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VTG would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Brayakaulung people of the Gunaikurnai nation and pay respect to their Elders past and present. We also acknowledge other Elders present with us at the event.

### From the Games Chair

To VTG participants,

I am delighted to welcome you back to Latrobe City for the 2024 Victorian Teachers' Games (VTG) delivered by School Sport Victoria (SSV), as part of the Department of Education. I'm excited to Experience the Fun at my very first VTG. Whether you're here for the first time like me or as a returning participant, welcome to Latrobe City.

With over 30 sporting, recreation, wellness and social activities on offer across over 70 sessions, VTG offers a wide range of events for you to enjoy. All the best to you and your teams participating in

the range of sporting, wellness and social events as part of VTG.

VTG provides an opportunity for you to celebrate, relax and recharge. Most importantly, it allows you to connect with colleagues and meet other teachers from across Victoria to share a laugh and create fond memories. I hope that you also get the opportunity to experience all that Latrobe City has to offer.

The opportunity to embody the VTG theme of 'Participate, Connect, Inspire' has been evident in previous years. 96% of VTG participants in 2023 believed VTG benefitted their health and wellbeing and increases the value of the role that sport, recreation or wellness activities plays in their lives.

The VTG team sincerely thanks Major Partner rebel; Merchandise Partner S-Trend; Community Partners Australian Education Union, Gaga Games and Aqualyte Hydration; and Charity Partner Gippsland Regional Emergency Fund for their support of VTG 2024.

Thank you to the dedicated VTG team at School Sport Victoria for their extensive planning for this year's event, and in working alongside the many event conveners, we are aiming to make VTG a positive and enjoyable experience.

See you there!

Jamie Parsons

**CEO** 

**School Sport Victoria** 

## 2024 Schedule



be active

be mindful

be social

SUNDAY 22 September MONDAY 23 September TUESDAY 24 September WEDNESDAY 25 September

### **AM SESSION**

10:00am - 1:30pm

Amazing Race (11am)

Amazing Race (12:30pm)

<u>Pickleball</u>

9:30am - 1:00pm

Brunch & Bowl (10am

Croquet

<u>Dodgeball</u>

Fistball (NEW)

Golf (Stableford) ♥

<u>Laser Skirmish (NEW)</u>

Lawn Bowls (Barefoot)

Netball (MI)

<u>Salti (10:45am)</u>

<u>Salti (11:45am)</u>

Ten Pin (Teams) ★
Volleyball (Social MI)

9:30am - 1:00pm

<u>Bocce</u>

Brunch & Bowl (10am)

Clip n Climb (10am)

Laser Skirmish (NEW)

<u>Lawn Bowls (Barefoot)</u>

<u>Lawn Bowls (Pennant SI)</u>

Netball (MI)

Salti (11:45am)

<u>Ten Pin (Teams)</u> ★

9:30am - 1:00pm

Laser Skirmish (NEW)

Netball (Women)

<u>Pickleball</u>

Ten Pin (Teams)





SI Singles
DB Doubles
MI Mixed
M & W Men & Women

All other events commence at beginning of session time or within session time stated. Check individual event details for more information.

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No PM Session

events scheduled

### **PM** SESSION

2:00pm - 5:30pm

**Badminton** 

Croquet

Cross Country

Golf (Ambrose Pairs)

Lawn Bowls (Barefoot)

<u>Pickleball</u>

Volleyball (Social MI)

2:00pm - 5:30pm

Basketball (MI)

<u>Croquet</u>

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<u>Dodgeball (MI)</u>

Golf (Ambrose Teams)

<u>Laser Skirmish (NEW)</u>

<u>Lawn Bowls (Barefoot)</u>

Netball (Mixed)

Paint & Sip (NEW)

Ten Pin (Social DB)

Volleyball (Social MI)

2:00pm - 5:30pm

<u>Darts</u>

Laser Skirmish (NEW)

Lawn Bowls (Barefoot)

<u> Lawn Bowls (Pennant DB)</u>

Netball (Mixed)

Paint & Sip (NEW)

<u>Pickleball</u>

Table Tennis (NEW)

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LEGEND

SI Singles
DB Doubles

MI Mixed

All other events commence at beginning of session time or within session time stated. Check individual event details for more information.

