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Cycling circuit around Albert Park



Mayor Jaacinta Ermacora directs cyclists around the new Albert Park circuit.

Warrnambool cyclists are making use of the city's newest dedicated cycling circuit.

Albert Park is now bordered by a 3.2km bicycle lane which provides a safer option when riding on the city's roads.

Warrnambool cyclist and Parkinson's Disease advocate Kieran Donlon rode around the circuit for 12 hours during a fundraising event last month.

Mr Donlon said the track was suitable for all levels of riders, from families enjoying a

weekend activity to competition cyclists.

"Because the bicycle lanes are clearly marked it's a safe spot to ride and motorists are aware to look out for bikes," he said.

"There are a few hills along the way for the riders who want to challenge themselves, or you can just take it at your own pace for a more relaxing ride."

Play it safe

Warrnambool City Council's Share the Road and A Metre Matters campaigns aim to improve the safety of motorists, cyclists and pedestrians on our roads.

Motorists and cyclists can use these handy hints to help keep themselves and each other safe.

Tips for Cyclists

- Be aware of all potential traffic hazards, including parked cars
- If you don't feel safe, move onto a footpath until traffic flow decreases
- When entering a roundabout, ride in the centre of a lane to avoid cars driving beside you
- Do not ride beside idle cars at intersections because you might not be seen by the driver or approaching motorists
- Otherwise, keep to the left, use bike lanes where possible and cycle a maximum of two abreast

Tips for Motorists

- When passing cyclists, allow at least a metre between them and your vehicle
- Stay behind cyclists at intersections and roundabouts
- Make eye contact with cyclists and pedestrians
- Be patient

Reveg the Flume celebrates a decade

Warrnambool residents will roll up their sleeves to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Reveg The Flume this month.

Local residents have joined Warrnambool Coastcare Landcare Group at The Flume every National Tree Day for the past 10 years to complete revegetation works in the dunes bordering the popular surf beach.

The project aims to extend and join the wildlife corridor between Granny's Grave and The Flume and improve the biodiversity in the area by out-competing the weeds and exotic marram grass that dominates the dunes.

Event spokeswoman Kate McInnes said the Warrnambool Lions Club would also join in the team effort to supply a free barbecue for the hardworking participants.

"It is always a fantastic day with many community groups participating and even some local businesses turning up to plant as a group," she said.

"The community always attends in droves and if the weather's bad they just put on a beanie and gum boots and turn up anyway."

Ms McInnes said the revegetation works had not only improved the environment but also attracted wildlife to the area, with increased sightings of wallabies, kangaroos and echidnas.

"The day is always a magic one and we've had some special visitors

over the years including a big old Eastern Grey Kangaroo, a couple of swamp wallabies, whales, dolphins, Captain Sustain the Bool, a giant life-sized penguin, politicians and of course the Mayor."

Ms McInnes said everyone was welcome to join in the National Tree Day celebrations and could meet at The Flume carpark at 10am on Sunday, July 29.

Students work the wetlands

Warrnambool schools are encouraged to take part in Schools Tree Day on Friday July 27.

Five schools have already registered to join in a MAD for the Merri planting event at Levy's Point.

Students will plant native trees along the Rail Trail and the edge of the Merri Wetlands at Kelly's Swamp.

Any schools wishing to participate can register by email to Kate McInnes at kmcinnes@warrnambool.vic.gov.au or to request native trees for school grounds contact Terry O'Sullivan on tosullivan@warrnambool.vic.gov.au.



Crazy, sparkly FUN!



There's nothing like a bit of off-the-scale, crazy, fun with sparkles on top to make for a memorable school holidays. And that's what Fun4Kids promises.

From bowling to blocks, farmyard to film festival, pampering and mini-masterchef pandemonium, it will be action packed before the rock stars even take centre stage.

This year's program is stacked with sensational activities and a huge program of performers for all ages, from Dorothy the Dinosaur, Ben10 and Angelina Ballerina, to the stellar headline acts of Jessica Mauboy, Reece Mastin and Timotatic.

You can visit for an hour, a day or stay for the whole week. Tickets are selling fast so book yours today at www.fun4kids.com.au or at the Box Office at Lighthouse Theatre, phone 5559 4999.

Daily Program Highlights

Day 1: **Sunday July 1**

Timomatic, LazyTown, Nadia Sunde and the Swing Set, Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School Dancers, The Famous Maurice Flea Circus.

