

HELPING HOOPS

**ANNUAL REPORT
2015-16**



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ABOUT HELPING HOOPS

Helping Hoops is an independent charity running free weekly basketball programs for over 1,000 disadvantaged and disabled children. Over 350 sessions per year benefit children and young people of all abilities aged 7 to 21. As a charity, Helping Hoops is not solely focused on improving skills, but also uses basketball to instil values that benefit children in their lives outside of sport.

Children attending Helping Hoops programs are from a refugee or migrant background, have an intellectual disability, are living on inner-city, high-rise public housing estates, or are asylum seekers.

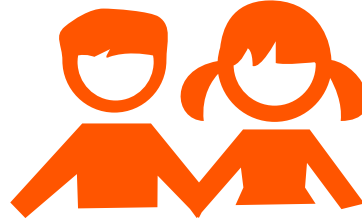
Helping Hoops focuses on building self-esteem, providing a sense of belonging and community, aiding social cohesion, instilling discipline, developing goal setting and leadership skills, and promoting a healthy and active lifestyle.



BY THE NUMBERS



350+
SESSIONS
EVERY
YEAR



350+
PROGRAM
PARTICIPANTS



80+
ACTIVE
VOLUNTEERS
IN PAST 12
MONTHS



16K+
SOCIAL
MEDIA
FOLLOWERS



60,000+
REACHED
THROUGH
MELBOURNE
UNITED
PARTNERSHIP



\$80K+
IN
DONATIONS
AND
FUNDRAISING



150+
PARTICIPANTS
IN THE 2015
24 HOUR
CHARITY
SHOOTOUT



2,000+
VOLUNTEER
HOURS
CONTRIBUTED

A black and white photograph of a basketball net, with the text "REPORTS FROM OUR PEOPLE" overlaid in the center. The net is made of a thick, dark rope with a diamond-shaped mesh pattern. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a basketball court and some structures.

REPORTS FROM OUR PEOPLE



PRESIDENT DAVID KOOPMANS



Few things are more inspiring than to see young people grow and achieve their individual potential.

Unfortunately, not all kids get the same opportunities, and that's what drives our organisation. Over the past six years, Helping Hoops has offered free basketball programs to disadvantaged kids from socially disadvantaged backgrounds, or with intellectual disabilities. Through the programs, they build their self confidence, learn about teamwork and discipline as well as staying physically fit and often develop some pretty impressive basketball skills at the same time!

It's not hard to see how these healthy and positive alternatives have an impact on the individuals and the communities they live in. Helping Hoops does not get government support, so we rely entirely on the dedication and selflessness of our fantastic "family" of volunteers, fundraisers, coaches, donors and sponsors, to whom we are very grateful.

Looking back at the year, 2015/16 was all about making sure we could confidently support the existing programs, and expand to bring more programs to the community. We've added programs for older kids (Helping Hoops Future) and expanded our base of coaches and volunteers. We were supported by some amazing fundraising efforts by old friends and new. We also strengthened the organisation with more members, and new committee members. Although not without it's challenges, it has been a fantastic year and on behalf of the committee, I'd like to thank every one of you who've made a difference.

When we look around, we see opportunities everywhere for Helping Hoops to grow, but to do so we need to broaden the support base further so we can confidently fund and run both the existing programs as well as starting new ones. If you are a supporter already, we thank you and ask you to continue in your support. If you are not yet involved, please take some time to read this annual report and contact us to see how you can contribute too.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ADAM MCKAY



Helping Hoops is amazing. Saying this six years ago would have felt like self congratulations, but in 2016, I am privileged to be all but a small cog in an ever expanding machine that is full of amazing people. Talented, kind, and energetic are just three words I would use to sum up the squad that comes through and gives their time to our cause – whether it be weekly as a program volunteer, regularly as a committee member, or whenever they can as an event volunteer.

So what am I proud of and grateful for in 2015-16?

We set Coach Renee, our Women's Development Coach, a goal of 25% minimum female participation across Helping Hoops programs. She did it. Now, more girls than ever have the opportunity to break through the barriers and stigma that exist through cultural paradigms and take part in Helping Hoops. Take a bow, Renee!

We welcomed new coaches into Helping Hoops and expanded the responsibilities of our existing ones. Whether it be Coach Steve or Omar taking on new programs and stepping

out of their comfort zone, or volunteers stepping up to run sessions of their own, we have tested our people to see just what they are capable of. They passed any test we could conceive and thrived thanks to their open minds and hearts.

We implemented new systems, and refined existing ones, to ensure that expanding Helping Hoops in the future is approached sustainably and responsibly. We have always had a great model, but now with even better systems behind the scenes, we can truly attack the future with confidence.

We raised over \$59,000 at the 2016 24 Hour Charity Shootout. Money fuels the engine that keeps the Helping Hoops train chugging along the tracks, but more importantly we engaged with our community in a fun, vibrant and exciting way, and the continued growth of the Shootout is remarkable. Our Operations Manager, Sandra Tay, deserves all the credit for the success of the Shootout, and her growth within Helping Hoops, and as a person, is something I watch with pride.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ADAM MCKAY



We added a new program, called Helping Hoops Future, and changed the game. We now have a place to continue the relationships we enjoy with our participants once they reach upper secondary school. Making Helping Hoops relevant to those navigating this crucial age becomes even more significant when we see the poor choices made by their peers around this same period in the lives, and I am incredibly proud of the effort of all the coaches, volunteers and participants, who have had a big say in just what Future could be, is, and should be going forward.

My thanks go out to our committee, our coaches and staff, the dozens of volunteer assistant coaches, our event staff, our ambassadors, our members, and the hundreds of kids that are the "who" to our "what." I appreciate every one of you and try to repay your faith in Helping Hoops through my own effort and hard work.

We tell our kids to never be satisfied, never stop pushing, never be caught without a goal or direction. We would be hypocritical if we ourselves did not embody the values we strive to teach.

Helping Hoops will add three new programs by the time our next Annual Report is out. We will surpass the previous benchmark of 25% female participation. We will welcome more volunteers, members and staff than ever before. We will have the biggest year on and off the basketball court in Helping Hoops history. And we will do it with your help.

To be in a position to still be involved in an organisation like Helping Hoops, which provides a beacon of hope for hundreds of kids around this great city, is a blessing, and the ever increasing responsibilities and expectations that come with my role are something I take as seriously as I would the nurturing of my own children.

People tell me what a great six years we have had. People tell me that we have achieved so much in a short period of time. I tell people we are just getting started. If you are not on board yet... why not?



OPERATIONS MANAGER

SANDRA TAY



June 2016 marked my three years with Helping Hoops. I've now been given the fancy title of Operations Manager, but really I'm happy to do anything that needs to be done. On a personal level, I am beyond grateful for the opportunity I've been given by Adam and the Helping Hoops team. It's still daunting when I have to step up and take the lead as I feel that I'm the youngest and most inexperienced person on the team. But, I am lucky to be surrounded by the most supportive people. So thank you everyone for putting your trust in me.

Helping Hoops is a team effort, and we have the best people on our side. The past year, we've seen our staff and volunteer base grow and strengthen. I am contacted every week by people who want to contribute and am always overwhelmed by the support we receive. We have some incredible volunteers who have continued to support us week-in, week-out, and we've welcomed new people who have already made a huge impact in a short time. Helping Hoops could not exist without our volunteers – you are our greatest assets.

