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Our cover: Rosewall and Cloverdale Neighbourhood Houses are in the midst of major building projects, due for completion in 2019. Managers Liz Bonner and Deb Humphreys are excited about the future for their respective facilities. SEE PAGE 8.



## Editor's letter

Welcome to Term 1 and to Edition 59 of Northerly Aspects, the community newsletter created for 3214 residents.

Corio, Norlane and other parts of the 3214 postcode area are continuing to undergo change. A new generation of residents is moving into the area, bringing their experiences, skills and interests. They also bring hopes and dreams for themselves and their neighbourhood.

Change is coming with construction projects including the rebuild of both Cloverdale and Rosewall neighbourhood houses, as well as the Northern ARC facility in Cox Road (on the Waterworld site). New houses are appearing throughout the area too.

There will be new faces at every school among the usual changes in staff, student and the parent community. Preparations are underway for the winter season in many sports and there will be change there too – in coaches, players, support staff and facilities.

While there is change all around us, Northerly Aspects remains committed to the aim of its founders: To promote the opportunities and positive aspects of living and working in the 3214 postcode area.

I hope you embrace the change all around you and look for ways to make 2019 a happy, successful and memorable year.

Look out for our Term 2 edition, in your letterbox, towards the end of March.

Jeanette Anderson,  
Editor, on behalf of the Editorial Committee

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# Dental care for kids

Barwon Health's Oral Health Service is continuing its early intervention program Wide Smiles, visiting thousands of students across Geelong this year.

Led by Dr Michael Smith and Sharon Lewis, Barwon Health developed a method to improve the oral health of children by visiting 44 kindergartens and 25 schools.

During the 2018 school year, children received two dental check-ups and were provided with toothbrushes and toothpaste. Students with early 'white spot' decay had fluoride varnish applied.

Parent engagement sessions were also

conducted and information on sugar content in different foods was shared. To date, more than 16,000 children have benefited from the program.

Children at Northern Bay College requiring dental procedures benefited from Barwon Health's outreach dental van, which is equipped to provide a variety of more complex dental treatments.

2018 was the third year the program has operated at Northern Bay College's Wexford Campus and the service has now expanded to the school's Peacock Campus. The response from both parents and students has been positive.



Demi and Jessica accessed the dental service in 2018.

Adults with a Health Care Card or a Pension Card can access dental services at the Corio Community Health Centre Dental Clinic. Appointments can be made by phoning 4215-7240 - children under the age of 13 years access the service free.



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# A guide to Term 1 2019 events and activities

When	What	Where	Contact
Every Monday during term 10-11.30am	<b>Free Play, Cook and Learn Playgroup</b> Activities for parents and children.	Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre 36 Sharland Road, Corio.	5275-7409
Every Monday during term 4-6pm for 12-25 year olds.	<b>Monday Night Drop In</b> Activities and meal. Free.	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074
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Every Wednesday during term 4-5.30pm	<b>Activities and evening meal. Free</b>	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074
Every Thursday during term 4-6pm, for 12-25 year olds	<b>Thursday Night Drop In</b> 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	<b>Friday Night Drop In</b> Activities and evening meal. Free	fOrT Youth Centre, Stead Park, Corio	5274-9074
Every Friday 11.30am-3pm	<b>Over 50s social group</b> New members welcome.	Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre 36 Sharland Road, Corio.	5275-7409
Saturday, February 9 5-8pm	<b>Norlane Community Film Nights</b>	8-10 Wendover Avenue, Norlane	0491-133-671 or find us on Facebook
Saturday, February 16 9.30am-11am	<b>Cloverdale Food Swap</b>	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415
Saturday, March 16 9.30am-11am	<b>Cloverdale Food Swap</b>	Cloverdale Community Centre 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.	5275-4415
Sunday, March 17 9am-5pm	<b>Highland Gathering</b> featuring pipe bands, food, stalls and entertainment.	Goldsworthy Reserve, Corio <a href="http://www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au">www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au</a>	Online
Friday, April 5 7pm	<b>Open Mic</b> 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](mailto: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*



# Proud career ends in the north

Northern Bay College will begin 2019 with a new principal following the retirement of Fred Clarke, who was the inaugural Principal of Victoria's newest school when it opened in 2011.

Mr Clarke told Northerly Aspects:

"It has been a very long and very eventful roller coaster career which has seen unbelievable changes in our lives.

When I moved to Geelong, I had the chance to work with a large number of schools through the Regional Office. This was one of the important reasons why I wanted to work on the emerging plans for a great new school in the northern suburbs.

Between 2006 and 2009 the state schools in the north desperately needed to be revitalised in many ways, but mainly in the infrastructure. Each school needed extensive renovation and so did Corio and Norlane.

Some fantastic community members, businesses, services, the council and education sites came together in a regeneration project for the north, which is still going on. The nine local schools merged into one school with five campuses.

The plans were still to have local schools for younger students and a central senior campus. So, the five

current sites were selected and all were to be totally redeveloped and up graded.

I'm very happy to have been the first College Principal and have been really pleased with the new facilities which provide modern, attractive learning spaces for our students and young people.

My big disappointment is that we've never had funding to change the senior campus and the buildings look very much as they did many years ago. Perhaps the next budget will provide the elusive funding for construction of a state-of-the-art Senior School.

It will be difficult for a while to sleep in on a weekday this year because for 50 years my work has been centred on putting things in place so that children can learn to their fullest potential.

However, I'll think about how technology is changing the way children learn, that our new Australian families are so welcome in this country and their children have amazing potential for success.

