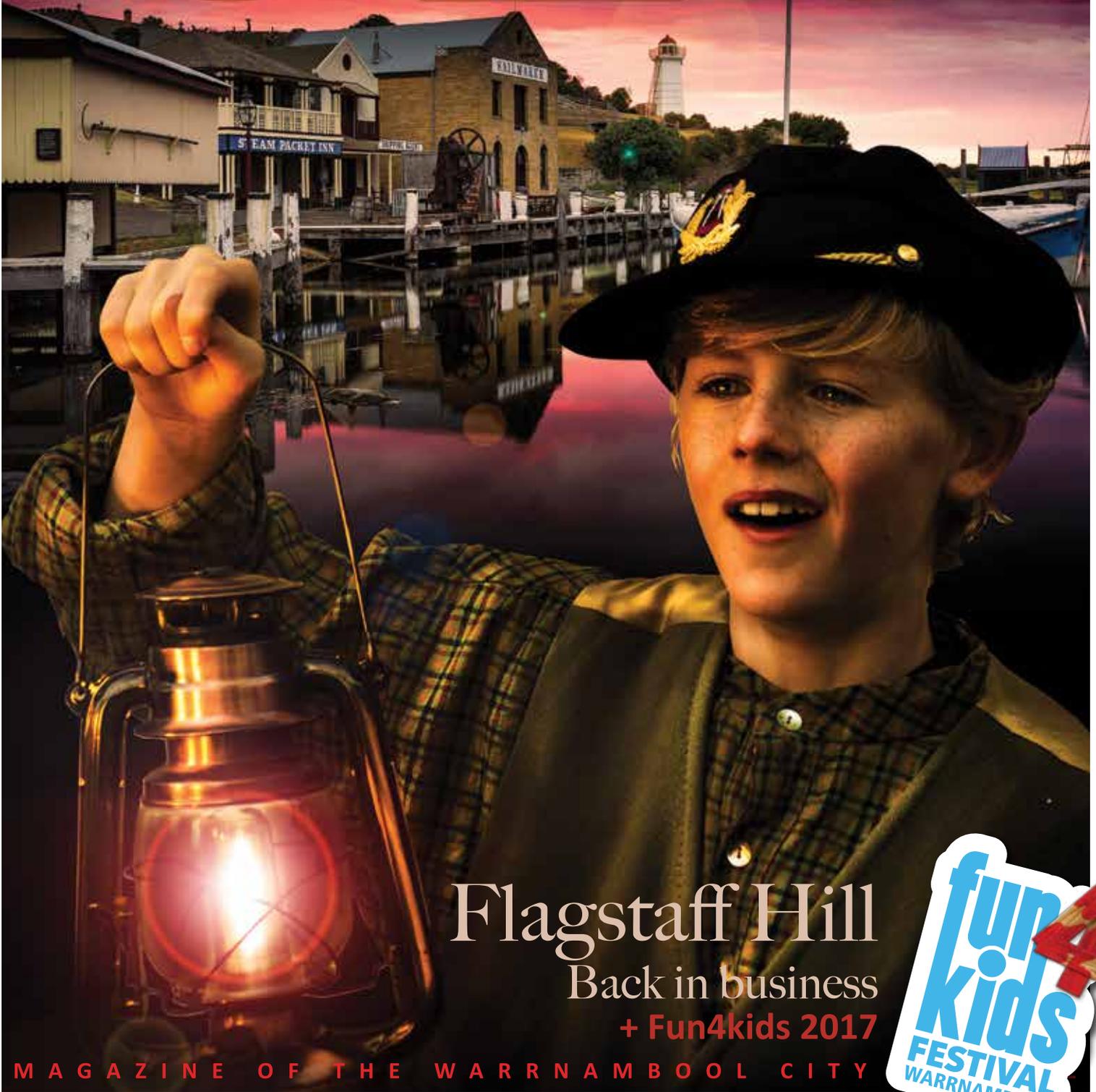


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2020

July 2017



Flagstaff Hill  
Back in business  
+ Fun4kids 2017



M A G A Z I N E O F T H E W A R R N A M B O O L C I T Y

# Shop in the CBD for a chance to win some great prizes

**Shopping in the City Centre Renewal zone brings with it the possibility of winning a great prize.**

If you spend \$30 or more in participating businesses you can enter the draw for a chance to win one of four great prizes, one of which is \$1 million!