Our volunteer assistant coaches deserve a special mention – they're the ones giving their time and energy on a weekly basis. Together with our head coaches, they have built strong support networks at each of our programs and all of them are great role models for our participants.

I try my best to attend as many Helping Hoops sessions as possible, and because of this I've been able to build strong relationships with the children and watch them grow as people. After three years, it's great to see kids who couldn't reach the ring now making free throws and, more importantly, becoming great individuals. It's wonderful to see older participants step up as leaders as we welcome new children. It's a joy to have kids come back each week with enthusiasm and eagerness to learn, watching their skills and attitudes improve the longer they are with us.

There is really nothing greater than seeing how our hard work behind the scenes translates into action on the court and makes an impact on the lives of our participants. That's why I love my job and why I love Helping Hoops.



COACH OMAR COLES



So this past year has been one heck of a roller coaster ride! The roller coaster that once it ends, I race back to the line so that I can get on once more. Adam asked me if I would like to take over at Helping Hoops Broadmeadows on Tuesdays. One of my challenges was that I had no experience coaching kids with special needs. I was considering all of the pros and cons of stepping into this new role. Yet I had to toss the pros and cons list aside and just jump in. I thought to myself how much I would learn and take away from being in this new environment. What I have learned from working with special needs kids is that I am the one with "special needs!"

I am the one that needs to adjust my thought process as to how to better communicate with kids. I had to learn how to step into their world to get my point across. It was not about treating the kids differently or toning down the manner in which I coach, but changing the way that I approach coaching in a manner that would be more beneficial to the myriad of ways they see the world.

This past year has also been one of sharing. We see the kids week-in, week-out, however we often see a few new faces attending the sessions. The kids are getting older as time goes on and their curiosity is constantly growing with each program. One of the girls at Fitzroy came to me during a program and asked, "Why do you do Helping Hoops?" This caught me off guard because I had not expected this question from a child. I ended the session ten minutes earlier than normal and sat the kids down and told all of them why I do Helping Hoops.

I shared with them my story, my background, the things that I saw, and the things that I wanted to share with all of them. From my point of view it was just my answer to a question that was asked. Yet to the kids, and to some of the assistant coaches, it was so much more. I was getting messages from others on social media and feedback telling me what it meant to others to hear me explain my story. It made me realise that I'm more than just a coach, but a member of the community.



COACH STEVE BACASH



My journey began January 2nd, heart of the holiday period, in Richmond and I had one kid show up – Eric. We made the most of a hot day and we worked hard. Months passed and that one kid turned into 20, then 30 and now up to 40-plus. The first few months were a rollercoaster of successes and failures, but it was integral in teaching me how to do the job right.

A story that stands out to me is the story of a family of four kids living in the Richmond estate. They have a lot to deal with in their young lives. Mahroush, the eldest, has a lot of responsibility on her shoulders looking after her siblings. Fadia and Miriam were wild and foul mouthed. Mohammed was a bully who would fight kids at Helping Hoops. He couldn't last 10 minutes without being distracted.

I was hard on them but encouraged them when they showed signs of growth and focus. Each has good inside but we had to fight for it. I can now say that Mahroush is a true leader. Fadia can focus and is helpful, showing us and herself that she is capable. Miriam has grown into a

sweet girl with potential. Mohammed has shown he can be part of the group and work with us and not against us.

As coach, I get the most reward from seeing kids make progress in their skills and especially their own personal growth. That's what makes this job special to me – making a true sustainable impact.

I'd like to thank the volunteers. All year we developed a collaborative mentality and their energy and dedication has been a massive contributor to making these programs work. I'd like to give special mention to my two lieutenants. Meredith at Richmond who has grown from a loving and nurturing supporter to one with authority. At North Melbourne, Aron this year showed the heart and love for the kids that he has always possessed and developed into a capable, impactful coach.

Helping Hoops is not only an opportunity for kids to grow and shine, it gives coaches and volunteers the opportunity to do the same.



COACH RENEE CLARKE



What a year! Honestly it's been the best one yet! So many events have taken place, so many kids have come through our doors and I've learnt the most I've ever learnt. My job, for lack of a better word (because how lucky am I that I get to call this a JOB), is working with young girls and boys, but mostly girls. I help them realise that no matter who they are, where they come from and what they have or don't have, they have the ability to be whoever the hell they want to be! Pretty cool place to call work!

First stop... Dandenong. We started off this year with probably 20 kids sharing a court for two hours. So many various skill sets, so many different ages, but all with one thing in common.... passion to be better. Fast forward 12 months and we now run two sessions one after the other with about 40 kids! It's hectic and fast paced and at times I don't know how it all works, but it does.

The volunteer coaches are the glue that holds our programs together, without them we'd be lost! It really takes a village to run Helping

Hoops and it is evident with the kids that come through our doors. Each of them have their own style of learning and adapting, and it is up to us to make sure they are all getting the most out of our sessions. In turn, we have to learn and adapt accordingly.

The other program I currently handle is Sunshine. It's a work in progress and my biggest challenge – one I am still navigating around. But as they say, anything worth having takes time.... I'll keep you posted on the outcome of this one. I'm sure it will be a worthwhile read.

It's the best feeling being apart of an organisation that makes you LOVE your job and LOVE the people you are surrounded by. Sometimes is hard, some days nearly break you – but on the other side of that are the highest highs you can imagine. Ultimately these kids make me want to be better, for myself, for them, for the wider community, and to me that's what Helping Hoops is all about.

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STRIVE FOR
GREATNESS



COACH OMAR

At over 205 centimetres tall, Omar is by far our tallest coach, yet is a gentle giant by nature. After completing his college playing career with the University of Toledo in Ohio, Omar played overseas in Canada. Omar also has five years of experience in the US Navy, which instilled values such as discipline and work ethic. These core values are the same he now emphasises at Helping Hoops.



COACH RENEE

Renee has been a part of the game for over half her life, having started playing at 12 in Queensland and going on to represent her state in national titles. Adding to her playing duties, Renee has run successful basketball camps for children, as well as working within the NBL arena. As our Women's Development Coach, Renee works across multiple programs to ensure girls enjoy the same opportunities as boys at Helping Hoops.



COACH STEVE

Steve began his coaching journey with Helping Hoops back in 2012, where he volunteered at our Richmond and later North Melbourne programs. Steve built up his skills and knowledge over four years, and took over as head coach of both programs at the beginning of 2016. Steve is known for his community focus, attention to detail and strong relationship building skills, and has become a pillar of the Helping Hoops coaching team.



COACH DAVID

David began as a volunteer at Helping Hoops Sunshine in 2011, and has since endeavoured to absorb as much coaching knowledge as he can. He has also expanded his experience to include coaching players from a South Sudanese Australian background in a team environment. David's professionalism, commitment and vast knowledge make him a respected member of the Helping Hoops coaching staff.

OUR PROGRAMS



HELPING HOOPS SUNSHINE

Helping Hoops Sunshine is a free, multicultural basketball program for kids living in Melbourne's west. The program runs every Monday from 5 to 7pm and is overseen by coaches David Maddock and Renee Clarke.

