

Greater Shepparton Scholarships 2014

Do you or your children want to play a sport or join a sporting activity club or group?

Are funds the only thing stopping you?



Application Form

Want to do some sport or exercise?

Want to join a Sporting Club?

Need some financial support?



Program Ambassador's



Supported by:



Guidelines

Sporting Chance aims to provide support to Greater Shepparton residents to become more active in sporting clubs and the local community.

To be eligible applicants must be

- ✓ A resident of Greater Shepparton, although their sporting activity may be outside the municipality
- ✓ In possession of a valid Health Care Card or Pension Card
- ✗ Clubs, businesses and groups are not eligible to apply

Conditions

- scholarships up to \$250 per applicant are available
- no assistance will be given for retrospective expenses (expenses already paid)
- funding will not be provided directly to applicants. FamilyCare will manage the allocation of the applicants funds to designated clubs, businesses or organisations
- successful applicants agree to provide feedback on their playing experiences so outcomes can be recorded
- only one application per person can be submitted within a 12 month period
- submitting an application does not guarantee funding
- To ensure that your application can be considered in full, please return a certified photocopy of your Health Care and/or Pension Cards at the same time as your application. Refer to page 6 for further information
- Incomplete applications may not be considered
- **Copies of all invoices for any items applied for within this application are to be included.**

Funding will be provided for

Sporting Chance will cover costs under the following categories:

- club membership
- participation fees
- equipment and uniforms

Closing Dates

There will be two rounds for 2014.

Applications can be submitted at any time and will be assessed after the closing date.

- First round closing date - 11 April 2014
- Second round closing date - 26 September 2014

Assessment

Applications will be assessed by an independent panel consisting of a FamilyCare financial representative, Coordinator of the Sporting Chance program, and a Greater Shepparton Council representative when available.

Allow four weeks from the closing date for the assessment process to be completed.

More Information

For further information or questions contact
Ron Garner at FamilyCare on 5823 7000 email: rgarner@familycare.net.au

In specific circumstances of hardship or applicants do not meet the eligibility criteria please contact FamilyCare on 1300 854 944 prior to submitting an application.



Ben Garuccio

"Being granted an opportunity to participate in a sporting club has many benefits including meeting new people, feeling part of a team, having lots of fun and playing the sport you love. Whether you want to play at the elite level or just for fun, it all starts here. Be respectful towards others and ensure everyone has a fair go. Remember to enjoy healthy eating and regular physical activity so you can perform at your best".

Ben Garuccio, one of Australia's hottest young properties at youth level, joined Melbourne Heart FC for the 2012-2013 campaign on a three-year deal. A fleet-footed winger, Garuccio has represented Australia at youth level and is one to watch for the future. Garuccio's signing illustrated the Club's continued investment in youth. Benjamin is a valuable member to the squad and has a big future. As one of the youngest in the team, Ben will freshly remember how important it is to acknowledge his Mum's role in his achievements, and subsequently he has become an eager supporter of Melbourne Heart's "She's All Heart" reward program for women behind the scenes in grassroots football.

Applicant Details

Name	
Date of Birth	
Postal Address	
Town and Postcode	
Home Phone	
Mobile Phone	
Email	
Name of Parent / Carer	
School (if applicable)	
School Phone	
Health Care / Pension Card No.	Please attach authorised copies with your application

Club Information

Chosen Sport or Activity	
Nominated Organisation	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone	
Email	



Shannon Byrnes

"I started playing football from a young age and have been fortunate to play for the Shepparton Bears Football Club and co-captain the Murray Bushrangers before being drafted into the AFL. I am grateful for the opportunities and support I have received and continue to receive from my family, friends, coaches, mentors and team mates. The Sporting Chance program provides you with the same opportunity to join a sporting club and have a go".

Shannon played his junior football in Shepparton starting his journey at Gowrie St P.S, progressing to under age and school based competitions throughout his year at Wanganui Park SC. He was drafted into elite squads from age 13 and enjoyed premiership success at the u/14 and u/16 level and again u/18 playing for the Shepparton Bears in his first year at the club. Shannon was selected in the Murray Bushrangers as a 16 year old which he later captained and also vice-captained the Victorian Country u/18 representative team in the same year.

