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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.

Chairperson's Report



I am pleased to present my Chairperson's report to the 2021 AGM

Some of our key achievements since the previous AGM include:

- Continuing to deliver the Supporting Success program to Adelaide West Special School,
- Further developing the Sporting Memories program across a number of locations,
- Continuing to distribute the Sporting Pink Australia digital resource to over 300 people,
- Establishing a regular Sporting Memories radio program,
- Providing learning opportunities for tertiary students through placements,
- Increasing the number of Board members,
- Employing a part-time Project Officer.

The ongoing Covid-19 restrictions (as well as a short lockdown in Adelaide in July) hampered some aspects related to delivering sport for development programs in person however with support and assistance from a number of UniSA students under the guidance of Emma Milanese and Vanessa Weniger we have managed to overcome some of these issues.

Throughout 2021 a number of other initiatives were conducted, these being:

- The final development of organisational policies and procedures to enable SportsUnited to apply for Australian Service Excellence Standards accreditation,
- Continuing to provide background support for a UniSA Masters student project focusing on the development of Sporting Memories Australia clubs in the Barossa/Gawler region in 2021,
- Developing and launching a new SportsUnited website, and
- Establishing a regular Sporting Memories radio program,

I would like to thank the SportsUnited Board and our Project Officer 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 note in particular the dedication and contribution of Emma Milanese, our EO. Emma's dedication, energy and commitment to SportsUnited cannot be measured. I would also like to thank all the volunteers involved with the various SportsUnited programs. 2021 continued to provide challenges due to Covid-19 restrictions however through the efforts and persistence of all involved with SportsUnited we managed to provide some valuable 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 'R McGrath', written in a cursive style.

Richard McGrath

Chairperson

Executive Officer's Report



I am pleased to present my report for the 2021 AGM discussing our achievements, financial position, and goals for the year ahead.

Key Achievements:

- Employment of the first casual staff member
- Successfully facilitated the Supporting Success program at Adelaide West Special Educational Centre. Contracts signed and partnership further strengthened.
- Finalised the Autism Observational Tool ready to collect reliable data in 2022.
- 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.
- Continuing a partnership with Sporting Memories Foundation UK.
- ASES Accreditation documents completed. Final reviews underway ready for submission
- Continue being successful with grants: Received \$7000 from Tea Tree Gully for the Sporting Memories program
- Continuing to develop an 'Autism Training Module'
- Redesign of website and social media pages

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
- Finances also come from
 - Payment of programs (Supporting Success)
 - Merchandise – Polo shirts

Thank you to the board for all the ongoing help and support over the past year. Continuing in this role can be overwhelming but is always 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, as well as Vanessa Weniger (our first employee).

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. 2021/22 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 package and session plans
- Potentially employ another casual to focus on marketing

Thank you,



Emma Milanese

Executive Officer

Governance

2020/21 Board

		
<p>Richard McGrath: Chairperson</p>	<p>Emma Milanese: Executive Officer</p>	<p>Edoardo Rosso</p>
		
<p>Katja Siefken</p>	<p>Scott Polley (to July 2021)</p>	<p>Matthew Morgan (Sept 2021 - current)</p>
<p>No image</p>		
<p>Damilola Ojo-Fati (Sept 2021 - current)</p>	<p>Grace Pettett (Sept 2021 - current)</p>	<p>Joshua van Kampen (Sept 2021 - current)</p>

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Our Partners and Collaborations

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

- Adelaide West Special School
- Unley City Council
- Unley Community Centre
- Fullarton Park Community Centre
- Cumberland Park Community Centre
- Sporting Memories Foundation UK
- University of South Australia
- Office for Ageing Well
- ACH
- Estia Health
- BBBfm 89.1





Volunteers 2021

Volunteers from....		# of volunteers		
		2019	2020	2021
UniSA placement courses	Health Science	5	9	4
	Marketing	1	-	-
	Psychology	1	2	1
	Business	1	-	2
	Exercise Sport Science	-	1	-
	Human Movement			3
UniSA project courses				
	Physiotherapy	4	4	14
	Community Service Learning Project (Course did not run in 2021)	2	1	-
	Project Management	5	-	14
	Sport Coaching and Community Development (Course does not run anymore)	17	-	-
	Sport and Recreation	9	-	-
	OT PCP	-	3	4
UniSA research students	OT Honours*	1	1	1
	Masters	-	1	-
Volunteering SA recruits		-	17	5
Total		46	39	48

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



Programs 2021

Supporting Success

In 2021, Vanessa Weniger was employed to facilitate the Supporting Success program. The Supporting Success program has been running successfully at Adelaide West Special Education Centre. The partnership with the school has further strengthened this year, with ADL West considering SportsUnited as an integral part of the school culture, and their main physical education program. The school are extremely happy with the way the program is facilitated, the new equipment and activities that are being run with the students and the merging of classes to create a better PE experience.

