

# AROUND THE BAY

## HOBSONS BAY WARD NEWS

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#### Altona Beach Precinct trial

The Altona Beach vehicle closure trial, with the help of some great summer weather, has brought the crowds down to the Esplanade and Pier Street! The Men's Shed's colourful beach boxes are being well utilised and children and adults alike are enjoying the pop-up table tennis table, oversized jenga and giant chess. The trial aims to link the beachfront with nearby reserves, cafes, shops and the Altona Life Saving Club, while improving pedestrian safety. Council is keen to hear about your experiences during the trial, so lodge your feedback on [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct](http://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/altonabeachprecinct) by 8 March.

#### Summer events in Altona

It's been a fun start to 2019 with the Altona Village Traders Association organising giant inflatable waterslides as a one-off event at Weaver Reserve and the first screening of Council's Movies by the Bay season. This Friday, a twilight market will lead into the screening of Smallfoot in Logan Reserve, so bring your rug, chairs and popcorn. The movie begins around 8.45pm. Tennis lovers can enjoy watching the Australian Open Men's Final on the big screen at Logan Reserve on Sunday 27 January. Then join Summer Sounds at Logan Reserve on Saturday 9 February from 4pm to 7pm with Boom Crash Opera, William Bloom and Teeny Tiny Stevies, preceded by Midsumma celebrations led by Louis Joel Arts and Community Centre. For details, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

#### AW Langshaw and AH Ford Reserves

Thanks to everyone who provided feedback on the proposed play equipment for AW Langshaw Reserve in Altona North. Construction is expected to commence in April 2019. Council is also working on plans for AH Ford Reserve in Altona following community feedback. Watch [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au) for project updates.

#### Australia Day hours and waste collection

Council offices will be closed for the Australia Day public holiday on Monday 28 January. All rubbish collection services will occur as normal on Monday 28 January. Bookings for hard waste collections for the week of 28 January close at 12pm on Friday 25 January. The libraries open as normal on Saturday 26 January but will be closed on Monday 28 January. Bayfit is open from 11am to 5pm on Saturday 26 and Monday 28 January. Laverton Swim Centre is open 6.30am to 4pm on Saturday 26 January and 8am to 12pm on Monday 28 January.

### Strand Ward

Newport, Spotswood, South Kingsville, Williamstown



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#### Bryan Martyn Oval redevelopment

Works to the existing sportsfield at Bryan Martyn Oval in Newport are progressing well. The new surface has been shaped, a new cricket wicket bench has been constructed, and new drainage and irrigation installed. About 6,500 tonnes of quarried sand, which equates to about 216 truckloads, has been spread across the oval surface. The sand is being levelled across the oval ready for 16,000 square metres of instant turf to be installed. Following grassing, a new boundary fence and players shelters will be installed. Works are expected to be complete early February. The oval will remain closed until April to allow the new grass to successfully establish.

#### Summer events

Council's Summer Sounds program continues at Commonwealth Reserve on Sunday 27 January from 2pm to 5pm as The Logan Two take to the stage - so grab a picnic and a rug and enjoy waterfront Williamstown. And save the date for the first ever Vernon Street Festival in South Kingsville on Sunday 24 February 11am to 3pm. Council is excited to support this new, family friendly festival that will feature workshops, games, music, and more! A new cinema experience also starts in Williamstown with Sunset Cinema visiting as a four week trial. Grab a bite to eat while you are there from the many restaurants, cafes, pubs and ice-cream shops in Nelson Place, or pre-order a Sunset Cinema meal package from several Williamstown businesses. For details, visit [www.sunsetcinema.com.au/melbourne](http://www.sunsetcinema.com.au/melbourne)

#### Your rates at work – road works

Stage two of the road rehabilitation for Railway Place in Williamstown has now begun between Cole and Thompson streets and is scheduled to be complete by the end of April. Works include reconstructing the road, replacing the footpath, upgrading the kerbs and installing drainage.

#### Midsumma Festival

Midsumma Festival is Australia's premier LGBTIQ+ cultural festival and the Midsumma Westside program draws together the array of events taking place during the Midsumma Festival in Melbourne's west. The festival is on now until 10 February and local events include a rainbow pride tea party in Altona, a video and sound installation at The Substation, writers in conversation at the Newport Community Hub, rainbow story time, music on the deck and the Miss Gay and Miss Transsexual Australia International pageant. Councils from the west will also be

### Wetlands Ward

Altona Meadows, Laverton, Seabrook



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#### Summer events

The Wetlands Ward has you covered for local events this summer, starting with a Movies by the Bay screening of Hotel Transylvania 3 on Friday 1 February at the Laverton Cricket Club in Altona Meadows. For Summer Sounds in Your Neighbourhood, music lovers and retro enthusiasts can head to Homestead Run Reserve in Seabrook on Saturday 16 February from 4pm to 6pm for one of Melbourne's best live retro bands, Countdown 80s. The month ends in style with the Laverton Festival on Sunday 24 February from 11am to 4pm at a new location - the Epsom Road Reserve in Laverton. Enjoy children's entertainment, market stalls, rides and more! For details, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

#### Skeleton Creek Trail upgrade

The remaining upgrades of the Skeleton Creek Trail are coming soon, with the final sections complete by August 2019. These works will improve accessibility by upgrading the three metre wide concrete path between Ravenswood Court through to St Anthony Court. Bike maintenance stations, additional tree planting, bench seats and dog waste dispensers will be included in the works over the coming months. Flooding and access issues to the Lan Avenue pedestrian bridge will also be resolved. For more information, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au)

#### Homestead Run

New netball and basketball half-courts are coming to Homestead Reserve Run following community feedback on the Homestead Run Reserve draft concept plan. Council has installed one basketball goal post and one netball goal post, as well as line-marking on one tennis court. The trial will be in place until Easter 2019. The tennis court closest to the community centre carpark will remain available with no changes made.

marching in the Victorian Pride March under the banner of 'Out West'. Bring your partners, family and friends. For details, visit [www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Midsumma](http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Midsumma)

#### Local Transport and Movement Plan

Council is developing a Local Transport and Movement Plan to address local transport concerns and to support the need for people to move efficiently and safely around Seabrook, Laverton, and Altona Meadows. In February, Council will ask the community to provide feedback about their local transport experiences to develop this plan on [participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](http://participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au) – watch this space!