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Industry Information

vicsport AGM and SportsTalk #4 – vicsport

The 2011 **vicsport** AGM will take place at 12pm on Monday 21 November. It will be held in the Training Room – Level 1 Sports House preceding SportsTalk #4: Fair go, sport!

Fair go, sport!

Promoting Sexual and Gender Diversity in Sport - A Facilitated Discussion

Club and State representative Hockey player Gus Johnston will highlight his personal challenges and experiences in relation to his sexuality, and representatives from Hockey Victoria, other SSAs and Club level sport will discuss the process they followed to promote sexual and gender diversity, including the successes and challenges of the 'Fair go, sport!' project.

This is a Forum that all vicsport members cannot afford to miss!

Panel Members:

Peter Gourlay - Senior Education Consultant, Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission

Ben Hartung - Chief Executive Officer, Hockey Victoria

Gus Johnston - Former Victorian and State League Hockey Player

Representatives - Grassroots Hockey Clubs

Topic:	Fair go, sport! Promoting Sexual & Gender Diversity in Sport - A Facilitated Discussion
Date:	Monday, 21 November 2011
Venue:	Training Room – Level 1 Sports House 375 Albert Rd South Melbourne Parking is available in the multilevel carpark adjacent to Sports House for a small fee.
Time:	12pm-2pm light lunch provided (in conjunction with vicsport's AGM)
RSVP:	RSVP to admin@vicsport.asn.au by Wednesday 16 November. Staff and/or board members from all vicsport members are welcome.

Margot Foster awarded ANZSLA Contribution to Sport and Sports Law Award

vicsport would like to congratulate Margot Foster, **vicsport** Board member, on the deserving acknowledgment for her contribution to sport. Margot joined the **vicsport** board in 2008.

Margot is a lawyer with over 25 years experience in sports administration. She has held board and committee positions in sport with a variety of organisations including the Australian Olympic Committee, Melbourne's 1996 Olympic Bid Committee, Rowing Australia, Rowing Victoria, Melbourne University Boat Club, Australian & New Zealand Sports Law Association, the inaugural Melbourne (now Victorian) Major Events Company, Womensport Victoria (which she founded) and Womensport Australia, Sport & Physical Recreation Committee of the University of Melbourne and many others.

Margot has been a board member of the Australian Sports Commission and the New Zealand equivalent SPARC.

Other sport organisations Margot has been involved in include: Gymnastics Australia, Women of the Melbourne Cricket Club, Australian Bobsleigh & Skeleton Association, Olympians Club of Victoria and committees of Australian University Sport.

Margot also represented Australia at the Los Angeles Olympic Games in 1984 in the women's coxed four rowing event winning bronze and at the 1986 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh winning gold in the women's eights and competed in several rowing world championships.

In recognition of these extensive achievements, ANZSLA has awarded Margot the Contribution to Sport and Sports Law Award. This award was introduced by ANZSLA in 2004 as a way to recognise members who have made substantial contributions to the development, integrity and professionalism of the sport and sports law industry. ANZSLA does not award this honour every year, such is the distinguished nature the award is intended to hold.

Previous Award Winners include:

2004 - the Honorable Robert Ellicott QC.

2006 - David Howman, Director General World Anti Doping Authority

2008 - Malcolm Speed.

2009 - Hayden Opie, Director of Studies of the Melbourne Sports Law Program, University of Melbourne.

2010 - The Hon Barry Paterson CNZM, OBE, QC, Chairman of Sports Dispute Tribunal of New Zealand.

We wish to once again congratulate Margot on this award and thank her for her contribution to sport in Victoria and beyond.

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Introducing Victorian Sport Awards Sponsors - vicsport

The 2011 Victorian Sport awards are fast approaching, and with all nominations and voting completed it is time to get excited for this important industry event to be held on Monday November 28th at Studio 3, Crown Entertainment Complex.