For detailed event information visit https://www.victeachersgames.com.au/

# 2024 Schedule



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### **Evening SESSION**

7:30pm ONWARDS

Cheers & Challenges
Trivia (NFW)

Fun at the Arcade

<u>Maxed Out Music Trivia</u> (NEW) - 7pm

Trivia with a Twist

7:30pm ONWARDS

<u>Drag Bingc</u>

<u>Maxed Out Music Trivia</u> (NFW) - 7pm

Trivia with a Twist

7:30pm ONWARDS

<u>Drag Trivia</u>

Fun at the Arcade

<u>Trivia with a Twist</u>

No Evening Session events scheduled



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For detailed event information visit <a href="https://www.victeachersgames.com.au/">https://www.victeachersgames.com.au/</a>

### Event information

# be active

<u>Amazing Race Traralgon</u>

**Badminton** 

<u>Basketball</u>

**Bocce** 

Croquet

**Cross Country** 

<u>Darts</u>

<u>Dodgeball</u>

Fistball (NEW)

Golf

<u>Laser Skirmish (NEW)</u>

<u>Lawn Bowls (Barefoot 4s)</u>

<u>Lawn Bowls (Pennant)</u>

**Netball** 

<u>Pickleball</u>

Table Tennis (NEW)

Ten Pin Bowling

<u>Volleyball</u>

# be mindful

Clip 'n' Climb

<u>Salti</u>

# be social

**Bruch & Bowl** 

**Cheers & Challenges** 

<u>Drag Bingo</u>

**Drag Trivia** 

<u>Fun at the Arcade</u>

Maxed Out Music Trivia
(NEW)

Paint & Sip

Trivia (with a Twist)

### VTG Central

VTG Central is located at The Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium (GRISS).

VTG Central is home to the participant check-in, the onsite operations centre for VTG staff, along with a range of partner activations. VTG Central is the first stop for participants once they arrive in Latrobe City.

#### Check-in

This year we will be offering an Express Check-In service designed to speed up your arrival, allowing you to collect your VTG ID and showbag faster. You will receive a 'Check-In' email in your inbox with more information in the week before the event.

#### **VTGID**

All VTG participants MUST attend VTG Central during staffed hours to collect their VTG ID. Your ID is your ticket into all official VTG events and nightlife and must be worn at all times whilst at events.

### No VTG ID = No entry

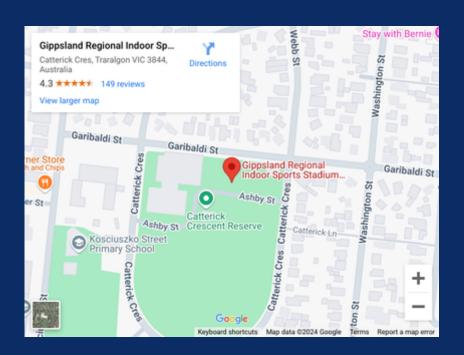
### **VTG Central Hours**

Sunday 22 September 8.30am - 5.00pm

Monday 23 September 8.30am - 5.00pm

Tuesday 24 September 8.30am - 5.00pm

Wednesday 25 September 8.30am - 12.00pm



### What's on at VTG Central

### rebel

Visit rebel to collect your participant showbag and get a team photo at the photobooth. Have a shop while you're there with all they have to offer, including new season apparel from Ell & Voo, great value in popular brands, fun games for your downtime and all of your VTG sporting essentials.

Visit the rebel Sport website

### **S-Trend**

Visit our merchandise and apparel partner S-Trend to collect your pre-ordered merchandise. For those who missed out on pre-orders, not to worry, S-Trend will have the new VTG merchandise range including participants T-shirts, hoodies, crew neck jumpers and more available for purchase.

Visit the S-Trend merchandise range here

#### The Australian Education Union

The Australian Education Union will be at VTG Central. Drop by to meet their friendly team, get information and advice, sign up for the Union, and take a photo with their life-sized bear.

