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OUR COVER: Goldsworthy Reserve in Corio will host the 2018 Geelong Highland Gathering on Sunday, March 18. Highland Gathering Association President John Jordan and Vice-President Jim Hunter are preparing for the event. SEE Page 3 for all the details.



Editor's letter

Welcome to 2018 and Edition 55, which covers events and activities in the 3214 postcode area during Term 1.

As another year begins, I hope there are things in your life to be optimistic about. Some families will be sending their children to school for the first time; others will enter their secondary schooling. There will also be families starting the year without the school routine for the first time in many years. It's a whole new routine to adjust to.

The new year might be a time you're getting ready to return to work or study, or you might be facing it for the first time. Good luck to all of you and remember that there are probably others in your shoes who are feeling exactly the same as you.

The new City of Greater Geelong council has had a couple of months to settle in and get to work on the issues affecting our region. We report on the election result on Page 7 of this edition, introducing your two Windermere Ward councillors, Anthony Aitken and Kylie Grzybek.

I hope you find something of interest in this edition and take a good look at the many opportunities in the area, especially the chance to get to know your local neighbourhood house/ community centre. Rosewall, Norlane and Cloverdale activities are all included, thanks to support from their staff and committees of management.

Jeanette Watt
Editor, on behalf of the Editorial Committee

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Pipe band champs in Corio



Goldsworthy Reserve in Corio will come to life with the sound of bagpipes, the sight of Scottish dancing and games, the smell of delicious food and lots of family fun when it hosts the 2018 Geelong Highland Gathering on Sunday, March 18.

The event will also host the Victorian Pipe Band Championships for the third time since 2009.

Organisers were happy with the Corio venue last year and hope creating a permanent home at Goldsworthy Reserve will see the Gathering enjoy growing support, especially from 3214 area residents.

The 2018 Gathering will include the

South Pacific Heavy Scottish Games Championships, Highland Dancing competitions, Scottish Country dancing, 42nd Highland Regiment and New Varangian Guard historic re-enactment groups and Clan and heritage associations.

It was also feature sword play demonstrations, Scottish-Celtic folk music, whisky tasting, haggis and other Scottish foods and a Scottish Dogs' show.

The highlight of the day will be the massed pipe bands at the end of the day's activities. There will also be a Scottish faire market with food, souvenir, clothing and other stalls, as well as free children's activities.

Financial support by Geelong Major Events and Geelong Connected Communities, as well as in kind support from the Geelong Advertiser Group, is assisting organisers to stage the event.

The 2018 Highland Gathering will be held at Goldsworthy Reserve on Sunday, March 18. It will run from 9am and conclude with a massed pipe bands display at 5pm. Entry is \$15 for adults, \$10 concession, \$8 children 5-16 years, \$40 family ticket (two adults, two children) and free for children under five.

For more information go to www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au.



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Every Thursday during term 4-7pm, for 12-25 year olds	Thursday Night Drop In Activities and evening meal. Free	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074
Every Friday during term 4-5.30pm, for 12-25 year olds	Friday Night Drop In Activities and evening meal. Free.	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074
Tuesday, January 30 2-3pm	How do I use this? Explaining gadgets and gifts received at Christmas.	Corio Library, Cox Road, Corio	5275-2388
Tuesday, February 6, 2-3pm	Resume writing workshop	Corio Library, Cox Road, Corio	5275-2388
Wednesday, February 7 3-4pm	Scam watch and cyber safety talk	Corio Library, Cox Road, Corio	5275-2388
Saturday, February 17 9.30am-11am	Cloverdale Food Swap	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415
Tuesday, February 20, 2-3pm	Creating photo books	Corio Library, Cox Road, Corio	5275-2388
Saturday, March 10 11am-3pm	Rosewall Festival	Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre 36 Sharland Road, Corio	5275-7409
Saturday, March 17 9.30am-11am	Cloverdale Food Swap	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415
Sunday, March 18 9am-5pm	Highland Gathering featuring pipe bands, food, stalls and entertainment.	Goldsworthy Reserve, Corio www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au	
Friday, March 23, 7pm	Open mic Family-friendly, all performers welcome. Gold coin entry.	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio	5275-4415

To have your community event listed in future editions, email the information to info@northerlyaspects.org.au with What's On in the subject line.

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Norlane Child and Family Centre, 52-56 Gerbera Avenue, Norlane



All welcome at Corio library

Corio Library's new branch librarian, Subha Simpson, wants to invite everyone in the community to 5275-7409 know what the library service has to offer.

Subha started as branch librarian at Corio last August and is enthusiastically embracing the local community and planning for future opportunities to engage residents.

"It's a busy library, with an average of 500 to 600 people coming in every day," Subha said.

"Computer and wi-fi use is astronomical, which is great because it means we're providing an important service for the local community. We know there are a lot of people in our area who don't have computer or internet access at home and we're happy to support them."

Corio Library, which is part of the Geelong Regional Library Corporation's network of 16 branches and two mobiles across the region, connects its members and visitors to the full regional collection of over 400,000 items. Collection items can be requested from any branch and will be made available for picking up at Corio.

Subha said the library aims to engage

children from soon after birth and keep them coming back into adulthood.

"The babies come through the Maternal Child Health nurses who hold their sessions here," Subha said. "They then move on to Toddler Time and Story Time. Once they start school we see them after school, on Saturdays and during holidays, when we often run special programs."

Subha said the library aims to continue the life-long relationship by welcoming secondary and university students and helping with their study needs.

Job seekers are regular visitors when updating and printing their resume, while adult learners, craft and general interest groups are also based there.

Subha leads seven staff at the library, including two specialist children's librarians. She said she's always looking for ways to involve the local community. "This is their space and we want them to take ownership, so please call in and talk to us about what you'd like to see here."

