



YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



On behalf of Council I wish everyone in Yarriambiack Shire a Merry Christmas with family and friends and hope that the New Year will bring health and prosperity.

Council is looking forward to 2019. Our plans are to make the communities of our shire stronger and more resilient.

Over the holiday period please be careful on our roads, vigilant in our waterways and cover-up in the sun.

Not Sure What To Do Over The Christmas Holidays?

Check out the Yarriambiack Tourism and Wimmera Mallee Tourism Facebook Pages and stay tuned for local events over the festive season.

Don't miss taking the family to Murtoa's mighty Stick Shed, camp at Lake Lascelles in Hopetoun, explore the Drover's Hut Gallery in Lascelles or Op Shop Hop your way around for a bargain.

Taking an adventure on the Silo Art Trail is a great opportunity to experience the awesome communities in the Yarriambiack Shire.

FIXING OUR ROADS...

Council are currently working on these rural roads:

- Minyip Banyena Road – under construction, trying to get sealed before Christmas but weather may prevent this.
- Sea Lake Lascelles Road – under construction, trying to get sealed before Christmas but weather may prevent this.
- Hopetoun Yaapeet Road – Hot mix intersection, complete.
- C Loats Road – completed and now open for use, awaiting line marking.
- Sheep Hills Kellalac Road – Gravel Shoulder.
- Rosebery East Road – Gravel Shoulder.

Maintenance works are being carried out around the Shire.

AUSTRALIA DAY EVENTS

Saturday, 26th January 2018

Warracknabeal: 8:00am Cooked Breakfast Celebration, Australia Day Awards, Musical Entertainment, Guest Speaker at the Community Centre (Anzac Park), Warracknabeal.

Hopetoun: 7:30am Free Breakfast Celebrations and Guest Speaker at the Memorial Hall, Hopetoun.

Beulah: 8:00am Flag Pole Stroll, Breakfast and Guest Speaker – Beginning at the Beulah Post Office.

Minyip: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations, Guest Speaker and Presentations – Square (Main St) Minyip.

Rupanyup: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations and Guest Speaker at the Rupanyup Memorial Park.

Murtoa: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations held at Murtoa Swimming Pool.

Woomelang: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations and Guest Speaker at the Memorial Hall Super Rooms, Woomelang.

Tempy: 8:00am Breakfast, Raising of the flag, Celebrations and Guest Speaker at the Tempy Lions Park.

Patchewollock: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations and Guest Speaker at the Patchewollock Community Centre.

Wallup: 8:00am Breakfast Celebrations and Guest Speaker held at the Wallup Hall.

CHRISTMAS GARBAGE & RECYCLING COLLECTION

Wimmera Mallee Waste would like to inform the residents of Warracknabeal who would normally have a collection of Waste and Recycling on Tuesday 25 December will now be collected THE DAY BEFORE on 24 December.



Please have your bins out the night before (Sunday night) as the trucks may come at a different time.

All other collections remain the same over the remainder of Christmas and New Year period.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Yarriambiack Shire Council is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to the principles of workplace diversity and Council encourages all suitably qualified applicants to apply.

RELIEF CARAVAN PARK CARETAKER

This position is located at Warracknabeal. Current 'Police Check' is required. Applications close at 5pm on 31 December 2018.

STREET SWEEPER/HANDYMAN - FULL TIME

This position is located at Warracknabeal. Current 'Police Check' is required. Applications close at 5pm on 11 January 2019.

KINDERGARTEN ASSISTANT - PART TIME

12 months limited tenure position located at Hopetoun. Current 'Working with Children' and 'Police Check' is required. Applications close at 5pm on 11 January 2019.

You can download a position description for these roles at www.yarriambiack.vic.gov.au or call Human Resources on 5398 0104.

HOW TO APPLY - Send an email with a copy of your resume to bschilling@yarriambiack.vic.gov.au or via mail addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Yarriambiack Shire Council, PO Box 243, Warracknabeal 3393.



