

Media Release

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DIAMOND CREEK NETBALL SHINING BRIGHT ON NEW COURTS

The Diamond Creek Netball Courts are now match ready for the big games thanks to the completion of court upgrades funded by the Andrews Labor Government.

Parliamentary Secretary for Sport Danielle Green and Member for Eltham Vicki Ward joined members of the Nillumbik Force Netball Association to officially launch the new competition standard courts.

Over 100 netball teams and more than 1100 players use the courts, and the upgrades were made possible through \$1.96 million from the Labor Government's *Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program*.

The old asphalt courts have been replaced with Netball Victoria compliant competition courts featuring a Rebound Ace surface, new line marking, shelters for teams and seating for spectators.

The venue will provide the perfect base for the premier netball association in the region and the association's eight clubs to build on their memberships and inspire the next home-grown champions such as Vixens co-captain Kate Maloney.

Investments like these are all about creating jobs, stimulating local economies and improving the health, wellbeing, and social outcomes for Victorian communities.

Ms Green acknowledged the Nillumbik Shire Council for its financial contribution to the project.

For more information about infrastructure grant opportunities available through the Victorian Government visit www.sport.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Parliamentary Secretary for Sport Danielle Green

"These new courts ensure growing associations like Nillumbik Force Netball Association have the facilities they need to take their game to the next level."

"Better sport and recreation facilities make it easier for Victorians to get back to local sport and recreation and lead healthy and active lifestyles."

Quote attributable to Member for Eltham Vicki Ward

"The netball facility makeover at Diamond Creek also opens up more opportunities for female participation at the popular venue and for the netball community to host the big events in their own backyard."