

Member for Yan Yean Lauren Kathage visited LB Davern Reserve on Thursday 21 August to see how the upgraded Wandong Community Centre is strengthening connections and opportunities for the local community.



Completed in late 2024, the \$800,000 project has delivered a range of improvements that have transformed the centre into a modern, functional and welcoming community hub.

The works included the installation of new male, female and accessible toilet facilities, a fully updated kitchen, and an expanded meeting room with additional storage space to better cater for the needs of local user groups.

The main hall now features acoustic treatments that make it more comfortable for meetings, performances and social gatherings, while upgraded heating and cooling ensure the centre can be used comfortably year-round. Accessibility and safety upgrades to parking, fencing, gates and surfaces have also made it easier for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy the space.

The project was made possible thanks to \$720,000 from the Victorian Government, \$20,000 from the Wandong and Heathcote Junction Sports and Community Centre Committee of Management and \$60,000 from Mitchell Shire Council.

The project, which was completed in late 2024, included:

- new male, female and accessible toilets
- fully updated kitchen
- expanded meeting room with extra storage
- acoustic treatments in the main hall
- upgraded heating and cooling for year-round comfort
- improved accessibility and safety for parking, fencing, gates and surfaces.

Local groups are making the most of the modern, functional and welcoming space, with the upgrades creating more opportunities for events, activities and social connections.

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The L.B.Davern Reserve is open to all our community, so please come down and enjoy this great facility, join the various clubs, just walk through along the Say G'Day trail, take the kids down to play on the play equipment or just play and exercise on the oval.

Our Winter User Groups are approaching end of their season's programs and heading into finals. Congratulations to those teams that have reached finals or entering final programs and good luck in bringing home a Grand finalist Cup - you have done your clubs and community proud.

The L.B.Davern is full of life with our community supporting their groups and other activities enjoyed by those who participate.

Walking the dogs, kids in the playground, individuals/groups doing their fitness workouts, mums with the kids in the pram, riding bikes, playing football-, passing shots in netball, shooting hoops at the basketball ring, riding the horses, training dogs to behave, Wandong primary doing sporting activities on the Oval, Wallan basketball in the Stadium

Continued developments at the Reserve will complement our sport groups and community. We are very lucky to have a Reserve that has character and bush ambiance atmosphere that complements our communities. Local community enjoying upgraded Wandong Community Centre.





our community, we need your help; We need to catch any persons vandalizing our Reserve!!!!

If Residents notice anything out of the ordinary please contact the police on

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It is in our community interest that we all keep our Reserve safe for all to use!!

Our Community building is also a great asset to hold Kids parties, family type events and private functions of all sorts, please consider when planning a function. You can contact our booking officer on Darlene Gunter on 0418 312 762. Get in quick as bookings are coming in fast.

For all L.B.Davern Reserve Bookings to either:

- Oval Bookings, Stadium bookings and enquiries Mitchell Shire Council Recreation and Open Space unit ph. 5734 6200.
- -Community Centre and Sports Pavilion contact: Darlene Gunter Booking Officer for the WHJSCC on 0418 312 762



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