



Community NEWS

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December 2020

and remain ongoing for approximately 1-2 weeks.

- **Road Resurfacing Program** – Road resurfacing of the following roads will commence in the coming weeks: Nugent Road (between 1581 and 1682, two segments of road), Shrub End Road (two sections: from Nugent Road to the bridge and from Pawleena Road to 192 Shrub End Road), Bridges Road.

15 December 2020 at 5.30 pm, preceding the ordinary December meeting in the Council Chambers. The meeting is open to the public to attend.

Council Services over the Christmas Holiday Period

Council Closure: Council's Offices will be closed from 12 noon on Thursday 24 December and re-open at 8.00am on Monday 4 January 2021.

Emergencies: In the event of an emergency during the holiday period, please phone **6269 0000**.

Kerbside Collection: Garbage collections due on Friday 25 December (Christmas Day) will instead be collected on Saturday 26 December. All other collections will take place as usual over the festive period. Please have your rubbish kerbside by 6.00am ready for collection.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Australia Day Awards

Don't forget to nominate individuals or groups you know that make a positive contribution to our community. We rely on the community to help us recognise those who are great!

Award categories are:

- Citizen of the Year**
- Young Citizen of the Year**
- Community Group of the Year**

Full details are available on our website: www.sorell.tas.gov.au.

SAG Meeting

The Seniors Advisory Group are having their Christmas meeting on Tuesday 15 December at 10am in the CWA Room at the Sorell Memorial Hall. Morning tea will be provided and all are welcome. Please RSVP your attendance to Sonia at Council on 6269 0059 ASAP.

Waste Management Services Calendar

The 2021 Waste Management Services Calendar will be mailed out to rate payers with the December edition of the *Community News* newsletter and Rates Notices. This means if you are renting you will not receive a copy of the calendar in the mail.

Copies of the calendar are available in the Council Offices and from the *Quick Links* tab on Council's Website www.sorell.tas.gov.au. You can also collect a copy from various locations throughout the Municipality. You can find a list of these on our website. The *My Local Services App* also has copies of the Waste Management Calendars and can send you reminders about your bin collection days.

Please contact our Customer Service Team on 6269 0000 or sorell.council@sorell.tas.gov.au with any enquiries.

Green Waste Collection

Week 1 7 - 11 December
Boomer Bay, Carlton, Carlton River, Bream Creek, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

Week 2 14 - 18 December
Midway Point, Forcett, Lewisham, Nugent, Orielson, Pawleena, Penna, Sorell, Wattle Hill.

To book your collections the options are as follows:

- Go to our website www.sorell.tas.gov.au/services
- Use 'My Local Services App'
- Phone 6269 0000 and select option 3

Bookings must be made by **MIDDAY FRIDAY THE WEEK PRIOR** to your collection.

Please place all waste on the nature strip the weekend prior to your scheduled collection week and ensure you abide by the size requirements – no more than 2 cubic metres (e.g. a small trailer load).

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

Fire Hazard Inspections

Fire hazard inspections on privately owned residential land have now commenced throughout the Municipality. It is the responsibility of property owners to ensure their property remains fire-hazard free. Please ensure your property is mowed to avoid the issue of an abatement notice.

Water Quality Monitoring

Water sampling of the recognised swimming beaches in our Municipality will commence shortly. Testing has shown in previous years that our recognised beaches are suitable for swimming. However, we advise people to please avoid swimming after heavy rainfall or at sites where warning signs have been erected.

Dogs on Beaches

From 1 December 2020 until 1 March 2021 there are restrictions for dogs on many of our beaches. Please ensure you observe Council's signage located at the access points to beaches. It is also important to remember that our beaches are shared areas, so please be respectful of others and keep your dog under effective control and in sight at all times.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Council approved one grant in the Community Grants Program at the November meeting:

The Historical Society of Sorell - \$2000 to help fund costs associated with publishing Volume 3 of the Pitt Water Chronicles.

Council wishes the History Society all the best with their project.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Council Meeting

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on **Tuesday 15 December 2020**, beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers. The Meeting Agenda will be available for public perusal on Council's website the Thursday prior to the meeting.

Annual General Meeting

The 2019 – 2020 Annual Report will be presented to Council at the AGM. Copies are available from the Council Offices as well as on our website at www.sorell.tas.gov.au.

The AGM will be held on Tuesday

COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the November Council Meeting:

- Council received and noted the Financial Report October 2020 Year to Date.
- Council approved minor amendments to the existing Sorell Local Highways By-law.
- Council approved a planning scheme amendment for 5 Arthur Highway and lot 1 Arthur Highway in Sorell for rezoning from Particular Purpose Zone Future Urban to General Residential. It will now be submitted to the Tasmanian Planning Commission for assessment.

COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

Current and soon to be commenced Council works and projects as at 1 December 2020:

- **Levelling the Playing Field Unisex Change Rooms** – Car parking and landscaping is currently underway.
- **Pembroke Park Stadium** – Works have commenced on site and will remain ongoing during 2021.
- **Gypsy Bay Boat Ramp Dredging** – Due to a UTAS captive breeding program for threatened species and the requirement for a new permit, dredging is now likely to be carried out during February.
- **Dodges Ferry Skate Park** – Work on upgrading the shelters and seating is ongoing.
- **San Francisco Street, Midway Point** – Work on the renewal of the existing footpath and kerb is ongoing.
- **Roadside Mowing** – The roadside mowing program has commenced and is ongoing.
- **Fifth Avenue, Dodges Ferry** – Work on new kerb and stormwater infrastructure has commenced.
- **Nash Street, Sorell** – Work on the renewal of the footpath has commenced.
- **Road Resealing Program** – Road resealing of Weston Hill Road, Nash Street, Dodges Court, Mercer Court and Barclay Court will commence on Monday 30 November

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