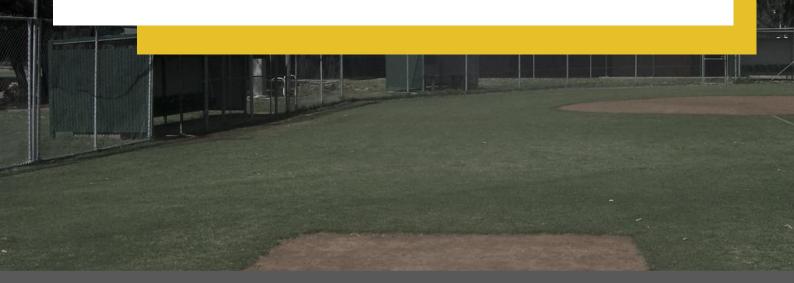
# Marketing Plan 2024-2027





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## Our Goals

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Net 10% increase by 2024/25 and 15% by 2025-26. To include

- 10% growth in females at Teeball (25-30 players per year)
- 2.5% pa in baseball (total 7.5% by 2025-26)
- Reintroduce subjunior softball comp

#### **Marketing Goals**

- 1. Attract new members
  - a. increase conversion rate to at least 100% in all immediate-surrounding areas,
  - b. target areas of lowest conversion, especially in areas of high demand.
  - c. Increase female participation
- 2. Branding and Awareness "Branding is what people say about your business when you're not in the room." (Jeff Bezos)
- 3. Member Engagement—"marketing isn't just about what you do to get people to your club. It's about what happens when people come to your club"
- 4. Win more sponsors
- 5. Research & Insights review database spread to identify and refine strategies that will assist us to
  - a. Collect relevant information
  - b. Increase retention rates
  - c. Facilitate succession planning

#### **Our Focus**

- Promotion and Recruitment
- Branding and Awareness
- Build relationships with local businesses, schools, media sources, LGA, other sporting groups
- Communication plan retention once we have them (member induction, newsletters, email updates (greeting), SM groups)

# **Our Strategies**

#### **School Strategy**

- 1. Phone call to each school to ask
  - a. Who best person to promote our sports? Can we arrange a meeting to discuss how we may be able to be involved in the school community?
    - i. ?Offer to provide training to teachers (free)
    - ii. ?Offer member attendance to umpire/coach at sports carnivals
  - b. School newsletter when it goes out, can we get promotion included, is there a cost?
  - c. Noticeboard are we able to post on this?
  - d. Does the school include diamond sports in their program, if not, would they be willing to, and how can we assist? (e.g., Sporting Schools, equipment, clinic, lesson plans). Promote Sporting Schools grant option. Promote diamond sports covers 4 main athletic skills hit, run, catch, throw
  - e. Does the school actively promote female participation in nongender-traditional activities?
  - f. ?Run popup registration day at school
- 2. Media release to local schools when students achieve highly at our club
- 3. School ambassador one of our players promote our sport at school assembly, classroom news

#### **Media Strategy**

- 1. Social media posts content bank/s to be generated by end of March)
  - a. Preseason (programs, FAQs, variety)
  - b. Midseason / event promotion
  - c. Member induction and education
- 2. Bimonthly newsletter
- 3. Contact local media outlets
  - a. Determine contact name and details to send release to, and deadline (date/time)

#### **Female Participation Strategy**

- 1. Generate Stories surrounding promotion and achievements of our female players,
  - a. Promotion of sense of 'sisterhood', there's a position for everyone regardless of personal attributes
  - Expression of self outside traditional role models
     toughness, adversity management (risk, injury, etc)
- 2. Female Coordinator to oversee
  - a. increased female player involvement at rookieball coaching/games
  - b. Implementation and promotion of BWA/SWA female pathways.
- 3. Junior promotion at BWA level (Kidsport registration).



#### **General Awareness Strategy**

- 1. Posters/flyers in community outlets
  - a. Library
  - b. Shopping centre noticeboards
  - c. Gym/rec centres
- 2. ?Street signage
  - a. ?Stationary
  - b. ?trailer lightbox \$500-600/week
- 3. ?Letter drop in area of high demand Bushmead, DarlingRange proximity
- 4. Popup activations (information/registration) activations in shopping centres
  - a. Midland Gate (from \$3/day)
  - b. Kalamunda Central (free on provision of public liability and NFP certification)
  - c. Woolworths Kalamunda
  - d. High Wycombe (Coles)
  - e. High Wycombe (Supa IGA)
- 5. Popup activations (information/registration) booths
  - a. Kalamunda Show
  - b. Kalamunda Farmers Market every Sunday; \$71.50 for 3x3m
  - c. Kalamunda Night Markets 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month from Sept to May [EOI sent for availability and associated costs]
  - d. Mundaring Growers (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month run by Rotary club) [EOI sent for availability and associated costs]
  - e. Perth Hills (Mundaring) & Railway Station Artisan Markets (midland) \$25; RSVP needed ASAP once EOI email received as spaces fill fast
  - f. Stirling Square Markets (Guildford) Sept-May 3<sup>rd</sup>(?) Sun of the month [EOI sent for availability and associated costs]
  - g. Kalamunda Artisan Markets run by Rotary Kalamunda [EOI sent for availability and associated costs]
- 6. Popup Activations (information/registration) at local sports clubs
  - a. Netball KDNA
  - b. Football soccer and AFL (x2)

