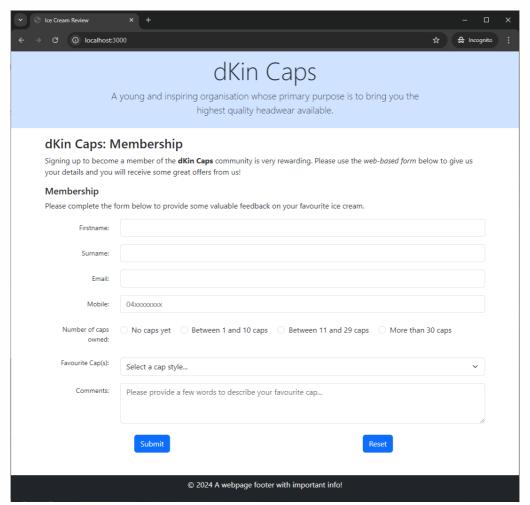
9.1P: Send a Response to the Received Data

Tasks

In previous weeks we have looked at how we can handle GET requests in an express server. Here, we will look at how to handle POST requests, as generated when submitting a web form. You are supplied with the code that presents the following web page form for accepting some information for a user's membership registration, including their name, an email address, phone number, their favourite cap style and a comment:



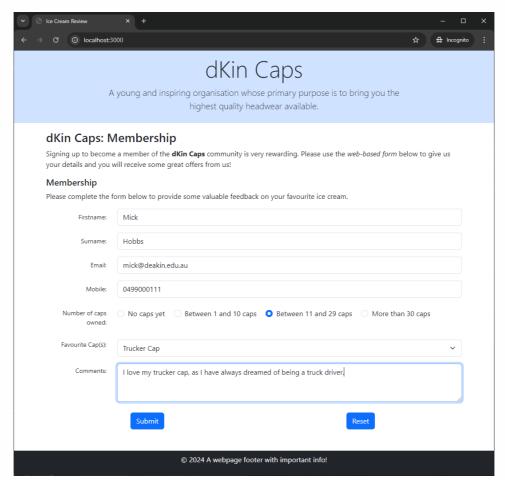
Task9.1.1 Example form layout

In this task, your web page should use **Encapsulated JS** templates for the *main form page* and for the *thank you* response page. The template files for the main form page (broken up into header.ejs, index.ejs, footer.ejs sections) is provided on the Ontrack website, in the task 9.1P page through the *Resources* link found in the bottom right-hand corner of the page.

You are required to:

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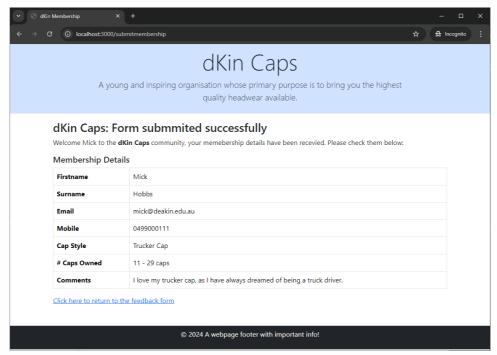
- 1. Save the provided EJS template files into a new views folder in your project directory (following the example provided in the Week 08 content page 8.10 Using templates).
- 2. Make a *Node.js* application program (i.e., an index.js file) in your *Node.js* server folder. Add a GET handler for the default / route to render the index.ejs template with an appropriate title parameter.
- 3. Create a new thankyou.ejs template file (that can also *include* the header.ejs and footer.ejs templates to maintain consistency in presentation). The template should include fields that can be populated by arguments it is provided for the *name*, *favourite ice cream*, *rating* and *feedback*.
- 4. Add a new POST handler to accept data from the **form page**. The route address can be found in the form's action value. The request handler should:
 - extract the forms fields (from the body of the request)
 - render a thankyou template for the response page. The form's fields can be passed as parameters to the template to populate the *response* message.
- 5. Visit the form web page via the local *Node.js* server (e.g., http://localhost:3000/) using a web browser; which should render the template index.ejs file **NOT** a static file.
- 6. Enter some data into the form, like the following:



Task9.1.2 Example form with input

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7. When the "**Submit**" button is clicked, then a response page (message) generated from the thankyou.ejs template and should be displayed in the browser, like the following:



Task9.1.3 Response from the server

What will you submit?

You should submit:

- Source code of the *Node.js* file (i.e., the index.js file).
- Source code of the *template* file for your **Thank You** for registering page (i.e., the thankyou.ejs file).
- Screenshot of the browser window showing the form web page with entered data
- Screenshot of the browser window showing response message after the "**Submit**" button is clicked.

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