



PRESS RELEASE

Gridiron Australia (GA) and Gridiron Victoria (GV) are proud to announce that after several months of discussions, GV has agreed to apply for reinstatement as a member of GA, and the GA Board have approved this request with effect from January 1, 2018.

The decision will have the following immediate positive effects:

- Victoria will be added to the Outback Outreach Camp program which is set to be held in every state in early 2018
- Victoria will be eligible to enter a team into the 2018 Men's AGL competition providing further National exposure for GV players seeking to make the Men's Outback team for the 2019 World Cup
- A Junior Outback selection tryout will be held in early December in Melbourne to allow GV members to attend the selection camp in January 2018 for inclusion in the Junior World Cup to be held in Mexico
- Victoria will have the opportunity to enter a team into the 2018 Women's AGL competition
- GV will provide a director to the GA board after their AGM on 15 January 2018

Gridiron Australia is strongly committed to the growth of the sport in Australia and welcome the return of Gridiron Victoria and its members. We believe that this decision will only make us stronger as a sport and allow us to focus on delivering our strategic plan, providing value to our members for many years to come.

Gridiron Australia (GA) is the governing body of American football (gridiron) in Australia. It is an approved sporting association under federal government regulations and is a member of the International Federation of American Football (IFAF). Seven out of the eight Australian states and territories run leagues; comprising a total of 85 teams consisting of approximately 5000 players.

Gridiron Australia also oversees the country's national teams, which have competed in several World Cups. It also manages the Junior (U19) National Championships and the Australian Gridiron League (AGL) for both Men and Women. Further detail regarding this release can be provided by Kevin Wilson (GA Director) on kevin.wilson@ga.org.au