

SportsUnited

2019/2020

ANNUAL REPORT



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Our mission

SportsUnited, using community development principles, seeks to provide opportunities for people at risk of social exclusion to participate in organised sport at no or minimal cost.

Our vision

The organisation aims to build the capacity of communities and to improve the skills of people by encouraging cohesion and harmony, and by fostering the creation of social connections across individuals, communities, and organisations.

Our History

SportsUnited was officially constituted as a not-for-profit organisation in April 2018. The organisation drew on the experiences, programs and networks developed across the previous six years from a sport for development initiative established at the University of South Australia (UniSA).







In 2012 the UniSA Football United program began delivering sport for development soccer programs to a range of community groups across Adelaide. Over the next four years, the UniSA Football United program expanded and was renamed the UniSA Sport for Development program, allowing disadvantaged youth greater opportunity to engage in various sports including netball, AFL, basketball, and soccer. At the end of 2017, the University of South Australia decided to cease supporting the Sport for Development program. As a result of feedback from a variety of community stakeholders involved with the Sport for Development program over the previous 6 years indicating support and need for a continuation of the sport for development initiatives, SportsUnited was created.

About Us

SportsUnited is a not-for-profit organisation focused on providing sport for all. Adopting a partnership approach to developing and delivering programs, SportsUnited provides people of all ages and abilities the opportunity to participate in sport in engaging, non-competitive, fun, safe and supportive environments.

Sport participation is more than just physical activity. Participation in sport supports social and personal development. SportsUnited programs are developed in consultation with community needs and draw from evidence-based practice and research.

2019/20 Board

		
Richard McGrath: Chairperson	Emma Milanese: Executive Officer	Alyson Crozier: Board member
		
Scott Polley: Board member	Edoardo Rosso: Board member	Katja Siefken: Board member

Our Partners and Collaborations

SportsUnited acknowledges the support of the following organisations as partners/collaborators:

- Modbury Special School
- Adelaide West Special School
- Adelaide City Council
- Unley City Council
- Sturt Football Club
- Sporting Memories Foundation
UK
- University of South Australia
- Salisbury North Primary School
- The Pines Primary School

Volunteers 2019/20

Volunteers from....		# of volunteers	
		2019	2020
UniSA placement courses	Health Science	5	9
	Marketing	1	-
	Psychology	1	2
	Business	1	-
	Exercise Sport Science	-	1
UniSA project courses			
	Physiotherapy	4	4
	Community Service Learning Project	2	1
	Project Management	5	-
	Sport Coaching and Community Development	17	-
	Sport and Recreation	9	-
	OT PCP	-	3
UniSA research students	OT Honours*	1	1
	Masters	-	1
Volunteering SA recruits		-	17
Total		46	39
Total 2019/2020		84*	

*Note: OT Honours Student began mid 2019 with completion of study in late 2020

Programs 2019/20

Program	2019	2020
Supporting Success	Pilot: Adelaide West Special Education Centre, 3 classes, 5 weeks (Term 4)	Adelaide West Special Education Centre. 9 classes, 5 weeks per term. Shut down after 3 sessions due to COVID-19
	Modbury Special School, 3 classes, 10 weeks (Term 3, 4)	
Sporting Memories Australia	Unley - Sturt FC	Unley - Sturt FC. Started from January. Shut down in March due to COVID-19 Developed a digital version of the Sporting Memories Australia program
Healthy Sports	2 sites:	Did not run
	The Pines School, 1 class, 5 weeks	
	Salisbury North Primary School, 3 classes, 5 weeks per class	
Walking Sport for Seniors	Adelaide CBD	Did not run

Chairperson's Report



I am pleased to present my Chairperson's report to the 2020 AGM covering SportsUnited's achievements for the financial year 2019/20

Some of our key achievements prior to the impact of Covid-19 in Australia include:

- Continuing to deliver sport for development programs in schools across metropolitan Adelaide,
- Establishing a weekly Sporting Memories Australia club in collaboration with the City of Unley and Sturt FC,
- Piloting a Walking Sport for Senior program in collaboration with the Adelaide City Council,
- Securing 17 volunteers through advertising roles through Volunteering SA,
- Being awarded a \$34,000 Aged Fellowship grant from, SA Health to develop and deliver Sporting Memories programs across Adelaide.

Following the outbreak of Covid-19 in Australia all face-to-face programs were suspended. While it was not possible to develop or deliver any programs for schools, a digital version of the Sporting Memories Australia program was created and delivered. Weekly Sporting Pink Australia packs were emailed to people and organisations who registered via the SportsUnited website.

