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### Mayor's Minute: What is on in Walkerville?

Join Mayor Melissa Jones of the Town of Walkerville, as she keeps you up to date on what is going on in the local community.



The latest Mayor's Minute covers updates from the Council Meeting on 18 March 2024, as well as other updates and news on the Township.

### Free advice service now available to local businesses

A new Business Advisory Service has been launched to assist and support local businesses in the Township.





The Town of Walkerville, along with the Cities of Burnside, Campbelltown, Norwood Payneham & St Peters, Prospect and Unley, invite local businesses to take part in a new small business advisory service that has been established to provide businesses with access to three, free, one-on-one advisory sessions with experienced business advisors across a range of areas.

Applications to access the service can be submitted here.

Enquiries can be made to Amy Skewes, ERA Business Support Officer, at askewesera@campbelltown.sa.gov.au.

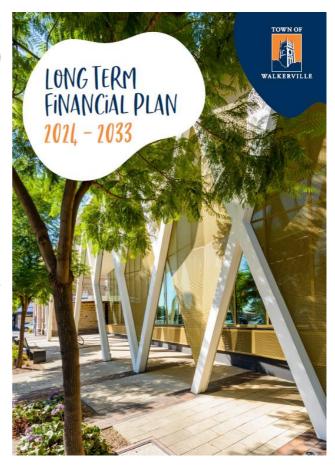
#### **Long Term Financial Plan endorsed**

Following public consultation on the draft Long Term Financial Plan (from 20 February - 12 March 2024), Council endorsed the plan with no change.

This Long Term Financial Plan sets out the financial goals for the next 10 years of the Township.

The plan provides a roadmap for the long-term financial position of Council that will guide decision-making in areas such as sustainable services and responsible debt management levels, projects and timing major revenue requirements, including annual rate rises.

To view the endorsed Long Term Financial Plan, click here.



## New for loan from the **Walkerville Library**

Walkerville Library now offers a new hand-held thermal camera to borrow for library users who want to check for heat signatures in their homes.

The thermal camera allows you to track where heat is escaping your home or help find hot spots in rooms.

You can book the thermal camera in person at the Library or by clicking here.



#### **Harmony Week activities**

**During Harmony Week (18-24 March** 2024), a special Ready, Steady, Learn session had children celebrating the important week by decorating paper doll chains, which represent unity in diversity.



The message of this year's Harmony Week is

'everyone belongs'. It's an opportunity to recognise that Australia welcomes people from all over the world and values diversity. Australia's success as a resilient and vibrant multicultural society stems from the mutual respect we show one another.

Town of Walkerville prides itself on its diversity and welcoming and supporting the different cultures among our residents. The Township has more than 8,000 residents and more than 30% were born overseas. Additionally, more than 40% of our residents have parents who were born overseas.

The Walkerville Library also had a Harmony Week display, with a range of books available to borrow that encapsulate the importance of diversity in Australia. To find out more about Harmony Week, click here.









#### Thank you to our local model volunteers

Town of Walkerville recently did a call-out for 'volunteer models' for Council photos, and the Township really stepped up!

11 local community members who raised their hands to be model in а Township-wide photoshoot. You may have seen them posing around Walkerville Terrace, Walkerville Oval or Hamilton Reserve last week!

A big thank you to the residents who got involved in the volunteer model shoot. Town of Walkerville got some



phenomenal pictures, which will be used over the next year by Council in its communications.

Council will continue to have a database of local models on file, so if you are interested in participating in future Township photoshoots, send your details to walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au.











## 2024 Town of Walkerville Volunteer of the Year **Awards**

#### Nominate a deserving person today!

Council is encouraging people to nominate a volunteer in our community by putting their name forward for an individual or local community event in the 2024 Volunteer Awards.

There are three volunteer award categories, plus a Mayor's Choice Award category – with a recipient selected from the pool of nominations by Council Members.

