



This is a timely reminder that the Grampians Pétanque Club's perennially popular **Autumn Triples Tournament** is being held at Halls Gap on **Saturday, May 3** and is only 4 weeks away. A minimum prize pool of **\$2000**, comprising cash and quality Grampians wines, is up for grabs. However, this could increase substantially, depending on the number of players, as all entry fees are returned as prizes.

The tournament entry remains unchanged at \$20 per player. Please visit our website at www.grampianspetanque.com.au for full tournament details but also note that we have made an important upgrade to our venue since the October doubles tournament.

We have constructed a second piste! It doubles our playing capacity and we can now comfortably host up to 50 teams (i.e. 150 people playing triples). Some seasoned competitors argued that the existing piste played too predictably, so we have responded with a new facility that offers a more challenging surface. It follows the natural contour of the land, and while mostly flat, there are some tricky slopes, subtle texture variations and even the odd tree root to test your skill. The team winning the toss can now make a tactical choice between two very different playing surfaces! (See our website for photos).

As an added attraction, the **Grampians Grape Escape** wine and food festival will be in full swing on the oval, adjacent to the Boule-o-Drome, and by arrangement with the GGE management, tournament players may purchase concessional entry to the festival.

The adult general admission for a two-day pass to the festival is \$30, but this does **not** include free wine tastings. When packaged with your tournament entry, the price is \$35.

The Wine Lover package, which **includes** free wine tastings on both days, is \$50, but when bundled with your tournament entry, you pay just \$45.

This is shaping up to be our best tournament ever and we look forward to seeing you on Saturday, May 3rd. Join us for a great social day of pétanque at what has been described by many as Australia's best and most scenic venue.

When choosing your accommodation, restaurants and other activities in Halls Gap, please consider our loyal sponsors. They generously support us, so please give them your full support. Visit www.grampianspetanque.com.au/links for a full listing of their contact details, including website links and e-mail addresses.

For a detailed program of events at the Grampians Grape Escape, visit the festival website at www.grampiansgrapeescape.com.au.

Date: Saturday, 3rd May

Registration: 9.00 to 9.45 am.

Play Commences: 10.00 am.

Pre-registration by phone or e-mail is encouraged and would be greatly appreciated.

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