

Maccabi Victoria All Abilities Quarterly Update: March 2021

WE'RE BACK!

After the disruptions and adaptations of 2020, it's been refreshing to welcome our members back to in-person programs. Old favourites like basketball have returned with great enthusiasm, and we are working on a range of exciting opportunities for the coming months. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unwavering support of our programs; having a community and supporters who believe in the value of what we do means the world to us – and our members.

~ Shari and Kate

CHAG SAMEACH

On behalf of everyone at Maccabi All Abilities we would like to wish you a safe, meaningful and happy Passover.





OUR RETURN TO SPORT



We have run almost 20 programs and events so far in 2021, and have loved seeing everyone back at training. So far this year we have gone swimming at Bialik, schmoozed our way around the streets of Caulfield, played basketball at Orrong Romanis, and brushed up on our cricket skills at Caulfield Park.

A huge thank you to the Maccabi AJAX Senior Cricket Club for running 3 fantastic cricket sessions for our athletes. The partnership with the club started in 2019 and it's been great to see the opportunities grow and develop each season.

We would also like to thank our coaches and volunteers whose constant enthusiasm, athleticism and compassion make our programs possible.

WELCOME KATE

We would like to introduce you to our new program officer – Kate Lustig. Kate has been a part of Maccabi for many years as an athlete and coach and has a strong passion for netball. She is very keen to join the office team and learn more about Maccabi off the court.

She has also been involved in a number of other community organisations, including Flying Fox (where she has been a buddy on numerous camps) and Hineni (where she held the position of vice president).

GET TO KNOW KATE

My favourite Maccabi memory is playing and winning the boys Under 11 basketball grand-final in an all-girls team.

My favourite sport to watch is any of the Suncorp Super Netball games! Especially cheering on my team: the Melbourne Vixens.

Pictured: one of our cricketers going in to bat

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My favourite holiday destination is either anywhere in Israel or the beach town of Point Lonsdale. Basically. anywhere with good beaches and even better food.

A fun fact about me is I have a birthmark in the shape of a smiley face.



Pictured: new program officer, Kate Lustig

My last meal would be

my Grandma's chicken soup for entree, sushi for main and Ben and Jerry's ice cream for dessert.

JUNIOR CARNIVAL

Maccabi's Junior Carnival looked a little bit different this year, with each state hosting their own Carnival @ Home event. A number of All Abilities members have joined the volunteer leadership team, helping to run activities and support the youth leaders. We know that volunteering is an important part of the sporting experience for a lot of people, and we are always happy to work with our members to look for opportunities to get involved.

MAZAL TOV



We would like to wish a hearty Mazal tov to Maytal Almagor who recently celebrated her bat mitzvah. Maytal kindly shared her simcha with us, asking for donations to Maccabi All Abilities in lieu of gifts.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Next term we are excited about a range of activities, including playing footy with the AJAX Football Club, and social events including sailing and dance. Planning is also underway with other organisations to maximise the opportunities we can offer this year.

We will also be a part of Maccabi's Charidy campaign on June 6/7. Charidy provides a unique opportunity for both major donors (matchers) and community members to support Maccabi across Australia.

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