

COMMUNITY CLUBROOMS AND PLAYER AMENITIES IN THE NORTHWEST

Club: Pennant Hills Demons AFC / Westbrook JAFC

Council: The Council of the Shire of Hornsby

Venue: Greenway Park, Cherrybrook

Funding Partners	Contribution
Australian Football Facilities Fund	\$25,000
Federal Government	\$1,980,000
Pennant Hills AFL	\$75,000
TOTAL	\$2,080,000

OVERVIEW

Pennant Hills AFC developed community clubrooms for the use by Senior and Junior AFL Clubs, including installation of a commercial kitchen, meeting rooms, spectator viewing facilities and bar. The clubrooms provide a first-class community facility that caters to players, families, and the broader Pennant Hills community.

OUTCOMES

- » Completed in May 2021
- » In the past 8 years, the club has grown from a 3-team club to now having 11 teams - 5 men's, 4 women's, 1 under 19s and 1 masters.
- » The club has more than 400 members and uses the new facility more than 31 hours a week for football use.
- » Pennant Hills is one of Sydney's strongest and fastest growing clubs.
- » Prior to this development, the club had no access to any indoor clubroom or facility at their home ground at Greenway Park. Players, club members, volunteers and spectators had only a small awning where they could shelter from the elements.
- » The completed development allows ~ 250 people to gather in the clubrooms, with both indoor and outdoor viewing options of both home fields at two oval facility.
- » Council have provided Pennant Hills AFL with first right of use over the clubrooms and a long-term lease will be signed in the coming months, securing the games long term tenure at the venue
- » The new clubroom facility provides a high-quality footballing precinct to AFL participants in North West Sydney. The facility also has the capability to act as a base for AFL activities in Sydney's North West, with the ability to host social events, umpire and administration meetings, and cater to potential game development activities including Gala days, AFLX and AFL9's tournaments.





"Greenway Park Cherrybrook is a unique venue and environment. We have 6 different clubs from various sporting codes working alongside each other, sharing space and training times in an area with limited sports fields.

We had a vision for over a decade of what this precinct could become, and we are well on the way with the generous support from the Federal Government, AFL Facilities fund, and many dedicated individuals.

What we have now is a space that binds and connects the community. This is beyond the physical benefits of sport but also the mental health and social connectivity that sport brings to the players, their friends, family and the broader community in general. We finally have a real hub and a real home that delivers on real needs."

Paul Vink
Pennant Hills AFL Facilities Manager &
Greenway Sports House Committ



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