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The Northerly Aspects Editorial Committee is grateful to its valuable sponsors, who continue to support this important community publication. In this edition, we welcome Baptcare as a new Gold Sponsor and acknowledge Northern Futures, which has increased its commitment to also become a Gold Sponsor.

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Our cover: Jarrah is a participant in a new playgroup at Urban Seed in Norlane. SEE Page 5 for the full story.



Editor's letter

Welcome to the Term 2 edition of Northerly Aspects.

I hope you've enjoyed a good start to 2017 and that you're making the most of the opportunities that come your way. This might include trying a new course or hobby, joining a club or simply getting out and about to learn more about what's available in your own 'backyard'.

Community festivals are a popular way to engage with others from the 3214 area. Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre held its annual festival in early March and again attracted a good crowd. Cloverdale Community Centre will host its Autumn Festival on April 1. These events always have a good mix of food, entertainment, activities and people.

In this edition, we've introduced a What's On In 3214 page, which we hope will become a go-to place for people looking for things to do. You're welcome to have your community event included in future editions. Have a look at the format on Page 4 and then email the details to info@northerlyaspects.org.au.

This edition also includes information from the City of Greater Geelong about who to call in different situations. It covers things like broken or damaged play equipment in a local park, missing street sign, graffiti and more. You'll find the information on Page 18.

I hope you enjoy this edition and find something in it that's relevant to you and your family.

Jeanette Editor, on behalf of the Editorial Committee.

Northerly Aspects is published quarterly by a voluntary editorial committee comprising community workers and representatives from Cloverdale, Rosewall and Norlane neighbourhood houses, who employ a part-time editor. Each issue is dependent on income from advertising and sponsorship.

If you would like input into Northerly Aspects, call 0409-368-576 or email info@northerlyaspects.org.au. Northerly Aspects also has a website – you'll find us at www.northerlyaspects.org.au.

Social group wants new members



Margaret Kerr, Jim and Val Sainty invite others to join Geelong Northern Combined Probus Club.

Corio and Norlane residents aged over 55 are invited to join Geelong Northern Combined Probus Club for socialising and activities.

The club has been going since 2002 and meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Meetings usually involve a cup of tea or coffee at 9.30am, followed by the main meeting from 10am.

The meetings include a guest speaker and chat, as well as morning tea.

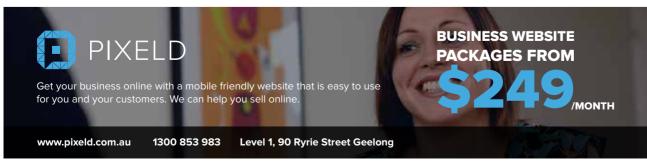
Members sometimes have combined activities and outings with other groups.

President Margaret Kerr said Probus is purely social for people over 55 years. "Most of us are retirees who are interested in meeting new people for friendship and company," she said.

"We're also always looking for interesting people to volunteer as guest speakers at our meetings."

Geelong Northern Combined Probus meets at Corio Fire Station on the third Tuesday of the month. There is a \$20 joining fee for new members and \$30 annual membership, plus \$2 at each meeting to cover the cost of tea and coffee.

For more information, contact Margaret, phone 0419-585-986.



A guide to Term 2 events and activities

When	What	Where	Contact	
Every Monday during term 4-7pm for 12-25 year olds.	Monday Night Drop In Pool, Xbox, art and meal. Free	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074	
Every Wednesday during term 4-7pm for 12-25 year olds.	Wednesday Night Girls Drop In Activities and evening meal. Free.	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074	
Every Thursday during term 4–7pm for 12–25 year olds.	Thursday Night Drop In Cooking, Xbox, art, music, evening meal. Free	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074	
Every Thursday during term 11am-Noon.	Bookworms Playgroup	Urban Seed, 4-8 Spruhan Ave, Norlane	0417-574-115 or 0452-116-709	
Every Friday during term 4-6pm, for 12-25 year olds.	Friday Night Drop In Free.	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074	
Third Tuesday of each month 10am.	Geelong Northern Combined Probus Club	Corio Fire Station	0419-585-986	
Saturday, April 1 11am-3pm	Cloverdale Autumn Festival Music, food, entertainment.	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415	
Saturday, April 15 9.30am-11am	Cloverdale Food Swap	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415	
Saturday, May 20 9.30am-11am	Cloverdale Food Swap	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415	
Saturday, June 17 9.30am-11am	Cloverdale Food Swap	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415	
Friday, June 30 7pm	Open Mic Family-friendly, all performers welcome.	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415	



Focus on family fun



Jarrah and Eden participate in the Bookworms Playgroup.

A new playgroup at Urban Seed in Norlane is providing a friendly venue for parents and their children who are aged up to six years.

The Long Room Bookworms Playgroup meets every Thursday during school terms, from 11am until noon. Each session includes facilitated activities, morning tea and free play.

The playgroup features a pop-up library and help for parents to read and interact with their children. There is also a focus on communication, fun, speaking and listening.

The Long Room Bookworms Playgroup is a good place to meet new families and play with your children in a supportive, friendly and child-focussed

environment. The cost is a gold coin donation for each session.

Urban Seed is at 4 Spruhan Avenue in Norlane. For more information contact Hannah, 0417-574-115 or Shirley, 0452-116-709.

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Tennis courts

Everything old is new again

Students at Northern Bay College's Hendy Street campus have the opportunity to participate in special lunchtime activities.

One of the popular groups is knitting, which gives the children the chance to learn a new skill and at the same time make sure the craft activity is passed on to a new generation.

