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MILL PARK CLUBS TO BENEFIT FROM SPORTING GRANTS

The Northern Metro Sport Fishing Club are among 386 grassroots sports clubs across Victoria who will share in more than \$530,000 in grants to boost their equipment, skills and administration expertise.

Member for Mill Park, Lily D'Ambrosio today announced the club that had successfully applied for funding in the second round of the Andrews Labor Government's 2018-19 Sporting Club Grants Program.

The grants provide clubs up to \$1,000 for new uniforms and equipment, up to \$2,000 to train coaches, officials and volunteers, and up to \$5,000 to improve operational effectiveness.

The grants include 31 initiatives to boost Aboriginal participation in sport with funding for uniforms, equipment and skill development, as well as travel for athletes, coaches, officials or teams that are required to travel to train or compete – whether it's a local competition or an interstate festival.

In Epping the Northern Metro Sport Fishing Club will use its grant to purchase new uniforms.

The *Sporting Club Grants Program* is part of the Labor Government's commitment to make sport more accessible and inclusive, increase local participation, stimulate local economies, and build sustainable sport and recreation and volunteer opportunities.

Since coming to office, including this latest round of funding, the Government has provided more than 3,600 Sporting Club Grants across the state, totalling more than \$4.9 million.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Martin Pakula

"Sporting clubs are the lifeblood of local communities, that's why we're proud to support their development and open up a range of opportunities on and off the field for their members."

"We're working hard to encourage and enable all Victorians to embrace a more active and healthier lifestyle so that people have every chance to realise their potential."

Quotes attributable to Member for Mill Park, Lily D'Ambrosio

"The Sporting Club Grants Program is giving grassroots sports clubs in Mill Park the support they need to grow their ranks and help more people than ever play the sports they love."

