

## Outdoor gym gets hearts racing at grand opening

MANJIMUP's revitalisation progressed this week as a new outdoor gym was officially opened on Tuesday morning.

The new exercise equipment is next to the yet-to-be-completed Manjin Rec Plaza and includes a cross trainer, recumbent bike, spin bike, hand bike, lateral pull down, shoulder press, pull up, assisted pull up and leg press.

Shire president Paul Omodei said the Rec Plaza and surrounding park were designed as a family area.

"We want this precinct to be buzzing with activity," he said.

"Providing a variety of attractions within Manjin Park provides for peoples' different interests and offers a greater scope of activities to take part in when they visit the area."

The Manjimup Shire Council contributed half of the gym's cost from

the Royalties for Regions-funded Town Centre Revitalisation Project budget, with Real Insurance funding the remaining 50 per cent.

"The investment that has been made through Royalties for Regions means the shire can utilise that funding as leverage in our application for other funding," he said.

"This drives economic activity in the region and assists us to provide additional facilities as a part of the overall project, all aimed at improving the liveability of Manjimup."



**Manjimup shire president Paul Omodei cuts the ribbon with help from Manjimup gym buddies Sherril Chapman and Joan Bowden as acting shire chief executive officer Brian Robinson and manager of community and recreation Evy Apeldoorn watch on. Picture: Shannon Bochenek**