In recent weeks leading local Warrnambool businesses have bolstered the promotion to support city centre traders.

Ludeman Real Estate is offering those shopping in participating city centre businesses the chance to win a home valued at up to \$400,000.

"It will be a new place when it (the renewal) is finished, a good place to do business in," Mr Ludeman said.

"There is some pain but there will be gain at the end of it."

Warrnambool's major car dealers have joined forces to offer a chance for one lucky shopper to spend \$100,000 at either Callaghan Motors, Warrnambool Toyota, Clinton Baulch Motor Group, Norton Motor Group or Warrnambool Auto Group.

And National Warrnambool Travel is offering shoppers at participating city centre businesses the chance to win a dream holiday to the value of \$50,000.

To be in the running, whenever you spend \$30 at a participating business in Liebig or Koroit Street keep your receipt – it will form part of your entry submission.

Go to [www.cbd.warrnambool.vic.gov.au](http://www.cbd.warrnambool.vic.gov.au) click on the links to locate and complete the entry form. You will also need to upload a copy of your receipt.

**One of the entries will then be selected at random to take part in the draw for one of the major prizes. This successful entrant will be contacted before the main prize draw and will be required to attend the draw on Sunday, November 5.**



Car dealer principals Steve Callaghan, Marcus Norton, Leon Cleal, Clinton Baulch, Matthew Burgess



Virginia Paton



Bruce Ludeman

## City Centre Update

**City Centre Renewal work crews have been preparing for the transition to the east side of Liebig Street.**

Director City Infrastructure Scott Cavanagh said the preparations for the transition of work to the east side were under way with drainage and power supply work being carried out.

"We anticipated unearthing some interesting, redundant infrastructure in stage one (west side of Liebig Street)," Mr Cavanagh said.

"Our surveys and x-ray work provided us with useful information before we started the construction phase but we still found some undocumented underground infrastructure, including service connections to private properties and an old Telstra pit that even Telstra did not know existed.

"We're well placed now to progress through the remaining stages in Zone 1 (Liebig Street between Koroit Street and Raglan Parade) at a faster rate."

Pedestrians will have priority at two roundabouts in the city centre, pending approval from VicRoads.

At its meeting on June 5, Councillors voted to install zebra crossings on all roundabout crosswalks in the City Centre Renewal Project, with their effectiveness to be reviewed after two years.

The roundabouts are located at the intersections of Liebig and Lava streets and Liebig and Koroit streets.

Warrnambool City Council Mayor Kylie Gaston said that one of the goals of the City Centre Renewal is to improve the walkability of the CBD.

"The City Centre Renewal is aiming to create a place that is vibrant, attractive and pedestrian friendly," she said.

"We are beginning to move away from a culture that prioritises the movement of cars and towards a culture than focusses on creating the best possible experience for pedestrians.

"Research and examples from elsewhere in Australia and internationally suggest that pedestrian-friendly cities are happier cities.

The \$15 million City Centre Renewal is funded in equal parts by the Victorian Government, Federal Government and Warrnambool City Council.

# Flagstaff Hill is back in business

**Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village has reopened following a \$3 million upgrade.**

The leading Warrnambool visitor attraction features a new sound and light show, Harpooned, and an upgrade of the existing, popular Shipwrecked show.

“Since 2004, more than 350,000 people have enjoyed Shipwrecked and we believe many more will enjoy the revamped show and the all-new Harpooned show which tells a tale of a whaling crew from 1833,” Warrnambool City Council Manager Visitor Economy David McMahon said.

