



CELEBRATING Indigenous culture

Come along to FREE events in Monash as part of National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week. This week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Council is celebrating NAIDOC week with a special opening event on Monday 8 July at 12.30pm. The event, which includes Welcome to Country by a Wurundjeri Elder, an Aboriginal Flag

Raising Ceremony, a traditional didgeridoo performance and a free Bush Tucker BBQ, will be held at the Monash Civic Centre (293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley). Bookings are not required; just turn up on the day.

During NAIDOC Week, which runs from 7-14 July, there are other events including Aboriginal Storytime sessions at our libraries and a special free movie screening of Bitter Springs on Friday 12 July (bookings required).

This year Indigenous artist Heather Kennedy and local artist Naomi Bishop will hold a series of art

workshops at the Track Gallery in Mount Waverley. Artwork created in these workshops will be added to the NAIDOC Week exhibition on show at the Track Gallery from 3-15 July.


A special event will also be held as part of Council's Winter Concert Series. Kutcha Edwards is one of Australia's most respected and inspiring Aboriginal singer/songwriters and will perform at the Mount Waverley Community Centre on Thursday 11 July.



For more info: ☎ 9518 3636
🌐 www.monash.vic.gov.au/festivals

NEXT COUNCIL Meeting

The next Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 25 June** from 7pm, at the Monash Civic Centre (293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley). The meeting's agenda will be published on Council's website from 5.30pm on **Thursday 20 June**.


Monash residents and ratepayers can ask questions at the meeting, with questions to be submitted to Council by 2pm on Tuesday 25 June. If you're unable to attend, you can watch from home:

 webcast.monash.vic.gov.au or watch previous meetings.


For more info:  9518 3555
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/meetings


Monash Civic Centre

 293 Springvale Road
Glen Waverley

 8.15am to 5.15pm (Mon to Fri)

Oakleigh Service Centre

 3 Atherton Road
Oakleigh

 8.15am to 5.15pm (Mon to Fri)

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We welcome your feedback about the Monash Bulletin:

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KAYE a champion for inclusivity

An unwavering willingness to assist and advocate for others saw Kaye Speed awarded the 2018 Sir John Monash Award for Outstanding Advocate of People with Disabilities.

Kaye, who has been a resident of Monash for more than 45 years, has played a fundamental role in improving the lives of people with vision loss through her volunteering work with Blind Sports & Recreation Victoria (BSRV).

Since joining BSRV in 2001, Kaye has steered the course of this small but vitally important charity, improving the health, well-being and social inclusion of people with vision loss throughout the state.

She joined the organisation at the same time she was losing her own vision, having developed Retinitis Pigmentosa in her late 40s. She currently has less than 1 per cent vision in one eye and no vision in the other.

Under Kaye's direction as Treasurer of BSRV, its revenue has skyrocketed enabling the organisation to implement new blind sport and recreation opportunities for Victorians aged 3 to 90 years who have vision loss.

While Kaye was "embarrassed to be the focus of the award", she was pleased to have "Blind Sports Victoria recognised and



acknowledged for the incredible work it does."

Kaye finds her reward in "meeting the wonderful volunteers who give so freely of their time and energies to make a difference to someone else's life."

Kaye's tenacity, consistency and untiring loyalty to BSRV and improving the opportunities for participation and inclusion in sport for people with vision impairment is inspiring, not only to those she works with, but to those she helps.

A High Commendation was given to the Balmoral Men's Woodworking Group who have been manufacturing essential wooden equipment for the children who attend the early childhood intervention programs at the Cerebral Palsy Education Centre for more than 20 years.

For more info:  9518 3619
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/awards

HARD WASTE collection to start

Monash's FREE Annual Hard Waste collection will run from Mon 29 July to Fri 6 September.



Look out for a brochure in your letterbox that will outline information and the exact date the collection will start in your area.

To assist in collection and support recycling, Council asks that materials are placed out into separate stacks (details will be specified in the brochure):

- » Hard waste
- » Green waste
- » Metal
- » E-waste

Green waste, metal, mattresses and e-waste will be recycled. E-waste is identified as any item with a plug, cord or battery, which includes whitegoods. There are restrictions on the types and size of items which can be collected and this is detailed in your brochure.

To keep Monash's streets as clean as possible, we request placing your items out no earlier than the week before your collection. This will also help to reduce the likelihood of others adding waste to your pile.