#### **Information Collection Strategy**

- 1. Database/s formats to be updated
  - a. Ensure all databases collect gender (often a requirement for other reports/grant applications and acquittal documents), ideally also ESL/CALD and ATSI
  - b. Ensure all databases collect data regarding returning/new players "have you played with KR before/last year" Y/N
  - c. Ensure all databases collect data regarding school attending and school year for juniors (helps guide future school target marketing, even if not used in team selection)
  - d. Ensure all databases collect data in same format for emergency contact ([given+surname, email, phone] [given+surname+email+[phone])
  - e. Ensure all databases collect data regarding participation in State Champs/All-Stars teams (TB/LL/JL/SL)
  - f. Ensure all databases collect data regarding player/parent occupation [succession planning, resources]
  - g. Ensure all databases collect data regarding prefered method of communication [social media, email, Heja, paper (not ideal for environmental reasons, and paper gets lost)]
  - h. Ensure all databases collect information on where they heard about us.
    - ii. Consistent options across all portals friend, returning player, facebook, school, siblings play, community advertising (markets, posters, streetsigns), google, other (please specify).

### Member Engagement Strategy

- 1. Diversify communication strategies.
  - a. Newsletter ± audio component
  - b. Email template/format (greeting so people know where information is coming from).
  - c. Survey to find out preferred method of communication email, newsletter, coach/team, social media, etc
- 2. Provision of as much notice as possible (min three weeks) to all members regarding events and activities of the season (fixtures, photos, windups). Acknowledge limitations with some affiliated organisation restrictions.

## Plan

We recognise that we can't hit every area at once as we don't have the staff availability and we need to roll this growth out (growth by 100+ is a logistical nightmare (coaching staff, uniforms, equipment,...). Therefore a staged approach with review at the end of each season will be undertaken

## Outlets and Methodology – 2024-25

- Primary schools<sup>1</sup>
  - o Targeted action plan to
    - Lesmurdie, Falls Road, St Brigid's, Kalamunda Christian, Walliston, ± Carmel, ± PB
    - Darlington, Glen Forrest, Helena College
    - Woodbridge ± Guildford
    - Helena Valley, Clayton View
  - o Continue to promote<sup>1a</sup> to HW, MV, GH, MM,
- High schools<sup>1</sup> Mazenod, Lesmurdie, St Brigid's, Kalamunda, Darling Range
- Social Media<sup>3</sup>
  - Sponsored, targeted adverts advertising budget to be determined
  - Current community groups listing (see Appendix A)
- Popup activations (registration ± information booths)<sup>2</sup>
  - Local markets
    - Kalmunda Night Markets
    - Kalamunda Growers Market
    - Perth Hills Artisan Markets
    - Railway Station Artisan Markets
  - Shopping centres
    - Kalamunda Central
    - High Wycombe SC (x2)
    - Midland Gate
  - o Kalamunda Show
- Local media<sup>3</sup> media releases/articles in local paper and interviews on local radio
  - Echo news
  - o Community radio
- Local Community Noticeboards
- Databases format to be updated and refined in April/May 2024 for upcoming season

#### **KPIs for 2024-25**

- Surrounding SGA participation at 100% or above (as per SportEye data)
- Total membership up by 10% on previous year
- Female participation up by 5% across Teeball and Baseball

## Targets for 2025-26 and Beyond

- Review response to previous seasons and compare with SportEye, as well as database/website marketing collection data and plan modify above strategy accordingly in February each year.
- Select next area to target market to meet KPIs
- Involve Challenger competition where possible

#### KPIs for 2025-26

- Immediate surrounding SGA participation at 125% or above (as per SportEye data)
- Expand SGA areas to at least 75% engagement (as per SportEye data)
- Total membership up by 10% on previous year
- Female participation up by 5% across Teeball and Baseball

#### KPIs for 2026-27

- Immediate surrounding SGA participation at 150% or above (as per SportEye data)
- Expand SGA areas to at least 100% engagement (as per SportEye data)
- Total membership up by 10% on previous year
- Female participation up by 5% across Teeball and Baseball

## Needs

- 1. Posters/advertisement for school newsletters/shopping centres
- 2. Information brochure for activations
- 3. Information brochure for school clinics (complete as at 01/02/2024)
- 4. Media release template schools, general media (see appendix)
- 5. Promotional givaways <a href="https://www.australiawristbands.com/contact-us.php">https://www.australiawristbands.com/contact-us.php</a>
- 6. Website lead tracking for future direct/custom client marketing