Shannon was drafted to the Geelong Cats in 2002, received a Rising Star nomination in 2005. He played 108 games including premierships in 2007 and 2009. Shannon moved to Melbourne FC at the end of the 2012 season and into the leadership group. Shannon has played 125 games, kicked 112 goals and played in 10 premiership winning teams to this point in his career.

Please rank the items you require in order of priority for you to participate in your chosen activity.

Only apply for those items that are **essential**, as you may not receive all the items you apply for. Include items such as registration fees, uniforms, footwear, clothing, equipment etc.

Item	Invoice Cost
1	
2	
3	
4	
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6	
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8	
9	
Maximum Total	\$250



Geva Mentor

"To become an elite netballer it is important to combine regular physical activity with healthy eating for optimal performance and wellbeing, as well as dedication to training to improve your skills. Sporting clubs rely on passionate volunteers who donate their own time each week to ensure its continuous growth and is enjoyed by everyone involved. I encourage you to volunteer at your local club and develop a new skill set, meet new people and become part of a team"

Positions: GK, GD, WD Date of Birth: 17/09/1984 Height: 188cm Nicknames: G, Gevs

Personal netball achievements:

Three Commonwealth Games (2002,2006,2010) Three World Netball Championships (2003,2007,2011) ANZ Championships Goalkeeper of the season (2012) Melbourne Vixens MVP (2012) Bronze medal at the Delhi Commonwealth games (for England 2010) Captained World 7's team that defeated Australia Bronze medal at Melbourne Commonwealth Games (2006)

Before a game I always: Make sure I've had plenty of sleep and listen to some classical music to calm the nerves on game day I believe: Everything happens for a reason, when that reason is decided by YOU!

The number one thing I believe in: Life is more than just a netball game, don't dwell on the barriers or negatives, smile and move forward!

The Declaration must be signed by the applicant, parent/guardian aged 18 years or over.

- ☒ I have read and understand the accompanying conditions and guidelines of Sporting Chance.
- ☒ I state that the information in this application is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.
- ☒ I acknowledge that this application will be discussed with the selection panel and further follow up may be required.
- ☒ I agree to abide by the guidelines outlined by Sporting Chance, and accept the decision made by the selection panel.
- ☒ I understand that this is an application only and may not necessarily result in funding approval.
- ☒ I agree to participate in the evaluation of the Sporting Chance program.

Signature Date

OFFICE USE ONLY

Signed Name and position

Comments
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Information for applicants

Certification of documents

An Authorised Officer should do the following in the presence of the applicant:

- Certify that the document is a true copy of the original.
- Witness the signature of the applicant.

A suggested wording for the certification is as follows:

I certify that this appears to be a true copy of the document produced to me on <date>.

Signature

Name

Qualification (e.g. JP, Pharmacist)

In Australia, the following people are authorised to certify documents:

- **Health professions:** Chiropractor, Dentist, Medical practitioner, Nurse, Optometrist, Pharmacist, Physiotherapist, Psychologist¹
- **Legal professions:** Legal practitioner, Patent attorney, Trademarks attorney
- **Court positions:** Bailiff, Justice of the Peace, Judge, Magistrate, Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, Clerk, Master of a court, CEO of a Commonwealth court
- Commissioner for Affidavits, or Commissioner for Declarations (dependent on jurisdictions)
- **Government representatives** (elected): Federal, State or Territory or Local
- **Public servants:** Federal, State or Territory or Local – employed for five years or more.
- Permanent employees of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
- Bank officer, building society officer, credit union officer, finance company officer – employed for five years or more
- Veterinary surgeon
- Accountant (member of ICA, ASA, NIA or CPA, ATMA, NTAA)
- Minister of religion, or marriage celebrant
- **Member of:**
 - Chartered Secretaries Australia
 - Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student
 - Australian Defence Force (an officer; or a non-commissioned officer with 5+ years of continuous service; a warrant officer)
 - Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy
- Notary public
- Holder of a statutory office not specified in another item in this Part
- Police officer
- Sheriff or Sheriff's officer
- Teacher (full-time) at a school or tertiary education institution