

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Club refurbishment taking shape**

Dedicated Denmark Country Club members are beginning to see the fruits of their volunteer labour take shape in their club refurbishment project.

For the past year, club members have been contributing voluntary work to a \$1.5 million project to reticulate their course and refurbish their clubhouse, aided by \$142,700 in Royalties for Regions funding through the Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC).

The project is also supported by the Department of Sport and Recreation and the Shire of Denmark.

Club Vice President Graham Wilson said the reticulation was in place and the clubhouse renovation had recently reached lock-up stage.

"We've got members and contractors working on the interior fit-out," Mr Wilson said.

"It's going to be a pretty top-class facility when it is finished and it will attract visitors.

"We hope to set up a tournament as a major event for Denmark, which will probably take two or three years to get up and running," Mr Wilson said.

Following the completion of the clubhouse, the club will focus on the final stage of the project, replacing the oiled sand greens with grass.

GSDC Chief Executive Officer Bruce Manning said the project would provide Denmark with a valuable community resource.

"The refurbished clubhouse will be a suitable venue for seminars and functions, and will provide Denmark with a community centre as well as a sporting centre," Mr Manning said.

"When the clubhouse is finished and the grass greens are established, the Denmark Country Club will be in a position to attract higher visitor numbers to the course, to the benefit of Denmark and the region."

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