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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



The Deputy Mayor and I recently had the pleasure of meeting Kieran Ryan from the Richmond based Movember Foundation.

Now a worldwide phenomenon, Movember tackles men's health issues like prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. You can read more about their important work on page 3.

Other highlights from this edition include our new pocket park in Abbotsford, our support for the Friday Night School program, and a full month of fabulous activities for our senior citizens.

It's been an exciting time for Yarra's football lovers, with the Magpies and Tigers making it

deep into September. We worked closely with the clubs and our local traders to capture the spirit of the occasion. Highlights included giant banners at our town halls, lots of storefronts adorned in club colours, a new Tigers mural on Fraser Street, and a spectacular light show courtesy of Bridge Road Mainstreet Inc. I'm sure both teams will be back in the hunt for next year's premiership.

The beginning of daylight savings is a great reminder that festival season is just around the corner! We support more than 20 festivals every year, with some of the biggest events scheduled for November and December.

Highlights include the Nicholson Village Trick or Treat Trail in Fitzroy North, Johnston Street Fiesta in Fitzroy, Music From the Wetlands in Alphington and Carols by Candlelight in Richmond. It really is a wonderful time of year.

Cr Daniel Nguyen Mayor

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings are open to the public and community members are invited to attend. Unless otherwise noted, meetings listed below begin at 7pm.

Richmond Town Hall

- Tuesday 16 October
- Tuesday 30 October
- **Fitzroy Town Hall**
- Tuesday 13 November
- Tuesday 4 December
- Tuesday 27 November Ceremonial Meeting - check website for time
- Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings** for agendas, minutes and further information about Council Meetings.

Agendas are published on the Friday prior to each meeting.

WURUNDJERI ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Yarra City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri as the Traditional Owners of this country, pays tribute to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Yarra and gives respect to Elders past and present.

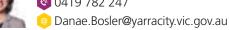
YOUR COUNCILLORS

LANGRIDGE WARD

Abbotsford, Alphington (south of Heidelberg Road), Clifton Hill (east of Wellington Street), Collingwood (except for the area bounded by Johnston, Wellington and Smith streets and Alexandra Parade), Fairfield (south of Heidelberg Road), Fitzroy (south of Moor Street), and Richmond (in the area bounded by Lennox, Highett and Hoddle streets)



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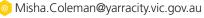
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NICHOLLS WARD

North Carlton, Princes Hill, part of Clifton Hill (west of Wellington Street), North Fitzroy, Fitzroy (north of Moor Street) and part of Collingwood (the area bounded by Johnston, Wellington and Smith streets and Alexandra Parade)



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MOLLY IMMORTALISED

A larger-than-life statue of Aussie entertainment icon Ian `Molly' Meldrum has been unveiled at Richmond's Wangaratta Street Park.

It stands alongside a new `Wall of Music' mural as part of Yarra Council's revamp of the park.

A new grassed area, additional seating and raised garden beds are among the other upgrades to this much-loved local park.

After the unveiling, Meldrum was inducted into The Age Music Victoria Awards Hall of Fame to recognise his many contributions to music and culture.

"It's a great privilege to induct Molly into our Hall where his name will be listed with so many of the artists he has



championed," said Music Victoria CEO Patrick Donovan.

The statue was the idea of Meldrum's long-time friend Ralph Carr, and was created by sculptor Louis Laumen.

'Wall of Music" is by artist 23rd Key.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/molly** to learn more about the statue.



CHANGING THE FACE OF MEN'S HEALTH

Fifteen years ago two friends met in a Fitzroy bar and decided it was time for the moustache to make a comeback. It was from this conversation that Movember was born.

Now a global men's health charity, Movember raises funds and awareness for prostate and testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention.

Kieran Ryan became involved in Movember after losing two close male friends to suicide. He now serves as Head of Corporate Development at Movember's international headquarters in Richmond.

4 WAYS TO SUPPORT MOVEMBER

- Grow a moustache. Every mo' makes a difference.
- Move for Movember by running or walking 60km throughout the month.
- Host a Mo-ment. Get the gang together for a fundraiser.
- Donate to someone who is growing, moving or hosting!

Visit **movember.com** to get involved today!

"Everything we do at Movember is to stop men dying too young and helping them to live happier, healthier and longer lives", Kieran says.

"We also confront men's health head on by encouraging men to talk more openly and honestly about their health", Kieran says.

Call Lifeline on **131 114** for access to 24 hour crisis support and suicide prevention services.



