



COMMON GROUND



Cardinia

# Upper Beaconsfield Pump Track

Upper Beaconsfield Recreation Reserve, Stoney Creek Rd, Upper Beaconsfield, VIC 3808  
Consultation Results  
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Common Ground has been engaged by the Cardinia Shire Council for the design and construct of an asphalt pumptrack at the Upper Beaconsfield Recreation Reserve where the current track is located. As part of the design process Common Ground has prepared a series of questions, imagery and diagrams to best realise what the local community want to see developed in their back yard.

The consultation had a three prong reach:

- A consultation package was prepared and distributed to the Upper Beaconsfield Primary School for student feedback.
- On the 22nd of November Common Ground and Cardinia Shire Council facilitated an open “pop-up” consultation at the existing track where there was surveys and voting sheets available
- On 15th November 2021 the Cardinia Shire Council went live with the consultation through the “Creating Cardinia” have your say web page. This was live for community engagement for 3 weeks.

This report provides an overview of the information received and how Common Ground will utilise the information and feedback to assist direct the conceptual design of the Upper Beaconsfield Pump Track.



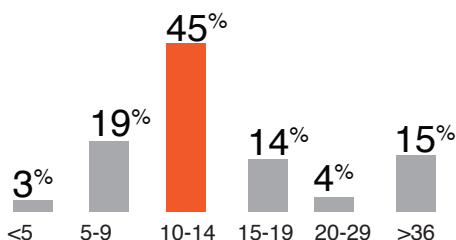
## 2. CONSULTATION DATA

Who turned up?

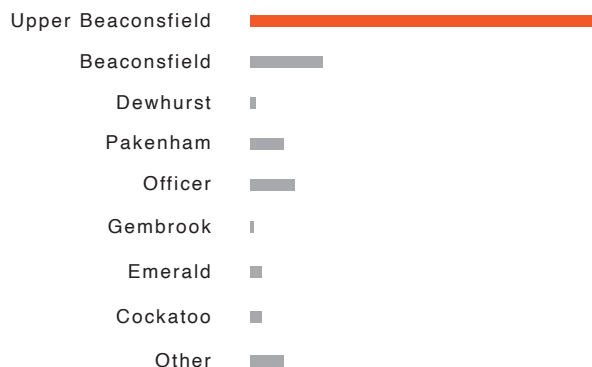


155  
Participants

what is your age?



what is your location?



So you have some riding habits?

how well do you ride?



19%  
Beginner

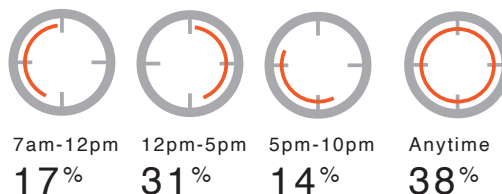


52%  
Intermediate



29%  
Advanced

what time do you ride?



how would you get to the park?



how do you like to roll?



51%  
Mountain  
bike



24%  
BMX



7%  
Skate  
board



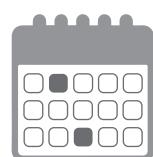
14%  
Scooter



2%  
Inline  
skates

1%  
Other

how often do you ride?



Monthly  
11%



Weekly  
48%



Daily  
38%

This is what we heard you wanted in your facility?

### what form of pump track would you like?



### progression integration?



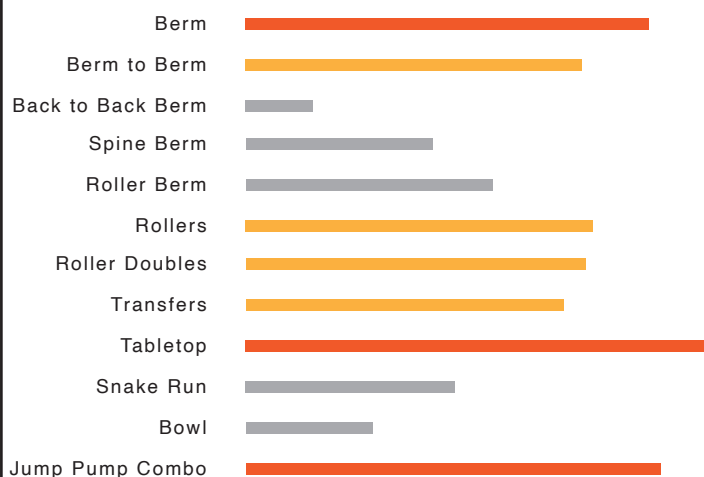
### do you want to race?



