MELTON COUNTRY CLUB ANNUAL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Guidelines for Eligibility

An initiative of the Essendon Football Club to provide financial assistance to sporting clubs and community groups within the Shire of Melton to help them achieve ultimate success.

OVERVIEW

On the 17th November 1995 the Melton Country Club formed a partnership with the Essendon Football Club.

The purpose of their partnership was to develop a modern upgraded club for the people of Melton and surrounding areas.

The Melton Country Club and Essendon Football Club shares key business objectives, the fostering of community support via financial assistance, to help sporting clubs and community groups achieve ultimate success in their organization.

AIM OF THE COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

To provide financial assistance to sporting clubs and community groups within the Shire of Melton from the trading profits generated by the Melton Country Club (gaming venue).

To increase awareness in the community of the relationship between the Melton Country Club and Essendon Football Club.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

- Sporting Clubs
- Community Groups
  that reside in the Shire of Melton

FUNDING CRITERA

Grants will be available for the following projects, but not limited to:

- New equipment
- New uniforms
- Capital projects
- Sponsorship to offset costs to allow groups to travel nationally or internationally to compete in recognized events in their field
- Coaching development for seniors or juniors
- Sponsorship of recognized events

Grants will **NOT** be made available for the following but not limited to:

- Administration expenses
- Utility costs
- Salary subsidies
- Player payments
- Equipment to be owned or controlled by external parties.

TO BE ELIGIBLE

Successful applicants will be required to provide:

- Quotation/Tax invoice payable for items purchased.
- Branding recognition of financial contribution from the Melton Country Club, Essendon Football Club
- No cash payments will be allowed.

TAXATION / INSURANCE

Any taxation or insurance obligation arising from the purchase of items will be the responsibility of the recipient of the grant.

PROGRAM TIMELINE

Essendon Football Club Board will approve the amount of funds to be available in the month of November each year for the following year's grants.

April: Application for grants will be accepted in the months of April

May: All applications will be reviewed as an appropriate application that meets Guideline Standards by the Melton Country Club Operations Committee.

June: Successful applications will be notified.

NOTE: From time to time depending on the number of applications received, and type of grant required, funding may be given over consecutive financial year's as more funds become available in the following community grants allocation.

SUBMISSIONS

The Melton Country Club Operations Committee decision will be final and will be based on information received, in some circumstances additional information may be required.

Applications should be sent to:

Melton Country Club
Community Grants Program
Att: Venue Manager
28-30 Reserve Road
Melton Vic 3337

No later than 5 pm April 30th, 2026