Make sure that you RSVP for this event before Monday 14th November to make sure you are able to celebrate the outstanding achievements of Victoria's premier athletes, coaches, officials, journalists, administrators and clubs over the past 12 months.

vicsport would like to acknowledge their current partners for the 2011 Victorian Sport Awards:

- State Government of Victoria
- VicHealth
- Deakin University
- LaTrobe University
- Canterbury
- OAMPS
- Winning Edge
- Crown
- Three's A Crowd

Sponsorship packages are still available as an ideal way to promote your organisation, for more information contact **vicsport** on 9926 1376 or via email awards@vicsport.asn.au

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Active Clubs Grants are now open - VicHealth

VicHealth makes it easier for clubs by offering funding through Active Club Grants for sports injury prevention and management equipment, essential sporting equipment, volunteer and club training, and portable sun shade.

Grants of up to \$2,500 per application are available for:

- Sports injury prevention and management equipment
- Essential sporting equipment/items
- Volunteer and club training
- Portable sun shade

Key dates

- **Applications open:** Monday 31 October 2011
- **Deadline for submission of applications:** 4pm, Thursday 8 December 2011
- **Successful applicants notified:** early March 2012

Visit the VicHealth website for more details on the Active Club Grants including Who Can Apply and How to Apply.

<http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/en/Funding-Opportunities/Funding-Schemes/Active-Club-Grants.aspx>

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2011 Game Development Conference – Netball Victoria

New Australian Diamonds Coach headlines a star-studded line-up as Netball Victoria launches 2011 Game Development Conference!

Netball Victoria has announced the program for the 2011 Game Development Conference and is now welcoming registrations to this year's event, following the hugely successful event last year.

The two day conference, held on Saturday 12 November & Sunday 13 November in Melbourne, incorporates umpiring, coaching and sports administration streams.

Download: [2011 Game Development Conference Booklet \(Complete with the full conference program and application details\)](#)

To enrol: [click here](#) to access online registrations

The 2011 program boasts industry leaders in both the netball and wider sporting community including Head Coach of the Australian Netball Diamonds Lisa Alexander, Vixens Sharelle McMahon and Sarah Wall, Olympian Lauren Burns, Vixens Coach Julie Hoornweg and a range of Australia's leading netball coaching, umpiring and administration names.

The conference is tailored for **coaches, umpires and administrators** from all levels of participation - from grassroots through to the elite level. The conference will provide participants with the opportunity to learn new skills; develop already learned skills and enhance themselves and their clubs and associations. Whilst there is some netball specific content, we believe the conference would be of great benefit to representatives from any sport.

For further information or to download the conference booklet complete with the full program and application details, including access to on line registrations, [click here](#).

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2011 Disability Sport and Recreation Festival - DSR

The 2011 Disability Sport and Recreation Festival is Victoria's premier event for the disability sport and recreation sector, taking place at Federation Square, Melbourne, on Friday 2nd December 2011.

This year's theme celebrates *Diversity in Disability* with a focus on people with disability from diverse backgrounds such as Indigenous Australians, Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities, women and those living in regional and rural areas.

This unique, interactive public event brings together the health and disability sector and the wider community to promote and celebrate physically active lifestyles through participation in accessible and inclusive sport and recreation initiatives.

The festival will include:

- The Annual Victorian Disability Sport and Recreation Awards Breakfast
- Community Sport & Recreation exhibition.
- A range of 'Come and Try' accessible sport & recreation activities
- The Mini-Conference '*Strengthening your team through diversity*',
- The Corporate Wheelchair Basketball

Please do not hesitate to contact Disability Sport and Recreation if you require any further information or you can visit the official Festival website www.dsrf.org.au

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Not-for-profit reform Newsletter - Treasury

The Government is undertaking a significant reform agenda of the not-for-profit (NFP) sector that the Government announced in the May Budget to ensure the integrity, viability and reputation of the sector. The first stage of reforms are the establishment of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC), the better targeting of NFP concessions, and the introduction of a statutory definition of 'charity'.

