Friday, 27 October 2017

Upcoming Christmas events

Advertise in About town

Council's quarterly newsletter About town has been refreshed with a brand new look and broadsheet format.

For the first time local businesses and traders will be able to place paid advertisements in every issue. A sample copy of About town has been developed and was delivered to local shopfront businesses this week along with an invitation from the Mayor to take up the opportunity of advertising in About town.

Please note that Council will continue to promote the activities of local community groups and organisations in About town for free as part of its ongoing service to the community.

CLICK HERE to see the traders issue:
Council in the media

This week’s *City & Fringe Messenger Press* (25/10/17) featured a small article on page three regarding the Lansdowne Terrace Stormwater Project – unfortunately, the information is incorrect and not in line with Council’s actual resolution.

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**PROJECT DELAYED BUT WILL STILL GO AHEAD**

A $2.5 million Walkerville stormwater project will be delayed in the hope it can attract State Government funding. Walkerville Council had planned to start work on increasing stormwater capacity on Lansdowne Tce in January. This will now be pushed back until at least July while the council works with Port Adelaide Enfield to create a $30,000 stormwater management plan for the area. Such a plan is needed to attract up to $750,000 in funding from the government’s Stormwater Management Authority. Walkerville chief executive Kiki Magro said the work would go ahead with or without the funding.

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Council would like to assure residents that there is no delay on the Lansdowne Terrace and Council resolved at its ordinary meeting on 16 October 2017 to proceed with the project.

Concurrently, Council will continue working with Port Adelaide Enfield Council in relation to the stormwater management plan and seek State Government funding for the project. It is important to note that Council has already allocated the necessary funds to complete this Project. This is standard practice and sound financial management. Should we be successful, surplus funds set aside for Lansdowne Terrace will be re-allocated accordingly.

The *City and Fringe Messenger Press* have corrected the article in its digital edition ([CLICK HERE](#)) and will publish a retraction in next week’s issue.

Administration is preparing a mail drop to affected households in Lansdowne Terrace.

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Visibility forum

**Held on Wednesday 25 October 2017 at the Walkerville Uniting Church**

Mayor Ray Grigg opened the forum, which was well attended with over 40 people taking the opportunity to listen and speak to representatives from a range of services including:

- Office of the Public Advocate
- Legal Services Commission
- Public Trustee
- SAPOL
- ARAS – Aged
- ARAS – Aged Rights Advocacy Service
APA Gas Mains Replacement in Walkerville

APA, through their contractor Diona, have commenced an upgrade of gas pipes

Work has now commenced in Brunswick Street and Burlington Street, Walkerville, where relining of existing gas mains is occurring.

Work on trenching for a replacement gas main has also commenced in Burlington Street, Walkerville. The main will be installed between North East Road and Church Street.

The contractor have notified residents and is working to ensure property access is maintained.

Council officers will hold a fortnightly Site Meeting with APA and Diona to be kept informed of project schedule changes and also to have regular site inspections to ensure finished work meets standards. Council held their first meeting last week and Diona confirmed that the below program is still on track.

Please note however, that the below dates are approximate and will change as the project continues due to operational reasons. Residents will receive a notification 24 hours before interruption of gas.
Town Hall Floorboards

The Town Hall floorboard replacement project is nearing completion.

Council’s contractors will commence sealing the new floor over the weekend. The project is on budget. There are no delays as the project nears completion, with works to be finished as scheduled by 17 November 2017.

Flammable Undergrowth

This month Council completed its inspection of properties as it relates to flammable undergrowth.

27 notices have been issued to residents and landowners, who are required to reduce undergrowth as soon as practically possible. All properties will be reinspected to ensure compliance with their notices in early November.

Bushfire Season

SA Power Networks recently wrote to community organisations to reinforce the importance of being prepared for the coming summer and bushfire season.

SAPN have highlighted several key things that should be considered in preparing for summer and the bushfire season;

- Ensuring your bushfire action plan takes account of the potential loss of power. (Even if you are located in a non-bushfire risk area, such as a rural township, your power is likely to be supplied by powerlines that do run through bushfire risk areas, so you should plan on the basis that your supply may be at risk).
- If power is lost in a bushfire situation, there is potential for an extended outage before electricity supply can be safely restored. The duration of the outage will depend on the location and extent of damage and the ability for SAPN to access fire grounds to make repairs.
- Consideration of back-up electricity generation.

On days of extreme heat or bushfire risk, SAPN recommend you have a battery-operated radio handy and keep mobile devices fully charged to keep in touch with the latest weather, fire and power information.
The AlertSA app, which can be downloaded by clicking HERE is an excellent source of a range of emergency information. For tips on preparing for bushfire season, SAPN recommend visiting the CFS website by clicking HERE.

Citizen of the Year Awards

Who makes a real difference in your community?

The Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards are proudly presented by the Australia Day Council of South Australia, sponsored by San Remo and Channel 9, and administered by local Councils.

The purpose is to recognise those people in the local community that are making outstanding contributions.

On Australia Day every year every local council will name their Citizen of the Year for their local community and at a special ceremony on the Grounds of Government House a State winner will be named in each category.

Categories:

- Citizen of the Year Award
- Young Citizen of the Year Award
- Community Event of the Year Award

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 17TH NOVEMBER

Procedure

Each local Council in South Australia seek nominations in their local Council area, with the award recipients, typically announced at the Council’s Australia Day celebrations.

Nominate someone who makes a real difference in your community and give them the opportunity to be rewarded and recognised for their important contribution.

For more information, or to nominate please go to the Australia Day Council website.

Channel 9 Young achiever awards

Nominations for the Channel 9 Young Achiever Awards are now open and we want our local young achievers to be recognised!

Nominations are being sought in the following categories:

- Websters Lawyers Service to the Community Award
- University Senior College Create Change Award
- Rural Doctors Workforce Agency Rural Health Award
- Multicultural Youth South Australia Spirit of Resilience Award
- Scouts SA Leadership Award
- Santos Regional Service Award
- Department for Communities and Social Inclusion Aboriginal Achievement Award
- Worldwide Sports Award
First National Real Estate Innovation Award
The Coffee Club Arts and Fashion Award
The University of Adelaide STEM Award
WFI Insurance Small Business Achiever Award

The Awards will culminate with a Gala Presentation Dinner on Friday 11th May 2018 at the Hilton Adelaide.

Category winners will each receive a $1,000 Award prize courtesy of Axsys, along with a $1,000 Bartercard account and a magnificent trophy.

One of the twelve winners will be chosen as the Premier’s Channel 9 Young Achiever of the Year and will receive a State trophy, a further $2,000 from Axsys and an additional $1,000 Bartercard account plus a Hilton Hotels holiday package provided by Hilton Adelaide.

Recognise a young person now and make their day!

To submit a nomination, simply go online to www.awardsaustralia.com/sayaa and click ‘Nominate Now.

Nominations close Friday 19th January 2018.

For assistance please feel free to contact the Awards Office on 8132 0753 or email sa@awardsaustralia.com

Learn how to use MyGov

Learn how to set up and use a MyGov account and access services such as Centrelink and Medicare.

Representatives from the Department of Human Services will guide you through the process and answer all of your questions. Bring your own tablet/laptop or use one of ours.

Wednesday 8 November
10:30am – 12:30pm
Walkerville Library
Cost: Free

Things to bring to the session:

- Customer Reference Number (CRN)
- Medicare Card
- Drivers License (for proof of identity)
- Email address and password
- Tax File Number

People from migrant and refugee backgrounds are encouraged to register.

There are limited places available and bookings are essential

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