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Chief Executive Officer Andrew MacDonald -First week in office

Andrew MacDonald, the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Town of Walkerville, started at Council this week and has settled in fast to the tight-knit workplace.

Mr MacDonald has extensive experience working in the Local Government sector, with more than 15 years working across Wakefield Regional Council, Kingston District Council and Adelaide City Council. He also has 20 years of experience working in the Navy.

Over his first week, Mr MacDonald has been familiarising himself with the inner workings of Walkerville Council, as well as getting to know the people he will be leading over the coming years.

Mr MacDonald said, "Coming to Town of Walkerville is an exciting and new challenge, and this first week has shown the calibre of people that work for the Township.

"It has been a very welcoming workplace and I look forward to working on some of the bigger projects that matter to the community."







Meet our newest mascot — the Walkerville Wallaby!

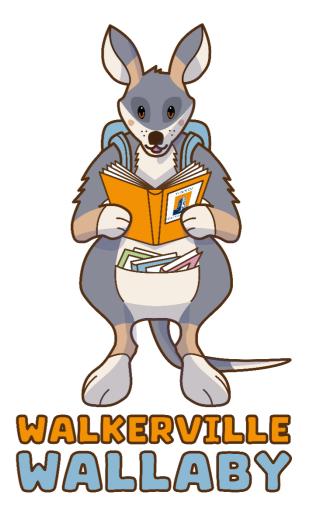
Town of Walkerville and the Walkerville Library has officially launched its Walkerville Wallaby campaign today!

The Walkerville Wallaby wants to encourage as many children as possible to sign up to the Walkerville Library and experience the wonders of reading!

Every new child that signs up to the library between 9am on Friday, 1 September 2023 to 5pm on Friday, 6 October 2023 will go into the running to win a brand-new tablet!

Additionally, the first 100 children to sign up to the library will receive a goodie bag of Walkerville Wallaby merch, including a mascot library card and lanyard, back pack or tote bag, water bottle, hat, sticker, lollies and note pad.

At the end of the campaign, the library will be holding a special Walkerville Wallaby event to celebrate the campaign during the school holidays.



On Wednesday, 11 October 2023, two wildlife workshops will be held where children can meet friendly Australian animals and get their face painted like a wallaby or other Australian native animal! The first session will be held at 1pm and the second session will follow at 2.30pm.

The event is \$5 per child and parent supervision is required. Bookings are essential for these workshops, call 8342 7100 or <u>book online here</u>.

Lastly, the Walkerville Wallaby doesn't have a name yet! Help decide on the name for the new mascot by filling out a name sheet at the Walkerville Library.





Consultation for a Food Organics & Garden Organics trial in Walkerville launches Monday

Town of Walkerville is investigating the possibility of undertaking a weekly Food Organics & Garden Organics (FOGO) collections trial in the Township.

This trial would be opt-in for residents, which would involve a different bin pick-up schedule.

Instead of the normal 'blue bin once a week and green bin once a fortnight', participants would instead have a collection schedule of 'green bin once a week and blue bin once a fortnight'. The yellow bin would continue to be picked up fortnightly.

A weekly FOGO collection could assist greatly with reducing the cost of waste management in the Council area, while also having a benefit on the environment.

In Town of Walkerville's last bin audit by East Waste, 50% of the contents of our blue

WALKERVILLE FOGO TRIAL CONSULTATION

Let us know if you are interested in trialling weekly Food Organics & Garden Organics (FOGO) collections!

CONSULTATION STARTS MONDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2023, AND CLOSES FRIDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2023

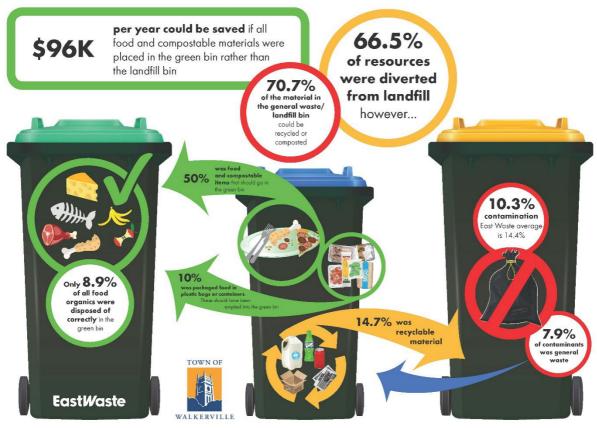


bins were food and compostable items that should have gone in the green bin and 10% were packaged food in plastic bags or containers that should have been emptied into the green bin beforehand.





