

Benefits for the kingdom of God and the vision of SCA

We are partners together in seeking to see our vision realised.

The vision of SCA is to see a chaplain serving in every sports community in Australia – a vision that we hope you are also committed to. Your membership of SCA – along with hundreds of other chaplains across Australia – gives SCA increasing credibility as it seeks to place and support chaplains in sports clubs as diverse as a local footy club in rural South Australia through to a Paralympic sporting team training in the beachside suburbs of Sydney.

When we are able to report to clubs considering chaplains the increasing numbers of SCA chaplains that are already in place in sporting communities similar to theirs, the club becomes more open to chaplaincy. SCA is growing at an extraordinary rate, and we want to see this growth continue. Your membership of SCA contributes towards us fulfilling the vision of bringing the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ into all the sports communities of our nation.

Thank you

Thank you for your support, and keep up the great work in your chaplaincy ministry.



Summary

Your membership of SCA:

- Lends credibility to your ministry in sport
- Insures you against various risks inherent in community service
- Connects you to the broader SCA support network
- Champions the importance of the local church in your sports chaplaincy role
- Provides you with access to enhanced training opportunities
- Affirms your willingness to be covered, supported and accountable
- Promotes your ministry across a wider audience
- Assures the sports community that you are a trusted person
- Brings confidence to your church that you are serving well on their behalf
- Indicates support for other chaplains in their ministry
- Increases the overall credibility of all of our chaplains
- Assists SCA in resourcing sports chaplaincy ministry
- Contributes towards SCA fulfilling the overall vision

Sports Chaplaincy Australia is a non-denominational association of sports chaplains. We represent Christ together in the various sports communities in which we serve, demonstrating the unity of the kingdom of God in the marketplace.

Psalm 133

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MEMBERS EDGE

We are occasionally asked: "Why should I be a member of Sports Chaplaincy Australia?"

There are a number of very practical reasons in relation to your ministry. There are also a number of broader issues that make your membership of SCA very important both to you and to the future of sports chaplaincy ministry. As you review these, we trust that you will appreciate how important it is that we (you and SCA) partner together to seek to fulfil our vision of a chaplain in every sporting community in Australia.

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Benefits for you

Your membership and accreditation with SCA connects you with the accepted chaplaincy provider to most major sports in Australia.

SCA has a growing reputation in sport, and is increasingly being asked to provide chaplains into sporting communities across the nation. Your membership of SCA lends credibility to your ministry in sport.

Your membership includes insurance for professional indemnity and public liability.

Our ministry environment is one where litigation is common. Your insurance cover comes at very low cost to you, as a major proportion of your membership fee.

Your continuing membership affirms your connection to SCA's entire network, and provides you with unquestioned access to that network at need.

This includes chaplaincy mentoring, ministry advice, and personal care. SCA is always seeking to enhance the ways it supports its members. You are important to us, and we have clear development strategies for your support into the future.

SCA is committed to enhancing the training opportunities available to you as a chaplain.

Your membership of SCA gives you access to specialised training in the requirements of sports chaplaincy. We also make available to you our extensive experience in responding to those critical incidents that unfortunately occur all too frequently in sports communities.

Your membership of SCA is an important part of your personal commitment to being covered, supported and accountable.

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SCA is proud to promote to the sports industry and wider community the many advantages of having sports chaplains.

The SCA team works to establish a strong presence for chaplaincy in your sports code. We are also keen to promote your ministry on the SCA website and regular e-magazine. Your membership of SCA provides additional credibility to your sponsors and partners in your ministry.

Your membership also offers you substantial savings on a range of events and resources relevant to your chaplaincy ministry. And our exciting new membership portal creates enhanced opportunities for you to connect with our SCA family and access online information and training.

Benefits for the sports community

The sports community is seeking to be served by the most suitable and trusted personnel available.

SCA's Code of Conduct is accepted by the sports industry as a key affirmation of your suitability as a chaplain. Sporting bodies across Australia are implementing compliance procedures for all those involved in their local clubs. Your accreditation with SCA provides the assurance that the sports community requires that you are a trusted person.

SCA works in close relationship with many of Australia's leading sports bodies to provide endorsed and authorised chaplains.

The effective working arrangements between SCA and sport at the highest level gives your sports club the confidence that they are receiving the best chaplaincy experience available.

Benefits for the church

Our churches are becoming more diligent in requiring that those involved in ministry on their behalf in the wider community are suitably qualified and supported.

SCA has a growing recognition across all branches of the Christian Church as a network capable of identifying, training, appointing, guiding and supporting chaplains who then minister from their local church. Your membership of SCA affirms to your church that you are part of a professional network, and gives them the confidence that you will represent them well in your ministry.

Benefits for SCA and other chaplains

We love you being a part of our network, and proud of the many chaplains we have in place serving Christ in sports communities.

At each level of our network, especially among our Centre Bounce Teams (CBTs), we are seeking to support each other in chaplaincy and promote chaplaincy in new contexts. Your contribution is valuable to us as we work together. You enrich our network.

Your membership of SCA affirms that you are operating as a chaplain in accord with our guiding principles.

This has consistently proven to be a critical factor in successful sports chaplaincy roles, and gives all our chaplains increased credibility in their role.

Your membership assists SCA to gain the resources it needs to operate.

SCA operates on a very lean budget. As we seek the support needed from potential partners your membership contributes to our case and provides evidence of our continuing growth and effectiveness in serving Christ in Australian sport.