I'll think of the extraordinary opportunities that Northern Bay College gives to families who don't have the kind of resources that more affluent communities have. I hope the children attending Northern Bay College now



Fred Clarke with 2018 College leaders Nazdana and Chantelle.

and for many years in the future will be learning in a safe, nurturing, positive and exciting school.

I have selected this picture as perhaps my last picture in Northerly Aspects because I think it represents very well what I value. I met Chantelle at the old Corio Primary and have watched her success, challenges and resolve to be the best person she can be with a strong vision of knowing that study and commitment will bring her a future.

In Nazdana, we have a student who represents the many wonderful communities we have in Northern Bay College who embrace the opportunity to learn and be safe in schools. These young women have been my final College School Captains.

I have been very happy and proud to have been the inaugural Principal and wish my successor, every colleague, every family and especially every student a wonderful and successful 2019."

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# Pipe Band Championships in Corio

Goldsworthy Reserve in Corio will host the 2019 Victorian Pipe Band Championships as part of the Geelong Highland Gathering on Sunday, March 17.

The 2019 Gathering will mark 162 years since the first Geelong Highland Gathering was held on New Year's Day 1858 and will be the 62nd event in the modern era, which began in 1958.

Being awarded the pipe band championships again is recognition by Pipe Bands Victoria of the calibre of the Geelong Highland Gathering Association. Geelong was the permanent home of the State Championships for the decade up to 2009.



More than 20 pipe bands, including interstate entries, are expected to compete. In 2018 the Geelong event was the second biggest Pipe Band Contest in the country, after the 2018 biennial Australian Pipe Band Championships held in Brisbane.

The 2019 Gathering will see all the usual events, including the South Pacific Heavy Scottish Games Championships, Highland dancing competitions, 42nd Highland Regiment Re-Enactment

Group, Long Sword demonstrations, vintage cars, Clan and Heritage Association tents.

A highlight of the day will be the Massed Pipe Bands at the end of the day's activities. There will be a Scottish Faire market with food (including haggis), souvenir, clothing stalls and free children's activities including a petting zoo and jumping castle.

Admission costs are adults \$15; concession \$10; children 5 to 16 years \$8; under 5 free; family (2 adults and 2 children) \$40. There are no ATM facilities on the day.

For more information go to: [www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au](http://www.geelonghighlandgathering.org.au)

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## Happy New Year 2019

*to our community, families and students*



Northern Bay P-12 College



# Bowling for everyone

Norlane Bowling Club members are always keen to welcome newcomers to their club, whether they want to play bowls at a competitive level, have a social roll or access the facilities to socialise.

The club, in St George's Road, has two teams playing in Saturday pennant competition, in Divisions 4 and 11. Mixed social bowls are played at the club every Tuesday and Thursday from 1pm.

Club committee member Neil Watson said bowls is an ideal sport for all ages and abilities. The club also offers free coaching for anyone wanting to take up bowls or develop their game.

"We have happy hour every Friday from 4.30pm and invite people to come and join us," Neil said. "We have affordable social and playing memberships."

The club facilities are also available for hire. For more information phone 0478-768-598.



Norlane Bowling Club secretary Lawrie Cockerell, treasurer Neil Cotter and committee member Neil Watson are encouraging others to join the club.

An advertisement for PIXELD. It features three men in a modern office setting. The man on the left is seen from the side, wearing a blue shirt. The man in the middle has a beard and is wearing a dark suit. The man on the right is wearing glasses and a patterned shirt. The PIXELD logo is in the bottom left corner. Text in the bottom right says "Websites &amp; Digital Marketing" and "Proven success with websites that generate great results." At the bottom, there is contact information: "www.pixeld.com.au", "1300 853 983", and "Level 1, 90 Ryrie Street Geelong".

# Building for an exciting future



Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre manager Deb looks over the new Sharland Road building with supervisor Andy.

Residents of the 3214 area will have access to state-of-the-art community facilities when major Neighbourhood House building projects are completed this year.

A new Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre is being built behind the current facility in Sharland Road. The \$3.76 million facility will be known as the Rosewall Community Hub.

The new Rosewall will provide all the usual services of the neighbourhood centre, but in a more modern and comfortable environment. The building will be finished in 2019 and feature modern facilities including a pottery room and kiln, hospitality training kitchen and outdoor decking areas.

The Cloverdale Community Centre, in Purnell Road, is also in the midst of a major upgrade. The first part of an

extension and refurbishment of the rear of the existing building will be completed in early 2019. Following that, the front of the building will be upgraded.

The centre runs a wide range of pre-accredited training and programs, some of which were relocated during the building process. All programs are returning to Cloverdale to start Term 1.



# Coasthaven Community to open soon

The Baptcare Coasthaven Community, located at 45 Robin Avenue, Norlane will open in March this year.

It will offer a 90-place residential aged care facility and a Community Hub that will include a café, community garden, men's shed and playground.

To receive updates on this new Community, as well as special offers, giveaways and information on the Open Day to be held shortly, visit [www.baptcare.org.au](http://www.baptcare.org.au) to register your interest.

## Applying for aged care

If you or someone you care for is interested in applying for and securing a place at our Coasthaven Community we recommend you complete the

following steps as soon as possible, as this process takes time.

1. Get an aged care assessment.
2. Get an income and asset assessment test.
3. Consider if you need an authorised representative to act on your behalf.

For those needing help to understand this process please call Baptcare on 13-2278.

## Job opportunities

For job opportunities at our Coasthaven Community all positions will be advertised as soon as they become available via the Vacancies page on the Baptcare website, [www.baptcare.org.au/get-involved/careers/vacancies](http://www.baptcare.org.au/get-involved/careers/vacancies)

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## Immunisation numbers are up

The most recent national immunisation data shows that immunisation rates in Greater Geelong are higher than the national average for young children.

