

JUNE 2026

BOARD ROUNDS

Board appointments

The Minister for Sport and Major Events has re-appointed Alan Clayton for a further term as Chair of the Professional Boxing and Combat Sports Board and Mr Stephen Bunce for a further term as a Board member.

Mr Clayton looks forward to continuing the important work of regulating the sport, including shaping and supporting reforms through future legislative changes.

The Minister has acknowledged the importance of his continued contribution to the Board's responsibilities in promoting contestant safety and upholding industry integrity.



Alan Clayton



Stephen Bunce

Digital Fightcard

Digitising submission of fightcards has been embraced by promoters and matchmakers since the beginning of this year. Providing this online function allows editing of proposed matchups, changing the fightcard order and viewing the live status of each bout in the approval process. In the very near future more improvements will be implemented that provide an eliminator contest function that will remove the need to enter every possible eliminator contest. Separate advice will be provided when this function is available.

Annual increase in application fees

The Victorian Government's annual application fee increases will take effect from 1 July 2026, increasing the fees payable for permit, registration and licence applications by 2.7%. The updated fee schedule will be published on the Board's website and will be automatically updated in the online permit, registration and licence system.

ANBFs Officials Training Day 27 June 2026, 8.30-11.30am

This training opportunity is open to all and will be held at the Carlton Baths, 248 Rathdowne Street, Carlton. Please RSVP by 19 June to Peter Hansen at peter.hansen@ballanddoggett.com.au

There is no cost for this training.

Engagement Forums

The Board is convening another round of engagement forums with stakeholders this month. The forums provide an important opportunity to hear from the combat sports community about trends and challenges facing the sport. Invitations have been sent to all licence holders, and your participation is encouraged.

- . Monday 22 June – Officials 7pm.
- . Tuesday 23 June – Trainers 2pm.
- . Tuesday 23 June – Promoters and Matchmakers 7pm.

To confirm your attendance, please email combat.sports@sport.vic.gov.au

Integrity in sport - education available

Sport Integrity Australia, the Australian Government agency dedicated to keeping sport safe, fair and inclusive has developed a range of online education modules to raise awareness and understanding of integrity threats such as doping, match-fixing, sports betting and illicit drugs in sport. Access is free.

All you need to do is to set up an account via: [Login](#)

A link to each course is also provided here:

- Anti-doping Fundamentals: [View Course](#)
- Competition Manipulation and Sport Gambling: [View Course](#)
- Illicit Drugs in Sport: [View Course](#)
- Annual Update: [View Course](#)

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