



A street performer greets the crowd at the Mornington Australia Day parade.

Happy Australia Day!

There's something for the whole family this Australia Day.

On Friday 26 January enjoy music, markets, fun runs, fireworks, BBQs and bowling.

We encourage you to head out and spend some time with your community at one of the many events being held in Hastings, Mount Eliza, Mornington, Dromana, Rosebud, Rye and Sorrento.

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Rosebud Aquatic Centre - have your say

Council proposes to build an aquatic centre including an indoor pool, gym and associated health, fitness and wellbeing facilities and invites community input for consideration on the length of the main pool: 25-metres or 50-metres. Have your say at:

mornpen.vic.gov.au/rosebudaquatic

Weekly summer recycling

Weekly recycling bin collection remains in place until 2 February, when fortnightly collections resume. View collection dates in your area:

mornpen.vic.gov.au/my-neighbourhood

Speed limit changes

We're currently proposing speed limit changes on a number of roads. These include Bruce Road in Mt Martha, Davies Road and South Beach Road in Bittern, Watt Road in Mornington as well as Jetty Road in Rosebud and Truemans Road in Tootgarook.

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We need you!

If you've ever thought about volunteering, we'd love your help with our Meals on Wheels deliveries. Meals on Wheels delivers nutritious meals to residents who are unable to provide for their personal dietary needs.

[5950 1600](tel:59501600) mornpen.vic.gov.au/mealsonwheels

New Year's Eve on the peninsula

Thank you to our community, emergency services and local businesses for working with us towards a safe New Year's Eve.

The Briars - it's your backyard!

We want The Briars to become a part of your backyard – a place you love to visit and return to often – and we want your ideas for its future. Stop by the Briars Visitor Centre on Wednesday 24 January (4 – 6 pm) or Saturday 27 January (10 am – 12 pm) to share your ideas or have your say online:

mornpen.vic.gov.au/briarsfeedback

Around the peninsula

Seawinds: Crs Simon Brooks, Antonella Celi, Frank Martin



Dromana Preschool received \$200,000 through the state

government's Growing Suburbs Fund, in addition to the Shire's \$100,000, for an upgrade of the 40-year-old facility that will allow the school to accommodate 33 children, and will feature new storage and facilities.

Dromana Community Hall is closed until mid-February while the toilet facilities are refurbished to include an accessible toilet and parents room. The construction of a new change room amenities building and associated infrastructure at the **Rosebud Olympic Sports Pavilion** are due to commence late-January. The \$3-million-dollar upgrade will include six multipurpose change-rooms, new amenities and storage space for groups and clubs.

Briars: Crs Bev Colomb, Rosie Clark, Sam Hearn



Mornington Peninsula Shire will install **fully-accessible public toilets**

in Mornington, designed to cater for people with high-care needs and replace an existing poor condition facility on Octavia Street near Empire Street Mall. \$2.2m works joint-funded by the Victorian Government, Mount Eliza Junior Football Club and the Shire at **Emil Madsen Reserve Mount Eliza** will provide additional junior AFL, cricket, netball and parking facilities and are expected to be ready for the winter season. **Mount Martha House** now has an on-site Community Development Officer engaging with the community to plan activities programs and to redevelop the space as a community house. The house offers playgroups, lunches, hire spaces and more.

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Nepean: Crs Bryan Payne, Hugh Fraser



Booran Parade, Tootgarook has been updated with traffic treatments, including the installation of raised safety platforms at three locations, to improve road safety in the area and reduce speeding traffic. **CCTV cameras** funded under the federal



government's Safer Communities Fund are planned to be installed in key hotspots throughout the Rye foreshore, pier and carnival area in time for Easter 2018. The **Rye Township Plan** includes improvements for the foreshore, township and Point Nepean Road. Based on community feedback, the main priority for the plan is the implementation of foreshore reserve projects.

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Watson: Cr Julie Morris



Mornington Peninsula Shire has celebrated the progress of the **Somerville Recreation & Community Centre** rebuild with the pitching of the project sign on site. The Shire has now obtained the planning permit and construction will start within the coming weeks. The new stadium will feature four multi-sport indoor courts, female-friendly change rooms, an umpire change room, a first aid room, tournament office, as well as storage and car parking, and better public areas in the recreation centre.

