.

Six Australian athletes with an intellectual impairment competed, winning 1 silver and 2 bronze medals.

Sam von Einem took out a silver medal in the Men's Class 11 singles, bringing home Australia's first medal in table tennis in 32 years.

After his success in London 2012, Todd Hodgetts aimed for the podium again in the men's T20 shot put, finishing with a Bronze medal.

Daniel Fox finished with a bronze medal in the men's S14 200m freestyle, the same event he won a silver medal in at the London 2012 Games.

The APC is focused on high performance outcomes, talent identification and classification programs that will build upon our success in Tokyo 2020.

Enabling access to the Para-sport pathway for athletes continues to be a priority for the APC, and working with its Sporting partners, including Sport Inclusion Australia, is essential to ongoing development.



Sam von Einem



Todd Hodgetts



# REPORT

# Bowls Australia Chris Wallace

Bowls Australia is appreciative of its partnership with Sport Inclusion Australia which greatly assists to grow the sport of bowls and in particular, improve the future of our sport and its participants.

Participation in bowls has consistently grown nationwide since we began collecting participation statistics via our National Bowls Census in 2010, which is in part due to the inclusive and welcoming environment of our clubs and associations. Bowls is universally appreciated as a sport for all ages and abilities.

Our pinnacle event, the Australian Open, held annually on the Gold Coast with the support of Tourism and Events Queensland and the Gold Coast City Council has been a major boost to the sport. It demonstrates just how inclusive our sport is, with the opportunity to showcase our sport, our talented athletes and furthermore, how integration is the best outcome for all.

As part of the expanded Australian Open, the 'Bowlers With a Disability' component and other disciplines which are all Open events, have attracted thousands to the region. All disciplines attract prize money, with two formats offered - singles (disability specific) and a multidisability pair's event. There are no qualifying events – it is truly an Open event and comprises sectional play ensuring participants will receive multiple matches.

For more information, please go to the Bowls Australia website and follow the links to the Australian Open page, or use the following address: http://www.australianopen.bowlsaustralia.com.au/.

Entries for the next Australian Open will open in early 2018.

Our congratulations go to all competitors, in particular our 'Australian Open – Bowlers With a Disability' Champions. The Intellectual Disability Singles Final was an all-Queensland affair, with Nathan Appleton defeating Krystie Ebert 21-2.

The Multi-Disability Pairs Final was an epic encounter and Nathan Appleton was almost able to secure a remarkable double. Philip Plackett (NSW) and Bernie Wolland (QLD) won the Final by the narrowest of margins against Nathan Appleton (QLD) and Josh Barry (VIC) 15-14.

Our sincere thanks are offered to all participants who make our events successful each year. Of course, this also includes our event volunteers, coaches and umpires – without their assistance events could not take place.

Our thanks also go to the SIA staff who provide so much support for the good of both the sport and their members. For any further information about bowls, please visit <u>www.bowls.com.au</u>.



*Pictured: 2017 Intellectual Disability Singles Champion, Nathan Appleton, in action at the 2017 Australian Open* 



# Cricket Australia Vanessa Lewicki/Aaron Dragwidge



REPORT



## (Indoor Cricket National Tournament)

Lord's Taverners Shield

The 2017 Lord's Taverners Shield represented the 25th year of this event, with the inaugural Lord's Taverners Shield taking place in Victoria in 1993. Four states were represented in the first year: New South Wales, South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria. Since then, every State and Territory has been represented in the Lord's Taverners Shield.

The best state-based indoor cricketers come together to compete in the Indoor Cricket National Championships (Opens). The same venue, draw, umpires & resources are provided. This year, all games on the final two days of the tournament were live streamed via the Cricket Australia Indoor Facebook page (@CricketAusIndoor) and the Indoor Cricket website (indoor.cricket.com.au) including the Semi-Finals, Prelim-Finals and Grand-Finals.

