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Statement by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission regarding Tuggeranong Valley Rugby Union & Sports Club Limited (Lanyon Vikings)

Tuggeranong Valley Rugby Union & Sports Club Limited, operating under the name Lanyon Vikings, has entered into an Enforceable Undertaking agreement with the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission (the Commission).

The Enforceable Undertaking was offered by Lanyon Vikings in response to the Commission's investigation of an incident where an individual was able to make multiple ATM withdrawals (along with EFTPOS withdrawals) for gambling at the venue and the licensee did not record this as required under Section 1.6A(1) of the *Gambling and Racing (Code of Practice) Regulation 2022* (the Code of Practice).

Through the Enforceable Undertaking, Lanyon Vikings has recognised the Commission's concerns in regard to compliance with the Code of Practice. Lanyon Vikings has committed to actions including:

- Ensuring all its staff are trained in gambling harm prevention and related reporting responsibilities, and
- Maintaining investment in its harm minimisation program for a period of 2 years.

The Commission has accepted this Enforceable Undertaking from Vikings Lanyon in recognition of this licensee's commitment to gambling harm prevention as demonstrated through ensuring all its employees undergo a Gambling Harm Induction Program, including employees not directly involved in service of gambling, and its initiation of the *Ask for Andy* program which aims to make it easier for individuals to seek help for gambling harm.

As part of the Undertaking, Lanyon Vikings has paid \$10,000 to Lifeline Canberra and will not claim this as a community contribution. Lifeline Canberra is a member organisation of the Gambling Harm Prevention Community of Practice, which is jointly convened by the Commission and the ACT Gambling Support Service.

Statement ends.