The data showed that Greater Geelong immunisation rates were above the national average in all age groups for children up to five-years-old and equal to or higher than Victoria's average for the same age groups. The data also showed Greater Geelong's Indigenous immunisation rates for children exceeded state and national rates across the same age groups.

The City's immunisation program, run through Barwon Health, includes free immunisations for children and other eligible residents for vaccinations listed on the National Immunisation Program.

In 2017, Barwon Health immunised more than 23,000 people, protecting children against a range of diseases, including diphtheria, hepatitis B, influenza, measles, mumps, rubella, meningococcal, whooping cough, polio, tetanus and chickenpox.



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# Uniting Barwon at Norlane

Uniting Barwon's Norlane office is located at 10 Wendover Avenue, on the site of the Corio/Norlane Uniting Church. It is part of Uniting (Victoria and Tasmania) Ltd, which is the community services arm of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania.

Uniting is a non-profit organisation financed through government, philanthropic and community grants and donations.

Uniting at Norlane provides:

- Emergency relief services including food, clothing, material aid, household goods and white goods.
- Homelessness and housing services.

- Bill Assist services including organising payment plans, applying for utility relief grants and setting up budgets.
- Primary and secondary school education expense assistance.
- No interest loans for those who qualify.
- General counselling for couples, families, individuals, children and adolescents in the areas of relationship issues, life and family

issues, parenting, depression, grief loss and bereavement, personal development, anger management, trauma, anxiety, stress management and loneliness.

Uniting's office hours at Norlane are 9.30am until noon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. If you'd like to meet with a Uniting worker or have any queries, phone 5278-8492 to make an appointment.

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# Serving community in many ways

Corio Norlane Lions Club has celebrated six years of serving the local community through a range of programs and activities.

The club has been running a bike program for almost three years. Members obtain secondhand bicycles either by purchase or donation, clean them, repair them and paint them and then give them away. So far, the club has provided more than 1600 bikes to children and families.

Members are planning to build a shed to support a Work for the Dole Program, to provide support for locals and refugee families to improve their job skills. Member John McKinnin has received enormous satisfaction and praise for supporting this program.

The Lions club's breakfast program has been reviewed and now provides \$1000 per term to Northern Bay College, Goldsworthy Road campus where the

canteen provides a healthy breakfast and now supports up to 60 students per morning.

The Winter Blanket Appeal is now called Road Home Geelong and between March and October each year members collect blankets, jackets, hats, scarves, gloves and hygiene items. All items are distributed to the homeless throughout Geelong via the local agencies. This appeal also encourages people to talk about and consider the desperation of the homeless and their families.

The club's computer program has been running for six years, where secondhand computer equipment is cleaned and software installed, then donated to families. More than 400 computer systems have been delivered to families.

Corio Norlane Lions members hold barbecues at ALDI Corio on the second Saturday of each month to raise money

to support the breakfast program. The Lions Golden Opportunity Community Shop at 55 Alkira Avenue, Norlane is also doing well, staffed by volunteers.

The club is aiming to involve students and young adults in community projects. If you are over 12 and interested in helping improve your local community; if you have any items that you could donate; or if you're interested in supporting in any way, contact the secretary Richard Walter: coriolions@gmail.com or 0490-802-003.





## Elected for another term

Since the last edition of Northerly Aspects, we have held a state election.

I was officially declared by the Victorian Electoral Commission as the Member for Lara in the 59th Victorian Parliament.

Firstly, thank you the voters in the Lara Electorate who voted for me to be their representative.

During the last four years, it has been a great honour to serve the Andrews Labor Government as the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Sport and Veterans in the 58th Parliament of Victoria.

I have chosen to step down from my Cabinet duties as Minister for Sport, Tourism, Major Events and Veterans,

to focus on my family, my health and my responsibilities representing the people of Lara.

I look forward to continuing to work hard as a member of the Andrews Labor Government to deliver outcomes for the Lara electorate. As always, if there is any way with which I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

## Avalon Airport is international

Victoria's second international terminal is open for business, with the new Avalon International Airport to provide an alternative for Victorian travellers and international tourists.

In early December I attended the official opening to celebrate the completion of the \$38 million project, supported by the Andrews Government, which will create 187 jobs at Avalon Airport.

Construction of the 7000 square metre new terminal and extending the existing terminal created 80 jobs and now that the project is complete, it's expected to deliver significant flow on benefits to regional industries.

AirAsia is now flying twice daily between Avalon and Kuala Lumpur, bringing over 440,000 passengers



through the airport annually, on top of the existing 250,000 annual domestic passengers.

The addition of Air Asia X flying to Avalon Airport is expected to create a massive boost to local tourism, with more visitors from Asia arriving to visit Geelong, the Bellarine and the Great Ocean Road.

The new international airport will also boost Victorian exports – with the new terminal having capacity to export around 14 tonnes of freight every day to more than 130 destinations.

The State Government has been a strong backer of Avalon – helping secure Jetstar's future at the airport and investing \$1.5 million in infrastructure works at the new industrial precinct, which will be home to 750 jobs by 2026, including Cotton On Group's purpose-built distribution centre.

The opening marked an important milestone in the growing opportunities for international flight services operating through Avalon Airport which has the potential to create even more new jobs in the future.

**Hon. John Eren MP**

State Member for Lara

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

# \$1.2 million Corio athletics renewal

Corio's Goldsworthy Reserve athletics track is receiving a major renewal, with works started on a \$1.2 million upgrade, including full track resurfacing, at the popular community facility.