Day 2: **Monday July 2**

The Smurf-Tacular Adventure Show, Ben Price, Nadia Sunde and the Swing Set, Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School Dancers, The Famous Maurice Flea Circus.

Day 3: **Tuesday July 3**

Cosentino, Ben Price Emmanuel Kelly, Squaring the Wheel, The Magic Flute.

Day 4: **Wednesday July 4**

Angelina Ballerina, Scooby Doo Ghostology, Brad Blaze, Dr Froth's Incredibubble Show.

Day 5: **Thursday July 5**

Ben 10 and Gwen, Zimboyz, James and the Giant Peach.

Day 6: **Friday July 6**

Dorothy the Dinosaur, Zimboyz, James and the Giant Peach, It's Magic.

Day 7: **Saturday July 7**

Reece Mastin, Gene Peterson, Children's Performing Company of Australia, It's Magic.

Day 8: **Sunday July 8**

Jessica Mauboy, Gene Peterson, Spin Fuego.

Plan your week at the festival now with the FREE Fun4Kids iphone app.

The app features a programmable itinerary and map to help you find your way around.



More hours of kinder fun

Warrnambool youngsters attending kinder next year will have an extra three hours of fun every week, and parents will have the convenience of after kinder care at most facilities in the city.

The increased hours will also allow “team teaching” in most kindergartens, providing children with more opportunities to explore a wider range of activities.

Warrnambool City Council community services manager Kellie King said the changes had been made due to the Federal Government policy based around children attending four-year-old kindergarten for 15 hours per week.

“The Government’s policy meant we have had to make some major changes to the way we offer services, but we have been working closely with families for months to determine what people need, and we have developed a new, improved service based on people’s feedback,” Ms King said.

Traditionally, Warrnambool’s kindergartens have offered a program which runs for 12 hours a week. Next year children enrolled in a Council-operated four-year-old kinder group will attend for 15 hours a week over three days (or a combination of kindergarten and childcare over five days at the Florence Collins Centre).

And for the first time, after-kinder care will also be offered at six of the eight kindergartens in Warrnambool. This service was previously offered by only one kindergarten.

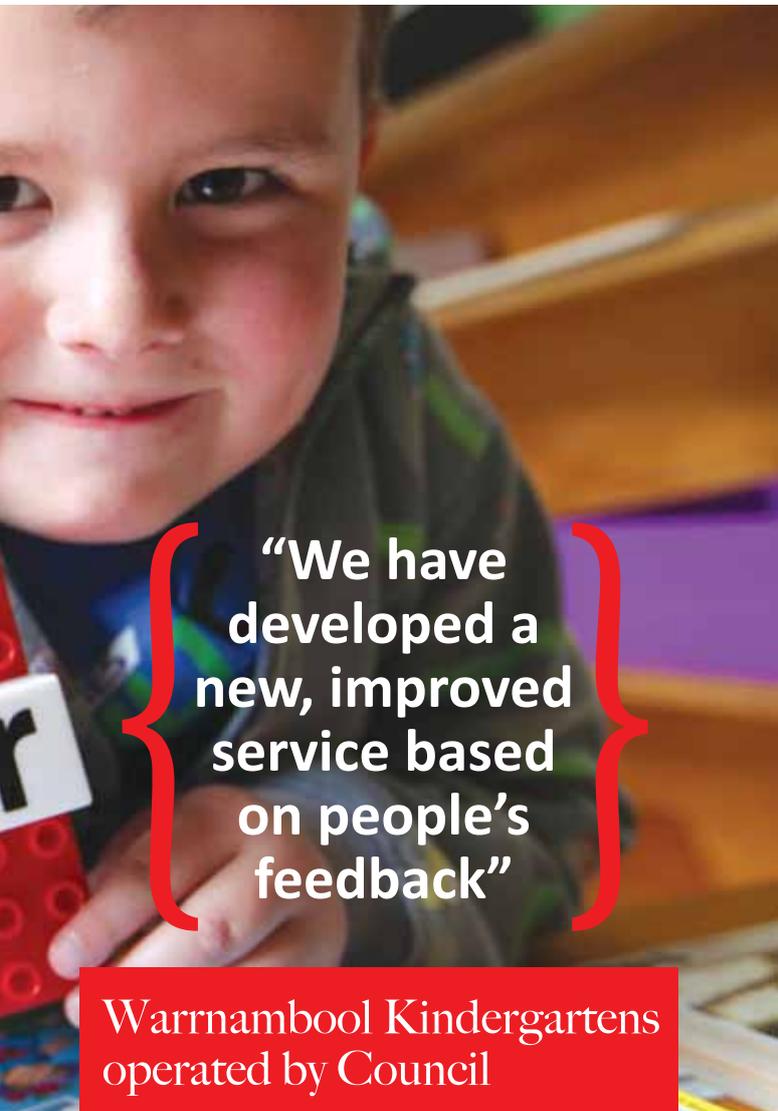
“For many parents the kinder year is a juggle because they have a kinder pick-up and a school pick-up at different times as well as other work and family commitments and life becomes a little crazy,” Ms King said

