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## SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA E- BULLETIN

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### FOR ATTENTION OF SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, SPORTS STAFF, TEAM COACHES, INTERESTED STAFF AND STUDENTS

Welcome to the final School Sport Victoria (SSV) E-Bulletin for Term 2 in 2011. SSV trusts you have had a successful program in Term 2 that has provided a quality school sport program for your students. Good luck to all students who have made it through to State finals. SSV looks forward to seeing many of them at Bundoora Park for the State Cross Country finals on Tuesday, 19 July.

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For any further information please contact [School Sport Victoria](#).

### 2012 ASSOCIATE SECONDARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 30 JUNE

Applications for Associate Membership status of School Sport Victoria in 2012 close on 30 June 2011. Associate membership is available for Catholic and Independent schools that **DO NOT PARTICIPATE** in a regular school sport competition for students in years 7 to 12 conducted by another secondary school sport organisation. (Regular is defined as "Schools participating in any inter-school sporting competitions as part of a formalised school sporting association other than School Sport Victoria (formerly VPSSA / VSSSA)").

Click [here](#) to obtain an application form that is also available on the SSV website. *Applications must be lodged by Thursday, 30 June 2011.* Schools that choose to become Associate Members of School Sport Victoria cannot be a member of any other formalised school sporting association.

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### SSV 2012 REGION COORDINATOR (PRIMARY & SECONDARY) EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CLOSE 30 JUNE

Please note that expressions of interest for 2012 Primary and Secondary Region Coordinator positions close on 30 June, 2011. Click [here](#) to view the application form.

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### SSV 2012-2013 BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

The nomination process for 2012-2013 Principal or Teacher SSV Board Member positions is now underway. SSV Operating Procedures require nominations to be approved at the next Region Forums in August. Nominations will then be forwarded to the SSV AGM on 15 November. If an election is required for a Principal or Teacher Class position this will be performed at the AGM. Nomination forms must be returned to SSV by Friday, 29 July. Click [here](#) to view the nomination form for a Principal Class position and click [here](#) for a nomination form for a Teacher Class position. The SSV Operating Procedures may be viewed by clicking [here](#).

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### SSV AUGUST 2011 REGION FORUMS

Preparation for the August 2011 region forums is now well under way. Agenda items at these conferences include discussion and planning on:

- Confirming Calendar dates for 2012
- Region budgets for 2012
- Evaluation of 2011 program
- Competition boundaries for 2012
- Nomination of Region Principal and Teacher Representatives for SSV board positions

The date for each region's form is shown below.

Eastern Metropolitan	Monday, 1 August
Northern Metropolitan	Wednesday, 3 August
Barwon South Western	Wednesday, 3 August
Western Metropolitan	Thursday, 4 August
Grampians	Monday, 8 August
Loddon Mallee	Monday, 8 August
Hume	Thursday, 11 August
Gippsland	Tuesday, 16 August
Southern Metropolitan	Friday, 19 August

School Sport Coordinators are more than welcome to attend the forums during the afternoon session. Please note that CRT is only available for Region and Division Coordinators attending the meeting.

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### VICTORIAN SCHOOLS FOOTY LEAGUE



School Sport Victoria, Westpac and Collingwood Football Club have developed the Victorian Schools Football League. This is the name of the SSV Australian Football competition that includes

- our existing Primary school competition the **Westpac Cup**;
- the existing year 7 and year 8 boys competition and the junior girls years 7-9 competition, known as the **VSFL Pennant**;
- the Intermediate boys competition known as the **VSFL Trophy**;
- the Senior Boys and Senior Girls competitions, known as the **VSFL Shield**; and
- the **VSFL Premier League**.

Schools are asked to direct their students to [www.vsf.com.au](http://www.vsf.com.au) and click on the relevant icons to view all draws and results. These are being progressively updated as games are played. District / division Coordinators are asked to forward their results to [miller.robyn.m@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:miller.robyn.m@edumail.vic.gov.au) to ensure they can be uploaded. Students have also been busy filming their own two minute video clip of various football skills they have performed. Examples are on the web site.

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## AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL PREMIER LEAGUE

In 2011 School Sport Victoria initiated the Premier League for our Australian Football Senior Boys competition. The Premier League consists of eight schools that have competed in an elite level competition. The program highlighted the cooperation between SSV and TAC Clubs allowing players associated with these clubs to participate in a high level school sport competition to blend in with their TAC Club commitments. The semi final stage took place on 22 June at Coburg Football Ground. In the first semi final, Hallam Senior College defeated Catholic College Bendigo, whilst in the second semi, Essendon East Keilor District College defeated Catholic College Sale. Hallam Senior College will now play Essendon East Keilor District College in the final on Sunday, 24 July at the MCG as a curtain raiser to the AFL match that day between Melbourne and Hawthorn.