The project includes removal of the existing track surface to be replaced with a new IAAF synthetic rubber surface. Improvements to drainage, kerbing and pavement areas around the track will also be completed as part of the upgrade as well as new long and triple jump facilities.

Underground works will be required to remove tree roots that have damaged the old track and surrounding areas, while root barriers will be installed around existing trees to protect the

track from future damage.

The popular track is home to the Corio Little Athletics Centre, which includes Bell Park, Corio South, Corio West, Golden Plains and Lara little athletics clubs. It's also used by a host of primary and secondary schools in the north for their annual athletics carnivals and PE classes.

The surrounding Goldsworthy Reserve also hosts major events, including the annual Scottish celebrations for the Geelong Highland Gathering, held in March each year.

Work is expected to be completed in March, with the project fully funded by the City of Greater Geelong. The

athletics track is closed during the work and the Corio Little Athletics Centre's meets are being held at Landy Field on Sundays.

Cr Anthony Aitken, Co-Chair Social and Infrastructure Planning and Windermere ward councillor, said: "I'm thrilled to see these much-needed track upgrades getting underway. It's a great result not only for the Corio Little Athletics Club, but also for local schools and residents in our north."

"The upgrade will ensure the Goldsworthy Reserve athletics track continues to be an important community sports facility, providing the opportunity for future national athletic stars to develop from our north."

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## A busy year for Council

Windermere ward councillors Kylie Grzybek and Anthony Aitken have contributed the following information for 3214 residents:

"Towards the end of 2018 we ticked past 12 months since our election as councillors. It's been an honour to represent Geelong's north during the past year. We've especially enjoyed connecting with the many wonderful people and groups who volunteer their time for our community.

Pleasingly, Council has recognised the need for new facilities and services in the north, and there are many exciting projects happening.

Behind the Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre we're building a brand new, \$3.76 million facility, which will be known as the Rosewall Community Hub. This will provide all the services of the neighbourhood centre, but in a far more modern and comfortable environment.

The new Rosewall will have state-of-the-art facilities including a pottery room and kiln, hospitality training kitchen, and outdoor decking areas. We're looking forward to seeing it finished in 2019.

The Cloverdale Community Centre is also in the midst of a major upgrade, with an extension and refurbishment of the existing building. The centre runs a number of fantastic programs for local groups, so this is another very worthwhile investment.

In September we turned the first sod on the new \$13.3 million Purnell Road Child and Family Centre. This building will bring local day care, kindergarten, maternal child health and playgroups together in one outstanding new venue. Council is providing \$11.7 million of the funding, with the state government putting in \$1.6 million.

And it's fantastic to see work getting going on the new athletics track at Goldsworthy Reserve. The Corio Little

Athletics Club campaigned successfully for \$1.26 million to fund this project, and we were really pleased to include it in our Council budget for 2018-19.

Our focus on the important Northern ARC Health and Wellbeing Hub on the Waterworld site also continues. Our architects have given us some initial concepts, which are very, very exciting. Council's commitment of \$20.6 million for this project still stands, and we won't rest until we've secured matching funding from state and federal governments.

We look forward to working with the community in 2019 to make sure the north continues to receive the love and attention it deserves."

To contact Cr Aitken, email [AAitken@geelongcity.vic.gov.au](mailto:AAitken@geelongcity.vic.gov.au) or phone 0434-307-044.

To contact Cr Grzybek, email [KGrzybek@geelongcity.vic.gov.au](mailto:KGrzybek@geelongcity.vic.gov.au) or phone 0434-307-043.





# Working together for everyone

The three neighbourhood centres in the 3214 area are working together to provide the best possible opportunities and outcomes for residents.

Managers Bec Smith (Norlane Community Centre), Deb Humphreys (Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre) and Liz Bonner (Cloverdale Community Centre) have developed a strong relationship between the three centres and are looking forward to working closely this year.

The collaboration includes producing a combined directory of programs for Term 1, which appears in this edition of *Northerly Aspects* (on pages 18 and 19). Headings are aligned with different programs and activities at the centres to make it easy for everyone to follow according to what they're interested in.

The three centres have also joined forces to create a survey to ask community members what they want from their Neighbourhood Houses. The survey is on pages 16 and 17 of this

edition. Residents are encouraged to complete the survey and return it to Rosewall, Cloverdale or Norlane.

The managers said their aim is to work together for the community so that people can have a clear picture of how and where to access the activities they're interested in.

For more information, phone Cloverdale on 5275-4415, Rosewall on 5275-7409 or Norlane on 5275-8124.



Neighbourhood House staff Kaylene (Rosewall), Tabatha (Norlane) and Cheryl (Cloverdale) are part of the partnership.

# Tell us what you want from us

The three Neighbourhood Houses/Community Centres in 3214 - Norlane, Rosewall and Cloverdale - are working together to provide the community with the programs, activities and connections it wants.



## What are Neighbourhood Houses/Community Centres?

Neighbourhood Houses/Community Centres were first established in Victoria in the early 1970s. They started from local community need, particularly the isolation of women, aiming to bring people together and improve opportunities for their communities. They also aim to support lifelong learning in an informal, non-threatening and nurturing environment.

Neighbourhood Houses/Community Centres are community-owned, which means volunteers and community members can help decide what happens in them.

Here's your chance to have a say in what your local Neighbourhood Houses/Community Centres offer in 2019 and beyond.

As community members and centre participants, we'd like you to complete our survey and return it to us. We want to know what you're interested in so that we can co-ordinate the best

possible way to offer it to you.