Corio Library is open Monday to Saturday and is located in Cox Road, near the corner of Moa Street.



Coming up

Corio Library will offer several special programs and classes in February. They include:

Resume writing on Tuesday, February 6, 2-3pm.

Scam watch and cyber safety on Wednesday, February 7, 3-4pm.

Creating photobooks on Tuesday, February 20, 2-3pm.

How do I use this? A question and answer session on Tuesday, January 30, 2-3pm to explain gadgets and gifts you may have received for Christmas.

For more information, call into the library or phone 5275-2388 or visit Geelong Regional Library Corporation's website: www.grlc.vic.gov.au.

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Life's a beach in the north

Residents in Geelong's north have a new and improved beach right on their doorstep thanks to a partnership between the City of Greater Geelong and the Victorian Government.

The project involved reconstructing the beach at Moorpanyal Park, North Shore from approximately 3000 cubic metres of sand, brought in from Point Richards.

Natural sand was used to reconstruct the beach, making it between 15–20 metres wider than the previously narrow sand strip beach.

The project has significantly improved the look of the beach and will maximise its use and provide more



recreation opportunities for residents in Corio, Norlane and North Shore. The picturesque, yet underused area is home to the popular Moorpanyal Park 1000 open water swim, held in February each year.

The project was managed by the City thanks to a \$150,000 funding grant from the Victorian Government. City of

Greater Geelong Director City Services Guy Wilson-Browne said the project has improved the look and feel of the beach and will provide many recreational opportunities for local residents.

The 2018 Moorpanyal Park 1000 will be held on Saturday, February 24. The event is a free open water swim and will start at 9am sharp, with registration from 8am. The distance is 1000 metres and trophies will be awarded in several age group categories.

Moorpanyal Park is on the corner of The Esplanade and Seabeach Parade, North Shore.



A Happy New Year
to everyone in
our College Community
and in the wider
3214 community



New council gets to work



Anthony Aitken and Kylie Grzybek are Corio and Norlane's representatives on the newly-elected City of Greater Geelong Council.

Cr Aitken and Cr Grzybek were the successful candidates elected for Windermere Ward in the postal ballot held in October. Their Ward includes Norlane, Corio, Lara, Anakie and Batesford.

Cr Aitken has previously served as a councillor on the former Shire of Corio and was a City of Greater Geelong 16 years ago, while Cr Grzybek is new to local government. They will serve on the council for the next three years.

Cr Aitken said he and Cr Grzybek are both committed to working together, and with all levels of government, to

get the best results for the northern suburbs.

"We hope to get out and about in the north to meet with as many community members and organisations as possible," Cr Aitken said. "We want to promote the area and include the north in council decision making."

The new council is:

Stephanie Asher, Jim Mason and Trent Sullivan (Bellarine Ward).

Eddy Kontelj, Sarah Mansfield and Peter Murrihy (Brownbill Ward).

Bruce Harwood, Ron Nelson and Pat Murnane (Kardinia Ward).

Anthony Aitken and Kylie Grzybek (Windermere Ward).

The new council elected Cr Bruce Harwood to serve as Mayor for the next two years, while Cr Peter Murrihy was elected Deputy Mayor.

For general inquiries and to have staff pass on messages and invites to councillors, phone the Mayor and Councillor Office, 5272-5294, between 9am and 5pm.

To contact Cr Aitken, email AAitken@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or phone 0434-307-044.

To contact Cr Grzybek, email KGrzybek@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or phone 0434-307-043.

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Little Birdie Pop-Up Cafe is open

The Little Birdie Pop-up Café, is now open for business from 7am to 1pm Monday to Friday on the Baptcare site at 39 Robin Avenue, Norlane.

Residents and visitors to the area can grab a coffee and something to eat all while helping the local community. All profits from the café are supporting neighbourhood initiatives in Norlane.

The Little Birdie is mobile and can also be hired on weekends and weeknights to provide coffees or to cater events in and around Geelong.

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Chloe finds satisfaction in work



Chloe Villinger was a stay-at-home mum with two young children when she decided it was time to establish a career for herself.

"I was struggling a bit at home and a friend recommended Northern Futures program, so I decided to see what it would offer me," Chloe said.

Chloe grew up in Norlane and after leaving school had jobs in food processing and preparation, but had also spent time out of the workforce looking after her young family.

With help from her Northern Futures Work and Learning Advisor, Chloe decided to complete a Certificate II in Warehousing Operations, delivered at Northern Futures by The Gordon. The course includes forklift and first aid training.

Chloe also qualified for a Viva Energy Role Model Scholarship, which gave her the financial support she needed to access training.

The Role Model Scholarships program was set up to help jobseekers from Geelong's northern suburbs overcome financial barriers to training and employment. More than 25 people have been supported by the scholarship program since February 2016 and 80 per cent of those jobseekers have already found work.

For Chloe, the scholarship made all the difference. "I'm extremely grateful to



Viva Energy. Without the scholarship, I wouldn't have been able to do the course. It really did change my life."

At the Northern Futures warehousing graduation, Chloe was recognised with the Safest Forklift Driver Award and is now employed by Quality Wool, where she works in their North Geelong warehousing operation.

"I'm really enjoying this role. The guys are nice to work with and I'm enjoying the routine of the job. Knowing that I can do something for myself has been a big thing. I feel so much stronger in myself and I am better able to support myself and the kids. Everything is good."

Gale's work on show



Northern suburbs artist Gale Jarmyn topped off a successful 2017 with an exhibition in central Geelong.

