

CHANGING NORTHERN TERRITORY FOOTBALL FOR THE BETTER **TIO OVAL 2**

AT A GLANCE

- > \$1,900,000 invested
- > Four new change rooms
- > Air-conditioned timekeeper and media rooms
- > Kiosk and bar
- > Ticket box

THE BACKGROUND

THE STATE OF PLAY

Located in the precinct of TIO Oval, the premier outdoor stadium in the Northern Territory, TIO Oval 2 is the stomping ground for many players, clubs and community members. As AFL participation has grown - including in the female game - the four existing change rooms simply weren't enough.

THE PROCESS

A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

Four new player change rooms, as well as an umpire change room, kiosk, bar, ticket booth and timekeeper and media facilities, were developed by the Northern Territory Government with support from the AFL through the Australian Football Facilities Fund.

THE RESULT

FACILITATING GROWTH

The four new dual-gender change rooms improve access for all players, particularly females, and allow for faster changeover from game to game, regardless of the grade or gender of the teams scheduled. The upgrades have enabled the facility to continue to support the growth of the game now, and into the future.

In addition, the kiosk, bar, ticket booth and other facilities allow clubs to adopt the facility as their own home ground. The clubs can use the venue to host home games, assisting them with raising additional revenue and developing a more sustainable financial model.

THE FUTURE

EQUIPPED FOR THE FUTURE

The new facilities have positioned TIO Oval 2 for future growth, providing a better experience for players, spectators, officials and volunteers. The new facilities support AFL NT's school competitions and carnivals, as well as provide an opportunity to host national events in the future.



With the support of the Northern Territory Government and the AFL we have been able to deliver a facility that will help TIO stadium cope with the growing demand of a growing game and at the same time give the Club that do not have the opportunity to host a home game and enjoy the benefits that flow on from this activity. We have received some terrific feedback on the facility since it has been open from players, volunteers, official and players, it has improved the operations of main oval and many of our stakeholders are saying they wish we had this facility years ago.

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