



PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

Engaging with Schools and Making a Difference

- Term 1 2020, saw the biggest growth of the in-school program to date with:
 - 11 individual classes participating in the program from three schools, Armadale SHS, Byford Secondary College and Kelmscott SHS
 - 72 individual sessions were scheduled for this term with 50 sessions completed prior to the suspension of the program due to COVID-19
 - 202 young people were impacted by the program
 - 12 coaches worked with our program participants
- Preparations for Term 2 were also well underway prior to the COVID-19 program suspension with Armadale SHS, Clontarf Aboriginal College and SMYL Community College all booking in classes for Term 2.
- Work has also continued to solidify the relationships with local high schools in order to further increase their awareness of the program and confirm their commitment to the program for 2020 and 2021.

To date the Making Waves Program Manager has secured the following schools for 2020:

- Armadale Senior High School
- Byford Secondary College
- Cecil Andrews College
- Clontarf Aboriginal College
- Kelmscott Senior High School
- SMYL Community College (Rockingham)

Engaging with young people via an out-of-school/ Junior Rowing program pathway

- The development work began for the launch of the Making Waves Junior Rowing program which targets participants for involvement in the Making Waves program outside of the school environment. Underpinning structural documentation was developed as well as the recruitment collateral for coaches who will be working with this program.
- Unfortunately, preparations for the Term 2 launch of the Junior Rowing program are on hold due to COVID 19 however, work is still continuing in relation to the development of collateral targeted towards engaging young people in this program (flyers, videos etc.)

Key Strategic Outcomes

- The Making Waves strategic plan is currently under development and once finalised will be published on the Making Waves website and circulated to our key stakeholders and supporters.
- The agreement between Making Waves and Curtin University has now been finalised. Work will commence on its operationalisation once program operations are able to commence.
- Work is still progressing on the establishment of Making Waves as a stand-alone charity that will open up new opportunities for procurement of state and federal grant funds.
- Making Waves Leadership group representatives met with the Department of Education's Regional Executive Director (South Metropolitan), Ken Perris to further discuss how Making Waves could obtain endorsed program status and the longer-term legacy of the program in line with Department of Education outcomes.

Key Operational Outcomes

- The Making Waves website (<https://makingwaves.asn.au/>) is fully operational with information and pictures updated on a term basis. Thank you to Wesfarmers' David Berrie for offering his time and photographic expertise to help take some high-quality images for the site.
- A federal Volunteer Community Grant was applied for in February 2020 to support the development of online resources targeted towards coach training in relation to working with young people.
- The program's coaching structure continued to function well over Term 1 and the model will continue to be utilised for the remaining terms in 2020.
- The Making Waves Manager will be working to build the community profile of the program through engagement in the Armadale Youth network.

Measuring our Success

- As part of the quantifying our impact with participants, pre and post program surveys were again utilised in Term 1. Some of the results include:
 - 82% of participants enjoyed the activities
 - 85% felt like they learnt something new through the program
 - 85% of participants were unsure of or didn't believe they had the skills to enter University
 - 81% of participants feel confident in their ability to achieve things which rose from the initial score of 61% at the start of the term.

Qualitative comments included:

"Doing rowing calms me down from being stressed at school"

"I really enjoyed the rowing program and wish that my school would add it to more of our school activities. It was really fun and now wish that it would go for longer than 45min a week."

"I think It was a great and enjoyable experience for me, as I was able to learn and experience new things with rowing, that I had not known about at the beginning of the program. "

"It was an amazing experience that I hope other younger yr levels can experience too, I'm sure that they would love it."

"My experience with the rowing program has made a positive impact on me."

"The rowing program was really good, I learnt a lot of skills and had lots of fun will my friends."

"I love rowing, sometimes its hard work but I just see that as a challenge and I like challenges, and then sometimes rowing is easy and I like that because I can just relax and watch the waves I create with my oars. Rowing has been an exciting journey for me and I'm considering pursuing it in the future."

OUR GOOD NEWS STORIES

Schools engaged with the Making Waves have been promoting their involvement in the program on their social media platforms. Some of the posts from schools can be found below:



FUNDRAISING ACHIEVEMENTS

Total Program Revenue Target



Received \$881,000 of our \$1,800,000 program target

Securing program revenue remains a focus for the Leadership group with continued follow up on philanthropic, foundation, government and corporate fundraising opportunities.