The knitting group is proving that 'everything old is new again' and will please the enthusiasts keen to keep the craft alive through today's young people.







Shining a light on potential





Nairn Walker and Subi Leeson from Barwon Child, Youth and Family at the Bridges out of Poverty workshop.

Northern Futures hosted renowned social educator Nairn Walker in Geelong recently for a life-changing workshop designed to re-shape people's thinking about poverty and unemployment.

The two-day workshop, called Bridges out of Poverty, shines a light on the possibility and potential in the lives of people from disadvantaged communities.

Nairn runs the workshops throughout Australia and says government and community professionals, agency workers and allied health practitioners find the sessions life-changing because they gain a better understanding of the way their clients think. "Bridges out of Poverty encourages people to have different conversations, develop different relationships and, hopefully, achieve better outcomes in the communities they serve," Nairn said.

Northern Futures first brought Nairn to Geelong in 2003 and she has continued to host workshops in the city since then

The theory behind Bridges out of Poverty informs the innovative employment pathway course, Getting Ahead, which Northern Futures delivers through The Gordon at the Norlane Community Centre.

Many Northern Futures students complete Getting Ahead and find it helps them take the next step in training and employment.

Northern Futures runs two 15-week Getting Ahead courses each year. The first semester course started earlier this month but registrations are open for the second semester course in August.

Northern Futures is based at Norlane Community Centre in Rose Avenue, Norlane.

Immunisation continues

Barwon Health will deliver the City of Greater Geelong's immunisation program for the next three to five years.

The City's Administrators approved the contract for a fixed lump sum of \$2.7 million for the full five-year contract.

General Manager Community Life Linda Quinn said the costs had been benchmarked against two other councils and proved comparable.

"We measured our costs against two other councils with similar 0-18-yearold populations - one delivering in-house services and one contracting out," she said. "Both of these councils had comparable costs per encounter.



"Barwon Health has been delivering our immunisation service for many years now and we're really happy with the work they are doing.

"Immunisations are one of the most important health services we provide our community. They are vital in protecting our community from preventable diseases."

The City receives Federal Government

funding of \$6 per infant encounter and State Government funding of \$8.50 per infant and secondary school student encounter for its immunisation program.

Immunisation sessions are held at Corio Community Centre every Wednesday from 9.30am until 11.45am. No appointment is necessary. The centre is at 2 Gellibrand Street in Corio, near Corio Shopping Centre.



If you live in a suburb near grasslands, you're at risk of fire. If you live directly next to parks or paddocks and a grassfire starts, walk at least two streets back. If you live two or more streets away, stay where you are, grassfires are unlikely to spread into built up areas. Stay alert and monitor conditions. Don't drive, visibility may be poor, accidents are likely, and you could block emergency services.

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Join Lions and help others

Corio Norlane Lions Club members are serving their community through a range of successful programs. And the club is always looking for new members and volunteers.

Secretary Richard Walter said: "We still run our bike program in which we obtain secondhand bicycles, clean them, repair them, paint them and then give them away. So far, we have provided more than 650 bicycles to children. John McKinnin started this and has received enormous satisfaction and enjoyment, but he needs volunteers to help support the program."

The club's breakfast program at Northern Bay College's Goldsworthy Road campus is going strong under the supervision of Zelma Rowbottom, but needs more volunteers to be able to continue.

"This year we are continuing The Road Home project, collecting winter items and hygiene products to support those experiencing homelessness. We are talking with potential ambassadors for the project and will be running events that community members can support," Richard said.

"Our computer program is off and running again, with requests coming in from schools around Geelong. We have donated more than 350 computers to needy families. And our barbecues at ALDI Corio are held on the second and fourth Saturday of each month to

raise money to support our breakfast program, so please come along and have a sausage."

The Lions Golden Opportunity
Community Shop runs at 55 Alkira
Avenue in Norlane, where cheap items
are available for purchase. Other events
supported by the club include: North
Shore Football Club gates,
An annual Trivia Night, Ironman
Triathlon, Geelong Show Car Parking,
Northern Carols by Candlelight and a
Peace Poster competition.

For more information about the club, email coriolions@gmail.com or phone 0490-032-063.



Special time for Dads

Bethany Community Support has started an exciting playgroup just for fathers and their children. The playgroup runs on Saturday mornings at William Hovell Kindergarten in Hendy Street, Corio.

Bethany runs 12 supported playgroups throughout Geelong; seven of them in the northern suburbs including Corio, Bell Post Hill and Norlane. The playgroups are run in schools, kindergartens and community centres and offer families with children aged

up to five years a great opportunity to have fun, play and spend quality time with their kids

The playgroups help children learn to play with others the same age, which is an important skill for kinder and school.

At playgroup, parents meet other parents with young kids and can share ideas with each other, as well as receive helpful information from the Bethany facilitator.

The new playgroup for fathers and their children is held on Saturdays from 10am until 11.30am at William Hovell Kindergarten, 28 Hendy Street, Corio. It is just for fathers to enjoy some fun and special time with their children.

For more information about the Saturday Dads and Kids Playgroup, and all Bethany playgroups, contact Marieke, phone 0447-152-452 or Bethany Community Support, phone 5278-8122.





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New residents moving in



Stage 1 of Baptcare's Norlane
Development Project is progressing
quickly and people living in the area
may start noticing new residents who
have moved into or are in the process
of moving into the affordable rental
houses in Eagle Parade.

