



Big award win  
for Town of  
Walkerville!

# Weekly Round Up

15 September 2023

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# Alfred Street - A Greener Gateway project wins sustainability award

Town of Walkerville won the Excellence in Environmental Sustainability Award at the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) South Australia awards last week.

This award is presented to a Local Government project that displays key outcomes in environmental remediation, amenity enhancement and utilisation improvement.

IPWEA judges recognised the Alfred Street project due to its unique design, including its permeable pavers and tree planting gateway, which showcased how green corridors can be created within restricted urban environments.

The project took place over the 2022/23 financial year and resulted in a huge streetscape beautification overhaul of Alfred Street in Walkerville.

This project transformed a once 'run down' laneway into a green plaza that is readily accessible to pedestrians visiting the local shops or playground.

The project took six months to complete and aims to address issues arising from a warming climate and stormwater management.



*James Kelly, Group Manager Assets & Infrastructure at Town of Walkerville; Alyssa Todd, Assets & Projects Officer at Town of Walkerville; and Ben Clark, President of the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) South Australia.*



## Walkerville Oval getting summer ready!

Council completed coring and top dressing works at the Walkerville Oval this week.



Works were undertaken to prepare Walkerville Oval for the summer season with verti-draining and top dressing occurring to improve drainage and structure to the turf as it comes out of a busy winter period.

The oval was temporarily unavailable this week, however, works were completed by Friday and is ready for use by the community.

Council staff will monitor and increase watering of the oval over the coming weeks to ensure the oval is ready for cricket season and school sports days.



## Vale Park community library box gets face-lift

A weathered community library box at the corner of Ilford Street and Wallace Street, Vale Park, has been given a fresh coat of paint thanks to the creativity of students from Vale Park Primary School.

The Little Library has a brand new design and provides a pop of colour to the back streets of Vale Park. Council reinstalled the Little Library after applying a protective weather coating.



# No golf! - New signs installed at local ovals

Following a number of complaints from local residents, Town of Walkerville has installed signs at Walkerville Oval and Levi Oval reminding the community that golf is not allowed to be played on Council property.

Some community members have been concerned about the number of people who have been playing golf on public property, including the danger it presents to people, pets, cars and houses.

Under Council's *By-law No.2 (Local Government Land)*, golf is not allowed to be played on Council property without permission. As seen here:

## *Part 3 – Use of Local Government Land*

### *9. Activities requiring permission*

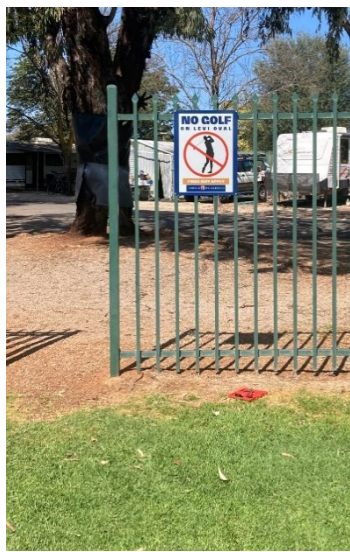
*A person must not without permission of the Council do any of the following on Local Government land:*

#### *9.22 Golf*

*Play or practice golf.*

To read the full By-law No.2, head to the [Council website](#).

Any person who is caught playing golf on Council property without permission may be fined.



# Join the Great Aussie Bird Count in Town of Walkerville

Spring is in the air and it's time to celebrate the beauty and diversity of nature and the Township's native bird life.

As part of Council's commitment to preserving the local environment and the incredible wildlife that call it home, Town of Walkerville is excited to announce its participation in the 10th annual Aussie Bird Count, which takes place from 16-22 October 2023.

The Aussie Bird Count is one of Australia's greatest citizen science initiatives that encourages people of all ages to step outside to their favorite spot and spend just 20 minutes observing and counting the birds.

This year, Town of Walkerville and its residents will play an integral role in contributing to bird conservation efforts.



To be involved in the movement during Aussie Bird Count Week, all you need to do is:

1. Spend 20 minutes at your favourite outdoor space, like along the River Torrens or at Hamilton Reserve, and note all the birds you see during this period;
2. Count the birds and submit the results through the [Bird Count app or web form](#);
3. Use the bird finder tool to identify birds you are unsure of; and
4. Submit your counts as many times as you want!

