

- Good evening everyone and welcome to the official opening of Nunawading Cricket Club's nets and ribbon cutting ceremony.
- In the spirit of reconciliation, Whitehorse City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.
- On behalf of Whitehorse City Council, I am delighted to be here to officially open the new nets with you all and to also congratulate the Nunawading Cricket Club in reaching its 90th anniversary, established back in 1927.
- To all 230 members of the Nunawading Cricket Club, past and present, I thank you for your passion of the sport and ongoing dedication which has contributed to the success of the cricket club.
- The club should be proud of the achievements made over the years. Especially, winning the most Shield grades and the most cumulative premierships in the Box Hill Reporter District Cricket Association history. A true achievement for the last 3 seasons is winning 8 club premierships. What a fantastic result!
- With the new cricket practice nets now ready for use, the club community; all 160 junior and 70 senior players, are fortunate to have these facilities upgraded to assist in their training to improve both bowling and batting performance.
- The \$100,000 investment by Council has included a drainage upgrade to all the nets and cricket-specific, bowler run-up area. These improvements have created almost a brand new practice facility for the players.
- Council are thrilled to hear that the club has such a strong junior program consisting of 9 boy teams, 2 girl teams and a very well-attended Milo In2Cricket program of 60 boys and girls.
- With such wonderful cricket programs available for new and existing members during the summer season, it is certainly encouraging knowing that healthy lifestyles and a great social environment for young and senior players are promoted here at the cricket club.
- I would like to recognise the Committee in organising today's event, and providing significant support to the organisation and their members.
- And to the many volunteers who have selflessly given their skills and time over the years to the club to ensure enjoyment of the sport. Thank you, your support is most appreciated.
- Once again, congratulations to the Nunawading Cricket Club on your 90th anniversary. This is an outstanding achievement. I wish you all the very best for this 2017/18 cricket season and many more to come.
- Thank you