



**What a week
at The W!**

Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Contents

Exciting first week at The W!	3
Vale Park works	6
Road Renewals 2025/26	7
2026 bin and street sweeping calendars	8
Come along to the Backyard BBQ!	9
Walkerville Bowling & Community Club.....	9
Walkerville Big Summer Read	10
Summer holidays origami workshop.....	10
Gonna catch them all!	11
Walkerville Residents' Association Annual General Meeting.....	11
Chatty Café 2026	12
Your Art, Our Walls: Exhibit at the Theresa Walker Gallery in 2026	13
Waste tip: Back to school.....	13
Fruit fly zone extended until March.....	14
Youth Parliament 2026	14
Cultivate	15
Street sweeping helps keep the Township clean.....	17
Council meetings	18
Sign up to the Town of Walkerville e-news	19

Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Exciting first week at The W!

On Monday, 12 January 2026, The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre opened its doors to the public.

Staff were able to meet our local residents, who were keen to check out the new building and participate in the sports, fitness and recreation on offer.

On the first day, the Hon Lucy Hood MP and Member for Torrens, Dana Wortley MP, visited The W in the morning to see the new facility.

The Walkerville Netball Club also got to test out the courts with their first training of the Premier League squad.

Residents from near and far turned up to experience The W. There were participants eager to try out the Better Balance and Interval Fitness classes.

As well as an influx of people wanting to join in the social sports available, including pickleball, badminton, table tennis, walking netball and walking basketball.

Local children also got to play on the new courts and see what new equipment was available to keep them entertained.

Council and The W managed to capture the first week of the Centre's opening through an exciting array of photos!



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Any Centre-run classes or sports do not require you to book in advance. Just turn up and play! All payments will be processed on the day of the class or sport session.

To view the full program guide of what is on offer, [click here](#).



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

TOWN OF



WALKERVILLE 5

Vale Park works

Council contractors will be undertaking work on Arundel Street in Vale Park, near Vale Park Primary School, starting from today (Friday, 16 January 2026).

The works include pedestrian safety fencing and pram ramp modifications. These works will be finished prior to school term starting.

Residents and people travelling in this area should expect traffic condition changes.

Vale Park Primary and its school committee approached Council asking for safety improvements to the streets surrounding the school.

This small upgrade is part of a range of traffic safety options that Council is considering for the Vale Park Primary School area.

Council is investigating large projects around Vale Park Primary School in the 2026/27 financial year, in a bid to improve traffic flow and student safety.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Road Renewals 2025/26

Council's annual road renewal program is about to commence.

When is it happening?

Works are scheduled to commence on Tuesday, 27 January 2026, and are expected to be completed by Friday, 6 February 2026, weather and construction conditions permitting.

Works will generally occur from 7am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. However, due to the nature of the works, some activities may occur outside these hours at times.

What can I expect?

Residents and businesses expected to be impacted by these works will be contacted the week prior to work commencing.

Council will aim to minimise disruption during these works. However, some localised construction impacts may be experienced, such as:

- speed restrictions, lane closures and footpath detours around work sites during construction hours, as required;
- temporary loss of street parking and driveway access (affected residents will be notified in advance to ensure the works are coordinated appropriately);
- temporary relocation of bus stops, as required; and
- increased levels of noise and dust.

Council contractors will attempt to reduce this impact as much as possible.

List of roads on the renewal schedule:

- Dutton Lane - Dutton Terrace to End, Medindie;
- Cambridge Street – Ilford Street to End, Vale Park;
- Shergis Avenue - Harris Road to End, Vale Park;
- Church Terrace – Fuller Street to Burlington Street, Walkerville;
- Fuller Street - Walkerville Terrace to End, Walkerville;
- Monaro Court - Walkerville Terrace to End, Walkerville; and
- Wayside Lane - Walkerville Terrace to End, Walkerville.

For more information about these works, please contact Council's Assets & Infrastructure team on 08 8342 7100 or email us at walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au

2026 bin and street sweeping calendars

Keep on top of the Council services for the New Year.

Council's waste collection service, East Waste, has released the Town of Walkerville's kerbside collection calendars for 2026.

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 out.

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



Also, the [2026 street sweeping calendar](#) is out now.

Keep an eye out for when the street sweeper is visiting your street, as it helps if you:

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

Town of Walkerville's street sweeping program now includes path air brooming, which will keep our community's footpaths clean of debris and improve the Township's overall presentation.

Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Come along to the Backyard BBQ!