This newsletter is about helping to ensure that the NFP sector is kept in the loop as to what reforms are being undertaken and their progress. It will be just one of the ways the Government will work to ensure that the sector is well informed about the measures that will affect them.

What's in this issue?

- The reform agenda – an overview
- Better targeting of tax concessions
- Treasury's role in the reform process
- The Implementation taskforce
- What's happening in the next month?
- What's coming up in the next 12 months?

View the newsletter [here](#).

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Water Restriction Review – Open for Public Consultation

vicsport has been working with City West Water to ensure that sport was consulted in the latest revisions of Melbourne's Permanent Water Saving Restriction and the Drought Response Plan.

In summary each of the 3 Water Authorities have released 2 documents (6 in total) as they relate to Permanent Water Saving Restrictions (PWSR's) and the Drought Response Plan (DRP). Please note that the documents are the same for each of the water authorities and that the document which pertains to sports surfaces is the DRP. The main areas to focus on for sport are the pg 6 definition for Particular *Playing Surfaces* and pg 30+31 outlining the table of restrictions for *Gardens, Lawns and Playing Surfaces*. View the document [here](#).

In Melbourne the public consultation period begins Monday, 17 October. Comments on the metropolitan retailer's revised Drought Response and Permanent Water Saving Plans can be lodged online or in writing until Monday, 14 November.

View a copy of the proposed Drought Response and Permanent Water Saving Plans at www.letstalkwatermelbourne.com.au. A plan for each water retailer is available. Please note that all plans are the same except for the company reference. You can also view or print out a copy of your metropolitan retailer's plans by visiting:

City West Water www.citywestwater.com.au

South East Water www.southeastwater.com.au

Yarra Valley Water www.yvw.com.au

Details for providing feedback are available at www.letstalkwatermelbourne.com.au.

vicsport is preparing a submission on behalf of our members. This submission will be based on discussions we have had with members who may be affected by these changes and City West Water.

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A Guide to Grant Seeking – Our Community

Seeking honest and useful feedback from grantmakers after a failed application, as well as making contact with them before submitting an application, are among best practice grantseeking suggestions contained in a new UK research report.

The report – *The Art of Refusal: Promising Practice for Grant makers and Grant Seekers* – aims to help grantseekers reduce the time they spend on unsuccessful applications by learning from their past failures.

Among the recommendations in the report are to:

- **Try to make preliminary contact with grantmakers:** Not every funder will allow this but if it is possible, grantseekers ought to take it up.
- **Target your approach:** Grantseekers should identify the best person from their organisation to approach the funder; for example, someone who has had prior contact with the grantseeker.
- **Taking soundings:** Use your networks to gauge past experiences of the funder. This may provide an indication of what preliminary contact with them might yield.
- **Be realistic:** Don't mistake politeness or encouragement for likely success.
- **Be prepared:** Find out when a decision on your application is expected, how it will be delivered, and to whom.
- **If unsuccessful, seek further comments:** Always take up any opportunities offered for getting further information about the reason for refusal.
- **Learn from your experiences:** Identify particular learning points – solid examples of areas where your organisation can improve its grantseeking. "Examples of areas in which it could be very helpful to receive feedback include the budget or financial projections which accompanied the application; any collaborative working arrangements; or the outcomes that you'd put forward," the report says.
- **Decide in advance how refusal will be handled internally.** Decide how and with whom the news will be shared, ensuring that particular people (e.g. fundraising staff) do not become a particular focus for criticism.

The Art of Refusal: Promising Practice for Grant makers and Grant Seekers also contains extensive advice for grantmakers about how to say no constructively.

The report was compiled by City University London's Cass University School from more than 100 grantmakers and 40 groups seeking funding.

