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Looking for a way to build and strengthen your club?

GippSport in conjunction with SportEd will be conducting a free Mentoring workshop at the Traralgon RSL on Monday 16th July from 6pm - 9pm.

Mentoring has been recognised as a great way to support and train volunteers in many roles including club administration, coaching and officiating.

David Roberts, Program Coordinator with GippSport said mentoring is also a great way to develop and build your club and assist with the recruitment of volunteers.

“As volunteers many of us have been ‘thrown in the deep end’ and club mentoring can ensure we don’t do this to new volunteers”, David Roberts said.

A mentoring project offers a whole range of benefits to the club, the mentor and the mentee.

The Club benefits by increasing volunteer numbers and ensuring volunteers are welcomed and supported.

Mentors benefit from enhancing their own skills, passing on valuable experience and knowledge and contributing to the club’s ongoing viability.

The person being mentored receives a more positive experience of their volunteer work, is welcomed into the club and has an opportunity to learn from an experienced club person.

The workshop will cover how to set up a mentoring program, benefits of mentoring and effective communication. Participants will also receive a range of resources and Club SportEd membership.

Club’s choosing to develop a mentoring project as a result of the training may also be eligible for on going support through Sport Ed including a small honorarium for mentors.

Bookings for the workshop are essential and must be received by 4pm on July 12. Bookings and more information are available from GippSport on 5135 8335. Light refreshments will be provided on arrival.

Barry Switzer
Executive Officer

For further information or comment

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