“We’ve also improved access around the site for elderly visitors and people with a disability. “We hope the improved experience at Flagstaff Hill will provide extra incentive to visit our great city and to consider an overnight stay.”

Mr McMahon said along with the shows – which are projected on to a nine-metre high water screen accompanied by stunning light and sound effects – there were improvements right through the village.

Visitors to the sound and light shows will pass through a state-of-the-art immersion theatre which takes people on a journey through time that starts with the volcanic eruptions that shaped south-west Victoria and includes a Welcome to Country delivered by a Gunditjmarra Traditional Owner.

The village, comprising some 40 buildings, many containing heritage artefacts, is more activated with characters in heritage costume bringing to life a coastal village of the 1870s.

Interactive digital displays have been installed at the blacksmith’s workshop, the Examiner newspaper office, the school room, sailmaker’s loft, shipping agent and the instrument repairer’s shop.

“Alongside all the high-tech improvements we still have on display one of the best collections of maritime artefacts in Australia,” Mr McMahon said.

“The centrepiece is the famous Loch Ard Peacock, a survivor of the 1873 Loch Ard shipwreck and insured for about \$4 million.”



## The upgrade – what’s new

Warrnambool City Council and the Victorian Government committed a combined \$2.95 million to upgrade Flagstaff Hill to make it more accessible, efficient and appealing to visitors. The village closed to the public for major redevelopment on May 1, 2017 and reopened on June 16.

### Changes include:

- A state-of-the-art orientation theatre to welcome visitors
- A facade upgrade with an improved entrance ramp
- More welcoming arrival with the consolidation of the Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum reception, gift shop and the Warrnambool Visitor Information Centre
- Improved accessibility for the elderly visitors with a disability
- Interactive digital installations at the blacksmith’s workshop, instrument repair shop and the newspaper office
- An Open Access Tour for the hearing and sight-impaired including English and Mandarin versions for self-guided tours through the village
- A new projection screen at the Wharf Theatre for the night shows
- The upgraded Shipwrecked sound and light show experience which tells the story of the Loch Ard shipwreck
- The new Harpooned sound and light show telling the tale of Warrnambool’s whaling history
- A more activated village with costumed characters bringing to life a coastal village of the 1870s
- New dry dock for the restoration of the heritage-listed vessel, the Viator

## The whales are here!

**Whale-watchers have been treated to a terrific start to the season, with Logan’s Beach the perfect vantage point to enjoy these majestic creatures in their natural environment.**

Two Southern Right Whales have given birth in the vicinity, with the mothers and calves taking up residency at Logan’s Beach. The whales have been identified as “Big Lips” and “Thin Lips”. Both whales also calved in Warrnambool in 2013.

Humpback Whales have also been spotted just off the coast, with a confirmed sighting of six

humpbacks on June 11.

If you’ve seen a whale along our coastline, please email [mandy.watson@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:mandy.watson@delwp.vic.gov.au), providing photos, a date, time, location, description of the whales and their behaviour, and your contact details.

For information on the latest whale sightings, search for Great Ocean Road Whales on Facebook.

Kerin Wheeler



## 100 years of Maternal and Child Health

**Victoria is celebrating 100 years of Maternal and Child Health Services, with thousands of people owing their health, and in some cases, their lives to two Warrnambool women.**

The first baby health centre in Victoria was founded by Warrnambool-born and raised Dr Isabella Younger Ross in Richmond in 1917. The centre had a focus on educating mothers about preventable illnesses.

About that time, 10-11 out of every 100 babies born would die before their first birthday.

Kerin Wheeler began working as a maternal and child health nurse in Camperdown in 1976 before transferring to Warrnambool in 1985.

During her career, Kerin was directly involved in the health and welfare of more than 9000 babies and their families until her retirement in 2011.

“By the time I left, I was seeing the babies of the babies I looked after initially,” she said. “I still go down the street and every second person I see was one of my families.”

“They’re always excited to tell you what their children are doing.”

