## **DreamCricket**



## The Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise (RCCS) is the proud sponsor and coordinator of DreamCricket for children with a disability in the Canberra region.

In 2008 the Movement Disorder Foundation, in concert with cricket coaches from the Bradman Foundation in Bowral and the Rotary Clubs of the Southern Highlands, introduced DreamCricket. Today more than 6,000 children are taking part in DreamCricket across Australia and internationally.

The Canberra region includes 44 primary schools with children with special needs. Many parents and teachers were initially concerned that their children's disabilities would exclude them from participating. But expert exercise physiologists from the Movement Disorder Foundation have designed the activities so every child with a disability can take part, achieving their best and improving their self-confidence and wellbeing.



Since 2015 the RCCS DreamCricket program has seen over 660 children participate in:

- *Individual School clinics*, which introduce children to the program. Clinics include a DreamCricket kit presented to the school so children can continue to practise their new skills.
- *Gala Days*, where all schools in the Canberra region participating in the DreamCricket program are invited to take part. The 2017 Gala Day, formally opened by the Governor-General, involved nine local primary schools and 116 children.

The RCCS DreamCricket program costs approximately \$12,000 per year to run, with no charge to schools or individual student participants. While the RCCS is committed to the program, we are always looking for sponsors. If you, or your business, are interested in supporting this worthwhile local program please do not hesitate to contact us.