The major project is being developed on the former primary school site in Robin Avenue, Norlane (on the corner of Eagle Parade). When complete, it will provide a community hub and café, 52 affordable rental houses and 120-bed residential aged care facility.

Baptcare is a leading, faith-based not-for-profit organisation working across Victoria and Tasmania, providing residential and community care for older people, support to children, families and people with disability, financially disadvantaged people and people seeking asylum.





New jobs

Baptcare's Norlane Development Project, in partnership with Urban Seed has recently employed a Café Manager and a Place Manager.

Kaylene Reeves has been employed as Café Manager of Aviary Cafe. She has lived in Norlane for the past five years, has extensive experience in hospitality and is passionate about bringing people together through good healthy food that is affordable and easy to make.

Simon Reeves has been employed as

Place Manager. Simon lives in Norlane and will seek to work with a team of locals to develop a safe and healthy community.

Coffee cart coming soon

Baptcare is excited to announce that the Robin Avenue site will soon welcome a coffee cart.

Coffee, food and drinks will be available.

This will become a great meeting place to sit and chat with friends and people within the community and learn how you can get involved with this development as it takes shape in the neighbourhood.

Urban Seed interns

Urban Seed, a partner of Baptcare Norlane's Development Project, has recently recruited three interns. They will be living and working on site providing around the clock placemanagement assistance, and building relationships and connections within the Norlane community.

Newsletter

Residents can sign up to receive a copy of the project newsletter by emailing communications@baptcare.org.au.

The newsletter is an effective way of keep up-to-date with the project.

Updates will also be published in Northerly Aspects.

Geelong Community Cup

The Geelong Community Cup is a pre-season soccer competition comprising eight local Geelong and Surf Coast-based football clubs.

The competition was first held in 1981 and was this year hosted by the Geelong Rangers. It is the longest running community cup in the nation

After some sponsorship issues

this year, I am proud to say our Government is thrilled to contribute \$8000 from our Programs Initiatives Fund.

Congratulations to all who made this year's Cup such a wonderful showcase of community sport, especially host club Geelong Rangers.

Congratulations to the 2017 winner. Corio



Youth crime prevention

While the number of youth offenders to support specific interventions in has fallen over the last decade, a small number of young criminals are committing serious crimes more frequently.

\$700,000 has been provided by the State Government through the Youth Crime Prevention Grants Program

Geelong for those young people at risk of offending or offending now.

This will be a partnership of courts, youth agencies and police and will look at tackling underlying causes of this youth crime to make our communities safer.

This is in addition to the Governments \$2 billion boost to tackle crime including 3135 new police on top of the normal attrition recruitment, 42 new youth resource officers, new police powers and carjacking and aggravated burglary laws.

Taxi rank safety program

The State Government is making it safer and easier for local passengers to get a taxi to and from North Geelong Station.

I am pleased to announce a \$23,000 grant to the City of Greater Geelong to upgrade taxi facilities at the station.

The upgrade will install CCTV, and improve signage and lighting at the station's taxi rank, improving safety for people waiting for a taxi, or getting dropped off at the station.

The funding is part of the latest round of the Taxi Rank Safety Program (TRSP), which provides grant-based funding to local

councils to establish and improve taxi rank infrastructure.

Work on the upgrade will begin in the coming months. For more information about the program and details of the successful applicants, visit www.taxi.vic.gov.au.

Hon. John Fren MP

State Member for Lara, Minister for Tourism & Major Events, Minister for Sport, Minister for Veterans.

Level 1, Corio Shopping Centre, Bacchus Marsh Road, Corio 3214. Phone: 5275-3898.

We want to hear from you

The Editorial Committee of Northerly Aspects wants to know who's reading each edition. And as an incentive, we're offering a free coffee at one of the participating local neighbourhood houses.

Our goal is to provide information about the positive events, people and activities in the 3214 area. It's important to us that residents are receiving and reading each edition.

To receive your coffee, fill in the information on this page and take it to either Cloverdale Community Centre, Rosewall Neighbourhood House or Norlane Community Centre during their opening hours.



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Food, art and recreation

Urban Seed in Norlane runs a range of programs that use food, recreation and creative art to foster a sense of home, especially for people experiencing homelessness, addiction, mental illness and isolation.

The idea is to develop community among people from all economic and cultural backgrounds as they get together and support one another. Whether it's by cooking together, eating together, singing together or playing cricket, Urban Seed fosters spaces for people to develop transforming relationships.

Longroom Community Meals are held every Monday at 5pm and Wednesday at 12.30pm during the school term. People from the neighbourhood gather to share in a community meal together. All are welcome and everyone is invited to help shop, cook and prepare the meal. Food for the meals is provided by Second Bite and Foodbank Victoria.

A weekly Tuesday morning breakfast is organised by a group of local men who gather at 7.30am to share life, eat and garden. The community garden is a place people can learn how to grow their own food, care for chickens and compost garden waste. It connects to the food programs through providing home grown vegetables, eggs and fruit and composting the waste from the neighbourhood dinners.

A neighbourhood meeting is held every Wednesday at 10am, when members get together to develop these and other programs in the neighbourhood, as well as identify issues in the community and people needing care.

Other Wednesday programs include Unearth, held at 1pm to provide community development training for people in the neighbourhood. It cultivates skills for people to identify and develop programs that benefit and influence the neighbourhood.

People's Pantry, at 2pm on Wednesdays, redistributes excess food from the Foodbank Victoria. Members form the co-operative and work together to distribute quality food amongst the members and wider community.

Urban Seed is at 4 Spruhan Avenue in Norlane. For more information, call in to one of the programs, or phone 5278-6171.

