



WAFootball

# Facility of the Year Award

2024 Project Case Studies



# 2024 Finalist

## Kevin Richards Memorial Oval Clubroom / Changeroom

**Club:** Karratha Kats Football and Sporting Club

**Council:** City of Karratha

**Venue:** Kevin Richards Memorial Oval

Development of new 2 storey Sporting pavilion featuring dual side panoramic views to playing surfaces. The modern, accessible facility includes, function space, fully equipped kitchen facilities with internal and external serveries, Club office and meeting room, flexible and gender neutral changeroom design with medical and wet areas, dedicated umpire, 1st aid and storage facilities, energy efficient systems, creating a functional, inclusive space for Clubs and the Community.

Previous hours of usage	16
Current hours of usage	26





# Outcomes

- Enhanced accessibility is a primary advantage. The modern facility complies with current accessibility standards, ensuring that all members, including those with disabilities, can participate fully. This inclusivity reflects our commitment to providing equal opportunities and demonstrates our alignment with broader community values, standards and regulations.
- Expanded space accommodates a larger membership and supports diverse activities, fostering increased engagement and interaction among members. This growth is essential for building stronger relationships with stakeholders, including local Clubs, sponsors, and community groups. The improved facility creates a welcoming environment for collaboration, enabling us to host football and Community events, workshops, and meetings that strengthen these partnerships and enhance our community presence.
- The new Kevin Richards memorial oval clubroom/changeroom not only meets immediate needs but also positions us to achieve long-term strategic goals, including enhanced accessibility and robust stakeholder engagement, ultimately driving the success and sustainability of our local club's sports programs.

Funding Partners	Contribution
Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts	\$2,208,276
Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (CSRFF)	\$375,000
Minister for Transport; Planning	\$853,832
City of Karratha	\$6,074,559
Total	\$9,511,667









# 2024 Winner

## Dayton District Open Space

**Club:** Caversham Suns Junior Football Club

**Council:** City of Swan

**Venue:** Dayton District Open Space

The Dayton project developed a 15-hectare District Open Space in the Swan Urban Growth Corridor. The project encompassed design and construction of multi-use courts, AFL/Cricket fields, synthetic and grass hockey fields, 2 sport pavilions with club, change and other amenities, a Family Hub and includes informal leisure and recreation spaces.

Previous hours of usage	0
Current hours of usage	35

[Dayton District Flyover](#)



# Outcomes

The Dayton DOS project delivers and/or exceeds the WAFC Strategic Facility Targets:

- The WAFC minimum lighting target for training and competition standard of 100 lux achieved.
- The Dayton DOS venue and its facilities provide suitable amenities for all participants and is accessible to all.
- The Dayton DOS has provided new ovals, facilities and amenities in the Swan Urban Growth Corridor, which is experiencing highly levels of growth and development.

Additionally, the Dayton DOS could support modified versions of AFL (i.e. AFL 9's) in the off season (subject to availability and suitability of the Neighbourhood playing fields).

Furthermore, the Dayton District Open Space (DDOS) project delivered several key benefits to the community and the City of Swan as a whole, including:

- Enhanced Sporting Facilities:
  - Multi-Use Courts: The inclusion of 12 multi-use Netball/Basketball/Tennis courts provides versatile sporting options for various age groups and skill levels.
  - Field Sports: The development of 2 senior AFL/Cricket fields and 2 senior-sized hockey fields meets the demand for high-quality sports facilities and supports local clubs and competitions.
  - Synthetic Hockey Fields: The addition of 2 synthetic hockey fields caters to the needs of hockey players and ensures high standard playing surfaces.

“Relocation has provided the club with two ovals to now utilise, bringing together Auskick, Juniors and enabling our Year 10, 11 and 12's the ability to finally play home games on a full-size oval instead of playing their games at other grounds that could accommodate us” – Michael Cooper, Caversham Suns Junior Football Club President





# Outcomes

- Community and Recreational Opportunities:
  - Youth Space: The provision of youth family building space offers support and service opportunities for younger residents, promoting physical activity and community engagement.
  - Playgrounds and Recreation Areas: Informal recreation infrastructure, including a playground and picnic areas, supports family activities and community gatherings.
  - Viewing Areas: Viewing mounds and seating enhance the spectator experience for sports events and other activities.
- Strategic Location and Accessibility:
  - Central Location: The DDOS is centrally located within Dayton, close to major road and public transport corridors, making it easily accessible to residents across the Urban Growth Corridor.
  - Proximity to Schools: The site's proximity to schools next to and adjacent the site, enhances accessibility for students and families, integrating educational and recreational opportunities.

- Long-Term Community Benefits:
  - Population Growth: The DDOS supports the anticipated growth of the Dayton area by providing essential community infrastructure, contributing to the area's appeal and liveability.
  - Health and Wellbeing: The facilities promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles, benefiting the overall wellbeing of the community.
  - Community Engagement: By providing diverse recreational options, the DDOS fosters community interaction and engagement, strengthening local social ties.

“Dayton forms part of the Swan Urban Growth Corridor which has experienced rapid growth in recent years and this top-class facility supports our expanding community, providing plenty of leisure and sporting opportunities” – Tanya Richardson, City of Swan Mayor