“After-kinder care will give parents the option of having a pick-up time that is convenient for them.”

To make life a little easier for families, the application to enrol process has also been streamlined.

Kindergarten Enrolment Kits are now available which include an application form asking families to indicate their preferred kindergarten venue and group.

It is essential families indicate their preference for every kinder group available as allocation will be made according to preferences.



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Kindergarten FAQ

How old does my child need to be to attend?

Your child needs to be four years old by April 30 in the year they attend kindergarten.

What fees are charged?

Kindergarten is funded by the State Government and fees paid by people who use the service. Council sets the user fees payable by families. In 2013 these fees will be \$195 per term for Term 1 and 2. Fees for terms 3 and 4 will be reviewed and set in March 2013.

Additional After Kinder Care fees apply. For services provided at Florence Collins, a childcare-based fee applies.

Are there any concessions?

Some families will receive a fee subsidy resulting in free or low cost kindergarten. Eligible families will receive support from the State Government to reduce the cost of kindergarten. Families who receive Family Tax Benefits may also be eligible for a childcare rebate for kindergarten from the Family Assistance Office. For further information visit www.familyassist.gov.au or call 13 61 50 or visit the Family Assistance Office at Centrelink.

How do I apply to enrol my child?

Contact Warrnambool City Council for a Kindergarten Enrolment Kit on 5559 4800, collect one up from the Civic Centre at 25 Liebig St, Warrnambool or visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/kinder to download a digital copy.

All application forms for 2013 should be lodged by 5pm on August 10, 2012.

Enrolment applications received after this date will be treated as a late application. Late applications will be notified of available vacancies from November 2012.

For applications received on time, first round offers will be made by October 31, 2012. You may either choose to accept the offer, accept the offer but go on a waiting list for one preferred kinder group, or reject the offer.

