

## Project News

Project number: D-3868 Meridan Downs District Park

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## Thank you for your feedback

### Meridan Downs District Park - disc golf update

#### Update

Council would like to thank local residents for their valuable feedback regarding the installation of disc golf baskets at Meridan Downs District Park (Park).

As a result of survey findings and further discussion with stakeholders, disc golf equipment will be installed as part of a two year trial (with review after one year) for use in Meridan Downs District Park.

#### What next?

Disc golf catcher baskets, as well as small tee and course signage will be installed within the Park by a local contractor which has been fully funded by grants secured by the Sunshine Coast Disc Golf Club overseen by council.

New infrastructure will create an opportunity for the broader community to enjoy disc golf for social interaction in a fun, safe and healthy environment.

#### Community questions answered

- **Car parking and traffic** – Meridan Downs District Park has sufficient on-street car parking for ongoing disc golf activity and general visitors.

Car parking availability will be monitored as part of the review process.

In response to survey concerns about the Caloundra/Ridgewood Road intersection upgrade, construction is currently programmed for end of May 2021 weather permitting.

Residents are encouraged to visit the TMR website for the latest news and information on this project.  
<https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/projects/caloundra-road-and-ridgewood-road-intersection-upgrade>

- **Dog Off-Leash Area (DOLA)** – It is important to note that council *is not* proposing to remove or change in any way

#### A note from your local councillor

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete council's recent disc golf survey. We appreciate your feedback. Council has carefully considered each response and is pleased to start this trial.

Meridan Downs District Park is a wonderful hive of activity for many recreational purposes. I encourage you to keep an eye on the project news section of council's website and try your hand at Disc Golf at the open day on 12 June.

Regards,  
Cr Rick Baberowski



the current dog off-leash provisions for Meridan Downs District Park.

There are no records of incidents involving dogs and disc golf participants in the past four years at Meridan Downs District Park. Benchmarking with other local governments where disc golf occurs in dog off-leash areas has indicated this as a low-risk concern.

- **Glossy black-cockatoo** – Glossy black-cockatoo sightings have been confirmed on two occasions within Meridan Downs District Park in 2021.

The club have worked with council to adjust the disc golf course layout away from 'preservation areas'. The club is further assisting council with regular monitoring and future funding options to expand and improve the preservation zones of the Glossy black-cockatoo.

A Fact Sheet on the Glossy black-cockatoo can be viewed at [www.glossyblack.org.au/fact-sheets/](http://www.glossyblack.org.au/fact-sheets/)

How you can help – To register any sightings of the Glossy black-cockatoo visit [www.glossyblack.org.au/submit-sighting/](http://www.glossyblack.org.au/submit-sighting/)

- **Usage** – For the past four years, the Sunshine Coast Disc Golf Club has used Meridan Downs District Park on a monthly basis.

The club will continue using the Park for its monthly club days during the trial period and will not be increasing usage of the site. This monthly club day will be managed under a council approved community land permit.

Outside of the monthly club use, the disc golf infrastructure will be available for the enjoyment of the community.

- **Review after 1 year** – To ensure the best outcome for the Meridan Downs District Park, a review will be undertaken at the end of the first year to determine improvements and the way forward for the remainder of the trial period.

## Keep updated

Follow the Sunshine Coast Disc Golf Club and join in any future Park working bees by contacting the club via email [sunshinecoastdg@gmail.com](mailto:sunshinecoastdg@gmail.com).

The club welcomes anyone interested to learn more about disc golf and will host the next 'Come and Try Day' on Saturday, 12 June from 8.30am.

Updates regarding the project will be posted on council's website.

## Further information

To find out more about this project, please contact council's Sport & Recreation Officer on email [sportrec@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:sportrec@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au)