



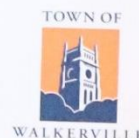
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**Back again for  
the New Year!**



## Weekly Round Up

5 January 2024



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## Council is back open for business for 2024!

**The Civic & Community Centre and Walkerville Library have reopened for the New Year this week.**

Regular hours shall resume for the Civic & Community Centre and the Library.

However, Council – which includes the Centre and the Library – will be closed on the Australia Day Public Holiday (26 January 2024).

Also, please note, that the Council outdoor team will be back at full capacity from next week. Any storm damage or street clean-up requests will be attended to as soon as practical.

**Town of Walkerville wants to wish the community a happy New Year and hopes that 2024 brings all residents and ratepayers good health, happiness and success.**



*Town of Walkerville Administration staff.*

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## Town of Walkerville thanked for Foodbank donations

With the assistance from the Town of Walkerville community, Council was able to donate 85.98kg of food to the Foodbank SA/NT Food Drive in December.

This equates to around 171.96 meals for Aussies in need around the Christmas holidays!

Residents provided a lot of different foods for donation, including cans of all varieties, pastas and noodles, Christmas-related food and even some homemade jams and pickles.

In 2023, more than 3.7 million households in Australia experienced food insecurity in the last 12 months. Every bit of food donated by the community has helped a family in need.

Town of Walkerville wants to thank the community for getting involved and donating food to the worthwhile cause.



**FOODBANK EXTEND OUR SINCERE  
APPRECIATION TO:**

**Town of Walkerville**

**For donating 171.96 meals+ to Foodbank SA & NT helping to feed  
Aussies in need every day.**



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# Road resealing in the Township

**Next week, roads throughout the Township will be resealed, which will impact residents on certain streets.**

The roads that are set to be resealed are:

- Wilpena Avenue, Vale Park – 8-9 January 2024
- Redford Street, Vale Park – 9-10 January 2024
- Tonkin Street, Vale Park – 10 January 2024
- Vale Street, Vale Park – 10-11 January 2024
- Church Terrace roundabouts, Walkerville (at St Andrews Street crossover and Burlington Street crossover) – 10-11 January 2024
- Ponder Avenue, Gilberton – 11-12 January 2024



Residents on these streets are asked to:

- Ensure their vehicles are not parked on the road on the above dates;
- Ensure their household members, particularly children and animals, are kept well clear of the work zone until the works have been completed;
- Not allow water to run into gutters during the above period;
- Remain alert of operations being carried out, as it involves large moving machinery and hot bitumen products;
- Exercise care and caution when traversing the road works during this period, as there may be loose materials/stone or hot bitumen on the road;
- On the day of street works, all requests and assistance need to be directed to contractors, Downer or Altus Traffic Control personnel on site if required; and
- If the above dates coincide with waste collection, please ensure all rubbish bins are placed out prior to 6am as early waste collection may have been arranged.



## Let's reminisce: A ball at the hall

Little is recorded about the below image from 1901 of a celebration at the Walkerville Town Hall, decorated with flowers, greenery and large flags - some appearing to be the St Andrew's Church flag.



Standing centre front is Archdeacon George Dove, rector of St Andrew's Church, Canon of St Peter's Cathedral and a long-term resident of Walkerville.

Although St Andrew's Church organised an annual ball, a search of old newspapers has found a possible explanation for this photograph - *'a social welcome by the congregation of St Andrew's Church was tendered to Archdeacon Dove in the Walkerville Hall. There was a large attendance.'* Apparently, Archdeacon Dove and Mrs Dove had returned from a trip to England. (The Register 19 June 1901)

This throwback is part of the Town of Walkerville's monthly history series, touching on iconic and famous moments, people and places in Walkerville history. The history of this ball was researched and collected with assistance from local historian, Lyn O'Grady.

## Weekly waste tips

**Bones, meat and seafood are ending up in the landfill bin. All food scraps should be going in the green bin!**

Unless you have a home composting system set up, your food scraps, including citrus, onion, dairy, meat, bones, fish, fruit and vegetables, should be disposed of properly in the green bin.

Before putting any food scraps into the green bin, be sure to remove all packaging first – unless it is compostable. This includes plastic packets, bags and containers, and glass jars.

All food scraps in a green bin are taken to a commercial composting facility to be processed and made into valuable compost, soil and mulch products, which are then used on South Australian farms and vineyards and in household gardens as well.

Currently in SA, around 40% of waste placed in landfill bins is food and other compostable items, like paper towel and tissues.

When organic waste is sent to landfill, it rots and releases methane – a harmful greenhouse gas with 21 times the global warming potential of carbon.

You can do your bit for the environment by placing food and other organic waste in the green bin.

For more information and green bin tips, head to the [Which Bin website](#).



**EastWaste**

**Bones, meat and seafood go in the green bin.**

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# A 2023 year in review for Town of Walkerville

From industry awards to big local events, it was a massive year for the Town of Walkerville in 2023! We look back on the highlights...

## Walkervillage Christmas Fair

Last year's Walkervillage Christmas Fair was a site to behold!

