

## PAVILION UPGRADE

### NOTIFICATION TO ALL MEMBERS

#### **SILCOCK RESERVE PAVILION UPGRADE – March 2020 – December 2020 (?)**

Dear Member

We are excited to let you know that after many years of negotiations with council and the other tenants of Silcock Reserve (cricket & soccer clubs) agreement has been reached on an upgrade plan satisfactory to all stakeholders. The dog club section of the existing pavilion will be largely untouched structurally – the shop, kiosk and main equipment store will be relocated but we are very pleased to gain exclusive use of the kitchen and maintain all other areas as is with a spruce-up. Many of you will remember our concern at many of the suggested plans over the last few years – most unsatisfactory in many ways.

The works are to start by mid-March this year but you will already see evidence of preparations this week. A number of portable buildings will be installed between the clubhouse and the children's playground. This is the only location possible because of plumbing and electrical services and leaving access for heavy equipment movement for both the pavilion works now and for some oval refurbishment later in the year. The complete pavilion and surrounds will be a building site "fenced off" from any club use from mid-March until next year.

Our Sunday training will continue as usual at Silcock Reserve but with a smaller range of equipment available to the advanced disciplines. We will have use of one shipping container for vital Sunday training equipment. There will be a portable toilet adjacent to the shipping container and a small building for the office. We hope to be able to continue our kiosk and shop but with reduced services. Shop equipment not on hand at Silcock can be ordered for the following Sunday. The plan is to replace the current barbecue sausages with hotdogs.

Our Puppy Preschool, held inside on Wednesday evenings, will continue as usual but the location will change. We have leased a factory in Kilsyth (5 – 10 minutes drive from Silcock) for Puppy Preschool classes and the storage of all the contents of our current building. Packing of equipment has begun and will be completed in the next week or so. A removalist will relocate our equipment and furniture to Kilsyth on the 11<sup>th</sup> March.

The last Puppy Preschool class at Silcock will be on 4<sup>th</sup> March and successive PPS classes begin at Kilsyth on the 11<sup>th</sup> March.

We expect little, if any, interference to our regular program but there will be some changed circumstances which we ask you to understand. The benefits of a shiny, reworked pavilion will be well worth any "pain" for the next 9 – 12 months.

Thanks must go to our hard working committee who have negotiated a great result for all members with our new clubrooms. They have done their utmost to achieve the best arrangements possible for a continuation of all our programs over the next 9 – 12 months with as little disruption as possible during building works.

A link to this notification will be placed on our club website homepage ([cdodc.com.au](http://cdodc.com.au)) and any future notifications about the progress of pavilion and grounds works will also be linked from the homepage.