Town of Walkerville will be holding its second Australia Day Backyard BBQ on Monday, 26 January 2026.

Bring your family and friends, pack a picnic and enjoy the Town of Walkerville's vibrant Australia Day community event.

There will be lots of entertainment for all ages, including:

- Australia Day Awards;
- live music;
- Australian animal encounters and native floral arranging;
- storytime and dress-ups for children, as well as nature play;
- free sausage sizzle run by the Rotary Club of Walkerville and food trucks; and
- so much more.

10am-1pm on Monday, 26 January 2026, at Hamilton Reserve in Vale Park. This event is free to attend. For more information, [click here](#).



Walkerville Bowling & Community Club

Come along to a Wednesday night of entertainment at the Bowling Club on 4 February 2026.

There will be a happy hour from 5pm-6pm, followed by dinner at 6pm, and a performance from John Standley, a 2025 finalist from Search for a Star, from 7pm-9pm.

On Wednesday, 4 February 2026, at the Walkerville Bowling & Community Club. Book for dinner only at \$20, show only at \$10, or dinner and a show at \$30. Buy individually, a couple or a table of eight. To book, email secretary@walkervillebowls.com.au

Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Walkerville Big Summer Read

The Big Summer Read challenges you to pick up a book and keep reading over the holidays.

Anyone between the ages of 0-18 are welcome to participate and log any book they read, that is read to them or listened to as an audiobook, or log the number of days spent reading.

Reading can be lodged at readbooks.com.au/bsr for your chance to be in the national running for some fantastic prizes!

Your reading logs need to be returned by Monday, 9 February 2026!

In between reading, Walkerville Library encourages you to get creative and design your own bookmark.

Pick up a template during Library opening hours from 1 December and return it back by 31 January to enter and win a prize. One prize per age category: 0-5 years, 6-11 years and 12-18 years.



Summer holidays origami workshop

On Wednesday, Council held a creative flare workshop, where children decorated custom t-shirts and sunglasses with iron-patches, gems, charms, beads and more!

All the children were able to walk away with an exciting new style.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Gonna catch them all!

On Thursday, Council held a Pokémon-themed workshop, where attendees enjoyed a Poké Ball hunt, followed by a crafty afternoon.

Children created their own Pokémon cards and Pikachu ears, and participated in other Pokémon-related activities.



Walkerville Residents' Association Annual General Meeting

All residents of Gilberton, Medindie, Vale Park and Walkerville are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Walkerville Residents' Association (WRA).

Guest Speakers are Mayor Melissa Jones and Mr Phil Harris, Architect & Adjunct Professor from the University of Adelaide.

5.30pm-7pm on Monday, 9 February 2026, in Room 1855 at the Walkerville Civic & Community Centre (corner of Walkerville Terrace and Stephen Terrace, Gilberton).

Nominations for the Management Committee for 2026 can be sent to contact@walkervilleresidents.org. Nominations are particularly encouraged from residents of Vale Park and Medindie.

For more information or to keep up to date with WRA news, head to www.walkervilleresidents.org.

Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Chatty Café 2026

Join the Walkerville Community Committee (WCC) at the Chatty Café in the New Year with new locations!



JOIN US FOR A CUPPA AT THE WALKERVILLE CHATTY CAFE

The Walkerville Community Committee is excited to invite you to the Chatty Café – a welcoming space where locals can take a seat at our “Have a Chat” table, enjoy a cuppa and connect with others. There’s no cost, no bookings and no pressure – just drop in and say hello!

2026 Dates | 10am-11am

January

Wednesday 14: St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 28: Hawkers Reserve, 60 Hawkers Road, Medindie

February

Wednesday 11: St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 25: The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre, 39 Smith Street, Walkerville

March

Wednesday 11: St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 25: Walkerville Bowling & Community Club, Corner Church Terrace & Smith Street, Walkerville

April

Wednesday 8 : St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 22: Walkerville Bowling & Community Club, Corner Church Terrace & Smith Street, Walkerville

May

Wednesday 13 : St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 27: Hamilton Reserve, Stewart Avenue, Vale Park

June

Wednesday 10 : St Andrew’s Church, 43 Church Terrace, Walkerville

Wednesday 24: The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre, 39 Smith Street, Walkerville

What is a Chatty Café?

The Chatty Café initiative helps bring people together, reduce social isolation and build meaningful connections in our community.

Who is it for?