Cricket Australia (and, prior to 2009, the Australian Indoor Cricket Federation (AICF)) was the first National Sporting Organisation to fully embrace the concept of inclusion and include an event for players with an intellectual disability alongside their national open-age event. The 25-year relationship between Sport Inclusion Australia (formerly AUSRAPID) and Cricket Australia – Indoor Cricket (formerly AICF) has been a wonderful partnership and has, along with the support from each of the Lord's Taverners Australia branches, provided invaluable assistance across the years to allow the teams to compete in the tournament.

This year saw five State/Territory teams travel to Mackay QLD from  $8^{th} - 15^{th}$  July to compete in the event.

South Australia claimed their first ever Lord's Taverners Shield title, a feat which has been 25-years in the making.

They had an unbeaten run through to the Grand Final, winning all eight of their round games without dropping a single match point. The Victorians prevented reigning champions Queensland from progressing through to the big dance with a 2-run victory in the preliminary final (VIC 111 - QLD 109).

Batting first in the Grand Final, South Australia got off to a strong start with the bat as they piled on 71 runs from 8 overs. The Vics had no answer for South Australia's batting prowess as the final partnerships of McQueen/Pattison (63) and May/Greenwood (71) took SA to a mammoth total of 205 runs.

Victorian duo Anderson and Mahar came out flying with a first pair partnership of 31 runs. Whitehand and Jeffery continued ticking over the run rate with the Vics totalling 50 runs by the halfway point of their innings. Some excellent pieces of fielding and a fall of wickets swung the momentum back in South Australia's favour as they restricted the Vics to a final score of 17 runs.

Scott May, who was a strong performer with the bat for South Australia (scoring 50 runs during his 71-run partnership), was named Player of the Grand Final by the umpire of the match.

| 2017 LTS DIVISION - PRELIMINARY RESULTS |     |   |   |   |    |    |      |         |      |       |       |     |
|---|-----|---|---|---|----|----|------|---------|------|-------|-------|-----|
| Team                                    | Pld | W | L | D | FF | FA | For  | Against | Dif  | Skins | Bonus | Pts |
| SA                                      | 8   | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1204 | 202     | 1002 | 32    | 32    | 56  |
| VIC                                     | 8   | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 941  | 607     | 334  | 20    | 20    | 35  |
| QLD                                     | 8   | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 637  | 753     | -116 | 13    | 13    | 22  |
| WA                                      | 8   | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 542  | 1020    | -478 | 8     | 8     | 17  |
| NSW                                     | 8   | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 387  | 1129    | -742 | 7     | 7     | 10  |

#### **Grand Final Result**

SA – 205 (Waldhuter/Drowley: 44), (Bell/Dunton: 27), (McQueen/Pattison: 63), (May/Greenwood: 71)

## defeated

VIC - 17 (Anderson/Mahar: 31), (Whitehand/Jeffery: 19), (Pattison/Kerin: -19), (Sutton/Jeffery: -14)

Player of the Grand Final: Scott May (SA)

Player of the Series: Scott May (SA)

## 2017 Lord's Taverners Shield All-Star Team

- SA: Benjamin Pattison, James Eustance-Smith, Joshua Waldhuter, Lindsay Drowley, Matt Greenwood, Scott May
- VIC: Chris Anderson, Craig Whitehand, Nathan Mahar
- WA: Jonathan Flower
- Coach: Andrew Summerton (South Australia)



SA are champions for the first time since the inception of the Lord's Taverners Shield!



#### National Cricket Inclusion Championships

Cricket Australia conducted the inaugural National Cricket Inclusion Championships (NCIC) from 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Cricket Victoria and the Geelong Cricket Association did an outstanding job hosting the championships in Geelong where it will be held for the next two years. The standard of cricket highlighted the incredible talent on display with Victorian and Australian Captain Gavan Hicks and Brett Wilson setting the tournament alight with big hundreds in the very first game. Victoria went on to defeat South Australia in the Final which went down to the very last over. The division for Cricketers with an Intellectual Disability was made up of six teams – Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia. A Blind cricket division and Deaf cricket division were also included with a combined SA/WA team winning the Blind Division and the WA team winning the Deaf division. Planning for the 2018 NCIC is well under way with the Championships to be held between 21<sup>st</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January. The assistance provided by Sport Inclusion Australia from Robyn Smith and Kellie Keen, particularly in relation to eligibility of athletes has been very much appreciated. Thanks also to the Lord's Taverners Australia who have been a big supporter of cricketers with a disability for over 30 years.