Warrnambool Kindergartens operated by Council

Allansford Kindergarten

82 Ziegler Parade, ph 5565 1427

Beamish Street Kindergarten

21 Beamish Street, ph 5559 4530

Central Kindergarten

2 Manifold Street, ph 5559 4560

City Kindergarten

600 Raglan Parade, ph 5559 4747

Dennington Kindergarten

12-16 The Esplanade, ph 5562 5753

East Warrnambool Kindergarten

22E-26E Lava Street, ph: 5559 4570

Lions-Hopkins Kindergarten

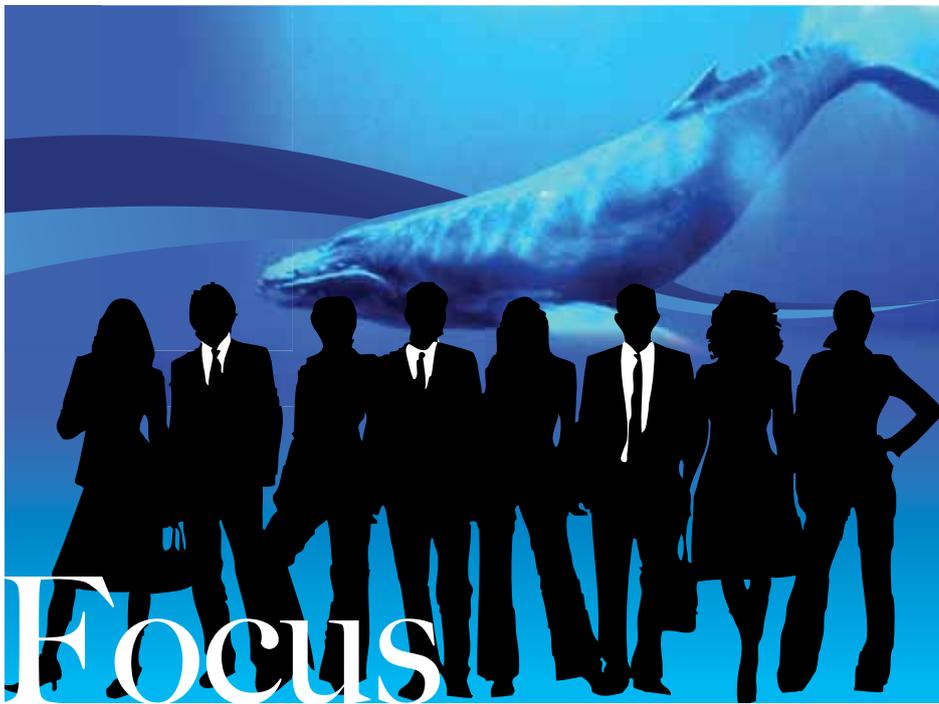
31 Gladstone Street, ph 5559 4580

South Warrnambool Kindergarten,

24 Stanley Street, ph 5559 4520

Florence Collins Kindergarten

27-47 Kepler Street, ph 5559 4644



Nominations are now open for the most prestigious and highly anticipated awards in Warrnambool's business community.

This year's Powercor Warrnambool Business Excellence Awards will feature 17 categories, with the introduction of two new awards for Hospitality and Social Media.

In addition to the new categories there will be an inaugural Winners' Breakfast featuring a leading marketing specialist as guest speaker. Warrnambool City Council economic development manager Tanya Egan said the 2012 awards were "definitely not to be missed" "The awards are free for businesses to enter and there are countless benefits for all nominees," she said.

"The inaugural Winners' Breakfast is a very exciting addition to the program and we are

honoured to have Ailsa Page to provide the winners with practical advice on how to use their award to promote and further expand their business."

The awards provide an ideal platform to showcase Warrnambool's many and varied outstanding businesses and provide ongoing benefits for all nominees.

Entrants receive significant media coverage on local and regional radio and newspapers and the winning businesses have the added benefit of televised.

The gala presentation evening will once again be at St Pius X Hall on Friday October 19 and tickets will go on sale in September. Nominations for this year's awards close Monday August 6.

For further information visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au or contact Seona at Taylor taylor@warrnambool.vic.gov.au or call 5559 4849.

It's all happening...

Warrnambool Intermodal Terminal

Work has begun on the Warrnambool Intermodal Freight Terminal upgrade. The \$1.6-million upgrade of the site off Walsh's Road has been funded by the Federal and State Government. Warrnambool City Council is managing construction of the upgrade which will improve truck access and a new entrance via Rooney's Road.

Lake Pertobe

A new foot bridge will be constructed at Lake Pertobe. The bridge links to an island in the first playground.

Stanley Street Bridge

Repair work has been done on the Standley Street bridge to repair cracks on the surface.

Russell's Creek Path

The existing path at Sharp Avenue will be extended to the boundary of Kings College.

Mortlake Road Footpath

A gravel footpath will be constructed on the west side of Mortlake Road, linking the existing paths at Grange Avenue to the north and Turner Drive to the south.

Did you know?

Council loves social media. That's right! Warrnambool City Council is on YouTube, Facebook and Twitter, making it easier for you to get in touch with us any time of the day or night.

Compact Stats

34⁰⁰

The number of active businesses registered for GST in Warrnambool.

\$517^{million}

The annual output of manufacturing, Warrnambool's.

18%

The percentage of people employed in retail, Warrnambool's single largest employment field.

\$134^{million}

The annual salaries paid to employees in health care and social assistance, Warrnambool's highest paying sector.

20%

Of the Great South Coast's economic output is generated in Warrnambool.

Thumbs up



This is a salute to all that is great about the people and organisations in our city and highlights the things that touch our hearts and make our community a better place to live.

👍 Merrivale Football Netball Clubs Netball Change Rooms. I will be opening the new clubrooms at Merrivale on July 7. The facility was built by the Merrivale Football Netball Club in partnership with Warrnambool City Council, State Government and the AFL.

👍 70 Years of St Vincent de Paul service in Warrnambool by the St Joseph's Conference. I'd like to acknowledge the service to our community by St Vincent de Paul, Anglicare, and other service organisations to those in need in our city. This month St Vincent de Paul will celebrate 70 years of service by the St Joseph's Conference in Warrnambool.