Throughout the Covid-19 lockdown and physical distancing restrictions imposed from March – June 2020 a number of other initiatives were continued, these being:

- The development of organisational policies and procedures to enable SportsUnited to apply for Australian Service Excellence Standards accreditation,
- Support for an OT Honours student studying SportsUnited volunteers' perspectives concerning the impact and benefits of the Supporting Success program for students with Autism,
- Providing background support for a UniSA Masters student project focusing on the development of Sporting Memories Australia clubs in the Barossa/Gawler region in 2021,
- Providing a number of learning opportunities for UniSA students.

I would like to thank the SportsUnited Board; Emma Milanese, Alyson Crozier, Scott Polley, Katja Siefken & Edoardo Rosso for their efforts and valuable contribution over the past 12 months. It has made the role of Chairperson extremely rewarding when working with such a committed team.

I would like to especially acknowledge the dedication and contribution of Emma Milanese, our EO. Her dedication, energy and commitment to SportsUnited cannot be measured. I would also like to thank all the volunteers involved with the various SportsUnited programs. The first half of 2020 was challenging however through the efforts and persistence of all involved with SportsUnited we managed to continue to provide some sports for development programs to the community.

I look forward to seeing SportsUnited continue the successful into the future.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard McGrath', with a stylized, cursive script.

Richard McGrath

Chairperson

Executive Officer's Report



I am pleased to present my report for the 2019/2020 AGM discussing our achievements, financial position, and goals for the year ahead. Although part of the 2020 year was interrupted by COVID-19, we have had a successful year.

Key Achievements:

- Shifting the Sporting Memories program to an online format
- Successfully piloting a new Supporting Success program at Adelaide West Special Educational Centre. Contracts signed and partnership formed.
- Maintaining a good working relationship with UniSA courses. Placement courses are relying on SportsUnited and have identified the great placement opportunities that we offer for students across various disciplines. Throughout COVID-19, we were still able to provide 20 students with placement learning experiences.
- Continuing a partnership with Sporting Memories Foundation UK.
- ASES Accreditation underway.
- Aged Fellowship Grant – our biggest grant to date.
- Developing an 'Autism Training Module'. Currently being evaluated

Finance:

- Good financial position
- Predominantly reliant on grants, however working towards sustainable options
 - NDIS/community programs
 - Autism Training packages
 - Fees for session plans – working with children with Autism
 - Merchandise – Polo shirts

Thank you to the board; Richard McGrath, Alyson Crozier, Scott Polley, Katja Siefken & Edoardo Rosso for all the help and support over the past year. Continuing in this role and overcoming a pandemic was overwhelming but has been made easier due to the encouragement and support from the board. I would like to personally thank Richard for his hard work and efforts in not only teaching, guiding, and supporting me – but also the organisation. I would also

like to thank the volunteers and placement students. Their dedication, enthusiasm and support has helped us to succeed and their work has added great value to our organisation.

Looking to the future, considering everything we have achieved in the past year; the future is certainly looking bright. As Executive Officer, I anticipate another successful year ahead. 2020/21 goals include:

- Increase the number of placement/volunteers (promoting volunteer positions with Volunteering SA)
- Broadening program locations – metropolitan Adelaide but also rurally
- Successfully facilitating and making current programs sustainable
 - Supporting Success and Sporting Memories
- Program sponsorship to reduce reliance on one-off grants
 - Ambassador(s) of programs/the organisation
- Completing and publishing Autism training

Thank you,



Emma Milanese

Executive Officer

SportsUnited Financial Report

1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020

Below are the Statements of Financial Performance and Financial Position for the year ended 30 June 2020.

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ABN 81 625 545 315

Statement of 2019/20 Financial Performance

As at 30/6/2020

Income		
Grants	DHS	\$ 5,172.00
	SA Health	\$ 34,000.00
Miscellaneous	SA History Month reimbursement	\$ 60.00
Total		\$ 39,232.00
Expenditure		
Insurance		\$ 3,201.18
Sporting Memories Foundation UK	Licence fee	\$ 4,000.00
Miscellaneous	SA History Month event	\$ 60.00
Total		\$ 7,261.18
Net Surplus/(Loss)		\$ 31,970.82

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2019/20 Financial Position Statement

As at 30/6/2020

SportsUnited funds

2018/19 Cash assets	\$13,293.17
2019/20 Net Surplus/(Loss)	\$31,970.82
Merchandise (60 T-shirts)	\$ 1,800

Total Assets \$ 47,063.99

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