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MORE TASMANIAN FUNDING FOR GOOD SPORTS WELCOMED

The Alcohol and Drug Foundation welcomes additional funding from the Hodgman Government for the Good Sports program, Australia's largest preventative health initiative in community sport.

The extra funding of \$870,000 over two years means Tasmania is the first jurisdiction in Australia to access the full suite of Good Sports programs, including Good Sports core, Good Sports Junior, Good Sports Healthy Eating, Good Sports Healthy Minds and Tackling Illegal Drugs.

The additional funding will not only benefit more than 300 existing Good Sports clubs across the state, it will also support at least 80 new community sporting clubs to join the program.

"Thanks to the Hodgman Government, more sporting communities across Tasmania will have the support they need to implement practices and policies around alcohol management, tobacco, safe transport, illegal drugs, junior role modelling, healthy eating and mental health," said the Alcohol and Drug Foundation's Chief Executive Officer, Dr Erin Lalor.

"Good Sports encourages systemic changes in club culture to promote long-term positive health outcomes," Dr Erin Lalor added.

"All community sporting clubs across Tasmania have the opportunity to join Good Sports. Our staff are here to guide clubs through the free program, making it easier for already busy volunteers to implement," Dr Lalor said.

For more information about Good Sports visit www.goodsports.com.au or find us on [@goodsportsclubs](https://www.facebook.com/GoodSportsClubs) and www.Facebook.com/GoodSportsClubs.

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***About the Alcohol and Drug Foundation:** Celebrating almost 60 years of service to the community, the Alcohol and Drug Foundation is one of Australia's leading bodies committed to preventing and minimising alcohol and other drug harms in communities around the nation. The Foundation reaches millions of Australians in local communities through sporting clubs, workplaces, health care settings and schools, offering educational information, drug and alcohol prevention programs and advocating for strong and healthy communities.*

***About Good Sports:** Funded by the Australian Government and the Tasmanian Government, Good Sports works with local sporting clubs to build a healthier sporting nation. More than 8,500 clubs across Australia are taking part in this three-tier accreditation program that provides resources and training to help them create healthier environments, where club members look out for one another in the areas of: alcohol management, tobacco and safe transport.*