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SKATING IN BURNIE ONLINE

With the turning of soil for the new Burnie Skate Park only weeks away, Council has developed an online 'Skating in Burnie' section on its website to keep the community informed of progress and capture the history of skating in Burnie.

Skating in Burnie has been a popular activity since the days of the Cooee and Upper Burnie Rollerskating Rinks where hundreds of people congregated every week. Cooee hosted statewide Roller Hockey events and even claims state representatives.

The new Skate Park is, in effect, the fourth incarnation of designated skating facilities within Burnie. The first three were the Rollerskating Rinks in the 1970s and early 80s, the Half-Pipe in old tip site off View Road in the late 80s and early 90s and the Skate Park on Marine Terrace built in 1999.

The plans for the new Skate Park have been placed onto the 'Skating in Burnie' webpage as well as numerous other items of interest for skateboarders, roller skaters, in-line skaters and BMX riders.

The key feature of the webpage will be the 'Skate Park Progress' photos. Members of the community will be able to visit Council's website and see current progress at the new Skate Park site.

To further develop this webpage into an online resource for skating in Burnie, Council is seeking any information such as historical documents, photos etc relating to skating in Burnie.

The 'Skating in Burnie' page can be located by visiting the homepage of www.burnie.net and clicking on the image of the skateboarder.

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