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The Country Liberals will increase funding to Northern Territory peak sporting bodies by 50%.

The $1.7 million annual increase will bring total funding to peak bodies to approximately $4 million.

Country Liberals Leader, Terry Mills, said increased insurance premiums and higher costs of living have hit sports administrations and reduced their capacity to deliver on core responsibilities.

The money will also support volunteers involved in sports administration to get back out in the field to assist in the running of sporting events.

“This additional funding is an investment in people, in strengthening coaching, administration and support to volunteers,” Mr Mills said.

“I want volunteers participating in sports related activities not stuck in offices behind piles of paperwork.

“The Country Liberals believe champion sports people start at the grass roots and our volunteers are crucial to community participation in sport.

“As well as additional funding, we will also support organisations with administration training to reduce volunteer workloads.

“Included in the grants are 45 sporting organisations and 15 recreation bodies that benefit the community such as Life Be In It, YMCA, Sports Medicine
Australia and Riding for the Disabled.”

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