If you have any other comments, include them with your survey or talk to a staff member at one of the centres.

## 1. Have you heard about us?

	✓	✗
Cloverdale Community Centre		
Norlane Community Centre		
Rosewall Neighbourhood House		

## 2. Are you interested in (please circle):

Arts and crafts	Sewing	Computer access	Self-help (reach your own personal goals)
Social groups	Gardening	Information on local support	Advocacy/Action (help to network with others on community issues)
Pottery	Community Kitchen	Photocopying	Other
Cooking	Learning	Skills for work	-----
Music	Volunteering		

## 3. What would help or make it easier for you to join in?

## 4. Would you like us to contact you about things you've expressed interest in?

### Your details:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone or email:

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**To receive a small, thank you gift, return this survey to either:**

Cloverdale Community Centre, 167-169 Purnell Road, Corio.  
Norlane Community Centre, 39A Rose Avenue, Norlane.  
Rosewall Neighbourhood House, 36 Sharland Road, Corio.





## Learns

Cloverdale

Norlane

Rosewall

Aged Care			●
Barista Skills	●		●
Become Job Ready	●	●	●
Beginner Computers	●		●
Café Skills			●
Develop an Arts Practice	●		
First Aid			●
Food Handlers			●
Intermediate Computers	●		
Introduction to Child Care			●
Introduction to Community Services			●
Responsible Service of Alcohol			●
Tell My Story	●		
The Business of Music	●		



## Creates

Art	●	●	●
Arts/Music drop in	●		
Beginner pottery class			●
Craft/knitting	●	●	
Creative Workshops	●		●
Instrumental music lessons	●		
North Geelong Community Big Band	●		
Open studio - Pottery			●
Portfolio Development	●		●
Singing	●		
Social sewing and craft group			●
Ukulele	●		

## Meets

Cloverdale

Norlane

Rosewall

Over 50s social group



Social Support group



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



## Plays

Kids Community Led Creativity



Play, cook and learn



Rec-Link - fun all abilities sports & activities



## Moves

Body Movement (dance) Class



No Falls - Strength fitness and balance



Tai Chi



Walking Groups



Yoga



## Grows

Community Gardening



Food Swap



Tool Pool



## Eats

Community Kitchen



Learn to cook



## Connects

Public Access Internet



Public Use Computers



The Neighbourhood Houses of 3214  
acknowledge the support of the Victorian Government.

# 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](mailto:info@northerlyaspects.org.au). Don't forget to include information about when and where it was taken, and who took it.



Cloverdale Community Centre celebrated achievements of its Getting Started With Computers class at the end of Term 4. Pictured, from left, are Kaelene, Hayley, Connie, Kelly, Don and tutor Jeanette.



Representatives of organisations involved with place-based employment and training in the northern suburbs recently met to discuss ways to break down barriers to education and employment. Pictured are some of the participants, from left, Brent Lyons Lee (Grassroots Placemakers), Lyn Morgan (Northern Futures), Tracey Jeffreys (Skills Et Jobs), Liz Bonner (Cloverdale Community Centre), Georgina Ryder (DET), Liz Everist (GROW), Anne-Marie Ryan (GRLEN) and Bryan Timms (Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre)





Northern Bay College Family Centre hosted a successful Fun Day during Children's week. Families enjoyed a range of fun activities while accessing information about the services provided by the centre.



The fOrT youth centre hosted another successful SKAART festival towards the end of 2018. A broad range of activities attracted a large crowd. The fOrT also runs weekly programs for young people aged 12 to 25. For more information phone 5274-1602.

# Call for volunteers



The value of volunteering in the community is well known. Not only do you have a chance to build your skills and confidence, create connections and make a difference, but you also gain the satisfaction of doing something for others.

There are a whole range of volunteering opportunities across the northern suburbs of Geelong and beyond. Here are some of the options available now:

## Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre:

- Playgroup Facilitator: Once a week for two hours, working with a team of volunteers.
- Committee members (Secretary and Chair roles): Meetings held every six weeks in the evenings.
- Pottery tutor volunteer assistant: Some knowledge of working with clay, or willing to learn. Classes will run one or two time a week in 2019, three hours each session.
- Café coordinator: 1-2 days a week.
- Community Kitchen Facilitator: Cooking with others to an agreed menu and budget.
- Sewing teachers to help show migrant and refugee women how to sew; every Wednesday from 11am.
- Community Surveyors: Talking with community members about the three Neighbourhood Houses in the north.

Phone 5275-7409 for further information.



Volunteers are valued at the Geelong and Great Ocean Road Visitor Information Centre.

## Home Library Service:

Be a home library service volunteer and help someone in your community access information and resources beyond their reach.

Geelong Regional Libraries relies on volunteers to deliver the Home Library Service to community members who are unable to get to the library due to illness or restricted mobility.

Home Library Service Volunteers collect, deliver and return materials on behalf of the members.

If you are familiar with public libraries and reading materials, and can commit to two hours per month to dedicate to volunteering for the Home Library Service, contact [hls@grlc.vic.gov.au](mailto:hls@grlc.vic.gov.au) or 4201-0643.

## Tourism Greater Geelong and The Bellarine:

An exciting opportunity for volunteers to join the team at the new Avalon Airport Information Booth and the Geelong and Great Ocean Road Visitor Information Centre.

Avalon Airport Information Booth is open daily from 8.30am to 4pm and Geelong and Great Ocean Road Visitor Information Centre is open 9am to 4pm.