For more info:  9518 3555
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/Services/Rubbish-Recycling

MESSAGE FROM Mayor Shane McCluskey

Monash is fortunate to have many wonderful volunteers that assist our community in a number of ways. We recently celebrated their contribution with an afternoon tea during National Volunteer Week. Two of our volunteers Jill and Janice have each achieved an amazing 41 years of volunteering in Monash. What an outstanding



effort. I'm pictured with Rennus, who has given 23 years of service. A huge thanks to all our volunteers who give of their time to help others. We simply couldn't do without them.

Part of the process of Council is giving residents an opportunity to ask questions and have those questions answered during our monthly Council meeting. People can submit a question in writing up until 2pm on the day of the meeting and an answer will be given at the start of the meeting. At our May Council meeting, we had a number of young people submit some thought provoking questions reflecting the things that matter to them.

Michelle asked us about Newstart and what we are doing to advocate for people who are struggling to make ends meet under the Newstart allowance of \$269 a week. Michelle's timing was apt, as in April, Council endorsed the submission of a motion to the Municipal Association of Victoria's May State Council meeting,

requesting that the Association advocates to the Federal Government for the reconsideration of current policies regarding social security payments, which would include the Newstart Allowance, and funding to welfare services.

Emily asked about National Reconciliation Week and whether Council will drop all references to 26 January as Australia Day. Our view is that this is a decision for the Federal Government to determine, not one for Local Government. At the same time, we recognise this can be a difficult day for our First People. We honour our Indigenous community through a comprehensive program of events during NAIDOC week and by supporting the Monash Reconciliation Group with a community grant.

Genevieve's question referenced the recent tragic death of Courtney Herron and what Monash is doing to assist vulnerable people in our community who may become targets of gender based violence. We as a Council and community abhor this act and others like it. Courtney was murdered because

of her attacker's decisions, not her own. We need to change the unacceptable culture that enables violence, sexism and harm to women. We need to work together as a community for change.

Part of the focus in preventing violence against women has to be the behaviour of men and boys. Monash has a strong record of advocacy on this issue and we will continue to push for behavioural change and strong outcomes on gender based violence. Thanks to all three young women for your thought provoking questions.

Community harmony is enhanced by engagement. Our neighbourhood houses are an important element of that engagement. The Mackie Road Neighbourhood House is a great example of how a central hub is pivotal to the local area. Visitors can learn and share skills, visit the pocket library or just drop in for a cuppa and chat. School holiday programs are also popular.

Feel free to contact the Mackie Road Neighbourhood House on

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☎ 0466 345 406

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📌 [crshanemccluskey](https://www.facebook.com/crshanemccluskey)

WALKING GROUP in Notting Hill

Walking is great exercise because you can do it at your own pace, on your own or with friends and it's free.

Residents in Notting Hill can join in a new walking loop we've created that has a measured distance and directional stickers on the pavement. There are also extra seats along the way for when you want to stop, have a rest or a chat.

The blue route is a one kilometre route mostly along Akuna Avenue.

The orange route is a two kilometre route mostly along Saniky Street and Westerfield Drive.

The more people walk, the more it encourages others to join in. The walking loop is a great way to get fit and meet your neighbours.

For more info: Steve McGrath, Place Manager
☎ 0466 856 647





REVITALISING Glen Waverley

We're making some changes to the Glen Waverley library forecourt and Kingsway to make these spaces more accessible, welcoming and inviting for the community.

Recent works along Kingsway include planting of garden beds, painting of bollards and light poles, more lighting around Euneva and heavy duty cleaning and replacement of sections of pavers.

In this next stage, Council is proposing to remove the five steel pergolas at the library end of Kingsway and on the corner of Kingsway and Montclair Avenue to make the street more open and

inviting and improve accessibility for pedestrians. We've consulted with the Glen Waverley Traders Association who support the pergola removals.

In the Glen Waverley library forecourt, we're installing synthetic turf to create a more attractive space and planting and tidying garden beds. We will also be removing some of the conifers to provide greater visibility in this busy space and will be adding fun directional signage to the pavers to add a pop of colour and direct people to the library or civic centre.

For more info: ☎ 9518 3555
 🌐 www.monash.vic.gov.au/library-forecourt

TAKING STEPS to protect yourself from crime

Monash is a safe place to live and work however a series of street robberies and assaults in the Clayton area has prompted Council to inform people in and around that area to be extra vigilant about their personal safety.

Council is working with Victoria Police and Monash University to deter further instances. Victoria Police have increased patrols in the area and Monash University also have security patrols in place but there are steps that people can do to protect themselves from becoming a target:

- » Unplug from electronic devices
- » Be aware of your surroundings and any suspicious vehicles or people
- » Walk in groups or pairs
- » Carry keys in your hand for quick access to your vehicle
- » Avoid areas that are not well lit or are isolated.

