

# 2015 NSW Club Census - Clubs in Regional NSW

The NSW Clubs industry remains a significant contributor to the NSW regional economy and a supporter and employer of regional communities.



## 739

Clubs in Regional Areas of NSW in 2015

## 2.8m

Regional Club Memberships in 2015

## 58m

Visits to Sporting, Recreation and Cultural Facilities in Regional Clubs in NSW in 2015

## \$5.1b

Total Written Down Value of Regional Club Assets in 2015

## \$466m

Social Contribution of Clubs in Regional NSW in 2015



## \$1.2b

Economic Contribution of Clubs in Regional NSW in 2015

## \$406m

Taxes paid by Clubs in Regional NSW in 2015

## \$567m

Investment in New Assets by Clubs in Regional NSW in the Past 5 Years



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Clubs in regional NSW exhibit slightly lower levels of financial health than metropolitan based Clubs.

# 23,300

Jobs Supported by Clubs in Regional NSW in 2015

Clubs in regional NSW employed 23,000 people in 2015, comprising 12,454 direct FTEs and 10,867 indirect FTEs employed.



# \$689m

Total Cost of Salaries, Wages and Superannuation Paid by Clubs in Regional NSW in 2015

# \$32m

Cash Donations by NSW Clubs Located in Regional Areas in 2015

# 17,000

Club Volunteers in Regional NSW in 2015

# 1m

Hours Contributed by Club Volunteers in Regional NSW in 2015

## Case Study

Toronto Diggers

Toronto Diggers had more than 6,000 members in 2015. Like all Clubs, Toronto Diggers was founded to serve the local community.

When diversification options were considered the Club found that there was a strong demand for a medical centre, with few GPs in the area opening their books to new patients.

Recognising this, Toronto Diggers sought to address the shortage of general practitioners in the area by building a new medical facility, the Alec Rice Centre, adjacent to the Club. Completed in September 2014, the Alec Rice Centre is a

multidisciplinary medical centre with services such as a general practice, pathology, physiotherapy, psychology, dietetics, podiatry and dental services, along with a pharmacy, Commonwealth Bank and a café.

Over 200 patients visit the facility each day, enabling local residents to access health care easily. Before the Centre, patients would have to travel 20-30 minutes out of town to see a doctor.

*“Clubs are owned by their members and exist to serve their local community, so once we realised just how much a new medical centre was needed, it was clear what we’d use the land for.*

*The Alec Rice Centre not only benefits our members, it benefits the whole community. People don’t have to travel as far to see a doctor now that there are great medical facilities in Toronto.”*

**- General Manager, Cathy Handcock**

Clubs remain important to the NSW economy and employment as a whole.

For regional economies however, Clubs often play an even more important role as a key employer in the local community.



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