

2011 VICTORIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Victorian Primary Schools Golf Championships will once again be held at numerous courses across Victoria. Most tournaments will be held during term 3. Qualifying rounds will be played between 25 July and 12 August. The State Final will be at Koorling Golf Club on Monday, 12 September.

The tournament will be played over 9 holes on a modified course. It is for students from years 4,5 and 6 who can consistently hit the ball. Players do not need to have a golf handicap or be members of golf clubs. This is aimed at beginners who may have had little golf experience.

Entry forms and course details will be available early term 2 and will be posted to all primary schools.

Click [here](#) to obtain more information from Golf Victoria's website.

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INTERSTATE TEAM NOMINATIONS – ENTRIES CLOSING SOON

Students attending schools affiliated with SSV are eligible for selection in Victorian Teams to compete in 2011 School Sport Australia National Championships. Information on national events can be found at the School Sport Victoria website, www.ssv.vic.edu.au, or the School Sport Australia website, www.schoolsport.edu.au.

Registrations for trials for a number of the state teams are closing very soon:

Swimming – 10 to 19 Years	CLOSING 29 APRIL
Cross Country – 12 Year Olds at Affiliate Secondary Schools (i.e. schools that do not compete in SSV interschool programs but affiliate only so that their students can nominate to trial for SSV State Teams)	CLOSING 29 APRIL
Basketball – 18 & Under Boys and Girls	CLOSING 4 MAY
Football (Soccer) – 19 & Under Girls	LATE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL 9 MAY

Closing dates for other representative teams are shown below.

Hockey – 16 Year Old Boys and Girls	CLOSING 25 MAY
Tennis – 12 & Under Boys and Girls	CLOSING 31 MAY
Softball – 12 & Under Boys and Girls	CLOSING 11 AUGUST

To register for these and all other trials, go to the SSV website at www.ssv.vic.edu.au and click on Interstate Teams for further details. **It is strongly suggested by SSV that your school community is made aware of these opportunities so please ensure this information is published in your school newsletter.**

Students who are 12 years and Under that attend secondary schools will also nominate online via the SSV website for all sports other than Australian Football, Basketball, Football (Soccer), Golf and Netball. For these five sports students who are 12 years and Under and attending a secondary school must use the form available on the SSV website which must be lodged with the SSV office by 29 April, 2011.

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2011 PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARDS – ONLINE ENTRIES ARE NOW OPEN

The Pierre de Coubertin Award recognises one student from Year 10, 11 or 12 from every secondary school in Australia. Schools are invited to nominate a student who demonstrates the Olympic values and participates actively in the school's physical education program with a consistently positive attitude. Please nominate online by clicking [here](#) to visit the Victorian Olympic Council's website. In order to attend the awards ceremony the online registration form is to be completed before Wednesday, 8 June 2011. Each nominated student and their school is presented with a Certificate of Recognition.

In 2011, the program will include an Olympic Academy to provide students with an opportunity to connect with Olympians. Each school can invite an additional two sport leaders from years 10-12 to attend. The Victorian Olympic Council is delighted to advise the following four Olympians (of a likely 10) have confirmed to date.

Linley Frame	SWIMMING 1992
Russell Mark OAM	SHOOTING 1988, 1992, 1996 (Gold), 2000 (Silver), 2008
Kyle Vander-Kuyp	ATHLETICS 1996, 2000
Jacqui Cooper OAM	FREESTYLE SKIING 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010

The Award Ceremony will be held at the MCG, Sunday, 26 June 2011.

For further details please contact the Victorian Olympic Council by e-mailing Maria Caruso at maria.caruso@olympics.com.au or by phone on 03 9427 0700.

The Victorian Olympic Council looks forward to receiving your nomination!

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2011 VICTORIAN RUGBY LEAGUE SELECTION TRIALS

For information and a registration sheet for the upcoming Victorian Rugby League State Trials, please click [here](#) to visit the Victorian ARL Development website. Information pertaining to selection for the 12 Years and Under can be found at this web address. There are several trials throughout Melbourne and Geelong occurring between 16 and 20 May. All students that enjoy contact sports are encouraged to participate. For further enquiries for the 12 Years and Under please e-mail Shane Griffin at sgriffin@melbournestorm.com.au.

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KICKIN' AROUND WITH VICTORY

Melbourne Victory Football Club (MVFC) in association with Sports Education & Development Australia (SEDA), is pleased to announce the new 'Kickin' Around with Victory' schools program. The FREE 3 week program is aimed at grade 5 and 6 students with the main emphasis being on fun and participation.

Boys and girls, aged between 10 and 12, will be given the opportunity to discover the joys of football. The program will focus on various football skills including passing, dribbling, heading, ball control, goal keeping and shooting. Once the children have mastered the basics, the program will conclude with some small sided games, in an entertaining and relaxed environment.

Please click [here](#) for more information and register your school today.

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THE PRESIDENTS CUP 2011 ESSAY CHALLENGE

The eyes of the world media will be focused on Royal Melbourne Golf Club in November this year as the world's best golfers come to our city. Enter the Presidents Cup 2011 Essay Challenge for an opportunity for your students to win a 'Behind the Scenes' tour at the Presidents Cup Golf event later this year as well as other prizes including a trip to your school on the official Presidents Cup 2011 trophy tour. This is an initiative between School Sport Victoria and the President's Cup 2011 team.

Please encourage your Sport / PE and English departments as well as grade teachers to have their students enter this competition. It is open to years 4-6 and years 7-8 students. We are trying to engage the next generation of young golfers through this event whilst linking literacy and sport through interest based learning.

For further information on the Presidents Cup 2011 Essay Challenge and how to enter please click [here](#). Entries close on Tuesday, 31 May, 2011.

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DARE TO DIVE

Diving Victoria is running programs for school groups 7-18 years with fully accredited coaches and tailored to your class needs. Whether it is a learn to dive weekly class, teaching water safety and safe diving skills, a PE class structured around the fundamentals of the sport, a class to stretch and challenge students ability and confidence or simply a fun fitness class, Diving Victoria will have something for you. For more information or to make a booking please click [here](#) to go to the Diving Victoria website and click on the schools button in the left menu or call Helen Hillard on 9686 7534 or 0418 577 832.

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CRICKET AND AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL COACHING COURSES FOR FEMALE TEACHERS

Cricket Victoria in conjunction with AFL Victoria are offering a Level One Dual Recognition (Cricket and Australian Football) Coaching Course for female teachers. Information on the course can be found by clicking [here](#) and the application form is available by clicking [here](#).

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NETBALL VICTORIA REGIONAL COACHING SEMINARS – APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The Regional Coaching Seminar program has been designed to support and underpin Netball Victoria's highly popular Game Development Conference, and brings world class coach education directly to the heart of where our sport is played through its zone based delivery structure.

Please click [here](#) to access the Regional Coaching Seminar booklet and application form.

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VOLLEYBALL VICTORIA LEVEL 1 COACHING COURSES

On 5 June, 2011 Volleyball Victoria is holding a Level 1 Coaching Course Level 1 that is available for school volleyball coaches. It is a great opportunity for your coaches to achieve Level 1 Coaching accreditation and further develop their skills and knowledge of volleyball. Click [here](#) to visit the Volleyball Victoria website and follow the links to the education area.

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