

TO: **Region & Centre Secretaries**  
FROM: **Anthony McIntosh - CEO**  
DATE: **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022**  
SUBJECT: **Flood grants, Membership, Multi-Class resources**

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### **Flood grants update**

The Victorian State Government has announced the following grant assistance programs for flood affected sporting clubs. LAVic affiliated Centres impacted by floods are encouraged to apply. See the details and links below:

- [Community Sport Emergency Flood Assistance Program](#): closing 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023. One-off grants up to \$5000, paid within 10 days of approval.
- [Business and Community Sport Flood Recovery Grants](#): closing 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023. Tier 1: up to \$25,000; Tier 2: subsequent grant payments up to \$50,000 (inclusive of the \$5,000 from the Community Sport Emergency Flood Assistance Program).

Eligible Centres must be located within a [local government area](#) declared under the [Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement](#) ('defined disaster area').

### **Membership**

As of today, the combined athlete membership across all LAVic affiliated Centres stands at 15,560 (compared with 15,503 in total for 21/22).

Of our newly established Centres, Port Fairy has 116 registered athletes, Nagambie held its first competition day on 5<sup>th</sup> November, Hamilton is set to commence competition after Christmas.

Sadly, Rochester has advised that it be entering recess for the rest of 22/23 following the devastating floods in that town due to the enormous and direct impact on member families' lives, massive damage done to Windridge Oval and the loss of equipment.

Seymour also has been badly affected by flooding and has suffered damage to its track and equipment. It's committee is in the process of assessing its options for the remainder of 22/23.

Given the weather/flood related challenges faced by every single Centre, and coming off two severely curtailed seasons, our Centre's combined membership effort this season has

been nothing short of amazing.

### **More Multi-Class resources online**

The LAVic team has updated its online Multi-Class resources – click [HERE](#).

The updated page includes:

- Classification information;
- Opportunities for Multi-Class athletes in Little Athletics;
- Links to rules & regulations for Multi-Class athletes;
- Links to calendars for Region, State and National competitions.

### **State Combined Events Championships and Coles Community Rounds**

Good luck to all the athletes and families competing on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November at the State Combined Events Championships.

Fifty-two LAVic-affiliated Centres registered this year to host a Coles Community Round (compared with 30 last season). Thanks to all of those Centres for their support of our national sponsor. Southern Peninsula, Frankston/Mornington, Sandringham, Geelong, Corio and Bacchus Marsh Centres will receive visits from Coles Ambassadors (Jarryd Clifford, Kelsey-Lee Barber or Matt Denny) over the next two weekends.

The LAVic team.