Gale (pictured) exhibited her prints and etchings at Karingallery in November

and was also part of the Art In The Neighbourhood, conducted by Barwon Network of Neighbourhood Houses at the Geelong Library and Heritage Centre.

New shopping centre site

The City of Greater Geelong is boosting its customer service in the north, by developing a new purpose-built customer service centre in Corio Shopping Centre.

The City has leased a new shopfront in the centre, located next to Shyne Dental Clinic. It has replaced the nearby booth that the City previously operated the service from.

City of Greater Geelong Executive Manager People and Organisation Development Andrew Keen said the new shopfront gives the City a bigger, purpose-built space where people can speak to staff, get information and make transactions.

"Social equity is a key focus for the City, and this new shopfront makes it easier for residents in the north to access our services," he said.

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The Norlane community recently joined Baptcare in their celebrations to recognise the start of construction of the 90-bed residential aged care facility and community hub being built in Robin Avenue, Norlane.

Through this development, much-needed accommodation and care will be provided to older people in Norlane and locals will have better access to specialised physiotherapy services, a new gymnasium, consulting suites for allied health and a new café via the community hub.

It was great to see more than 40 people including local government, local businesses, project stakeholders, and neighbours attend the event.

Baptcare is grateful to all who came and supported the day. They will keep residents up to date as the development takes shape and look forwards to the development being complete by Spring 2018



Breaking ground. Federal Member for Corangamite Sarah Henderson MP and Baptcare General Manager Property Ray Bongiorno.

Reference Group

The Baptcare Community Reference Group continues to meet and is open to anyone who wishes to get involved with contributing to the project. Contact simon.reeves@urbanseed.org for more information.

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 keeping up-to-date with the project. Updates will also be published in Northerly Aspects.

About Baptcare

Baptcare is a purpose driven and faith based organisation working across Victoria and Tasmania, providing care to the community for more than 70 years.

MEMBER FOR LARA, JOHN EREN

New health facility is coming

As the Member for Lara, I'm pleased to report that the Victorian Government is investing \$33 million into the northern suburbs of Geelong to provide state-of-the-art healthcare facilities.

These facilities will meet the growing needs of the community and provide access to modern and advanced services.

The health of families and children is a top priority and building world leading health facilities is one of the many ways the Victorian Government is building a healthy Victoria.

The new Barwon Health North



facility will be located in Norlane and will be built on a portion of the Northern Arts Recreation and Community (ARC) site that also houses the Waterworld Aquatic Centre, Corio Library and Centenary Hall.

This location was chosen after listening to the community, consulting with users and working

with the Council. The new facility is aligned with the City of Greater Geelong's masterplan to redevelop the site into an integrated health and well-being precinct and best placed to provide high quality, accessible healthcare close to the Princes Highway and public transport.

Early works on the site began in late November 2017.

Short term car registration

I'm pleased to be a member of a Government delivering more flexible registration options to ease cost of living pressures for millions of Victorians.

New three and six-month registration options will allow people to pay less up-front and spread the cost of registration renewal across

the year, to better suit the family budget. We will continue to take action where we can to support Victorian families and reduce their cost of living.

From January 1, 2018 owners of cars, utes, vans, motorcycles and other light vehicles are able to make the switch to shorter term registration,

or continue with an annual registration fee.

Under the new arrangements, an average three-month registration will be \$200.20, an average six month registration will cost \$400.40, compared to an average annual fee of \$800.80.

Help is available:

Many people do not know the assistance they can receive from their local State Member of Parliament's office. As your state representative, I'm here to assist you with any State Government matter

including education, health, public housing, main roads and public transport to name a few.

Applications for commemorative letters such as 100th birthday and

60th wedding anniversary letters from the Queen, or 90th birthday and 50th wedding anniversary letters from the Prime Minister can also be requested from my office.

Hon. John Eren 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.

STEAM hub at school

The Ford STEAM Hub is a new and exciting collaborative project involving Northern Bay College and the Ford Motor Company of Australia. Ford has been such an important employer in Geelong for many years and its engineers have been working with College students since 2015, supporting the Lego robotics program.

Last year, as Ford was closing its production line in Australia, in a gesture of support they contacted the college to set up a formal partnership in order to retain the Ford brand in Geelong, as well as support students in the development of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematical skills. Employment in STEAM, as is it commonly called, is the future for many younger people.

Ford provided funding from the sale of the last three vehicles off their production line to establish a Ford STEAM Hub at the Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre, which is hosted on the Goldsworthy Campus site.

The new partnership has also seen Ford employ a dedicated STEAM leader to work with Northern Bay and a school in Broadmeadows. It will provide engineers to mentor students at the Ford STEAM Hub, offer work experience to students at Ford, provide real world problems for students to work on, support student and staff excursions to Ford, allow access to the Ford makerspace and assist with the Formula One in Schools project.



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Adventure and fun for kids

Children are having fun and helping plan, design and implement public art in 3214 through a project at Cloverdale Community Centre.

Cloverdale is a northern suburbs base for PhD student Clare Walton, whose area of expertise is socially-engaged design. Clare (pictured) is working with the community, especially children, to design and implement art projects in public space.

A series of Kids' Urban Dreaming days started in late 2017 and will continue this year. "These activities are about using adventure play as an art tool," Claire said.

"Basically, we're giving kids pieces of timber, hammers, nails, saws and other tools and letting them go for it. The project is about the kids being creative with safe boundaries."

As well as basic construction, the urban dreaming activities include play, cooking, art, film and photography. Clare is also working with schools in the northern suburbs as part of her project.

For information about the next Kids' Urban Dreaming day, contact Cloverdale phone 5275-4415.



Kids' Urban Dreaming activities will continue at Cloverdale Community Centre in 2018. Picture: Matt Bonner

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Learning by doing



Scouts are making a comeback to the 3214 area as the population changes and new young families are moving in.

