QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 872

asked on Thursday, 29 November 2012

MISS BARTON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATIONAL PARKS, RECREATION, SPORT AND RACING (MR DICKSON)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline how local sporting clubs and groups in the Broadwater Electorate will benefit from the Newman Government's Get in the Game initiative?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the Question.

There are three programs that form the Get in the Game initiative. These are Get Started, Get Going and Get Playing.

The three programs are aimed at supporting grassroots sport and recreation participation through: the provision of vouchers, valued up to \$150, towards membership and participation costs for eligible children and young people; providing funding to sport and recreation organisations to assist with the delivery of their sport and recreation activities; and to upgrade and develop facilities to support their members.

Get Started will provide vouchers towards membership and participation fees. It has been very well received with 1,965 clubs requesting registration for the program. Eighteen clubs in the Broadwater electorate have been approved for registration. Registered clubs will be able to attract children and young people who are eligible for *Get Started* vouchers from 15 January 2013.

The *Get Going* and *Get Playing* programs closed for applications on 1 December 2012. *Get Going* will provide grants of up to \$10,000 to local sport and recreation organisations for projects, such as promotional activities, equipment and membership drives. Applications from seven organisations based in Broadwater are being assessed for funding for *Get Going*. *Get Playing* will provide grants of up to \$100,000 for clubs to upgrade and develop new minor facilities. Under *Get Playing*, an application from one organisation based in Broadwater is being assessed for funding.

The Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing is currently assessing all applications with the announcement of approved funding recipients expected to be made in February 2013.