BUSING KIDS TO FRIDAY NIGHT SCHOOL

While other kids are kicking off their weekends, 400 students fill the hall behind St Ignatius Church in Richmond for Friday Night School.

Yarra Council provides a bus service which collects children and their parents from the local area, including the housing estate in Richmond. The school gives students from migrant and refugee backgrounds, many who speak a language other than English at home, the opportunity to receive one-on-one tutoring and homework help from volunteer tutors who attend local schools.

The hall is filled with excitement as students catch up with friends and



Council bus driver Pauline has been ferrying kids to Friday Night School since 2015. Friday Night School program founder Margaret Gurry describes Pauline as "part of the family".

"All you see are smiling faces," Pauline says. "It's such a great program, I feel privileged to be involved with it."

tutors, many of whom work with the same students every week and form close relationships as friends and mentors.

The school has become so popular there is a waiting list of year 11 and 12 students who want to volunteer their time.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON HERITAGE

Yarra is home to some of Melbourne's oldest suburbs and architecture, with a wonderful multicultural history and rich industrial roots.

The traditional owners of Yarra, the Wurundjeri people, have a strong connection to this land and its waterways, which extends back tens of thousands of years.

Our parks and riverside locations also provide us with some beautiful environmental heritage.

How to get involved

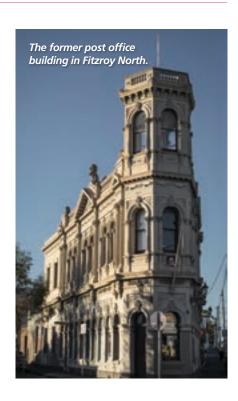
We are seeking your feedback on how we can best:

- know and understand our history
- protect elements of our history
- support community involvement in heritage protection, understanding and education
- provide opportunities for everybody to be involved

Visit yarracity.vic.gov.au/

yarraheritage to share your thoughts today or to learn about our face-to-face sessions throughout Yarra.

Have your say by Friday 26 October.



VICTORIAN SENIORS FESTIVAL

The Victorian Seniors Festival is a month-long celebration encouraging older people to get out-and-about and try something new.

Almost 30 activities are happening right here in Yarra, encompassing food, singing, dancing, exercise, history and friendship.

The Holden Street Neighbourhood House in Fitzroy North is hosting several events, including a special Zumba Gold class.

Already a Zumba regular, Clifton Hill resident Menka Simmonds is a big believer in the festival. "This is the most important festival of the year," she says. "It gets people from everywhere and it brings us together."



All events are free, but you must book. Reserve your spot by contacting us at info@yarracity.vic.gov.au or on 9205 5555.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au**/ **seniorsfestival** for a full listing of events.



9 FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Caring for Kids First Aid

Sunday 14 October 10am to 1pm Studio 9 23 Khartoum Street, Richmond

History group afternoon tea

Share your memories and knowledge of Alphington and Fairfield

Sunday 14 October 2pm to 4pm Alphington Community Centre 2 Kelvin Road, Alphington

Mystery Bus Tour

Friday 19 October 10am to 2pm Meet at Burnley Backyard 49 Tudor Street, Richmond

Queer History Tour

Join our very special bus tour of Yarra's queer places, past and present.

Sunday 21 October 1.45pm to 4pm

Meet at Bargoonga Nganjin, North Fitzroy Library 182 St Georges Road, Fitzroy North

Acting workshop

Have fun and challenge your brain

Tuesday 23 October 10.30am to 11.30am Richmond Seniors Hub 3 Hosie Street, Richmond

Movie screening

- Tea with the Dames

Thursday 25 October 10am to 11.45am Cinema Nova 380 Lygon Street, Carlton

Blow waves for seniors

Thursday 25 October 2.30pm Studio 9 23 Khartoum Street, Richmond

Strength for a healthy life

Light exercise class followed by a healthy meal

Sunday 28 October 10am Studio 9 23 Khartoum Street, Richmond

Zumba Gold Special

Modified Zumba for active older adults Monday 29 October 9.30am-10.30am

Holden Street Neighbourhood House 128 Holden Street, Fitzroy North



STORIES OF INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY

Do you have a story about inclusion and diversity in Yarra? We'd love to hear it.

It could be a story about something you have experienced yourself, or about a person or event that has inspired you. It could also be about something you have found challenging or upsetting.