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Terminals Pty Ltd is a bulk chemical storage company situated in the North Shore/Corio area.

We are currently seeking community minded individuals to volunteer to be part of the Terminals Geelong Community Engagement Group.

The group meets four times a year and acts as a link between the company and the community. The members of the group advise Terminals about community concerns and issues relating to the facility. The group also helps select worthy recipients of Terminals-funded Community Grants each year.

If you are a community member interested in joining the group, please contact Peter Bollen (Chair) at pjbollen@bigpond.com, or phone Paul Henshaw at Terminals on 5274-6602.

Chantelle leading 2 & 5

The 2 & 5 shop and café at Labuan Square has a new manager, with Chantelle Chauvet-Allen moving into the role in late 2016.

Chantelle is experienced working in community service organisations, especially with homelessness, and has a good understanding of the issues around food security and safety. She said it's an important part of her role to take the time to sit and talk to her customers.

"I like seeing groups of people coming in and chatting with each other," she said. "The communal aspect is an important part of what we do. It's healthy, it's safe and it's social."

2 & 5 is a social enterprise set up to address food insecurity by improving access to affordable, sustainable, fresh and healthy food. The 2 & 5 café and shop is open Monday to Friday from 9am-4pm. It serves all day breakfast, lunch, tea and coffee, cakes and slices. The shop also sells fresh fruit and vegetables, and has free bread available twice a week, thanks to the Geelong Food Relief Centre.



Chantelle Chauvet-Allen is the new manager at the 2 & 5 café and shop in Labuan Square.

Chantelle said she's enjoying the variety of shops in Labuan Square that are bringing people to the precinct. They include Vinnies, a variety store,

café, supermarket, pharmacy, cake shop, medical centre, an additional hairdresser and a new fish and chip shop.

All Abilities Soccer

All Abilities Soccer is returning to Norlane in 2017 and it's a special year for the program - it's the 10th anniversary.

The first session for the year will be Saturday, April 22 at 9.45am. The venue will remain the same as previous years, with sessions to take place at The Leisuretime Centre, 262-282 Anakie Road, Norlane.

The program is open to males and females with a disability and the focus is to enjoy each other's company, keep fit, have fun and learn some new skills playing one of Australia's most popular sports.

For more information contact Timmy at Leisure Networks, phone 5224-9136 or email tim.hunt@leisurenetworks.org



Happy snappers

Do you have photos of people getting out and about in the Corio Norlane area? Northerly Aspects wants to promote the many positive activities of residents in the area. If you have a photo you'd like considered for the next edition, email it to info@northerlyaspects.org.au. Don't forget to include information about when and where it was taken, and who took it.





Corio Norlane Lions Club secretary Richard Walter and helpers collect food for community projects.



Northern Futures hosted renowned social educator Nairn Walker for a twoday workshop, called Bridges out of Poverty. Pictured are Sandra Brogen and Denise Charles from the Department of Education and Training, with Northern Futures' Lou Brazier.



Jo Ridgeway and Mia Brown from Northern Bay College attended the Bridges out of Poverty workshop.



The Cloverdale Singers recently performed for members of Geelong Northern Combined Probus Club.



Teacher and renovator Andy Sunderland was popular with Northern Bay College students. Andy was a contestant on last year's series of Channel 9's The Block with his best mate Ben Toyne, who attended the former Corio Primary School.



Science activities are part of the fun of the Extended Schools Program at Northern Bay College.





Cloverdale Community Centre hosted a community barbecue as part of the Ford Transition Program. Volunteers from the centre provided dinner and an opportunity for former Ford workers to get together.



Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre hosted its annual festival in March. A huge range of music, food and activities entertained families from throughout the neighbourhood.

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If noise is an ongoing issue please call the City of Greater Geelong on 5272 5272 to lodge a complaint





Childhood centres are special

The City of Greater Geelong has three specialised early childhood centres for children aged 0-6 yrs in the Corio and Norlane area that are recognised for their commitment to excellence?

They are: City Learning and Care Corio, City Learning and Care Trudy Moritz, and the Norlane Child and Family Centre.

The centres provide the very best in early childhood education and care programs for children age 0-6 years and support for families throughout the region.

Both City Learning and Care Corio and Trudy Moritz provide an education and care service for all pre-school aged children, Monday to Friday. Both centres also offer full day four-year-old Kindergarten, three days a week.

The Norlane Child and Family Centre provides a sessional kindergarten program, along with an occasional care program two days a week.

All programs have a strong focus on being family-centered, ensuring equality, respect, inclusion and embracing diversity.

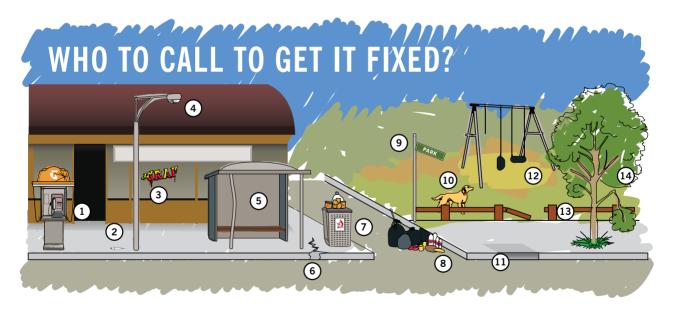
To assist with the cost of the programs, families may be eligible for fee assistance through Centrelink.

If you would like to know more about these services, please call:

City Learning and Care Corio, 116 Purnell Road Corio: 5272-4790.

