

## KERANG CBD WORKS UPDATE

Kerang CBD works are continuing with the underground services including drainage, power and water now installed. Pouring of concrete in the carriageway will be completed shortly. The concrete must be allowed to cure for a few weeks prior to commencing laying pavers on top to ensure a good bond is achieved. In the meantime works will progress outwards into the pedestrian areas and retaining wall foundations for the raised garden beds. Council apologises for any inconvenience and thanks the community for your patience during these works.

**A reminder that Victoria Street traders are open for business as per normal! Parking is still available at either end of Victoria Street.**

## REVIEW OF LOCAL LAWS ACT

Gannawarra Shire Council will shortly start the process to review Local Laws Community Amenities No 1 2012, including undertaking community consultation across the Shire.

Local Law No 1 outlines rules to ensure peace, order and good government of the municipality. It relates to a wide variety of issues including use of public reserves, consumption of alcohol in public spaces, use of streets, roads, footpaths and Council land, keeping of animals and disposal of rubbish.

All residents, ratepayers and visitors to Gannawarra Shire are responsible for complying with Local Laws and Council is responsible for providing Local Laws education and enforcement.

Council Officers will be attending community group meetings, as well as holding two open sessions for the community to come and speak to Council officers about the Local Law No 1.

**Cohuna** – Monday 14 August 2017, 7.00pm at the Cohuna Community Meeting Room

**Kerang** – Tuesday 15 August 2017, 7.00pm at the Kerang Memorial Hall.

To learn more please attend one of the above open sessions, or you can view the document on our website [www.gsc.vic.gov.au](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au)

Submissions close Wednesday 27 September 2017.

## ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with section 54 of the *Road Management Act 2004*, Gannawarra Shire Council gives notice that Council, at its Ordinary Meeting on 28 June 2017, resolved to adopt the reviewed Road Management Plan March 2017. Copies of the Road Management Plan may be inspected at, or obtained from, Council's Kerang Office at 47 Victoria Street, Kerang, or accessed online at Council's website [www.gsc.vic.gov.au](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au) and follow the links.

## SMOKE-FREE OUTDOOR DINING

Smoking will soon be off the menu and will be banned in all outdoor dining areas across Victoria from 1 August.

Further information available from

[www.health.vic.gov.au](http://www.health.vic.gov.au)

## QUEENS BATON RELAY

The Queen's Baton Relay is currently in Bermuda. Next stop for the Baton is Toronto, Canada. It will arrive in Gannawarra in February 2018.



## IMMUNISATION SESSION

**KERANG** Gannawarra Children's Centre  
Wednesday 2 August  
10.30am – midday

Please arrive at least 15mins prior to session closing time

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

A short film titled 'Call Me Dad' was shown in Cohuna recently, and I was privileged to be able to give a welcome and opening address. It was shown as part of an awareness raising campaign of the impact of family violence across Gannawarra. It was great to see about 50 people attend the screening of the Victorian produced film that was based around a group of fathers attending Men's Behavioural Change Program. Family violence is a significant issue across the Gannawarra Shire. It is a largely unseen issue that impacts profoundly on women and their children and it is a conversation that, as a community, we must have if we are to change the behaviours and attitudes that lead to violence and abuse.

On another note, I would like to congratulate the five proud new Australian citizens that took their oath and pledged their commitment to Australia two weeks ago - Congratulations!

I also had the opportunity to meet with Wendy Lovell, Member for Northern Victoria and we discussed a range of current local topics including the importance of connectivity to the area.

I would like to finish with encouraging families to visit the Story Island exhibition that is currently on display at the Sir John Gorton Library until 25 August.

This exhibition is a unique exhibition that promotes reading as a way of bringing families closer together. It is an internationally recognised exhibition and is specifically aimed at improving and building the imagination and literacy skills of 0 – 8 year olds and encouraging them into our local libraries.



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MAYOR

## LAKE CHARM/ MYSTIC PARK HALL

Lake Charm/Mystic Park Hall recently received the final touches to its kitchen renovation in conjunction with our seniors Facility Improvement Program. Each year our Community Services team works with each senior club throughout the Shire to make numerous venue improvements so we can continue to encourage social gatherings which help strengthen our community. To celebrate the new kitchen, Council's Community Care workers Renee & Marg cooked up a storm for locals to enjoy and with 21 in attendance, it was a huge success. If you would like to attend one of our social meals in Kerang, Cohuna, Murrabit, Lake Charm/Mystic Park, Quambatook or Koondrook please contact our Community Services team 5450 9333.



## GANNAWARRA SHIRE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES COMMUNITY SURVEY

Gannawarra Shire Council is wanting to hear from the community about how they use, or don't use, recreational facilities and services across the Shire.

Recreation to Gannawarra residents, and visitors to our area, can range from structured sporting events like football, netball and cricket, to the more passive recreation activities like bush walking, bike riding and water sports. This survey is aiming to find out how people do recreation, what is currently available to them and what improvements you would like to see into the future to enhance their recreation experience. The end result will be the development of a Sports and Recreation Strategy. The survey is available on Council's website at [www.gsc.gov.au](http://www.gsc.gov.au) and takes no more than 10 minutes.

## 2018 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Kindergarten enrolments for 2018 are now being taken.

4 year old kindergarten and 3 year old programs are offered in Cohuna, Kerang, Koondrook and Leitchville. Children need to be 3 or 4 on or before 30 April 2018 to be eligible to attend in 2018.

First round enrolments close on 31 August 2017.

To obtain an enrolment pack please contact the Children's Services Team on 03 5452 1357.

## WHAT'S ON!?

JULY 25	Lalbert Christmas in July Social Meal
JULY 26	Women's Health Night, Cohuna
AUGUST 5	Murrabit Market
AUGUST 8	Lake Charm/Mystic Park Community Social Meal
AUGUST 11	Barook Community Social Meal
AUGUST 12	The Exotic Lives of Lola Montez, Cohuna
AUGUST 14	Cooking Up A Storm

ALL EVENT DETAILS ARE ON COUNCIL'S WEBSITE

## THE EXOTIC LIVES OF LOLA MONTEZ

Produced by Finucane and Smith, Australia's best and most risqué cabaret artists. Her story has never been told quite like this. Coming to Cohuna 12 August 7.30pm – [www.trybooking.com/PQEF](http://www.trybooking.com/PQEF)

## GLORIOUS!

This hilarious true story of Florence Foster Jenkins – the worst singer in the world, will be playing at Leitchville Memorial Hall on 20 September, 1pm and 6.30pm – [www.trybooking.com/PVGV](http://www.trybooking.com/PVGV)