Your story will help us understand what inclusiveness means to you, and it will help guide our continuing support for human rights, diversity and inclusiveness. Diversity comes in many forms, covering things like race and culture, gender and sexuality, age and disability, health and housing, and so much more. We're not putting limits on our definition of diversity – so if you have a story to share, we want to hear it.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/ inclusiveyarra** to share your story today.

RECOGNITION AND RESPECT

We asked Maree Foalz from Collingwood's Neighbourhood Justice Centre to share a story that has inspired her.

More than six years ago the local Aboriginal community teamed with the Neighbourhood Justice Centre, Victoria Police, local traders and support services to form the Smith Street Working Group.

"They wanted to celebrate the Aboriginal community, and that developed into what we now know as Smith Street Dreaming," Maree says.

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Now in its 6th year, Smith Street Dreaming celebrates the Aboriginal connection to Collingwood and Fitzroy through traditional dance, music, ceremony and other cultural activities.

WHO IS YOUR LOCAL HERO?

There's still time to nominate your local hero for our annual Yarra Community Awards.

It could be a colleague, a coach, a teacher - even a friend or family member.

These awards are about recognising individuals and groups who have made outstanding contributions to the Yarra community.

This year's categories include:

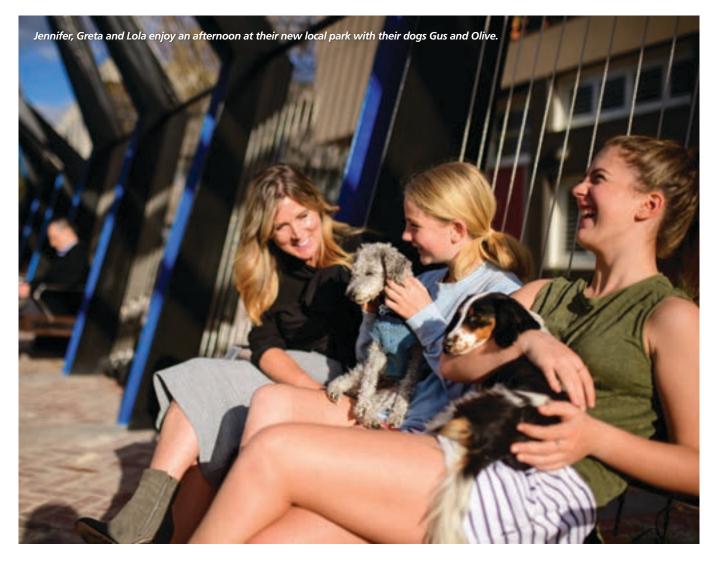
- Citizen of the Year \$500 cash prize
- Young Citizen of the Year \$500
- Community Initiative of the Year -\$500
- Contributions to Arts \$250
- Contributions to Sport \$250
- Contributions to Heritage \$250
- Contributions to Diversity and Inclusion - \$250

YARRA COMMUNITY AWARDS 2018

Nominations close on Friday 26 October.

How to nominate

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au**/ **nominations** to learn more about each category and to fill out a nomination form. It's that easy!



POCKET PARK SPROUTS UP

A brand new pocket park has sprouted up at the corner of Mollison Street and Charles Street in Abbotsford.

It's a great place to meet a friend, enjoy a picnic, or take a break from the hurly burly of modern life.

The new park was designed with input from locals like Jennifer Howard, who is looking forward to visiting the park with her daughters Lola and Greta, and their pooches Gus and Olive.

"I like the idea of being able to sit outside and read a book," Jennifer says, describing the new park as "a gorgeous space".

She is also looking forward to catching up with her neighbours. "I can see why Mollison Street works well for the park as there are so many people living close by who might wave or say hello, but might be able to share the space and interact a little more." A temporary park was set up at the site back in 2015 to give residents like Jennifer an idea of what to expect. "I was a little sceptical this was the right place for a park to start with, but seeing the pop-up trialled last year was an eye opener," she says.

I like the idea of being able to sit outside and read a book.

"So many people used the space. I met neighbours and loved being able to step outside for some lovely green space."

We have created six new pocket parks since 2009 by transforming underused paved areas into green open space. Our aim is to create more liveable, healthy and sustainable spaces, particularly in areas with limited access to parks. Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/ourparks** to learn more about parks and gardens in Yarra.

5 FEATURES

- Lush central lawn, ideal for an impromptu picnic.
- Deciduous trees for shade during summer and extra sunlight during winter.
- Timber seating and raised planter boxes.
- Walkway paved with recycled bricks hint at Abbotsford's industrial heritage.
- Steel arbour to support flowering vines and boost privacy for nearby properties.