Download the report here: <http://tiny.cc/ptab0>

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Board Builder Conference – Our Community

Friday 18 November 2011

Moonee Valley Racing Club
Members Gate 1, McPherson Street
Moonee Ponds, Melbourne VIC

Passion alone is not enough to provide good stewardship - modern community boards, whatever their size or style, need to be knowledgeable, responsible and, above all, adaptable.

The world is changing around us: government attitudes are changing; the regulatory environment is changing; the media climate is changing; communities are changing.

You've got to get on top of it all!

Strong organisations are driven by strong boards - boards that are organised, efficient and knowledgeable. Good boards get your group moving on the right road. Bad boards can make your group lose its way.

Your board needs to find a way to protect and respect the origins of our organisations, while finding a way to adapt to modern conditions and ensure its viability into the future.

This is the conference for all people who sit on a board, manage a board, work with a board, or want to get on a board.

Learning Outcomes

- Gain a sound understanding of the principles and practices associated with successful modern governance in the community sector
- Learn about your individual roles and responsibilities, and those of the governance group as a whole
- Improve the dynamics of your board - its meetings, its outcomes, its recruitment & renewal strategies
- Learn how to oversee and better manage the leaders of your community group and improve board-staff relations
- Strengthen understanding of financial and risk management principles
- Get troubleshooting advice from the experts
- Gain renewed energy for contributing to and building your organisation

For more information visit the website: <http://www.ourcommunity.com.au/boardbuilderconf>

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Funding Opportunities

Grant links



The following websites have detailed information regarding available grants:

- For the latest state government grants in Victoria visit Grants at DPCD www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/home/grants
- For the latest federal government funding visit www.grantslink.gov.au
- For a guide to community grants for all states / territories, visit:
www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/sp/spgrants.htm
- Australia's only consolidated grants information service is the Easy grants newsletter. Subscribe at
www.ourcommunity.com.au

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Current grants available

Active Club Grants

Provider: VicHealth

Funding: Up to \$2,500

Closes: 8 December, 2011

Purpose: VicHealth makes it easier for clubs by offering funding through Active Club Grants for sports injury prevention and management equipment, essential sporting equipment, volunteer and club training, and portable sun shade

Email: activeclub@vichealth.vic.gov.au

Website: <http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/en/Funding-Opportunities/Funding-Schemes/Active-Club-Grants.aspx>

Local Sporting Champions Programs

Sourced from the **EasyGrants** newsletter

Provider: Australian Sports Commission

Funding: Grants of \$500 for successful individuals candidates and \$3000 for successful team applications

Closes: 29 February 2011 (for this round of funding)

Purpose: To provide financial assistance for junior sportsmen and women towards the cost of travel, accommodation, uniforms or equipment when competing at an official national sporting organisation (NSO) endorsed state or national sporting competition.

Email: juniorsport@ausport.gov.au

http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/schools_and_juniors/juniors/get_involved/local_sporting_champions

Aim for the Stars Grants

Provider: The Layne Beachley Aim for the Stars Foundation

Funding: \$1,500 - \$6,000

Closes: 11 November 2011

Purpose: To help young women further their educational and/or professional development.

Overview: The Foundation will award a minimum of \$20,000 worth of grants each year. Successful applicants will receive a financial grant in accordance with the grants guidelines.

Website: <http://www.aimforthestars.com.au/WhoCanApply/tabid/1853/language/en-AU/Default.aspx>

Strengthening the World Game

Sourced from the **EasyGrants** newsletter

Provider: Department of Planning and Community Development

Funding: up to \$100,000 per assessment period

Purpose: To provide funding to assist local football (soccer) clubs and organisations to upgrade existing or develop new facilities to maximise their capacity to cater for additional participation in soccer.

Open for Local Councils to apply

Applications are ongoing

Website: <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/home/grants/all-grants/strengthening-the-world-game>

Country Football and Netball Program –

Provider: Department of Planning and Community Development (VIC)

Funding: Max per grant: \$100,000

Closes: Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Purpose: To provide funding to assist grass roots country football and netball clubs, associations and umpiring organisations to develop facilities in rural, regional and outer metropolitan locations.

