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Information Sheet - 2026/27 Clay Target Shooting Program

Gippsland Sports Academy (GSA) will again run its Clay Target Shooting Program in 2026/27 with Andrew Brady as Head Coach. Andrew will be assisted with local coaches for this year. Program content and design will be tailored to the athletes selected, taking into account their age, experience and current skill level. Athletes must be a **minimum of 12 years of age (up to 21 years)** and be regularly competing, or preparing to commence competition, at club level.

Athletes offered a place in the squad will get the opportunity to attend 5 coaching days in 2026-27 and participate in Sport Science sessions provided by the GSA.

Dependant on registered numbers, we will continue with three squads at our training days, with all levels catered for:

- Trap
- Skeet
- Sporting

This Junior Development Program is a sub-elite level coaching program. It is intended to prepare athletes for events of a calibre to achieve results capable of national program selection, (e.g. ACTA Academy). As such there is a reasonable expectation that athletes (with parental assistance) will seek out and compete in events in their discipline at significant club events, interschool competition, all State and National Championships.

Additional attributes we are looking for in clay target athletes:

- Potential shown within clay target shooting since taking up the sport.
- Positive attitude towards learning new skills.
- Willingness to commit to training.

Athletes selected are expected to represent the GSA positively in coaching and competition and may be required to wear GSA uniform when competing.

Please see below a brief overview of the program:

Induction Day	<p>Date: Wednesday 8th July</p> <p>Venue: TAFE Gippsland, Yallourn Campus, Newborough</p> <p>Time: 9.45am – 2.15pm (Time TBC)</p> <p>Induction day is held for all GSA athletes.</p>
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<p>Sessions to be held</p>	<p>Session 1: Tuesday 30th June 2026 (first Tuesday of school holidays) @ Bairnsdale F&G</p> <p>Session 2: Tuesday 22nd September 2026 (first Tuesday of school holidays) @ Korumburra ACTA</p> <p>Session 3: Monday 7th December 2026 (first Monday of school holidays); Victorian Inter Academy Training Day & Competition @ Werribee Victorian CTC; <u>11am - 3pm</u></p> <p>Session 4: January 2027 Date TBC (school holidays)</p> <p>Session 5: March/April 2027 Date TBC (Easter school holidays)</p> <p>(All training sessions start at 10am and finish at 3pm – unless otherwise advised)</p> <p>ACE Day: April 2027 (TBC): Sport Science sessions (school holiday program)</p>
<p>Strength and Conditioning sessions</p>	<p>Strength and Conditioning sessions will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Face to face – athletes can attend 1 or 2 sessions per month July 2026 – April 2027 ➤ Individual Home programs based on Musculo Skeletal screenings are given to each athlete and logged through Lumin Sports <p>This is a critical component of the program, attendance is expected.</p>
<p>Musculo-Skeletal Screening</p>	<p>All athletes new and returning must undergo a musculo-skeletal screening.</p> <p>We have partnered with Gippsland Physiotherapy Group (GPG), for our screenings.</p> <p>Upon acceptance of your invitation into the program, you will receive a phone call directly from GPG asking you to book an appointment at a location suitable to you.</p> <p>Cost for these screenings will be \$85</p>

<p>Cost & Payment</p>	<p>Final costs are determined by the final number of athletes that accept their position with the Academy.</p> <p>Costs per athlete for the 2026/27 program will be confirmed shortly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Athlete Levies - TBC (inc GST) - Uniform costs approx \$100 Compulsory item - (Polo, Jacket). There is an option to purchase additional items – all to be ordered via our website with direct delivery. - GSA Shooting Vests- Compulsory item- approx \$260 <p>Full payment must be paid to the GSA prior to the first session (30th June 2026) unless a payment plan is in place.</p> <p>Account Name: Gippsland Regional Sports Academy BSB: 313-140 Acc No: 12017329 Ref: Athlete Full Name</p> <p>Fees will be invoiced upon acceptance of your position in the program.</p> <p>*NOTE: Final costs are determined by the final number of athletes that accept their position with the Academy.</p>
<p>Sport Integrity Australia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All athletes will have a presentation on Sport Integrity Australia <p>All athletes MUST complete the required Sport Integrity level:</p> <p>New athletes to complete Clean Sport 101</p> <p>1st year Returning athletes to complete antidoping fundamentals</p> <p>2nd + year Returning athletes to complete annual update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The link is: https://elearning.sportintegrity.gov.au/login/index.php <p>Completion of Sport Integrity is a requirement by the Victorian Institute of Sport and Sport and Recreation Victoria and therefore must be completed to be eligible for graduation.</p>
<p>Uniform Requirements</p>	<p>Uniform must be ordered – Polo, Jacket, (cap if you wear one) and GSA shooting vest is the minimum requirement (if you do not already have one). Athletes are to wear their GSA uniform at all sessions. No Club uniforms are to be worn at GSA sessions.</p> <p>Link will be provided with invitation letter.</p>

Expectations of Athletes	<p>Athletes are expected to attend all Academy activities, where possible, this involves committing to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Attend all training sessions except athletes who have an agreement with the Head Coach to attend State or National opportunities.➤ Follow the strength and conditioning program, including completing components at home.➤ Attend other Academy functions such as:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- ACE day April 2027 (date TBC)- Awards evening 7th May 2027 <p>Be a registered member of Victorian Clay Target Association in 2026.</p>
Friends of the Academy	<p>In order to offset costs, the Academy has a program called 'Friends of the Academy'. This is a donation program whereby athletes seek support from local businesses and friends to contribute towards the costs. Further details will be given upon invitation into the program.</p>

To register your interest in the 2026 CTS Program please complete the form at the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/gsaewi2627cts>

or contact:

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Yours truly



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