Like all youth organisations, Scouts have had their ups and downs over the years. Now, with a lot of young families moving in, the cycle is starting over and the Norlane West Scout Group, in Donnybrook Road, Norlane West is restarting.

The group is catering for Joey Scouts, aged five to eight, and Cub Scouts, age eight to 10-and-a-half, at Donnybrook Road, and Scouts 10-and-a-half to 14-and-a-half.

Group leader Ian Munro said Scouting is all about education for life. "Our adventurous programs teach practical

life skills for every age group, and we help young people develop into strong, resilient adults who are also confident leaders," he said.

"Our programs are so effective and valued that schools, universities and other education programs give credit for achievements made in Scouting. Over the past century, more than a billion young people have been 'learning by doing' through the global Scouting movement.

"Instead of learning in a formal way, our members have been getting their hands dirty, independently solving problems and learning from their mistakes. We emphasise active learning for young people through adventure and challenge."

Scouts Victoria has 17,500 youth members and 5000 volunteer leaders, all proving that adventure and the Scouting way are a wonderful way to learn, whatever your age.

"Of course, for all of this to operate successfully, there is also a need for trained leaders," Ian said. "Scouts can provide that training for interested people, so if you are considering something to do in the community, talk to us about the possibility of becoming a leader."

For more information, contact Group Leader Ian Munro, gl.norlanewest@vicscouts.asn.au, phone 0408-344-241, or visit the Scouts Victoria web site <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au>.



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.



Baptcare has opened The Little Birdie Pop-up Café, at 39 Robin Avenue, Norlane. The cafe is open from 7am to 1pm Monday to Friday. All profits from the café are supporting neighbourhood initiatives in Norlane.



Cloverdale Community Centre took local residents on a mystery bus tour that included a tour of a former hotel at Steiglitz, lunch at Anakie Gorge and games and activities at Anakie Community Centre. The bus trip resulted from the centre's 2017 community survey, which revealed residents would like access to outings. More trips are planned for 2018.



Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre delivered its first Hair and Beauty course in Term 4. The course was a huge success with 10 students completing successfully. They covered manicures, pedicures, make-up for work and glamour make-up, and trends hairstyles including braiding, curling and up-styles. Rosewall will be running this course again in 2018.



A massed display of pipe bands will be among the highlights of the 2018 Highland Gathering, to be held at Goldsworthy Reserve in Corio on Sunday, March 18. Organisers have a full program of entertainment planned, starting at 9am. There'll be food, dancing, Scottish games, a market and marching bands. For more information go to www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au.



Television presenter Catriona Rowntree is heading up a new local campaign to tackle dumped rubbish. Catriona, who calls the Geelong region home, is featuring in a series of short videos, billboards and advertising. The main message of the campaign is that there is no excuse for dumping rubbish, especially when many items such as TVs, whitegoods, scrap metal, electrical items and excess household recycling can be dropped off for free at the City's Geelong Resource Recovery Centre.



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Summer was just around the corner when the new Play Learn Read Garden at the Northern Bay Family Centre in Goldsworthy Road was launched to celebrate funding from the Bank of Melbourne, through the Ardoch Foundation. The children had a great time and are enjoying the new garden.

Have your say about community buildings



The City of Greater Geelong has 500-plus social infrastructure buildings worth more than \$250million for the community to access. They include community centres, meeting spaces, sports pavilions, libraries, kindergartens, senior citizen's centres and maternal and child health centres.

As part of the review, the City wants to engage with the community on the planning principles underpinning the plan.

To ensure these buildings can meet the needs of the community now and into the future, the City has developed a 15-year plan to assist and guide the planning, investment and delivery of Social Infrastructure.

A range of focus groups were held during December 2017 providing opportunities for people to be involved. To find out more, visit www.geelongaustralia.com.au and type in Social Infrastructure Plan 2014-2031.



Festival success

The City of Greater Geelong is grateful to all the event holders who supported the 2017 Geelong Seniors Festival by hosting an event during October. Feedback from the community about the events on offer has been very positive.

opportunity for clubs to engage with the community and promote their activities. If your club or organisation is interested in hosting an event for the 2018 festival, please email contactus@geelongcity.vic.gov.au and request to be included on the mailing list.

The festival provides a fantastic



Looking for something to do?



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Volunteers provide an extremely valuable service and, just as importantly, they do this in such a friendly way that it makes a great difference in many people's lives.

Why not think about joining the Corio volunteer team?

All you need is enthusiasm and a smile and about two hours to spare on a weekly or fortnightly basis. This is a valuable and rewarding service and volunteers enjoy the social nature of their role.

If you would like to find out more details, please contact City of Greater Geelong Volunteer Officer, Grant Hawkins, on 5272-4169 or email ghawkins@geelongcity.vic.gov.au



Make every drop count

Number one in importance in the garden during summer is to make sure that both you and your children wear a hat and sunscreen – particularly on the face, ears, back of the neck and the arms. It's not enjoyable to discover you have skin cancer at a later date.

Number two consideration during summer is water. Remember to make every drop count – deep watering once a week in early morning or evening and cover with mulch, rather than more frequent light watering, will ensure your plants are kept in a healthy condition. Frequent light watering is inefficient and is mostly lost in evaporation.

Insects are very active during the hot weather and steps need to be taken to reduce their assault on your garden. Consider other aspects of the insect world, as the flow-on effect of many insecticides will cause problems with birds and beneficial insects, which may eat or come in contact with bugs.

An environmentally-friendly method is to use a soap-based spray, either

commercial or home-made, which will suffocate most pests when lightly sprayed over the area. This means there are also no residual chemicals going into the soil.