The below categories are:

- Volunteer of the Year
- Young Volunteer of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Mayor's Choice **Award**

Nominations open at 7am on Monday 26 February 2024 and close at 5pm on Wednesday 3 April 2024.



The 2024 Volunteer of the Year Award recipient, Peter Sowden and nominee Raina Nechvogold, with Mayor Melissa Jones (middle).

#### How to nominate someone

You can download the nomination form and provide it back to Council in two ways:

- Email to: walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au with the subject line 'Volunteer Awards Nomination 2024'.
- Post to: 2024 Volunteer Awards, Town of Walkerville, PO Box 55, Walkerville SA 5081

Download a nomination form here.

#### **Words Grow Minds campaign launches**

Town of Walkerville is excited to be part of Words Grow Minds, a campaign to help parents engage with their little one in their early years.

The Words Grow Minds campaign gets straight to the heart of how parents and caregivers can help babies and young children thrive — it's as simple as talking, reading, playing, and singing together from birth.

Every time you talk, play, read, and sing with your baby, you are helping grow their mind.

With up to 85% of your baby's brain developing in their first three years, it is important we interact and engage early on.

Town of Walkerville will be sharing activities and ideas from the Words Grow Minds team to help you meaningfully engage with your child and grow their mind. Stay tuned!

Find out more on the Words Grow Minds website.



### Don't forget to enter the Grow It Local Awards

If you have grown some beautiful or bumpy produce, why not enter the 2024 Grow It Local Awards!

This year, the award categories include:

- Australia's Biggest Vegetable;
- Homegrown Harvest;
- Australia's Best Chicken Name;
- 'Why I Love My Patch';
- Wonkiest Vegetable;
- Sustainable Gardener;
- School Garden; and
- Best Compost.



Entries will be judged by some of Australia's best gardeners, including Gardening Australia's Costa Georgiadis and River Cottage's Paul West.

To enter post a photo on Instagram or Facebook, tag @growitlocal and use the hashtag #growitlocalawards2024 in your caption, along with the award category you are entering and what your local council area is. You also need to be a member of the Grow It Local community – registration is free!

Entries close on Sunday, 31 March 2024. Winners will be announced in mid-April. For more

information, click here.







# Are you looking to declutter your wardrobe or spruce up your style?

Be a part of the EcoThreads Fest! This is your chance to set-up shop in the Walkerville Town Hall, creating a haven for preloved clothing.

Become part of a weekend filled with positive vibes that promotes sustainability and a sense of togetherness. Whether you're keen on renting a rack, becoming a stallholder or are simply eager to explore



and shop the racks – respond through our expressions of interest form!

Essentials including racks, coat hangers, mirrors, dressing rooms, and, of course, good vibes, are provided.

You'll be in charge of pricing and tagging, as well as handling your own payments directly through your preferred method - whether it's cash or your own EFTPOS facilities, such as Square readers or tap to pay through your bank app.

The rental cost for one day per seller is \$20 for Town of Walkerville residents or ratepayers and \$30 for people from outside the Council area, which allows you to sell 20 pieces of clothing. Join us for a day of sustainable fashion and community connection!

Likely event dates: Saturday, 22 June and Sunday, 23 June 2024.

Express your interest to attend, rent a rack or be a stallholder by clicking <u>'Get tickets' here</u>. This will also include you in further event updates. Feel free to call 8342 7100 during business hours for more information.

Kindly be aware that submitting this form indicates your expression of interest and is not considered an official booking at this time. Council is using this process to gauge interest and capacity. By completing this form, you consent to being contacted with additional information regarding the EcoThreads Fest. We appreciate your enthusiasm and look forward to keeping you informed about the event.

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#### Movie Matinee – Ticket to Paradise

Ticket to Paradise is an amusing romantic comedy where George Clooney and Julia Roberts play a divorced couple on a mission to prevent their daughter from making a relationship mistake. The film weaves together humour and heart, delivering an entertaining exploration of second chances in love. Light snacks and drinks provided.

