

Squash Australia Participation Memorandum – General Update

August 2018

1. Participation Program Updates

<u>Play Move Learn</u> – A pilot program has been organised and will be conducted by Lucas (SA CEC) throughout this term. Another pilot program is currently being organised for the Carrara Squash Centre, with potential coordinator candidates being actively interviewed over the past month. Findings and case studies will be accumulated and presented at the National Forum closer towards the end of this year. Stock photographs were taken in the middle of this month to provide material for marketing and promotion.

<u>Cardio Squash</u> – Similarly, a pilot program is currently being organised for the Carrara Squash Centre, with potential coordinator candidates being actively interviewed. Stock images are now available and will be utilised for marketing and promotion.

For complete and available programs, more information is available on the website:

- <u>OzSquash</u>
- Pop up Squash
- <u>Hits n Giggles</u>

2. ASC Participation Strategy

The ASC has launched a new Participation Strategy as part of their new National Sport Plan. Major changes to the funding process and to the focus of participation funding can be expected. There will be an increasing focus on female participation and other specific target groups within society such as the

Indigenous populations, people with disabilities and the elderly. We will be looking to improve our connection with these groups over the coming months.

3. Sporting Schools

We received our Term 2 Sports Report for Sporting Schools last week and the following is a snapshot of the information contained in that report:

- 80% of OzSquash programs were conducted during class
- 20% of OzSquash programs were conducted after school
- 100% agree that the coach was well prepared, collaborated with the school and had sufficient knowledge
- 70% of Squash coaches told children about a local club or sporting organisation offering that sport in community
- 30% of Squash coaches distributed written information about a local club or sporting org in local community
- 40% of Squash coaches communicated with parents about the next steps in participating in community sport

We will be working to improve the connection between OzSquash and local clubs over this term.