If people in the Township improved their rubbish sorting of food and compostable materials, it could save the Council \$96,000 per year.



Graphic from the Town of Walkerville's Bin Audit in 2022 by East Waste.

Residents are always passionate about their bin collection schedule, so Council will be going out to consultation to understand if those who live in the Town of Walkerville have an interest in participating in this trial.

At the <u>Ordinary Council Meeting of 19 June 2023</u>, Council moved a motion to better understand the impacts associated with FOGO bins being collected weekly instead of fortnightly.

The results from this survey - once concluded - will inform a business case for Council about the potential of undertaking a FOGO trial, including the potential costs incurred by Council and the benefits and risks that might be involved with introducing 'Sustainable Kerbside Service'.

The consultation on whether to undertake a FOGO trial will run from 9am on Monday, 4 September 2023, to 5pm on Friday, 29 September 2023. For more information, head to the <u>Your Say Walkerville website</u> after 9am on Monday, 4 September 2023.





Art from *Walkerville comes alive* SALA event on display

Following the first *Walkerville comes alive* art trail for the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival, all of the art that was made on the day is now on display in the foyer of the Civic & Community Centre.

For the next month, the community can see the finished pieces that were created by the artists on the day of Town of Walkerville's SALA event.

There are six pieces on display:

- The Sussex Hotel by Deb Rooney
- Three Rivers by Rebekah Nyalkba Quall
- Willow Bend by Alice Kleinig
- Hamilton Reserve playground by Jordan Vick
- Rainbow Lorikeet on flowering gum by Lucy Timbrell
- Hamilton Reserve botanic sculpture by Zein Akkad

The only art piece not on display is the chalk painting at Three Little Ducks, Levi Oval, by LennieDin.

After September, the SALA event winners of the free art raffle will be taking their new art pieces home!







Policy for consultation

A review has been undertaken of Council's *Request for Service and Complaint Handling Policy* and is now open for public feedback.

This Policy outlines the approach by Council when managing a request for service, information or complaint by a customer who is not satisfied with a process, product or service offered by Council.

The aim of the Policy is to ensure there is a fair, consistent and structured process to consumer complaints and dissatisfaction with Council action, products or services.

Only minor amendments have been made to the existing Policy – which was last reviewed on 18 October 2020 – to ensure it complies with current legislation and internal policies.

At the August Ordinary Meeting of Council, Elected Members endorsed the draft Policy for consultation. The full Council report can be viewed on the Council website <u>here</u>.

If you wish to provide feedback on the draft Complaint Handling Policy, you can:

- Send an email to <u>walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au</u> with the subject line "*Draft Request for Service and Complaint Handling Policy*";
- Post a response to Council to:

The Chief Executive Officer Draft Request for Service and Complaint Handling Policy 66 Walkerville Terrace GILBERTON SA 5081; and



Hard copies of the draft Policy are available from the
Civic and Community Centre – 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton.

The draft *Request for Service and Complaint Handling Policy* is open for consultation from 9am on Tuesday, 22 August 2023, to 5pm on Monday, 11 September 2023. For more information, head to the <u>Your Say Walkerville website</u>.





Walkerville Walkers gets a visit from St John's

On Monday, the Walkerville Walkers were treated to a breakfast with a presentation from St John's Ambulance.



The presentation included a health talk, as a part of supporting the Heart Foundation Walkerville Walkers, to encourage healthy living and walking safety.

Afterwards, St John's paramedics took the walkers through what is normally on an ambulance and got to experience what it was like inside an ambulance.

If you are interested in becoming a member, head to the <u>Heart Foundation website</u>.







St Andrew's Church celebrates 175th anniversary milestone — spring market and anniversary celebration

This week, St Andrew's Church in Walkerville has been celebrating its 175th anniversary.



On Sunday, Mayor Melissa Jones attended a church ceremony to celebrate the big milestone.

To continue celebrations of the big achievement for the Church, a couple of special events are being held over the weekend.

From 10am-2pm on Saturday, 2 September 2023, a free spring market will be held at St Andrew's Church. There will be stall products and food available for purchase.