Maternal and child health nurses work with families to nurture the health and development

of children from birth until school age. Mrs Wheeler said that there was much more to the job than simply weighing and measuring babies, a perception she said she battled for years.

“We would check everything from top to toe including listening to hearts, checking hips, vision and hearing, looking for rashes or anything else out of the ordinary,” she said.

“Then where appropriate we’d refer families to their GP or another appropriate service.

“Often, we were the first point of contact. “I remember one lady, who was a grandmother by this time, met me in the street one day and thanked me because I’d picked up the fact that her baby had a hip problem which hadn’t been picked up previously.

“Those sort of things need to be picked up and treated early because once children are walking, it’s too late, and they’ll have hip problems for the rest of their lives.”

**“By the time I left, I was seeing the babies of the babies I looked after initially”**

Major changes Mrs Wheeler saw in her time included the shift to an appointment-based service, the introduction of check-ups at key ages as well as a greater involvement of fathers in parenting. “We are a service to support entire families, not just babies,” she said.

“Dads today are much more involved than they were, which is a good thing.”

Local government remains the primary provider for the Maternal and Child Health Service, in a 50:50 funding partnership with the State Government.

Since it began 100 years ago, the service has remained free and accessible to all Victorians.

## W2040 – thanks for your feedback!

**Between April and June, thousands of people joined in the Warrnambool 2040 (W2040) conversation.**

More than 1400 individual survey responses have been received with many more residents joining the conversation about the future of the city at a series of 15 pop up events – Active Hubs – since mid-April.

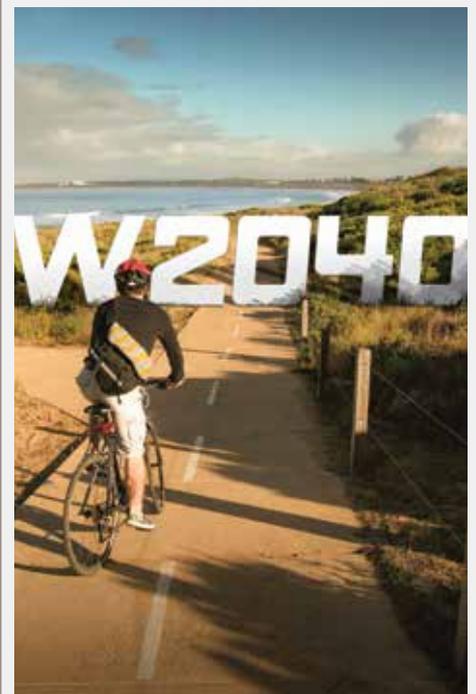
The community was asked for their thoughts on what Warrnambool is like as a place to live, work and play now, and what it could or should be like in the future – what do they love, what should be kept, and what should be changed between now and 2040.

Emerging themes included a love of the beach, open spaces and walking tracks.

A high importance was placed on the retention of our natural environment and liveability factors such as places for walking and cycling, parks and gardens, and current services.

Other issues identified were the importance of local job opportunities to support a growing population while many also wanted to see an upgrade to the current library.

Feedback will be used to create the Warrnambool 2040 strategy, which will help guide Council decisions for the next two decades.



I've got a feeling, I've got a bit of an inkling... this is going to be a great festival!

Australian comedy legend Frank Woodley will take to the stage at this year's Fun4Kids Festival with two shows on Sunday July 9 which promise to be just as much fun for parents as they will be for kids.



After spending 20 years as one half of arguably Australia's greatest ever comedy duo, Lano and Woodley, Frank has worked on numerous solo projects of late, including a comedy show for kids.

"There'll be stories, such as my worst show-and-tell experience at primary school, I pull apart the mechanics of chasey including the tag-back vortex so there's some audience participation with that, I'll play a few songs and I might even do a magic trick... anything I can think of to keep the kids laughing for an hour," he said.

He said that the most important aspect of performing comedy for kids was ensuring that the subject matter was relatable.

