



MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

FACT SHEET

Great Southern Stand refurbishments

1. Premier Brumby today also announced a \$30 million fund had been established by the Government with the purpose of funding major refurbishments and improvements to the AFL Members Reserve in the Great Southern Stand.
2. The initial scope of works for the upgrade will be determined following a detailed scoping study which will investigate:
 - 2.1. Revitalisation of some of the entry points to the ground including a more streamlined ticket processing layout.
 - 2.2. Upgrades to some of the food and beverage areas and improvements to some of the basement floor food courts.
 - 2.3. Refurbishment of some of the existing function and dining rooms to provide improved flexibility in the spaces and comfort for patrons.
 - 2.4. Development of new facilities including lounge/library and coffee bars.
 - 2.5. Replacement and upgrades to a part of the seating, public concourses and amenities.
 - 2.6. Enhancement of the infrastructure services within the Great Southern Stand.
3. The MCC will also undertake a scoping study to determine the extent of other works to be implemented in addition to the refurbishment of the AFL Members Reserve, which will be completed by the end of 2009.
4. The funding will ultimately benefit the Victorian clubs, as patronage and revenues increase due to the improvements.
5. The improvements would extend the life of the Great Southern Stand and reduce future costs.
6. By undertaking these refurbishments and enhancements now, the MCC is confident the lifespan of the Great Southern Stand will be greatly increased.
7. The project will increase the overall amenity and facilities within the Great Southern Stand.
8. The MCC is able to make a contribution without increasing debt, as it previously put aside funding for improvements and upgrades around the Great Southern Stand.
9. The Great Southern Stand was completed in 1992 and has a capacity of just over 44,000.
10. The stand is also home to major dining rooms named after some of Australia's finest sportsmen, including Lindsay Hassett, Keith Miller, Tom Wills, Haydn Bunton, Ron Barassi and Jack Ryder.

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