Everyone! Whether you’re on your own, with a friend, a carer, a parent with young kids, or a grandparent – all ages and walks of life are welcome.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Your Art, Our Walls: Exhibit at the Theresa Walker Gallery in 2026

Are you looking to showcase your work and take your artistic practice to the next level in 2026?

The Town of Walkerville invites artists to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) for upcoming exhibition opportunities at the Theresa Walker Gallery, located within the Civic & Community Centre.

Whether you're a painter, photographer, or a textile artist — we are looking for passionate, innovative and diverse creators to showcase their work in this open community space.

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).



Waste tip: Back to school

Back to school, please don't waste things like a fool.

Where possible, try to reduce your waste ahead of the new school year. You can do this in three ways:

1. Avoid and reduce - The best way to waste less is to avoid or reduce it from the get-go.
2. Re-use - If you can buy something as a single-use product, chances are there's a reusable alternative available somewhere. And sometimes a product might have more uses than the one you originally purchased it for.
3. Recycle - Where you can't avoid, reduce or reuse, the next best option is to recycle. Make sure to use your yellow recycling bin appropriately.

For more information, [click here](#).



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

Fruit fly zone extended until March

The Glynde (Adelaide metropolitan) Queensland fruit fly outbreak has been extended to 9 March 2026.

This is due to a recent detection of adult Queensland fruit flies in traps in the Glynde 15km Controlled Movement Zone.

Restrictions apply to growers, packers, retailers, wholesalers and residents located within the 1.5km Corrective Action Zone (red outbreak zone) and 15km Export Assurance Zone (yellow suspension zone).

Part of Walkerville and Gilberton is in the red outbreak zone, and the rest of the Township is in the yellow suspension zone.

These restrictions may impact your ability to send fruit fly host produce to certain markets, including interstate destinations, the rest of South Australia, and the Riverland. To view whether this affects you, [view the fruit fly map here](#).

Youth Parliament 2026

The YMCA Youth Parliament of South Australia is now open to applications and will close on 1 March 2026.

The YMCA Youth Parliament of South Australia is a non-partisan program aimed at amplifying and empowering the voices of young people.

To participate, applicants must be between 15 and 25 years of age, and currently reside in SA.

Youth Parliament runs from March to August every year and includes a training weekend, which is a week-long residential camp where participants debate at Parliament House.

If you are interested in applying or need more information, [click here](#).



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026



Learn



Laugh



Inspire

Animation workshops

Whiteboard Animation, 10am–12pm: Participants will combine drawings with craft materials provide to create a Whiteboard Movie.

LEGO Animation, 2pm–4pm: LEGO Animation participants will use the Lego provided to create their very own Brick Film.

Wednesday, 21 January 2026 at the Walkerville Town Hall.

\$30 per child, per session. Suitable for children 7+, parent supervision required. **Bookings:** [Click here](#) or call 8342 7100.



Movie Matinee: *The Salt Path*

A couple lose their home and later discover the husband has been diagnosed with a terminal illness as they embark on a year-long coastal trek along the Cornish, Devon and Dorset coastline.

Genre: Drama, Rating: M

English subtitles shown. There will be a scheduled intermission to stretch your legs.

Free to book, gold coin donation on arrival. Light snacks and refreshments provided.

10.30am–12.30pm, Thursday, 29 January 2026 in the Walkerville Town Hall.

Bookings: [Click here](#) or call 8342 7100.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

TOWN OF



WALKERVILLE 15



Learn



Laugh



Inspire



Chairs pilates

Chair pilates is a low-impact workout that adapts traditional pilates exercises using a chair for support. It focuses on improving core strength, posture, flexibility and balance while being gentle on the joints. These classes are ideal for beginners, or those with limited mobility, and includes seated and standing exercises that engage the muscles using controlled movements and breathing techniques.

11am-11.45am, Wednesday, 4, 11, 18 and 25 February 2026, in the Walkerville Town Hall. \$4 per person or \$15 for all four classes, suitable for adults. Bookings: [Click here](#) or call 8342 7100.

Mixing Mocktails

Create two unique drinks during this mocktail mixing workshop! This hands-on session will teach you how to make fun and nutritious drinks - without the booze.

From local botanical ingredients to colours that change in front of your eyes, this promises to be a fun evening for all.

