



**SPECIAL OLYMPICS**  
NATIONAL GAMES 2014  
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

# GAMES NEWS

## MORE COMPETITION!

Today, I finally got to tick off a visit to every sport on the National Games schedule and what an event it has been with medal matches in basketball and football (soccer) to wrap up the Games tomorrow. But before we depart there will be a spectacular Closing Ceremony and celebration at Luna Park. I can't wait to see everyone together again tomorrow as we celebrate what has been a great week of sport, fun and friendship.

Nicola Stokes, Chief Executive Officer  
Special Olympics Australia



Today, our picture of the day comes from equestrian. Photo: Geoff Clark.

## NATIONAL GAMES PHOTOS

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## NATIONAL GAMES RESULTS

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## BHP AND SOFTBALL

There were plenty of smiles and laughs at Fawkner Park today as volunteers from the National Games Principal Partner BHP Billiton got a slice of the action. They participated in a unity softball match against Team Victoria who emerged as comfortable winners!

## CRICKET DEMONSTRATION



Basketball medal matches will be hotly contested tomorrow. Photo: Special Olympics Australia.



Football final are also on tomorrow. Photo: Special Olympics Australia.

The National Games Organising Committee are posting results online. [Click here](#) to access results.

## CLOSING CEREMONY



Tomorrow night the National Games will conclude with a fantastic Closing Ceremony at the Palais Theatre at 3.15pm followed by a celebration at Luna Park at 5pm where everyone can let their hair down after a solid week of competition. If you haven't purchased tickets, they are still available from the National Games Event Office, Albert Park. If you have bought tickets, but haven't collected them you will need to pick them up at the Event Office before 2pm, 24 October 2014. The Event Office is located at Building 1, Pit Lane, Aughtie Drive, Albert Park.

## HEALTHY ATHLETES



Opening Eyes at the Healthy Athletes program. Photo: Special Olympics Australia.

The volunteer health professionals at Healthy Athletes



Volunteers from Cricket Victoria, Victoria Spirit Womens Team and Victoria University conducted skills clinics followed by a demonstration cricket match with local schools as part of the cricket program at the National Games. The event was held at the picturesque Albert Cricket Ground in St Kilda, which is the home of Melbourne Cricket Club, regarded as the oldest sporting club in Australia. Cricket has grown significantly in Special Olympics Australia over the past few years, with a National competition now held annually in Adelaide.

## SPORTS WRAP



Tenpin Bowling action. Photo: Geoff Clark

Special Olympics Australia has volunteer reporters out in the field talking to the Special Olympics family and sharing their stories. Check out their tales – raw and unedited – on [our website](#).

## INVITATION

Families and friends of Special Olympics Australia are invited to the Achieve Your Dream Exhibition celebrating the Special Olympics Australia National Games at Splash Gallery, Phoenix Youth Centre, 72 Buckley St, Footscray 3011. An award ceremony is being held on Friday, 24 October 2014 from 10.30-11.30am.

## MERCHANDISE



Your last chance to purchase Special Olympics Australia National Games merchandise is at tomorrow night's Closing Ceremony or [online](#) now.

are wrapping up their equipment and tallying the results of thousands of health screenings. Results will be posted in our Games wrapup next week.

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