The program is in its sixth year and has seen an influx of younger participants from a variety of backgrounds, many of whom are newly arrived to Australia after fleeing conflict in the Middle East. This has changed the dynamic of Helping Hoops Sunshine with the focus shifting to developing these children and helping with their integration into life in Australia. With the introduction of Helping Hoops Future, many of the older and more advanced participants have taken the opportunity to transition to the new program, thus freeing up positions for the next generation of Helping Hoops Sunshine participants and ensuring its sustained health.



**Helping Hoops Sunshine is funded by
the Newsboys Foundation.**



HELPING HOOPS FITZROY

Helping Hoops Fitzroy is a free, multicultural basketball program for kids living on the Atherton Gardens public housing estate. The program runs every Monday from 5 to 7pm and is overseen by Coach Omar Coles.

The program is in its fifth year and continues to provide an encouraging environment for dozens of children from a migrant and multicultural background. As well as achieving over 40 per cent female participation, Helping Hoops Fitzroy has seen many younger participants join over the past twelve months ensuring the future of the program is strong. Many of these younger children have waited patiently on the sidelines for months for their turn, and we are delighted that they have grown to the point where they can participate and add even more colour and fun to an already thriving community.



**Helping Hoops Fitzroy is
part-funded by Bendigo Bank
Clifton Hill / North Fitzroy.**



HELPING HOOPS BROADMEADOWS

Helping Hoops Broadmeadows is a free basketball program for kids with an intellectual disability living in Melbourne's north-west. The program runs every Tuesday from 3 to 4pm and 5 to 6pm and is overseen by Coach Omar Coles.

The program, now in its seventh year, has seen new faces join a healthy contingent of regulars, some of whom date back to the beginning of Helping Hoops in 2010. Coach Omar has taken over Helping Hoops Broadmeadows in 2016 to help challenge participants and expose them to his wealth of experience, both on and off the court. We are extremely pleased with the strong bonds, friendships and relationships Coach Omar has formed, and look forward to seeing Helping Hoops Broadmeadows continue to shine as our oldest program.



Helping Hoops Broadmeadows is funded by The Flora & Frank Leith Charitable Trust.



HELPING HOOPS DANDENONG

Helping Hoops Dandenong is a free, multicultural basketball program for kids living in Melbourne's south-east. The program runs every Wednesday from 4:30 to 7pm and is overseen by coaches Omar Coles and Renee Clarke.

The program, now in its fifth year, has shifted to cater for older participants as they transition into their teenage years and also a contingent of younger participants, many of whom are new to basketball. Helping Hoops Dandenong is our most multicultural program, with children from many different ethnic and cultural backgrounds making for a diverse and vibrant environment. The program has struggled to attract girls in previous years but has turned the corner in relation to female participation, having now achieved our minimum level of 25 per cent. Coach Renee is to credit for this turnaround and we hope to see many more young ladies join in the near future.



**Helping Hoops Dandenong is funded
by the Jack Brockhoff Foundation.**



HELPING HOOPS FUTURE

Helping Hoops Future is a free, multicultural basketball program for older participants, having come from our community programs and now desiring a more challenging and targeted experience. The program runs every Wednesday from 6 to 8pm and is overseen by coaches David Maddock, Nima Sobhani and Denver Fernandes. Coach Nick Garcia also holds a Sunday gym session on top of the Wednesday on-court program.

Despite being our youngest program, having launched in February 2016, Helping Hoops Future has exceeded expectations and has quickly formed a strong identity. The program has helped continue relationships with older participants by providing a more relevant experience that caters to their needs, and has allowed us to transition them into Future from other programs. This frees up positions and ensures we are able to welcome even more younger children into Helping Hoops.



Helping Hoops Future is currently unfunded.



HELPING HOOPS CROXTON

Helping Hoops Croxton is a free basketball program for kids with an intellectual disability living in Melbourne's north. The program runs every Wednesday from 3 to 4pm and 5 to 6pm and is overseen by Coach Steve Bacash.

The program, now in its sixth year, continues to engage a mixture of older participants and those new to basketball and Helping Hoops. Coach Steve, who has taken over in 2016 to provide more structure to the program and help challenge kids through his years of experience in Helping Hoops, has applied his vast knowledge to the group and continues to find a balance between nurturing and ensuring participants are forced to step outside their comfort zone. Seeing older participants encourage and support those new to the program make us grateful for the strong community we enjoy at Helping Hoops Croxton.



**Helping Hoops Croxton is funded by
the Marian & EH Flack Trust.**



HELPING HOOPS RICHMOND

Helping Hoops Richmond is a free, multicultural basketball program for kids living on the Richmond public housing estate. The program runs every Thursday from 4 to 6pm and is overseen by Coach Steve Bacash.

The program, now in its fourth year, is full of vibrant personalities and has a strong community feel. Coach Steve has taken the helm as head coach of the program after volunteering at Helping Hoops Richmond for many years, and continues to expand on the relationships and reputation he has built through his ongoing efforts over an extended period of time. Challenging behaviour within the program has highlighted the many issues the children face in their everyday lives. These challenges only emphasise the importance of having a positive and consistent presence that we strive to provide through Helping Hoops Richmond.



Helping Hoops Richmond is funded
by the John & Betty Laidlaw Legacy.



HELPING HOOPS NORTH MELBOURNE

Helping Hoops North Melbourne is a free, multicultural basketball program for kids living on the North Melbourne public housing estate. The program runs every Friday from 4 to 6pm and is overseen by Coach Steve Bacash.

The program, now in its fourth year, has seen a core group of children consolidate the identity of the program while also reaching out to many peripheral participants, many of whom exhibit undesirable behaviour and occasionally make poor choices after succumbing to negative outside influences. This delicate balance is maintained admirably by Coach Steve. Many of the core group, who have made the weekly commitment over an extended period of time, have progressed exponentially in their skills, attitudes and behaviour, and we look forward to seeing the further progress of Helping Hoops North Melbourne over the next twelve months.



Helping Hoops North Melbourne is part funded by the Sisters of Charity Foundation.





FROM A VOLUNTEER'S PERSPECTIVE

ARON CLARKE

Volunteering at Helping Hoops has its challenges. After four years as a volunteer coach every Friday afternoon at North Melbourne, as well as the countless times I have helped with numerous tournaments and events, I can certainly tell you a story or two.

Growing up in Sunshine, in the inner west of Melbourne, I was introduced to a multitude of ethnic groups at a very young age. I played junior basketball at RecWest in Braybrook (Sunshine), mostly against Filipinos, a small group of Africans and a handful of Vietnamese. Of course these days if you go down to RecWest, you will find a thriving community of South Sudanese attending our Monday night Helping Hoops program. They love their basketball in Sunshine.

North Melbourne Community Centre however, on Buncle St, is not typically a basketball community. Many of the kids come from a Muslim background, with a vast number of them arriving in Australia from the Middle East.

They are more likely to play football (soccer) than basketball!

