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Broome sport booming as female participation doubles in two years

The amount of people playing sport in Broome has increased dramatically over two years, with female participation rates jumping by 57 per cent.

The Shire of Broome commissioned the Club Development Survey Report in the second half of 2019 to gauge the health of local sport.

Forty-five local clubs participated in the biennial survey, which has been taking place since 2009.

The results show that membership of sporting clubs in Broome has increased by 45 per cent since 2017.

Female participation more than doubled in two years, with a 57 per cent increase.

Overall participation numbers jumped from 5086 people in 2017 to 7327 in 2019.

Despite the increased number of people taking part in sport, 87 per cent of clubs communicated that they wanted to increase their membership further.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said the increase in participation was pleasing.

"The fact that more people are participating in a range of different sports in Broome and that new clubs are being formed is great news," he said.

"Participation in sport helps foster community spirit – it is the lifeblood of any regional town.

"The Shire has invested heavily in local sporting facilities in recent years and it is great to see residents taking advantage of this."

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