Roses are one plant that flourish during the hot weather. Hot weather may burn the tender shoots and dry out the flowers, but deadheading the plant during the cooler time of the day will ensure that flowering will continue until the end of the season. They will also need to be sprayed to prevent aphids and black spot – this should also be done after the heat level is low – either evening or very early morning.

For some colour in your summer garden, have you ever considered marigolds? These are an old favourite, ranging in height from 15 centimetres to a metre in height. The larger species have balls of bright gold or orange while the smaller ones have yellow and orange flowers. Some have brown overtones. They are all very striking and have the added benefit of repelling thrip and other bugs, particularly if planted amongst tomato plants. Just

watch out for slugs and snails when the plants are small.

Vegetables to be planted at the end of this quarter include beetroot, Brussels sprouts, carrots, lettuce, onions, peas and silverbeet, as well as broad beans for winter harvesting.

February/March is the time to plant your spring flowering bulbs, giving them plenty of time to be established. My favourites are jonquils (both double and single) for their colour and gorgeous perfume; snowflakes, which look great in those cool, shaded moist places in the garden; hyacinth, which perfumes your house when planted in indoor pots; and freesia with its varied and colourful flowers and delicate fragrance.

If you wish to plant tulips, buy pre-chilled bulbs or place them in the refrigerator for about a week before planting.

Betty





Cloverdale Community Centre

167-169 Purnell Road Corio, VIC 3214. Phone: 03 5275 4415

E-mail: info@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au or courses@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au

Web: www.cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au Office Hours: 9am-3:30pm Monday to Friday

2013 LEARN LOCAL LEGEND

Help to navigate myGov

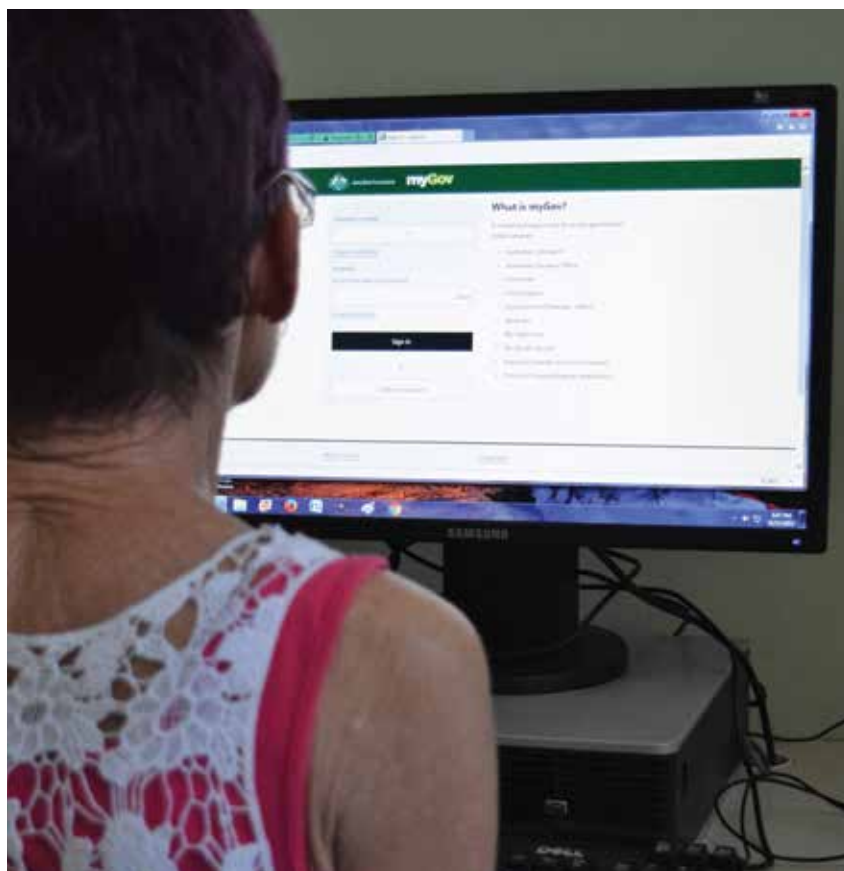
Are you having trouble getting started with myGov? Would you like some help to grow your confidence using it?

MyGov is the secure way to access government services online, using one login and one password. Those services include Centrelink, Medicare, NDIS, tax and medical information.

Cloverdale Community Centre wants to help local residents become more confident using myGov and is running free, informal sessions, starting on February 7. The first session will run from 10am until 11.30am, using the centre's public use computers.

Future sessions will focus on a different type device each month, including tablets and phones.

Bookings will be limited to six places per session and can be made by phoning the centre on 5275-4415 or email info@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au.



Coming up at Cloverdale

Kids Urban Dreaming

Follow us on Facebook for details and dates @CloverdaleCommunityCentre @urbancampfordreaming

Children and youth will work with Melbourne artist, Clare Walton to create works in an under 18s only area. The area will feature junkyard building, arts and crafts, an urban camp fire, music

and fun with the children and youth setting the rules.

Open Mic Night

Friday, March 23 from 7pm.
Contact: 5275-4415 or info@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au.
Cost: Gold coin donation.
Bookings required for performers.
Access features: Wheelchair accessible.

Cloverdale Food Swap

Saturday, February 17 from 9.30am-11am.
Saturday, March 17 from 9.30am-11am.
Saturday, April 14 from 9.30am-11am.

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: A great musical gathering for those that have a grasp of the basics and want to refine their skills including; performing, strumming and chord progressions. 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.

Scrapbooking:

Enjoy a creative morning of scrapbooking and socialising. Suitable for beginners through to advanced scrapbookers. Mondays, 11.30am-1.30pm. \$2 amenities plus \$8 for materials per session.

