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LIFE-SAVING DEFIBRILLATORS FOR LOCAL SPORTS CLUBS

Local sports clubs in Albury, Howlong, Holbrook and Culcairn, are set to benefit under the NSW Government's Local Sport Defibrillator Program.

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin, announced today that under the first round of the Program eleven clubs had been successful and will now be able to install the life-saving portable device.

List of successful clubs:

- Albury Holbrook Polocrosse Club
- Albury Tennis Association
- Albury Wodonga Clay Target Club
- Culcairn Town Tennis Club
- East Albury Cricket Club Inc
- Hockey Albury Wodonga
- Holbrook Ultralight Club Inc
- Howlong Country Golf Club
- Melrose Football Club
- North Albury Sports Club
- Lavington Springdale Heights Community Centre Inc

"It is great to see local clubs applying for these grants and making their sport safer for players and spectators," Mr Aplin said.

"So far more than 430 defibrillators have been allocated across the state and I am confident that more clubs will apply when round two of the program opens in the middle of the year."

Minister for Sport Stuart Ayres said the program will help save lives.

"More than 33,000 Australians experience cardiac arrest every year and early access to CPR and defibrillation can influence survival rates by up to 75 percent," Mr Ayres said.

"More than 2,500 defibrillators will be installed at community sporting facilities over the next four years as part of the Government's \$4 million program.

"The NSW Government initiative supports up to 50 per cent of the defibrillator cost, training and maintenance and I encourage local sports clubs and councils that have not yet applied to consider the program."

The next round of applications opens in the middle of this year.

For more information visit: sport.nsw.gov.au/clubs/grants/defibrillator **Media**

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