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.....COUNCIL TO COMMUNITY.....
OCTOBER 2019



AUSTRALIA'S MOST LIVEABLE CITY

PLUS

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Monday, October 28
(ANNUAL MEETING)**

Monday, November 4
5.45pm, Warrnambool Civic Centre

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MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR

Warrnambool is Australia's most liveable city.

I would say that, of course, but now it's not just me making the claim.

That's the finding of global research company Ipsos.

The most liveable city is an accolade our entire community should feel proud of because it's something in which we've all played a part.

In determining liveability Ipsos looked not only at built infrastructure and the natural environment. It looked at intangible variables including whether people felt safe, the sense of community, social cohesion and opportunities for all.

Those are attributes which are beyond bricks and mortar, scaffolding and steel. They are the product of a community that is proud, inclusive and, dare I say it: cosmopolitan.

News of our most liveable city went nationwide and featured on television, radio, newspapers and social media.

I'd really like to encourage all people, businesses, groups and organisations to celebrate our most liveable city status and continue to share the fact that we have been independently judged Australia's most liveable place.



Put it in your correspondence, make it a footer on your emails, put it on your websites, put it on social media. A theme that this term of Council has had since early 2017 is to grow pride and confidence in Warrnambool.

This recognition certainly builds pride and confidence in our city.

Feeling confident about ourselves and our city is good for the community, good for business and bodes well for the future.

And it's a great reminder that we live in a beautiful city that is well resourced on so many fronts.

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MINUTE WITH THE YOUTH MAYOR

It has been a busy month for the Youth Council, where we have focussed much of our attention on the important global issue of climate change and things we call all do to address it.

Here in Warrnambool, school-aged students and concerned individuals attended a climate protest on the Warrnambool Civic Green on September 20.

It's great to see that at the October 7 meeting, Warrnambool City Council declared a state of climate emergency. This means that Council has recognised that urgent action by all levels of government, including local council, is needed.

The Youth Council would like to thank Cr David Owen for moving this motion and shining a light on such an important movement.

Our screening of the documentary film 2040 was held in mid-September with a great turnout. The film utilises new solutions to big problems found today and highlights how small changes made today can create a big differences tomorrow.

This was the launching point for the Warrnambool 2040 pledges. Everyone in the community was invited to make a commitment to change a small aspect of their everyday lives to help make Warrnambool, and the world, a better place.

We currently have a few more projects in the works. We are revamping the Youth Council awards night to better reflect and encourage the youth of today. Please keep your eyes out, as nominations will be opening soon.

We are also progressing in our negotiations with the Responsible Cafes Organisation.

The organisation recognises eco-friendly cafes through pamphlets and a popular website. We hope to see a partnership with the Warrnambool City Council, so both customers and cafes can grow sustainability.

Ben Pennington, Youth Councillor



AUSTRALIA'S MOST LIVEABLE CITY

Warrnambool and the South West comprise the most liveable region in Australia, according to the latest Ipsos Life in Australia study.

Warrnambool came out on top based on factors including a sense of community, access to the natural environment, affordable housing, high quality health services, good job prospects and feeling safe.

“This is wonderful recognition of our city and the region,” Warrnambool Mayor Cr Tony Herbert said.

“The study considers the attributes of a place that people consider important in their lives.

“We are so fortunate in Warrnambool to have the facilities that we have and the stunning coastal setting.

“We have Deakin Uni, South West TAFE, a base hospital, dedicated cancer treatment centre and a great arts and culture scene.

“All of these factors help create a sense of belonging, a sense of opportunity and contribute to the sense of pride we feel for our city.”

In reaching number one Warrnambool outscored inner Perth, Central Adelaide and the Adelaide Hills, Sydney’s eastern suburbs, and the inner east and inner south suburbs of Melbourne.

Other regional areas to score highly were the South East of South

Australia, the Murray region of NSW and the Sunshine Coast.

Ipsos is a global market research and consulting company which has its headquarters in Paris, France, and offices in more than 80 countries including Australia.

City/region	Liveability index score
Warrnambool and the South West	68.7
Inner Perth	68.6
Adelaide Central and Hills	67
Sydney Eastern Suburbs	65.8
Melbourne Inner South	65
Melbourne Inner East	64.9
Brisbane Inner City	64.8
Perth North West	64.2
South-East South Australia	63.9
Brisbane East	63.6

VICTORIAN WALKABILITY EXPERT GIVES CITY CENTRE TICK OF APPROVAL

The head of Victoria’s peak pedestrian advocacy group has praised the pedestrian-friendly changes to Warrnambool’s city centre.

