



# ALLSPORTS

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## SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMES TO WHITEHORSE

The City of Whitehorse will be hosting Special Olympics Victoria State Summer Games, 20 - 21 March 2010. These are free events and everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend and support the athletes.

Special Olympics are ongoing year-round training and competition for people with an intellectual disability. The State Summer Games provides an opportunity for all athletes to compete in this flagship event.

Each year, Special Olympics conducts summer and winter games for the athletes where around 300 athletes participate in various sports. It provides training and competition for the Special Olympics Victoria state team in the lead up to the national games in Adelaide, but more importantly it provides competition for those athletes who were not selected to go to the national games.

The event will take place across a number of grounds and facilities within the City of Whitehorse with a variety of different sports featured during the weekend, a Law Enforcement Torch Run subject to weather conditions as well as the opening and closing ceremonies.



### EVENT VENUES

#### Bill Sewart Athletics Track - Opening and Closing Ceremonies plus Track & Field Events

Saturday 20 March 2010 9am - 5pm  
Sunday 21 March 2010 9am - 3pm

#### East Burwood Tennis Club - Tennis

Saturday 20 March 2010 11am - 5pm  
Sunday 21 March 2010 9.30am - 2.00pm

#### Aqualink Nunawading - Aquatics

Saturday 20 March 2010 11.10am - 5.00pm  
Sunday 21 March 2010 12.10am - 3pm

#### Morack Golf Course Vermont South- Golf

Saturday 20 March 2010 12pm-5pm

#### Softball (Venue TBC at time of printing)

Saturday 20 March 2010 11am-5pm  
Sunday 21 March 2010 9.30am-2pm

City of Whitehorse is a major sponsor of the event providing all venues for the competition. Sporting Clubs, Volunteers and Centre Managers have been incredibly supportive of this event. City of Whitehorse and Special Olympics would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge that a number of Clubs have foregone club activities in order to enable this event to take place. All support and contributions are greatly appreciated.

For further information, visit the website [www.specialolympics.com.au](http://www.specialolympics.com.au) or phone 9275 6922.



# AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

## CONGRATULATIONS TO EMMAUS WATTLE PARK JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

The Australia Day Awards were presented at a special ceremony prior to the Whitehorse Australia Day Twilight Concert and Fireworks at the Whitehorse Centre Soundshell on 26 January 2010.

The awards are designed to recognise and promote the wonderful efforts of people who live and work in the City of Whitehorse. The Australia Day Trophy is awarded to a recreation club or community group in Whitehorse that provides opportunities for participation and outcomes that benefit the broader community.

The Emmaus Wattle Park Junior Football Club (EWPJFC) is the recipient of the Whitehorse Sport and Recreation Australia Day Trophy 2010 for conducting the Sudanese Sports Integration Program.

Integration of Sudanese children from 7-17 years into Australian Rules Football through AUSKICK and under age football competitions run across the Eastern suburbs. This is a fully subsidised program funded by a City of Whitehorse community grant and run from Bennettswood Reserve. It includes registration fees, equipment such as football boots, mouthguards, socks and shorts, trophies, team photos, travel to & from training and games. Approximately 20 young participants have been involved over the past 12 months.

The ongoing involvement of Sudanese children in Australian Rules Football means that they increase their health and fitness levels but also learn new skills, responsibility and discipline, develop a sense of community, loyalty and cohesion, develop life skills like communication, concentration, commitment, how to work with others in team environments and how to cope with success and failure.

Workshops were held at Sudanese inter-district Church services and attended by approximately 200 Sudanese community members to raise awareness of the benefits of sport as a way of integrating both adults and children into the local community.

For further information, visit the Club's website <http://ewpjfc.com/> or contact their President Phil Reid at [Phillip.Reid@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:Phillip.Reid@roads.vic.gov.au)



## ELGAR PARK PAVILION

The roof of the Elgar Park North Pavilion was blown off the building during a storm which occurred on Thursday 26 November 2009.



As a result of this damage, the building was deemed unsafe and not habitable by tenant Clubs.



Council Officers have been working closely with affected Clubs and made alternative arrangements until the roof can be replaced.

Council would like to thank the Box Hill North Cricket Club, Elgar Park Cricket Club and Elgar Park Regional Hockey Association for their understanding and cooperation as Council works through the process of rebuilding the roof. Particular thanks to the Box Hill North Cricket Club and Elgar Park Cricket Club who have been sharing the Elgar Park South Pavilion since the storm.

