



Dear Brent

Further to our telephone conversation today, I am writing to request that the Shire of Jerramungup continues its support of JABBA Gym which is held in the Rootpickers Hall on Tuesday afternoons from 3.05pm until about 6.00pm.

The original Shire conditions included:

*That Council:*

- 1) *Recognise the Jerramungup District High School's use of the Entertainment Centre for the Active After School Program of tennis and dance as part of their annual affiliation fee.*
- 2) *Waive the hall bond and hall hire fees for JABBA to conduct the Active After School Program.*
- 3) *Active After school program including waiver of fees to be reviewed by council at the end of Term 1, 2014*

*Variation: Council added a review option after the first term to revisit their decision based on the success of the program.*

There was also a verbal agreement that we could leave the gymnastic equipment set up unless the hall was booked for another event, in which case we would clear the hall and place all equipment in the store room.

The gymnastics club has been very successful with an average of 40 children regularly attending over two classes each week. Through the Active After School Program we have been able to run the program in Term 1 with no cost to parents. We have now sent an invitation to Bremer Bay and Gairdner schools inviting the students to participate. I have also had calls from Ongerup and Borden.

Jess de Bellis is an excellent coach and well-liked by the children and the parents. The children are having fun and learning basic gymnastic skills. Jess is planning a small presentation for the end of the term.

We are hoping to run the club as a year-round program. We expect a drop-off during winter sports but this will not be as great as first expected. A number of children will be doing both, some children who not like team games will continue and we are expecting a few extra children from the other schools in the Shire.

We have now managed to gather most of the equipment that belongs to Jerramungup from all over the Great Southern and we have a fantastic range of equipment allowing a dynamic and exciting gymnastics program.

We are now looking at training additional adults to be coaches through a grant from the Department of Recreation and Sports (Albany) so we can extend the options and times and ensure sustainability in the community.

I leave the above for your consideration and look forward to a positive response.

Regards

Gail Hiilinen

Chairperson, JABBA