CEO of Victoria Walks Dr Ben Rossiter visited Warrnambool recently to see first-hand the changes made during the city centre renewal.

Dr Rossiter said the streetscape, particularly Liebig Street, had changed significantly since he lived in Warrnambool as a child and that the changes were positive.

The pedestrian-priority crossings at key roundabouts, the lowered speed limits and

the removal of gutters and kerbs in Liebig Street were significant steps in the right direction, Dr Rossiter said.

“This is a massive change. It feels like Warrnambool now wants to park people. They want people to stay,” he said.

“I certainly like being here and I want to stay. I want to hang around.

“Creating walkable communities is really important to create economically sustainable and strong businesses.

“Walking is also the most accessible form of exercise.”

Dr Rossiter cited examples in Bendigo, Canberra, Fitzroy and South Melbourne where pedestrians were being prioritised over cars.

“What Warrnambool has done is really impressive, but you’re not alone. There are cities not just around the world, but around the country doing similar things,” he said.

“Warrnambool is a gorgeous place for walking. Enjoy it. Love it. It’s fantastic.”

Warrnambool Mayor Tony Herbert thanked Dr Rossiter for visiting the city and welcomed his feedback on the city centre renewal.

“What was really encouraging was that we’re on the right track with the transformation of our city centre into a space that makes life easier for pedestrians of all ages and abilities,” he said.

“There is evidence from around the world that making streets more pedestrian friendly is better for people, better for the environment and better for the economy.

“It has been wonderful to see how quickly motorists have adapted to the changed conditions and even better to see older and less ambulant people move around our streets with more confidence knowing that they have more time to cross streets and that there are fewer obstacles to overcome.”

Victoria Walks is a walking health promotion charity. It encourages more people to walk more often and also seeks to overcome the obstacles that discourage people from walking.

SECOND RECYCLING BIN TO BE TRIALLED

Warrnambool is tackling the recycling crisis with a glass collection trial.

Households in two trial areas will receive a new 140L rubbish bin which will be collected fortnightly, while their existing 80L rubbish bin will be re-purposed as a glass only bin.

Some of the details for the trial (eg dates, exact areas and the number of houses) are still being negotiated.

More than 300 people completed an online survey, with a fortnightly rubbish collection and a dedicated bin for glass the most preferred choice.

Combined with the economic benefits of FOGO, residents are likely to see a reduction in their waste management charge of \$10 to \$15 a year - this is subject to their being no dramatic cost increases within the recycling industry.

Warrnambool Mayor Tony Herbert said that a separate glass collection will deliver a better environmental outcome.

"This is a fantastic initiative that will see glass go from a contaminant to a valuable resource," he said.

"While I'm excited to see the results of the trial, the Victorian Government needs to do more to help carry the load.

"Many of the solutions thus far have been generated and paid for by councils and ratepayers. It is the responsibility of the Victorian Government to develop a long-term recycling solution.

"This is why Councils and ratepayers have been paying the Victorian Government landfill levies for years.

"Hundreds of millions of dollars have been amassed, yet Victoria is lagging behind the rest of Australia and the world on this massive global issue."



SUSAN ALBERTI TO SPEAK IN WARRNAMBOOL

The popular Great South Coast Speaker Series will finish with a flourish.

Trailblazing business woman, philanthropist and AFLW stalwart Susan Alberti AC will share her story on November 21 at the Lighthouse Theatre.

Hear about Susan's inspiring journey as a medical research campaigner, ambassador

for the AFLW and board member of the Western Bulldogs - ventures that have seen her receive both the Victorian of the Year (2018) and Melburnian of the Year (2017) awards and become one of the most recognisable figures in the Australian business and sporting communities.

Throughout her life, she has stared the seemingly impossible in the face, and overcome it. She's sure to inspire her Warrnambool audience to attempt the same.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.gscspeakers.com.au

STATE SET TO BAN LIGHTWEIGHT PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS

The Victorian Government will implement a state-wide ban on lightweight plastic shopping bags from 1 November 2019.

Of the hundreds of millions of single-use plastic bags given out by retailers each year, the vast majority end up in landfill. On top of this, around 10 million end up as litter, polluting our environment and endangering our wildlife.

The ban will apply to all lightweight plastic shopping bags with handles with a thickness of 35 microns or less at any part of the bag, including degradable, biodegradable and compostable bags.

The ban applies to all retailers – including supermarkets, greengrocers, bakeries, pharmacies, clothes stores, restaurants, cafes, markets, food outlets, and many more.

