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New surface a boost for Katherine lawn bowlers

Lawn bowls in Katherine have received a boost with a new playing surface installed after the club received a \$50 000 grant from the Territory Government.

Minister for Sport and Recreation Karl Hampton today inspected the new surface in Katherine.

“The new synthetic surface will substantially reduce maintenance costs and will give bowlers extensive access to the green,” Mr Hampton said.

“The previous grass lawn surface required regular replacement and was costly in labour, fertilisers and machinery to maintain.

“It also meant bowlers could only use the surface for a small part of the day as it needed intensive watering.

“The new surface is a huge benefit to the community as it will allow the club to further develop local, club and state bowlers.”

The club has around 100 bowlers who regularly bowl on the green.

“Katherine has the highest numbers of representative junior bowlers in the NT and previously bussed bowlers to the nearest synthetic green at Litchfield,” Mr Hampton said.

“Juniors can now access the surface they play on at a national level with the new synthetic green in Katherine.

“It will also open up opportunities for lawn bowlers from around the Top end to access a superior playing surface.”