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## ATTENTION SPORT COORDINATOR – STUDENT OFFICIALS REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

School Sport Victoria will be hosting the School Sport Australia Swimming Championship at MSAC from 30 July to 5 August. SSV is looking for schools to assist with volunteer official duties, eg marshalling or timekeeping. SSV sees this as an outstanding opportunity for Year 9 and 10 student leaders. To register your interest please contact Kirsteen Farrance at the SSV Office via e-mail at [farrance.kirsteen.a@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:farrance.kirsteen.a@edumail.vic.gov.au) or phone on 9488 9466.

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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](http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au), or the School Sport Australia website, [www.schoolsport.edu.au](http://www.schoolsport.edu.au).

Closing dates for representative teams are shown below.

Cross Country – 13 to 19 year olds	<b>CLOSES 30 JUNE</b> – CLICK <a href="#">HERE</a> FOR THE ENTRY FORM OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION VISIT THE ATHLETICS VICTORIA WEBSITE ( <a href="http://www.athsvic.org.au">www.athsvic.org.au</a> )
Softball – 12 & Under Boys and Girls	<b>CLOSING 11 AUGUST</b>

To register for these and all other trials, go to the SSV website at [www.ssv.vic.edu.au](http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au) and click on Interstate Teams for further details.

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## ENTRY PROCESS FOR PRIMARY HOCKEY 7s AND GIRLS AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL COMPETITION

The School Sport Victoria office has received a number of phone calls recently asking for the location of the entry forms for Hockey 7s and Girls Australian Football competition for Primary Schools. Please note that there is no entry form as both are now mainstream sports conducted through District, Division, Region, Conference and State Championship levels (i.e. the same as other mainstream sports such as basketball, netball, etc).

If your school wishes to participate in the Hockey 7s or Girls Australian Football primary competition, please make contact with your District Coordinator.

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## SAFETY FIRST WHEN IT COMES TO SOCCER

Consumer Affairs Victoria has advised that schools and soccer clubs across the state will be the target of a new campaign aiming to stamp out unsafe moveable soccer goal posts from Victorian soccer fields.

From 31 December 2010, national mandatory product safety standards apply to moveable soccer goal posts that weigh more than 28 kilograms. These goals pose a risk of injury or death if they become unanchored during use or if used inappropriately, such as swinging from the goal posts. There have been seven deaths and one paraplegic injury related to moveable soccer goals in Australia since 1986.

Staff from Consumer Affairs Victoria will be visiting soccer clubs, councils and schools, educating them about the mandatory standard and checking that posts comply with the standard.

For more information about the safety standard for moveable soccer goals, please see [www.productsafety.gov.au](http://www.productsafety.gov.au), or contact Consumer Affairs Victoria via phone 1300 55 81 81 or their website at [www.consumer.vic.gov.au](http://www.consumer.vic.gov.au).

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## WHEELTALK SCHOOL AWARENESS PROGRAM TO VISIT SOUTH WEST VICTORIA

The Department of Sport & Recreation is excited to announce that the WheelTalk School Awareness program will be visiting **Warrnambool from Monday, 25 July to Friday, 29 July 2011.**

WheelTalk is an experiential learning program which increases young people's understanding of what it is like to live with a disability. WheelTalk has been running for 10 years and has 25,000 participants in Victorian schools, tertiary institutions and community justice centres annually. WheelTalk addresses workplace safety, avoiding risky behaviour, bullying, diversity, drink driving, drug taking, and the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle. Presenters share their personal story of disability with participants, describing how their birth condition, accident or illness has impacted their life. Following the presentation, students are given the opportunity to experience what it is like to be in a wheelchair by playing a game of wheelchair basketball or having a relay race with peers. For some students, this will be the first time they will have had the opportunity to talk with a person in a wheelchair and to 'see' the person not the wheelchair. For all students it will be an opportunity to consider not just disability but diversity more broadly and hopefully, for some, it will make them think twice about taking part in risky behaviours.

DSR staff note that teachers often comment that the opportunity to play wheelchair basketball is a great 'leveller' in that it provides an even playing field for the students. Students who are usually good at sport, find this really challenging and often the students who don't have good sporting skills pick up the game quite quickly. Click [here](#) to obtain further information on the School Awareness Program, plus click [here](#) for the story run by the ABC on Jason Sleep. For Jason, it's a case of once a thrill-seeker, always a thrill seeker. A quad-bike accident put him in a wheelchair, but after some support from his loved ones and plenty of determination he's not slowing down for anything, or any sport.

The Sport & Recreation team is keen to visit your school and hope that you are interested in being involved in their successful awareness raising program. For further information or to secure a booking, please contact Liam Ryan at (03) 9473 0133 or via email at [liam@dsr.org.au](mailto:liam@dsr.org.au).

**Please note, if you have students at your school with a disability that may be interested in participating in Sport & Recreation please contact their Sport Access Coordinator, Leah Sumich, on 03 9473 0133 or email [leah@dsr.org.au](mailto:leah@dsr.org.au).**

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## BADMINTON VICTORIA 2011 ALL-SCHOOLS BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

The **Primary All-Schools Badminton Championships** is an annual event delivered by Badminton Victoria that is open to all Victorian primary schools. The 2011 event will run on **Wednesday, 7th September 2011** for both girls and boys.

