

Anna Davey – Australia’s no. 1 climber and supporter of our GAPP campaign – Video Transcript

I've been competing at a national level for three years and a state level for three years, and this is the first time that I've qualified for an international level so on the Australian climbing team. It's extremely hard as a Cockburn resident to be able to train in climbing, we don't have any nearby facilities, our closest one being 20 minutes away, but all the competition venues are about a 50 minute drive.

For the youth I think it's more important than ever to have access to lots of recreational facilities, you know obesity is something that is becoming quite common in Australia and is becoming an issue and I think that's because a lot of people don't have access to either free training or some sort of cheap, really inspiring training so climbing for kids is natural, if more kids had access to facilities in Cockburn they would be out there climbing.

It's really mentally good for young kids and if youth start climbing early they will be incredible by the time they are in their 20s or 30s or whatever comes around. I guess the end goal is going to be the Olympics. Funding would be an absolute life changer for Australian climbing.