



Grants for the Month of September 2016

Welcome to my first Grants E-Newsletter for the seat of Shortland.

Here you will find many grants for many worthwhile causes. From Landcare grants to sports grants to scholarships for women. All with the emphasis on strengthening the community and being involved.

NSW Infrastructure Grants

Purpose: To support sports infrastructure projects for the communities.

Amount: Between \$500,000 - \$1,000,000

Provider: NSW Government

Closing Date: EOI Friday 16 September 2016

Community groups, sports clubs and councils are encouraged to apply for up to a million dollars to help them deliver an important sports infrastructure project for their communities.

Local community groups, sports clubs and councils can apply for new or upgraded sport and recreation infrastructure projects.

Infrastructure Grants 2016-17 (Club grants Category 3 Fund)

Your project must be located in NSW and it must be completed within two years of signing a funding agreement.

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Australia Day Awards – Lake Macquarie City Council

The Lake Macquarie Australia Day Awards recognise outstanding individuals, groups and events that have contributed significantly to community life in Lake Macquarie.

The Awards are open to individuals and groups based within the Lake Macquarie local government area, although their contributions may benefit the wider region.

Winners are announced at a special Australia Day Awards ceremony held in January in the Council Chambers. All eligible nominees are recognised at the ceremony.

Categories

The 2015 Lake Macquarie Australia Day Awards are offered in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year (Category A – under 18 years) (Category B – 18 to 30 years)
- Volunteer of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
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Nominations close on 28 October 2016.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

NSW Asian Cup 2015 Legacy Fund

Purpose: To support, develop and promote the game of football.

Amount: Up to \$150,000 per project

Provider: NSW Government

Closing Date: Friday 24 February 2017.

The NSW Asian Cup 2015 Legacy Fund (the Fund) is an initiative of the NSW Government, Football NSW (FNSW) and Northern NSW Football (NNSWF), which has been established with the NSW Government's surplus from the 2015 AFC Asian Cup to improve football facilities (including FUTSAL) for a variety of benefits including increasing participation, improving safety and security, assisting in building stronger communities through football and improving the overall football experience for all stakeholders.

- The Fund may fund up to 50% of the net project costs, with a maximum funding contribution of \$150,000 per project. The minimum amount an applicant can apply for is \$50,000.
- Applicants must contribute 50% or more of the funding required for their project, and this can include contributions of voluntary labour, donated materials and/or equipment or other resources. It is also expected that the Applicants will cover any administration costs incurred with the project.

- Incorporated clubs, member zones and associations, bodies or other deliverers that are affiliated, recognised and/or sanctioned by FNSW or NNSWF.
- The Fund can be used for all community football facility development or enhancement. Funds can be used to upgrade existing pitches, amenities or facilities, or for the development and construction of new pitches, amenities or facilities.
- Upgrades and improvements could include pitch drainage, irrigation or resurfacing, seating, canteens, lights, fencing, drainage, change rooms, match official amenities or storage spaces.

For more Information: [Click here](#)

Yates Junior Landcare Grants

Purpose: To encourage young people to get creative in the garden.

Amount: \$2,000

Funding Provider: Landcare Australia & Yates

Closing Date: Monday 15th December 2016

Yates and Junior Landcare are inviting groups to submit a design of their dream educational garden within their grounds or community, for the opportunity to win one of 12 grants valued at \$2,000. Grant recipients will receive:

- \$1,500.00 (ex. GST) funding
- \$500.00 RRP of Yates garden products
- Yates environmental consultation at school.

Grants will be awarded to the most creative, well designed, sustainable, and environmentally conscious entries.

Any school (primary or secondary), kindergarten, childcare centre, and youth/community group (e.g. Scouts) seeking to educate young Australians about gardening and the natural environment can apply.

Preference will be given to groups who have not already received a Junior Landcare grant in the past two years.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)



Purpose: Improve children's health and wellbeing

Amount: \$60,000

Provider: Aim for the Stars Foundation
Closing Date: 17 November 2016

The Foundation will award a minimum of \$60,000 worth of grants each year. Successful applicants will receive a financial grant in accordance with the following amounts and conditions:

- \$1,500 – “Kickstart” Grant, 12 to 15 years
- \$2,000 – “Environmental” Grant, 12 years and above
- \$2,000 – “Academic” Grants, 12 years and above
- \$3,000 – “Individual” Grant, 16 years and above
- \$3,000 – “Business” Grant, 16 years and above
- \$1,500 – “Junior Athlete with a Disability” Grant, 12 to 15 years
- \$3,000 – “Senior Athlete with a Disability” Grant, 16 years and above
- \$6,000 – “Group” Grant, 2 or more people 12 years and above

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

- Females, 12 years of age and above (**core target is girls and women 12 – 26 years**); and
- Females who aim to achieve their goals in their field of choice

Grants will be awarded, at the discretion of the Foundation, to deserving applicants who meet the criteria and best demonstrate their aspirations to further their educational and/or personal development.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

AIS Athlete Scholarships

The Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) delivers 36 sport programs across 26 different sports.

