



# Community NEWS

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**Sorell Skate Park** – The old concrete shelters are currently being removed and replaced with a new concrete slab, shelter, seating and solar lighting.

**Dodges Ferry Skate Park** – The old timber shelter will be removed and replaced by two concrete slabs, shelters and seating in the coming months.

**Stormwater** – Minor upgrades, storm damage repair and general maintenance on stormwater infrastructure is occurring around the Municipality.

**Road Resheeting** – The tender for the 2020/2021 program has been awarded to Hazell Brothers and works will be carried out in the coming weeks.

**Road Resealing** – The tender for the 2020/2021 program has been awarded to Fulton Hogan and works will be carried out before Christmas.

**Woods Road** – The bridge on Woods Road has been replaced. Minor tidy up works are still to be completed.

**Burdons Road** – The bridge replacement on Burdons Road has commenced and should be completed early this month.

**Sorell Memorial Hall** – The exterior is currently being repainted.

## GRANTS

### Sport & Recreation Grant

Council recently submitted an application for funding in the State Government's Sport and Recreation Small Grants Program to install spectator seating around the front oval at Pembroke Park. We will be advised the outcome of our application in the coming months.

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UPDATE

### Immunisations

School immunisations for 2020 have been completed at Sorell School.

### Fire Hazards

The amount of rainfall we've experienced over winter has increased soil moisture, resulting in a significant amount of growth. If you have vacant land please ensure that the grass is kept short over the summer period to reduce fire hazards. Our fire abatement program will commence in late November/early December.

### Tank Water Overflows

Recent rainfall has highlighted that many properties in the Southern Beaches do not have water tank overflows directed to an on-site absorption trench or connected to a roadside drain. If your water tank does not have a suitable overflow, please contact a plumber for advice.

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### My Local Services App

Have you downloaded the **FREE** 'My Local Services App' available for smartphone devices? The app can be downloaded on iPhone and Android by searching for 'My Local Services' in the App or Play Store. It delivers local information about Council services and the community including:

- Green and hard waste bookings.
- Rate payment reminders.
- Community parks, playgrounds and public toilets.
- A 'Report It' function – ability to report local issues to Council such as graffiti, road hazards and rubbish dumping.

### Garage Sale Trail

Garage Sale Trail is being held on **Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 November 2020**.

This jam-packed weekend is a great way to make (or save) money, declutter and meet your neighbours. Households, schools, community groups and local businesses are all invited to host a garage sale or shop the Trail, joining a nationwide movement that sees over 3,500 tonnes of stuff sold and diverted from landfill. Garage Sale Trail 2020 has options for virtual garage sales and Covid-safe real life garage sales. So get those reusable shopping bags ready for the second-hand treasure hunt of your life!

Full details and registrations available online now at [www.garagesaletrail.com.au](http://www.garagesaletrail.com.au)

## COMMUNITY GRANTS

Council approved one application under the Community Grants Program at the September Council Meeting:

**Okines Community House** - \$1732.70 to develop a community bicycle repair shed.

Council wishes Okines all the best with their project and thanks them for the contribution they make to our community.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

### Council Meeting

The next meeting of Sorell Council will be held on **Tuesday 20 October 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.

## Green Waste Collection

**Week 1 Bookings Closed**  
Boomer Bay, Bream Creek, Carlton, Carlton River, Connellys Marsh, Copping, Dodges Ferry, Dunalley, Kellevie, Marion Bay, Primrose Sands.

**Week 2 12 - 16 October**  
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](http://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 (a small trailer load).

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

The following decisions were made at the September regular and special Council Meeting:

- Council received and noted the Financial Report August 2020 Year to Date.
- Council received and noted the Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority Report.
- Council approved updated delegations to the General Manager to provide a higher degree of regulatory compliance by clarifying the exact extent of the powers which the General Manager has been delegated and is authorised to further delegate to Council employees.
- Council approved continuing the implementation of the revised Financial Hardship Assistance Policy and to carry out an interim review by April 2021.
- Council authorised the General Manager to finalise the sale process for the disposal of the public land at Pawleena Dam at an offer of \$180,000 and to execute the necessary contract documents.
- Council approved additional capital funds of \$279,100.00 to undertake four stormwater upgrade projects located at Gatehouse Drive/Tarbook Court in Sorell, Clover Court in Carlton River, Bingham Street and Blue Lagoon in Dodges Ferry.
- Council received and adopted the recommendations in the Recreational Water Quality Monitoring Report 2019/2020.
- Council approved a donation of \$5,000 to the Ten Days on the Island Festival, for the 2021 'If These Halls Could Talk' project to be held at the Sorell Memorial Hall.
- Council awarded the tender for the construction of the Pembroke Park Stadium Complex to VOS Constructions.
- Council awarded the tender for the Road Resheeting Program for 2020/2021 to Hazell Brothers.
- Council awarded the tender for the Road Resealing Program for 2020/2021 to Fulton Hogan.

## COUNCIL WORKS DEVELOPMENTS

Recent, current and soon to be commenced Council works and projects as at 1 October 2020:

**Gypsy Bay Boat Ramp dredging** – Work will commence in November due to breeding season of threatened species on site.

**Levelling the Playing Field Unisex Change Rooms** – Mechanical ventilation, electrical installation, civil works, internal fit out and plumbing are all nearing completion.

**Pembroke Park Stadium** – The tender has been awarded and work is expected to commence shortly. Stage one of the new access road and car park from Montagu Street has commenced construction.

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