The Victorious Victorian Vikings after winning the Inaugural National Cricket Inclusion Championships Final

#### **INAS Tri Nations Series**

The Australian Team travelled to Cheshire, England to compete at the INAS Tri Nations Series against England and South Africa in July 2017. The team which contained seven debutants and seven players travelling overseas for the very first time, was the first non-Paralympic team for people with a disability in Australian sport to be fully funded thanks to the support of Cricket Australia and the Commonwealth Bank. The team also had a strong contingent of eight coaching and support staff headlined by Head Coach John Lonergan, Team Manager Joanna Connolly, Assistant Coach Nathan Dodd and Player/Coach Mentor and former Australian Test Cricketer Julien Wiener, to ensure the players could perform at their very best.

The result was Australia's best performance since 2009 which saw them make the Final of the ODI Series and push England to their limits. There were many highlights from the tour including an impressive unbeaten half century and man of the match performance from Boyd Duffield against England, a solid 80 from Gavan Hicks in a do or die game against England, a hat-trick from Brett Wilson and a stunning performance from Daynah Hopkins and Haydn Brumm taking four and five wickets respectively to bowl us to victory against South Africa and book us a place in the ODI Final against England. Haydn Brumm was named the Australian Player of the Series and Boyd Duffield won the T20 Player of the Series. Australian veteran David Baird who famously faced the very first ball of the series for Australia back in 2005 announced his retirement.

Besides the cricket, the players learnt many life skills and had the opportunity to visit several iconic English locations including day trips to Chester, Manchester and Liverpool as well as a hop on, hop off bus tour of London. They were even lucky enough to train at Old Trafford as well as visit Manchester United and Liverpool Football Clubs. It was an incredible experience for the entire touring party and one that would not be possible without the amazing support of many people and organisations particularly the Commonwealth Bank, the English and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), Sport Inclusion Australia and the Lord's Taverners Australia.



**Back Row:** John Lonergan (Head Coach), Julien Wiener (Mentor), Joanna Connolly (Team Manager), Howard Beer (Security Manager), Gavan Hicks (Captain), Daynah Hopkins, David Alford, Luke Goodman, Nicholas McConnell, Mitch Cutter-Rabl, Brendan Westlake, Anthony Kalimeris, Nathan Dodd (Assistant Coach), Jin Lee (Doctor), Matthew Lynagh (physiotherapist), Aaron Dragwidge (CA Head of Delegation).

*Front Row:* David Baird, Boyd Duffield, Brett Wilson, Lachlan MacRae, Haydn Brumm, Justin Nilon



# **REPORT** Netball Australia

Netball Australia's national championship for women with an intellectual disability, the Marie Little OAM Shield, soared to great heights this year with the introduction of two new state teams to the competition, held in Perth at the beginning of September.

New South Wales took out their third title in a row, defeating the South Australia Rubies by one goal in a thrilling game at the State Netball Centre in Perth.



However, the moment of the tournament involved Northern Territory, a new side in 2017, with most of the team only picking up a netball in the months before. Despite not being able to win a game, morale was high and with every goal scored, the whole team ran to the goal circle to congratulate the shooter. It wasn't until the last round that Northern Territory were able to claim their first win. Tears flowed on the court and in the grandstand as every team ran over to congratulate the team. This was the true spirit of the Marie Little OAM Shield.

New in 2017, was the Naomi Perry Spirit of Netball Award, named after a former Western Australian representative at previous all abilities carnivals. The award recognises one athlete who demonstrates sportsmanship and respect for all throughout the three days of the Marie Little OAM Shield. The inaugural recipient of the award was Western Australian, Shakira Jamieson who was presented with the award by Naomi's parents.