The ban will not apply to the following bags:

- Produce bags used for unpackaged foodstuffs (like fruit, meat or seafood)
- Garbage bags & bin-liners
- Dog waste or nappy bags
- Essential product packaging (eg. bread bag)

For more information visit www.vicbagban.com.au

RUBY JUBILEE FOR WARRNAMBOOL GEM

Norma Munday has helped children cross the road safely more than 1 million times.

One of Council's longest-serving employees, Norma Munday celebrated her 40th year as a crossing supervisor in October.

What started as a way of getting her own children to school has grown into a service that has helped generations.

"I had two kids at St Joseph's when it was on Raglan Parade. I was walking them to school anyway, so I thought I might as well do this too," she said.

"I've seen plenty of kids grow up, then come back as mothers with their own kids.

"I love meeting all the children and getting out in the fresh air. "It's great especially in the spring and summer when so many kids walk with their parents or brothers and sisters."

Despite the rigours of the job, Norma is showing no signs of

slowing down.

"Hopefully I'll keep going for a bit longer yet," she said.

"It can rain a bit, but I remember not long after I started there were a few flakes of snow one day."

Norma is one of more than 30 crossing supervisors who help children walk safely to school each day. Crossing supervisors are funded primarily by Council with additional support from VicRoads.



DOG PARK OPENS WITH A BARK

The new Warrnambool Community Dog Park is now open to dogs and their owners.

The enclosed dog exercise area in Victoria Park (opposite the showgrounds) encourages owners and their dogs to get out and get active in a sociable and safe environment.

The dog park is fully fenced, with a double gate system for entering and exiting the enclosure.

It also features a FOGO bin and compostable bags for dog poo.

The total project costs were \$47,000 and included provision of a drinking fountain, dog bowl and tap.

Mayor Cr Tony Herbert said the new dog park had come about with the support and involvement of the community.

"I'd really like to thank the community working group for their help in guiding the project," Cr Herbert said.

"This is very much a community facility with scope to be further developed with exercise equipment, seating and other improvements.

"We'd like the community to stay involved in the park's ongoing development.

"It also puts Warrnambool on the map as a destination with a dedicated area for dogs, which is increasingly important for many visitors who are travelling with their pets."

The dog park entrance includes a sign which sets out the rules to ensure that dogs and their owners are able to happily share the space.



Mayor Tony Herbert, community working group member Necia Lynch, project officer Jenefer Macmillan and community working group member Anne Vickery

TIME TO RECOGNISE OUR FINEST CITIZENS

Warrnambool is the centrepiece of Australia's most liveable region.

Along with its superb location and great educational and employment opportunities, the city's liveability is built on the efforts of the people who call Warrnambool home.

The annual Warrnambool Australia Day awards provide an opportunity to recognise the people who make Warrnambool such a great place to live and work.

Nominations for the 2020 awards are now open.

"These awards are a wonderful opportunity to recognise and pay tribute to the people who help make Warrnambool such a liveable

place," Warrnambool Mayor Cr Tony Herbert said.

"We all know people who, in their own time, go about helping other people in our community.

"Here is your chance to have them recognised."

Categories include Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year and the Local Achiever Award.

Chair of the Australia Day Awards Committee Bronwen Levett said it was easy to nominate someone and encouraged people to make nominations.

"Every year there is plenty of online discussion about worthy potential nominees – we want to see those discussions turn into nominations."

"So go to www.yoursaywarrnambool.com.au and make a nomination."

Nominations close on November 18, 2019.



WALK, DON'T RUN (THE CAR)

As well as the physical, mental and social benefits, the city's primary school students will have an added incentive to walk, ride or scoot to school.

VicHealth Walk to School Month was officially launched at West Warrnambool Primary School on October 8.

Running until November 1, the month aims to show students and their parents just how great something as simple as walking to school can be.

On top of this, the school that has the highest percentage of its pupils make "active transport" choices on SouthWest Credit Walk to School Day on November 1 will win a brand new bike.

As part of the launch at West Warrnambool, all students took part in a bike and active transport education day, teaching them all they need to know to say safe when heading to school.

Warrnambool City Council Travel Smart Officer Nicole Wood said that walking or riding to school was a healthy way to start the day.

"It can be a great way for kids to have a little bit of independence," she said.

"Knowing that you trust them to be responsible enough to get to school safely can be a real boost to their confidence.

"It's also a really accessible form of exercise that helps to build positive habits for life.

"Walking part of the way is ok. If you live too far away for your child to walk or ride all the way to school, drop them off a few blocks away and let them walk.

"They get all of the benefits, and you avoid the peak school traffic."

For more information visit www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au

BIG NUMBERS COMMIT TO MAKING SMALL CHANGES

More than 400 people have made more than 4400 promises for our future.