FOOD AND GARDEN

Community Kitchen: Learn and share your knowledge of cooking, meet new people in a relaxed and friendly environment. 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.

Cloverdale Garden: Come along for some gardening fun. Help grow our community garden, share tips, learn new skills and meet new friends. Call 5275-4415 to find out more.

Pop-up Café & Games: Enjoy a social afternoon of cards, board games, table tennis and conversation in our Pop-up Café. Afternoon tea and barista coffee is available at affordable prices. Wednesdays from 1pm.

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.

No Falls with Dee Martin: A gentle introduction to exercise with a focus on preventing or reducing the risk of falls, achieved through exercises to improve muscle strength, balance and increased mobility. Tuesdays, 10-10.45am. \$5 per session.

T.O.W.N Club (Take Off Weight Naturally)

For more information contact the Club Secretary on 0428-517-364. Meet every Thursday, 9am-11am

CHILDREN AND PARENTS

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

Preparing to Perform

Corio creative Ian Burrows, has spent many years learning how to master pre-performance nerves and make them work for him. He has worked as a musician and teacher and is well known for his drumming and trombone skills.

Ian (pictured) is also an avid painter and currently has art work on display at Cloverdale Community Centre.

He understands that our whole of life is a stage, and at some point we all find ourselves performing out of our comfort zone. Whether you need to ace an interview as a job seeker, are an aspiring musician or simply someone who finds talking with other people challenging, Learn Local's 'Preparing to Perform' program is a creative way to increase your confidence and prepare you to succeed.

For more information about this creative way to boost self-confidence, call the centre on 5275-4415.



Term 1 2018

Call to book: Cloverdale 5275 4415

PROGRAM	Starting	Day	Time	Full Fee	Concession
Computers					
Getting Started with Computers (8 weeks)	January 29	Monday	9.30am-noon	\$180	\$90
Developing Computers - the next step (10 weeks)	February 2	Friday	9.30am-noon	\$220	\$115
Communicating with Digital Devices (10 weeks)	TBA	TBA	TBA	\$220	\$115
Vocational and Employment Skills					
Develop An Arts Practice (10 weeks) - move from art as a hobby to art as a vocation	January 31	Wednesday	1pm-3.30pm	\$220	\$115
Preparing to Perform - Using creativity to build employability (8 weeks)	February 1	Thursday	6.30pm-9pm	\$210	\$90
Introduction to Barista Skills	January 31	Wednesday	9.30am-11.30am	FREE	FREE
Well, Wise and Wonderful - women's personal development program (10 weeks)	February 2	Friday	10am-noon	FREE	FREE
Literacy and Numeracy Programs					
Tell My Story - work with a professional journalist and publish a book about you. (8 weeks)	January 31	Wednesday	12.30pm-3pm	\$180	\$90
Introduction to Songwriting (8 weeks)	February 1	Thursday	6.30pm-9pm	\$195	\$80

Community focus in campaign

Neighbourhood Houses and Community Houses in the 3214 area are supporting a campaign to raise State Government awareness of what they do, and ask for increased funding for their work.

Every week, more than 188,000 people access Neighbourhood Houses in Victoria, including Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre, Norlane Community Centre and Cloverdale Community Centre. Throughout the state they deliver more than 10,000 programs every week.

The centres provide different things to different people, including training and education, employment pathways, youth pathways, family violence support, food security and emergency

management. They also support community resilience, positive ageing, digital inclusion, social enterprises, new arrivals and refugees.

"Neighbourhood Houses are all about people, not buildings. They help communities help themselves by developing and delivering services and programs that specifically respond to the needs of the communities in which they operate," Neighbourhood Houses Victoria CEO Bridget Gardner said.

"Every week Neighbourhood Houses face increasing needs and costs yet have experienced an erosion of their funding," Ms Gardner said.

The campaign is encouraging residents to write to the Minister for Families, Children and Youth Affairs Jenny

Mikakos to ask the State Government to show support for Neighbourhood Houses by increasing funding so they can meet their community's needs.

It is also asking the government to support the houses that don't receive any funding, and increase funding to Neighbourhood House networks so they can support staff and volunteer committees.

Postcards are available at local Neighbourhood House and Community Centres to support the campaign. Residents can collect a card, filling in their details and mail it to the Minister.

Neighbourhood Houses:
WE DELIVER!
WILL YOU?





Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre

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

New manager at Rosewall



Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre is pleased to announce the recent appointment of a new manager, Deborah Humphreys (pictured).

Deborah's background is in community development, engagement and education. She has worked in Neighbourhood Renewal, health promotion, community engagement for bushfire safety, and recently social housing.

A key project worked on was

establishing the Family Centre at Northern Bay College on Goldsworthy road, engaging families and children in further education.

Deborah said: "I am looking forward to working collaboratively with volunteers, staff and partners at Rosewall NC. Rosewall NC has a vibrant reputation and I plan to build on the strengths of the centre in collaboration with others.

"In the new year I am meeting with participants and staff of the centre

to identify their future aspirations and together with the Committee of Management continue the great work already achieved. Please feel free to contact me or visit Rosewall NC to see what makes this such a friendly Neighbourhood Centre."

In the meantime, the centre bids farewell and thanks Gabby for her work and leadership over the last four years and wish her all the best for her new and exciting venture.

Practical work skills programs

Our work skills programs have been designed with a further study or employment outcome in mind. All courses are practical hands-on with a bit of theory mixed in. Contact us to find out more.

Beauty Therapy and Hair Styling

Learn how to present yourself and others for work and social occasions by discovering the current trends in make-up, hair styles, nails, skin care and basic treatments.