Volunteers are proud advocates showcasing the region through the art of storytelling. This opportunity will allow you to be a part of the fun, working with a dynamic volunteer team, learning about Geelong and Bellarine's many attractions and enjoying the many training opportunities on offer. If you are passionate about tourism and love meeting people, this is the role for you. Applications for this position should be submitted through the online facility at <https://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/ct/forms/volunteer.aspx>.

For more information about the volunteer position contact Joshua Harris, Visitor Services Coordinator on 5244-7106.

For more information about volunteering in Geelong, visit <https://volunteeringgeelong.org.au/> or <https://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/volunteer/article/item/8cb75f8789801f6.aspx>



# Free Wi-Fi and better broadband



It was all eyes on phones (and internet speed) at the funding announcement at Norlane Community Centre.

The Victorian State Government has provided the City of Greater Geelong with a \$1.8 million grant to provide enhanced broadband services and expand the free Wi-Fi network throughout the northern suburbs.

The grant is great news for residents and businesses in Geelong's northern suburbs as it will help address issues

around digital connectivity and disparities of access.

The importance of the community having digital access is reflected in the City's clever and creative vision and a measure of success for this vision is for Greater Geelong to achieve a Digital Inclusive Index score greater than 70. Currently the region ranks at 58.7.

The enhanced broadband services will help achieve this by providing internet speeds up to 10 times faster than currently available. People will be able to download up to 1GB free a day, with 135 Wi-Fi access points across 34 locations. The City will consult with the local community early in 2019 to determine the final and most beneficial locations for the free Wi-Fi.

## 'Places and Spaces' feedback

The City of Greater Geelong recently asked the community about how people use and value 'Places and Spaces' across the City.

The survey, which is now closed, asked participants what they use now, if there is anything they can't easily access and why.

The information from the survey will be included in a report that will be

available in early 2019. The report will also include feedback from 'Meet and Talk' sessions that were held with community groups. The report will be available at [geelongaustralia.com.au](http://geelongaustralia.com.au).

These insights will combine with data and evidence to help shape future planning, provision, investment and decision making about community places and spaces.

More than 1000 people contributed their thoughts and ideas. This participation is valued and speaks loudly about the importance of community places and spaces to connecting, learning, having fun and being active. They play a key role in the health and wellbeing of our community.

For more information on the project visit the website above.



## Be sensible in summer

During summer you must consider what is sensible, so save gardening until cooler times of the day. Early morning and late afternoon are better for both you and your plants.

Check that moisture is getting through your mulch to where it's needed – often mulch can crust up in dry conditions and create a barrier to water getting through.

If you have heavy clay soil don't waste time and money adding a soil-wetting agent to your watering can because it won't help. If you mix a plentiful quantity of organic matter, and maybe a little sand, it will improve the structure of your soil and allow the water to penetrate.

If you're using pine bark or wood chips as mulch, mix in a nitrogen-rich fertilizer before applying to garden beds. It replaces the nitrogen lost from the soil in the process of the mulch breaking down and your plants will prosper.

Summer is the best time to install an irrigation system. This will keep all your plants moist and looking fantastic without wasting water. Ensure your trees and larger shrubs survive the heat of summer by building a moat around them which can fill with water. This way the water will do the most good and not just run away.

You have to be cruel to be kind when your vegie garden is overcrowded with seedlings – by thinning them out you will end up with a better yield and you can pass the unwanted plants onto another gardener.

Keep an eye on any pots in the garden and if you find that the soil has shrunk away from the sides, allowing the water to run straight through the pot, it's time to soak the pot in a bucket of water with a bit of wetting agent in it. This will hydrate the soil, enabling it to soak up water in the future.

Fill the bucket so that the top of the pot is below the water level – you'll see

bubbles coming to the surface – this is the air that has been trapped in the dry soil. When the bubbles stop you can lift the pot out and allow any excess water to drain.

The best thing you can do for your lawn during the warmer weather is to leave it a little longer than normal when you cut it. This gives the roots more shelter from the sun, keeps them wetter for longer, and protects them from the heat.

The next thing on the agenda is getting ready for an autumn display. Have you ever thought of dahlias? They put on a lovely show and are great cut flowers too. Check if the type you choose will need staking as a strong wind can create havoc with the taller varieties if they are not securely tied up.

*Betty*





# Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre

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

## 2017 LEARN LOCAL LEGEND



## Master Works by talented students

Rosewall Neighbourhood Centre holds twice weekly art classes.

Students in the classes range from beginners to advanced artists. Anyone who has an interest in learning or improving their art skills are most welcome to attend for a small fee.

Art teacher Alex develops a love for painting helping students create exciting and original pictures.

Art activities are Rosewall include:

### ART – PORTFOLIO PREPARATION

Develop a presentation portfolio for further education or employment. Work

closely with Rosewall's tutor to develop your painting or drawing skills. Some materials supplied.

Runs from Monday, January 21 until Monday, April 1; from 9.30am until 12.30pm

### PAINTING AND DRAWING – OPEN STUDIO

All experience levels welcome. Work with your chosen medium with assistance from an experienced tutor. Runs from Thursday, January 24 until Thursday, April 4; from 9.30am until 12.30pm

### CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP

Join an art workshop to create a piece

of public art. Details to be confirmed – register your interest.

### POTTERY FOR BEGINNERS

Learn the basics from the beginning with an experienced tutor. Some materials provided.

Runs from Monday, January 21 until Monday, April 1; from 1.30-3.30pm

### OPEN STUDIO – POTTERY

Bring your own projects and share creative ideas with other potters and artists. Some sessions will be hosted by willing Master Potters to assist less experienced potters. Every Tuesday and Wednesday from 9-3pm. Register your interest for Master potter sessions.