The rebuilding of the roof has commenced and Council is hopeful this will be completed in early March 2010.

## SKATE EVENT



The second heat of the South Eastern Skateboard League Series will be held on Saturday 27 February 2010 at the Box Hill South Skate Park, corner of Canterbury and Middleborough Rd, Box Hill South.

The competition is open to all ages, with the following age divisions: 12 and under, 16 and Under, Open male and Open female.

Entry forms can be downloaded at [www.skatepark.ymca.org.au](http://www.skatepark.ymca.org.au). The competition starts at 12.30pm and registrations are taken from 12noon on the day.

For the third year, skateboarders will have an opportunity to showcase their skills in a professional environment. The City of Whitehorse has partnered with nine different local governments to be part of the series. The league of events is managed by the Victorian Skateboard Association and the YMCA.

The Grand Final will be held at Riverside Skate Park, Alexandra Gardens, Melbourne on Saturday 29 May.

For more information about the South Eastern League skateboarding competition series contact the YMCA Skate Services on 9663 0495 or check out [www.skatepark.ymca.org.au](http://www.skatepark.ymca.org.au).

## SEASON CHANGEOVER – PAVILIONS AND KEYS

### Winter Application Forms

It is time to prepare for the beginning of the Winter season, which officially begins on 1 April 2010. Applications for use of sports fields and pavilions have been sent to all Winter Clubs and were due back on 22 January 2010. If you belong to a Winter Club and you have not returned your application form, please do so as soon as possible. Details: 9262 6499.

### Summer Finals Applications

All clubs and associations wishing to utilise the City of Whitehorse sports fields and pavilions for Summer finals should send a written request stating the days and times and the sports fields they are wishing to use. Forward your requests via fax to 9262 6490 or email [candice.gallagher@whitehorse.vic.gov.au](mailto:candice.gallagher@whitehorse.vic.gov.au)

### Pavilion Keys and Inspections

As part of the season changeover, Council undertakes a pavilion inspection and pavilion key return for outgoing (Summer) clubs and key collection and pavilion take-over by incoming (Winter) clubs. This will occur during the last two weeks of March. If you are a Summer club and you know that you will not be in the finals, you can complete the handover process in advance, please notify Council on 9262 6499 when grounds are no longer required.



## WHITEHORSE CYCLISTS

We are honoured to have received the Sports Club of the Year award from the Whitehorse City Council. On this it is especially pleasing that the council has recognised club efforts in actively promoting and developing programs to encourage community members to take up cycling for fun, health and fitness.

Some of the achievements of Whitehorse Cyclists which contributed to the award are:

During 2009 Whitehorse cyclists has grown to 200 members, with 18 new members joining since 1 November. An outstanding achievement from a base of 90 members in 2002. 26 of those 2002 members are still active happy members of the club.

The club calendar has also grown from 2 rides each week in 2002 to the 7 weekly rides we now organise in order to accommodate members rides preferences, plus their fitness and skill levels. One of these rides is a beginners development program recently organised by club volunteers to assist those in the broader Whitehorse community take up cycling sport for fun health and fitness. Our multi-day rides are also proving to be very popular with these generally being fully booked. Club members volunteer their time at no cost to organise and operate these rides

During 2009 club volunteers organised and managed multi-day rides to Thailand, Mornington Peninsula, Bendigo, Bairnsdale, Tatura and South Australia (Fleurieu Peninsula, Southern Vales, Adelaide Hills and the Barossa). Some rides can cater for around 35 members with an average of 22 riders per event.

For more information about Whitehorse Cyclist group, visit their website [www.whitehorsecyclists.org.au/](http://www.whitehorsecyclists.org.au/)

## SURREY PARK FOOTBALL



The Committee and Members of the Surrey Park Football Club, would like to extend a very warm invitation to players and their parents and siblings to come and be a part of the Under 18 Development Group for Surrey Park Football Club in 2010.

One of the key objectives of the Surrey Park Football Club in 2009 has been to develop an Under 18 Football Program for the introduction of an Under 18 team in the 2010 season.