Visit the AEU website

### Gaga Games by Castle & Cubby

Our friends at Gaga Games will be at VTG Central for the first time. They will have their Gaga pit for you to learn more about the game. Participants are encouraged to get involved and try Gaga Ball for the first time or play again if you're a pro. Make sure to visit Gaga Games to receive your school's FREE Gaga ball!\*

Visit the <u>Gaga Games website</u> and learn the rules of Gaga Ball

# Nightlife

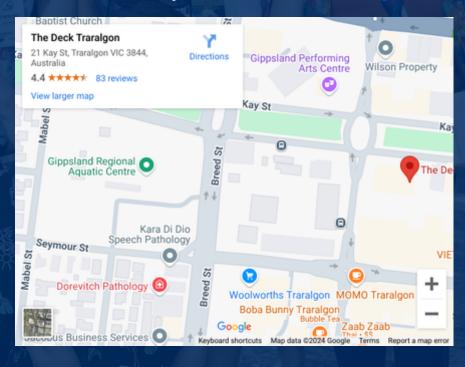
VTG's official nightlife venue for all VTG participants is at The Deck Traralgon. A great way to finish off the day and share your stories with fellow participants.

Featuring a DJ, dance floor and disco ball, mezzanine with pool tables and games as well as an outdoor beer garden, The Deck Traralgon is the perfect location and atmosphere to end each day, network and spend time with your team.

The Deck is located at 21 Kay St, in central Traralgon and open exclusively to VTG participants from 9pm onwards on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday night.

Entry is free and you must present your VTG ID to gain access.

### No VTG ID = No Entry



In need of a late night feed?

Pizza HQ are opening specially for VTG!

Located just next door, they are conveniently located for late night snacks.

<u>Check out their menu</u> here

### 2024 Themes as voted by you!



SUNDAY

22 SEPTEMBER

Cartoons & Characters



MONDAY
23 SEPTEMBER
Heroes & Villains



**TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER**Aussie Bogan

# Courtesy Bus

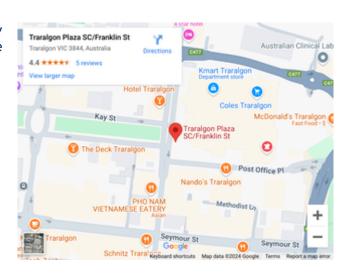
The VTG Courtesy Bus is a complimentary, door-to-door service, to help get you home after enjoying the nightlife.

### **Departure Point**

Traralgon Plaza Shopping Centre, Franklin St

### **Dates & Times**

Sunday 22 September Monday 23 September Tuesday 24 September



### **How it Works**

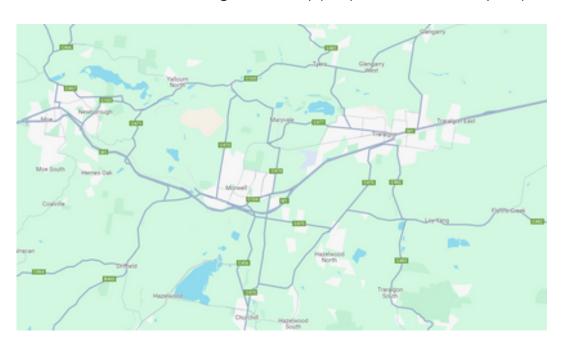
- 1. When you're ready to go home, head to the departure point.
- 2. Tell our friendly staff where you're staying (see Conditions)
- 3. Our friendly bus drivers will assign you a bus and take you home!

Note: Buses will operate based on participant demand.

### **Conditions**

The VTG Courtesy bus is for registered VTG participants only. You must present your VTG ID to our staff before boarding. No VTG ID = No Access.

Your accommodation point must be located within Traralgon, Glengarry, Churchill, Morwell and Moe. You will likely travel with other participants traveling in a similar direction. This is to ensure we can get as many people home as safely as possible.



# The Minister's Cup

The Minister's Cup was introduced in 1997 and is a prestigious, perpetual award presented to the team and/or school who best epitomises the 'spirit' of the Victorian Teachers' Games (VTG).

