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Letter of Endorsement for Footscray Canoe Club COVID Safety Plan

I have viewed the Safety Plan prepared for Footscray Canoe Club and find it to be comprehensive and complies with and exceeds the current standards and recommendations from Paddle Victoria.

I support the individual paddlers becoming safety officer for their session and no special training for COVID Safety officers as it is a practical way to ensure there is record keeping for all activity. A one page sheet of tick off requirements enables anyone to assume personal responsibility and responsibility for their peers.

I believe attendance record keeping is essential and having a single shared access register will assure up to date easily accessible records. There should be no privacy issues as the participants are all members of the Boat Club.

Access to showers for emergency situations is essential as the initial stages of hypothermia is a greater risk than potential COVID spread.

Importantly the plan is thorough and workable for a paddling club.

The Footscray Canoe Club are taking great care to ensure the health of their members and the public. They have taken careful consideration for the characteristics of the building and the participants.

Most Canoe clubs are active around the state now and Footscray CC have shown care and patience in deciding to activate access only when they were satisfied with their plan and it complied with the current standards.

I fully endorse the Footscray CC COVID Safety Plan

A photograph of a handwritten signature in blue ink on a white background. The signature appears to read "Mark Heggie".

Mark Heggie Executive Officer Paddle Victoria