



BRINGING SPORT TO COMMUNITIES



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A WORD FROM THE TEAM

EXECUTIVE OFFICER >

EMMA MILANESE

Quiz night, quiz night, quiz night! Its been a busy couple of weeks starting to organise our quiz night!

In collaboration with Adelaide West Special Education Centre we are organising a quiz night to help raise funds for our Supporting Success program. It's going to be a great night full of fun, laughter, general knowledge and of course some brilliant prizes! Paintballing tickets, bunnings vouchers, wine packs, Port Adelaide Football Club Merchandise and many many more! Information regarding tickets can be found further down the page!

As for our Sporting Memories program, Robert provides a brilliant overview in his section of the newsletter. It warms my heart thinking about how far this program has come. Over COVID, we had to close down our clubs, but we've been full steam ahead and the team have been brilliant at picking up from where it left off!

As always, thank you so much for your ongoing support. We appreciate you!



ROBERT LAIDLAW >

SPORTING MEMORIES

The growth and positive feedback of the Sporting Memories program in the community has been satisfying. We now have eight regular sites, with another to come back on board soon! We also have a couple of pending sites on the horizon. There are three ECH sites, at Smithfield, Walkerville and Happy Valley, a couple in the Tea Tree Gully area being Tilley Community Centre and Holden Hill Men's Shed, as well as Estia Health in Kensington Park.



Walking Football (a SANFL initiative), and Unley Park's 'Breakfast for Buddies', Cumberland Park Community Centre will soon be back on the agenda. All the groups vary, with just a handful to around 30 participants. This works well with the variety of activities and conversations available through the Sporting Memories Program. Memorabilia from sporting events spark plenty of conversations, while some of the participants 'treasures' are well received by all. One man brought in the SANFL Football Budget from the 1965 grand final, which sold for sixpence! It was the final edition before decimal currency arrived on February 14, 1966.

The quizzes are popular, as are the 'who am I' photos, although Richard and I have decided to have less on each page, as some people struggle to see the current size of nine per page. A big Sporting Memories fundraiser is planned for the end of September, to help raise awareness and money for the program. We also have members of our current groups taking part in a tour of the SANFL History Display at Adelaide Library. There are a wide range of sporting memories discussed at each site, including football, soccer, ten-pin bowling, cricket and the Olympics. Many participants remember some amazing personal feats, or witnessing historical sporting moments - some they had not thought about for a few decades!

KATERINA MATTOCK >

QUIZ NIGHT



We've got some exciting news that we can finally share with you! Behind the scenes we've been working with Adelaide West Special Education Centre to run a quiz night together! It's set to be a great community event and we'd love to see supporters of SportsUnited (like you!) there. So for now mark your calendars & hold the date: **Saturday 17th September**. Tickets are \$10.00 per person, or \$60.00 to fill a table of 8. All tickets will be available for purchase through

our website. We'll let you know when tickets become available! But for now, get 8 people together and start brushing up on your general knowledge because..... IT'S QUIZ TIME!!!

ORGANISATION UPDATES

RICHARD MCGRATH >

CHARITABLE STATUS

We are a Registered Charity!

The Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission (ACNC) has awarded SportsUnited charity status, recognising us, as an invaluable role in providing opportunities for people at risk of social exclusion to participate in organised sport at no or minimal cost.

SportsUnited has also received Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status with the Australia Tax Office. This now means donations of \$2 or more to SportsUnited are tax deductible!

Every \$5 donation to SportsUnited enables us to support one student in our Supporting Success program or one person to attend the Sporting Memories program. All donations enable us to provide opportunities for those in need.

You can donate to support us and the programs we run on our [website](#). Or you can donate specifically to our Supporting Success program on the [Australian Sports Foundation](#) site.



RICHARD MCGRATH >

RADIO PROGRAM

Over the past two weeks our Sporting Memories Australia radio program with BBBfm 89.1 on Saturday mornings from 9-11am focused on Table Tennis & the Commonwealth Games.

Did you know another name for Table Tennis is Wiff-Waff?

During the Table Tennis focused program Richard interviewed another BBBfm volunteer who has offered the opportunity for the Sporting Memories Australia program to host an Outside Broadcast (often referred to as OBs) at the upcoming **Barossa Medieval Fair** on Saturday 20th August. We are so excited!

More details about this OB program will be in a future SportsUnited newsletter.

Across the next few weeks Richard & Emma have a few more surprises instore for listeners of the program as well as opportunities to get involved.

If you'd like to share some of your sporting stories on a Saturday morning, then give Richard & Emma a call on 8563 3788 anytime between 9-11am.

You can also listen to the program each Saturday morning by visiting the BBBfm website (<https://www.bbbfm.com/>).

JORDY BIGGINS >

MERCHANDISE

It's back! Take a look at our brand new merchandise!

We have our **grey zip hoodie with large Peace Out logo** on the back of the jacket and our **black hoodie with Old School logo** across the front! Don't they look great! **These new items will be going out for just \$55.00 each!**

Of course, you can still purchase our other merchandise too! The black crew neck jumper with small Peace Out logo (\$50.00), black t-shirt with small Peace Out logo (\$35.00) and the black t-shirt with large Peace Out logo (\$35.00) are all still available for purchase!

It costs **\$5.00 per session, per student** to attend our Supporting Success program. All proceeds from your purchase of our new merchandise goes back into our organisation, helping to provide equal opportunity and access to sport participation for all.

We have jumpers and t-shirts available in both adults and kids sizes. Merchandise can be purchased directly from the store on our [website](#).



HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

SportsUnited is currently seeking volunteers for our Supporting Success program at Adelaide West Special Education Centre and Sporting Memories clubs across various Adelaide metropolitan locations.

We are looking for people who can:

- Actively participate in weekly sessions
- Engage and communicate sensitively with our members (some of whom may have difficulties communicating), with their partners or carers, with fellow volunteers, and with SportsUnited staff.
- Enjoy working as part of a team and taking responsibility for guiding fellow volunteers during sessions.
- Understand the value of companionship, have a great sense of humour, and are able to connect with people of all ages and from all backgrounds

SportsUnited volunteers have the opportunity to:

- Experience a range of new opportunities and a sense of fulfillment.
- Use their skills, knowledge, life experiences, and an interest in sport to help tackle social isolation within the local community.
- Have insight into and experience working with an innovative and experienced not-for-profit charity.
- Experience in working as part of and leading a team of volunteers. As well as being part of the wider SportsUnited team.

SportsUnited volunteers are provided with full induction and training, ongoing support, and access to training resources. If you are interested in becoming a

SportsUnited volunteer or have any questions, email:
Supporting Success: Katerina Mattock (Project Officer)

katmattock.sportsunited@gmail.com

Sporting Memories: Robert Laidlaw (Project Officer)

robertlaidlaw.sports.united@gmail.com

or via the SportsUnited website Contact Us page

<https://sportsunited.org.au/contact>

SPORTING PINK PACKS

In response to the Covid-19 global pandemic, SportsUnited has developed a digital publication called Sporting Pink Australia Packs available for anyone (free) to use at home.

Each weekly pack contains a sporting reminiscence story (these can be about sporting players or events), a sporting quiz, and Name the Player as well as a Word Search.

The packs are a great way to get the conversation flowing, to remember those sporting moments, and to talk about sport!

If you, or anybody you know, would like to receive a free copy of the Sporting Pink Australia pack, please complete our registration form on the SportsUnited website: <https://sports-united-web-c262e9.netlify.app/forms/sporting-memories-online-register/>

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