Coaches casted votes for opposing team players at the conclusion of round matches to determine the most valuable player of the tournament. Queensland's Nicole Skerman was this year's most Valuable Player.



The event, in its fifth year since being renamed to honour South Australian netball inclusion champion and AUSRAPID founder Marie Little OAM, is supported by Netball Australia's Community Inclusion Partner, Australia Post.

Sport Inclusion Australia CEO, Robyn Smith believes the event honours the late Marie Little OAM perfectly. "The Marie Little OAM Shield has just improved out of sight since its origin. Each year it's got bigger and better and now we see six teams contesting and being really competitive".

"The Marie Little OAM Shield encapsulates the spirit of sport and sportsmanship and we learn a lot of lessons. I feel that if we could bottle up all this humanity and sportsmanship, we'd all be better off."





# **REPORT** Table Tennis Australia

## **EVENTS**

As part of Table Tennis Australia's (TTA) commitment to inclusive sport the 2017 National Para Championships were successfully held in Mornington, Victoria during February. Athletes from all over Australia as well as Thailand and Indonesia competed in teams and individual events. The event was well attended and fiercely contested by all attending athletes. Sam Von Einem (SA) was awarded the gold medal and Rory Carroll the silver medal in the National Class 11 Men's Singles event.

In international results, Sam von Einem had an outstanding second half of 2016 winning a Silver medal in the Class 11 men's singles at the Rio Paralympic Games. This was the first time in over 30 years that an Australian Para table tennis athlete had won a medal at a Paralympic Games. In 2017 Sam has continued with his winning form teaming up with Rory Carroll at the World Para Team Championships to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Class 11 men's teams round robin event. Sam also won a silver medal in the Class 11 men's singles and doubles at the recent Korea Para Open.

#### DEVELOPMENT

TTA continued to work closely with the Australian Paralympic Committee (APC), the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) and its State & Territory bodies throughout 2016 / 2017 to increase participation and to provide pathways from Schools to club through to National level for athletes with an intellectual impairment. Participation funding from the ASC via the Sporting Schools Program provided the opportunity for more Schools to offer table tennis to their students and then for those interested students to transition into their local clubs. These projects have been to date very successful in achieving their stretch targets which means that there are now a lot more athletes with an intellectual impairment playing table tennis throughout Australia.

In International news, the AusAID Pacific Sports Partnership (PSP) Program has continued to be a great success. This funding is contributing towards increasing inclusion participation and the quality of life of people with disability in three Pacific Countries - Fiji, Vanuatu and Kiribati by providing them with the opportunity to take up the sport of table tennis. Opportunities with additional funding through AusAid has seen further projects being undertaken in Tonga and Solomon Islands. In addition, the AusAid Asian Sports Partnership (ASP) program which has contributed to partnerships being formed with Thailand and Indonesia has been so successful that ASP2 funding has now also been granted. The result of this funding has seen the opportunity for exchange programs to be undertaken, hence the attendance of the Thailand and Indonesia Para athletes at this years' National Para Championships. The Australian Team will once again travel to Thailand in October this year to compete in the 2017 Thailand Para Open and then stay on to attend a training camp with the Thailand National Team and conduct visits to disability organisations.

TTA appointed Roger Massie as the National Para Pathways Manager and he commenced his new role in January this year. Rogers' focus is on the areas of talent identification and athlete development and he is working closely with the TTA National Para Coaches and Participation Manager, the APC, and disability organisations throughout Australia to form partnerships and implement talent ID strategies and targeted projects.

## LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

TTA is hopeful that in January 2018, Sam von Einem will be offered a qualification spot for the 2018 World Para Individual Championships.

## **CONCLUSION**

TTA would like to acknowledge the hard work, commitment and care that the Sport Inclusion Australia staff members show for people with integration difficulties and for being such great people to work with. TTA very much appreciates the support that Sport Inclusion Australia provides our organisation.



