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## **PLAY NEEDS OF GIRLS**

One of our members is focussed on thinking about the play needs of girls, middle and teenaged girls in public space compared with boys who clearly make much greater use of the facilities and infrastructure we provide on a daily basis.

What is it that will get them outside playing in our playspaces? Are their differences in play needs, or their preparedness to play in outside environments?

Girls play netball so perhaps netball hoops instead of basketball rings could be worth considering? The Victorian Government states a strong commitment to the provision of outdoor recreation for girls and thus it could be useful to gather some data which will assist designers and planners in the tasks of better play practices for girls.