

# Media Release



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011

## Fishermans beach construction launched

Mr Damian Drum, Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Development joined the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee today to launch the construction phase of the Fishermans Beach Redevelopment.

Great Ocean Road Coast Committee CEO Richard Davies said the event marked a major milestone in the development of the much anticipated, \$2.8M project

“The new Fishermans Beach precinct will be an asset to the region, providing improved access and a range of community and recreational facilities,” he said.

Mr Davies said in addition to community facilities such as new toilets, a kiosk and meeting rooms, the redevelopment would deliver important new facilities for the Torquay Angling Club and Torquay Marine Rescue Service (TMRS).

“The new, purpose built, secure TMRS building will be a two-storey structure that includes an emergency control and communications room on the top floor,” he said.

Mr Davies said Torquay had been designated as a regional Boating Centre under the recently-released Western Coastal Board’s Boating Coastal Action Plan.

“The TMRS provides the only official marine rescue boat in the area, servicing from Queenscliff to Apollo Bay, and these facilities will directly compliment the new Boating Coastal Action Plan,” he said.

Greg Baeck, Chairman of the TMRS, said the he was looking forward to utilising the brand new facility.

“The new building will replace the shed the TMRS was previously using to house our jet ski, the rescue boat and our tractor.

“The operational room will be decked out with radios and second radar on the top floor which we can use to train members and observe smaller vessels in the area,” he said.

Mr. Davies said the Committee was grateful for the support of the project’s funding partners.

“The Committee acknowledges the support of Regional Development Victoria, the Department of Sustainability and Environment and the Surf Coast Shire,” he said.

---

*Caring for the coast and community*

PO Box 53, Torquay, Vic 3228  
Phone: 03 5220 5055 Fax: 03 5264 7763  
Email: [info@gorcc.com.au](mailto:info@gorcc.com.au) Web: [www.gorcc.com.au](http://www.gorcc.com.au)

**For media enquiries please contact:**

Jane Rowlands

Community Liaison Manager

Great Ocean Road Coast Committee

Ph: 5220 5055 Mob. 0427 750 628

Email: [jane.r@gorcc.com.au](mailto:jane.r@gorcc.com.au)

Website: [www.gorcc.com.au](http://www.gorcc.com.au)