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VicSport is proud to announce the Sport and Recreation Victoria Conference for 2009 - People, Places and Partnerships.. To be held on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th of October, the conference will bring together key stakeholders in the Victorian sport and recreation sector. See below for further information.

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Important Note: VicSport Members Forum to be held on July 30 2009 . Please note this date, further information will be provided in due course

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Please contact Jennifer on jenniferm@vicsport.asn.au or 9926 1376 if you would like to include any information in future editions of E-news or if you would like more information regarding items in the current edition of E-news

SportsView can also be downloaded from the VicSport website. Please visit www.vicsport.asn.au and go to the SportsView page.

Kind Regards
Jennifer Matthies

Working with Children Check - Department of Justice

Recent discussions with the Department of Justice regarding the uptake of the Working with Children Check (WWCC) within sport suggest that the take up has been lower than expected.

A reminder that the deadline for volunteers/employees in the following sport's is July 1 2009.

- Athletics (including Little Athletics)
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Football (Australian Rules)
- Football (Soccer)
- Gymnastics (including Trampolining)
- Martial Arts
- Netball
- Swimming (including Life Saving)
- Tennis

Clubs/organizations with staff and/or volunteers who are required to hold a valid WWCC but do not do so (after July 1 2009) face penalties including fines up to \$27,000 and/or up to 2 years jail. As the responsibility lies with the clubs or organizations, it is in the best interest of all applicable clubs and organisations to ensure the relevant individuals have obtained their WWCC.

Please visit VicSport's website for more information www.vicsport.asn.au. The Department of Justice is happy to offer assistance in the way of providing information sessions, various information packs, newsletter articles, and further information, contact Prashanth Reddy on 8684 1213 to access these resources.

If there is any feedback that you would like to provide to the Department of Justice regarding the WWCC, its roll out or any other relevant issues, please contact VicSport and we will pass it on to the relevant person.

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Skills for Growth – Small Business Victoria

Workforce Development program Skills for Growth is Small Business Victoria's new program designed to help Victorian small to medium sized businesses, including those in the NFP community sector, with workforce skills development. The program provides a team of independent workforce planning and training specialists to deliver business assistance FREE of charge to the business.

The program will assist small and medium enterprises to identify their strategic business aims and objectives, assess their staff's skills, and develop the workforce necessary to achieve the aims and objectives.

Through the program, specialists will work with the business to:

- develop a tailored training plan for their workforce;
- develop a workforce action plan;
- assist in the placement of staff into training; and
- review the progress against these plans over the next 6 months.

Skills for Growth is part of the Victorian Government's skills reform package.

For more information or to register visit the Skills for Growth website: www.business.vic.gov.au/skillsforgrowth or call 13 22 15

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3 Ply Program – Simply Skateboarding

Simply Skateboarding has designed a 'Skate Park Stewardship Youth Training Initiative' (SSYTI) to address the issues Local Governments face regarding Skate and BMX facilities in their respective districts.

Named the 3 Ply Program given that it works on three levels, the program;

- provides cost effective management and programming options for Local Government;
- provides events, clinics, workshops and demonstrations at local skate parks; and
- provides training, mentoring and skill development for facility users.

The key aims of the program are to:

- Create affordable and effective programming for Skate and BMX facilities
- Develop, mentor and train emerging young leaders within the Skate and BMX sectors
- Provide programming and supervision at Skate and BMX facilities enabling local patrons and the community to maximise their use and/or involvement with the facility.

Simply Skateboarding will partner with any Local Government Authority in Victoria to deliver the initiative with up to 8 youth trainees providing local clinics, events and demonstrations for the whole community.

For more information please contact Vivian Mole – Simply Skateboarding

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People, Places, and Partnerships Conference 2009 – Sport and Recreation Victoria (SRV)

The People, Places and Partnerships Conference will bring together key Victorian community sport and recreation stakeholders, to share knowledge, exchange information and learn more about the current and future challenges facing the sector.

Details of the conference are as follows:

The future of community sport and recreation, Thursday 8 – Friday 9 of October, 2009

Melbourne Cricket Ground, Members Dining Room, Yarra Park, Jolimont

Register now at www.eventoffice.com.au/srvconference09

Contact Liz Baldwin on 03 9645 9858

Email: liz@baldwinconsulting.com.au for more information

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Inaugural 'Women in Sport' Conference - VicSport

Funded by the Department of Planning and Community Development (Sport and Recreation Victoria), VicSport has been supporting and advocating in a leadership capacity for women's sport since May 2008.

As a key component of VicSport's Women's Sport Program the conference aims to set the agenda for Women's Sport in Victoria for the next 5-10 years. Everyone (male and female, from sport and business) is invited to attend and help set the agenda!

To be held on **Tuesday 27 October 2009**, a number of prominent women from Business and Sport have been invited as key note presenters so please set aside this date in your calendar.