Become a Tutor/Facilitator – Share your passion with others

Do you have a talent, a skill, particular knowledge or a craft and want to share it with others? We'll help you make the transition to tutor and facilitator, which is a skill all on its own. Learn topics such as adult learning principles, learning styles, how to plan and organise group learning, presentation skills,

developing effective learning resources and classroom management.

Business Administration

It doesn't matter what industry you work in business administration skills are a must. Learn how to complete usual work tasks on a computer, organise and prioritise your work day, work in a team, answer a business telephone, make professional phone calls, use common office equipment and deal with customers.

Café Skills

Café Skills – includes Food Handlers Certificate, barista skills, food preparation, customer service and money handling.

Get Ready for Work

Plan the steps in building your career around your interests and strengths,

develop a resume and cover letters and practice your interview skills. Gain confidence in looking for a job – know what to say, what to wear and how to present yourself. Learn the skills that employers are looking for.

Child Care – Introduction

Learn some hands on practical skills that all child care workers need. This course will help build your confidence to enter child care studies, gain an Australian Apprenticeship or volunteer as a babysitter.



Activities and Groups at Hendy Street

Group		Contact
Bayside Active Adults	Mondays 10.45am–11.45am	Lesia 5200-0146
Cloverdale Calisthenics College	Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturday mornings	Mandy 0418-559-241
Corio Kyokushin Karate	Mondays and Wednesdays 6.30pm	Scott 0418-335-355
Geelong Buccaneers Grid Iron Club	American Grid Iron Football – training and matches	Melissa 0430-494-434
GKR Karate	Fridays 6.30pm–7.30pm	Luke 0450-011-654
Northside Christian Church	Church Service – Sunday mornings Youth Group – Fridays 7pm	Stephen 0405-104-610
TAEKWON – DO	Geelong Taekwon-do trains weekly. Thursdays 6.30pm–7.30pm	Phil Zdybel 0418-513-981

Check out our website www.rosewallinc.org.au for details and costs.

Drop in at 36 Sharland Road, Corio or call us on 5275-7409.

CREATIVE ARTS

Create a Vision Board

Achieve your goals and dreams through the creative process of making a vision board.

Painting and Drawing

All experience levels. Work closely with a tutor. Limited numbers.

Painting and Drawing – Open Studio

All experience levels. Work with your chosen medium with some assistance from our tutor.

Painting and Drawing – Advanced/Portfolio Preparation

Work closely with our tutor to develop your study/professional portfolio. Limited numbers.

Pottery – Open studio

Bring your own projects.

Pottery with Mel from Claymart

Contact Mel at mel@claymart.com.au for all enquires.

COMPUTERS

Computer Café

Join us on Thursday mornings. Staff are available to answer questions. Bring your own smart phone, tablet/ iPad or laptop, or use ours.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Conversational English – Beginning

If you are new to speaking English, come and practice your conversation skills with others.

Conversational English – Continuing

If you know a bit of English, come and practice speaking, reading and writing English with others.

English Conversation Playgroup.

Practice your conversational English while playing with your children.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Essential Oils – Reduce your Chemical Load

Learn how to reduce the number of chemicals you use in your home and on your body cheaply and safely.

First Aid – CPR & Level 2

Complete your first aid certificate with Australian Education & Training, T01D 21509. Units of Competency – HLTAID001 & HLTAID003.



Meditation

An hour of relaxation for all experience levels.

Strength, fitness and balance

Gentle exercise each week with Dee.

Take Off Weight Naturally (TOWN)

Call Chris Ford on 0403-532-659 for more information.

HOSPITALITY

Barista Skills

Learn how to make espresso coffees on a commercial coffee machine.

Café Skills

Café Skills – includes Food Handlers Certificate, barista skills, food preparation, customer service and money handling.



Food Handling Course

Required if you want to work or volunteer in the food and beverage industry. Nationally accredited course. Unit of Competency SITXFSA001.

PLAYGROUPS

English Conversation Playgroup.

Practice your conversational English while playing with your children.

Contact the office at Rosewall to get details of our other 2018 playgroups.

SOCIAL GROUPS

Over 50s

Over 50s social group meets every Friday. New members welcome.

Check out our website www.rosewallinc.org.au for details and costs.

Drop in at 36 Sharland Road, Corio or call us on 5275-7409.

Australia's largest crude oil tank



Federal Member for Corangamite Sarah Henderson, Viva Energy GM Refining Thys Heyns and Federal Member for Corio Richard Marles at the opening.

Corio has become home to Australia's largest crude oil tank since Viva Energy opened its new 100 million litre crude oil tank at the Geelong Refinery in November.

Refinery General Manager Thys Heyns said the \$50 million crude oil tank project was a significant growth investment for the refinery that will not only increase production capabilities, but also improve fuel supply security for Victoria.

"The opening of the tank was a

momentous day for the refinery, the Geelong community and Victoria. This tank increases our crude oil storage capacity by 40%, and can hold enough crude oil to produce all the fuel required to meet Victoria's needs for about three days," Mr Heyns said.

The tank's grand opening was attended by the Hon Richard Marles, Federal Member for Corio and Sarah Henderson, Federal Member for Corangamite.

"Viva Energy's \$300 million investment into the Geelong Refinery during the

past three years represents a significant investment in traditional manufacturing across the region. With a workforce of around 700 at the refinery this is great news for regional Victorian jobs and workers," Mr Marles said.

Ms Henderson said: "The refinery has been an important part of the Geelong community for more than 60 years so it is great to see all of this investment being made to secure its long-term future.

Out with the old and in with the new

Viva Energy's Geelong Refinery is Australia's only manufacturer of bitumen and in recent years has invested in its bitumen facilities.

