



Sid Sidebottom MP ... *for a fair go*

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Sharks to kick-off 2010 season with brand new clubrooms

THE Somerset Sharks Soccer Club will kick off the 2010 season boasting state-of-the-art clubrooms, after an upgrade to the facilities were officially opened by Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom today.

The Rudd Government contributed \$125,000 towards the upgrade, which was long overdue.

“The old changerooms were built in 1946, and were clearly in need of urgent replacement,” Mr Sidebottom said.

Along with additional funding from the Tasmanian Government and club fundraising, renovations included new home and visitor change rooms, two junior change rooms and a referees change room along with a new first aid room, a storage facility and space for a future gym.

The renovations also provide an extension to the verandah area allowing for better spectator comfort.

“I must congratulate the Club on their hard work in raising money towards this project, and their foresight in developing plans for the refurbishments,” he said.

“All 125-odd club members and officials have shown phenomenal drive in securing funding for this project – their passion and commitment to the cause is very admirable.

“Somerset Soccer Club is one of Tasmania’s most successful soccer clubs, so it’s only fitting that they now have state-of-the-art facilities to train and play on.”

Mr Sidebottom said funding for the project had come from a 2007 election commitment.

Somerset Soccer Club was founded in 1979, and currently supports Senior and Reserves Mens’ teams, an Under 18 Youth team and a Women’s team – all of which compete in the Combined Northern League.

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