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Ballan presented with life-saving defibrillator

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Ballan Football Club vice-president Billy Smith, right, and Geoff Taylor of John Kontek Real Estate in Ballan, which donated \$1000, with the new defibrillator unit.

Ballan Recreation Reserve has been presented with a life-saving defibrillator unit in time for the start of the football and netball seasons.

The unit was funded by the Moorabool Shire Council, the Ballarat Recreation Reserve Committee of Management, user groups and a Ballan business.

Subsidised training in its safe and effective use will also be provided by the Defib for Life organisation.

Moorabool Shire Council is helping co-ordinate the Defib Your Club for Life Program in partnership with the Victorian Country Football League and the Central Highlands Football Netball League.

Moorabool councillor Pat Toohey said the council was committed to increasing the availability of the technology and training. "This program is one that council's very proud of and like the community organisations that will benefit directly from them, it's an ongoing team effort," Cr Toohey said.

Units will also be given to Dunnstown, Gordon and Bungaree recreation reserves.

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