As part of the Warrnambool 2040 (W2040) campaign, everyone is invited to commit to making small actions to help make a big difference in Warrnambool.

To help get the ball rolling, 20 pledges have been created across the categories of people, place, economy and the environment, or you can create your own.

So far, the top commitments have been:

- I will never throw food/organic waste in the rubbish
- I will walk or cycle for transport at least once a week
- I will say no to single use plastic – including bags, straws, cups, bottles and cotton buds

If you'd like to take action to help create a better future for everyone, visit

www.w2040.com.au
and join the movement.

A SIGN OF MULTICULTURALISM

Footpath stickers have been installed at two intersections in West Warrnambool to help convey traffic safety messages to Mandarin speakers.

The stickers are located near St Pius X and West Warrnambool Primary Schools and remind pedestrians to "stop, look, listen and think".

Over the past five years, West Warrnambool Primary School has gone from having two students who speak Mandarin at home to having more than 30.

Warrnambool City Council Travel Smart Officer Nicole Wood said that the signs might help make school trips that little bit easier for students and their parents.

"There are so many great reasons to walk to school, and we want to help ensure that West Warrnambool's growing population of students who may not have English as a first language can get to school safely," she said.

"Sometimes teaching the kids is a great way to help educate entire families too."

"Our aim is to speak with the families and see which other intersections could benefit from similar signs".

The stickers are an initiative of Moyne Warrnambool Road Share.



AUSTRALIAN CARAVAN MUSTER SETS UP AT SURFSIDE

More than 150 caravans will set up camp at Surfside Holiday Parks for the annual Australian Caravan Club (ACC) National Muster from October 14-20.

The event will bring more than 300 people from around Australia to Warrnambool for the weeklong event.

Australian Caravan Club Chairman Craig Humphrey said that he expected vans to come from far and wide to attend the muster.

“The National Muster is the showcase event of our club. It is the event that attracts the greatest number of club members,” he said.

“Our research indicates that each of the attendees will spend up to \$100 per day whilst visiting the region and previous National Musters have injected over \$250,000 to the local economy.”

The muster will be co-hosted by Timboon couple Terry and Pam Hawkins, with Mr Hawkins thanking Council for its support.

“Put simply, without the support of Council, the muster wouldn’t be here,” he said. Mr Hawkins said that there were plenty of activities planned to keep attendees entertained, with the Flagstaff Hill Sound and Light Show, Meet the Maremma Tours and trips to Tower Hill, Port Fairy and Timboon all garnering plenty of interest.

“The location is absolutely brilliant. There is so much on offer,” he said.

“We tried to plan activities that were different and that members couldn’t do anywhere else.

“At previous musters some people have commented that there hasn’t been enough to do to fill in the time. In Warrnambool, there are too many things to do, even with a week.”

Warrnambool Mayor Tony Herbert said



Mayor Tony Herbert with Australian Caravan Muster Co-hosts Terry and Pam Hawkins

that camping and caravanning had a long history in Warrnambool.

“For a city the size of Warrnambool to have caravan parks run almost the length of our foreshore speaks to the value this city places on offering classic Australian beachside holidays,” he said.

“With the beach on one side and Lake Pertobe on the other, I think Surfside is one of the best places in Australia to set up camp, and it’s the perfect location for a national caravan muster.

“The ACC has worked closely with the Warrnambool City Council Events and Promotions team over the past year to plan a wonderful week-long program to showcase all the region has to offer.”

For more information visit www.australiancaravanclub.com.au.



TIME TO TREAD A NEW PATH

The new footpath along Worm Bay Road is ready to go.

The path provides easy access for cyclists and pedestrians to the promenade from Viaduct Road, while also drawing attention to the often-underutilised Worm Bay carpark.

On top of this, linking Viaduct Road with the Promenade has created a new walking circuit with views of Lady Bay and Middle Island.

The project also involved a pedestrian crossing and footpath through the centre of the Worm Bay car park as well as some vegetation removal, speed humps and fencing/curbing work near the skate park.

ACTIVE WARRNAMBOOL

A new plan to help make Warrnambool a healthier, happier and fitter city has been adopted by Council.

The Active Warrnambool Strategy will guide Council’s planning and provision of sport, active recreation and physical activity between now and 2030.