6pm-7.10pm, Thursday 5 February 2026, in the Walkerville Town Hall. \$10 per person, suitable for adults. Bookings: [Click here](#) or call 8342 7100.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

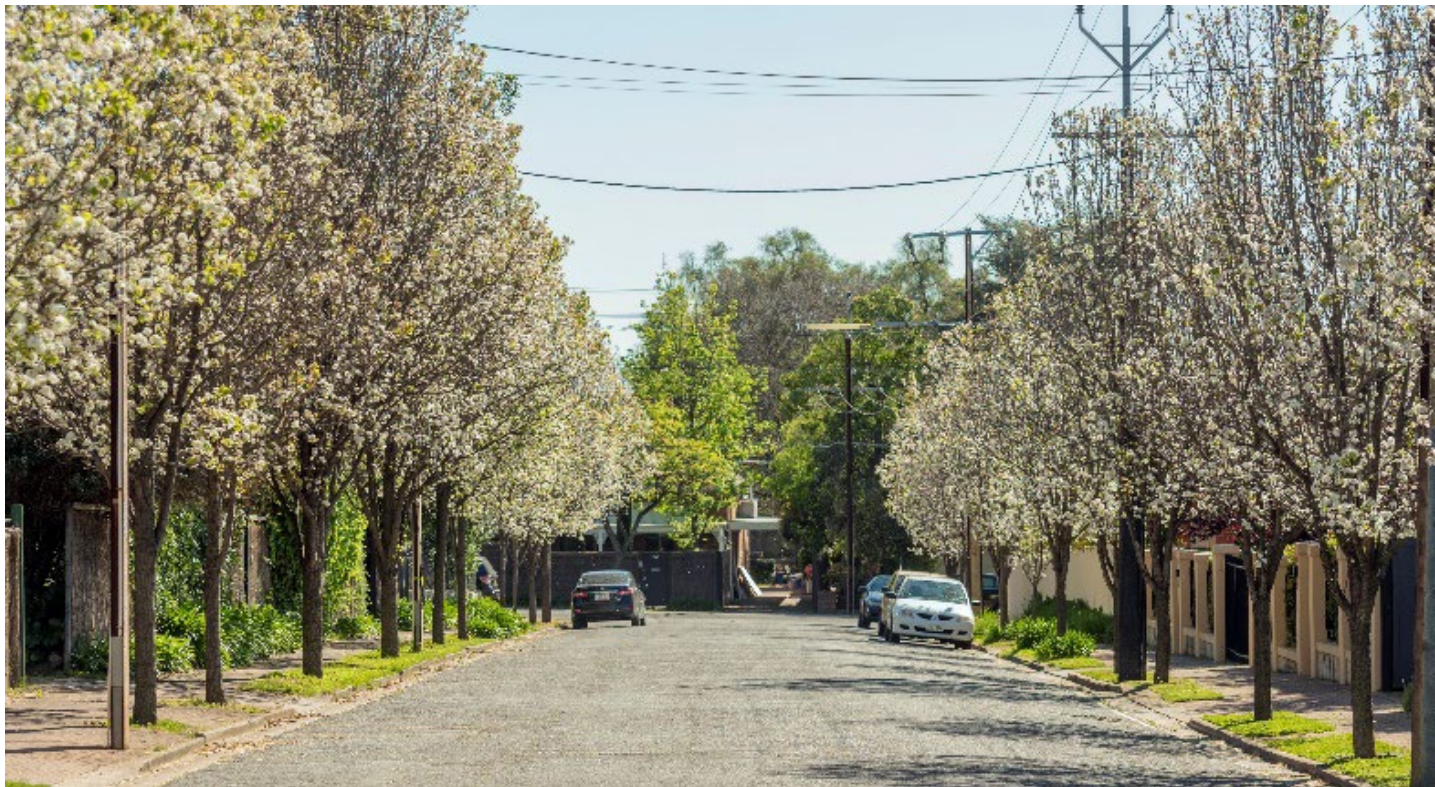
TOWN OF



WALKERVILLE 16

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; and
- do not park caravans, trailers or boats on the road for extended periods.

Main Roads	Gilberton/Medindie	Walkerville	Vale Park
		22/1/2026	28/1/2026
4/2/2026	11/2/2026	19/2/2026	25/2/2026
4/3/2026	11/3/2026	19/3/2026	25/3/2026
1/4/2026	8/4/2026	16/4/2026	22/4/2026
29/4/2026	6/5/2026	14/5/2026	20/5/2026
27/5/2026	3/6/2026	11/6/2026	17/6/2026

Council meetings

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 19 January 2026.



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.



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026

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 W: Walkerville Recreation Centre or the Walkerville Bowling & Community Club, in the e-news.

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



Weekly Round Up

16 January 2026