In 2023, the event included the inaugural – and popular! – pavlova eating competition, as well as a special Welcome to Country.

The event had something to entertain everyone! From markets and food stalls to rides and games.



## Council wins SA IPWEA Sustainability Award for Alfred Street



Town of Walkerville won the Excellence in Environmental Sustainability Award at the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) South Australia Awards on 8 September 2023 for its Alfred Street project.

IPWEA judges recognised the Alfred Street project due to its unique design, which showcased how green corridors can be created within restricted urban environments.

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## Inaugural “Walkerville comes alive” SALA event

Council held its first Walkerville comes alive event for last year’s South Australian Living Artists (SALA) Festival.

The event was a huge success, with many residents praising the event.

There were six lucky winners who won the very art that was created live on the day.



## New Sustainability Committee established for Walkerville



Council established a new Sustainability Committee to look at the current social and environmental challenges facing the Town of Walkerville area, as well as to consider how to address these issues into the future.

The new Committee includes Mayor Melissa Jones (Ex-Officio), Deputy Mayor John Zeppel, Councillor James Williams and Councillor Aman Kaur.

## Netflix’s *Desert King* filming in Walkerville

The Township was abuzz in November when filming began in Walkerville for the new Netflix TV series, *Desert King*.

This new six-episode neo-western TV series is set to air in 2024.





## Hamilton Reserve's nature play area wins State award



The landscaper of Hamilton Reserve, LCS Landscapes, won an award at the Master Landscapers of SA Excellence Awards for Commercial Landscape Construction \$500,000 - \$1,000,000 for the rejuvenation project of Hamilton Reserve.

The Reserve was finalised and open to the public in January 2022 and has been a popular park for residents and visitors.

## Walkerville Library launched Wattle the Walkerville Wallaby

In a bid to encourage more children to sign up to the Walkerville Library and engage in the wonders of reading, the Library created a new mascot, Wattle the Walkerville Wallaby.

The Walkerville Wallaby campaign saw over 100 children sign up to the library in September/October 2023. The first 100 children that signed up also received a free Walkerville Wallaby gift pack.

At the end of the campaign, the library held a launch event for the wallaby mascot with children able to meet a range of Australian animals. The Library also gave away a tablet with access to all the library apps for reading, audiobooks and e-magazines.

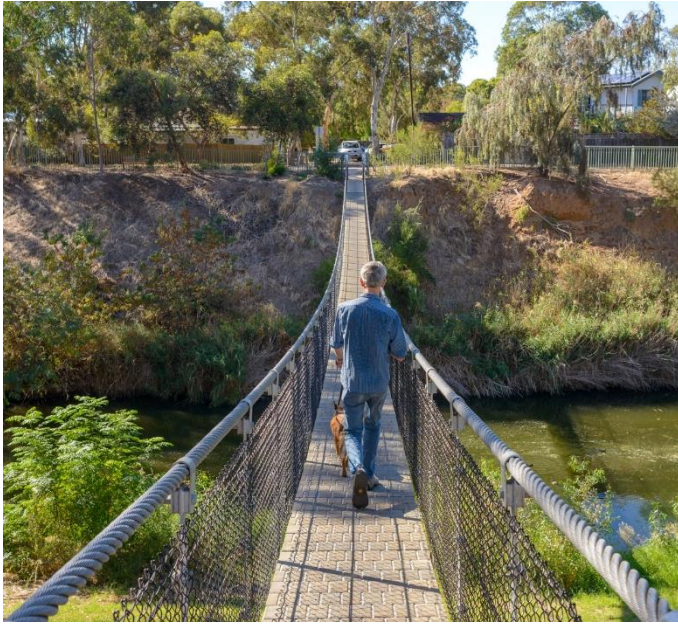


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## Township-wide Community Survey consultation undertaken



A six-week Community Survey consultation was undertaken in 2023.

The last Community Survey occurred a number of years ago, as a result of disruptions from COVID-19.

Council received positive results from the public in the survey, which found that Town of Walkerville was outperforming other councils in overall community satisfaction, along with a range of other areas, such as customer services, parks and consultation.

## New Chief Executive Officer started at Town of Walkerville

Council appointed a new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to Town of Walkerville in 2023 – Andrew MacDonald (pictured right with wife Katrina).

Andrew brought a wealth of knowledge to Council with more than 15 years of Local Government experience, including at Wakefield Regional Council as CEO, Kingston District Council as CEO and holding management role positions at Adelaide City Council.

Prior to his time in Local Government, Andrew spent 20 years serving in the Navy.

Over his first few months at Council, Andrew settled into the role and enjoyed getting to know the Councillors, Administration and local community members.



What was your biggest highlight from 2023? Let us know by sending an email to [walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au](mailto:walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au).

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# Notice of public meeting to reactivate the Walkerville Residents' Association

**A meeting will be held early this year with the aim to reactivate the Walkerville Residents' Association (WRA), which has been inactive for the past four years.**

The meeting, open to all residents of the Town of Walkerville, will be held from 6pm-7pm on Monday, 5 February 2024, at the Walkerville Civic & Community Centre in Room 1855 (entrance will be available via the rear car park, off Stephen Terrace).