Every person who gets involved in the initiative can help BirdLife Australian develop an understanding of local birds in the Council area.

So put 20 minutes aside in the middle of October and keep an eye out for the local birds!

# Consultation open for Multicultural Framework Review

Australia is among the most culturally diverse countries in the world, and while the Government continues to strive for everyone to have a sense of belonging – there is work to be done for all to feel included and represented.

Recently, the Australian Government launched the Multicultural Framework Review, aiming to gather insights to influence policy that will strengthen multiculturalism in Australia over the next decade.

The review is looking at ways for Government and the community to work together to support a cohesive multicultural society and advance a vibrant and prosperous future for all Australians.



Three eminent Australians have been appointed to a panel by the Government to conduct the Review. The panel is currently conducting comprehensive public consultations in metro and regional locations across Australia.

This panel invites submissions and seeks information from any organisation or member of the public.

Any ideas and experiences about what is working well and what could be better, and what is important to you about the Review can be provided.

Submissions can be made in your preferred language, by written submission, audio or video message.

Consultation is open until Friday, 29 September 2023. You can make a submission [here](#).



# Meet our newest mascot – the Walkerville Wallaby!

Town of Walkerville and the Walkerville Library's Walkerville Wallaby campaign is in full swing!

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 [book online here](#).

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.



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# Consultation for a Food Organics & Garden Organics Organics trial in Walkerville

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 and would involve a different bin pick-up schedule.

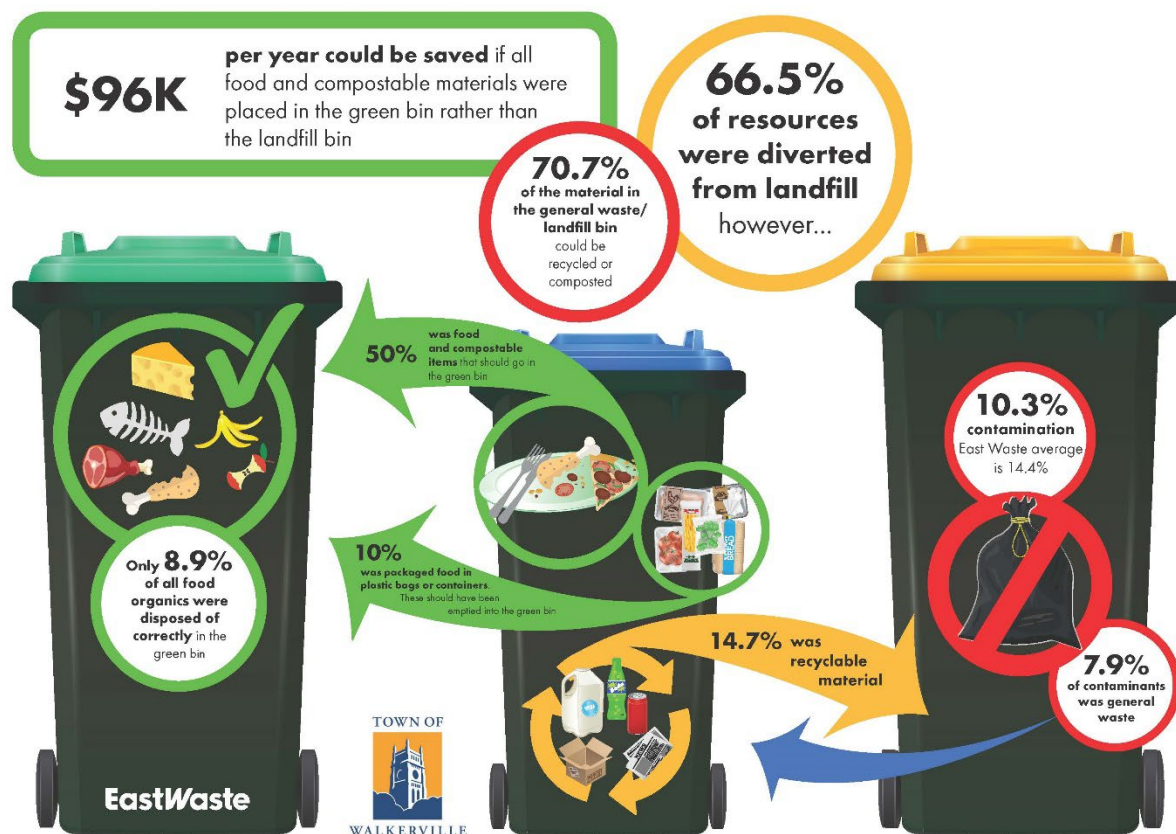
Instead of the normal 'blue bin once a week and green bin once a fortnight', participants would instead have a collection schedule of 'green bin once a week and blue bin once a fortnight'. The yellow bin would continue to be picked up fortnightly.