Sue Walker holding one of her colourful paintings exhibited in the Rosewall Master Students Art works show held in December 2018.

# Activities and groups at Rosewall NC

See our website [www.rosewallnc.org.au](http://www.rosewallnc.org.au) for details or visit us at 36 Sharland Road, Corio or call 5275-7409 Monday to Friday 9am-3pm.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

### SOCIAL SEWING AND CRAFT GROUP – FREE.

For asylum seekers and refugees. Learn to sew and craft with the help of friendly volunteers.  
Every Wednesday from 10am-noon.

### SOCIAL SUPPORT GROUP – GOLD COIN DONATION

Meet in a small group to plan excursions and activities together for company and emotional support.  
Every Tuesday during term time from 1pm-3pm.

### PLAY COOK AND LEARN PLAYGROUP – FREE

Mondays 10am until 11.30am during term time. Have fun playing and learning with your pre-school aged children. Activities will include craft and simple cooking on alternate weeks during term times.

### OVER 50s

Over 50s social group meets every Friday from 11.30am to 3pm. New members welcome. Get out of the house and have fun with friendly people.

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING ACTIVITIES

### STRENGTH, FITNESS AND BALANCE

Gentle exercise each week with our fitness instructor Dee. Learn to build a strong healthy body while making new friends. Tuesdays from 8.45- 9.45 am.

### FUN ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK – FREE

Every Thursday from noon in the park off 36 Sharland Road (behind Rosewall). Join in fun activities with others. For all abilities and ages.

### TAKE OFF WEIGHT NATURALLY (TOWN)

Every Monday, 8.30am-10.30am. Call Geraldine on 5298-2275 for more information.

### YOGA & RELAXATION

Feeling stressed, need to tone up and relax? Then register your interest in this new activity with an experienced yoga instructor.

## LEARNING ACTIVITIES

### FOOD HANDLING

Register your interest for this nationally accredited course.

### FIRST AID AND CPR

Update your CPR Certificate or gain an accredited certificate. Register your interest.

### CERT THREE

Aged Care – register your interest for this in-demand skill.

### INTRODUCTION TO CHILD CARE

Learn practical hands-on skills that all child care workers and kindergarten teachers need. Register your interest.

### ADULTS CAN COOK

Join a community kitchen – register your interest. Be part of a supportive group, learn how to budget, buy food, choose recipes and cook delicious low-cost meals to eat and take home.

### BEGINNER COMPUTERS

Learn how to use a computer with a friendly teacher.

### CAFÉ SKILLS

Get practical experience, food preparation, customer service, table service and money handling.  
Register your interest for this course.

### BARISTA SKILLS

Register your interest for this course – learn the tricks of the trade to become a barista.

## OTHER TRAINING COURSES

Please refer to our website as new opportunities become available in 2019. Tell us what you want to learn and be a part of in 2019. [www.rosewallnc.org.au](http://www.rosewallnc.org.au). Training courses will be held when sufficient numbers of students enrol.

### Activities at Hendy Street

**Bayside Active Adults:** Mondays 10.45am-11.45am.

Contact Lesia 5200-0146.

**Cloverdale Calisthenics College:** Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturday mornings.

Contact Mandy 0418-559-241.

**Corio Kyokushin Karate:** Mondays and Wednesdays 6.30pm.

Contact Scott 0418-335-355.

**Geelong Buccaneers Grid Iron Club:** American Grid Iron Football training and matches.

Contact Melissa 0430-494-434.

**GKR Karate:** Fridays 6.30pm-7.30pm.  
Contact Luke 0450-011-654.

**Impact Church Geelong:** Church Service Sunday mornings; Youth Group Fridays 7pm.

Contact Stephen 0405-104-610.

**TAEKWON-DO:** Geelong Taekwon-do trains weekly, Thursdays 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Contact Phil Zdybel 0418-513-981.



## Digital Expo success at Norlane

Norlane Community Centre hosted a successful digital expo as its first step in bridging the digital divide in our community. The expo provided an opportunity for the community to engage with fun digital technologies and experiences.

One of the great components was that students from St Thomas Aquinas Primary School undertook training with local library staff and delivered the expo on Norlane Community Centre's behalf; creating exciting, intergenerational learning.

The Digital Expo aimed to foster greater confidence and cultivate community connectedness as well as highlight the ongoing needs of the community for support with digital access.

The project is built on the premise that our local community members should be able to make full use of digital technologies to manage their health and wellbeing, access education and services, organise their finances.

The expo was also used as a forum for gathering information from the



community about their access and support needs.

Around 50 community members attended the event and had a wonderful time. The overwhelming reflection was that cost is the biggest barrier to people accessing the internet in their homes. Centre staff will continue to do work in this area to ensure that the digital divide in Norlane is addressed.



## 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 Norlane Community Centre Tool Pool and hire a lawnmower for a \$5 yearly Tool Pool membership and \$5 mower hire fee each time you hire. No whipper snippers or brush cutters available for hire, but there are some hand tools and wheelbarrows that are free to borrow.

Hire is available on Tuesday and Friday mornings between 9am and 10am. Mowers must be returned the same day no later than noon.

Becoming a member can be done by visiting the centre between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday. Inquiries 5275-8124.

### Computers

Community computer usage is FREE during business hours, between 9am and 5pm, 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.

### Book lending library

Finished reading a book and would like a new one? Drop into the centre and check out our lending library. If you see something you like you can borrow and then return it once you are done - that way others can enjoy it - or you can swap it with any unwanted books of your own.

