

Just Us League has placed a VEX IQ classroom on permanent loan

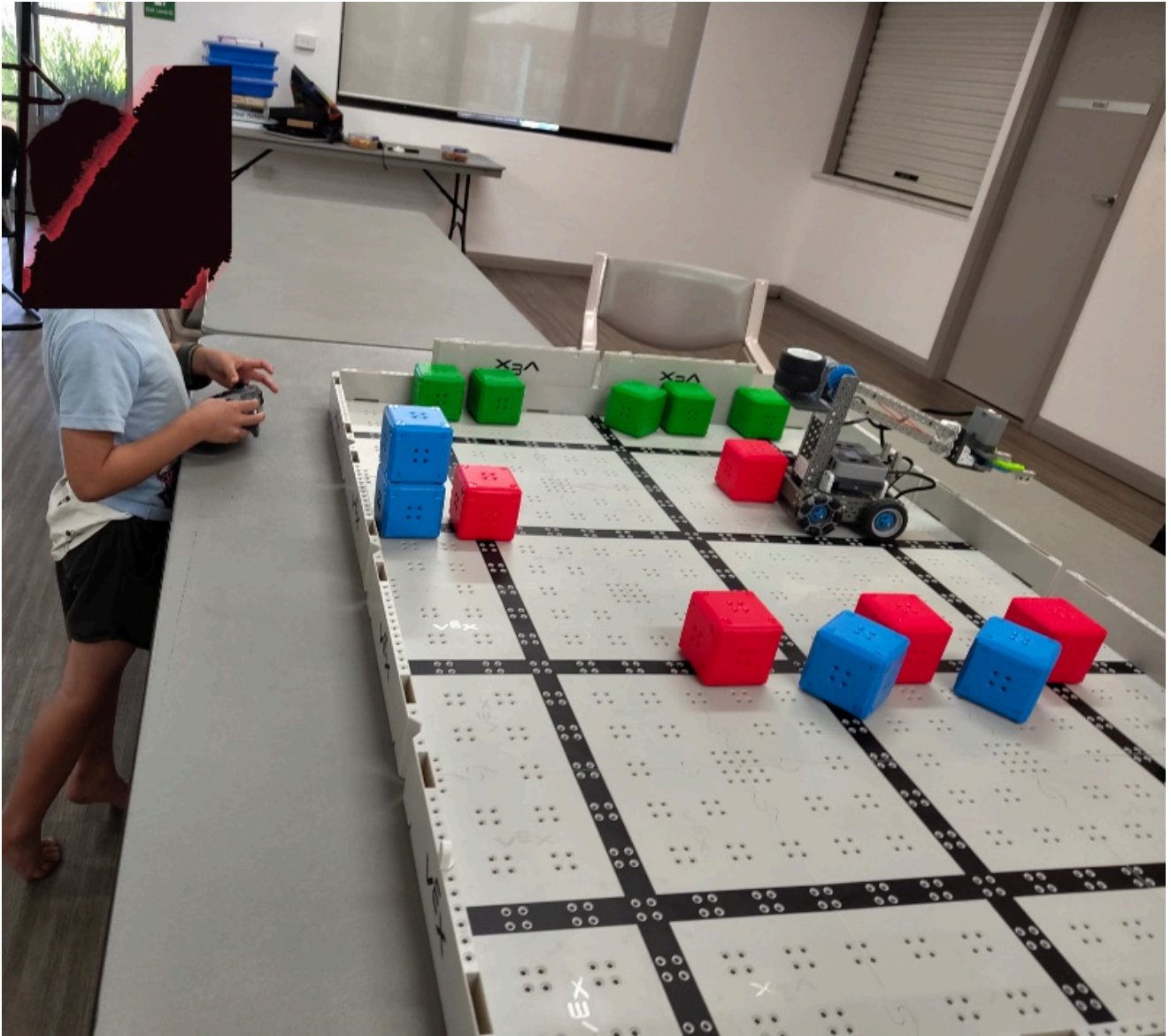
Just Us League acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we meet in the Illawarra, and pays respects to Elders past and present. We pay our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who join our programs.

It's hard to find a robotics session that's nearby, doesn't cost a fortune, and still feels like a proper class.

The Just Us League Limited is a registered charity in Wollongong. We run robotics and AI programs for families in the Illawarra. Since January 2025 we've held regular meets at Berkeley Community Hall. There's no charge. We ask a parent or carer to stay and do the activities with their kids. You don't need to know anything about robots before you walk in. Kids are welcome when accompanied by an adult.

Families who come have the option of taking home robotics kits. More than 15 of those have gone to Illawarra families. That kit is theirs.

Additionally we have a VEX IQ classroom in the hall. We bought it in November 2025 we put it on permanent loan for the meets. So the field is still there next month.



Berkeley Community Hall, April 2026. A member driving on the VEX IQ field. Photo used with the family's written consent.

Most families can't buy a setup like this, which is why we did. In September 2025 we ordered a VEX IQ Small Classroom Bundle (Global), SKU 228-8060, from VEX Robotics (Innovation First Trading SARL, Lonsdale SA). We have five robots, twelve field tiles, sixteen walls, eighteen game objects, spare parts, a classroom charger, and the extras that make it a class rather than one robot on a table. We started using it in November. Additionally, hired a Vex robot champion to write a syllabus families can actually follow to learn more and start competing.

In April the classroom needed more sensors than the bundle comes with. In April 2026 on four AI Vision sensors, fourteen bumper switches, eight optical sensors, eight distance sensors, four gyros, and extra cables. Bumper switches and gyros are how a robot feels a bump and knows which way it's facing. The vision and distance sensors mean it can notice the field, not just drive until it hits something.

Come along with your family if you'd like to. ABN 50 603 437 467 · jul.org.au