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### Local community wins with Ipswich groups' grant success

Ipswich not-for-profit organisations will be able to better serve their community when they share in more than \$151,000 thanks to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund, Member for Ipswich, Rachel Nolan MP announced today.

"The work community groups perform across the State is vital – they help Queenslanders from all walks of life maintain healthy lifestyles by encouraging participation in hobbies, sports, community events and much more," Ms Nolan said.

"Grants allocated in this 53<sup>rd</sup> round will support seven different projects, enabling groups to continue providing wonderful and rewarding opportunities to the local community," she said.

"Project-based grants make a real and positive difference to the lives of many Queenslanders by strengthening the networks between community members and offering people the chance to take part in interesting and rewarding activities.

"All Queenslanders ultimately benefit from the levies placed on gambling activities when the money is redistributed to local groups in the form of project-based grants."

This round's funding will see the allocation of over \$8.6 million to support 509 projects across the State.

Since its inception in 1994, the Gambling Community Benefit Fund has distributed over \$333 million to more than 30,500 community projects.

Grant recipients include:

Organisation	Purpose	Amount
• Breathe Easy Ipswich Inc.	Chronic disease self management course	\$13,042
• Bremer State High School Parents & Citizens Association	Develop school gym	\$30,000
• Churchill State School Parents & Citizens Association	Construct playground - prep	\$30,000

• Ipswich Kindergarten Association Inc.	Upgrade floor coverings	\$18,879
• Ipswich Orpheus Chorale Inc.	Radio microphones, digital piano and copier	\$29,850
• Scouts Australia Queensland Branch - Raceview	Upgrade facilities and maintenance equipment	\$25,000
• Yamanto Community Kindergarten & Preschool Association Inc.	Purchase multi-function photocopier	\$4,545

The Fund distributes revenue generated from levies placed on Golden Casket lotteries, wagering, keno, and gaming machines in Queensland.

Queensland-based organisations can apply for up to \$30,000 for standard projects, and larger grants may be considered for more complex projects.

For more information on the Gambling Community Benefit Fund or to obtain a funding application package, visit [www.gcbf.qld.gov.au](http://www.gcbf.qld.gov.au), or call (07) 3247 4284 or 1800 633 619 (freecall outside Brisbane).

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