The strategy aims to deliver the following outcomes for sport, recreation and physical activity in Warrnambool:

- Increased participation opportunities for everyone
- Sustainable clubs and organisations
- Increased participation by females, and other under-

- represented groups, in all aspects of sport, recreation and physical activity
- Maximised and best use of facilities, places and spaces
- Improved connectivity between facilities, places and spaces
- Renewed and redeveloped existing facilities, places and spaces to maximise physical activity opportunities
- Increased evidence base for decision making, investment and to maximise efficiencies (through the review and development of plans, policies and management practices/systems)
- Adequate resources secured to effectively managing resources including staff, funds and assets

To view the strategy visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/active-warrnambool-strategy



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WELCOME 2 WARRNAMBOOL LANGUAGE CAFÉ

Every Tuesday, 9am – 11.30am
Brophy Family and Youth Services, 210 Timor Street

The Welcome 2 Warrnambool Language Café is for anyone who wants to practice their English skills AND for the wider community to meet new people from all over the world. It's a café addressing social inclusion and connection through great coffee and company. The volunteers are the driving force of our social enterprise offering their English speaking skills to our migrant community.

WARRNAMBOOL SHOW

Saturday October 26, 9am – midnight
Warrnambool Showgrounds

The Warrnambool Show is pleased to announce the Super Saturday Show format will return again in 2019. With regular show events returning including show jumping, sheep shearing, the animal nursery and wood chopping. There'll also be arts and crafts, cooking, horticulture, a sustainable living section plus lots more. www.warrnamboolshow.com.au

COMMUNITY PICNIC

Saturday November 2, 10am – 4pm
Lake Pertobe

The local contemporary veteran community invites you to join them for a free community picnic to participate in Veterans Health Week. This is a family friendly event, bring the rug, rugrats and sunscreen, for free kids activities - facepainting, jumping castle, games and entertainers.

There's be a barbecue for a gold coin donation plus local veterans, Ambulance Victoria, Victorian Fire Services, SES, Victorian Police, Warrnambool HEMS Rescue Helicopter will be there. For more information contact the Warrnambool RSL on 5562 4634.

DENNINGTON'S DAY OUT

Sunday November 10, 11am – 3pm
St John's Primary School, 263 Russell Street

An event for the whole family with gourmet food, food trucks, pop up shops, free entertainment, messy play station, recycling imagination area, bucking bull, inflatables, a petting zoo and an animal farm. www.facebook.com/denningtonsdayout

CELEBRAGE

The Celebrate Festival continues throughout October with a huge range of free or low-cost activities for seniors. To find out more about anything listed below, or to book your place, visit www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/celebrage or call the Archie Graham Centre on 5559 4920

WORKS OF WONDER - MAGIC SHOW WITH ELIO SIMONETTI

Wednesday October 23, 10am – 11.30am

Lyndoch – Riverside Hostel Main Activity Room

A vibrant blend of visual magic and cerebral illusion speckled with curious anecdotes and a selected history of mystery. Free, but please book.

OUT TO LUNCH AT CAFE69 ON RAGLAN

Wednesday October 23, 12pm – 1.30pm

Gateway Motel, 69 Raglan Parade

Purchase your own lunch and enjoy it with good company.

BE WELL, BREATHE WELL

Thursday October 24, 2pm – 3pm
Archie Graham Community Centre

Jacqui Eberbach, Osteopath and Acupuncturist, will teach you some simple breathing techniques that benefit your lung function and assist in good posture. Free, but please book.

LOCAL HISTORY WALKING TOUR

Friday October 25, 10am – 11.30am
Departs Archie Graham Community Centre

Meet local historical society volunteers for a walking tour of CBD streets that are a rich archive of our local history. Free, but please book.

WALK/CYCLE FOR WELLNESS

Monday October 28, 10am – 11.30am
Meet at Warrnambool Surf Life Saving Club

Join a friendly group and enjoy either a walk or a ride along Warrnambool's beautiful coastline. Free, but please book.

SHORT FILMS: MID-20TH CENTURY WARRNAMBOOL

Tuesday October 29, 2pm – 3.30pm
Archie Graham Community Centre

View rare movies from historical society's recently digitised collection featuring local residents, street scenes, events and activities from 60 – 90 years ago. Cost is \$2 per person.

SLEEP EASY

Thursday October 31, 2pm – 3pm
Archie Graham Community Centre

Bridget Lane, Chiropractor and Meditation Teacher, will share skills that you can use to improve your sleep. Free, but please book.

WHAT'S ON AT THE LIGHTHOUSE THEATRE

Possum Magic

Monday November 4, 1pm and
Wednesday November 6, 9.45am and 11.45am

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Thursday November 7, 7.30pm

Classic Kids with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Friday November 8, 10am and 11.30am

This is Eden

Friday November 8, 8pm



Music Box

Sunday November 10, 5pm

Find Your Voice Choir

Wednesday November 13, 7pm

The Borderers

Friday November 15, 8pm

Harrison Craig sings Elton John

Saturday November 16, 8pm