



Community NEWS

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May 2019

to take 5 - 6 weeks. There will be short delays during the works so we advise that you please allow extra travel time, observe road signage and drive carefully through the work site. The Contractor will endeavour to minimise these delays as much as possible. We appreciate the public's patience during these works.

- **Gregory Street, Lewisham** – A minor upgrade of stormwater infrastructure in Gregory Street is currently underway.

GRANTS

Healthy Tasmania Innovations Grants

Council received notification that our application in the Healthy Tasmania Community Innovations Grants was successful. Council applied for \$25,000 to construct an additional 700 metre loop in Miena Park off the existing Orielton Lagoon Loop. This new loop will provide a flat unchallenging exercise area for seniors, children, pram walkers, joggers and cyclists. Construction of this loop is expected to begin this month.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

Wood Heater Efficiency

Excessive smoke from wood heaters can be a major contributor to air pollution. Smoke can be a nuisance to your neighbours and contains pollutants that are known health hazards. Be a good neighbour this winter and reduce wood smoke from your flue by following these tips:

- Only burn dry, seasoned firewood.
- Always burn with a flame – don't let your fire smoulder.
- After reloading your wood heater, open the air control and burn the fire on high for 20 minutes, especially before going to bed.
- Make sure your flue is in good working order by having it cleaned annually.

Influenza Season

Flu season is upon us! Influenza is a highly contagious viral infection spread by contact with fluids from coughs and sneezes and can cause severe illness and life-threatening complications. An annual immunisation against the flu is recommended for all people from six months of age and is free for pregnant women, children under 5, adults over 65 and anyone with a predisposing health issue. Please see your local family doctor or pharmacist for more information.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Midway Point Bus Route

Council has been working with the Department of State Growth and Redline to formalise the bus route through Midway Point. Formalised bus stops and signage will be installed in the coming months.

Community Conversation

Residents of Dodges Ferry and surrounds are invited to attend our upcoming Community Conversation. Join us for an informal chat with the Mayor, Councillors and General Manager about what's happening in your local community.

Thursday 30 May - 6.30pm @ the Dodges Ferry Fire Station
All welcome to attend!

National Volunteer Week Reception

Council is hosting a Volunteer Recognition Reception during National Volunteers Week and individuals and representatives from all local volunteer groups are invited to attend.

Thursday 23 May - 6.00pm @ the Sorell Memorial Hall

A light supper and refreshments will be available.

RSVPs are essential – phone 6269 0000 or email sorell.council@sorell.tas.gov.au by Friday 17 May. Head to www.sorell.tas.gov.au to find the full event details under "Latest News."

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

The Mayor, Councillors and staff of Sorell Council would like to sincerely thank all the volunteers across the Municipality who make such a valuable contribution to our community. It is valued and appreciated. We thank you!

Community & Youth Grants Program

Applications for the 2019/2020 Community and Youth Grants Program are **NOW OPEN!**

This program provides financial support to eligible community groups and organisations within the Sorell Municipality in the following categories:

- **Community Assistance Grant** (Up to \$1,500)
- **Youth Grant** (Up to \$1,500)

Applications will be received for activities under the following categories: community events, community conferences, workshops & forums, local community projects, asset purchase and projects that encourage the wider use of and/or improve access to facilities.

Full details and application forms are available at www.sorell.tas.gov.au.

COUNCIL MEETING:

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on **Tuesday 21 May 2019**, beginning at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers at the Council Offices.

Green Waste Collection Dates

Week 1 6 - 10 May
Boomer Bay, Carlton, Carlton River, Bream Creek, Connelys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

Week 2 13 - 17 May
Midway Point, Forcett, Lewisham, Nugent, Orielton, 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).

COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the April Council Meeting:

- Council received and noted the Financial Report March 2019 Year to Date.
- Council authorised the General Manager to complete public notification of Council's intent to sell a parcel of public land on Old Forcett Road opposite Dodges Ferry Primary School.
- Council received and noted the report and confirmed their position to remain a member of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority.
- Council authorised the General Manager to consent to Sorell on Stage lodging a Development Application for two shipping containers to be placed on Council land at 47 Cole Street, Sorell.

COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

Current or soon to be commenced works:

- **Urban Street Sealing Program**
- Warrantena Street – Was recently upgraded from a gravel to a sealed standard with kerb and associated stormwater infrastructure.
- **Footpath Renewal Program**
- Penna Road – Footpath renewal works on Penna Road between Bay Road and Karachi Street will be undertaken in the coming months.
- Main Road, Sorell – Footpath renewal works on Main Road from number 66 north to Forcett Street will be undertaken in the coming months.
- **Vulnerable Road Users Program**
- Department of State Growth funded projects in the VRUP for 2018/2019:
- China Creek Bridge Walkway – A pedestrian walkway will be installed on Lewisham Scenic Drive between Richards Avenue and Gary Street to provide safe pedestrian access over China Creek.
- Carlton Beach Road/ Carlton River Road/Old Forcett Road - Narrowing of the intersection and installation of three new pedestrian crossings, kerb and footpaths at this intersection.
- Penna Road/Bay Road – Installation of a right turn lane and pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Penna Road and Bay Road was recently completed.
- **Sorell Skate Park** – Minor additions and maintenance works have commenced at the Sorell Skate Park. The work will take approximately 4 weeks and a section of the park will be closed during this time. These works were co-funded thanks to \$20,000 from Mr Brian Mitchell, MP for Lyons.
- **Sugarloaf Road** - Approximately 500 metres of Sugarloaf Road (from the Carlton River Bridge to just past Carlton River Road turn off) will be reconstructed and realigned. Works are expected

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