# **REPORT** Tennis Australia Anna Livingston

#### Introduction

Tennis Australia continued our commitment to an inclusive and diverse participation and fan base this year. Our programs, activations, and coach education are designed to enable participation and accessibility by all abilities, backgrounds, ages and gender. We are pleased to partner with our Member Associations who in conjunction with various disability organisations, provide national opportunities which ensure that all players, athletes, families and carers are part of the tennis family.

#### Australian Tennis Championships 2017



The 2017 Australian Tennis Championships marked the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the national event. Victorian Sport and Recreation and The Lord's Taverners Australia (Victorian Branch) provided outstanding support to the event. It was the fourth year that the tournament had Inas sanctioning which will be ongoing so that we continue to attract international competitors. We had record numbers with the highest ever number of entries across all events.

Entries for 2017 – Singles entries Men – 35, Women – 12. Doubles entries Men – 18, Women – 6.

Including 1 male player from Japan and 5 male players from Great Brittan.

A big thank you to our team at Albert Reserve who continue to provide fantastic facilities for the ATC. Men's & Women's singles and doubles finals were held at Melbourne Park on the last Saturday of the Australian Open, with access to courts 7 & 10 helping to provide atmosphere and an opportunity to attract a great crowd. Thanks must go to Tony Warland our Referee for his continued support, along with court supervisor Anne Halley. The trophy presentation was once again held in Garden Square on centre stage with MC Shura Taft and presented by Wayne Bird and Peta Phillips. We were pleased to maintain our total prize pool again this year, which was distributed across all winners and runners up in both singles and doubles.

| Resul | ts: |
|-------|-----|
|-------|-----|

| Event         | Winner                | Runner Up               | Score    |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Men's Singles | Sam Von Einem (SA)    | Archie Graham (QLD)     | 7-5, 6-4 |
| Men's Doubles | Archie Graham (QLD)/  | Fabrice Higgins (GBR)/  | 7-5, 6-4 |
|               | Damian Phillips (NSW) | Dominic Iannotti (GBR)  |          |
| Women's       | Kelly Wren (NSW)      | Carla Lenarduzzi (VIC)  | 6-2, 6-2 |
| Singles       |                       |                         |          |
| Women's       | Sharon Morse (VIC)/   | Carla Lenarduzzi (VIC)/ | 6-4, 6-1 |
| Doubles       | Kelly Wren (NSW)      | Kathryn Wilson (QLD)    |          |

#### Competition

The 8<sup>th</sup> Inas World Tennis Championships was held in Bolton, UK from the 6-15<sup>th</sup> April 2017. There were eight nations represented at the event including Great Britain, USA, Russia, Poland, Belgium, Czech Republic, France and Australia. The Australian team of six athletes did an outstanding job and defended their title for a third straight year by taking out 3 gold, 4 silver and 2 bronze across the seven events. Archie Graham defended his world number one title to take out the men's singles while former number one Kelly Wren finished runner-up on the women's side. Gold medals in the mixed and women's doubles ensured Australia finished at the top of the medal tally. The Australian team consisted of four males and two females - Archie Graham, Mitchell James, Damian Phillips, Josh Holloway, Kelly Wren and Carla Lenarduzzi.

| Event           | Player(s)                                  | Result | Score          | Vs  |
|-----------------|--|--------|----------------|-----|
|                 |  |        |                |     |
| Men's Singles   | Archie Graham (Qld)                        | Gold   | 4-1, 0-4, 10-5 | GBR |
| Men's Doubles   | Archie Graham (Qld)/Damian Phillips (NSW)  | Silver | 0-4, 5-4, 10-7 | GBR |
|                 | Joshua Holloway (Qld)/Mitchell James (Qld) | Bronze | 5-4(3), 4-1    | GBR |
| Men's Team      | Archie Graham (Qld)/Mitchell James (Qld)   | Silver |                |     |
| Women's Singles | Kelly Wren (NSW)                           | Silver | 4-1, 5-4(1)    | BEL |
| Women's Doubles | Carla Lenarduzzi (VIC)/Kelly Wren (NSW)    | Gold   | 5-4(4), 4-1    | BEL |
| Women's Team    | Carla Lenarduzzi (VIC)/Kelly Wren (NSW)    | Silver |                |     |
| Mixed Doubles   | Damian Phillips (NSW)/Kelly Wren (NSW)     | Gold   | 4-0, 5-4(2)    | BEL |
|                 | Archie Graham (Qld)/Carla Lenarduzzi (VIC) | Bronze | 4-1, 4-0       | FRA |

