

Leongatha Golf Club Automated Irrigation Project Receives Funding

The Leongatha Golf Club Automated Irrigation Project has been granted \$80,000 to fund the installation of an automated irrigation system for the 18 course tees and greens as well as the pump to accommodate the system.

The grant was issued by Sport and Recreation Victoria through the Community Sports Infrastructure Fund - Minor Facilities program.

The stunning Leongatha Golf Club is rated in the top 100 public access golf courses in Australia and is a great tourist attraction for South Gippsland, the improvement of which would be beneficial to the whole area.

Leongatha Golf Club Manager and PGA professional, Josh Hall is eager to see the result of the savings the automated irrigation system will bring for the club.

"The current system costs the club a significant amount, both in real dollar value and labour," said Mr Hall, "The installation of the new system will allow us to continue to invest in innovative community participation programs to ensure the whole South Gippsland community can enjoy our great facility."

Council will be contributing \$50,000 of the total \$220,000 cost of the project.

Only local councils have the ability to submit applications to Sport and Recreation Victoria. Community organisations can seek support from the fund through the Minor Facilities, Cricket Facilities and Female Friendly Facilities categories by submitting an Expression of Interest Form for Community Organisations directly to their local council.

Any clubs wishing to discuss a project should contact their local council who will provide further advice. Successful projects are strategically supported through the development of facility masterplans.

Photo Caption: Leongatha Golf Club Vice President, Daniel Poynton, President, Chris Lever and Manager Golf Pro, Josh Hall are pleased with the funding success and look forward to the installation of the automated irrigation system.

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