WALKING TO SCHOOL IS A GREAT WAY FOR CHILDREN TO...

- Develop healthy habits for life.
- Learn safety skills, like crossing the road.
- Get to know their local area.
- Meet other kids from their school and neighbourhood.
- Gain confidence to travel independently as they get older.

ARE YOU WALKING THIS OCTOBER?

Seven-year-old Joshua and his mother Jessie are recording how often they walk or roll to West Richmond Primary School as part of Walk to School month.

"I enjoy riding my scooter while my mum walks with me," Josh says, "and I like saying hello to my friends when I see them along the way."

"It encourages a healthy lifestyle for us," Jessie adds. "It's amazing what a little walking and lots of fresh air can do for the body, as well as reducing the amount of traffic on the roads!"

Running from Monday 8 October to Friday 2 November, Walk to School is encouraging primary school students across the state to develop healthy habits for life.

I like saying hello to my friends when I see them along the way.

It's also a great way to spend time together. "If we are learning a new Chinese song [for the school concert] we find that it is also a good opportunity to practise our singing during our walk!" Jessie says.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/** walktoschool to learn more.



CLEANING UP THE FORMER FITZROY GASWORKS SITE

The Victorian Government is proposing a new high school and sports centre for the former Fitzroy Gasworks site. The proposal also calls for additional housing and community facilities.

Due to historical gasworks activities at the site, which is located at 433 Smith Street, soil and groundwater contamination has occurred. The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has issued a clean-up notice.

The clean-up will be carried out by Enviropacific under the supervision of an EPA-accredited auditor. This will ensure that the site is made clean and safe for the North Fitzroy community.

The investigation and planning phase of the clean-up is now underway, and works to remove the contamination are scheduled to take place from 2019 to 2021.

In June 2018 the Minister for Planning rezoned the site as Mixed Use Zone and Public Use Zone 2 (Education) to allow the range of uses proposed.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CLEAN-UP

Online enviropacific.com.au/ fitzroygasworks

Email fitzroygasworks@enviropacfic. com.au

Call 8317 3400

LEARN ABOUT FUTURE PLANS FOR THE SITE

Online

developmentvictoria. engagementhub.com.au/ fitzroy-gasworks

FACES OF YARRA

Portraits of a living city



Brinley, 23, has been living in Richmond for nearly 6 years. He loves his daily coffee, getting a pizza on Bridge Road and swimming at the Richmond Leisure Centre. His favourite strokes are freestyle and butterfly. Brin catches the tram to get to work, acting class and other activities. He loves dancing and listening to music, and can often be found at the library borrowing a new CD.



Follow **@CityOfYarra** on Instagram for more on Brinley and our other #FacesOfYarra.

MAKING OUR BUDGET COUNT

In November and December we will be asking you to share your ideas and priorities for the 2019/20 financial year.

There will be multiple online and face-to-face opportunities to have your say. And your feedback will help us draft a budget that makes a difference for our growing and diverse community.

GET INVOLVED

Register at **yarracity.vic.gov. au/budget2019** to receive an alert when consultation begins.



WHAT'S ON

NICHOLSON VILLAGE TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL

Wednesday 31 October 4pm to 6pm Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North

Join the fun at Nicholson Village this Halloween for the annual Trick or Treat trail.

Wear your spookiest costume and go into the running to win some great prizes!

Follow the balloons along the Trick or Treat Trail running down Nicholson Street, from Park St. to Senserrick Green Grocer. Stay in the village for dinner afterwards.

DETOX YOUR HOME

Saturday 3 November 9am to 2pm Reservoir

You can dispose of dangerous household chemicals such as solvents, poisons, cleaning products, fertilisers and car care products safely for free thanks to Sustainability Victoria. These toxic chemicals can pose a risk to your family, pets and the environment.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/detox** to register.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Sunday 11 November 10.30am to 11.30am Richmond Town Hall front steps

You're invited to join us in commemorating Remembrance Day.

Remembrance Day is a time for us to remember those who fought for our country and pay respect to both the fallen and returned soldiers.

Our event will begin at 10.40am with speeches, an official wreath-laying ceremony and a minute's silence at 11am.

JOHNSTON STREET FIESTA

Saturday 17 to Sunday 18 November Johnston Street, Fitzroy

This year's fiesta is going to be bigger and better than ever before as it celebrates its 40th anniversary. Be part of one of the best street parties in Melbourne and celebrate Hispanic Latin American culture.

