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Sport in the Neighbourhood

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Newcastle
CBD 50km

Bateau Bay

Sydney CBD
60km



Whaddup in Da Bay!

Demography...

- SITN occurs in Housing NSW residential estate
- High unemployment
- Low income/socioeconomic status
- Drug problems
- Truancy – youth at risk
- Poor transport and social planning

Over-VU

- Community owned and driven
- Free sport and physical activity for kids (all ages)
- Once weekly (1-2 hours)
- Supervised by trained volunteers
- Structured and unstructured play
- No registration forms (kids “sign-in”)
- KBT* collaboration



Da statz and da numbers!

- 2004 - year of commencement
- 65 - number of kids who attended the first session
- 15-20 - number currently attending weekly
- 8-11 - most common age group among attendees
- 55% - percentage of participants who are female
- 5 - current number of active volunteer leaders
- 0 - original program budget (in whole dollars!)

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“Kids don’t seem to play anymore...
not like we did when we were kids”

How ?

Five step process

1. Research
2. Engage
3. Develop
4. Implement
5. Evaluate

Road blocks and barriers!

- Suitable venue
- Funding – what for and where?
- Insurance – necessary?
- Community – support and expectations
- Ownership!!!

Keyz 2 success!

- Community! Community! Community!
- Drive and desire!
- Agency support
- Persistence! Persistence! Persistence!

Questions...
please!

Thank you!