So the challenges started on day one for me coming into the North Melbourne program. I was worried about being accepted, nervous about how I would relate to the kids, conscious of my own fears of performance and stage fright. Not to mention learning and remembering the kids' names! Bilal, Marhawi, Kidus and Sema are not names I had ever heard before! Luckily I had a great coach who helped me. I am very happy and proud to say that North Melbourne Helping Hoops has a thriving community that brings us all together on a weekly basis.

Kids are amazing! They can be cheeky, resourceful, and quick witted, but most of all they are interested in what we are doing. Why are we doing this? What is this all for? Who are you? So I tell them. And over time, we become friends. They learned to trust me and I became more vocal about my hopes and dreams for them. Now we learn from each other.

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24 HOUR CHARITY SHOOTOUT

Every year, the 24 Hour Charity Shootout (now in year number 5) gets bigger and better, and 2016 continued this trend with another huge result for Helping Hoops. We set out to make 20,000 free throws and raise \$50,000. We smashed both of these goals. In total 21,545 free throws hit the bottom of the net and a staggering \$59,854.77 was raised.

Over 150 people registered and fundraised, and were joined by over 1,000 spectators at Albert Park College on June 25-26 to enjoy the carnival atmosphere. As well as shooting as many free throws as they could in 15 minutes, attendees enjoyed prize give aways, arcade games, food trucks, live street art, a demonstration clinic, vertical leap testing, a photo booth and kids activities, Helping Hoops photography exhibition and more.

Saturday saw a host of special guests lend their support to the 24 Hour Charity Shootout and help add to the mounting free throw tally. Melbourne United's Chris Goulding, Majok Majok and David Barlow were joined by

Australian cricketer Peter Siddle, Attica restaurant's Ben Shewry, former NBA and NBL player Chris Anstey, and WNBL and Australian Opal player Alice Kunek. They teamed up with some very excited Helping Hoops kids and coaches in a novel free throw shooting competition that provided one of the highlights of the Shootout. Chris Goulding also took the opportunity to make a cheque presentation to Helping Hoops for \$2,000 which he raised through his CG43 T-shirts that were sold at Melbourne United games at the end of the NBL season.

Those attending on Sunday were treated to what has been called Melbourne's best ever sausage sizzle courtesy of Ben Shewry, who had recently returned from New York where his restaurant Attica was awarded 33rd in the World's Best 50. Ben was joined by Gary from Gary's Quality Meats and Michael from Tivoli Road Bakery who contributed to the event and helped cook and serve the specially designed hot dogs to the eager Shootout participants and guests. In total Ben, Gary and Michael's generosity raised \$1,889.35 for Helping Hoops.



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24 HOUR CHARITY SHOOTOUT Continued

The 24 Hour Charity Shootout is our opportunity to bring our community together each year, raise vital funds to keep our programs free for our kids, and celebrate the work we do with those we appreciate. We are always humbled by the level of support that exists for Helping Hoops in the community and the Shootout is an event that has grown to become more than a fundraiser – it is a big party with our friends and family. We thank all those who participated, volunteered, donated and supported the Shootout. We will be back in 2017 to do it all again for 24 Hour Charity Shootout number six!

KICKS FOR KIDS

In 2015, Helping Hoops ran the Kicks for Kids campaign to help collect shoe donations for underprivileged children in the Philippines. The Philippines is a country in love with basketball. The love of the game however far exceeds the facilities enjoyed by local children, with many playing barefoot or in flip flops on dilapidated hoops erected on street corners.

Helping Hoops Executive Director Adam McKay has long been a follower of Filipino basketball and admired the way the sport gives a positive outlet for disadvantaged children. Adam recently met Stephen Tia, a Filipino basketball coach currently living in Melbourne, and after hearing about his work back home was eager to see how the Helping Hoops community could help. Stephen, before coming to Australia, worked in the Philippines with underprivileged kids including orphans and children who were unable to attend school due to having to work to help their families. Although solving larger social problems was beyond Helping Hoops, one way that we *could* help quickly presented itself – shoes!

Kicks for Kids saw our community drop off their used shoes at locations across Melbourne with over 300 shoes collected thanks to our community and their fantastic support. We would like to thank Sportsmart, Kickz101 and Culture Kings for hosting donation boxes, SEDA Nunawading for running their own collection point and to the volunteers who help sort and pack the hundreds of shoes.



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LUOL DENG CLINIC

The 2015 South Sudanese Australian National Classic welcomed some very special guests. Miami Heat basketballer Luol Deng, Blair Academy Head Coach Joe Mantegna and CEO of the Luol Deng Foundation Steve Year. Deng, an NBA player of South Sudanese heritage, hosted a free basketball clinic on Thursday July 9 for selected National Classic players and other invited guests. Heading up the clinic was Mantegna who coached Deng previously in high school and still works closely with his Foundation. Deng and Mantegna were eager to see the local talent on offer and help coaches by sharing resources, expertise and other relevant information.

When asked about his involvement, Deng said:

"I first attended the SSANBA Tournament in July 2013 and was amazed by the talent at the tournament as well as how the community all comes together in one place. I left knowing that I had to get more involved with the project where this year I am excited to bring my High

School Coach Joe Mantegna with me to run a basketball clinic to help the kids and coaches grow and develop their skills."

The day was also used as an opportunity to present the latest signing for Melbourne United, Majok Majok. Majok joined Deng in a jersey presentation and answered questions from the media. This was a fantastic opportunity to highlight the talent on offer from the South Sudanese Australian community and help spread the word on the work of the South Sudanese Australian National Basketball Association.

Helping Hoops was proud to support the clinic which featured many children from Helping Hoops programs among the 70-plus participants. The work that Deng and his team do with their community all over the world is truly admirable and we look forward to working with Luol, Joe and Steve in the future to open up even more opportunities for children.



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SOUTH SUDANESE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CLASSIC

On the weekend of July 10-12, 48 teams from across Australia assembled in Melbourne to compete in the 2015 South Sudanese Australian National Classic. Helping Hoops was there to assist on the organising committee and provide volunteers and logistics throughout the three days of competition.

The National Classic is one of two annual basketball tournaments organised by the South Sudanese Australian National Basketball Association (SSANBA). It is not only one of the most exciting tournaments in Australia, but also an important event for the South Sudanese Australian community. Maintaining a sense of community and cultural identity, whilst celebrating the fact that we are all Australian, is a key feature of the work the SSANBA undertakes.

The National Classic kicked off on Friday July 10 and saw all six courts of Frankston Basketball Stadium in use as over 500 players competed at a frenetic pace. The Under 18, 20, Women and Open Men divisions were

joined by the Under 16s for the first time in 2015, with the next wave of basketball talent on show. The tournament, which has origins dating back to 2003, has grown over time with 48 teams making this year's National Classic the largest by far.

The competitions culminated on Sunday July 12 with semi finals and finals taking place across all divisions. The highly anticipated Slam Dunk Contest preceded the Open Men final, with Melbourne's Pat Golong soaring through the air for a spectacular dunk to seal victory. Both the national anthems of Australia and South Sudan were performed together for the first time prior to the Open Men final by local recording artist Achol Marial. This perfectly symbolised the coming together of two communities through the game of basketball.

The award ceremony wrapped up the National Classic with players excited to be presented with medals and trophies by Luol Deng. Helping Hoops is privileged to be part of the National Classic and we would like to thank the 40-plus volunteers that gave up their time to help make the event a huge success.