"I realised that as long as the content is stuff that kids relate to, then I just have to craft the comedy and perform it in exactly the same way I would for an adult audience," he said.

"With my worst show-and-tell experience story, I could tell that story in an adult stand-up show and as long as I contextualised it, it would make sense and still be funny.

"When everything works, the kids are laughing and the adults are laughing as well, and there is something really gratifying about finding something that parents can share with their kids.

"I find it really satisfying if I can make the parents and the kids enjoy the same joke. If I can find a way to do that, it's a real bonding experience for everybody in the room."

Frank will share the Festival Hall stage with more than 20 other headline acts including Jimmy Giggle, Lah Lah's Big Live Band, Pirate Captain Festus McBoyle, Paw Patrol and the Melbourne City Ballet.

The annual Fun4Kids Festival celebrates the imagination and creative spirit of kids and caters for families with children aged two to 12 years of age.

Situated within an indoor "village" approaching 10,000sqm in size, Fun4Kids provides a feast of experiences for children from top performers and hands-on craft and creative challenges to elaborate playspaces, reading areas and interactive displays.

This year Fun4Kids has a second "village" – the Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village. Flagstaff Hill, which features a stunning recreated 1870s coastal village, is now officially part of the fun.

To learn more about the festival, visit [www.fun4kids.com.au](http://www.fun4kids.com.au)

## New Night Sessions

The entertainment will continue after dark at this year's Fun4Kids Festival.

New night passes provide entry to Fun4Kids Festival from 4pm to 7pm every night except Sunday July 9.

At \$20, these are great value, allowing parents and grandparents who are still working through the school holidays to enjoy the festival with their kids.

If you come at 4pm your night pass gives you access to the whole site for a full hour, then between 5pm and 7pm you have access to Coates Tradie Town, the Our Community Your Future interactive space, the food court and the Festival Hall stage with a special

entertainment package which will see Jimmy Giggle, Lah Lah's Big Live Band, Captain Festus McBoyle's Travellin' Variety Show, Glow Yoga and more perform during the festival.

Glow Yoga will be run by Warrnambool Hatha yoga teacher Peta Jolley, with everyone encouraged to wear fluorescent clothes and bring their glow sticks. She said with such an action-packed

Fun4Kids schedule, Glow Yoga will be a great way for families to wind down at the end of the day.

"It's a really good way to get families to have quiet time together," she said.

"The children love it. They laugh, they giggle and they also relax."

For more information and tickets, visit [www.fun4kids.com.au](http://www.fun4kids.com.au).

Peta Jolley





## Great South Coast Small Business Festival events announced

The full program for the 2017 Great South Coast Small Business Festival has been released.

**B**usiness owners, professionals and budding entrepreneurs will have the opportunity to hone their skills and learn about emerging industry trends throughout August.

The festival includes 16 events and workshops covering topics such as marketing, time management, exporting and capitalising on new ideas.

Warrnambool City Council Manager Economic Development and Investment Shaun Miller said the Great South Coast Small Business Festival makes it simple to keep on top of emerging business trends while developing new and relevant business skills.

“By facilitating a range of free or low-cost business workshops in south-west Victoria, the festival aims to make it as convenient as possible for local business people to access relevant professional development opportunities,” he said.

“Attending these workshops is an investment in your most valuable business asset, yourself. “The festival is also a great way to broaden your professional network.”

Highlights include a workshop guiding businesses on how to capitalise on the rapidly growing Chinese tourism market, an address from Winter Olympic gold medallist and successful business founder Lydia Lassila and an analysis of Warrnambool’s current economic environment and trends.

A series of free webinars and podcasts will also form part of the festival offering.

The full festival program is available at [www.business.warrnambool.vic.gov.au](http://www.business.warrnambool.vic.gov.au). Registrations for all events are now open.

The 2017 festival is a regional partner of the state-wide Small Business Festival Victoria, an annual festival focussed on strengthening the small business sector and acknowledging the contribution small businesses make to the Victorian economy.

