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HOBSONS BAY WARD NEWS

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Altona Library community celebration

Help celebrate the reopening of Hobsons Bay's oldest library, Altona Library, on Saturday 6 October from 10am to 1pm at a family-friendly event. Join us for the ribbon-cutting, followed by roving entertainment, music, art and craft activities and face painting. During the closure, the popular library was completely repainted and recarpeted. Additional self-service desks, a new quiet study room and a new community meeting room were also installed, as well as new bookshelves, improved layout, new lighting, new seating and study spaces that take advantage of the natural light and park view. The upgrade will expand the EnviroCentre and improve the connection to local environmental resources and information. Celebrations at Altona Library will continue throughout October and November with a range of free events. The library will remain closed until Monday 1 October. Altona Library is at 123 Queen Street, Altona. For details, visit libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au

AW Langshaw Reserve

Council is upgrading the playground at AW Langshaw Reserve in Altona North. The community is invited to provide their ideas and feedback to help form a detailed concept plan at a community information session on Sunday 16 September from 10am to 12pm at the AW Langshaw Reserve pavilion, corner Fifth Avenue and Cresser Street, Altona North (near the play space). Tell us how you use the current play space and what you would like to see on site in the future. You can also have your say by completing the online survey at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au by Monday 1 October.

GH Ransom Reserve

The beachside G.H. Ransom Reserve in Altona has been upgraded. The popular local reserve has a new public toilet, picnic and barbecue facilities, and a new play space with a range of equipment and activities, landscaped garden beds and new trees.

Brooklyn Dog Park opening

Council will open the Brooklyn Dog Park in mid-October. Keep an eye on www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/brooklyndogpark for updates.

Spring into Life

Council's annual spring activity program is back again this year with everything from hula dancing to tai chi and martial arts. The jam-packed program contains plenty of activities for all abilities, fitness levels and interests to get people out and about and active. Spring into Life runs from 17 September to 30 September at community centres, libraries and hubs across Hobsons Bay. Activities are mostly free and many are child-friendly. For the full schedule of events, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/springintolife

Holiday fun UP for grabs

Are you aged between 12 and 18? Barefoot bowls, filmmaking, mini Olympics, gaming and a DJ workshop

Strand Ward

Newport, Spotswood, South Kingsville, Williamstown



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Seaworks reopens

Williamstown's Seaworks has reopened after a \$3 million upgrade. Improvements include a refurbished heritage shed, glass panels opening out to the waterfront view at the rear of the main building, restoration of the mezzanine floor above the museum, accessible entry and new amenities. Seaworks helps bring our maritime history to life and also provides a unique and impressive destination, adding to the wonderful environment of Nelson Place, waterfront Williamstown. Seaworks is an important economic driver for the western region. Check out www.seaworks.com.au for details on upcoming events.

Bryan Martyn Oval upgrade

Work on upgrading the Bryan Martyn Oval in Newport has commenced and the oval will remain closed during the construction and turf establishment period. The upgrade involves reconstructing the central turf cricket wicket, a new irrigation system, underground drainage, laying a new grassed surface and installing a new boundary fence. Following the oval upgrade, works will commence on redeveloping the southern netball court, including constructing a spectator viewing shelter, installing new floodlight towers and repositioning the existing netball court to allow for a second netball court in the future. Council is hosting a community information session on Saturday 15 September from 10am to 12pm near the southern netball court at Bryan Martyn Oval, 49-58 Market Street, Newport. For details, visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/BryanMartynOvalUpgrade

Mechanics Institute restoration

Restoration work on the Williamstown Mechanics Institute is continuing with the underpinning of the main building, including the museum and theatre.

The Listies are back!

Council's performing arts program Arts At Your Doorstep is bringing Australia's favourite kids comedians The Listies, with their production of Ickypedia, to the Williamstown Town Hall at 2pm and 6pm on Wednesday 26 September. Bookings at www.hobsonsbaytickets.com.au

all make for a jam-packed holiday program this September. Hobsons Bay UP has been working hard all term to create a holiday program full of free activities for young people aged 12 to 18 who live, study or work in Hobsons Bay. The program gives young people the opportunity to participate in activities in environments that are safe, supervised and fun. Healthy snacks are provided at each activity. For more information, or to register, please visit www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/HolidayProgram

Draft Environmentally Sustainable Development (ESD) Policy Statement

Council has strengthened its commitment to the environment by placing the draft Environmentally Sustainable Development (ESD) Policy Statement out

Wetlands Ward

Altona Meadows, Laverton, Seabrook



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Recycled path trial at Skeleton Creek

In a Victorian first, Council will trial Emesh, a 100 per cent recycled plastic fibre product as part of the Skeleton Creek Trail upgrade. An 80 metre section of the new path along the Seabrook trail will be reinforced with plastic fibres from waste that would likely otherwise end up in landfill. These fibres, which are mixed in with concrete, replace the need for traditional steel reinforcement and are perfect for salty and coastal environments.

Parks upgrades

A staged park improvement program for the Homestead Run and Barry Jones Reserves in Seabrook has been developed following community input. Suggestions included a new barbecue, a half court for netball and basketball, goal posts for informal play (AFL/soccer) and strategic fencing at Homestead Reserve. Stay updated with the improvement plan at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/homesteadrun

Meanwhile, Altona Meadows Community Park will receive a new toilet and dog off-leash area. Community consultation on the location of the new toilet and the development of the off-leash dog park within the reserve will be announced shortly. Keep an eye on Participate Hobsons Bay to provide feedback at participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au

GROW

Following a series of vandalism attempts to the garden at the GROW public artwork site on the corner of Queen and Merton Street, and in response to community feedback, Council's parks team has revegetated this location with 689 new plants. Thank you to all who provided feedback on the landscape plan.

Fringe Westside

The Melbourne Fringe Festival is coming to Hobsons Bay this September as part of Fringe West. Check out Wild Child at Woods Street Arts Space in Laverton at 1pm on Sunday 30 September for a reimagining of the fairytale Hansel and Gretel. To book, visit www.melbournefringe.com.au

for public comment. The draft ESD Policy Statement is about applying best practice to the design and construction of buildings as well as developing infrastructure for the future. To have your say on the draft ESD Policy Statement, visit participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au by Thursday 27 September. For more information, call Council's Sustainability Team on 9932 1000.

Pitch your idea for Council's Budget 2019-20

Council is again providing an opportunity for community members to pitch an idea to be included in Council's 2019-20 budget. To find out what sort of ideas we are looking for go to participate.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au from Friday 14 September.

