

Media Release

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WIN FOR MARYBOROUGH NETBALL, TENNIS AS UPGRADE CONFIRMED

The Andrews Labor Government is helping to serve up a sporting upgrade for Maryborough, resurfacing pock-marked courts at the town's Princes Park hub for local netballers and tennis players.

The *Victorian Budget 2022/23* delivered this week contains \$400,000 towards the resurfacing of the old asphalt courts, benefitting hundreds of players at the Maryborough Tennis Club and Maryborough Rovers Football Netball Club.

Treasurer Tim Pallas made the announcement in Maryborough today, joined by local club members and Central Goldfields mayor Cr Chris Meddows-Taylor.

The improvements will allow the tennis club to attract new members with the promise of higher standard courts for training, competition and development programs.

The sports precinct is home to the Maryborough Rovers and the courts will support the club's netball arm to expand its numbers and activities.

The project will also prove a winner for local school students, who use the courts for PE and competitions.

The Budget is providing \$88 million across the state to deliver new and improved community sports infrastructure and programs, to boost participation in local sports clubs and organisations.

The latest injection brings the Labor Government's investment in community sport and active recreation infrastructure to more than \$1.3 billion since 2014.

Quotes attributable to Treasurer Tim Pallas

"Sporting clubs are such an important part of local communities and it's fantastic that Maryborough netballers and tennis players will now have a better surface to play on."

"No matter the size of the club or town, it's important that everyone has an equal opportunity to play the sport they love."

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"We're proud to support clubs like the Rovers and Maryborough Tennis Club – the upgraded court surfaces on the way will open up more opportunities for participation in the district."

"It will provide the foundations for the clubs to grow and encourage community members to get out and active."