City Learning and Care Trudy Moritz, 7 Sparks Road Norlane: 5272-4795.

Norlane Child and Family Centre. 52-56 Gerbera Avenue: 5272-4444.



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Plant bulbs for spring colour

Looking outside, it's hard to imagine that autumn has begun and winter will soon be here. This past summer has been so hot and dry I'm sure that you, just like your garden, will be looking forward to some cool, wet weather. No matter how well you water the garden, nothing is equal to a long, soaking rain with water that does not contain all the chemicals that are added to our drinking water.

There are still many things to be done before and during the cooler months. One I would recommend is the ordering and planting of spring bulbs. You can get a magnificent display of colour for very little effort, even if you don't have much room. A lovely display can result from planting out in pots or tubs and along borders.

Most nurseries have a selection of bulbs available or you can buy them over the internet. The best choices include grape hyacinths, jonquils, freesias, ranunculi, anemones, daffodils, star flowers, ixia and Dutch irises, with flowering size ranging from 75mm to 380mm high.

Hyacinths are beautiful to look at and have a magnificent perfume. If you

grow them in pots they can be brought inside to brighten and freshen your home. Just remember to put them outside for a few hours every couple of days and don't overwater.

Irises, both bearded and dutch varieties, are extremely hardy and can be grown in places where nothing else will flourish. They come in quite a variety of colours and can range from plain to frilled and bi-colours and from white to black.

Sparaxis are not well known, but make a colourful addition to your garden. Some of flowers have as many as four different colours in each flower. They resemble a freesia both in foliage and flower and are hardy, reliable plants. Ixia are from the same family and are also easy to grow. Why not try these as something different and not expensive.

 NEVER cut the foliage off after flowering until it has died right off. The nutrients in the leaves will go back into the bulbs to ensure they will flower next year. If you cut it off, you are virtually starving the bulb for future growth.

- NEVER leave bulbs in the ground or pots where the soil is sodden

 they will rot very easily. If this looks likely then lift the bulbs and store in a dry place until you replant again next year.
- Always put snail bait of some sort down when you plant as those slugs and snails and various other nasties love the taste of the young, green foliage.





Cloverdale Community Centre

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2013 LEARN LOCAL LEGEND

Liz steps into new role

Term 1 was a time of change at Cloverdale Community Centre, when Liz Bonner was appointed Acting Manager following the retirement of Sue Hartigan.

Liz has worked at the centre for several years as the Adult Education Officer, and has played a key role in developing and running interesting courses and programs. She is now combining the two roles while the centre's Committee of Management finalises the recruitment process for a new manager.

Supporting Liz is administration manager Cheryl Irwin and a team of volunteers and session tutors.

"We're lucky to have a good team approach to everything we do at the centre and it's an exciting time to be in this role," Liz said.

"I enjoy seeing the familiar faces of our regular centre visitors, but I'm keen to also make sure we attract lots of new people too.

"I'd encourage everyone to have a look at the activities and events we have planned and get involved. It's also important for the local community to let us know what they'd like from us.

"There might be a class, course or activity that you'd like to suggest or even a one-off event. Please call in, phone or email to let me know."



Acting manager Liz Bonner and administration manager Cheryl Irwin are leading the team at Cloverdale.

Welcoming spot for music

Cloverdale Community Centre has become a popular venue for music lovers, whose learning and performance opportunities are continuing to grow.

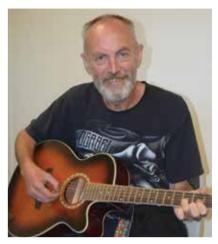
Regular open mic nights are held each term, while the centre's singing group meets weekly to enjoy singing different types of music and prepare for performances in the community.

Thursday evenings during school term feature an arts and music drop in. You can bring your own art project to work on, or bring a musical instrument and play along with others. Guitar lessons

are also available by appointment, as well as song writing and preparing to perform courses.

The centre's Acting Manager Liz Bonner is a keen musician and is a great supporter of people coming together to develop their skills and just enjoy listening to others.

For more information about music, arts and craft at Cloverdale, call the centre on 5275-4415 or find and like Cloverdale Community Centre on Facebook.



Guitar tutor Nigel is available to lessons on Thursdays during school term.

MUSIC, ART AND CRAFT

Art@Cloverdale: Drop in and explore a range of media and techniques in a fun, relaxed and social environment with a professional artist, Esther Konings-Oakes. Wednesdays, 10am-noon. \$5 per session.

Cloverdale Singers: Weekly community singing that includes folk, gospel, rounds, ballads and part songs.
Tuesdays, 10.30am-noon.
\$3 per session.

Ukulele Players: Learn strumming techniques, chords and new songs. Thursdays, 10am-noon. \$5 per session.

Cloverdale Craft and Knitting Group: Bring your craft or knitting project and join with Marguerite for a relaxed craft or knitting session. Fridays from noon. \$2 per session.

Thursday Arts/Music Drop In:

Work on your art project while enjoying live music. Stay for a meal and enjoy the creative atmosphere. Thursdays, 5pm-9pm. \$2 per session, plus \$5 for a meal.

Guitar for Beginners:

Learn guitar with our community instructor. Includes basic theory and practice of chord changes, scales, strumming and picking.
Thursdays, 3-5.30pm by appointment. \$15 per session.

FOOD AND GARDEN

Community Kitchen: Learn and share your knowledge of cooking, meet new people in a relaxed and friendly environment. Thursdays 5pm, Wednesdays 11am. \$5 (price may vary).