# References and Data Sources

- <u>SportsEye</u> data obtained from multiple levels and merged. SWA and BWA utilise this platform so our registration data is included in their analysis
- Our player database
- Website
- Beyond the Club Podcast Episode 6 (female participation and retention), Episode 26 (Megatrends in Sport: Escalate the Exercise)

# Appendix A – FB share pages

- 1. All about Stratton
- 2. Baseball/teeball/softball buy sell or swap WA
- 3. Bassendean, Midland, Jane Brook and Surrounds suburbs buy-swap and sell
- 4. Buy & Sell, chat &discuss Forrestfield to Armadale and surrounds
- 5. Buy, Swap, and Sell Bassendean, Midland, and other surrounding areas!
- 6. Buy/Sell/Swap/Free Perth
- 7. Chittering Notice board
- 8. City of Swan & surrounds. Babies and kids buy, sell and free
- 9. City of Swan Garage Sales, markets and events
- 10. Darlington WA Parent Forum
- 11. Ellenbrook Noticeboard, Business Adversting and General Chat
- 12. Forrestfield and surrounds buy and sell 1
- 13. Forrestfield baby/toodler buy swap and sell
- 14. Gooseberry Hill
- 15. Helena Valley/Boya Buy & Sell
- 16. Helena Valley, Boya and Bushmead Community Page
- 17. High Wycombe & surrounds business page Australia
- 18. High Wycombe and surrounds Buy/Sell/Swap
- 19. High Wycombe (Australia) and surrounds pregnancy, Babys (grammar lol) and children
- 20. Hills mums (Perth)
- 21. I'm a business owner in the Shire of Mundaring
- 22. Jacaranda Springs
- 23. Kalamunda Community
- 24. Kalamunda Community Discussion Page not buy and sell
- 25. Kalamunda rangers (chat)
- 26. Kalamunda Shire and Surrounds Buy Swap and Sell
- 27. Kalamunda and Surrounds Buy Sell and Swap Take 2
- 28. Kalamunda SHS parents only
- 29. Kalamunda/nearby suburbs buy and sell
- 30. Lesmurdie Kalamunda Walliston, Bickely Carmel Market Place [Friday only]
- 31. Maida vale
- 32. Matthew Gibney Parent Page
- 33. MGPS High Wycombe WA Mums and Dads
- 34. Midland & surrounds Australia buy, swap and sell
- 35. Midland and surrounding areas community notice board
- 36. Midland Classifieds
- 37. Midland, Helena Valley, Greenmount, Darlington, Koongamia and surroundings
- 38. Mums and bubs Wattle Grove & surrounds WA
- 39. Mundairing Shire Only baby, toddler and kids items buy and sell

- 40. Mundaring and Surrounds Buy an Sell
- 41. Mundaring Hills Community Group
- 42. Mundaring shire Selling Forum
- 43. Mundaring/Stoneville/Mt Helena stuff for sale
- 44. Only in Ellenbrook
- 45. Only in Forrestfield and High Wycombe (and that one guy from Lesmurdie)
- 46. Only in Forrestfield take two!
- 47. Only in Forrestfield.....
- 48. Only in High Wycombe Perth WA
- 49. Only in High Wycombe uncut
- 50. Only in High Wycombe!
- 51. Only in Maida Vale
- 52. Only in Wattle Grove
- 53. Only in Wattle Grove Community
- 54. Parkerville-Gidgengannup and beyond buy sell swap and free
- 55. Perth Community Events and Volunteer Opportunities
- 56. Perth Hills Chat Forum
- 57. Perth Hills chat lesmurdie, Kalamunda and Gooseberry Hill
- 58. Perth Hills trades and Business
- 59. Perth Official baseball, Softball and Teeball Buy and Sell Page
- 60. Post and Chat Forrestfield #uncensored
- 61. Sara's Families (this is a High Wycombe mums group)
- 62. Sawyers Valley Sharing
- 63. Shire of Kalamunda Buy and Sell
- 64. Shire of Kalamunda, WA, buy, Sell swap or free
- 65. Shire of Kalamunda, WA, Buy, Swap, and sell baby/toddler/kids
- 66. Shire of Mundaring and City of Swan Perth WA Buy, Sell and Swap or Free
- 67. Shire of Mundaring Local Businesses and Trades
- 68. Stratton/Swan View and Foothills
- 69. Straton, Swan View 6056 and Surrounds Buy & Sell
- 70. Stuff of Sale Swan View/Greenmount/Glenforest and Surrounds
- 71. The Guildford Community Page
- 72. Wattle Grove and Forrestfield Chat
- 73. Wattle Grove W.A. Community
- 74. What's happening in Perth and Local Businesses
- 75. What's on in Perth Community
- 76. Women in Sport WA

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