

EDITORIAL:

MELBOURNE GIRLS COLLEGE

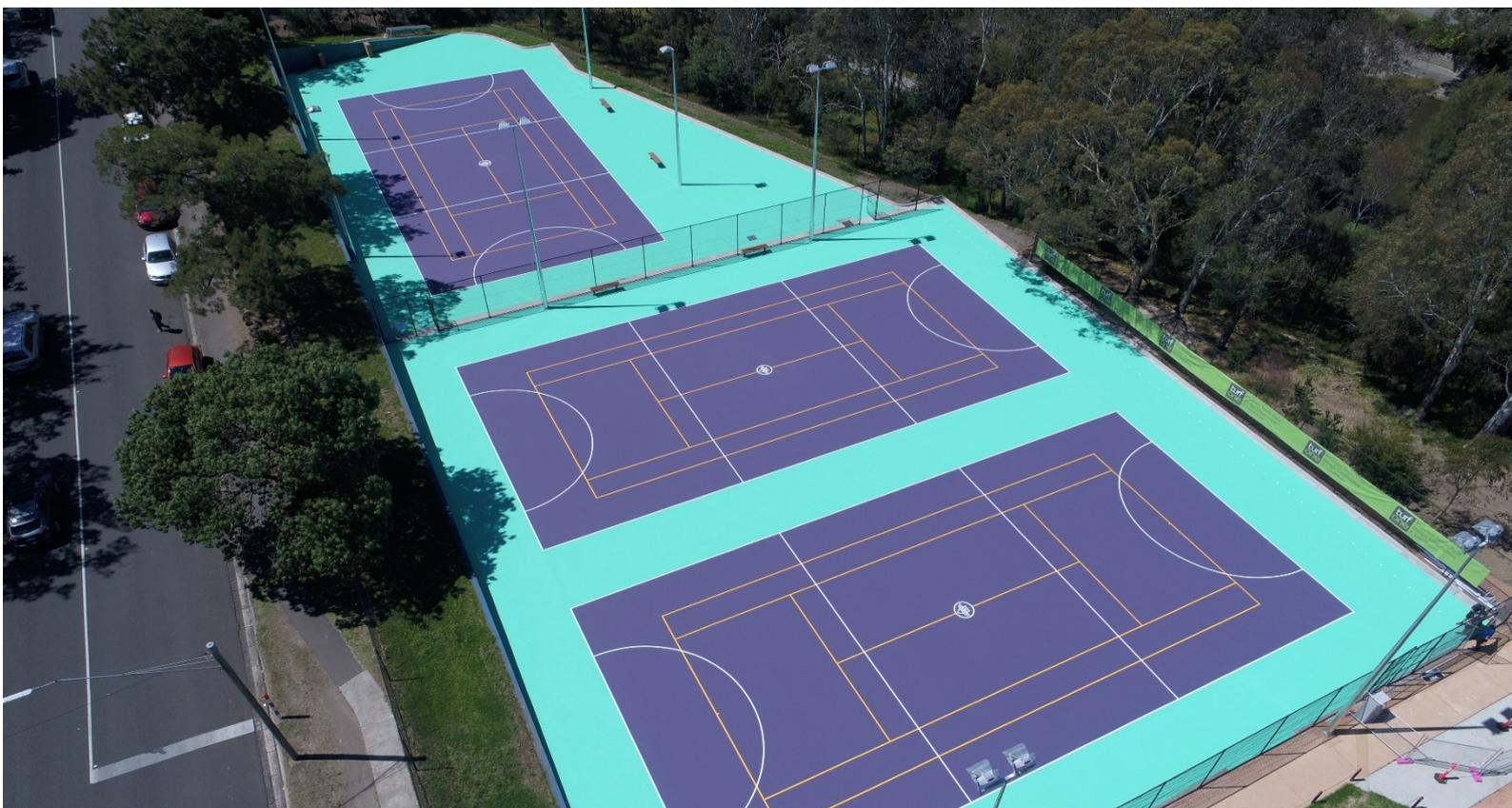
Netball and Tennis Courts Redevelopment

55 Yarra Boulevard, Richmond - Victoria - Australia

Project: Melbourne Girls College
Netball and Tennis Courts Redevelopment
Project Manager: SPORTENG
Main Contractor: Turf One Pty Ltd
Surfacing Applicator: King of Courts Pty Ltd
Surfacing System: MAPEI Mapecoat TNS Professional
Total Number of Courts: Three (3)
Total Area: 2580 m²
Mapei Co-Ordinator: Nicholas Cheal
Year of Completion: 2018

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

Mapecoat TNS Colours: Violet TNS 12
Light Green TNS 18



PROJECT HISTORY

Melbourne Girls College (MGC) was established in 1994 and is a leader in innovative girls' education.

MGC is committed to developing confident young women who have the knowledge and skills to enable them to explore and experience rich lives both personally and professionally. MGC provides enrolment opportunities for both local and international female students and is a Department of Education and Training state school located in the Melbourne inner city suburb of Richmond, alongside the Yarra River.