The conference promises to be very significant for women's sport in Victoria and your participation and involvement in the conference is welcomed.

Further details will be confirmed closer to the date: www.vicsport.asn.au/events

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Australian Paralympic Youth Games – Wheelchair Sports Victoria

The inaugural Australian Paralympic Youth Games will be conducted for the first time in Melbourne by Wheelchair Sports Victoria with the support of the Australian Paralympic Committee.

Dates: Monday 5 October to Sunday 11 October, 2009

Sports: Athletics, Handcycling, Table Tennis, 7 a side Football (Cerebral Palsy) Wheelchair Basketball, Swimming, and Wheelchair Tennis.

Location: Melbourne, Victoria

Venues: Melbourne's Sports and Aquatic Centre

Youth Age: The Games are open to athletes aged 20 years or younger as at 31 December, 2009.

Teams: Teams representing each State and Territory will be involved in the Games, as well as teams from overseas.

For more information please contact the Team at Australian Paralympic Youth Games on (03) 9473 0133 or via email at reception@wsv.org.au or visit the WheelChair Sports Victoria website www.wsv.org.au

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Grant Links

The following websites have detailed information regarding available grants:

- For the latest state government grants in Victoria visit Grants at DPCD www.grants.dpcd.vic.gov.au
- 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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Emergency Grant: Sporting and Recreational Equipment

Funding up to \$2,000

Closing Date: Ongoing, claims can be lodged up to 3 months after loss or damage

This grant provides assistance to grassroots sport and active recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sporting equipment or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed as the consequence of fire, flood, significant other storm event, or criminal damage. For further details go to www.grants.dvc.vic.gov.au

Fosters Community Grants

Fosters Community Grants is an important initiative within the Foster's in the Community Program, complementing the local nature of our employee-driven community contributions and Foster's community sponsorships.

Projects are principally based on the quality of the community benefit they propose to deliver within a local community.

Applications will be accepted until close of business Monday July 6, 2009.

For further information go to

<http://fosters.com.au/about/fosterscommunitygrants.htm>

Telstra Business Women's Awards

Winners can look forward to recognition for their achievements, networking opportunities and a share in over \$200,000 worth of cash and prizes.

Closes: 10 July 2009

Purpose: To celebrate inspirational women across Australia - giving their achievements, commitment and vision the recognition they truly deserve.

There are 5 Award categories:

1. Commonwealth Bank Business Owner Award

Open to owners with a 50 per cent share or more in a business with responsibility for key management decision-making.

2. Hudson Private and Corporate Sector Award

Open to employees in the private and corporate sectors or owners with less than a 50 per cent share of a business.

3. White Pages Community and Government Award

Open to employees in government departments, statutory bodies and not-for-profit organisations. There are two additional Awards you may also be eligible to enter.

4. Nokia Business Innovation Award

Open to entrants who enter one of the three qualifying categories and answer the Innovation entry questions.

5. Marie Claire Young Business Women's Award

Open to entrants who enter one of the three qualifying categories who were born on or after 30 July 1974.

How to apply: Online nomination form

Website: <http://www.businesswomensawards.telstra.com/>

Contact Details: Telstra

Freecall: 1800 817 536

Finally, please remember that your Local Government may also offer suitable grants for you or your club's needs.

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The role of VICSRAPID - VICSRAPID

VICSRAPID have developed an article detailing the role they play in the sport and active recreation sector, including information of the various programs they offer to members. Please visit the VicSport website to view this article:

<http://www.vicsport.asn.au/Enews/>

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2009 AFL Multicultural Academy Camp – Australian Football League

The 2009 AFL Multicultural Academy Camp will run from Sunday 20th of September to Thursday 24th September (Five Day live in Camp) during AFL grand final week and school holidays.

Who: Year 7 – 8 Males

Where: Melbourne

Includes: AFL run training sessions with AFL players, Fitness and skill testing, guest speakers, expert AFL supervised

Costs: Free Program

Selection: 1. Participants selected based on athletic talent and potential

2. All participants must be of a multicultural background

3. Participants selected based on leadership qualities and willingness to develop

4. All participants must be in regular attendance at school (certified by the principal)

To register your interest in attending this camp, please contact

Yuta Kobayashi at yuta@kobayashi@carltonfc.com.au

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Blind Tennis Program – Tennis Victoria

Tennis Victoria in conjunction with Blind Sports Victoria and Tennis Seniors Victoria have developed a fun and exciting social tennis program for people with low or no vision for all ages and abilities. This is a great opportunity to meet new people, have fun and get fit.

Where: Melbourne Park Tennis Centre, Batman Avenue, Melbourne

When: 6 week program held on Fridays from 17th July, - Friday 21st of August, 2009

Cost: A \$5 weekly contribution to the cost of hiring the courts is welcomed

Time: 6.30 – 8.30pm

Contact: Susan at Blind Sports Victoria on 9822 8876 or email blindsports@netspace.net.au

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