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## **SKATE PARK RE-OPENING A HUGE SUCCESS!**

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The newly renovated skate park re-opened with a bang on Tuesday at Marie Bashir Park. With the school holidays in full swing, the park was buzzing with people on scooters and skateboards racing all over the new concrete layout.

Totem Skateboarding were on hand for an afternoon of fun-filled activities for participants including coaching, pro demonstrations, tricks and competitions. While the Narrandera Lions Club offered a free sausage sizzle for all to enjoy.

Mayor Neville Kschenka said of the new skate park, "This facility is a treasure to Marie Bashir Park for the families of Narrandera Shire. It provides a fun and free activity for our youth, school children in school holidays, travelling families and people with a keen interest in skateboarding. To upgrade it to such a high standard, with strong community engagement, is a fantastic outcome."

The project was part of the Stronger Country Communities Round One program, with Council receiving \$100,000 as part of the Marie Bashir Park upgrade, together with a \$40,000 contribution Bendigo Community Bank partnering with Narrandera Lions Club and \$40,000 of Council revenue.

Narrandera Shire Council would like to thank everyone who contributed to the development and construction of the project including Totem Skateboarding Founder Nigel Cameron, and Enlocus Design Group who developed the concept design elements. Together with successful tenderer VFG Skate Park – who commenced construction in early August and completed the project by early October.

Mayor Kschenka continued, "Each of the contributors have done an incredible job, and as we have all seen from the moment the concrete settled and the fencing was removed, the children and community absolutely love it! So again thank you all who were involved in the design and construction."

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*Left to right: David Cameron; Head Teacher Totem Skateboarding, Elizabeth Bock; Chairman of Narrandera and District Community Investments (Bendigo Bank), Narrandera Shire Mayor Neville Kschenka, Nigel Cameron; Founder of Totem Skateboarding.*



*Totem skateboarding teacher demonstrating a jump.*

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