**The Great South Coast Small Business Festival is proudly presented by the Warrnambool City and Moyne Shire Council’s as well as the Victorian Government and media partners The Standard and 3YB/Coast FM.**



## A bed of gardening knowledge

The kitchen gardens at Council’s kindergartens and child care centres have more room to grow thanks to the students from Brauer College’s VCAL program and the Special Development School.

**T**he students constructed wooden planter boxes which were delivered to Sherwood Park, Matron Swinton and Florence Collins Child Care centres as well as Mahogany and Lions Hopkins kindergartens in late June.

The boxes will be perfect for growing seasonal produce such as strawberries, peas, beans, cauliflower, spring onions, herbs and more.

All Council-run kindergartens, long day care services and Family Day Care programs are involved in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, in which children plant, grow, harvest, cook and eat nutritious and delicious food through regular gardening and cooking experiences.

## Which roads need attention?

If there’s a road or intersection you think should be improved, this is your chance to be heard.

**T**he Victorian Government recently announced significant funding with a \$113 million safety boost for the region’s roads and VicRoads is looking for input as to how it should be allocated.

At least 40 kilometres of narrow arterial roads are being repaired and widened while the Henty Highway has already been earmarked for an upgrade.

Share your priorities, ideas, concerns, local knowledge and experiences on roads in the Great South Coast.

You will be able to contribute until August 2017.

**To submit your feedback, visit [engage.vicroads.vic.gov.au/countryroads-greatsouthcoast](http://engage.vicroads.vic.gov.au/countryroads-greatsouthcoast).**

# A minute with the Mayor

**It's been an exciting few weeks with the reopening of Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village and the lead-up to the Fun4Kids Festival.**

If you have the chance I encourage you to visit Flagstaff Hill. There's a new energy about the place and the changes made to the village, including the sound and light shows, are making a difference.

"Flaggy" is a really important plank in our visitor economy and continues to win positive reviews from those who visit our region and drop in to experience our maritime history.

A large crew of volunteers play a key role in Flagstaff Hill's success and I'd like to thank them - and the staff - for powering through some busy weeks.

We have the Fun4Kids Festival ahead of us and once again the festival provides a really great offering for parents and kids.

One of the new Festival elements are the night passes. For \$20 you can access the village from 4pm to 7pm including the performers appearing on the main stage. This sounds like a great option for the many parents and grandparents who are working through the school holidays but would



love the chance to spend quality time with children and grandchildren.

And if you have recently been shopping along Liebig Street you will no doubt have admired the bluestone paving. It looks stunning but not only has it lifted the appearance of the street the smooth surface is of the precisely laid blocks makes the street more accessible to more people.

**Cr Kylie Gaston, Mayor**

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## A Minute with the Youth Mayor

**The past month has been an extraordinarily busy and fast one for the Youth Council.**

Promoting inter-school relationships and working on a drug and alcohol first aid campaign have been identified as priorities.

The drug and alcohol first aid concept seems to be a huge issue in our city affecting young people. Last week we had the opportunity to meet with all of the school wellbeing/counsellors from all four Warrnambool secondary schools, and a representative from 'Beyond The Bell' (Health Department) to discuss our ideas and initiatives with them.

We received a positive response from all representatives who encouraged us to pursue our campaign further.

Ideally, this will eventually lead to Year 9/10 students participating in workshops on how and when to administer drug and alcohol first aid.

This has been an enormous step in addressing the concerns and ideas raised by fellow Youth Councillors, at the beginning of the Youth Council year.

The term two holidays are now quickly approaching, so we wish all school and university students a safe and enjoyable break.

**Luke Atkinson – Youth Mayor**



### Visiting us in person

Civic Centre  
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## Council meetings

**Monday July 3**

**5.45pm**

Warrnambool Civic Centre, 25 Liebig St

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# 2017 July Calendar

# G2C

## Herb Workshop

**Tuesday July 4, 11.30am – 1.30pm**

**Warrnambool Community Garden, cnr Grieve St and Grafton Rd**

Come along to the Warrnambool Community Garden for a workshop focusing on herbs, facilitated by horticulturalist Marie Economedes.

