

# The Olivia Rogers Scholarships

## Guidelines

Olivia Rogers was a proud representative player for Grafton Netball Association (GNA) and an equally proud Aussie Diamonds supporter. Liv loved her Club teams and she played with heart and passion. Her never give up attitude was a huge part of her personality as was her wonderful contagious smile.

The Confident Girls Foundation (CGF) in conjunction with The Tie Dye Project (TTDP), and proudly supported by the Grafton Netball Association (GNA), are honored to be able to offer the Olivia Rogers Scholarships to passionate netball players who without this assistance, may not have been able to take the court this season.

All involved believe that this is the perfect way to celebrate and remember a young girl who loved netball so passionately. The Scholarships will go towards supporting regional netballers that are experiencing adversity or hardship in their life.

We want to bring rainbows to the game that Liv loved so much and to netballers that have shown the courage, strength, and never give up attitude that Liv showed throughout her battle with sarcoma.

The Olivia Rogers Scholarships will be awarded to a player who, that without this assistance, would not have been able to take the netball court and play netball. The Scholarship is \$500 for each player and four players will be chosen.

The Olivia Rogers Scholarships will bring rainbows to Grafton Netball in 2023 and beyond.

### **Purpose:**

To give back to the Grafton netball community by financially assisting regional netball players who love netball and work hard to improve each season but may be battling to play this season due to an adverse event that has occurred recently in their life.



## 1. Criteria

- The Applicant/Nominee will have been impacted directly or indirectly by hardship/adversity in the last 12 months;
- The hardship/adversity can be anything (examples include but are not limited to loss of job, medical episode, drought, loss of a loved one, marriage/family breakdown, etc) but must have led to financial hardship;
- The Applicant/Nominee must be a player registered with Grafton Netball Association (GNA). The Delegate of a GNA Club can nominate a player on their behalf also;
- The Applicant/Nominee can be from any Club affiliated with GNA and can play at any level of netball;
- And the Applicant/Nominee can be aged 5-99 years;
- 1 Scholarship per family can be applied for.



## Terms and Conditions

### Eligibility

Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria as outlined in Section 1 of the Olivia Rogers Scholarship Guidelines. There is 1 Scholarship available per family.

### Evidence

The Scholarship Application Form must be completed in its entirety otherwise the Application/Nomination will be considered void.

Please ensure to provide details for the Club that the Applicant/Nominee is associated with in support of their application. The successful Applicants/Nominees must use the Scholarship proceeds to register with GNA.

### Conditions of Payment

The Scholarship must be used for the costs associated with netball. The successful Applicants/Nominees must use the Scholarship proceeds to register with GNA.

Payments will be made via EFT. Once notified, the successful Applicants/Nominees must supply their bank details to the GNA Treasurer.

The Scholarship is to be fully expended within the current netball season in which it is awarded.

An itemised report of how the scholarship money was spent and how it was beneficial to you will need to be provided to GNA before the end of the current netball season. A report template will be provided for you.

### Verification

The information provided on the Application/Nomination form must be true and may be inspected, verified, or confirmed at any time.

By making an Application/Nomination, you acknowledge that:

- Providing false or misleading information to a public authority, hiding facts, may be a fraudulent act and under the Crimes Act 1900 and subject to criminal penalties;
- Any overpayment made as a result of an incorrect, misleading or fraudulent claim is repayable by you and may be recovered.

### Closure, Suspension or Variation of the Scholarship

GNA reserve the right, at any time, to:

- Vary the Scholarship, the Terms and Conditions and the process for Applications/Nominations;
- Suspend the operation of/or close the application process;
- Alter or change the opening and closing date for the applications/nominations;
- Reduce or extend the application period.

### General

- No rights under the Terms and Conditions will be waived.
- Where GNA has issued a notice to the email address/ contact details provided by the Applicant/Nominee, the notification will be deemed to have been received by the Applicant/Nominee immediately upon receipt of electronic transmission confirmation.

For further information, please email [graffton.netball@bigpond.com](mailto:graffton.netball@bigpond.com)



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

### **1. What will the Olivia Rogers Scholarships support?**

The Liv Rogers Scholarship will support regional netballers to take the court at a time when they may not have been able to necessarily afford to do so due to suffering some form of adversity in their lives.

### **2. How will funds be distributed?**

The funds will be directly deposited to the successful Applicants/Nominees nominated bank account.

### **3. How can I utilise these funds?**

Some ideas on how the Scholarship funds can be used include netball registration fees, netball uniforms, netball shoes, costs associated with participating in the representative season, petrol to get to netball games, etc.

### **4. Who can apply for the Olivia Rogers Scholarship?**

All netball players registered with Grafton Netball and aged 5 to 99 years and maybe be struggling with the cost of the upcoming netball season due to suffering some form of adversity in their lives in the last 12 months.

### **5. When will the Application process close?**

Applications/Nominations for the Liv Rogers Scholarships will close on 1<sup>st</sup> March at 5 pm.

### **6. What if I have already paid my rego fees?**

If you have already paid your netball registration fees for the current season and your Application/Nomination is successful, your registration fees will be reimbursed to your nominated bank account.

### **7. How many Scholarships are available?**

There are 4 Scholarships available. Each one has a value of \$500.



## **8. What if my Application/Nomination is successful?**

If you are successful, you will receive a phone call followed by confirmation in writing.

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## **9. Will there be feedback for unsuccessful Applications/Nominations?**

The scholarship program is run by a small number of staff. Due to the large number of applicants received, unfortunately, it is not possible to provide formal feedback on unsuccessful applications.

## **10. Who will make the decision on whether my Application/Nomination is successful or not?**

There will be an Adjudication Panel of three people including:

- A GNA representative (not affiliated with any Club);
- A Community Member (not affiliated with any Club); and
- A family representative.

## **11. Where is the funding for the Scholarship coming from?**

The funding is being provided by the Confident Girls Foundation in conjunction with The Tie Dye Project on an annual basis. This endeavour is proudly supported by GNA.

## **12. What if I can't find the answer to my question?**

If you can't find the answer to your question or require further information, please email GNA on [grafton.netball@bigpond.com](mailto:grafton.netball@bigpond.com)

