



# Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck

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## COALITION BACKS YOUNG SPORTING CHAMPIONS

Senator for Tasmania Richard Colbeck has urged young athletes to apply for a Local Sporting Champions grant to support their involvement in sport.

“The Coalition Government is committed to getting Australian kids more active, more often,” Senator Colbeck said today.

“That’s why I’m encouraging young athletes, coaches and officials in Tasmania to apply for a Local Sporting Champions grant before the deadline closes on June 30.”

“These \$500 grants provide financial assistance to athletes, coaches and officials, to go towards travel, accommodation, uniforms or equipment when attending endorsed state, national or international championships.”

“Local Sporting Champions grants provide an ideal opportunity for young sports people to gain financial assistance to help them turn their sporting dreams into a reality.”

The grants are aimed at alleviating the financial strain some families and young athletes feel when selected for a significant sporting event.

“The Local Sporting Champions grants are important for encouraging more Tasmanians to participate in sport and help support emerging athletes achieve all they can in sport,” Senator Colbeck said.

“The number of Local Sporting Champions grants is limited, and it is important that athletes, coaches and officials apply for the financial support before their event.”

For more information about Local Sporting Champions grants and to apply, visit [www.ausport.gov.au/LSC](http://www.ausport.gov.au/LSC).

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