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Emu Park SLSC scores \$1m renovation grant

One of the Capricorn Coast's oldest sporting clubs will receive a massive overhaul thanks to a \$1 million grant announced today by the Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga.

The money follows many months of meetings between Ms Lauga and club officials, and will culminate in the construction of new storage areas, change rooms and an update on the disability access.

"This is a wonderful win for the club and its hundreds of members, and follows many meetings with secretary Gavin Reynolds, president John Phelan and chairman Graeme Crowe.

"I'm particularly proud of securing this grant, part of the Active Community Infrastructure grants, as I am patron of the Emu Park SLSC and have seen first hand the great work they do for its members and the community.

"This grant comes at a critical time for the club which has just released its latest Strategic Plan which has identified the need for such work and expansion."

Ms Lauga said the Emu Park SLSC had built a proud history and a wonderful reputation since the first clubhouse began in July 1960 with many of the members taking leave from work to assist in the construction.

Prior to the clubhouse being built members would catch the train to the beach each weekend (trains were the only method of travel to Emu Park until the first road was officially opened in 1965).

The clubhouse was officially opened by Mayor Rex Pilbeam on 11th December 1960.

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