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HELPING THE NBL LAUNCH ITS BRAND NEW ERA

The NBL is now the “new NBL” after the league’s rebrand was launched in 2015. The rebrand, which features a simple and bold corporate identity with strong colours, was unveiled with the help of a select group of children from Helping Hoops along with volunteers and Executive Director Adam McKay.

Helping Hoops has been a charity partner of Melbourne United (formerly Melbourne Tigers) for a number of years but has not had an opportunity to engage with the NBL until recently. The inclusion of Helping Hoops in the rebrand event was symbolic as it shows the NBL’s commitment to building strong relationships with community groups. League officials have emphasised the need for clubs and the NBL itself to cultivate such relationships and have suggested data collected from clubs has shown a direct correlation between community involvement and club success.

Children enjoyed the opportunity to meet players, receive autographs, watch the media conference and be

some of the first to see the new-look NBL. Although it was agreed that the new logo and colour scheme was already fantastic, the Helping Hoops crew made their own amendments by colouring some blank copies. A competition was held to see which colour concept was the best, with NBL players David Barlow, Tommy Garlepp, Lucas Walker and Todd Blanchfield on judging duties.

We are looking forward to a relevant and thriving NBL. A stronger connection between Helping Hoops and the league will only mean great accessibility and interaction with Helping Hoops participants. Exciting times are ahead for basketball in Australia.



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YALE BULLDOGS VISIT HELPING HOOPS

On August 12 2015, Helping Hoops welcomed the men's basketball team from Yale University to our Croxton program where they had some fun with our children with an intellectual disability and special needs. The team is current Ivy League champions and was in Australia on a 10-day visit in preparation for the 2015/16 NCAA Division I season.

The team ran the group through a warm up before forming teams and playing games. Yale players were excited to assist their younger counterparts and impressed with their "all in" attitude. Opportunities like this are important for Helping Hoops participants but also provide guests with the chance to see basketball in an entirely new context.

The Yale visit was organised through Australian Basketball Travellers, which arranges specialised basketball tours to and from the USA. We have plans for more Helping Hoops visits by touring US teams and look forward to meeting new friends.

RMIT CHARITY SHOOTOUT

On September 16 2015, members of the RMIT Basketball Club and other students teamed up with Helping Hoops to run the RMIT Charity Shootout. The event, which built on the success of the inaugural Shootout in 2014, took over RMIT's Urban Square in the heart of Melbourne's CBD. All participants registered to shoot as many free throws as they could in 15 minutes and raised money for Helping Hoops in the lead up to the event. A combined total of 3,048 free throws were made at a healthy 40 per cent. The final fundraising tally reached \$915.20 which is a great effort and very much appreciated.

The 2015 RMIT Charity Shootout was a great opportunity to solidify our relationship with the basketball club and the university. It also provided a great excuse to meet new friends and supporters in a fun environment. We thank RMIT Basketball Club President Eli Chadwick and former President Samuel Kwong. A special thanks to all the rebounders and shot counters that made the day go smoothly. We are already looking forward to the 2016 RMIT Charity Shootout.



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THREE-POINT COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP

The Three-Point Community Sponsorship ran for the second year in 2015-16 with the tally eclipsing all records or expectations. Local retailer Sportsmart again donated \$40 for every three-pointer made by Melbourne United throughout the NBL season. The 2015-16 campaign raised \$12,440 for Helping Hoops but was also a huge success off the court thanks to the engagement it created with fans of the NBL and Melbourne United.

Helping Hoops Executive Director Adam McKay said about the campaign:

“The Three-Point Community Sponsorship has been a fantastic way to connect with the wider basketball audience and we thank Sportsmart for their continued support. Keeping Helping Hoops programs free means campaigns like this are incredibly important to the ongoing success of our organisation.”

Planning is already underway for the 2016-17 season and we look forward

to seeing if we can again surpass the previous fundraising tally thanks to Sportsmart.

CG43 CAMPAIGN

Melbourne United guard Chris Goulding was proactive in his support of Helping Hoops in early 2016. Chris used his ever-popular nickname – CG43 – to create a brand and produce T-shirts which were sold at United home games towards the end of the NBL regular season. All proceeds went to Helping Hoops and provided a fun and engaging way to interact with Chris’ supporter-base as well as raise much-needed funds for our programs.

Chris presented a cheque for \$2,000 to Helping Hoops at the 24 Hour Charity Shootout and used the opportunity to speak about why he decided to support the charity.

Since returning from the 2016 Rio Olympics, Chris has come on board as a Helping Hoops Ambassador and visited our children to get a better sense of what Helping Hoops is about. We look forward to working closely with him in the future.



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CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIRLS

Whether it be on the basketball court, in the classroom, or in the workplace, girls deserve to have the same opportunities to succeed as their male counterparts. In the communities Helping Hoops works in, young women do not always enjoy the same chance to participate as boys, and it has long been a goal of our organisation to bridge this gap.

Achieving this goal was recently made achievable through a grant from the Grosvenor Foundation and the Victorian Women's Benevolent Trust. The Victorian Women's Trust is inspired by the vision of a just and humane society in which women enjoy full participation as equal citizens. They believe that by creating a better world for women, we create a better world for men, children, families and communities. Established in 1985 in recognition of women's role in shaping Victoria, the Trust has positioned itself as one of Australia's foremost women's organisations.

The funding injection saw Helping Hoops Women's Development Coach

Renee Clarke increase her role dramatically. Accordingly, we have incorporated more activities to ensure we are reaching even more young women who will benefit from being involved in Helping Hoops programs. Renee has specifically focused on creating a welcoming and inclusive environment at programs and actively going out into the community to visit schools and groups. This outreach effort has brought awareness of opportunities to girls and linked many new participants with Helping Hoops programs.

Helping Hoops has set a goal of a 25 per cent minimum female participation across all programs. With the support of the Grosvenor Foundation and the Victorian Women's Benevolent Trust, we are confident we can not only achieve this mark, but increase it over the next 12 months.



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KUANY KUANY PURSUES HIS HOOP DREAMS

Kuany Kuany has been a participant in Helping Hoops since 2011. From a skinny boy to a physically imposing young man, we have watched Kuany grow on and off the court. Helping Hoops is truly impressed by his work ethic, community focus and all around outlook on life.

It was with pleasure that we assisted Kuany and his family access an opportunity to attend high school in Florida, USA at Victory Rock Prep by eliminating the travel barrier. The mission of Victory Rock is to not only provide an education for aspiring student-athletes, but also produce high-level basketball players capable of becoming college and professional athletes.

Kuany hopes to use the opportunity to secure a college scholarship in future years and already talks of his big plans to one day give back to the Helping Hoops community should he reach the pinnacle of basketball – the NBA.

Young people like Kuany are role models for the many Helping Hoops

participants who are looking to use basketball as a vehicle to open up new possibilities and travel to new places. We are excited to see what he makes of the opportunity and look forward to sharing his progress.