This year also saw the finalisation and confirmation of the Autism Observational Tool that will be used in 2022 to collect publishable data. This year has also been about finalising the Autism Training package that will be sold to community in order to educate others on how to facilitate sport for children and adolescents with Autism and other developmental disabilities.

An agreement has already been signed with the school for 2022. SportsUnited will be facilitating the program for 20 weeks during the school year and helping with event days such as school discos and sports day. Three other schools have also contacted SportsUnited wanting the Supporting Success program at their school throughout 2022 – currently in discussion with schools regarding this. This will mean that Vanessas contract is extended so she is able to run all 4 locations.

ADL West have also asked for program PE uniforms to be made for the students that will have both the SportsUnited and school logos. This uniform will be purchased from SportsUnited, should parents want this t-shirt for their children.

It has been a very successful year at ADL West – it is anticipated that 2022 will be just as successful.

Sporting Memories Australia

Due to Sturt FC not being available weekly programs started in the Unley Community Centre (Wednesdays 2:30-3:30pm) and the Fullarton Park Community Centre (Fridays 10am-11:30pm) in April. Small numbers attended from May-June however after Adelaide Covid-19 lockdown in July no attendees participated. Both locations ceased in October.

Pilot weekly group (Fridays 1:30-2:30pm) started in Barossa Village, Nuriootpa in June. Some regular attendees for first 6 weeks, though space allocated to conduct session also used for indoor bowls. Sessions ceased after Adelaide Covid-19 lockdown in July due to further physical distancing restrictions at location.

Pilot weekly group (Wednesday 1-2:30pm) started at Cumberland Park Community Centre in June. Some regular attendees for first 3 weeks then few after Adelaide Covid-19 lockdown in

July. Session time changed to 10:30am-12pm as well as monthly guest speakers in September (Graham Cornes), November (Bernard Whimpress) & December (Robert Laidlaw).

Monthly group (Tuesdays 2-3pm) started at Estia Health Parkside in August.

Monthly group (Mondays 2-3pm) started at Estia Health Kensington Park in October.

Weekly Sporting Memories Australia radio program on BBBfm 89.1 (Saturdays 9-11am) started in October.

Weekly Sporting Pink Australia packs continued to be distributed throughout 2021, with issues being distributed to over 300 people.



SportsUnited Financial Report

1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021

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

SportsUnited

ABN 81 625 545 315

Statement of 2020/21 Financial Performance

As at 30/6/2021

Income		
Grants	Tea Tree Gully	\$7,000.00
Programs	Supporting Success – Adelaide West Special Education Centre	\$5,000.00
	Modbury Special School	\$585.00
T-shirts		\$175.00
Total		\$ 12,760.00

Expenditure		
Insurance		\$3201.18
Wages	Wages	\$4,312.04
	Xero account	\$20.00
Miscellaneous	Our Community Board	\$230.00
	ASIC costs	\$382.00
	Sporting Memories – hall hire fees	\$436.25
	Honorarium	\$404.00
	Website	\$17.55
Total		\$9,003.02
Net Surplus/(Loss)		\$3,756.98



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2019/20 Financial Position Statement

As at 30/6/2020

SportsUnited funds

2019/20 Cash assets	\$45,263.99
2020/21 Net Surplus/(Loss)	\$3,756.98
Merchandise (55 T-shirts)	\$1,925.00

Total Assets

\$50,945.97

Statement Financial Performance

As at 27/11/2021

Income		
Programs	Supporting Success – Adelaide West Special Education Centre	\$2,500
	Sporting Memories – Reimbursement	\$200.00
Total		\$ 2,700

Expenditure		
Insurance		\$3,475.91
Wages	Wages	\$4,253.43
	Xero account	\$30.00
	Sporting Memories – hall hire fees	\$165.40
	Equipment	\$328.61
Total		\$8,253.35
		Net Surplus/(Loss) (\$5,553.35)

As at 27/11/2021

SportsUnited funds

2020/21 total assets	\$50,945.97
27 Nov 2021 Net Surplus/(Loss)	(\$5,553.35)

Total Assets

\$45,392.62

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