APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR GRASSROOTS GRANTS

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Minister for Sport and Recreation has encouraged Territory sporting organisations to apply for the first round of the 2013 Grass Roots Sports Development Program.

“Territorians love their sport and active recreation and it’s important that all Territorians have the opportunity to be involved,” Mr Conlan said.

“The Grass Roots Sports Development Program provides the opportunity for sporting organisations right across the Territory to strengthen and improve the delivery of sport and recreation programs at a grass roots level.

“Improving these programs will attract more Territorians into organised sport and recreation activities.

“The Country Liberals Government is committed to growing sport at the grassroots level because it improves overall general health and makes our communities safer by getting children off the streets.”

The Northern Territory Government supports sport and active recreation clubs, committing a total of $190 000 for the 2012/13 rounds.

Applicants may apply for up to $3 000 (Shires - $3 000 per community) for projects designed to achieve the two main objectives of this grant program, which are to:

- Provide opportunities to participate in sport and active recreation; and
- Strengthen the capability of sport and active recreation organisations and shire councils to deliver services and programs that make for a more active Territory.

Some of the round two 2012/13 successful applicants include:

- **Alice Springs Netball Association Inc**
  $2 800 for upgrades at the Pat Gallagher Netball Courts, including the purchase of new protective padding for the goal post

- **Central Australian Rough Riders Incorporated**
  $3 000 to improve rave safety procedures through the purchase of a new PA system for pre-race briefings

- **Alice Springs Cricket Association**
  $3 000 to roll out a cricket skills program designed to increase the capacity of the Association to identify talented junior players

- **Macdonnell Shire Council**
  The largest grant of $8 000 will be provided to the Mcdonnell Shire Council to purchase bikes, helmets and repair equipment for a number of remote communities, including Amoonguna, Santa Teresa, Titjikala, Papunya, Areyonga, Haasts Bluff, Mt Liebig and Hermannsburg.
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- **Sanderson 1st Scout Group**
  $2 700 to the Sanderson 1st Scout Group for new equipment including; hiking packs, matts and a GPS system for juniors to use. The new equipment will assist junior and smaller hikers to participate and reduce the risk of injury.

- **Darwin off Road Cyclists**
  $2 800 to the Darwin off Road Cyclists to assist with the development of a trail maintenance course facilitated by an accredited official.

Round one of the Grass Root Sports Development Program for 2013/14 are now open and will close on 16 July 2013.


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