Medal Tally:

|               | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|---------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| Australia     | 3    | 4      | 2      | 9     |
| Belgium       | 2    | 2      | 1      | 5     |
| Great Brittan | 2    | 1      | 2      | 5     |
| Poland        | 0    | 0      | 2      | 2     |

Special thanks to Alison Scott who was Head Coach of the team, and Jay Schuback who served as Team Manager. Congratulations to the entire team not only for the amazing results, but also the exemplary behaviour and attitudes displayed both on and off the court. The personal stories of athletes competing in his event remain a great source of inspiration for many in our sport. All State based GOLD level championships will be held again in 2017/18 (VIC, SA, QLD & NSW) with relevant ranking points being allocated. This calendar year sees the addition of a SILVER Series tournament held at Beenleigh Tennis Club in October 2017.

## Development activities

Tennis Australia and its Member Associations provided a variety of outreach and training sessions to expose new players to tennis. In 2017-18, through our Tennis Inclusion (All Abilities) pathway we will continue to provide opportunities for participation, integration and competition at all levels to ensure that we continue to grow the game of tennis for players, carers and their families.

We will continue to work with Sport Inclusion Australia and our partners to progress the important role tennis can play in the lives of Australians of all abilities.





# **REPORT** Boomerangs & Pearls

# Boomerangs

## 2016

August - Japan tour Sept - Satellite TAS Sept - Satellite VIC Oct - Satellite SA and clinic Oct - Satellite QLD and clinic; Meeting with Lifestream and QLD stakeholders Nov - Satellite WA and clinic x2 Dec - VIC clinic

## 2017

February - Ivor Burge Nationals (Japan development team) April - All Australian Camp May - BA National Coaches' Conference; Satellite ACT; Meeting with ACT stakeholders June - Spectres' Tournament

Following the Global Games in Ecuador, 2016 the Boomerangs program returned to a regional and domestic focus. After hosting Japan at the 2015 Ivor Burge Nationals in Dandenong the Boomerangs were invited to participate in the Japan-FID Basketball Championships followed by friendlies against the national team. The touring group consisted of fringe and developing players with a few experienced veterans for support. It was a useful opportunity for emerging players to gain international experience and to continue discussions with Japan-FID about growing competition in the region. The last four months of 2016 Head Coach Simon Robinson conducted satellite session in Launceston, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth. Boomerang's athletes and coaches also ran successful player/coach clinics in Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth.

The 2017 Ivor Burge Nationals were held in Bendigo and the connection with Japan-FID continued to grow with Japan entering a development team into the Men's draw. The annual All Australian Camp was held Easter long weekend in Melbourne with 20 athletes and 8 staff drawn from all state programs attending and an eye toward the INAS Basketball World Championships. With the championships confirmed for November 2017 two Boomerang's teams played in the Nunawading Spectres' tournament in early June where they were warmly welcomed by tournament organisers, teams, coaches and spectators. Opposition players and coaches were especially pleased at being able to play a small part in the Boomerang's preparation for the World Championships and wished everyone well.

Head Coach Simon Robinson attended the Basketball Australia National Coaches' conference and conducted a satellite session in Canberra at the beginning of May.

The regular engagement with state program stakeholders over the last twelve months has been positive with especially good signs from ACT and Queensland as they are on track to have Men's teams returning to the Ivor Burge Championships in 2018.

# Pearls

The Australian Pearls travelled to Japan for a series of friendly games from 3 to 11 August 2016. The team met in Sydney and travelled to Tokyo, continuing by bus to Matsumoto. The bus portion of the trip was very lengthy due to a long delay on the only road through the mountains. Our estimated journey of 3 hours took close to 8 hours.

