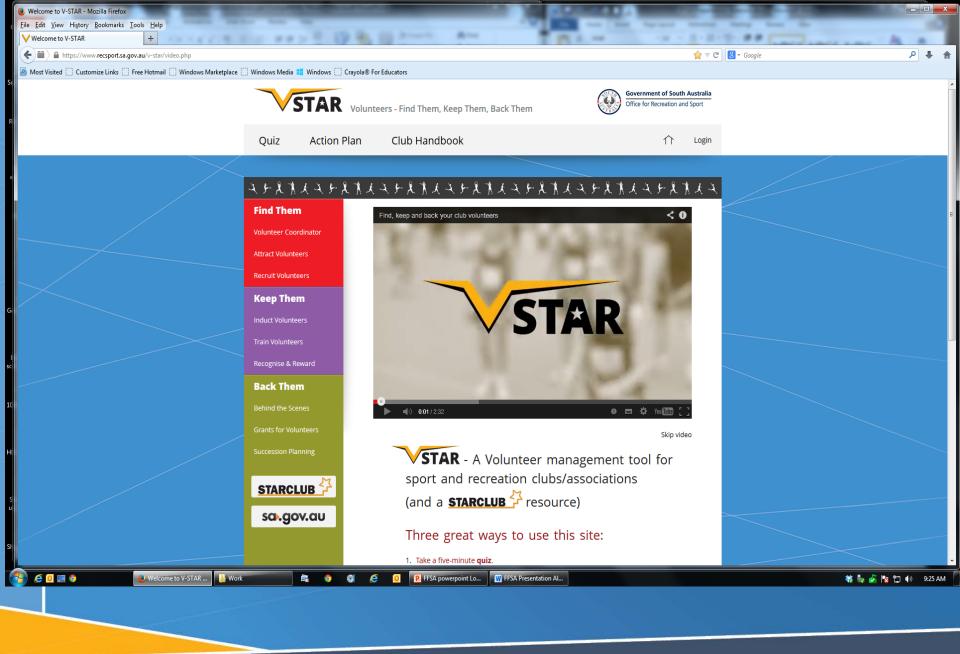
Finding and Managing Volunteers using the V-STAR Web Tool

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At the moment...is your club doing a reasonable or good job with:

- finding volunteers?
- managing and keeping volunteers?





Could you be managing volunteers better?

What is preventing your club from doing this better?





Time!

Knowing where to start

Working out why our current practices are not working

Deciding who should do it

Knowing what good practices are





Time....

We cant get any more of it, but we can:

- improve our systems and practices,
- share the load

....and in doing so, the processes and systems take less time, and people feel freed and supported.





An example of the value of spending some time to create more time...

Consider your club's induction process....

A new volunteer starts in your club.....

How does your club manage this?





Do you have an induction process?

Is the process written down?

Is there an induction manual/booklet/folder you can hand to new volunteers?

Are several different people in the club capable of inducting someone?





Consequences of not inducting new volunteers well:

- they may not do their job well (needed to get them up to speed),
- there may be complaints (time needed to deal with the complaints)
- they may constantly ask questions, require things (time needed for someone to do this)
- something might go wrong (needed to correct it)
- they may feel unsupported and may quit (time needed replacing them)





Initial time and energy spent on the induction process...

....will save you Time in the very near future,AND share the load!

V-STAR can help here....

https://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star/keep-volunteers/induct-volunteers-welcome.php





Knowing where to start

 Start at the beginning of V-STAR, work through the sections

OR

- Do the quiz 33 yes/no/partly questions.
- Login to save your results and share access to your quiz with other committee members

www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star





Deciding who should do it

Consider having a Volunteer Coordinatoror team.

https://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star/find-volunteers/volunteer-coordinator-role.php





Working out why our current practices are not working

- Brainstorm it with your committee
- Survey your membership
- Ask some new members their impressions
- Look at your club culture, does it need addressing?
- Conduct exit interviews

V-STAR includes these ideas and how to implement them





Finding Volunteers

Shift our thinking...

From...

Finding / Recruiting Volunteers

To...

Attracting Volunteers

https://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star/find-volunteers/attract-volunteers-culture.php





What message are you giving about volunteering at your club in/on your:

- newsletter ads,
- facebook posts,
- flyers,
- posters,
- website
- noticeboard
- etc





• What feelings do these ads for volunteers evoke in you?























• And what about these?







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What's YOUR New Year's Resolution?



Are you interested in making a difference? Can you spare 4 hours a month?

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Volunteer Roles

So once you've attracted some volunteers, what are you offering them?

Note home from school this week:

Tick a box:

Would you like to be:

Coach

Umpire

Team Manager





An alternative could have been:

We would hope all families will be involved where they
can, so please indicate how you (or another family
member) could help by ticking 3 boxes below:
Help organise the equipment pre-season
Keep track of the equipment
Write roster for set-up/scoring/base umpire
Umpire some games (not all)
Coach the team (help provided)
Be an assistant coach
Fill in for the coach 2 or 3 times
Help manage the kids at some trainings





Other considerations when attracting volunteers:

- Offer a mixture of shorter and longer term roles.
- Put a time limit (tenure) on all of them, so they can see that it isn't forever
- Keep in touch with people who leave, they may want to return one day
- Look outside of the club, not all of your volunteers have to come from within — Value of your volunteers

https://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star/find-volunteers/attract-volunteers-diversity.php





Other V-STAR features to help you...

Action Plan

- a fancy to do list!
- tick and flick the suggested tasks to an action plan,
- print and share it,
- add your own ideas

Club Handbook

Download anything or everything you see in V-STAR and customise it to create your own volunteer management resource

https://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/v-star/skip-video.php





Take home messages:

- Spend to make time
 (eg get your induction process sorted)
- Look at having a Volunteer coordinator or team
- Try to your volunteers not recruit them
 - is your club culture good do a survey
 - How do you promote your club?
 - Share the load -try to break down some roles into parts
- Get onto V-STAR!,
 - do the quiz,
 - create your Action Plan,
 - download some templates





Let me know how you go...

.....and all the best!