Everyone in our community has a right to move around their area, go to work, school or university, safely and without fear.

If you are concerned that someone is following you or you are worried about your personal safety, call 000.

Anyone who has information about these offences can report anonymously to Crime Stoppers on: ☎ 1300 333 000 or submit a confidential report online at 🌐 www.crimestoppersvic.com.au

E-WASTE

now banned in landfill

The Victorian Government is banning all e-waste from going to landfill from 1 July 2019.

E-waste includes any item with a plug, battery or power cord that no longer works or is used. It covers many things from mobile phones to lighting, appliances and computers and associated equipment.

This new law means that no e-waste can be put in any bins and must be disposed of at a dedicated recycling facility or service. To make this easier for people, the State Government is upgrading the e-waste collection network around Victoria, including at Council waste transfer and recycling stations.

The Monash Waste Transfer and Recycling Station already accepts many of the items considered e-waste and will be installing a purpose-built shed at the Notting Hill facility to accept more items after 1 July.

The Monash Waste Transfer and Recycling Station is located at 380 Ferntree Gully Road, Notting Hill and open 7 days a week from 7.30am to 4pm.



You can also dispose of e-waste using Council's annual hard waste collection, which begins 29 July 2019.

For more info: ☎ 9518 3767
 🌐 www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/campaigns/ewaste





HOW DO I

Report a faulty streetlight

Winter has arrived and the days are getting darker earlier so it's important street lights are working to help people find their way around their local neighbourhoods and to improve people's feelings of safety in their streets. If you have a street light near you that is not working, please report it directly to United Energy  132 099 or  www.unitedenergy.com.au

If you think your street needs another street light, let us know and we will visit the area at night to assess and then decide whether an extra light is required.



For more info:  9518 3555
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/street-lighting

Positive Ageing Lifestyle Program

PALS is a Positive Ageing Lifestyle Program aimed at promoting health and active ageing by offering free or low cost activities for adults aged over 60.

The new PALS booklet is now out, with activities to be enjoyed during June, July and August. You can pick up a booklet

at your local library or Council offices in Glen Waverley and Oakleigh or go online. Bookings are now open for many of these activities.

For more info:  9518 3555
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/staying-active

Central Reserve Grandstand Project

Exciting changes are coming to Central Reserve with an upgrade of the 50 year old grandstand and new space created for an Artisan Hub for the Waverley Wood Workers and Waverley Gem Club.

The refurbishment will occur in two stages with stage one involving structural repairs and an upgrade of the grandstand.


The grandstand is a feature of the reserve but needs some structural improvements and the seating, steps, floors and handrails need updating and restoration.

The stage one works include:

- » Demolition and roof replacement works including structural works
- » Removing a redundant players' race and associated brick work

- » Repairing concrete at the grandstand
- » Repairing seating, hand rail replacements and other maintenance works.

The tender for the works has been awarded to 2Construct Pty Ltd and budget for this project is \$608,000. The works began in mid-May and are expected to be completed in July 2019. There will be no impact to the sports ground or the Central Reserve Pavilion, with works taking place during week days. Some works may occur on Saturdays when no games are allocated to the reserve to ensure there is no disruption to clubs. The works are being scheduled in two stages so there will also be no disruption to football finals.

For more info:  9518 3787
 www.monash.vic.gov.au/central-reserve-grandstand



NEW SHARED SPACE for MYS and Wavecare

Monash Youth Services and Wavecare are moving to a co-located space on level one of the Euneva car park building to create a central point for these important services in the heart of Glen Waverley.

With Link Health and Community operating from the ground floor of Euneva, this change creates a health hub for people seeking these services, improving accessibility and convenience.

Level one of the Euneva car park building will be refurbished to create a purpose-built space for both services at a cost of \$2.8M with the works funded by the sale of 155 Coleman Parade, Glen Waverley (the current location of Wavecare) and 14 Bogong Avenue, Glen Waverley (the current location of Monash Youth Services).

Neither building can cater any longer for the increase in

participants for their programs at their current locations and Council wants the Monash Youth Services space to be a welcome and engaging one for young people.

The new home for MYS will include a chill space, an outdoor terrace, kitchen, office space and private support and consulting rooms. Consultation has taken place with users of Wavecare, Link Health and Community and the Glen Waverley Traders Association.

Following a tender process, Council has awarded construction of the new Monash Youth Services and Wavecare space to Capabuild Pty Ltd.