For over 25 years the Australian Institute of Sport has nurtured and supported athletes who have gone on to become Olympic and Paralympic medalists and highly successful international sportsmen and sportswomen, including NBA basketballers, Premier League football players, Grand Slam tennis stars and world champion cricketers.

Athletes are attracted to the AIS for its expert coaching, state-of-the-art facilities, world-leading sports science and sports medicine, and unique opportunities for travel, study and work. But an AIS scholarship offers much more than coaching and facilities — Athletes who join the AIS family become part of a unique community of people with diverse interests who learn, train, celebrate and excel together.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Cadbury Fundraiser Community Grants

Purpose: Support Community based projects that increase social inclusion

Amount: Up to \$800

Funding Provider: Cadbury Fundraiser

Closing Date: Next round closes 27 November 2016

The intention of the grant program is to support a wide range of community-based projects that increase social inclusion and enhance community engagement in Australia.

Grants will be awarded under two categories:

- **Live Well:** Initiatives promoting increased opportunities for participation in sports and recreation or general community collaboration.
- **Learn Well:** Initiatives promoting increased opportunities for learning and development.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Project Defib – Defibrillator Subsidies

Every sporting club in Australia has access to a \$1600.00 subsidy. This will enable sporting clubs to safeguard their players, spectators & coaches with the most comprehensive defibrillator program.

Program Cost to clubs- \$2600.00 (Cost of program without subsidy – \$4200.00)



For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Elite Indigenous Travel and Accommodation Assistance Program

Purpose: Provide financial assistance to elite Indigenous sportspeople

Amount: Up to \$3,000

Funding Provider: Australia Sports Commission

Closing Date: Ongoing

The Elite Indigenous Travel and Accommodation Assistance Program (EITAAP) is an initiative that is jointly managed by the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) and Australian Government Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C).

Funding is available for athletes, coaches, managers or officials to assist with out-of-pocket travel and accommodation expenses when attending eligible national championships or international competitions.

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Cricket NSW McDonald's Community Facility Grants Program

Purpose: Provide support to local cricket clubs

Amount: The total fund for 2015/2016 is \$100,000.

Funding Provider: McDonalds

Closing Date: 30 September 2016

Local cricket communities around NSW are being invited to apply for funding for major projects through the 2015/16 Cricket NSW McDonald's Community Facility Grants Program.

The primary purpose of the McDonald's Community Grants is to improve playing and practice facilities across the State, which includes the development and expansion of training nets, the establishment and repair of synthetic and turf wickets, as well as improvements to amenities.

Any clubs or organisations that are interested in applying for a McDonald's Community Facility Grant should get in contact with the Cricket NSW Development Manager in their region

All projects must be completed by 31 December 2016.

For more information: [Click Here](#)

ClubGRANTS Scheme NSW

Purpose: Assist registered clubs with providing services for their local communities

Amount: Not disclosed

Funding Provider: Clubs NSW

Closing Date: Ongoing fund

ClubGRANTS funding is available to community groups, charities and sporting teams across NSW. Approximately 500 clubs voluntarily allocate funds to the ClubGRANTS scheme. Funding is available under three separate categories:

Category 1: Supports community welfare and social services; community development; employment assistance activities; community health services; and projects aimed at improving the living standards of low income and disadvantaged people.

Category 2: Provides funding for general community development and support activities, such as junior sport.

Category 3: Is a state-wide fund that supports large-scale community infrastructure projects, such as hospitals and sporting facilities.

ClubGRANTS Clubs In Lake Macquarie:

Belmont 16Ft Sailing Club
Belmont Sportsmans Club Co-op
Cardiff Panthers
Cardiff RSL Sub-branch Memorial Club
Central Charlestown Leagues Club
Charlestown Bowling Club
Club Macquarie Co-op
Kahibah Bowling Club Co-op
Pelican Flats RSL Sub-branch Club
Redhead Bowling Club Co-op Ltd
Swansea RSL Sub-branch Club
Windale Gateshead Bowling Club Co-op

For more information contact: Nicole Russell, Community Development Officer
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For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Lake Macquarie Community Funding Program

We established the Community funding program in recognition of the vital contribution that community groups and organisations play in the development of our social capital and quality of life.

You can apply under one of two categories:

- **Seed funding** helps new community events get up and running. The event should increase the number of visitors to the region, create a sense of community identity and bring cultural, economic, social and environmental benefits to the community. Successful applicants may receive up to \$5000.
- **Growth funding** helps existing events raise awareness, expand into new markets and increase participation. Successful applicants may receive up to \$5000.