### Food Swap

Come along on the fourth Saturday of every month from 9.30am until 11am and bring your own home-grown fruit, vegetables, herbs and plants and any other produce to swap. All welcome.

### Norlane Community Kitchen

The Norlane Community Kitchen operates from the Norlane Community Centre every Friday from 10am until 1pm. For further details please contact the centre on 5275-8124.

### Group Body Movement sessions

Come along and join local Norlane resident Sammy as we move our bodies to music. Get the blood flowing, move at your own pace and have FUN. No experience necessary.

Comfortable clothing and footwear and a water bottle are required.

Sessions are Tuesdays 2pm-3pm and Wednesdays 6.30pm-7.30pm. Cost \$10. For more information check out [www.dancegym.com.au](http://www.dancegym.com.au).

## 2013 LEARN LOCAL LEGEND



# Enjoy Creative Workshops

Cloverdale Community Centre is excited to offer a range of creative, fee for service workshops and activities in 2019.

These workshops will provide our community with a wider range of activities and casual engagement opportunities, especially those who work and school aged children/youth who are unable to join in our regular Monday to Friday program.

Workshops already on our list includes:

- Life drawing
- Mosaic
- Seaweed pressing
- Print making
- Animation
- Film making
- Digital photography
- Speciality cooking classes
- Barista coffee making

We are taking expressions of interest for more workshops from suitably qualified practitioners who have an ABN and current working with children's card.

For further information or to receive an Expression of Interest form please email [courses@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au](mailto:courses@cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au) or call 52754415.





# Volunteering as a pathway to work

What started with a mutual obligation engagement, Work for the Dole, has ended in a traineeship with the TAC for Zahra.

Zahra came to Cloverdale Community Centre to complete a Work for the Dole requirement and quickly became a well-loved member of our team. As a recent arrival to Australia, her confidence in speaking English was only limited only by her opportunity to practice and her multi-lingual abilities soon became a valued asset in her work in reception.

After completing her required time, she decided to stay on as a volunteer. While volunteering she approached Northern Futures about their program, Business Basics. Her concern was "Will I get a job at the end of this?", to which Northern Futures team member Barbara replied "You'll get out of this what you put into it".

Zahra committed to the 15-week Business Basics program, obtained her Certificate II Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways and grabbed every new opportunity with both hands,

which included insights from industry partners.

Through her dedicated approach to both her studies and volunteering, Zahra has now successfully gained a traineeship with the TAC. Her volunteering provided a much-needed reference that increased her chances of gaining employment.

For more information about volunteering at Cloverdale, call 5275-4415.



Zahra is pictured with Cloverdale administration manager and volunteer co-ordinator Cheryl at her Northern Future graduation.

[www.cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au](http://www.cloverdalecommunitycentre.org.au)

# Koorie Heritage Trust partners

Viva Energy is proud to announce its new partnership with Koorie Heritage Trust as the Principal Corporate Supporter – Collections, Exhibitions and Public Programs.

The Koorie Heritage Trust was established in 1985 and is a bold and innovative not-for-profit arts and cultural organisation. Aboriginal owned and managed, the Koorie Heritage Trust provides opportunities for all people to learn, connect and re-connect with the rich living cultural heritage of Aboriginal Victoria originating from a 60,000-year-old history.

The key elements to the Viva Energy-Koorie Heritage Trust partnership are:

1. To assist with the digitisation of the Oral History Collection as well as recording of new oral histories, editing of existing oral histories, and to make oral history collections more accessible.
2. Support the end of year Koorie Heritage Trust Koorie Krismas celebrations.
3. Support school holiday programs throughout the year.
4. Support the Koorie Heritage Trust annual Koorie Art Show including sponsorship of a Viva Energy Australia Award.

"We are delighted to work with Viva Energy and to support their Indigenous participation vision to respectfully work

together with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Koorie Heritage Trust CEO Tom Mosby said.

"Viva Energy's desire to drive social change and to address a range of social issues within our communities, including mental health and substance misuse, is to be applauded."

Entry is free to the Koorie Heritage Trust, located in the Yarra Building in Federation Square.

For more information visit:  
[korieheritagetrust.com.au](http://korieheritagetrust.com.au)

## Don't miss an AFLW Cats at home

As a proud partner of the Geelong Cats 2019 AFLW team, Viva Energy would love to see you at the home games, kicking off in February.

Entry to games is free, so be sure to get along and help support the Geelong Cats women.

Round 1: Cats vs Collingwood at 6.40pm, Saturday, February 2 at GMHBA Stadium

Round 4: Cats vs Carlton at 4.45pm, Saturday, February 23 at GMHBA Stadium

Round 6: Cats vs Fremantle at 2.35pm, Saturday, March 9 at GMHBA Stadium

For the full Geelong Cats AFLW home and away fixture or for more information, visit:  
[geelongcats.com.au/football/aflw](http://geelongcats.com.au/football/aflw)



# Geelong's first 'Refiner of the Year'



Chris Hart (right) was presented his award by Viva Energy Geelong Refinery Engineering and Maintenance Manager Glen Pasque.

The Geelong Refiner of the Year award was created to recognise Geelong Refinery employees who clearly and effectively demonstrate the Viva Energy behaviours, which are: Better Together; Customer Obsessed and Deliver Amazing Results.

At the Viva Energy 2018 End of Year celebration, Geelong Refinery Mechanical Fitter Chris Hart was awarded the inaugural Refiner of the Year award for exemplifying the Viva Energy behaviours.

Chris was recognised for being an absolute professional at what he does; proactively approaching and taking accountability for his work; maximising efficiencies through all operations and; being thorough, dependable, persistent, conscientious, knowledgeable and courteous.