WELCOME COACH STEVE

In 2016, we officially welcomed our fifth coach to the Helping Hoops ranks. Steve Bacash has volunteered at our Richmond and North Melbourne programs on a weekly basis since 2012. When opportunities became available to fill in as head coach at both programs, Steve was the obvious choice. Steve developed his already extensive skill set in a short period of time and we were thrilled to offer him the head coaching job at Richmond and North Melbourne on a permanent basis. Steve's responsibilities increased to also include taking over Helping Hoops Croxton in 2016 – a program he has thrived in.

Steve refers to programs as "like a little family" and we feel extremely lucky to have him on board.

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SOUTH SUDANESE AUSTRALIAN SUMMER SLAM

Frankston was again the venue for the 2015 instalment of the South Sudanese Australian Summer Slam, which is one of two annual tournaments organised by the South Sudanese Australian National Basketball Association (SSANBA). The Summer Slam saw 48 teams from across Australia compete over five divisions and consolidate its significance as the largest gathering of South Sudanese Australians in the country.

The three-day event saw competition across all six courts at Frankston Basketball Stadium, with more slam dunks, athleticism, noise and most importantly – crowd support – than you would expect to see at any other basketball tournament in Australia. Although the players and spectators faced oppressive heat, which saw court temperatures reach 38 degrees, the sense of community and sportsmanship on display was a credit to all involved.

The competitions culminated on Sunday December 20 with semi-finals

deciding the finalists for the afternoon. The Slam Dunk Contest did not disappoint, with Melbourne's Solomon Deer wowing the packed stadium of over 500 spectators. The 2015 Summer Slam also welcomed a new innovation – live streaming – which was kindly provided by Frankston Basketball Association for the Slam Dunk Contest and Open Men's final.

Tournament organiser Manyang Berberi said:

"The SSANBA is a community organisation that seeks to engage youth through sport. We have helped thousands of young people over the years. We want young people to concentrate on their education and basketball at their free time."

Helping Hoops is a proud partner of the Summer Slam and provides in-kind help through contributions from dozens of volunteers. We would like to thank all who made the Summer Slam possible and congratulate all the players, coaches and team managers on their excellent work and valuable contribution to their community.



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CONNECTING WITH THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

2016 saw Helping Hoops collaborate with the Twelve Batmitzvah and Thirteen Barmitzvah programs to help create greater cross-cultural understanding between our children and those from the wider community. The programs provide volunteering opportunities for children as they approach their bar or bat Mitzvah (age 13 and 12 respectively). Philanthropy plays a big part in this significant event for the Jewish community, and we were only too happy to include Helping Hoops as part of their activities.

A total of six Sunday sessions were run at the North Richmond Public Housing Estate, which is home to Helping Hoops Richmond. For our Richmond participants it was seen as a bonus session, but for the Twelve and Thirteen children and families it was a unique opportunity to get to know people from a different world by sharing a common activity. This was eye opening for many of the families, who experienced a snapshot of life on the public housing estate. One parent was particularly horrified at finding a

used syringe nearby and ensured he brought this to the attention of the group to highlight the many challenges facing residents in their everyday lives.

On the court, both groups of children enjoyed making new friends and playing basketball. It quickly became evident that children do not see each other and apply the same labels as we do, and this is something we found incredibly profound and valuable.

Twelve organiser Moran Dvir said of the sessions:

"It was a fun, energising and interactive afternoon with Helping Hoops. We ran, we dribbled, we laughed, ate and had fun – and experienced the great work this organisation does bringing kids together to learn skills, build self esteem and have a healthy and active lifestyle."

Twelve and Thirteen plan to continue their partnership with Helping Hoops in 2017 with a series of sessions. We look forward to building on the great work we have undertaken together in 2016.



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HELPING HOOPS FUTURE

Early 2016 saw the addition of our eighth program, Helping Hoops Future. Helping Hoops Future, a name chosen by participants, is a free, multicultural basketball program targeted specifically at the older and more advanced young people who have come through local Helping Hoops community programs and are seeking to continue their basketball into their late teens.

Helping Hoops community programs cater for children aged 7 to 14, so it is inevitable that older participants outgrow their programs at some stage and move on. Helping Hoops Future helps extend the influence of Helping Hoops and keeps us relevant for young people as they attempt to navigate their late teens.

Helping Hoops Future includes a Wednesday basketball session in Footscray plus a strength and conditioning session on Sundays at Fitness First QV in Melbourne's CBD. The group, largely from a South Sudanese Australian background, have bought in whole heartedly to the program and have been instrumental

in establishing the strong identity of Future through their applaudable work ethic, willingness to learn and overall excellent attitude.

The program – initially established with Coach Eric Minerve – has since moved to a collaborative approach with coaches Nima Sobhani, David Maddock and Denver Fernandes overseeing Wednesday sessions. Strength and conditioning coach Nick Garcia takes Sundays in the gym with the help of a contingent of invaluable volunteers including Taylor Acheson and Jimmy Mullins. Helping Hoops Future has also been a great opportunity to welcome guest coaches and expose participants to people who have a wealth of experience, both on and off the court. Guests have included Melbourne United's Simon Mitchell, top basketball prospect Emmanuel Malou, former Melbourne Tiger great Nigel Purchase and No Limits Basketball's Pete Maunder.

Helping Hoops Future is a game changer for our organisation and we are extremely proud of all those who have contributed to make it a great success in such a short period of time.



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INAUGURAL TOURNAMENT FOR KIDS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

April 2016 saw Helping Hoops hold our first ever tournament for kids with special needs. The Croxton-Broadmeadows Tournament welcomed over 20 participants from our Croxton and Broadmeadows programs, which date back to October 2010.

Four teams were formed on the day, with coaches and volunteers each managing a squad and ensuring players were given the direction and encouragement they needed. Seeing the reaction from children as they made shots or passes really brought home the fact that the tournament was not just about basketball.

For many, the tournament was their first experience of competitive basketball and the children left the gym at the end of the day with a real feeling of accomplishment. The event was also a great opportunity to include families and establish an even stronger sense of community among all those involved with Helping Hoops. The children enjoyed playing in front of a full gymnasium of spectators, and the

families enjoyed cheering on their kids as they showcased their abilities.

Coaches and volunteers were especially pleased to see the skills, sportsmanship and overall positive values they have been teaching each week on display during the event. Seeing the progress of the children was particularly rewarding, and events such as the Croxton-Broadmeadows Tournament provide a stage for participants to show their abilities. We believe these abilities far exceed the challenges they face living with a disability.

Given the success of the inaugural Croxton-Broadmeadows Tournament, we plan to continue the event to provide more opportunities for our children with special needs.



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY TOURNAMENTS

Helping Hoops has run school holiday tournament for select programs over the years and has refined a successful model that can be applied to virtually any location. We decided to expand our tournaments to include every program in 2016, with the April 2016 holidays filled with five action-packed events in Fitzroy, Dandenong, Richmond, North Melbourne and the highlight of them all – the first ever Croxton-Broadmeadows Tournament for children with special needs (see previous page).

Tournaments sharpen the focus of children and provide an opportunity to test not only their on-court skills but also their values when it comes to sportsmanship and teamwork. Tournaments are also an excellent way to keep Helping Hoops participants engaged at a time where they need structured and fun activities. Many do not enjoy the same level of parental involvement in their lives as other children, and the void created by the absence of school must be filled. Rather than see our children make poor choices on how to spend their time, we strive to give them a

positive alternative, which has been the catalyst for expanding our school holiday tournaments in 2016.