Topics will include types of herbs, ideal growing conditions and uses. If you are interested in starting a herb garden or looking to maximize an existing herb garden, then this is the workshop for you.

Cost: \$5. Registrations essential.

Contact Hannah on 0408 320 795 or

WCGworkshopevents@yahoo.com

## Warrnambool Station Carpark Upgrade Community Information Session.

**Tuesday July 11, 5pm - 7pm**

**Archie Graham Community Centre, Room 1**

VicTrack is holding a drop-in information session on the Warrnambool station carpark upgrade.

## Pickling and Fermenting Class

**Sunday July 16, 10am – 12pm**

**Warrnambool Community Garden, cnr Grieve St and Grafton Rd**

Ever wondered how to make use of excess produce from your garden? Meet Kylie Treble who will teach you about pickling and fermenting your own fruit and vegetables and take the opportunity taste test some recipes from her new book.

Free to attend. Registrations essential.

Contact Hannah on 0408 320 795 or

WCGworkshopevents@yahoo.com

## NDIS Information Session

**Monday July 17, 7pm – 9pm**

**Lighthouse Theatre**

The National Disability Insurance Agency staff and partners will be presenting a community information session to start raising awareness and understanding of the scheme for potential participants, families and community members.

For more information call 5272 7662

## Country Women's Association Creative Arts Exhibition

**Friday August 4, 9am – 4pm**

**Lighthouse Theatre**

Enjoy art, beadwork, weaving, crochet, dolls, clothes, jewellery, quilts, toys, food and more crafted by Country Women's Association members.

For more information contact Pam on 5562 3778 or

p-amand-daryl@live.com.au.

## Business Professional Women South West Business Breakfast

**Wednesday August 2, 7.15am – 8.30am**

**Lady Bay Resort**

Open to men and women, this inspiring business breakfast will showcase the importance of mentoring to local young people. 'Standing Tall' Program Coordinator Matthew Stewart will be the guest presenter. This event is part of the Great South Coast Small Business Festival.

\$30 for BPW members, \$35 for non-members.

[www.business.warrnambool.vic.gov.au](http://www.business.warrnambool.vic.gov.au)

## Monsieur Mayonnaise

**Bethany Arthouse Film Festival**

**Tuesday July 25, 8:00pm**

The Moras are well known in Melbourne for their work in contemporary art and bohemian eateries. Less known however, is their story before moving to Australia in 1951. A lively, colourful and dramatic documentary. English and French with English subtitles.

humans around her. This show utilises the magic of puppetry and live music to bring this delightful story for ages 3+ to the stage.

## Evening of Inspiration

**Emmanuel College**

**Friday July 28, 7pm**

Come along for a night of music, drama, fashion, spoken word, design and creative arts in recognition of student achievements while the 2017 Inspiring Alumni will be inducted.

## Coming to the

**LIGHTHOUSE  
THEATRE**



## The Merchant of Venice

**Bell Shakespeare**

**Tuesday July 11, 7.30pm**

Uncompromising and dark, explore the tense relationship between the haves and the have nots through dark humour. Tackling the prejudices and preconceived notions of one of Shakespeare's most challenging plays.

## Diary of a Wombat

**Monkey Baa Theatre Company**

**Wednesday July 26, 6.30pm**

Pyjama party performance! Come in your Pyjamas and meet Mothball, the naughtiest wombat in Australia. Bored with her daily routine, Mothball goes in search of shelter and food, creating chaos in the lives of the

## Roy Orbison Reborn

**Dean Bourne**

**Saturday July 29, 8pm**

Come and relive the sound, the voice and all the magical hits of music legend Roy Orbison starring the world's number one Roy Orbison Tribute Star, Dean Bourne.

