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New pool promises summer fun

Summer in Gnowangerup is shaping up for a cool change as the town eyes completion of its new swimming pool.

Development of the \$2 million pool facility in the grounds of the Gnowangerup Sporting Complex was supported by a \$200,000 grant through the Great Southern Development Commission's (GSDC) Regional Grants Scheme, made possible by the State Government's Royalties for Regions program.

GSDC Deputy Chair Ross Thornton said the Regional Grants Scheme funds covered roadworks and car parking, landscaping and features, and solar heating panels.

"Support for the Gnowangerup pool is part of the GSDC's commitment to maintaining and improving the amenity of rural towns," Mr Thornton said.

"Helping the Shire of Gnowangerup to provide a pool for its residents is an investment in the town's liveability.

"It will contribute to the health and wellbeing of families, young people and seniors," Mr Thornton said.

Contractors completed the construction of the pool and associated buildings in May, and subsequent testing by the Health Department confirmed the standard of the water treatment system.

Work continues on the grounds of the pool and sports complex.

A community landscaping day is planned for Sunday 26 June, when volunteers will help to roll out turf and establish plants.

Major funding for the pool construction came through the Department of Sport and Recreation, the Country Local Government Fund and the Shire of Gnowangerup, along with support from the Gnowangerup Sporting Complex.

The new pool replaces an 80-year-old facility located on Gnowangerup's fringe, which was deemed unfit for refurbishment.



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An official opening is expected to take place in November as the summer swimming season begins.

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