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## **Petanque terrain restoration works**

This is to inform the community about upcoming restoration works at the petanque terrain in Ulysses Park.

**Where:** eastern end of Ulysses Park, Mission Beach

**When:** August 2021, TBA, weather dependent

### **What:**

- replenish the decomposed granite bowling surface,
- add large rocks to the playing area border,
- realign the playing area border,
- replace the signs,
- install eight new park benches and
- plant native seedlings

### **Funding from:**

- Queensland Gambling Community Benefit Fund grant
- Rotary Club of Mission Beach, donation towards installing the benches
- MBPC, in-kind contribution for new signs and landscaping

### **Materials:**

- Screened decomposed granite from Blenners Raw Materials, Euramo
- Boulders from Bonassi quarry, Lower Tully
- Benches manufactured by Grillex, Bundaberg
- Seedlings from CCRC Revegetation Nursery, Tully
- Signs, graphic design, S. Badcock, Mission Beach
- Signs, production, Artcraft, Townsville

**Contractors:** NQ Forestry Services, Wongaling

**Background:**

The playing area was installed on August 8, 2013. The gravel bowling surface is heavily eroded after eight wet seasons, heavy usage and foot traffic, including market days. There is no longer any formal seating following the removal of the timber benches.

**Planning:**

The restoration project is managed through a number of subcommittees for; benches, signs, layout, surface and landscaping. The restored playing area will remain within the existing footprint i.e. bounded by the path to the beach, the park shelter, the trees to the South and the Ulysses Link Track.

The club wanted hardwood timber slat benches but Council insisted that the benches were aluminium with stainless steel fixings with a Timberimage woodgrain finish to match the hoop pine park shelter.

**Community and Stakeholder Consultation**

- Letters of support were received from:
  - Cassowary Coast Regional Council,
  - Rotary Club of Mission Beach,
  - Mission Beach Community Association,
  - Port Douglas Petanque Club,
  - Cairns Petanque Club,
  - Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club, Vic.
  
- Letter distributed via MBCA email distribution list, 2019
- Presentation to MBCA meeting, 2019
- On-site briefings for stakeholders, April 2021. Stakeholders and stakeholder organisations invited included:
  - Cassowary Coast Regional Council Mayor
  - CCRC Councillor Division 3\*
  - CCRC Director Infrastructure Services
  - CCRC Manager Asset Engineering
  - CCRC Facilities Asset Manager\*
  - Friends of Ulysses Park\*
  - Representative, Market Stall Holders\*
  - Djiru Warrangburra Aboriginal Corporation
  - Rotary Club of Mission Beach
  - Mission Beach Community Association

- Community for Cassowary and Coastal Conservation (C4)\*
- Lions (and Lioness) Clubs of Mission Beach\*  
(\* attended)

**Ongoing care and use of the petanque terrain:**

The gravel bowling surface is just as important for petanque as the green is for lawn bowls. This is why vehicles must not be driven on the surface and there must not be any constructions or temporary installations or anything else that involves holes including posts and pegs.

All enquires for use of the petanque terrain should be directed to CCRC.

**Finally:**

The Club play year round at the terrain on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons and visitors are always welcome!

Thank you

Yours sincerely

Bill Boyd  
President, Mission Beach Petanque Club