AROUND THE BAY Hobsons Bay Ward News





Cherry Lake Ward

Altona, Altona North, Altona Meadows, Brooklyn, Seaholme



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Pollution at Cherry Creek and Cherry Lake

Following a recent chemical spill in Laverton North and subsequent pollution of Cherry Creek and Cherry Lake, EPA Victoria, Melbourne Water and Council remind the community to keep an eye on signage around the Cherry Lake area. Please avoid contact with the water and don't eat any fish caught within the Cherry Creek and Cherry Lake system. A pop-up information session will be held on Wednesday 13 April, 4pm to 6pm at Cherry Lake BBQ area. For details, www.epa.vic.gov.au/for-community/incidents/ cherry-creek-and-lake

Weaver Reserve upgrade

Works have kicked off to revamp Weaver Reserve opposite Logan Reserve and adjacent to Altona Beach. The newly improved Weaver Reserve will include increased gathering space with the removal of existing vegetation, creating a consolidated green open space for gatherings, events and overflow space for the Lifesaving Club. Grass mounds along the edge of the reserve will be constructed to help reduce the impacts of wind, creating a calm space. For details, www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct

Brooklyn Community Hall update

Construction will soon commence on the Brooklyn Community Hall redevelopment. Temporary fencing has been installed, however the hall can still be used until 17 April. From 2 May, the hall will be closed, and internal construction will kick off. For more information, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/ BrooklynCommunityHallredevelopment



Donald McLean Reserve revamp

Work is progressing well on the improvement plan at Donald McLean Reserve Spotswood in partnership with the West Gate Tunnel Project. Drainage works will start soon to manage the stormwater runoff of this reserve. The new pavilion is scheduled to open in late May and will feature a large social space and change room facilities. As part of the improvement plan, the existing playground will be upgraded with a mix of more formal play equipment and nature play elements. While these works occur, the playground will be closed from now until mid-August. For details, www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/donaldmclean

JT Gray works

Works are under way at JT Gray Reserve in Williamstown North. As part of the JT Gray Reserve Master Plan, a new pavilion will be built for the various sporting clubs who use the grounds, new cricket nets will be installed and the carpark and lighting will be upgraded. For more information, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/

South Kingsville Community Centre upgrade

The South Kingsville Community Centre is getting a facelift thanks to a partnership with the state government's West Gate Neighbourhood Fund. Works include new painting, flooring, lighting and significant air conditioning works throughout, as well as outdoor upgrades. Works are expected to be completed in April 2022.



New exhibition at Laneway Gallery

Head down to Laneway Gallery, an outdoor exhibition area at the Woods Street Arts Space in Laverton, to view Nostalgia for a Time That Never Was by visual artist Phuong Ngo. The multi-venue exhibition unpacks the complexities of colonisation and is presented in partnership with The Substation and Photo 2022. Enjoy the exhibition at Laneway Gallery from 1 April to 27 June and the Substation from 29 April to 18 June 2022.

HD Graham Reserve redevelopment

The pavilion at HD Graham Reserve in Altona Meadows is progressing well with the foundations and concrete slab poured, the steel frame erected, and the roof sheets installed. The pavilion will comprise four change rooms, umpires change room, multi-purpose room, kitchen, and amenities. The pavilion is due to be completed in September 2022.

Wetlands Centre Open Day

Hobsons Bay Wetlands Centre Inc. is hosting an open day to showcase plans for a proposed new nature-based attraction at HD Graham Reserve on Saturday 7 May, 11am to 3pm at Truganina Explosives Reserve. Come along to learn more about the centre, the importance of our Ramsar listed coastline and why it needs our protection, education and appreciation. There will be activities for all ages to enjoy and music by the wonderfully talented Orbweavers. For more information, please visit hobsonsbaywetlandscentre.

Council+ celebrations

Williamstown Library, Altona North Community Library and Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre are being transformed into Council+ service centres. You're invited to help us celebrate and join the launch on Thursday 26 May at Williamstown Library and Friday 27 May at Altona North Community Library and Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre. With roving performers, free workshops, live music, children's activities, exhibitions, giveaways, delicious food and hot drinks, there will be something to delight or enthral everyone. For details, visit www. hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/CouncilPlus

Community Pitch voting now open

Vote for your favourite community-driven ideas and go into a draw to win great prizes as part of Community Pitch 2022/23. Thirteen ideas have been shortlisted to vote on and Council will deliver the community's favourite ideas in 2022/23. Voting closes 1 May 2022. To vote, visit participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/communitypitch-202223

Coffee with a Councillor

Come down and share a free coffee with your local Councillor in one of our popular parks and ask questions about key projects and areas of concern. The first Coffee with a Councillor event will be with Cherry Lake Ward Councillor Tony Briffa on Saturday 30 April, 12.30pm to 2.30pm at Ransom Reserve in Altona. Coffee with a Councillor will run each month until October and future events will be announced on our website and social media

Caring for our environment

Recycling glass, cans, paper, cardboard and some plastics will be made possible in Hobsons Bay's great outdoors with a three-bin system being installed in popular parks, reserves and beaches across the city. Council is asking for feedback as part of the initial rollout. Visit participate. hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/binsinourparks

And don't forget that you can keep doing your bit at home by signing up for the community trial of free paper bags to help recycle food waste. Sign up at www.hobsonsbay.vic. gov.au/paperbagtrial

Heritage Hobsons Bay 2022

Uncover the history of Hobsons Bay during the Australian Heritage Festival from 18 April to 2 May. Whether it's by exploring iconic heritage sites or taking a step back in time through storytelling and tours, this year's festival invites you to discover Hobsons Bay's historical, Indigenous, cultural and natural heritage while imagining ways we can protect, promote and celebrate 'Our heritage for the future'. For details and to book, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic. gov.au/HeritageHobsonsBay

Get the giggles this school holidays!

Hobsons Bay Libraries have a jampacked holiday program from Monday 11 April to Friday 22 April. Try your hand at stand-up comedy in our workshop for kids or twist your tongue around our special school holiday storytime, explore the marvelous world of Roald Dahl or enter an Andy Griffiths inspired Scribbletorium. For details visit, libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/library-events/1352autumn-sha-2022