Some sporting events may also participate under the banner of the Lake Macquarie Games. Funding assistance is available for the provision of medals and certificates, adding to the event's credentials.

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Veteran & Community Grants Program

Purpose: To maintain and improve the independence and quality of life for members of the veteran community

Amount: \$10,000

Funding Provider: Department of veteran Affairs

Closing Date: Ongoing

The Department of Veterans' Affairs, on behalf of the Australian Government, administers the Veteran and Community Grants (V&CG) Program. These grants aim to maintain and improve the independence and quality of life of members of the veteran community by providing financial assistance for activities, services and projects that sustain and/or enhance wellbeing.

V&CG funding rounds occur on an ongoing, rolling basis. When sufficient applications are received or a two month period has elapsed, a funding round will be processed for the Minister's decision.

For more information: [Click here](#)

Saluting Their Service

Purpose: To encourage community participation in commemorative events.

Amount: Up to \$4,000

Funding Provider: Department of Veterans Affairs

Closing Date: Ongoing

To preserve our heritage from wars and conflicts and encourage community participation in commemorative events.

Each application is considered on its merits and in accordance with program priorities.

Up to \$4,000 may be available for:

- restoration and upgrading community war memorials and improving access and safety to the immediate

surrounds

- restoring vandalised memorials and improving security
- constructing new community memorials where none exists and where the new memorial will be the focus of community commemoration
- restoration of commemorative plaques and honour boards for public display
- new commemorative plaques and honour boards for public display.

For more information: [Click here](#)

New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)

Purpose: Provide jobseekers with support to start and run small businesses

Amount: Undisclosed

Funding Provider: Department of Education

Closing Date: Ongoing

If you are an eligible job seeker and are interested in starting and running a small business, you may be able to access assistance through the New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS).

NEIS can provide you with accredited small business training, business advice and mentoring, as well as ongoing income support for up to 52 weeks.

For more information: [Click here](#)

Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Grants

Purpose: The Foundation provides grants to assist Aboriginal communities and individuals by providing funds to support projects that advance the aims of the Foundation

Amount: \$500 - \$5,000

Funding Provider: Aboriginal Benefits Foundation

Closing Date: Ongoing

The current focus of the Foundation is on supporting art, health and cultural projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists.

In view of the limited resources available to the Foundation, priority for funding is being given to the following categories:

1. Seeding grants:

- to research the relevance and value of new projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists that may be ineligible for support from existing agencies
- to facilitate schemes or projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists which are of benefit to Aboriginal health, welfare or education which have potential for wider application.

2. One-off grants in support of:

- health and wellbeing of artists and their families
- education through art projects which will benefit health and well being
- individuals and communities, with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists, to meet special needs

For More information: [Click Here](#)

Aurizon Community Giving Fund

Purpose: To support communities in the areas of: Health & Wellbeing; Community Safety; the Environment and Education

Amount: \$1,000-\$20,000

Funding Provider: Aurizon

Closing Date: September 2016

The Community Giving Fund was established to provide support to our communities in the areas of Health & Wellbeing, Community Safety, Environment and Education. Since 2011, we are proud to say that we have helped over more than 180 charities and community groups around Australia. It doesn't matter how big or how small the charity or project is, if it benefits our communities, we want to help it succeed.

The Aurizon Community Giving Fund is focused on the broad areas of health and wellbeing, community safety, the environment and education. All applications for an Aurizon Community Giving Fund grant must fit within at least one of these funding categories to be eligible for consideration.

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Arts Projects for Individuals and Groups

Purpose: To deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public

Amount: \$10,000 to \$50,000

Funding Provider: Australian Council for the Arts

Closing Date: 4 October 2016, for projects starting after 1 January 2017

Our Arts Projects program funds a range of activities that deliver benefits to the arts sector and wider public, including national and international audiences.

If you are applying as an individual or group, you must be a practicing artist or arts worker and an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident.

What can be applied for

We fund a range of activities, for example:

the creation of new work practice based research, creative development, experimentation, collaborations, touring, festivals, productions, exhibitions, performances, publishing, recording, promotion and marketing, market development activity

For more Information: [Click Here](#)

Women and Leadership Australia Scholarship

Purpose: To support the advancement of management of Women

Amount: \$1,000-\$20,000

Funding Provider: Aurizon

Closing Date: September 2016

The National Industry Scholarship Initiative is the result of the Australian School of Applied Management (ASAM) and Women & Leadership Australia's (WLA) commitment to supporting the advancement of management capability across all industries and geographies.

Scholarship Funding Grants are available at two levels to support the development of emerging and established women leaders from early career through to senior level.

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Till next time

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