With the onset of Summer and the warmer weather, it is very important to ensure that your pets are adequately provided for and not left to suffer;

- If you are home; why not let your dog/cat inside so they can enjoy the Air Conditioning with you
- If you are away for a short period of time, ensure that your pet has adequate cool water (kept out of the sun), and they have access to shade.
- Try freezing an empty ice-cream tub of water (the night before) and putting in their water bowl.
- If possible leave a toddler pool (in the shade) for your dog to cool off in.
- If you are going away for the holiday period please ensure that you either book your dog into a registered Boarding Kennel, or leave them with family and friends to look after.

It isn't fair leaving your animals on their own for long periods in Hot Weather!

SWIMMING POOL AND SPA SAFETY

Summer season is here and it's a timely reminder to ensure our pools and spas are ready.

Swimming pools and spas can be dangerous if children are able to enter the water unsupervised. To prevent children from gaining access to a swimming pool or spa it is a requirement that any pool or spa containing a depth of 300mm or more must have a safety barrier that complies with the requirements in the Building Act 1993 (Act) and Building Regulations 2018 (Regulations).

The following pools and spas are covered by these requirements:

- Outdoor in ground pools and spas
- Outdoor above-ground pools (including inflatable pools)
- Indoor pools and spa pools
- Children's paddling and wading pools
- Spas, jacuzzis, hot tubs and swim spas.

Sammy the Seal's swimming pool & spa safety guidelines

Grab your copy of 'Sammy the Seal' it will explain the basics behind the new State Government rules.

For further information contact Council's building department on 5398 0100.

MEALS ON WHEELS/VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Yarriambiack Shire Council is currently seeking individuals who would be interested in helping us to provide meals on wheels delivery and drivers for volunteer transport clients covering our municipality.

Further details can be obtained by contacting Alannah Lehmann on 5398 0107 or email: alehmann@yarriambiack.vic.gov.au.

WE'RE CLOSING OVER CHRISTMAS...

WARRACKNABEAL OFFICE:

Closed from 12 noon Friday 21 December 2018 and re-opening 8.30am Wednesday 2 January 2019.

HOPETOUN OFFICE:

Closed from 12 noon Friday 21 December 2018 and re-opening 9am Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Maternal & Child Health Centres

Closed from 12 noon Friday 21 December 2018 and re-opening 8.30am Wednesday 2 January 2019 – by appointment only. Maternal & Child Health 24 hour line: 132 229.

Warracknabeal Library

Closed from 12 noon Saturday 22 December 2018 and re-opening 2pm Wednesday 2 January 2019.

Warracknabeal Leisure Centre

Closed from 5.30pm Friday 21 December 2018 and re-opening 6am Wednesday 2 January 2019.

FOR EMERGENCIES:

Please Call 5398 2467 or 0427 511 550

LOCAL LAWS: 0428 591 980

HOME HELP & MEALS ON WHEELS: 0428 234 161

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

On-Farm Drought Infrastructure Support Grants

Various grants of up to \$5,000 (ex-GST) per farm business are available to assist eligible farm businesses implement on-farm infrastructure improvements.

The Sporting Club Grants Program

A grant to assist in the purchase of sports uniforms and equipment and to improve the capacity and accessibility of Victorian clubs and other community sport and recreation organisations. Applications close 20 January 2019.

For more information on the above grants please contact Andrea Stepney on 5398 0126 or Marianne Ferguson on 5398 0121.



WARRACKNABEAL TOWN HALL

Living Heritage Grant

A grant of \$130,000 has been awarded to Yarriambiack Shire Council to fund structural repairs to Warracknabeal Town Hall. The Town Hall was erected in 1939-40 and is one of the first Modernist Town Halls in Australia. The building still houses the original cinema dress-circle and 1930s projection and sound equipment. Today, it is used by a wide range of community groups and provides an accessible venue for community events and functions.

Yarriambiack Shire Council looks forward to working with Heritage Victoria and the Warracknabeal Town Hall Committee of Management during the project.

The Warracknabeal Town Hall Strong Foundations Project is supported by the Victorian Government through the Living Heritage Program.

Health & Food Premise Registrations

Reminder: Annual Health and Food Registrations are due by 31st December 2018.

Please note that late payment penalties apply to overdue registrations.

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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 23rd January 2019

Council Chambers, Warracknabeal at 9:30am

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