<http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/home/grants/all-grants/country-football-and-netball-program>

Email: grantapplications@dpcd.vic.gov.au

Telephone: 1300 366 356

Significant Sporting Events

Funding: Up to \$300,000

Purpose: The Significant Sporting Events Program will help sporting, community and event organisations to deliver significant sporting events in Victoria.

Event Initiative Fund Open Dates: 31 August 2010 to 29 March 2012

Website: <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/home/grants/all-grants/significant-sporting-events>

Emergency Grant: Sporting and Recreation Equipment

Provider: Sport and Recreation Victoria

Funding: max per grant: \$2,000

Closes: Ongoing

Purpose: To provide assistance to local sport and active recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sports equipment that has been lost or destroyed as a consequence of fire, flood, significant storm event, theft or criminal damage.

Website: <http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/home/grants/all-grants/emergency-grant-to-replace-essential-sports-equipment>

Email: grantapplications@dvc.vic.gov.au

Sport Incentive Program

Provider: Australian Sports Foundation

Funding: Various

Closes: Ongoing

Purpose: To assist in the development of sport and communities in Australia by providing funding for potential and current projects.

For information visit:

http://www.asf.org.au/news/story_307580_sport_incentive_program_guidelines

Facility Loan Scheme

Provider: Tennis Australia

Funding: Max per grant \$80,000

Closes: Ongoing

Purpose: To financially assist affiliated Australian Tennis Clubs, Centres and Associations to upgrade, replace or improve their tennis facilities, by providing low interest loans.

For further Information

Website: <http://www.tennis.com.au/clubs/funding/facility-loan>

Contact Details: Tennis Victoria

Telephone: (03) 9914 4000

Fax: (03) 9650 2743

WorkSafe Club Safety Fund

Sourced from the **Easy Grants** Newsletter

Provider: Victorian Country Football League

Funding: 50% of the total quoted amount for the project (up to \$1,000)

Closes: Ongoing

Purpose: To provide financial support at a local level to assist with the occupational health and safety initiatives at a club level.

For more information visit: <http://www.vcfl.com.au/index.php?id=55>

Member Noticeboard

2011 Women in Basketball Luncheon

'Let's do Lunch'

Once again Basketball Victoria will be coming together with member organisations to recognise the contributions and achievements of women involved in our great game and to draw close on another very exciting and rewarding year in Basketball.

Friday 2nd December

@ Malvern Valley Receptions

(Golfers Rd Malvern East, Melways Ref 69,C1)

12noon - 2.30pm

Tickets \$30

(includes canapes & champagne on arrival, 2 course meal, guest speaker and giveaways)

For more information and to purchase tickets please contact Kimberly Campbell on 9927-6666 or email kimberly.campbell@basketballvictoria.com.au



Guest Speaker - Marylin Schirmer

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Author of The 'Maz' Factor: A gutsy true story to change your life, in her book Marylin Schirmer shares her deepest, darkest secrets in light of the truths that changed her life and with the knowledge that these same truths can bring passion, vision, optimism and fulfillment to all of our lives as well.

In her down to earth personality and style, Marylin expertly guides us along the 'Maz' Factor's inspiring journey.

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- Members listing in the 'SportsView'
- Annual subscription to e-news – **vicsport's** fortnightly online industry update
- Opportunity to place two lines of text with a weblink in the corporate supporter section of every edition of the enews (Corporate Supporters will be highlighted in the enews introduction if featured for the first time and up to 4 times per year if the information is updated ie. with a special offer).
- Member listing on the **vicsport** website including link to member's website
- Opportunity to promote the organisation as a '**vicsport** Corporate Supporter Member' via the organisation's own communication channels
- Invitations to appropriate seminars and workshops at no-cost or at discounted member rates if applicable
- Networking opportunities
- Access to industry research and development information
- 2 complimentary tickets to the Victorian Sport Awards

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