



2022 SA COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

FACILITY OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNER

Club: Athelstone FC
Council: City of Campbelltown
Venue: Max Amber Sportsfield 'Wayikuu'

Funding Partners	Contribution
Council	\$5,655,000.00
State Government	\$245,000.00
Federal Government	\$5,000,000.00
TOTAL	\$10,900,000.00

OVERVIEW

The Max Amber Sportsfield is a key community sporting hub. The project was developed in partnership with the clubs and the broader community to rejuvenate a tired building and create a new sustainable home providing opportunity for clubs to grow and develop new spectator experiences.

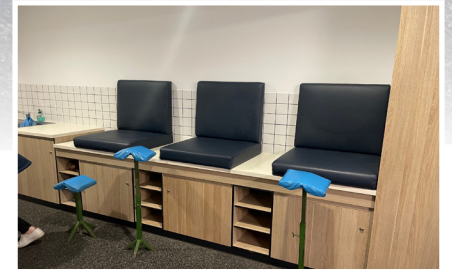
With the Athelstone Football Clubroom being constructed in 1976, the existing club room and viewing facilities were outdated and proving expensive to maintain. The location of the clubroom was not meeting the needs of the club with no views of the oval, low functionality, high running/maintenance costs and restricted opportunities for revenue raising and development of its membership base.

The new development has reinvigorated the sports field and provides clubs with a home and new opportunities. The facility is fit for purpose with a vision for a sustainable future.



OUTCOMES

- Completed in June 2022
- A joint use facility that is accessible and fit for purpose, incorporating a diverse range of the Athelstone sporting community; football, cricket, tennis, soccer and now netball
- Change rooms for male and female players and umpires that cater for all needs
- The new facilities have enabled the football club to establish a new team for people with disabilities to play as part of the local competition as well as attracting women and girls to the club
- Shared use and multi-use opportunities
- Environmentally sustainable development using current best practice that complements the natural landscape (Five Star (Greenstar) development)
- A club home that provides a unique spectator experience, including large function centre
- New netball courts providing the potential for club growth and broader sport participation



The sportsfield facilities will contribute to delivering a quality lifestyle through encouraging participation in sport and/or physical activity programs whilst creating spaces encouraging passive leisure and recreational activities.

These new facilities boast spectacular viewing areas, which cater for the needs of everyone. The fully accessible club house has full length windows at a height to allow clear viewing of play by those in a wheelchair or needing extra protection from the weather. The outside viewing areas are attractive and are fully accessible and inclusive in their design. Giving spectators a fine view of play, close to the canteen.

The establishment of new netball courts close to the sporting hub facility ensures social inclusiveness and equality.



The facility has been designed to be environmentally sustainable, incorporating the latest innovation and practices to achieve our goal of 40% energy consumption reduction and 20% potable water consumption to assist the clubs manage their financial commitments.

In recognition of the Kaurna country the new building has been named called 'Wayikuu' meaning "room / inside space for moving" after a recommendation from Council's Reconciliation Advisory Committee. The signage and symbology on the building conveys a "gathering place".