

EDITORIAL:

Inverloch Kongwak Football Netball Club

Inverloch, (Bass Coast) Victoria, Australia

Project: Inverloch Kongwak Football Netball Club Courts
Project Owner: Bass Coast Shire Council
Surfacing System: Mapecoat TNS Professional
Surfacing Applicator: King of Courts Pty Ltd
Principal Contractor: R & C Asphalt
Project Manager: Bass Coast Shire Council
Year of Completion: 2020
No. of Courts: Two (2)
Total Area: 1500m²

Mapei Products: Mapecoat TNS White Base Coat
Mapecoat TNS Finish 1
Mapecoat TNS Line

Mapecoat TNS Colours: Dark Blue TNS 16
Night Blue TNS 22
White Line TNS 0



PROJECT HISTORY

Inverloch Football Club was formed in 1920. During World War II, the club experienced a recession but was reformed again after the war in 1945.

The club was financed through donations by the local population of Inverloch and club amenities donated by local businesses.

In 1952 Inverloch gained the services of a professional coach, Les Baker, who became the first professional and paid Coach in the district. The new coach brought along some Australian Football League (AFL) players with him; this was the start of a golden era for the club. Inverloch merged with Kongwak Football Club to form a committee and changed their club name to Inverloch-Kongwak Football Club.

In 1998 Inverloch Netball Club joined the club, and their name was changed again to Inverloch-Kongwak Football and Netball Club.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Inverloch-Kongwak Football Netball Club will benefit from a much-needed upgrade to the netball precinct at Inverloch Recreation Reserve, which will be partly funded through the State Government's Female Friendly Facilities Funding program.

The Victorian Government has committed \$500,000 to the upgrade of the netball courts and construction of a new netball pavilion. The project's scope includes the reconfiguration of the two existing courts to meet Netball Victoria compliance guidelines and the installation of new fencing, lighting, and player shelters.

In addition to the court upgrade, the club will also benefit significantly from the construction of a new netball pavilion that will consist of player change rooms, umpire change rooms, medical room, and accessible change space. The whole project cost around \$940,000 to complete.

PROJECT REQUIREMENT:

Bass Coast Shire Council recognised that the condition of the existing courts and pavilion was sub-standard. The importance of providing the community of Inverloch with adequate netball facilities was a high priority.

The Inverloch-Kongwak Netball club has around 150 registered women and girls that represent the club in competition all year round. These netballers must be provided with the best possible facilities to develop their skills and continue their involvement in community sport. The Female Friendly Facilities Fund is a terrific initiative from the State Government that enables females to be more active more often.

The upgrade of the netball precinct at Inverloch Recreation Reserve is one of several netball court upgrades scheduled throughout the Shire over the next few years and showcases Bass Coast Shire Council's commitment to enhancing existing netball facilities.



AWARDED PROJECT

Bass Shire Council contracted R & C Asphalt to construct the two (2) new courts.

The existing asphalt netball courts were demolished and replaced with new asphalt courts.

Mapecoat TNS approved applicator, *King of Courts Pty Ltd* was engaged to install the **Mapei Mapecoat TNS Professional** acrylic surfacing system over the new asphalt substrate.

Approved Applicator King of Courts carried out a light mechanical grind and pressure wash to remove any dirt, dust, oils, and any other potential contaminants on the asphalt substrate likely to affect the adhesion of the Mapecoat TNS coatings. Application of the **Mapecoat TNS Professional** surfacing system over the newly constructed asphalt substrate included minor patching and levelling followed by one (1) full application of **Mapecoat TNS White Base Coat** (semi-flexible acrylic resin-based coating with good filling capacity) over the entire surface area. This was then followed by two coats of **Mapecoat TNS Finish 1** (coloured acrylic resin-based topcoats) in two distinct colours – Night Blue TNS 22 for the inner courts and Dark Blue TNS 16 for the outer court surrounds.

The courts were completed after applying the playing court lines with **Mapecoat TNS White Line** paint.

SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME AND BENEFITS:

The new **Mapecoat TNS Professional** courts provide Inverloch Kongwak Football Netball Club with long-lasting, and slip-resistant acrylic resin-based netball court surfaces compliant with the requirements of Netball Victoria for holding netball competitions.

The professional supply and installation of the **Mapecoat TNS Professional** multi-sport court playing surface by **King of Courts** is yet another example of our 'quality products' / 'quality application' philosophy. Mapei Sports System Technology's policy of dealing exclusively with 'selected' approved applicators for the supply & installation of our Mapecoat TNS products ensured the delivery of high performance and attractive court surfaces with an excellent outcome for the many stakeholders involved in this project.