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Gnowangerup set for summer dip

Gnowangerup has a new swimming pool to help take the heat out of summer.

The central Great Southern community celebrated the opening of the \$2 million pool on Saturday 5 November.

The Shire of Gnowangerup project was supported by the Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC) with \$200,000 in funding through the Regional Grants Scheme, made possible by the State Government's Royalties for Regions program.

GSDC Chair Ross Thornton said the new facility was a great asset for the town and surrounding areas.

"New health and lifestyle benefits will be available to people in Gnowangerup through the heated pool which will provide year round service," Mr Thornton said.

"Children will have a convenient place to learn to swim, families will enjoy the recreation, and the pool will offer potential health benefits for seniors.

"People living in surrounding areas will be able to use a local facility instead of travelling to Katanning, Mount Barker or Albany," Mr Thornton said.

Gnowangerup's new, centrally-located modern aquatic centre replaces an 80-year-old pool on the edge of town which had reached the end of its servicable life.

The new facility is co-located with the Gnowangerup Sporting Complex.

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