Work on the co-located space starts in mid-June 2019 and is expected to be completed by November 2019.

For more info:
Chris Thompson  9518 3562

COUNCILLOR NEWS

Cr Brian Little

As Council's representative on the Metropolitan Waste^o and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) forum, recycling is an important topic for me. I have used this column in the past to keep residents up to date and this is no exception.

On 15 February the EPA placed an operational ban on two recycling sites run by SKM Recyclers for overstocking plastic recyclables and fire risk. One of the sites - Coolaroo - broke out in a fire in July 2017 that lasted several days, enveloping the neighbourhood in dense smoke and causing the evacuation of over a hundred homes. The result of the EPA ban was to force around 20 metropolitan councils to divert their recyclables to landfill. A week later SKM's South Geelong plant was also forced to close, affecting a further 10 regional councils. Monash was not affected because we are contracted to Visy for our kerbside recycling. Visy is continuing to operate normally with 90% of materials received returned to manufacture, but it is at capacity and not taking on additional contributors.

Let's review how Australia got into this recycling mess. It stems from China's ban at the end of 2017 on importing recyclable plastics with an impurity level greater than 0.5%. The majority of Australia's recycling facilities are only capable of sorting materials to a contamination level of 5-6%. Up to then around 36% of our recyclable plastics went to China, but with the loss of that market the pipeline broke down.

This is an industry in need of investment in more modern equipment. It's time for the government to assist - the landfill levy has extracted in excess of \$1.5B from local governments since its inception, a sizeable portion now sitting in the 'sustainability fund' administered by DELWP. But Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily d'Ambrosio has shown no appetite for loosening the purse strings, and repeatedly indicated that the current predicament is the fault of local government for failing to negotiate suitable terms and conditions with the industry. Well, the Minister should be pleased that the MWRRG is drafting a tender for recycling services for a group of Councils in the South East, including Monash, that offers large, stable volumes of material - sufficient to attract a new player or make it viable for existing recyclers to invest. But, even if this comes off, it will be mid 2020 by the time we see a result from the tender and probably months or years after that before any investment bears fruit.

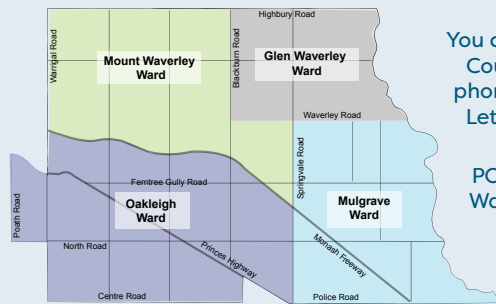


Please contact me on the details below if you would like to discuss any issue with me:

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Cr Brian Little (r) with officers (l to r) Trish McGee, April Williams and Simon Hill.

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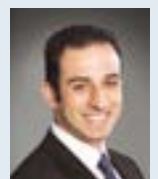
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WordFest

WordFest
Shared stories,
different words

■ Adult Writing Workshop Ruth Clare

🕒 Tues 2 July, 7pm-8pm

📍 Wheelers Hill Library
860 Ferntree Gully Rd

Develop your memoir writing and learn the art of sharing your hidden truths with author Ruth Clare, who believes in openly discussing the things that hurt us. Ruth's own memoir *Enemy: A daughter's story of how her father brought the Vietnam War home* talks of growing up with a violent father and alcoholic mother.



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■ Author Talks Moreno Giovannoni in conversation

🕒 Tues 9 July, 7pm - 8pm

📍 Wheelers Hill Library
860 Ferntree Gully Rd

Moreno Giovannoni will discuss his book *The Fireflies of Autumn: and other tales of San Ginese* relating it back to his family's journey to Australia in the late 1950s. These are tales of war and migration, feasts and misfortunes.



To book: 🌐 www.monlib.vic.gov.au/wordfest

KICKING GOALS at Columbia

The new pavilion at Columbia Park is great for junior sport in Monash and has delivered significant benefits to the tenant sporting clubs Waverley Park Hawks Junior Football Club and Notting Hill Brandon Park Cricket Club.

Between these clubs there's around 538 active members with a growing number of girls signing up. The new \$2.1M pavilion provides enhanced facilities including female-friendly change rooms, a multi-use community space, canteen, storage and a first aid room. All facilities are fully accessible. It's particularly pleasing to see the rise in numbers of girls playing sports and we are really proud to be able to deliver this project to help encourage more participation in sport and opportunities for young people to be active.