10.30am-12.30pm, Tuesday, 26 March 2024, Walkerville Town Hall. Adults, gold coin donation at the door. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at

events.humanitix.com/matinee-movie





#### Rhythm sticks & dance

Whilst regular children's programs are on a break for the holidays, why not join rhythm sticks & dance in the park? Combining movement to music and dance with coordination and fine motor skills.

10am-11am, Wednesday, 17 April 2024, Creswell Park. \$2 per child, children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at events.humanitix.com/rhythm-sticks-and-dance

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## School holiday movie day: *The LEGO Batman Movie*

Join us for the hilarious adventure of *The LEGO Batman Movie*, where Batman battles his archnemesis, the Joker, in a blocky Gotham City. Light snack and drink provided.

11am-1pm, Thursday, 18 April 2024, Walkerville Town Hall. \$2 per child (adults free), children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at <a href="events.humanitix.com/lego-batman-movie">events.humanitix.com/lego-batman-movie</a>





#### **Balloon twisting workshop**

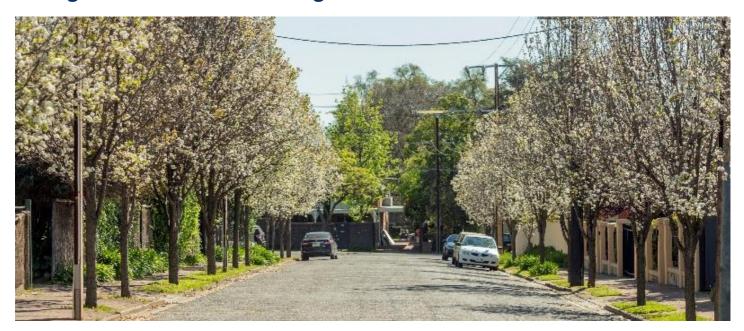
Have you ever wanted to create your very own balloon animal? Join the balloon twisting workshop and learn how to make a range of fun and colourful balloon creations.

10am-11am, Friday, 19 April 2024, Walkerville Town Hall. \$5 per child, children 7+. Parent supervision required at all times. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at

<u>events.humanitix.com/balloon-twisting-workshop</u>

### Street sweeping helps keep the Township clean

Our street sweeping programs are seasonally adjusted to effectively manage the level of risk 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
27/3/2024	3/4/2024	11/4/2024	17/4/2024
24/4/2024	1/5/2024	9/5/2024	15/5/2024
22/5/2024	29/5/2024	6/6/2024	12/6/2024
19/6/2024	26/6/2024	4/7/2024	10/7/2024
17/7/2024	24/7/2024	1/8/2024	7/8/2024
14/8/2024	21/8/2024	29/8/2024	4/9/2024
11/9/2024	18/9/2024	26/9/2024	2/10/2024
9/10/2024	16/10/2024	24/10/2024	30/10/2024
6/11/2024	13/11/2024	21/11/2024	27/11/2024
4/12/2024	11/12/2024	19/12/2024	27/12/2024

### **Council meetings**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 15 April 2024.



All community members are welcome to attend the gallery and ask questions of Council Members during meetings, without prior notice.

For further information or to email a question in advance, please contact Council's Governance Team via governance@walkerville.sa.gov.au.

Council meetings are held at the Civic & Community Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton.



### Sign up to the Town of Walkerville e-news

# Do you want to stay connected with news, information and events in the Town of Walkerville?

Sign up to the Town of Walkerville e-news today!

The e-news is a weekly newsletter that provides you with all you need to know about what is happening in and around the Township.

It is also an important avenue for you to keep up-to-date with Council projects and initiatives.

For instance, Council regularly provides updates on major projects, like the Walkerville Oval, in the e-news.

To subscribe, click here: www.walkerville.sa.gov.au/subscribe