Teams and/or schools are nominated by appointed conveners of VTG sanctioned events. Our conveners are asked to keep an eye out for teams that embody the VTG theme (Participate, Connect, Inspire) and showcase the 'spirit' of VTG throughout their presence at the event.

The Minister's Cup was won by Warragul North Primary School at VTG 2023.

#### **GENERAL CRITERIA**

- Active engagement and positive participation in a sporting, recreational, wellness and/or social event.
- Warmly connects with fellow VTG participants through active networking, teamwork, encouragement, and companionship.
- Inspires and empowers the event and its people by showcasing exemplary behaviour and by going that extra mile to ensure the event runs successfully.

Read more about the Minister's Cup policy here.



# Fair play

A friendly reminder VTG is not only about competitive play, it's also about giving everyone the chance to join a team and have fun on the field. So please take care to respect:

- The conveners, volunteers and support staff of our sporting, recreational and social events; including the time, effort and planning that has been put into the event for you and your team to enjoy yourselves.
- The draws and fixtures that have been prepared; by attending and participating in the events you have registered for, including arriving on-time.

### This ensures

- All teams have an equal draw/playing time and allows for maximum enjoyment for all.
- The facilities and equipment at each of our venues.
- Your fellow VTG participants, by celebrating the unique skills and experience that each player brings to the field. Tolerance and acceptance creates a wonderfully diverse group of people, both on the field and in the classroom.

Participations are reminded about appropriate behaviour during the Games, as outlined in the VTG Code of Conduct. Remember that VTG is a Department of Education event, so inappropriate or disrespectful behaviour will not be tolerated. VTG staff will take action where necessary, including contacting your school and/or determining that you may not attend future VTG events.

Read more about the <u>Code of Conduct policy</u> here.

# Wellbeing Support Services

The Employee Wellbeing Support Services provide free and confidential advice to proactively support the wellbeing of eligible Department of Education staff. Converge International is the department's external provider of Employee Wellbeing Support Services.

To access the services and make an appointment, call 1300 291 071 or book online via the <u>Converge International</u> portal, entering the organisational code mywellbeing.

Read more about the Employee Wellbeing Support Services here.

# Change of Plan

#### **WEATHER**

Weather always creates a challenge for sport, and at VTG it's no different! All events will take place regardless of weather unless:

- The individual sport/event is unable to be played in the conditions
- Safety concerns are identified by the venue, convener or VTG staff.

Registered participants will be advised via SMS if an event is cancelled, so please arrive at your venue on-time unless you are advised otherwise.

### **SICKNESS AND INJURY**

If you are sick, injured, or otherwise unable to attend one of your registered events then please call or SMS the VTG Hotline by 9:00am on the day of competition. Note that your absence may negatively impact other participants by creating issues with planned fixtures, teams or scheduling, so we ask that you consider other options (where appropriate) before withdrawing from an event.

More info can be found on our cancellations & refund policy page.

### **VTG HOTLINE - 03 9084 9185**

### **TRANSFERS**

We understand that even the best laid plans don't always work out.

So if you are no longer able to attend VTG, you can request to transfer your registration to another person. You can transfer a single event, multiple events, or even an entire registration between people.

More info can be found on our cancellations & refund policy page.

# Emergency Contacts

### **EMERGENCY**

Police/Fire/Ambulance: 000

### **POLICE**

### **Traralgon Police Station:**

17 Kay St, Traralgon 3844 | (03) 5172 2700 | Open 24/7

### **HOSPITAL**

### **Latrobe Regional Hospital:**

10 Village Avenue, Traralgon | (03) 5173 8000

### **DOCTOR**

#### **Latrobe Medical Centre:**

18 Breed Street, Traralgon 3844 | (03) 5174 0555

### **Hillcrest Family Medicine:**

26 Seymour Street, Traralgon 3844 | (03) 5174 2345

### **SPORTS MEDICINE**

### Latrobe Valley Physiotherapy & Sports Medicine Clinic:

9 Breed St, Traralgon VIC 3844 | (03) 5176 1834

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