Cloverdale Food Swap: Swap vegies, fruits and plants, preserves, cakes and other produce. Reduce your food miles

and join us for coffee and cake. Third Saturday of every month from 9.30-11am. Free.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Tai Chi: Learn Tai Chi to reduce stress and improve your balance, strength, flexibility and confidence. Mondays, 9.30-10.30am. \$3 per session.

Yoga: Invigorate your body and soul in our multi-level class and discover the benefits of yoga. Improve your strength, flexibility and health. Mats provided. Thursdays, 7-8pm. \$50 for 5 weeks or \$12 per session.

CHILDREN AND PARENTS

Playgroups: Friendly playgroups for children and their parents/carers. New families welcome. Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am and Fridays, 10am-noon. \$2 per session.

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Esther guides art for all abilities

Art is thriving at Cloverdale Community Centre under the auidance of tutor Esther Konings-Oakes.

Local residents and people from outside the area are regular visitors to the centre where they work on a range of projects as they learn from experienced tutor and artist Esther Konings-Oakes.

Esther came to Cloverdale about 18 months ago armed with years of experience as a practising artist in community art. She had also recently completed her Masters of Art (Art in Public Spaces) at RMIT University.

Art class participants warmed to Esther's collaborative approach to teaching and her ability to challenge people of all abilities.

"One of the things I enjoy most about art at Cloverdale is that it's a place



Art@Cloverdale participants Bev, Mel and Lee with tutor Esther (second from right).

where anyone can create art, regardless of their experience and life situation," Esther said

"Fach term we focus on a different medium and have had people working on a variety of projects in sculpture, painting, drawing, animation and collage.

"The class's progression is guided by the participants' needs, which means

we can be flexible and accommodate all levels of ability."

Art@Cloverdale runs every Wednesday during term from 10am until noon. For artists going the next step with their art, Esther runs Develop an Arts Practice on Wednesday afternoons.

For more information phone 5275-4415.

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Call to book: Cloverdale 5275 4415

PROGRAM	Starting	Day	Time	Full Fee	Concession
Computers					
Getting Started with Computers (8 weeks)	April 24	Monday	9.30am-12pm	\$180	\$90
Developing Computers - the next step (10 weeks)	April 21	Friday	12.30pm-3pm	\$220	\$115
Vocational and Employment Skills					
Safe Food Handling (RTO AGB Training)	Pending Numbers	TBA	TBA	\$100	NA
Introduction to Barista Skills - Short Course (8 weeks)	April 24	Monday	10am-12pm	\$180	\$90
Develop An Arts Practice (10 weeks) - move from art as a hobby to art as a vocation	April 19	Wednesday	1pm-3.30pm	\$220	\$115
Preparing to Perform - Using creativity to build employability (8 weeks)	April 20	Thursday	6.30pm-9pm	\$210	\$90
Literacy and Numeracy Programs					
Tell My Story - work with a professional journalist and publish a book about you. (8 weeks)	April 26	Wednesday	12.30pm-3pm	\$180	\$90
Introduction to Songwriting (8 weeks)	April 20	Thursday	6.30pm-9pm	\$195	\$80

^{*} Subject to meeting funding criteria

Recognition for Jack



Viva Energy's Geelong refinery staff have been congratulating Jack MacCauley, who won the Project Excellence Award presented at the annual CareerTrackers Awards gala dinner in Sydney.

Jack's work at the refinery's laboratory helped develop an alternative test to measure bitumen durability – considered a world-first in the refining sector.

CareerTrackers is a national non-profit

organisation that creates internship opportunities for Indigenous university students.

It supports pre-professional Indigenous university students and links them with private sector employers to participate in paid internships. Nationally, Viva Energy placed four Career Tracker Interns.

Viva is excited about the win and extended congratulations to Jack for his contribution towards pioneering a test

method that will enable the company to further improve production control to more efficiently deliver quality bitumen products.

"I never expected the work I did to have such a big impact on the refinery in such a short amount of time," Jack said.

"It's amazing to see how my work is being implemented into the laboratory's work schedule, knowing that what I did made a real difference."



Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre

36 Sharland Road (PO Box 120), Corio, VIC 3214. Phone 03 5275 7409 E-mail: admin@rosewallnc.org.au and training@rosewallnc.org.au Web: www.rosewallnc.org.au Office hours: 8.30-4pm Monday to Friday

Changes at Rosewall Café

Rosewall Café would like to thank Carolyn Hayes for her work as Rosewall Café Supervisor for the last six-anda-half years and wish her well in her new job. We welcome Sharna Anderson and Gary Adams who have stepped in while we recruit for a new, ongoing supervisor.

Sharna and Gary are doing a great job making delicious, affordable lunches, the full range of coffee and yummy snacks. Sharna is also the centre's new Café Skills trainer and brings 12 years of local and overseas professional experience to the job.

The Café Skills course is so popular we are looking at starting an extension course, More Café Skills, for people interested in learning more about the hospitality industry and deepening their skills.



More Café Skills will also include preparation for TAFE for people who are interested in starting a career in hospitality and tourism. If you, or anyone you know would be interested in More Café Skills, get in touch with Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre.

Henna tent at Rosewall

Anita Qayyumi's henna and chai tent was a popular feature of the Rosewall Festival held on March 4

Anita, from Norlane, learnt to paint henna body art when she was a teenager. It is a traditional decoration for women and girls in her home country of Afghanistan, as well as in many other countries across the globe.

After arriving in Australia in 2013, Anita was encouraged by Diversitat to establish her own business. She now sets up her henna and chai tent at festivals, markets and private venues across Geelong.



