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TIGERS RETURN TO THE TERRITORY

Richmond Football Club is continuing to strengthen its relationship with Northern Territory communities by embarking on its third trip of the year to the region this week.

Richard Tambling, Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls, Daniel Jackson and Richmond CEO Steven Wright will return to Alice Springs to continue its commitment to football in the area.

The group will visit Alice Springs' Yirara College on Thursday and will travel to Ti Tree, a small community south of Tennant Creek, on Friday, to inform primary school students about nutrition, participation in sport and goal setting, while assisting with the Bush Sports Day.

The travelling party will also meet with AFL Central Australia officials and club representatives, as well as attend the league's grand final day on Saturday, taking part in the pre-match festivities, assisting in the presentation of the premierships cup and medals and conducting football activities.

In May this year, Richmond players and officials visited the communities of Santa Teresa and Hermannsburg, conducting training and information sessions on the disciplines and rigours of AFL football.

Another group, including first-year Tiger Trent Cotchin, visited the Northern Territory earlier this year to speak to community clubs and league officials.

Richmond is strengthening relationships with Northern Territory communities with the aim of offering opportunities to be involved in programs at its Australian Institute for Indigenous Learning and development, part of the \$20 million redevelopment of Punt Road Oval.

Through its involvement in the AFL Club Fostership Program, the club aims to:

- Build a strong relationship with the Alice Springs and Tennant Creek
- Assist the community and city teams through the coaches association offering both administrative help and player education
- Assist in improving school attendance level and academic results through mentoring and development programs
- Assist in reducing juvenile crime and substance abuse issues
- Help improve the regions community cohesion and sense of pride
- Increase levels of participation in sport and physical activity
- Improve general health and nutrition of community members
- A new level of safety and enjoyment for players and spectators at football matches

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