Residents will be aware that a proposed new development on the site of the Buckingham Arms Hotel is currently under consideration by the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP). This proposed new development consists of three 10-storey towers with some 180 residences. Several residents in the Walkerville Council area have significant concerns about this development.

A revived Walkerville Resident's Association, open to all residents of the Walkerville, Vale Park, Gilberton and Medindie areas, aims to discuss the proposed design and size of the development, including traffic and environmental aspects at the entry to Walkerville Terrace.

Residents are encouraged to attend this short meeting and consider nominating themselves for the Management Committee (eight members required). For further information, please contact Mike Duigan at [mikeduigan19@gmail.com](mailto:mikeduigan19@gmail.com) or 0459 506 281.





## 2024 bin calendars are now available!

**Council's waste contractor – East Waste – has released the Town of Walkerville kerbside collection maps.**

Drop into the Civic & Community Centre to collect a hard copy or [click here](#) for a digital copy of the kerbside collection calendar.

Alternatively, download the My Local Services App, which helps you stay up to date with your recycling and waste collection, including weekly notifications on when to put your bins outs.

This app can be downloaded on iPhone and Android. Search “My Local Services” in the App Store or the Play Store.

## Use the summer break to visit the Township's parks and reserves!

**If you are looking for things to do this summer break, why not check out the parks and reserves Town of Walkerville has to offer?**

You could have a picnic in one of the Township's beautiful reserves or go for a run along the Linear Park River Torrens.

For a list of local Council parks and reserves, [click here](#).



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# We are hiring

## People & Risk Officer

- Competitive salary and benefits package
- Opportunities for professional development and training
- Great staff wellbeing programs
- Working with the community

### The Position:

The People & Risk Officer is responsible for the development and engagement of a consistent and positive people and safety culture across the organisation.

The role will provide advice and support to employees on WHS, HR and Risk-related issues and report on and investigate any hazards in a timely manner.

They will be a key resource in identifying corrective and preventative actions and coordinate associated action and review WHS plans. The role will also focus on championing and promoting health and wellbeing programs and opportunities to all staff providing guidance and support as required.

The role is responsible for administering human resources activities and programs relating to training coordination, policy and procedure reviews and industrial relations and compliance advice.

This role provides advice and responses to queries regarding human resources policies and procedures within the organisation and supports initiatives to enhance employee engagement and performance levels.

This role requires the incumbent to have WHS and Injury Management knowledge; experience with Microsoft Office Suite and Adobe Acrobat Pro; experienced written and verbal communication skill; a driver's license or equivalent reliable transport method and a police clearance (ability to attain).

To find out key responsibilities and essential qualifications, or to apply, [click here](#).

**Applications close at 5pm on 19 January 2023.**





## The Wind in the Willows story time

Experience the magic of storytelling with Mr. Badger as he shares a heart-warming classic tale celebrating nature and friendship. This delightful event is perfect for families. Immerse yourselves in this wonderful, enchanting outing!

**11am-12pm, Thursday, 11 January 2024. \$2 per child, must be supervised by an adult. Creswell Park, Creswell Court, Gilberton (near the Walkerville Lawn Tennis Club). Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/storytime-with-mr-badger](https://events.humanitix.com/storytime-with-mr-badger)**

## Escape room games

Can you solve the puzzle? Come along and join the fun and try to beat the Games Master. Follow the clues to solve the puzzle and complete the game mission!

**First session: 10.30am-11.30am.** Suitable for children aged 8-10 years.

**Second session: 12pm-1pm.** Suitable for children aged 11-13 years.

**Friday, 12 January 2024. \$2 per child, Walkerville Town Hall. Must be supervised by an adult. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/escape-room-games](https://events.humanitix.com/escape-room-games)**



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## Water wise workshop

Join gardener extraordinaire Alan Shepard as he shares tips on managing your garden's water usage during the hot summer. Discover how to conserve water effectively in your garden.

2pm–3.30pm, Monday, 22 January 2024. \$2 per person, Walkerville Town Hall. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/water-wise-workshop](https://events.humanitix.com/water-wise-workshop)

## ‘Circle of Security’ parenting program

Join the six-week parenting program focused on nurturing secure and safe family relationships. Centacare will guide parents through weekly educational and behavioural exercises to foster a safe family home.

Free event. Suitable for adults.

5.30pm–6.30pm, Tuesdays, 6 February to 12 March 2024. Free, Meeting room 1855. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/security-parenting](https://events.humanitix.com/security-parenting)



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# 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
	10/1/2024	18/1/2024	24/1/2024
31/1/2024	7/2/2024	15/2/2024	21/2/2024
28/2/2024	6/3/2024	14/3/2024	20/3/2024
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 January 2024.



Questions for public question time may be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer by **12pm on Monday, 15 January 2024**, via:

- email ([governance@walkerville.sa.gov.au](mailto:governance@walkerville.sa.gov.au));
- post (Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 55 Walkerville SA 5081); or
- hand delivery (Community & Civic Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton).



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