



LOCATION

Horsham, Victoria

CLIENT

Horsham Rural City Council

CATEGORY

Redevelopment

FEATURES

Wet Deck Conversion
Accessibility Ramp
PVC Liner Installation
Concourse Paving

Horsham Aquatic Centre

For over 60 years the Horsham Memorial Pool had served the surrounding community. This major renovation project has saved historical the pool and given it a new lease on life.

Constructed by Soldiers in 1956, The Horsham memorial pool has become a much loved and important asset for the people of the town and the wider regional community. After the development of a new indoor aquatic center in 2006, the aging outdoor pool was earmarked for demolition. The passion of the community for the historic structure saw the council look for redevelopment options to improve the pool.

Our site works focused on slicing off the existing concrete hob and replacing it with a new custom concrete wet-deck gutter system. The new gutter sits flush with the concourse around the perimeter of the pool, which gives a more modern, streamlined appearance.

The gutter also serves to skim or remove surface water containing pollutants and debris from the pool, the soiled water flows into a balance tank, where it is drawn into the circulation system for effective treatment before being returned to the pool. The wet deck model provides faster and more even surface water removal than the skimmer system that was existing at the pool.



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HORSHAM AQUATIC CENTRE

Accessibility to the pool was a consideration for the council, so during the redevelopment, we constructed a ramp which has radically improved access to the pool for all members of the community.

Due to the structural works completed during redevelopment and the age of the pool, selecting a suitable finish posed some challenges. Re-tiling the structure would have been technically challenging, and given the preexisting and new joints in the pool, tiles would have been likely to cause future issues for the Horsham Council and Pool Management.

Our solution was to instead install a reinforced PVC liner with waterline tiles only. This solution allowed for coverage of all control and cold joints, with a thick but flexible liner which resists cracking or lifting with natural movements. Commercial Liners such as this have an expected life of around 15 years, after which time it can be cost-effectively replaced and recycled.

“Concourse paving was included in the works to ensure the effectiveness of the wet-deck gutter system. Which now looks modern and matches the indoor pools at the center perfectly”.



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