

# Reid Oval

Warrnambool's premier sporting facility



## Let there be light towers

The light towers are in at Reid Oval!

Four 30m towers were craned in and assembled on site before being installed on May 12 and 13.

Lighting at Warrnambool's premier sporting facility will be rated at 300 lux, which means that the venue will be capable of hosting night-time football and cricket matches.

As well as allowing for competitive games at night, the upgrade will greatly improve the safety and comfort of players, officials and spectators. The LED lights provide



A light tower on the eastern side of the ground

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much more even coverage of light across the ground and glare is minimised due to the height of the poles.

The lights can also be dimmed when 300 lux isn't needed, which saves on energy costs.

Along with the playing surface and the pavilion, the lighting upgrade is one of the major components of the Reid Oval Redevelopment, helping to re-establish the facility as the region's premier sporting ground.





The second storey of the pavilion is taking shape

## Pavilion progressing well

The slab has been poured for the second storey of the pavilion and the steel frame has been erected.

With the frame in, you can now see the silhouette of the building taking shape.

When complete, the pavilion will provide modern player amenities that importantly, cater equally for men and women, boys and girls.

## Tending the turf

Council now has a full time groundsperson and a sports turf apprentice that will study Certificate 3 in Sports Turf Management. This will be beneficial not only for Reid Oval but also for the other sports grounds within the municipality.

Council has been networking with other organisations in the turf industry such as Ballarat City Council. Council staff have spent time with the Ballarat ground staff, including those responsible for maintaining the ground at Mars Stadium, where they have observed and learnt from the management practices they have put in place.

Specialised machinery to maintain the turf including a Reel Mower, Aerator and Scarifier will also be used following handover of the ground to Council staff.



The Burrows and the Bellman kids are excited about the new development

## Questions?

If there's anything you'd like clarified, please get in touch on **5559 4800** or [reidoval@warrnambool.vic.gov.au](mailto:reidoval@warrnambool.vic.gov.au).