Visit **hispanicfiesta.com.au** to find out more.

For more information about local events, visit yarracity.vic.gov.au/yarraevents

MUSIC FROM THE WETLANDS FESTIVAL

Sunday 18 November Midday to 5.30pm Alphington Wetlands (adjacent to 1 View Street Alphington), Alphington

South Alphington and Fairfield Civic Association are hosting a free familyfriendly event celebrating community, environment and music. The concert will feature a wide range of professional performers and emerging local artists. There will also be a great range of food and drinks from local vendors.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/wetlands** to find out more.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Thursday 6 December 6pm to 9pm Citizens Park, Richmond

Join us for our annual Carols by Candlelight concert. This free event will feature performances by schools, community and national choir groups and orchestras. There will also be a very special appearance by Santa. There will be food and drink stalls, or you can bring a picnic.

Visit **yarracity.vic.gov.au/carols18** to learn more.

Sustainable Yarra Supercharge your soil

Get started!

Composting is a natural process of recycling organic waste such as leaves and vegetable scraps to create a rich soil that can be used on your garden.

Why compost?

- Supercharge your garden
- Stop food waste from ending up in landfill
- Save money

Not able to compost or want to give others a hand?

Visit **www.sharewaste.com** to find someone in Yarra who can accept and compost your food scraps, or add yourself as a host and compost for others to divert it from landfill.

Dig deeper into our composting tips at yarracity.vic.gov.au/compost

What's your compost telling you?



Feels warm?

Your compost is breaking down correctly.



Too wet? Add more browns like dead leaves,

You may have added meats, faeces

and fats. Cover with lime powder

twigs or newspaper.



Too dry?

Add some greens like grass or fruit and sprinkle with water.



Too smelly?

Add dry material like newspaper or grass, turn your compost to air the soil and add a dash of lime powder.



Breaking down too slowly? It usually takes 3 to 6 months. Turn your compost more regularly to speed

your compost more regularly to speed it up!

Discovered any useful composting tips?

Share them with us on Instagram and Facebook by tagging @foodknowhow.



Pests?

or soil.

Maggots?

Your compost is too dry – remove any breads/grains, cover entry with wire, turn compost and add moisture.



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- LIKE us at fb.com/YarraCityCouncil
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- **CALL** us on 9205 5555
- VISIT a customer service centre (open weekdays 8.30am to 5pm)

Collingwood Town Hall 140 Hoddle Street, Abbotsford

Richmond Town Hall 333 Bridge Road, Richmond

Connie Benn Centre 160 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy

Bargoonga Nganjin North Fitzroy Library 182 St Georges Road, North Fitzroy

Weekly announcements from Yarra News will be broadcast in some languages on local radio 3CR 855AM and 3ZZZ 92.3FM

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本期《亚拉新闻》的主要内容包括"维多利亚州老人月"各地活动,阿伯茨福德(Abbotsford)新修小型公园对外开放,旺加拉塔公园(Wangaratta Park)设立伊恩·莫里·梅尔德伦(Ian 'Molly' Meldrum)青铜雕像,堆肥制作的小窍门,以及我市对"周五夜校"计划的支持。如果您想了解更多关于本期的信息,请致电9280 1937并引述REF 18172。

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Tra gli articoli in questa edizione di Yarra News: gli eventi locali per il mese dei cittadini senior del Victoria, l'apertura di un nuovo giardino tascabile per Abbotsford, una statua di bronzo di lan 'Molly' Meldrum al Wangaratta Park, consigli facili e veloci per le persone che vogliono fare il compostaggio, e il nostro sostegno per il programma scolastico del venerdì sera. Per maggiori informazioni su questa edizione, chiama **9280 1931** e fornisci il codice REF 18172.

Những tin đáng chú ý trong số báo Yarra News lần này là các sự kiện trong vùng cho Tháng Người cao niên Victoria, khánh thành công viên mini mới cho Abbotsford, bức tượng đồng lan 'Molly' Meldrum ở Công viên Wangaratta, những gợi ý ngắn gọn và dễ dàng dành cho người mới làm phân xanh, và hỗ trợ chương trình Đêm Học đường Thứ Sáu. Nếu muốn biết thêm về thông tin đăng trong số báo này, xin quý vị gọi số **9280 1939** và báo cho nhân viên biết số REF 18172.

ON THE COVER: Our community bus is helping kids from the Richmond area attend Friday Night School.

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