Learning at Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre

At Rosewall, we structure our courses for small class sizes so that you can get the most out of your learning. Our supportive trainers will assist you and answer your questions in our comfortable training rooms. We put you, the learner, at the centre of what we do by building your skills and enhancing your confidence. Call us on 5275-7409, or drop in to the centre to discuss the learning opportunities that are available to you.







Introduction to Computers

If you've never used a computer, or are unsure about the online world, the idea can be daunting. But it doesn't have to be, this course is designed to give you the help you need.

Café Skills

Kick start your hospitality career. Learn new skills and gain hands-on work experience in our neighbourhood café.

Excel

With our Excel training course, gain confidence in creating and formatting spreadsheets creating charts, sorting and filtering databases, and use Excel formulas and functions

Courses

Course	Start date	Day	Time	Concession	Full Fee
Using digital devices	April 17	Monday	9.30am–noon (7 weeks)	\$90	\$125
MS Excel	April 17	Monday	1.00pm – 3.30pm (8 weeks)	\$90	\$125
Intel Easy Steps - Introduction to Computers	April 18	Tuesday	9.30am–noon (8 weeks)	\$90	\$125
Intermediate Computers	April 20	Thursday	9.30am–noon (8 weeks)	\$90	\$125
Conversational English	April 19	Wednesday	9.30am – Noon (during school term)	Gold coin	
Café skills	April 19	Wednesday	9.30am – 2pm (6 weeks)	\$170	\$230
Coffee making	April 26	Wednesday	10am–2pm (1 day)	\$50	\$70
Safe Food Handling	May 5	Friday	9.30am-3pm (1 day)	\$70	\$80
Volunteering	Looking at developing your employability skills? Come and visit us at the centre to chat about how we can help one another. We have volunteering opportunities in the café, garden, reception and back office tasks.				
English Learners Job Club	Contact the Centre for details				
Learn Local to TAFE			Contact the Centre for details		



Creative Arts

Rosewall offers a range of courses in the arts such as drawing, screen printing, painting and pottery.

Course	Description	Day	Time	Fee
Drawing and Painting	Draw or paint with experienced artists guiding	Thursdays during school	10am-	\$5 per session
	you.	terms, starts April 20.	noon	
Learn to Draw	Do you want to learn how to draw? Learn the basic concepts with an experienced artist.	Mondays during school term, starts April 17	10am – Noon	\$5 per session
Screen Printing	Learn to design and screen print.	Starts Friday, April 21 for 6 weeks	10am- noon	\$60 includes all materials
Geelong Potters: Open Studio	For those who have some pottery experience. Bring your own project and ideas!	Tuesday and Wednesday, during school terms.	9am-3pm	\$5 per session
Learn Pottery	Learn the basics of pottery to enable you to join the open studio sessions.	Contact the Centre for dates and costs		

Activities and Groups

Looking at joining a group and engaging in social activities? Use the contact information to find out more about what's on offer.

Group	Description	Location	Contact
Beginner Yoga NEW	Gentle yoga with professional teacher.	Rosewall	5275-7409
Bethany Play Group	Facilitated playgroup for 0-5 years, 9.30am-11am on Thursdays	Rosewall	5275-7409
Computer Help	Answers to your computer problems. Fridays 9.30am-noon, Free!	Rosewall	5275-7409
Over 50's	Get together and meet new friends each Friday! New members welcome, 11.30am-3pm	Rosewall	5275-7409
TOWN	Take Off Weight Naturally. Help each other to lose those extra kilos. 8.45am-10.45am Mondays	Rosewall	Geraldine 5298-2275
Strength, fitness and balance	Open class, start the day strong! Qualified personal trainer. \$7 per week, Tuesdays 9am-10am	Rosewall	5275-7409
TAEKWON - DO	Geelong Taekwon-do trains weekly, 6.30pm-7.30pm Thursday.	Hendy St	Phil Zdybel 0418-513-981
Bayside Active Adult	Exercises with a qualified personal trainer. 10.45am-11.45am Monday.	Hendy St	Lesia 5200-0146
Corio Kyokushin Karate	6.30pm Monday and Wednesday.	Hendy St	Scott 0418-335-355
Cloverdale Calisthenics College	4pm-8pm Monday and Tuesday and Saturday mornings during school term.	Hendy St	Mandy 0418-559-241
GKR Karate	6.30pm-7.30pm Friday.	Hendy St	Luke 0450-011-654
Northside International Christian Church	Church Service – Sunday morning. Youth Group – 7pm Friday.	Hendy St	Stephen 0405-104-610
Geelong Buccaneers Grid Iron Club	American Grid Iron Football – training and matches	Hendy St	Chris 0487-172-424

Busy summer for Geelong interns



Summer may well have been holidays for most university students across the state, but not for the six university interns who joined the Geelong refinery team from November to February.

.Viva Energy interns Jack MacCauley, Phil Higgins, Tim Geller, Anas Abu-Taleb, Darcy Southern and Kristina Hon worked diligently over the summer across all parts of the refinery including operations, the laboratory, commercial and engineering.

The interns, pictured with their supervisors, were all given meaningful real life projects which they presented to the refinery's management team.

Crude Tank on track

Viva Energy's new crude tank investment of \$50 million is proceeding well.

Residents will see the new tank from Station Street; it is now six levels tall, with one more level to go. So far there has been over 40 kilometres of welding.

The tank roof is being finalised, with more than 160 different parts. Once this is complete the tank will be painted, tested, connected and commissioned. It will be fully operational in Quarter 4 in 2017.





