

School Sport ACT e-Bulletin

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This bulletin is collated by School Sport ACT and is targeted towards ACT school teachers and students.

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School Sport ACT Upcoming Regional Events

2022 SSACT Swimming Program

The ACT Education Directorate, on advice from ACT Health, has confirmed the Term 1 continuance of school based measures to reduce the impact of COVID in ACT schools. Due to the implementation of these measure School Sport ACT (SSACT) cannot delivery its Swimming Program as previously shared on the website and Calendar of Events.

For 2022 only, due to the inability to conduct School and Regional Swimming Carnivals as qualifying events, SSACT is planning for the SSACT 12&U and 13&O ACT Swimming Championships to be conducted as a State Team Selection Trial for 10-19 year olds as well as determining ACT Champion for all age groups including, 8 and 9 year olds. Students will be competing to gain a position on the SSACT Swim Team to represent the ACT at the School Sport Australia Championships currently scheduled in Brisbane in August. For this reason, the qualifying number of entries per school, in place for a typical operational year, will not apply, the nomination process is open to all students for whichever events they choose to nominate, regardless of other entries from their school.

Key deadlines:

- **Nominations are now closed**
- Schools will be informed of students who have successfully qualified and are invited to compete at their respective ACT Championship in Week 9.
- Schools will provide successful students with a permission note to attend, the \$10 SSACT Participation Fee will need to be paid directly to the school in Week 9 and 10.

For further information, please refer to the '2022 SSACT Swimming Program Delivery and Entry Information' which can be found on the Resources page as well as the Swimming page on the SSACT website.

The SSACT calendar can also be found on the SSACT website and is full operational from Term 2 at this stage (dependent on easing of current restrictions).

ACT Secondary Tennis Day (Boys & Girls)

This event is part of the SSACT 18&U Tennis team selection process.

Date: Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Venue: Canberra Tennis Centre

Entry Return to Brittany & Joel: actcompetitions@tennis.com.au

Entry Closing: **Thursday 28th April**. All entries must be made by the school. No individual player entries will be accepted. Entry confirmation email will be sent to the school – if you do not receive this please contact Brittany.

Community Sport Programs and Opportunities

AFL ACT

AFL are offering free Foundation Coach courses in 2022. This course can be completed online, in your own time and takes around 2 hours to complete. Upon successful completion of the course, teachers will meet the Leader requirements of the Education Directorates Physical Activities Policy for Contact AFL. Teachers should be able to add this as Teacher Identified Professional Learning for TQI registration purposes.

For more information of the Physical Activities Policy, please see the Physical Activities Policy. https://www.education.act.gov.au/publications_and_policies/School-and-Corporate-Policies/school-activities/physical-activities-policy/physical-activities-policy

To access the free AFL Foundation Course, go to <https://coach.afl/> and click “join” and follow the instructions. For more information on the AFL Foundation Coach course, please contact Nick Brimacombe nicholas.brimacombe@afl.com.au

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APOLA

Teachers who have previously completed the APOLA School Surfing Supervisor Award (SSSA) are able to complete their recertification by Distance

Mode and partial RPL. If you completed the SSSA Course with Paul Andrews in Term 1 of 2021 you should have received an email from him directly explaining the procedures to renew. If you have not heard from Paul, or have further questions, please email him via sabrepaul8@gmail.com

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ACT Orienteering

Starting Thursday 3rd of March for 4 weeks, SC-ORE first heads to Weston Park for the start of another exciting series to work those bodies and brains.

All Students in years 3 to 6 from Canberra and surrounds are welcome to participate.

We will be taking extra precautions to minimise student contact and mixing of schools/cohorts at these outdoor events.

Venues:

10 March – Kings Park (near Carillon)

17 March – Telopea Park

24 March – Patrick White Lawn (next to the National Library)

Parents and carers are responsible for completing their child/children's entries online. SC-ORE is run by Orienteering ACT. There are no expectations on schools or teachers to organise any aspect of students' attendance.

Parents or responsible guardians have duty of care including the responsibility to make arrangements for children to get to and from the venues.

The children are expected to be at the venue at 7:45am for briefing and an 8am start.

Events will finish in time for children to get to school (more or less on time).

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