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MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN

This bulletin is an initiative introduced in February 2023 by the Glenelg Shire Recreation Team, providing an opportunity for the team to share any upcoming events, opportunities and information that might assist or be of interest to Clubs / User Groups and their volunteers across the Shire.

Update Your Club Contact & Membership Details

So that our Recreation Team can ensure they maintain an up-to-date contact database for clubs, we have introduced a simple online form for a Club committee representative to complete.

There is also the option to opt-in to this monthly bulletin (or opt out if you no longer want to receive the emails).



Click below to access the form, which is also accessible via the Glenelg Shire Council website:

<https://au.openforms.com/Form/6f1550ca-22ee-42e0-9124-61278e834dc5>

Additionally, there is an option on the form to enter your Clubs membership data and supporting information that will be required as evidence to participate in the ***Licence/Lease Fee Incentivisation program***. This program is for current Clubs / User Groups that hold a current Crown Land Licence/Lease with Council. The Incentivisation program offers opportunities for licence/lease fees to be reduced for the next financial year should the Club/User Group be able to meet the key focus areas. More information on this program will be released to Licensed User Groups by the end of the financial year.



Alexandra Park Recreation Reserve

The Alexandra Park Recreation Reserve Pavilion is currently in construction phase. The pathway and carpark are in progress, as too are the electrical works. The project is due for completion mid-year.

Please visit <https://yoursay.glenelg.vic.gov.au/> for all updates and feedback on Council projects.

Community Sports Awards

South West Sport together with Ace Radio brings you the 2023 'South West Community Sports Awards', inclusive of new award categories that celebrate clubs and organisation's driving positive community outcomes through sport and recreation, as well as individual awards acknowledging contributions to grassroots community sport, through volunteerism and leadership.

Nominations closed on 1 March 2023, with SWS having now notified each of the award nominees. Winners will be announced at the South West Community Sports Awards on 29 March 2023.

Congratulations to the Glenelg Shire representatives and organisations that have been nominated for these awards.

For further information please refer to South West Sport Community Sports Award website:

[South West Community Sports Awards](#)



Fair Access Policy Roadmap

Supporting gender equitable access to and use of community sports infrastructure in Victoria



Fair Access Policy Roadmap

The Following an inquiry into Women and Girls in Sport and Active Recreation in 2015, nine recommendations were presented to increase female leadership and participation, with the Victorian Government now committed to increasing the number of women and girls participating in sport and active recreation, from grassroots through to senior leadership roles.

The Change Our Game initiative was launched by the Office for Women in Sport and Recreation (OWSR), to challenge gender stereotypes and help women and girls become leaders.

This has all led to the State Government introducing a [Fair Access Policy](#), which means from July 2024, all Victorian Councils will need to ensure fair access to sporting facilities for people of all genders to be considered eligible to receive infrastructure funding.

In partnership with Sport and Recreation Victoria and VicHealth, the [Fair Access Policy Roadmap](#) is being delivered through the Office for Women in Sport and Recreation and aligns with Victoria's Gender Equality Act 2020.

As part of the first phase of the Fair Access Policy Roadmap, Glenelg Shire representatives recently attended a workshop in Warrnambool facilitated by OWSR, to gain an understanding of what is required to be implemented by July 2024. OWSR will also be providing education to sporting peak bodies as part of phase 1 of the roadmap. Some sporting organisations will begin to receive further communications on this policy from their peak bodies over the next year. The Recreation Team will also provide further details on Glenelg Shire's steps to implement the policy requirements in the coming months.

Further details are available on the [Change Our Game](#) website.

Annual & Winter Season Allocations Overdue



Annual and winter season Licensed User Groups allocation entries were due on 26 March 2023, and are now overdue for the upcoming annual season (1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024) and winter season (1 April 2023 to 30 September 2023).

If your Licensed User Group is yet to finalise their allocation, please complete this as soon as possible via our IMS Reserves Manager website <https://www.imscomply.com.au/glenelg/> using your organisations login details.

Allocation entries will be closed off in the coming days and we will contact your organisation directly if you have not finalised your allocations within IMS Reserves Manager.

If you require further support with your allocations or have any queries please contact the Recreation Team.

Grants Assistance & Resources

We are often asked about where Clubs / User Groups can go for assistance with Grants or what funding opportunities are available.

There are some [quick links on our website](#) for organisations that regularly release different grant opportunities as well as [VicSport](#) offering some helpful links on their website.

Some externally funded grants and fundraising opportunities that may be of particular interest to your club that are currently open include:

- [Wannon Water](#) are offering community groups the opportunity to apply for a range of merchandise to support their local events and initiatives – *applications close 31 March 2023*
- [Telstra's Connected Communities Grant Program](#) offers grant up to \$10k for not-for-profit community organisations that are providing access to information, technology, education and facilities to support their communities to embrace new technologies and ways of working to build social capital and digital capability – *applications close 30 March 2023*
- [Australian Sports Foundation](#) provides a platform for tax deductible fundraising

Below are some other online resources that may assist with grant writing:

[Clubhelp](#)

[Grant Writing for Dummies](#)

[The Grants Hub](#)

[Funding Centre](#)

[Sports Community – How to win a grant](#)

[GrantGuru – grant search portal](#)



We would also like to seek any expressions of interest from Club representatives that may be interested in participating in a Grants Writing Workshop. Should enough club representatives express interest then we will advise further once details are confirmed. Please submit your interest via email to recreation@glenelg.vic.gov.au including how many representatives may like to attend.

[GSC Club Committee Kit Resources](#)

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