

BURREN JUNCTION

PRECINCT SPORTS





DRAFT Burren Junction Sports Precinct Plan MAP





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Burren Junction Public School (BJPS)

The BJPS is a vibrant small school drawing children from a 75km radius in the district. The children's enthusiasm for sport reflects the importance that families within the region place on physical movement and exercise.

Annual athletics carnival (usually held June)

The schools annual athletics carnival is one of the children's favourite days of the year, with every child in the school competing in both track and field events. Track events include running races ranging from 50 to 1500m and field events include long jump, high jump, shot put and discus. With spectators encouraged, extended family come to the oval for the day with attendance numbers approximately 125 people. The local preschool caters the day, treating everyone to a delicious breakfast, lunch and snacks in between.

Needs

- The running track to have an even surface (topdressing and grass seeds spread)
- The running track to be a standard 400m
- A kitchen building that can be used for catering
- Spectator seating (some with shade or cover ?)

Annual cross country carnival (usually held April)

All BJPS students participate in the annual cross country run of either 2000m or 3000m. The track includes sections of the sports precinct.

Needs

The running track to have an even surface (gradable?)

- 6 ways athletics carnival

BJPS competes in a small schools competition that rotates every 6 years to the host school. This event follows a similar format with similar events to the BJPS athletics carnival, however the attendance numbers swell to approximately 350.

Same needs as athletics carnival

General sports training

Enthusiastic children and parents hold running training at the Burren oval with children meeting before and after school for weeks before athletic events to build their fitness. This level of fitness generally sees a high proportion of BJPS students successful at zone events, making it through to North West and even competing at a state level. Cross country Training starts in term 1 and continues through into term 3 crossing over with athletics and shorter distance training. Training for the athletics carnival begins in term 2 and continues through to the end of term 3 when the state competition is held.

BJPS students also participate in a range of other school sports competitions including soccer and softball. The Burren oval provides a large and uninterrupted training place for any and all sports training.



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Campdraft

- The volunteer Cubaroo Campdraft Committee runs the popular 3 day, annual campdraft event at the Burren Junction campdraft arena. When the opportunity arises they have even been known to squeeze in a second well attended campdraft for the year. Attracting XXX competitiors that arrive with their horses, the majority of them camping at the grounds for 3 nights. Complete with spectators, the total attendee numbers are estimated at XXX daily. The site is transformed over this period into a hive of activity. The Burren preschool and BJPS provide catering to the hungry crowd serving breakfast, lunch, dinner and everything in between. The site generally includes a bar area that is frequented until late. The committee generously donates funds back into the community with the preschool and school being grateful recipients of donations.

Needs

- Additional watering points for horses
- XXX (Campdraft committee providing additional input)

Sporting groups

Burren Junction Touch Association

In 2019 and 2023, volunteers ran a mixed touch competition for adults and children. The touch evenings were designed to bring families together for some social fun and healthy competition. Players travelled each week from Rowena, Cryon, Pilliga, Come by Chance, Wee Waa, and of course Burren to participate. The players ranged in age from 3 to 54 years old. A BBQ was provided each week to feed the competitors and spectators that could number up to 150.

Needs

- Spectator seating (some with shade or cover ?)
- BBQ facilities

Sports training / exercise groups

Not just the children who meet at the oval for training. The oval and tennis courts have been host to regular exercise groups. Providing an all weather site for groups to meet and enjoy some healthy exercise and social activity.

Other Community users

- Private exercisers come to the fenced oval for a safe exercising environment
- **Community events** are held at the oval i.e in 2019 there was a whole of community 'Top Cop' evening. A free community event that included getting to know the local emergency services and a family outdoor movie night.



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GENERAL SPORTS PRECINCT

- Multipurpose kitchen / shed / canteen (Council budget 25/26)
- Site plan with agreed proposed improvements (can be used for funding applications)
- Demolish old infrastructure that will not be repaired
- ✓ Agree on designated car parking area, campdraft parking, fence off 'pedestrian only' zones i.e area around facilities (kitchen, bathrooms etc) to ensure safety of pedestrians
- ✓ Remove fence around campdraft showers?
- ✓ Long jump pit (multi purpose could include beach volleyball)
- ✓ Signage
- ✓ Additional tree plantings

OVAL

- Watering system (Council 24/25) Pressure pump? Is this required / possible?
- ☐ Top dress / plant grass seeds (Council 24/25)
- ☐ Increase size so the running track circumference can be 400m
 (Considered in council 24/25)
- ☐ Fence other grants / funding
- ☐ Seating other grants / funding
- ☐ Lights (move existing?) (Considered in council 24/25) OR other grants

TENNIS COURTS

- Repair single tennis court
- New fence around single tennis court
- Remove old fence
- Gravel over 3 unrepairable courts convert into parking area?

CAMPDRAFT

- Additional watering points for visiting horse trucks / floats



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