



MURRAY SHIRE COUNCIL

MEDIA RELEASE

GRANTS FROM YOUR LOCAL CLUB ARE AVAILABLE NOW

The annual NSW ClubGRANTS funding scheme is **NOW OPEN**. The ClubGRANTS program is funded by the requirements of the NSW Gaming Tax legislation where a percentage of the profits of registered clubs can be dedicated to various eligible community projects.

The participating clubs in the Murray Shire are the Moama Bowling Club, Moama RSL, Moama Sports Club and Rich River Golf Club. Last year the combined clubs were able to allocate around \$750K to various local community organisations, charities and sporting groups.

The ClubGRANTS funding process is administered by a ClubGRANTS Local Committee made up of Club representatives, Murray Shire Council, NSW Family and Community Services, Council of Social Services NSW and the Moama Local Aboriginal Land Council.

Category 1 Grant Applications are now open to community groups from the following sectors:

- Community welfare and social services
- Community development
- Community health services
- Employment assistance activities
- Emergency services; and
- Eligible natural disasters.

Category 2 Grant Applications are open throughout 2016 for community development and support services, which include sporting, cultural and recreation projects.

Local Committee Chairman, Mr Ashley Menzies, said "The Committee and the Clubs are now seeking applications for worthwhile community projects and programs that fall into the priority areas, with a view to allocating funding for the benefit of the community."

Application forms and eligibility criteria can be accessed from the Clubs NSW website www.clubsnsw.com.au/community/clubgrants/for-applicants and need to be submitted to Murray Shire Council by **31 May 2016**.

The ClubGRANTS Local Committee will meet at the start of August to determine recommendations for funding to the individual Clubs' Board of Directors, with decisions to be finalised by the end of August/start of September.

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