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 blue 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 community \$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 [Ordinary Council Meeting of 19 June 2023](#), 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 in the next financial year, 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 until 5pm on Friday, 29 September 2023. For more information, head to the [Your Say Walkerville website](#).

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# Governor's Multicultural Awards 2023

The Governor's Multicultural Awards 2023 are now open to the public for nominations.

These awards recognise and celebrate outstanding South Australians who promote multiculturalism and increase the understanding of the benefits of cultural diversity in communities.

South Australians are encouraged to nominate an individual, team or organisation that is passionate about making a positive contribution to multiculturalism and intercultural understanding and promoting cultural diversity in the State.

The Governor's Multicultural Awards are held annually and administered by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet through Multicultural Affairs.

Awards are presented by Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia, on the advice of an independent judging panel.

The award categories include outstanding individual achievement, arts and culture, community sector, media, private sector, public sector, senior volunteer, volunteer, and youth.

Nominations are open until 5pm on Friday, 22 September 2023. Winners will be announced in early 2024.

For more information or to submit a nomination, head to the [Governor's website](#).



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## Heather Morris author livestream

Award-winning author Heather Morris, creator of the *Tattooist of Auschwitz*, *Cilka's Journey* and *Three Sisters*, will be hosting a livestream event through Libraries SA partner and digital library, Borrow Box.

Heather will be discussing her newest novel, *Sisters Under the Rising Sun*, a captivating story following women imprisoned by the Japanese during World War II and their courage and determination to survive.

The New Zealand-born, Australian-based author became an international bestseller through her book the *Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

A screenplay turned book, the *Tattooist of Auschwitz* was a story that catapulted Heather's writing career and was based on the experiences of Auschwitz survivor, Lale Sokolov.

This free event will include a Q&A session with audience members who attend the livestream.

4.30pm on Thursday, 21 September 2023. To register, [click here](#). During sign up, indicate that Walkerville Library is your local library.

Library users can borrow Heather Morris audiobooks and e-books from [Borrow Box here](#).



BORROWBOX PRESENTS...

# HEATHER MORRIS

21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 at 5pm AEST  
Register via the link



A new novel from the multimillion-copy bestselling author of *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* trilogy.

 Borrow Box.



Learn



Laugh



Inspire



## Meet the bugs

Explore the world of bugs and get a close-up encounter with insects, spiders, worms, and snails. This educational program allows children to learn more about and support The Science Collectives' mission to protect these fascinating creatures!

10am-11am, Wednesday, 4 October 2023, Walkerville Town Hall. Children aged 6-12 years, \$2 per child. Children must be supervised by an adult guardian. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/meet-the-bugs](https://events.humanitix.com/meet-the-bugs)

## 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 [events.humanitix.com/author-talk](https://events.humanitix.com/author-talk)



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## Nature journaling

This Nature Festival, join Jenny from Cosmopolitan Garden Services for advice on nature journaling during her workshop. Discover the art of nature journaling as Jenny leads a workshop filled with storytelling, drawing exercises and a scenic walk to the River Torrens for inspiration.

10am-12pm, Friday, 6 October 2023, Walkerville Town Hall, \$5 per person. Children must be supervised by an adult guardian. Children aged 8-12 and adults.

Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/nature-journaling-workshop](https://events.humanitix.com/nature-journaling-workshop)

## Children's circus skill workshop

Have you always wanted to learn how to juggle, plate spin or use balance sticks? Join us for some fun where children will be stepped through how to master circus skills, including juggling, flower sticks, plate spinning, balance sticks, hula hoops and hand-held stilts.

10am-11am, Wednesday, 11 October 2023, Walkerville Town Hall. Children aged 5-12, \$5 per child, must be supervised by an adult. Bookings essential by calling 8342 7100 or at [events.humanitix.com/circus\\_workshop](https://events.humanitix.com/circus_workshop)



# 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
	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

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## 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](mailto: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).



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