👍 Art Link Gallery. I am eagerly awaiting the announcement of the 2012 Warrnibald

Prize at ArtLink Gallery on July 13. The prize will be awarded for the best portrait of a man or woman who has made a significant contribution to local art, volunteering, business, sport or politics in our region. Congratulations and thanks to Western District Employment Access for providing the ArtLink Gallery, which is a doorway into our arts community for people with disabilities.

👍 CWA State Creative Arts and Crafts Exhibition. Warrnambool has been chosen to host the annual Country Women's Association State Exhibition of Handcrafts and Home Industries. The exhibition showcases in excess of 900 exhibits in 249 different classes of handcrafts, home industries and floral art. I am delighted to have the honour of opening this year's exhibition at City Memorial Bowls Club on July 20.

👍 Lighthouse Theatre and our local arts community rolled out the red carpet for the Bell Shakespeare Company last month. The company rehearsed their new production School for Wives in Warrnambool before presenting the world premiere in our city on June 26.

Councillor Jacinta Ermacora Mayor

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Online Directories

Council's online Business and Community directories can be found at www.directories.warrnambool.vic.gov.au.

Connect2Council

Find out how to have your say by logging onto our website at www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au and visiting the Connect2Council page.

Council Meetings

June

Monday 9 - 5.30pm
Monday 30 - 5.30pm

Reception Room,
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*All Councillors phone numbers listed above divert to their mobiles at the cost of a local call.

July Calendar 2012



C2C

Sunday July 1, 2pm VFL Match - Coburg Tigers v Geelong Cats

Reid Oval

Football fans will be treated to a Victorian Football League match in Warrnambool. The match will include off-field entertainment, giveaways and autograph opportunities.

www.coburgtigers.com.au



Sunday July 1-Sunday July 8 Fun4Kids Festival

Warrnambool

Chart topping artists Reece Mastin, Jessica Mauboy and Timomatic will headline this year's Fun4Kids Festival. The program features hundreds of performances and interactive workshops for children of all ages over 8 days.

www.fun4kids.com.au

Wednesday July 4, 6pm-7pm Club Wednesday

Deep Blue Resort

This networking function for local business people provides an opportunity to share ideas and network with other like-minded people in a relaxed atmosphere. Nibbles and drinks provided.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

Until Sunday July 8 Warrnambool and District Artists Society Annual Awards Exhibition

Merri View Gallery

Showcasing members' best work submitted for judging for the Judith Watson Award and other prizes. All mediums including culture and greeting cards.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

Saturday July 14, 8pm The Divine Divas

Lighthouse Theatre

The Divine Divas return for an encore performance with their superstar female impersonation spectacular, featuring a breathtaking \$150,000 wardrobe and songs by Cher, Madonna, Kylie, Pink and Lady Gaga.

www.lighthouse theatre.com.au

Wednesday July 18, 10.30am Women of the Sixties

Lighthouse Theatre

Join Gina Hogan as she goes back in time to bring you the fabulous music of the '60s featuring songs made famous by artists such as Dusty Springfield, Dionne Warwick, Shirley Bassey, Petula Clarke, Lulu and more.

www.lighthouse theatre.com.au

Thursday July 19, 8pm The Flood

Lighthouse Theatre

Bristling dark humor and edge-of-the-seat performances by three of Australia's finest actresses, The Flood is startlingly authentic writing, plunging audiences into the lives of characters so real you feel you know them.

www.lighthouse theatre.com.au



Saturday July 21-Sunday July 22 Statewide Creative Arts CWA Exhibition

City Memorial Bowls Club

A combination of floral art, cookery and handcraft by members of the Country Women's Association of Victoria.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

Wednesday July 25, 6pm Do It For Dave Charity Auction

Warrnambool Greyhound Racing Club

Businesses have generously donated goods and services to this charity auction for Dave Johnstone who suffered life changing injuries in an accident last year. Tickets to the function are \$30 and include a two-course meal and form guide.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

Thursday July 26, 6pm-7pm Customer Service Awards

South West TAFE

An evening to showcase the excellent customer service of Warrnambool businesses. Monthly nominees are presented with a certificate for recognition of fantastic contributions to their individual businesses.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

Sunday July 29, 10am Reveg the Flume 10th Anniversary

Flume Carpark

To Celebrate National Tree Day and 10 years of 'Reveg the Flume', Warrnambool Coastcare Landcare Group invites the community to lend a hand before a barbecue lunch.

www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au

