



Formulation of the Australian Amputee & Disabled Golf Federation Incorporated

Dear Fellow Amputees & State Association members,

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that after much discussion and deliberation over the past 12 to 14 months with a number of state & international associations we have begun proceedings towards the formulation of the:

Australian Amputee & Disabled Golf Federation Incorporated. (AADG Federation)

The AADG Federation will be focused on the development of a national infrastructure for state associations to utilise to support their annual strategic and development plans in an effort to encourage amputee & disabled persons alike to participate in learning, or re-learning, the game of golf under a fully supported national development and coaching format. The Federation will also be a support base for state associations within other operational areas i.e. new association start-up, legal & financial advice, marketing & assistance with the completion of state funding requirements in line with the state government regulatory departments.

The initial setup of the AADG Federation will be funded through the current SAAGA sponsors as agreed, and we are currently working closely with our legal and financial advisors as to the final draft of the AADG Federation's constitution. My Hart and Mr Crichton are more than happy to take on the roles initially of president and secretary. We will notify each state association as to the fully proposed AADG Federation committee format, which will consist of each state association nominating 2 state representatives to sit on the AADG Federation. If your state does not have an association then we will assist in the formation and setup of one in your state.

The First Swing Clinic format will be adopted as the national standard and has currently been introduced and operating in South Australia, the Northern Territory, Western Australia & Tasmania, including regional areas, and has become very successful in enabling individuals to enjoy the unique, friendly atmosphere found on the golf course. We have been requested by these states to assist them with the setup of their individual state associations, which we have agreed to and are in the process of doing.

We understand that there may be questions regarding the Federation and we will be more than happy to address these, however the Federation has been established for the benefit of state associations and each association's amputee and disabled members.

Gary and Chris will be contacting your associations in each state to discuss this further.

Regards

Gary Hart – President, SAAGA Inc.

Chris Crichton - Secretary SAAGA Inc.