Our scheduled training session was cut short and replaced with a warm-up game against the local High School team of 16-18 year olds. The Pearls started very well scoring a few quick baskets. We made it very difficult for the high school team to score early in the game. Good to see the Pearls holding their own against this mainstream team. The high school team were eventual winners with a final score of 53-29. It was a good opportunity for the Pearls to experience the physical nature and style of play we were about to experience in the Japanese National tournament and our international game vs Japan. The next two days was Japan's National tournament, similar to our lvor Burge, so there were many teams coming from all over Japan. To allow us to participate at the tournament the organisers had the Pearls play a series of games against each of the losing teams each day. This allowed a greater number of the Japanese players to experience playing against an international team. On Day 1 we played two 10 minute quarters against each of the two weakest teams. This level of competition was not desirable as the Pearls played well below their standard. We won both games. On Day 2 the next round of losing teams played against Australia. This resulted in 4 teams each playing one 10 minute quarter against the Pearls. Although each team was a fresh set of legs, the Pearls did get a better standard of competition. We won all 4 quarters.

Our final day of play was an international against the Japanese National team. This was held at a local high school. The Japanese team suited up 15 players. This was an excellent game pitting the physicality and speed of the Japanese against the structure, height and discipline of the Australian Pearls. We showed we could match the physicality, our speed was equal with a number of our players but we definitely showed our structures work against their changing defences. Pearls won 54 - 41.

#### Australian Pearls - 2016 Team:

Eliza Mills (NSW), Molly Urquhart-Moran (VIC), Kim Perry (NSW), Kaitlyn Papworth (VIC), Brittany Anderson (ACT), Amy Howard (SA), Taylor Anderson (ACT), Kate Leckenby (VIC), Sam Williver (VIC), Evie Patterson (VIC). Larry Davidson – Head Coach Jo Larkin –Assistant coach Sally Duncan –Manager David Taylor - Medical support



Many of the 2016 team members competed for their home States at the 2017 Ivor Burge Championships held in February at Bendigo. A squad was selected from all participants and these players were then called to a selection camp held in Melbourne. After a tough weekend of trials two teams were selected to compete at the 2017 INAS World Basketball Championships. The Championships will be held in Loano Italy from 20<sup>th</sup> to 26th November 2017. This will be a 3x3 format. The players selected for the two teams are:

Molly Urquhart-Moran (Vic), Jessica McCulloch (Vic), Kate Leckenby (VIC), Kaite Papworth (Vic), Evangeline (Evie) Patterson (Vic), Eliza Mills (NSWC), Nicole Harris (NSWM), Kim Perry (ACT/NSW), Brittany Anderson (ACT), Amy Howard (SA).

Larry Davidson – Head Coach Jo Larkin – Assistant Coach Sally Duncan – Manager





# REPORT Athletics Anula Costa

The 2016/2017 season has been a year of discovery for Athletics with a large number of new athletes emerging on the National and International stage.

The 2016 Australian All Schools Championships held in Canberra in December 2016 saw the emergence of several athletes who would go on to represent Australia at the 2017 INAS Athletics World Championships.

Emerging athletes included: Caytlyn Sharp (VIC), Jessica Venner (QLD), Ebonie Cooper (NSW), Jack Connors (NSW), Rosemary Boyland (NSW), Lleyton Lloyd (NSW), Edward Parker (NSW) and Corey Anderson (QLD)

The increased number of athletes can be attributed to the efforts of School Sport Australia for ensuring that athletes with a disability are provided competition pathways in all sports conducted by School Sport Australia and for their efforts in working with Athletics Australia and Sport Inclusion Australia on behalf of athletes with a disability including athletes with an intellectual impairment. As awareness of opportunities grow so too have the participation numbers.

I would also like to acknowledge the work done by Brett Watton at Athletics Australia. Brett was a tremendous supporter of athletes with a disability and worked tirelessly to improve opportunities for all athletes. Sadly we lost the services of Brett during the year as he took up a job offer in New Zealand as the Athletics New Zealand Paralympic Program Manager.



