Great Territory Lifestyle: $3.6M Upgrade for Fred’s Pass Reserve

Sporting and administrative facilities at Fred’s Pass Reserve will receive a major boost with the Henderson Government today announcing $3.6 million over three years.

Minister for Sport and Recreation, Karl Hampton said the upgraded facilities will make the Reserve a key recreational hub for residents in the rural area for years to come.

“Fred’s Pass Reserve is home to 23 different clubs and is the recreation, sporting and social centre of the Top End’s rural area,” Mr Hampton said.

“The funding to this iconic Territory facility will reinstate it as the centrepiece of the Top End rural community.

“The thousands of patrons who pass through the gates of this much-loved reserve will now enjoy better grounds, easier transport, new sports, their favourite teams under lights and cutting-edge pursuits like Paintball.

“The Henderson Government is delivering now for Territory families by investing in key infrastructure that is helping more Territorians to access a wide range of activities that enhance the Great Territory Lifestyle.

“As well providing an important boost in facilities, $1.3 million will deliver full time staff, plant and machinery, roads and building maintenance.

“This is important to grow patronage, increase revenue for clubs and cement Fred’s Pass as a top-class facility that the rapidly growing rural community can be proud.”

The upgrade will include:

- new multi-purpose indoor sporting facility;
- new office complex;
- pipeline upgrades and new drainage;
- upgrades to soccer and rugby union grounds;
- Rugby League field lighting upgrades;
- new ablution block to increase the capacity of the Caravan park;
- new fencing to increase security; and
- electrical work necessary to complete the highly anticipated paintball facility.
The Member for Daly, Rob Knight, said the Henderson Government was investing in the future of Fred's Pass Reserve.

“This is an investment in the future which will make Fred’s Pass a strong, dynamic facility able to grow and develop in unison with the rural community that supports it,” Mr Knight said.

“This major upgrade will allow more Territorians – whether they be spectators, players or officials, in the rural community to enjoy more great activities, more often.”

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