Going forward, we plan to run tournaments for all programs in the April and September holidays and look forward to sharing the fun with our communities.

MOLTEN PARTNERSHIP

Since 2011, Molten has been a valued partner of Helping Hoops through their in-kind sponsorship that ensures our children and programs are never in need of a basketball. This partnership has again continued in 2015-16.

As a charity which does not derive an income from our programs and projects, Helping Hoops relies heavily on the support of our community. The ongoing relationship with Molten is a perfect example of the basketball community stepping up to help us help children in need.

Thanks to the team at Madison Sports for their ongoing support of Helping Hoops.



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ROLE MODELS RETURN TO INSPIRE

Helping Hoops does not set out to create the next Michael or LeBron. Our mission is to instil strong, positive values at the community level through inclusion and participation. However, when we do see athletic talent come out of our programs and use basketball to access incredible opportunities, it is pretty cool.

In 2016, we were joined by four special guests who all fit into this category: Deng Adel from Louisville University, Kuany Kuany from Chaminade University, Wally Elmour from New Mexico State as well as Deng Kuany from Miles Community College.

These four young men have all come out of Helping Hoops programs or have been involved with us in some form. They spoke passionately with the participants of the Helping Hoops Future program about their experience and the required work ethic and tenacity needed to make them successful to this point. Helping Hoops Future consists of many young men from a migrant background who wish to follow in the footsteps of

Deng, Kuany, Wally and Deng and all in attendance thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to learn from their role models.

Louisville's Deng Adel said:

"I basically started where all these kids started. Through the Helping Hoops program, Longhorns Basketball and a couple of other rep programs. The biggest thing was being consistent with what I do and surrounding yourself with the right people."

The four also took advantage of the opportunity to work out with Helping Hoops volunteer Nick Garcia who took them through a training program at Fitness First QV to ensure they stay fit and ready to attack the new college season when it began later in the year.

We wish all four the best for their future athletic and academic endeavours and thank them for giving back by inspiring our young people who hope to one day emulate their success.



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SIXTH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

May 5 2016 saw Helping Hoops celebrate six years of fun. The charity started in late 2009 and was officially incorporated in 2010. Helping Hoops came from a simple idea – to provide underprivileged children with a space where they feel they belong and are exposed to positive values and life lessons through weekly contact with mentors and coaches who are able to guide them, both on and off the court.

Six years on, the number of programs may have increased but this basic mission has remained the same.

In 2010, Helping Hoops ran one program each week, had one coach and one volunteer administrator, and a handful of volunteer committee members. In 2016, we now run eight weekly programs, over 350 yearly sessions, have half a dozen talented and dedicated coaches, two back-end staff members, a thriving committee, and over 50 active volunteers that make the charity a vibrant and amazing place to be. We have partnerships with household names, put on events attracting thousands

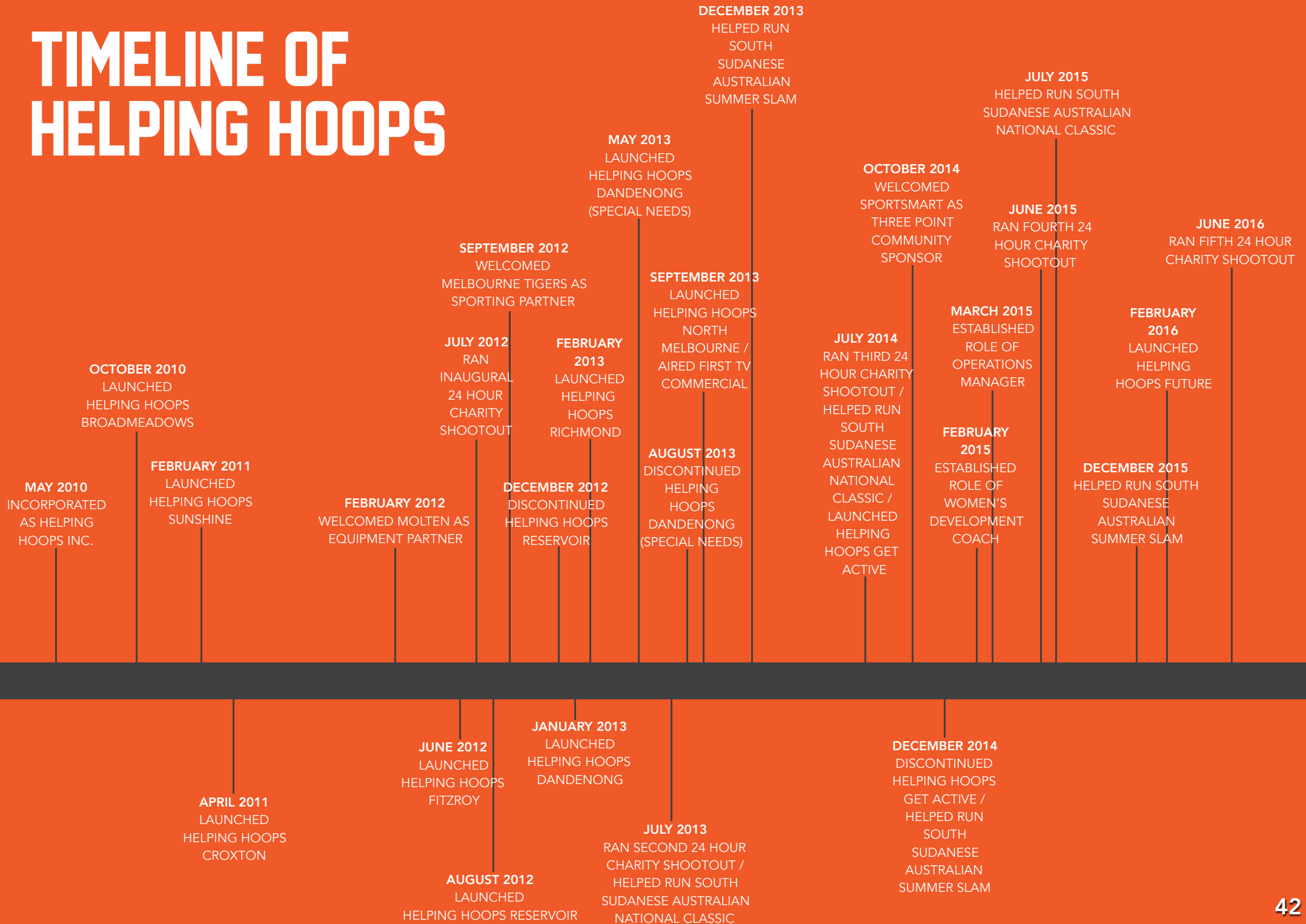
and have fans and supporters all over the world.

