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OCA Approves Small Sports Grants

The Outback Communities Authority (OCA) today announced that 8 communities have received funding through the OCA Small Sports Grants program.

The grants will assist with projects and initiatives that will encourage communities to participate in local sport and recreational activities.

Chair of the OCA, Ms Cecilia Woolford, said the grants have been very popular and have provided the opportunity for sporting and recreational groups in Outback Communities and Progress Associations to increase their capacity to offer more activities.

“It is great to see so many sporting and recreational activities occurring in the Outback, in particular those activities for young people,” said Ms Woolford.

“Active communities are healthy communities and the Outback Communities Authority is very pleased to support these activities.”

Grants were provided to the Fowlers Bay Progress Association for the purchase of pool cues, balls and equipment to commence a pool competition in Fowlers Bay, the Remote and Isolated Children’s Exercise for the payment of swimming lessons for remote and isolated children and to William Creek Progress Association for the purchase of cricket equipment.

Other grants were also provided to the Oodnadatta Progress Association, Marree and District Progress Association, Blinman Progress Association, Leigh Creek Community Progress Association and Penong Progress Association for football guernseys, tennis coaching and sports equipment. All clubs have signed up to STARCLUB which will enable them to access training and assistance into the future.

A total of \$3,812 was approved for funding for the 8 Communities with another round planned for February 2019.

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Organisation	Amount	Purpose
Fowlers Bay Progress Association	\$500	purchase of pool cues, balls and equipment to commence a pool competition in Fowlers Bay
Remote and Isolated Children's Exercise	\$330	assist with the payment of swimming lessons for the remote and isolated children in the Outback
William Creek Progress Association	\$500	Cricket equipment for the William Creek community
Oodnadatta Progress Association	\$500	Oodnadatta Community Football Match
Marree Progress Association	\$500	purchase of replacement balls needed for the sports of Cricket, Golf, Basketball and Football
Blinman Sports Club	\$482	New cricket equipment for the Blinman Cricket Team
Leigh Creek Progress Association	\$500	Football guernseys for a far north Flinders junior football team to pay in the Aboriginal Football Carnival
Penong Progress Association	\$500	tennis coaching and tennis balls for junior and beginner tennis players