

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Have Your Say: A Recreation Strategy for the Huon Valley

Huon Valley Council wants to make sure our community's recreation needs are being met which is why we have appointed Inspiring Place consultants to help develop a ten year recreation strategy.

Council is the major provider of recreational facilities in our region so we want to make sure we get the strategy right.

Councils around Australia have become more involved in providing non-organised sporting activities for their communities, like skating, walking and bushwalking, fishing, water sports and bike riding. At the same time more traditional team sports including football, cricket, netball and soccer remain popular choices.

Mayor Bec Enders says it's great to see more people getting out and being active.

"Recreation builds healthier communities," she said.

"It brings people and families together where they can socialise and learn new skills, work towards feeling healthier both physically and mentally and there are indirect benefits too, for example, a physically active community can reduce crime simply by spending more time outside in public areas.

"Council is committed to do all it can to improve the lives of our residents and we want them to have their say on what's most important."

The consultants will be hosting a series of workshops to hear community ideas and suggestions.

It is important that we hear from people of all ages and people with different levels of mobility. Why not consider attending a workshop with your family members?

If you would like to attend one of these workshops, please RSVP to the Huon Valley Council by calling 6264 0300.

## For more information: Mayor Bec Enders (03) 6264 0300