# 2017 INAS Athletics World Championships, Thailand 12-19 May

With a large number of athletes qualifying for the INAS Athletics World Championships we were assured of having one of our largest teams in Thailand. Twenty Seven athletes qualified for the Championships with a final team of 22 selected, including 2 Youth athletes.

## Australian Team

Caytlyn Sharp (VIC), Chloe Iwanoczko (NSW), Ebonie Cooper (NSW), Eliesha Byrt (VIC), Jessie Venner (QLD), Katelyn Smith (NSW), Rosemary Boyland Stephanie Schweitzer (NSW), Aaron Bird (VIC), Alberto Campbell (QLD), Corey Anderson (QLD), Drew Semmens (VIC), Jack Connors (NSW), Kyle McIntosh (NSW), Lindsey Hendy (QLD), Lleyton Lloyd (NSW), Nathan Woods (SA), Matt Guild (QLD), Tim Foster (NSW), Timon Sideris (SA), Joshua Lush (QLD), Edwards Parker (NSW).

Our largest and youngest team to travel overseas didn't disappoint returning with one of our biggest medal tallies, Australian records and multiple personal bests.

## Medallists

Gold: Caytlyn Sharp (VIC) High Jump;

Silver: Corey Anderson (QLD) Javelin, Katelyn Smith (NSW) Javelin, Women's 4 x 400m Relay

Bronze: Eliesha Byrt (VIC) 3000m, Jack Connors (NSW) Heptathlon, Alberto Campbell (QLD) 400m, Caytlyn Sharp (VIC) Triple Jump, Women's 4 x 100m Relay



World Champion Caytlyn Sharp (left) and Jack Connors (Right) draped in their Australian flags

#### Australian Records

Caytlyn Sharp (VIC) High Jump 1.41m, under 16, under 18 and under 20 record. Rosemary Boyland (NSW) Hammer throw 21.70m (4kg) Under 20 record. 4 x 400m Relay Men: Tim Foster (NSW), Drew Semmens (VIC), Lindsey Hendy (QLD) and Alberto Campbell (QLD), 3:29.97

A special mention to our Youth competition athletes Lleyton Lloyd (NSW) and Edward Parker (NSW), who both have the honour of competing in INAS's very first Youth competition.



Lleyton Lloyd (Right) and Edward Parker (Middle) compete in the 100m youth event in Bangkok

I would also like to acknowledge the work of the team staff which included three new Australian representatives in Sharyn Dickson (NSW/Coach), Chantel Lewis (QLD/Manager) and Nicholas Cross (VIC/Physiotherapist) along with the experienced Matt Rawlings (NSW/Coach) all of whom worked tirelessly during the Championships to ensure the athletes were able to compete at their best but also continue to support our athletes on an ongoing basis.

## 2017 Oceania Athletics Championships

The following athletes were selected to represent Australia at the 2017 Oceania Athletics Championships in Suva Fiji: Alberto Campbell (QLD), Corey Anderson (QLD), Matt Guild (QLD) and Thomas Burrows (QLD).

#### 2016 Rio Paralympics.

Athletes with an intellectual impairment continue to represent at the Paralympics. Todd "The Hulk" Hodgetts (VIC), Nicholas Hum (VIC) and Nicole Harris (NSW) representing Australia in Rio. Todd finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the men's shot put with a throw of 15.82m, Nicholas 5<sup>th</sup> in the men's long jump with a leap of 6.89m and Nicole 7<sup>th</sup> the women's shot put with a throw of 11.53m.



Rio Paralympic Medallists Men's Shot put

#### **Cross Country Championships**

In the winter month's numbers continue to grow in Cross Country events at School and Athletics Australia Championships. We look forward to one day sending a team of athletes to represent Australia at one of the INAS distance running Championships.

Congratulations to all athlete who have competed throughout the year and thank you to the officials, coaches, families and friends who have supported the athletes on their journey.



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