In 2018 Viva Energy has plans for a \$15 million bitumen export facility that will enable the company to almost double its bitumen production. These investments mean the old bitumen handling facilities that have been

unused for several years are currently being demolished to reduce on site risks and improve the visual appearance of the area.

The demolition works are in the north-west corner of the refinery bordered by School Road and the Corio Railway Station and will be complete by mid-2018. Works will occur between 7am and 5pm Monday to Friday and

occasionally on Saturdays between 8am and 3pm.

Viva Energy said the project demonstrates its commitment to building a sustainable, long-term future for the refinery.

Visit vivaenergy.com.au/operations/geelong/projects for further information.



Norlane Community Centre

Rose Avenue, Norlane. Phone 5275-8124.

E-mail: admin@norlanecc.com.au

Office Hours: 9am-5pm Monday to Friday

Craft group supporting kids

The Norlane Community Centre craft group members have been very busy recently, making knitted and crocheted scarves, beanies, rugs and teddies.

All of the lovely handmade items, along with other things such as linen, bedding, toiletries, books, colouring pencils and colouring books have been kindly donated by the group to Cottage by the Sea.

Cottage By The Sea is a charity based in Queenscliff that provides short-term care for at-risk and disadvantaged children. Children and young people are offered inspiration, fun and opportunity in a range of environments and programs.

The craft group members receive satisfaction knowing that by putting their own time and effort in, they bring



joy to the many who receive their gifts.

The group has been donating for some time now and makes the trip to Cottage By The Sea a few times a year.



Norlane Community Centre craft group members recently made the trip to Cottage by the Sea at Queenscliff.

www.norlanecommunitycenter.com.au

Courses at Northern Futures in 2018

Northern Futures has a range of courses to help jobseekers from the northern suburbs develop the skills they need to find the jobs that best suits them.

Referrals are now being taken in the following Semester 1 courses delivered by The Gordon for Northern Futures at the Norlane Community Centre:

Getting Ahead – Certificate I

Duration: 15 weeks.

Class Days: Thursday and Friday.

Class Times: 9am-3pm.

Commencing late February/March, 2018.

Business Basics – Certificate II

Duration: 12 weeks.

Class Days: Monday and Tuesday.

Class Times: 9am-3pm.

Commencing late February/March, 2018

Warehousing Operations – Certificate II

Duration: 14 weeks

Class Days: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Class times: 9am-3pm

Commencing late February/March, 2018

Individual Support – Certificate III

Duration: 26 weeks.

Class Days: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Class times: 9am-3pm.

(Includes some Monday – Friday work placement)

Commencing in late February, 2018.



For further details phone or email:

Barbara Ryan 0475-505-225,
barb.northernfutures@gmail.com

Anna Dobrovoljni 0427-722-020,
anna.northernfutures@gmail.com

Bryan Moore 0407-911-232,
bryan.northernfutures@gmail.com

or Alisha Britten 0407-594-193,
alisha.northernfutures@gmail.com

Healthy food and training

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 their catering to match your needs – call 5274-2242 to discuss catering for your next meeting, gathering or function.

Munch 'n' Crunch also has a home

delivery meal service and is NDIS approved.

It is open Monday to Friday, 8am to 2pm, and the Café is open Monday to Friday 10am until 2pm.

For more information phone 5274-2242, email mnc@encompass-cs.org.au or go to the website: www.encompass-cs.org.au/mnc.

You can also check out Munch 'n' Crunch on Facebook and Instagram.



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 veggie 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 is open Tuesdays and Fridays 9am until noon. Inquiries to 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.

Check us out on Facebook and Instagram



What a Club Legend

Roger Allen, Treasurer of the North Geelong Cricket Club, triumphed over 150 other unsung sporting heroes to become the first Viva Energy Geelong Refinery Club Legend.

At an awards evening in October, Roger, affectionately known as 'Mr North Geelong', was recognised for his dedication, commitment and patience in nurturing the club's junior members and instilling a love of sport, confidence and life skills specifically in those less fortunate.

The judges found his humble, generous and quiet achieving manner an inspiration. His efforts in developing a family friendly and inclusive culture at the club earned him the position of greatest club role model.

Commenting on the win, Roger said:

"Winning the Viva Energy Club Legend award is a very humbling experience and an amazing reward for my 55-plus years serving the North Geelong Cricket Club. I would like to thank Viva Energy for initiating this award and congratulate all the volunteers who were nominated. Where would our communities be without volunteers?"

Roger took home \$5000 as an individual prize and \$5000 for the North Geelong Cricket Club. Hot on Roger's heels, and taking out the Club Legend Runner-Up Award, was Claire Barnes, Executive Committee Member of Newtown City Hockey Club who received the \$2000 individual prize as well as \$2000 for the club. Claire was recognised for her contribution to recruitment and junior development.

The people's choice award went to

Josip Zilic, Junior Coach and Operations Manager for North Geelong Warriors Football Club for his can-do attitude and efforts integrating migrant communities into Australian sport. He also received a \$2000 individual prize and matching amount for the North Geelong Warriors Football Club.

Viva Energy General Manager Refining, Thys Heyns said: "Congratulations to all the winners, finalists and participants who were all recognised for their remarkable contribution to their clubs and to the community.

"We were delighted with the level of interest in our first Club Legend award with almost 150 nominations received. We are proud to support such inspiring role models within Greater Geelong's sporting clubs and are proud to be part of this great community."



From left: Viva Energy CEO Scott Wyatt, Claire Barnes (Newtown City Hockey Club), Roger Allen (North Geelong Cricket Club), Josip Zilic (North Geelong Warriors Football Club) and Viva Energy GM Refining Thys Heyns.