

# Media Release

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## NEW CARNEGIE PAVILION TO BOOST LOCAL SPORTS AND EVENTS

An upgraded pavilion at one of Carnegie's busiest parks will provide locals with better facilities and more space for sports and events, thanks to the Victorian Government.

The \$1.2 million facility at Koornang Park was opened today by Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence, who was joined by Glen Eira City Council representatives and members of home clubs Caulfield Bears Football Netball Club, Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club and Carnegie Cricket Club.

Construction supported 30 local jobs and has provided improvements to community event spaces, the kitchen and kiosk, upgrades to the grandstand and scoring and timekeeping areas, and additional storage.

The new pavilion replaces ageing facilities and will better accommodate the area's growing football, netball and cricket community – including 900 members of the Caulfield Bears junior and senior clubs and Carnegie Cricket Club.

The Victorian Government invested \$1 million in the project through the *Local Sports Grants* initiative while the City of Glen Eira contributed \$230,000.

Government support for local sport includes the *Get Active Kids Voucher Program*, which provides up to \$200 to cover the costs of sporting equipment, uniforms and memberships so children have the opportunity to get involved with local clubs like the Caulfield Bears and the Carnegie Cricket Club.

To apply for the *Get Active Kids Voucher Program*, visit [getactive.vic.gov.au](https://getactive.vic.gov.au).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

*"The upgraded Koornang Park pavilion now has state-of-the-art amenities and is the perfect place for local clubs and families to get active and get connected."*

*"We know how important sport, recreation and events are to Victorians – which is why we're investing in projects like the Koornang Park pavilion upgrade."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Oakleigh Steve Dimopoulos

*"Sports lovers in Carnegie no longer have to deal with ageing change-rooms and social rooms – they now have the facilities they deserve."*

### Quote attributable to Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club President Peter Bremner

*"The major refurbishment works to the Koornang Park Pavilion provides us with a facility to be proud of and to be utilised year-round with fellow tenants, Caulfield Bears Football Netball Club and Carnegie Cricket Club."*