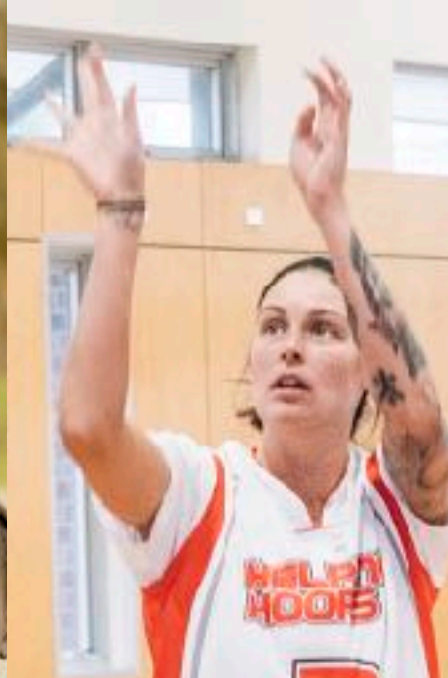
It has been a busy six years. So, with the self congratulations over, let us look forward to the next six years. We have plans to take Helping Hoops forward and reach even more communities who can benefit from our free programs. We believe we have something special to offer disadvantaged children across Melbourne, and our efforts are focused on resourcing the push to expand our programs whilst still delivering our current initiatives at a high level.

Thanks goes to all the volunteers, coaches, children, staff, families, committee members, ambassadors and supporters who have helped us help children thus far. Without you there would be no six-year celebration. We are looking forward to driving ahead with your passion and support.

Happy birthday to us.

TIMELINE OF HELPING HOOPS





OUR AMBASSADORS

BEN SHEWRY

Despite running one of the world's most renowned restaurants in Attica, Ben continues to give his time and energy to Helping Hoops. Whether it be participating in the 24 Hour Charity Shootout or using his position to fundraise for the charity, Ben always has our back and is extremely proactive in his support. We are lucky to have him in our corner.

CHRIS ANSTEY

Chris is one of Australia's most decorated players having played in the NBA, represented Australia at two Olympics and winning three championships and two MVP awards in the NBL. Chris is a keen supporter of the 24 Hour Charity Shootout and is always on the lookout for new opportunities to advance Helping Hoops.

CHRIS GOULDING

Chris plays for our Sporting Partner Melbourne United in the NBL and has also represented Australia at the 2016 Rio Olympics. Chris has recently produced his own CG43 T-shirts which were sold to raise money for Helping Hoops. Chris is also a keen supporter of the 24 Hour Charity Shootout where he is a favourite among the Helping Hoops kids.

TEGAN CUNNINGHAM

Tegan is a current WNBL player for the Melbourne Boomers and former champion with the Dandenong Rangers. She has previously been a member of the Australian Opals squad and has been active at the program level having visited and coached at many Helping Hoops sessions.

LANCE HURDLE

Lance is a former NBL and NBA D-League player who connected with Helping Hoops during his time in Australia. Lance has attended events and visited programs where he shared his experience and skills with Helping Hoops kids. Despite being back in the USA, Lance continues to support Helping Hoops from afar.

A black and white photograph of two young children, a girl and a boy, standing on a basketball court. They are both holding a large, bright orange rectangular sign. The girl, on the left, is wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt and shorts, and has her mouth wide open in a shout. The boy, on the right, is also wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt and shorts, and has his mouth open and his right hand raised with fingers spread. The sign they are holding is orange with white text that reads "HELPING HOOPS". The background is a blurred basketball court with a fence and trees in the distance.

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FINANCIAL REPORT



INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF

HELPING HOOPS

Scope

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report of: for the year ended 30th June 2016, as set out in the Profit and Loss Statement, Balance Sheet, Notes to the Financial Statements. The entity's management is responsible for the financial statements and have determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements is appropriate to meet the needs of the members of the entity. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the entity. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, and described in Note 1, is appropriate to the needs of the members of the entity. The financial statements have been prepared for use by the members of the entity. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial statements to which it relates to any person other than the members of the entity, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting as defined in AASB: Accounting Policies: Determination, Application and Disclosure, applying Australian Accounting Standards (if any) deemed necessary by the entity's management in the circumstances and the provisions of Miscellaneous Professional Statement APS 1 "Conformity with Accounting Standards and IIG Consensus View" relevant to a special purpose financial report, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of all applicable Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of the entity present fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of the entity as at 30th June 2016 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Name of Firm: 3GK Accounting Tax Super

Name of Partner:  Stephen G. Kiley

Address: 3/26 The Parade West, Kent Town SA 5067

Dated this 27th day of August 2016

FINANCIAL REPORT

PROFIT & LOSS

	2016 \$	2015 \$
INCOME		
FUNDRAISING	-	16,011.06
GRANTS	69,755.00	74,464.09
DONATIONS	10,020.23	48,404.40
24 HOUR CHARITY SHOOTOUT	69,741.90	60,275.26
SPONSORSHIP	21,598.34	4,181.82
SALES	-	1,181.92
INTEREST RECEIVED	87.67	252.44
OTHER REVENUE	1,399.39	1,612.50
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EXPENDITURE

ACCOUNTANCY FEES	470.03	807.75
ADVERTISING	1,987.49	740.39
BANK CHARGES	705.07	767.10
COACHING	51,835.00	50,040.00
CONTRACT WORK	718.05	864.14
ELECTRICITY	376.19	551.89
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	5,892.49	7,726.80
FREIGHT & CARTAGE	1,564.27	429.58
GST WRITTEN OFF	75.42	20.00
HIRE OF COURTS	12,173.10	10,788.19
INSURANCE	4,063.66	4,046.09
INTERNET	1,068.40	1,182.78
MISC EXPENDITURE	-	1,539.44
PRINTING & STATIONERY	1,310.82	4,116.17
RATES & TAXES	-	400.25
RENT	5,780.00	5,280.00
SALARY SACRIFICE	21,127.33	-
STAFF TRAINING & WELFARE	170.00	-
SUNDRY EXPENSES	4,488.78	-
SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	12,999.47	12,639.63
TELEPHONE	215.68	322.41
TOOL REPLACEMENT	2,933.27	507.27
TRAVELING EXPENSES	111.02	122.55
TROPHIES	130.91	170.00
UNIFORMS	820.00	3,789.09
WAGES	65,899.40	75,795.90
WATER	140.18	160.40
WORKERS COMPENSATION	3,493.51	2,791.51
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NET PROFIT/LOSS	-\$27,947.01	\$20,784.16

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Glen Hall

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Croxton

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Dawn Ah Gee

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Tess Haveaux

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A black and white photograph of a young boy, likely of African descent, wearing a basketball jersey with a crest. He is looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. The background is blurred, showing other people in a gymnasium.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

BECOME A MEMBER

Become a member of Helping Hoops by making a monthly donation and enjoy great benefits, including a Member T-shirt, a personal video shout-out from a Helping Hoops participant, having your say with a vote at our AGM and more.

Sign up today at
helpinghoops.com.au/member

HOST AN EVENT

Whether it be a Charity Challenge at your work, or a Helping Hoops Coach running a session at your school or basketball club, we are always looking to get out into the community to spread the word.

Find out which event best suits you at helpinghoops.com.au/hostanevent

DONATE

All Helping Hoops programs are run free of charge for kids and their communities. We rely on your support to sustain and grow Helping Hoops so we can reach even more children in need.

Make a tax-deductible donation online at helpinghoops.com.au/donate

VOLUNTEER

Whether your skills are on the basketball court or behind the scenes, we rely heavily on volunteers to keep Helping Hoops thriving.

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