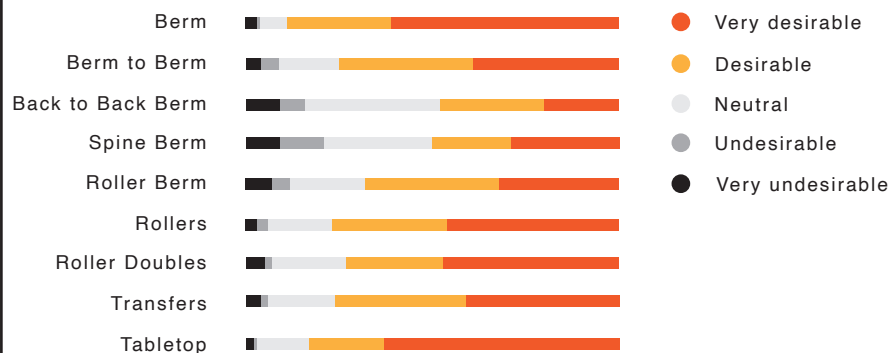
### what is your preferred surface?



### what kind of features do you like?



### how desireable are these features?





### 3. CONSULTATION COMMENTARY

During the online consultation survey it was asked of the participant "What is the one thing you really want to see in a pump and jump track facility?". This was the only opportunity for the participant to expressly write any additional information that was not otherwise captured in the other questions of the survey.

and discussion. These were recorded as best as possible for incorporation into the consultation outcomes.

The discussed items can be categorised into 15 categories. The following expresses them in order of popularity.

During the "pop-up" consultation there was a lot of enthusiasm

#### 1. Jumps

There was multiple requests for "jumps" to be included in the design. The language indicated the desire for features suitable to cater to all users however there was a weighting of comments directed towards advanced features and/or lines that provided for all users and promoted progression.

32%

#### 2. Facility Provisions

There was a high level of request for supporting infrastructure around the facility. This included shelter, seating, bins, water fountains.

20%

#### 3. Skill Level Separation

This category combined comments and discussions around having areas for differing skill level users to be able to participate safely.

13%

#### 4. Advanced Features

There was a significant request for advanced features. These comments were often in conjunction with descriptors of jump features and lines.

10%

#### 5. Lights

The request for lighting of the facility so it can be used at night time was a recurring request.

6%

#### 6. Asphalt Surface

Request for asphalt surface

4%

#### 7. Start Gate

The request for a BMX style start gate popped up a few times

2%

#### 8. No Change to the Facility

The request to leave the site as is was requested

2%

#### 9. Trees to Remain

It was requested the trees not be removed or damaged during the upgrade of the facility.

2%

#### 10. Safety

Comments were made around the importance of safety implementation. This included comments to include signs with safety and use information, directional arrows on the track and even supervised hours.

2%

#### 11. Beginner Features

This includes only comments around the request of specific beginner features rather than the separation of the skill levels as captured in item 3.

2%

#### 12. MTB Specific

There was a small amount of commentary around the facility being designed to be mountain bike specific to best cater for the largest user group.

1%

#### 13. Removal of Trees

There was small amount of commentary around the removal of trees for safety.

1%

#### 14. Natural Surface

There was small amount of commentary around the facility being constructed with a natural surface material.

1%





## 4. SUMMARY

The consultation has been a terrific success with high levels of participation and enthusiasm for the project. While there is a lot of information collected and summarised within this report there has been several points that have risen to be stand out requests of the facility from the community. The following lists those items in no order of priority. Common Ground will use these as guiding principles and desirable outcomes while developing the pump track design.

- The main user group is going to be older kids and teenagers. It is anticipated this would include a mixed bag of supervised and unsupervised activity.
- The majority of the community consider their ability to be 'intermediate' however there is a lot of commentary and discussion around diverse users. As such Common Ground will strive to deliver a facility with a focus on intermediate features with a beginner area and creative advanced lines utilising transfers etc
- The predominant ride of choice is the mountain bike however there are other wheeled sports that will not tolerate dirt surface like a MTB will, therefore Common Ground will ensure at least one loopable circuit is available in the facility
- The feedback received leans towards the facility being one of freestyle and progression rather than one with a racing nature. Common Ground will implement that in both the pump and jump design of the facility.
- There is a lot of passion for the existing jumps which can be partially attributed to the dirt surface. It is apparent the community want to retain the dirt jumps however also understand the benefit of utilising asphalt. A combined surface approach is the favoured outcome that Common Ground will design towards
- The online survey results conflicted somewhat with creating seperate areas for beginners or advanced riders. There was indirect support for having areas separated for all inclusion and safety, therefore Common Ground will take this on board noting the site is very constrained which may make this challenging.
- Features of popularity included some typical pump track features including berms and rollers. Other favourites included berm to berms, table tops, double rollers and transfers. Common Ground will look to incorporate all of these.

