To:                Club Presidents
                Club Captains
                Club Secretaries
                Gear and Equipment Officers
From:              Membership & Leadership Development Department
Date:              18 June 2014
Subject:           Sri Lankan Equipment Drive
Action:            Contact David Potter to arrange lifesaving equipment donations

For additional details on this Circular please contact:
David Potter on 03 9676 6931 or email david.potter@lifesavingvictoria.com.au

In September 2013 Scholars of the Building Leaders Program from Life Saving Clubs from across the state travelled to Sri Lanka to assist in the up skilling of the Life Saving Association of Sri Lanka. This included a wide range of skills such as CPR, First Aid and vital rescue techniques.

On the trip they were exposed to the lack of equipment available for use in basic life-saving duties and the direct impact this has on reducing their national drowning toll. In Victoria we have around 40 drownings annually, whilst Sri Lanka experiences around 1000. As a result, the 2013 scholars aim to send over donated equipment from clubs to assist in the endeavour to reduce the annual drowning toll and promote vital water safety education.

We are looking for equipment, such as but not limited to:
- Rescue Boards
- Rescue Tubes
- Swimming Fins
- CPR Manikins
- If you have anything else please contact David to find whether it would be suitable.

Life Saving Victoria (LSV) in partnership with the 2013 scholars are looking for all types of working equipment, in particular pieces such as tubes and fins but all donations will assist and are greatly welcomed. As many clubs are now completing their annual roll over of gear any older or used equipment would be an incredible gift that would greatly aid the Sri Lankan Life Saving Association.

If you wish to donate equipment please contact David Potter with the above contact details, to discuss whether it would be suitable for use in Sri Lanka.