The **Secondary All-School Badminton Championships** is an annual event delivered by Badminton Victoria that is open to all Victorian secondary schools. The 2011 event will be held on **Thursday, 13th October 2011 for Girls and Thursday 20th October 2011 for Boys.**

Entry forms and tournament information are available from the Badminton Victoria website at [www.badmintonvic.com.au](http://www.badmintonvic.com.au).

For any questions or more information on both Championships, please contact Badminton Victoria on 9686 477 or [bvdevelopment@badmintonvic.com.au](mailto:bvdevelopment@badmintonvic.com.au)

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## ATHLETICS VICTORIA adidas VICTORIAN ALL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

All students are invited to participate at the 2011 adidas Victorian All Schools Cross Country Championships at Bundoora Park on Saturday, 23 July 2011. No qualification standards exist the age-group cross country events, meaning anyone can run. The championships also double as the selection trial for the School Sport Victoria and Athletics Victoria teams to contest the 2011 Australian Cross Country Championships. This event is the only way for students to qualify to compete at the national event.

Entries close Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2011. To enter the adidas Victorian All Schools Cross Country Championships online now, please click [here](#).

For further information on this or any other upcoming Athletics Victoria schools events, please call (03) 9428 8195 or email [info@athsvic.org.au](mailto:info@athsvic.org.au).

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## ATHLETICS VICTORIA 'OFFICIALS IN SCHOOLS' PROGRAM

Let Athletics Victoria (AV) help make your school's next athletics carnival or cross country event hassle free by allowing AV to run the competition for you. AV's panel of IAAF accredited officials can assist in any role, from starter to Meet Manager, with specialised photo finish and IT support also available. For more information or to make a booking, please click [here](#), or call Athletics Victoria's Officials Development Officer Don Blyth on (03) 9428 8195.

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## KARRIE WEBB AND GREG NORMAN SIGN UP AS 'MY GOLF' AMBASSADORS TO PROMOTE JUNIOR GOLF

Karrie Webb and Greg Norman have both signed up to be 'My Golf' ambassadors to promote junior golf.

Golf Victoria and School Sport Victoria are looking for interested teachers to promote golf in schools to students. Already some teachers have signed up and are promoting golf in their area however we still need more areas covered. The role of the AMBASSADOR is to:

- Promote the School Sport Golf Program to schools
- Provide a link between the schools and local golf clubs
- Update schools with information on upcoming golf events
- Ensure schools have received and are acting upon tournament entries
- Liaise with VGA Junior Development Officers to provide schools with clinic and junior tournament information
- Assist with conducting local golf events
- Encourage teams of teachers to participate in the Teachers' Cup Golf Challenge

Each Golf Ambassador will receive a complimentary Golfing Package from Golf Victoria:

- Vic Open Tickets
- Invitation to a Golf Victoria / School Sport Victoria Golf thank you day
- Entry to ballot for one of six places in the Vic Open Pro AM
- Invitation and discount to Community Coaching Course.
- Special offers from time to time for Wilson Golf equipment.

To enlist please contact Graeme Maddern at [gmaddern@golfvic.org.au](mailto:gmaddern@golfvic.org.au)

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## PRIMARY SCHOOL RACQUETBALL COMPETITION

Squash Vic runs an annual racquetball competition in term 3 open to all primary schools around the State. Teams consist of 3 boys or 3 girls, matches are timed and regional events will be held prior to the finals day at the Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre. Squash Vic is offering a **FREE in-school racquetball clinic** for the first 20 schools who enter.

Please click [here](#) for the entry form. Entries close 5:00 PM on 28 July, 2011.

For further information contact Karen Cagliarini on 0409 526 224 or [karen.cagliarini@bigpond.com](mailto:karen.cagliarini@bigpond.com) or the Squash Vic office 9682 2199 or [info@squashvic.com.au](mailto:info@squashvic.com.au)

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## INFLATABLE SQUASH COURT – JUNE/JULY SCHOOL CLINIC SPECIAL OFFER FROM SQUASH VICTORIA

For the months of June and July Squash Vic is including the inflatable squash court **FREE** with every full day of squash or racquetball clinics booked. This is a chance for your students to experience the sensation of being on a real squash court. For further information please click [here](#). For booking forms, please click [here](#).

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## MCDONALD'S CHAMPION SCHOOL OF VICTORIA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Basketball Victoria's proud to announce the running of the **28<sup>th</sup> McDonald's Champion School of Victoria Basketball Tournament**. This event will be held over 3 days consisting of the following days

**Senior Division - Boys & Girls (19 Years and under)** - *Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2011 - MSAC*

**Intermediate Division - Boys & Girls (16 Years and under)** - *Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2011 - MSAC*

**Elite 8 Day** - Top 8 teams from Senior and Intermediate - *Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2011 - MSAC*

**Finals Night** - Top 2 teams from Senior and Intermediate - *Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2011 - Etihad Basketball Stadium*

For further information and registration form for the senior competition, please click [here](#). For the intermediate division, please click [here](#).

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