At 5pm on Sunday, 3 September 2023, a free 175th Anniversary Service Choral Evensong event will be held to celebrate the Church's achievement.





The tech wizard will return next month

Do you have any burning technology questions that you need answered? Come to our last trial session of Tech Thursday from 1pm-4pm on Thursday, 28 September 2023.



Walkerville Library held its second trial session of the initiative this Thursday. The library is investigating how popular the Tech Thursday sessions would be if it were a regular monthly offering.

In an ever-evolving technological landscape, it can be hard to keep up with the latest technology and all the bits and bobs that come with it.

The Walkerville Library Tech Thursday sessions are a judgement-free zone to get assistance with any technology needs you have.

To be involved in the final trial of the Tech Thursday sessions, visit the library between 1pm-4pm on Thursday, 28 September 2023.





Library Survey 2.0 results

The results of the Library Survey 2.0 are in! Following consultation with the community, Walkerville Library opening hours will not change.



Council engaged Walkerville Library users and the community to understand what people wanted in relation to opening hours for the Library.

Approximately 299 people participated in the survey, with a majority of participants (61%) stating that they don't want the current Library opening hours to change. This preference was common among ratepayers, residents and other library users, and across all age groups.

There was an appetite for late-night Library opening hours on a Thursday, which may be something Council investigates in the future.

Council noted and endorsed the recommendation not to change the library hours at the <u>Ordinary Council Meeting of Monday, 21 August 2023</u>.

A big thank you to all the passionate Walkerville Library users who participated in the survey.





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Ready, Steady, Learn - Indigenous Literacy Day

During our regular children's program Ready, Steady, Learn, we will be celebrating Australian Indigenous Literacy Day through themed activities, crafts, rhymes, and songs sharing Indigenous stories and culture.

10am-10.30am, Wednesday, 6 September 2023 at the Walkerville Town Hall, free. For children aged three to six. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at <u>events.humanitix.com/ready-steady-learn</u>

Supermarket visit

Do you find it hard to select the better options down the supermarket aisles? Local dietitian Rebecca will guide you through the supermarket and give you tips and tricks to help you interpret nutrition information panels, marketing tactics, budget hacks and more!

10am-11am, Monday, 18 September 2023, meet at Woolworths Walkerville. Adults, \$5 per person. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at <u>events.humanitix.com/supermarket-visit</u>





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Pottery Workshop

Enjoy the moment and create your own piece of pottery using the techniques taught by Urth Clay Studio, whether that be a bowl, planter, or mug. Take your creation home with you ready to use at home.

5.30pm-7.30pm, Wednesday, 27 September 2023, at the Walkerville Town Hall, adults, \$15 per person. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at <u>events.humanitix.com/pottery_workshop</u>



Author talk with Matthew Potter and Megan Hills



Join Matt Potter, an influential figure in publishing, and Megan Hills, a renowned Walkerville community member, as they share their writing and publishing journeys. Megan will present her newly released book "Cookie Jar," a collection of captivating short stories, and Matt will give insight into leading Bequeum Publishing where he edits, promotes and publishes authors worldwide. Refreshments will be provided and there is the opportunity to purchase a copy of "Cookie Jar".

6pm-7pm, Wednesday, 4 October 2023, at the

Walkerville Town Hall, adults, \$5 per person. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at <u>events.humanitix.com/author-talk</u>



Street sweeping helps keep the Township clean

Our street sweeping programs are seasonally adjusted to effectively manage the level of risk in streets where issues are present generally relating to street tree litter.



While we make every effort to keep our streets clean year-round, you can help out by doing the following:

- Avoid sweeping leaves or clippings onto the road;
- Do not park caravans, trailers or boats on the road for extended periods.

Main Roads	Gilberton/Medindie	Walkerville	Vale Park
			6/09/2023
13/09/2023	20/09/2023	28/09/2023	4/10/2023
11/10/2023	18/10/2023	26/10/2023	1/11/2023
8/11/2023	15/11/2023	23/11/2023	29/11/2023
6/12/2023	13/12/2023	21/12/2023	27/12/2023





Council meetings

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 18 September 2023.



Questions for public question time may be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer by **12pm on Monday, 18 September 2023,** via:

- email (office@walkerville.sa.gov.au);
- post (Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 55 Walkerville SA 5081); or
- hand delivery (Community and Civic Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton).