For information about Surrey Park Football Club, contact President, Rob Buncle at [rbuncle@testedgroup.com](mailto:rbuncle@testedgroup.com)

## K.E.W. HOCKEY



Andrew Gale, who plays hockey with Kew in both junior (Under 17) and seniors (Men's State League 2) teams, has been selected to play in the Australian Under 17 School Boys Team at an international tournament in China in July, 2010.

Andrew has been with the Kew Hockey Club since he played in the Under 9 team and has been selected in a number of junior state teams during his hockey career. Kew Hockey Club wish Andrew all the very best for the coming tournament in China.

The senior teams at Kew commenced pre-season training on Thursday night, 14 January 2010, at Elgar Park at 7.00 p.m.

We have 7 men's teams, 4 women's teams, 4 men's vet teams and 1 women's vet team and cater for both competitive players and social players.

For further information please ring Avis Davis on 9803 4197.

## EASTERN RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES (ERLS)

Congratulations to the Mitcham Bowling Club on winning the 2009 ERLS Inclusion, make it your sport! Achievement Award.

The ERLS Achievement Awards are presented annually to recognise sporting clubs, organisation or facilities that are committed to the inclusion of people with a disability in community sport and recreation. Throughout 2009, the Mitcham Bowling Club in partnership with ERLS has worked to pilot an 'Introduction to Bowling Program' over the winter season resulting in a number of new people participating.

ERLS Industry monthly briefings recommence on Wednesday 17 March 2010 at Sportlink, 2 Hanover Road, Vermont South between 4.00pm – 5.30pm. These briefings provide a platform where the disability sector and the sport sector are able to network on a regular basis. Attendees usually include local government officers; members of local clubs; disability services; parents and carers and any other interested parties which provides for a fantastic opportunity to network as well as hear from our knowledgeable guest speakers. For further details please contact Clinton Fullgrave, on 9877 9333 or [aaa2@erls.net](mailto:aaa2@erls.net).

## CONTACT THE WHITEHORSE SPORT & RECREATION NETWORK (WSRN)\*

The purpose of the Whitehorse Sport and Recreation Network (WSRN) is to provide an opportunity for community members with a knowledge and background in sport and recreation to network information and to provide a forum through which Council can consult with and receive advice and guidance on the future of sport and recreation development within the City of Whitehorse.

Michael Busch has recently resigned as Chairperson of the Whitehorse Sport and Recreation Network. Council would like to thank Michael for his contribution, he has been a valued Network member with a keen interest in sport and recreation with good local knowledge.

If you are interested in joining the Whitehorse Sport and Recreation Network please contact Council's Parks Planning and Recreation Project Officer on 9262 6106. *\*These contact details were approved at the time of print in accordance with Council's Privacy Policy*

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## DIARY NOTES

FEBRUARY	
Mid February	Summer clubs to apply for March 09/10 finals allocation
Late February	Invoice for balance of fees sent to summer clubs
28 February	End of Summer Seasonal Allocations
MARCH	
March	Confirmation of Winter Season Allocations
8 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
20-21 March	Special Olympics 2010 State Summer Games
26 March	School Term 1 Ends
APRIL	
1 April	Start Winter 2010 Season allocation
2-5 April	Easter break
12 April	School Term 2 Begins
25 April	Anzac Day
26 April	Anzac Day Public Holiday

AllSports Newsletter is delivered to all sporting clubs that occupy facilities in the City of Whitehorse. There are more than 220 sporting clubs in the City, many of these clubs field teams in numerous age groups each week. Whitehorse City Council thanks you for the role you play in providing a healthy and happy community. The AllSports Newsletter is our way of sharing information with you to help your club grow and also provides a forum for you to share club news with us and other sporting clubs. If you require additional copies of the newsletter, please let us know by emailing [candice.gallagher@whitehorse.vic.gov.au](mailto:candice.gallagher@whitehorse.vic.gov.au)

### Next edition

The deadline for the May 2010 edition of AllSports is 9 April 2010. Clubs are encouraged to submit stories and photographs and can email them to: [ardadmin@whitehorse.vic.gov.au](mailto:ardadmin@whitehorse.vic.gov.au) or send them to Administration, Whitehorse City Council, Locked Bag 2, Nunawading Delivery Centre VIC 3110.

As this publication is quarterly, clubs are encouraged to send achievements and personal stories about players rather than competition results, to ensure that all information printed remains current. The Editor has the final say on what will be included in each publication.

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