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Red Hill: Cr David Gill



Our rural roadsides contain a large part of the 8% remnant indigenous bushland on the peninsula, yet we do little to protect them from introduced weeds like blackberries and Patterson's Curse, and unnecessarily harsh clearance programs. VicRoads, power companies, Council and governments must cooperate more to safeguard these valuable wildlife corridors from extinction. Farmers shouldn't have to accept the spread of weeds onto their properties because of poor road reserve management. Fortunately, Council has committed an additional \$50k for noxious weed control to the \$2.1m roadside vegetation management total in this year's budget, and is developing a \$190k **Biodiversity Conservation Action Plan**.

Cerberus: Cr Kate Roper



The **Hastings Streetscape Renewal Project** has received \$1.9 million through the state government's Growing Suburbs Fund, to match the Shire's \$1.9 million. The project involves the redevelopment of the High Street streetscape including updated pavements, street furniture, feature paving and landscape planting, in addition to the revitalisation of all pedestrian laneways, rejuvenation of the dilapidated public toilet and construction of a new public car park. The project aims to unify High Street by creating a local link of regional significance connecting the community to the activity centre, civic and recreation destinations and Western Port Bay.

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Events

January

- 24 Sublime Wellbeing Soiree, 7 – 10.30 pm, Rosebud Memorial Hall
- 26 **Australia Day – Free entertainment**
Community Youth Awards, free breakfast 8 am – 1 pm, Dromana Foreshore
AusDay Fun Run, free breakfast, 8.30 am – 1 pm, Rosebud Village Green
Free breakfast, raffle, music, CFA truck 9 am – 12.30 pm, Mount Eliza Village Green
Emu Plains Market, free BBQ breakfast 9 am – 2 pm, Hastings Foreshore
Devonshire tea, bowls, raffle, sausage sizzle 10 am – 3.30 pm, Sorrento Bowls Club
Free BBQ, live music, 11 am – 6 pm, Sorrento-Portsea RSL
Free BBQ, fireworks, 12.30 – 9.30 pm, Rye Foreshore
Street parade, Wendy Matthews and The Voices, rides, fireworks, 3 – 9.30 pm, Mornington Park
- 26 Lions Club of Mount Martha, Australia Day Flag Raising, 9 am, Mount Martha Village
- 26 Mount Martha Australia Day Swim, 8 am – 12 pm, Mount Martha Life Saving Club
- 26 Balharring Cup, 10 am – 5 pm, Balharring Picnic Racing Club
- 27 Psychic and Wellbeing Festival, 10 am – 4.30 pm, Mt Eliza Community Centre
- 27 Red Hill Community Barbeque, 12 – 3 pm, Red Hill Community Park

February

- 2 Gig on the Green, 2 – 8 pm, Village Green and Rotary Park, Mount Eliza
- 3 Red Hill Community Market, 8 am – 1 pm, Red Hill Rec Reserve
- 10 The Ultimate Gut Health Workshop, 12 – 4 pm, Dromana Community Hall
- 10 Cobs Peninsula Film Festival, 4 – 10.30 pm, Rosebud Village Green
- 10 Victorian Junior Carnival, 8.30 am – 4 pm, Mornington Yacht Club & Mothers Beach
- 10 Sorrento Bay Swim 2018, Sorrento Foreshore
- 11 Pier to Perignon Swim 2018, 11.15 am, Sorrento Pier
- 11 Mornington Racecourse Market, 9 am – 2 pm
- 12 Queens Baton Relay, 9 – 11 am, Sorrento Park
- 17 Emu Plains Market, 9 am – 2 pm, Balharring Racecourse
- 23 – 25 Western Port Festival 2018, Hastings Foreshore
- 24 Blues at the Briars 2018, 11am – 11pm

March

- 3 – 4 Western Port Whiting Challenge, Hastings Boat Ramp
- 3 – 4 Mt Martha Sufferfest Triathlon Festival

For a full list of Shire events including community markets and local music please see our website.

mornpen.vic.gov.au/events

View the list of 2018 Council Meetings in the advert in this paper or online:

mornpen.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings2018