The new Columbia Park Pavilion was officially opened 9 May by Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews MP and Monash Mayor Shane McCluskey in front of a strong crowd representing the Monash community.

The new \$2.1M sports pavilion has delivered significant benefits for the tenant sporting clubs including one of Monash's largest sporting clubs, the Waverley Park Hawks Junior Football Club, and Notting Hill Brandon Park Cricket Club. Among the two tenant sports clubs based at Columbia Park, there is a total of 538 members. .

Council contributed \$1.8M and the State Government \$300,000 toward the project which was largely driven to increase participation in sport, particularly for female participants.

You can view a video of young female football players who love the new facilities on our website.

For more info: 📞 9518 3555

🌐 www.monash.vic.gov.au/columbia-park-new-pavilion

SPOTLIGHT ON...Mackie Rd Neighbourhood House

Mackie Road Neighbourhood House has undergone a very successful revitalisation over the past two years.

The local community has supported and embraced the changes introduced at the centre and welcomed the new programs and initiatives. A number of great events have been held at the house including Coffee with Cops, an open day and a workshop on water safety.

Some of the other changes include having a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse worker on hand to help the local community with translation of documents and discussions to link residents with other services. There is an expanding group of

Chinese grandparents who look after their grandchildren who have now formed a Chinese playgroup with the children and are using reading materials to improve their language skills.

The house offers something for everyone; a homework club for students, return to the work force courses and exercise for older residents that are of great benefit to residents at different stages of their lives.

There is a regular morning tea at the house with between 10 and 20 local people meeting and getting to know one another.

It is a venue for Council Officers to meet and get to know the local residents and understand their needs and aspirations.

Neighbourhood Houses are for everyone, pop in and say hello!

For more info: 📞 9548 3311
🌐 www.mackierdnh.org.au



Until 14 July

ROBIN BOYD a portrait of an Australian house



Mark STRIZIC Robin Boyd in his office, Aug 1970

This exhibition celebrates the architecture of Robin Boyd through the medium of photography. Two artists will offer a fractured view of the Wright House, one of Boyd's iconic family homes, accompanied by historic photos by Mark Strizic from the 1960s, the time that Boyd was designing and building his houses.

For more info: www.mga.org.au

[MGA](#), 860 Ferntree Gully Road
Wheelers Hill. Free entry.

Thurs 18 July

CREATING your own native garden

7pm - 8.30pm

Did you know a native garden can help mitigate climate change as well as support local wildlife? Creating a native garden can be very rewarding as you observe the return of local wildlife such as birds, butterflies, skinks and even frogs.

Learn from our own Bushland Crew on what to grow, where to plant, types of soils and how to manage weeds. You'll be eligible to join our growing Gardens for Wildlife membership base, receiving free seedlings for your garden.



[Albany Rise Primary School](#), 74-82 Albany Drive, Mulgrave

To book:

Eventbrite [9518 3555](tel:95183555)

www.eventbrite.com.au/e/creating-your-own-native-garden-tickets-62700152845

Wed 21 August

WAR on E-waste

6pm (drop off e-waste for free), 7pm (event will begin)

E-waste... what is it, why is it banned and what happens when it's recycled?

Hear from Craig Reucassel from the popular ABC series War on Waste. Also includes a Q&A session, so you can ask questions of Craig, Council and University staff.



[Robert Blackwood Hall](#), Monash University
42 Scenic Blvd, Clayton

For more info: [9518 3555](tel:95183555)

<https://monash-war-on-e-waste-with-craig-reucassel.eventbrite.com.au>

This project is funded by Sustainability Victoria to support awareness and behaviour change toward proper eWaste management and is a collaboration with Monash Council and Monash University.

WINTER CONCERT Series

Sun 7 July

ALL DAY Fritz

2pm-4pm

Their music is swingy, jazzy, rocky, mellow, groovy and harmonious. Enjoy the four part harmonies, original tunes and great songs from All Day Fritz. **Registrations open 9am Monday 24 June.**



[Oakleigh Carnegie](#), RSL, 95-97 Drummond Street

To book: Eventbrite [9518 3555](tel:95183555)

Thurs 11 July

KUTCHA Edwards

7pm - 8.30pm

Kutcha Edwards is one of Australia's most respected and inspiring Aboriginal singer/songwriters. 'Music is not what I do, it is who I am. My songs may be contemporary but they are over 40,000 years old. They come through me from my ancestors and my people and they tell our stories'.



[Mount Waverley Community Centre](#), 47 Miller Crescent.

Bookings essential for both events:

[9518 3555](tel:95183555) www.monash.vic.gov.au/festivals