With over 1400 students, the college is constantly evolving programs and learning schedules to ensure that all students are future-ready with an emphasis on persistence, teamwork, respect for diversity and personal best.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

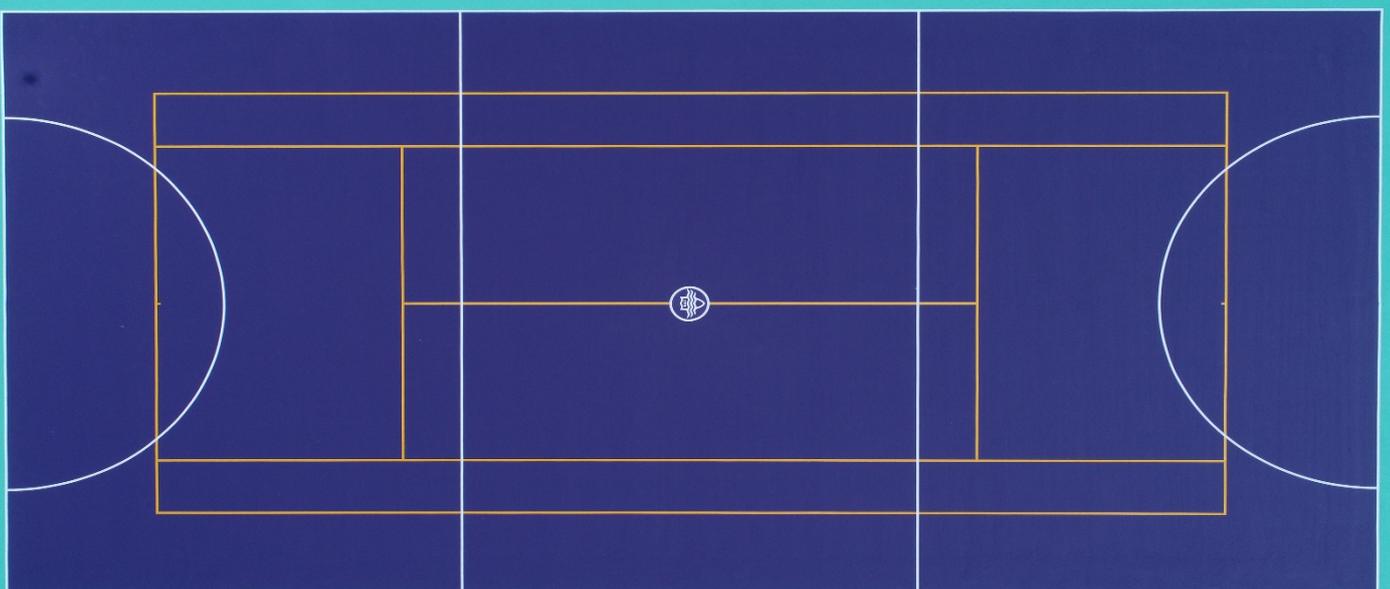
This project formed part of the Victorian Government's \$9.6 million Inner City Netball Program aimed at building 64 competition compliant netball courts in inner-Melbourne, ensuring nobody is turned away from playing the game they love.

With netball being the primary sport and the project being closely monitored by *Netball Victoria*, it was imperative as part of the tender requirements, that the chosen surface would demonstrate the ability to meet and in fact surpass minimum 'wet pendulum' testing requirements. After the completion of the installation, the courts were tested by an accredited testing authority in 5 locations and recorded an average BPN value of 75 or greater for each court. To achieve this, the **Mapecoat TNS Finish-1** was selected to provide the required texture underfoot. Prior to handover, the required testing was arranged and carried out with successful 'slip resistance' results being achieved.

PROJECT REQUIREMENT

The school's netball courts required a complete transformation with the demolition of the old courts and reconstruction of three (3) new hot mix asphalt-based netball courts.

Field of Play specialist consultant and project manager, SPORTENG was responsible for the design requirements that included the necessity to satisfy the current Australian netball standards.



AWARDED PROJECT

Sports Field & Court Construction Company and Mapei Sports System Technology customer *Turf One Pty Ltd* was awarded the tender to install the new netball courts.

Following demolition works and the reconstruction of the new asphalt bases, *Turf One Pty Ltd* sub-contracted the acrylic surfacing works to fellow Mapei TNS customer & approved applicator *King of Courts Pty Ltd* who subsequently installed the **Mapecoat TNS Professional** system – consisting of **Mapecoat TNS White Base Coat** and **Mapecoat TNS Finish 1**.

An important consideration for the Melbourne Girls College was to have the **acrylic** surface finished in a colour scheme that would closely resemble their official school colours. As such, it was decided that the courts were to be finished in the two-tone combination of ‘**TNS 12 Violet**’ inner playing areas and ‘**TNS 18 Light Green**’ court surrounds. **Mapecoat TNS White Lines** were chosen for the primary sport of netball and **Mapecoat TNS Yellow Lines** were selected for the tennis court markings.



SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME AND BENEFITS

The completed courts look spectacular and approved applicator *King of Courts Pty Ltd* was also able to feature the school's official school logo within the centre circle of each court.

From the design capabilities of SPORTENG, the skills and expertise of principal contractor *Turf One Pty Ltd* and sub-contractor *King of Courts Pty Ltd*, this project showcases the surfacing 'finish' texture along with aesthetic beauty that is available from the **Mapecoat TNS** surfacing and colour range.