Norlane Community Centre

Rose Avenue, Norlane. Phone 5275-8124. E-mail: admin@norlanecc.com.au
Office Hours: 9am-5pm Monday to Friday

Items for community groups

The Norlane Community Centre is seeking expressions of interest from Community Organisations that could use the following items which the centre is offering for free.

- Indoor carpet bowls set.
- Volleyball net and poles.
- Badminton set.
- Indoor netball hoop and two balls.
- Covered in 6 x 4 trailer, which is suitable for an organisation with a garden crew or does outdoor functions. The trailer has a built-in barbecue and table. It is registered until September 2017 and insured.

Groups can forward their expressions of interest to Bruce at admin@norlanecc. com.au









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PROGRAMS AND GROUPS AT NORLANE

Tai Chi for all abilities

Classes are held every Tuesday from 10am–11.30am for beginners and those who have had previous experience of Tai Chi. Wear comfortable clothing and flat shoes. The group also maintains garden beds to grow its own vegetables, which are shared amongst the group. Contact Monika on 5281–7175 or Maureen 5275–3939.

Tuesday art group

Would you like to paint in a friendly, comfortable self-help group? Come and join the group every Tuesday from 9am until 1pm and have a cuppa. All art mediums are invited and the cost is \$4. The art group members also have a garden plot for growing their own vegetables.

Craft and friendship

Come and enjoy afternoon tea and a laugh with a group of talented people of all ages, every Friday from 1pm-3pm. This is an opportunity to share your craft ideas or learn something new. Bring your own materials. Cost \$1.

Norlane Community Fruit, Herb & Vegetable Garden

Norlane Community Fruit, Herb and Vegetable Garden is self-managed by residents of all ages, cultures and abilities, to grow fresh healthy fruit and vegetables for their own use. If you are interested in your own vegie

patch, contact Tabatha on 5275-8124.

Tool Pool

Need to mow the lawn but can't afford the cost of a mower or hiring someone? Become a member of NCC Tool Pool and hire a lawnmower for a \$5 yearly Tool Pool membership and \$5 mower hire fee. No whipper snippers or brush cutters available for hire, but there are some hand tools and wheelbarrows that are free to borrow.

The Tool Pool operates on Tuesday and Friday from 9am to noon. Inquiries 5275-8124

Computers

Computers are available for community use at Norlane Community Centre.

Community use is free for one hour on Friday and \$2 per hour at other times, unless computer classes are being held. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Photocopying, laminating and faxes

Norlane Community Centre can photocopy, laminate or send faxes for a minimum cost.

Munch 'n Crunch



Munch 'n' Crunch Catering provides healthy, gourmet food to customers, while being a hospitality training venue for Encompass Community Services participants.

Munch 'n' Crunch is committed to tailoring products and services to the needs of customers. They understand that every function is different and that people may have special dietary needs. Visit the website to find out more on www.encompass-cs.org.au/mnc.

To place an order or to discuss your specific requirements, call 5274-2242, or email mnc@encompass-cs.org.au.

Munch 'n' Crunch is open Monday to Friday from 8am until 2pm.

Northern Futures Work and Learning Centre



Northern Futures is running four courses:

- Certificate II in Warehousing Operations program.
- 2. Getting Ahead Program.
- Certificate III in Individual Support Program.
- 4. Certificate II in Business Basics Program.
- 5. Certificate III in Health Services Assistant Program.
- 6. Construction Skill Set Taster Program.

For further details contact:

- Barbara Ryan, phone 0475-505-225, email barb.northernfutures@ qmail.com
- Anna Dobrovoljni, phone 0427-722-020, email anna. northernfutures@gmail.com
- Bryan Moore, phone 0407 911 232, email bryan.northerfutures@gmail. com
- Amy Parker, 0407-594-193, email amy.northernfutures@gmail.com

Café now open at Norlane

Munch 'n' Crunch has opened an outdoor café in the gardens of the Norlane Community Centre.

You can follow the pink footsteps around the building to the kitchen window, place your order and enjoy a coffee sitting amongst the gorgeous garden setting. Mums and kids are welcome.

Munch 'n' Crunch Catering also provides healthy, gourmet food to customers, while being a hospitality training venue for Encompass Community Services participants. The staff are committed to tailoring their catering to match your needs.

Munch 'n' Crunch also has a home delivery meal service and is NDIS

approved. Its opening hours are Monday to Friday, 8am-2pm. The Café is open Monday to Friday from 10am-2pm.

For more information phone 5274–2242, email mnc@encompass-cs.org. au, visit the website www.encompass-cs.org.au/mnc, or check it out on Facebook and Instagram

MnC Café Menu

Monday to Friday 10am to 2pm
Toasted Panini \$5.50
Fresh sandwiches or wraps \$6
Handmade Pie served with salad & chips \$10
Wedges with sour cream and sweet chilli sauce \$8
Chips and gravy \$8
Nachos with salsa, sour cream & guacamole \$8
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Fresh garden salad \$9.50 All extras \$2 each (chicken, ham, egg & mayo)

Something Sweet

Freshly made muffins \$3 each
Taster plate for one \$6 (samples of freshly made sweet treats)
Slice or Cake of the day – please ask our friendly staff for today's selection

Drinks

Cans of soft drink \$2 Cup of tea \$3 Cappuccino \$3.50 Latte \$3.50 Hot Chocolate \$3.50



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"I'm proud to work for the company that supplies more than half of Victoria's fuel."

Jessica, Viva Energy Geelong Refinery Employee



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