

*The Shoalhaven Sports Board*

Mission

Values

and

Vision

# Shoalhaven Sports Board



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*“Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. Sport can awaken hope where there was previously only despair. Sport speaks to people in a language they can understand.”*

*Nelson Mandela (2000)*



Photograph from BlitzBokke.com

*“In sporting clubs, whether it’s a cricket club or a football club or a surf club, a very Australian and very democratically Australian institution, you have people from every profession, every religion, every background mixing together. Sport ties communities together, so it’s vitally important at that level too.”*

*Prime Minister of Australia (2017)*



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*"An active population brings health, social and economic benefits. Being active doesn't only have a positive impact on physical health, it can improve our mental and emotional wellbeing too."*

*NSW Office of Sport (2017)*



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*“Australia is a proud sporting nation that values fair play, inclusiveness, humility and respect in our athletes. All Australians are encouraged to get involved with physical activity to stay healthy and playing sport can be a great way to meet new people in your community.”*

*Department of Social Services, Australian Government (2017).*



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### Shoalhaven Sports Board Mission:

To promote all sports in the Shoalhaven and to actively connect with sporting organizations, clubs, associations and the community.



### Values:

The Shoalhaven Sports Board values the benefits that sport provides in our community and region such as competition, inclusiveness, congeniality and recreation.

The Board recognizes the importance of sports clubs and associations and the value they add to our community.

The Board also values the commitment of the volunteers who administer, coach and manage sports in the Shoalhaven.



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### **Vision of the Shoalhaven Sports Board:**

The Shoalhaven Sports Board consists of community representatives and Councillors who have interests in sports. Board members are from a variety of backgrounds, including people who have played and/or administered sports organizations. A principal aim of the Board is to connect with all Shoalhaven sports organizations to promote participation in sport in our community by all.



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**The Board's principal goals:**

1. Liaise with Shoalhaven City Council (SCC) personnel regarding issues concerning sports development, sporting field requirements, asset management and maintenance of sports facilities.
2. Support and promote SCC community sports services and programs.
3. Review, assess and provide recommendations to the SCC regarding applications under the SCC sports assistance programs.
4. Encourage the use of under-utilized sports grounds in the Shoalhaven and support the use of alternatives to over-utilized grounds and encourage the wider use of sporting buildings and facilities for community events.
5. Liaise with sporting organizations, clubs and associations regarding:
  - a. future developments and/or expansion
  - b. program promotion
  - c. player/volunteer retention
  - d. issues with sporting fields/grounds
  - e. provide a conduit between sporting organizations and SCC.
6. Assist with governance and business planning in sporting organizations.
7. Provide information and assistance on writing applications government and non-government sports related grants, except SCC grants.
8. Liaise with the Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS) and other Australian sports academies regarding young sports people from the Shoalhaven.



9. Develop and maintain electronic links (for example email and Facebook) with organizations involved in local, state and national sports, including;
  - other local government sports boards,
  - state departments, such as NSW Office of Sport, and
  - national organizations, such as the Australian Sports Commission.
10. Engage the local media as necessary to promote sporting events and report on the Board's activities.



### **Strategies for achieving the goals:**

1. Promote SCC Sports assistance programs and initiatives to sports associations and clubs by regular contact with such organizations in the Shoalhaven by Board Members:
  - a. Seeking Invitations to sports organizations in guest speaker roles.
  - b. Sharing the review of SCC assistance program applications as to appropriateness, viability and value to the sports organizations and to the community.

- c. Promoting the SCC Community sports services and programs through guest speaker appearances and via the printed media (South Coast Register, Sussex Inletter Weekly and Milton Ulladulla Times) and social media, radio, television; ensuring all schools are included.
  - d. Encouraging all sporting organizations to report their results to radio stations and local printed media.
2. The Board to adopt an impartial third-party role in assisting to resolve disputes between codes, clubs and SCC, if such intervention is required.
  3. The Board to encourage all Shoalhaven sporting organizations to develop their own 5-year plans including governance, retention of players, officials and volunteers with the Board monitoring progress.
  4. The Board to assist and guide club officials to complete grant applications, expect SCC grants. Board to record the results of such applications.
  5. The Board to Monitor the activities of other sports boards and fostering good relationships with state and federal government agencies.





Proposed indoor sports centre at Bomaderry (South Coast Register)

### **Key Progress Indicators:**

1. The Board to monitor on a regular basis the success of SCC Sports assistance programs to sports organizations using the following indicators:
  - a. Sports organizations being actively involved in sporting activities.
  - b. Awareness of responses and activities involving SCC Sports assistance programs at Board meetings.
  - c. Awareness of the uptake of SCC Sports assistance programs.
2.
  - a. The Board has made recommendations to the SCC regarding under-utilized sports grounds in the Shoalhaven
  - b. The Board has made recommendations to the SCC regarding over-utilized grounds.

- c. The Board has made recommendations to the SCC regarding the use of sporting buildings and facilities by the community for non-sporting events.
  - d. The Board has made recommendations to the SCC regarding incentives for under-utilized and over-utilized grounds and the use of sporting facilities by the community for non-sporting activities.
3. The Board to observe the progress of improvement in governance with implementation of Strategic Plans
  4. The Board to monitor the outcomes of mediation between sporting organizations and the SCC.
  5. The Board to monitor the progress and confidence of sporting organizations who have submitted grant applications.
  6. The Board to monitor the retention of players, inclusions in IAS programs and subsequent success in chosen sports
  7. The Board to monitor the Missions Statements, Visions and Goals of other similar sports boards and other sports authorities.
  8. The Board to be aware of current media reports, both state and federal, on health issues in all sports.

### **Photographs:**

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