



The Community Services team welcome you to the 57th edition of the Devonport Community Services Newsletter the last for 2023.

We want to express our gratitude to everyone who joined us at the many events in Devonport this year. Thank you for making them the success that they were. Thank you to our local Service Providers and Facilities for making such a difference in our community and thank you to all who supported them. Our appreciation also goes out to who Volunteer in Devonport. Whether it be traditional Volunteering roles or lending a needed hand. Your efforts are Devonport's spirit!

We wish you all a wonderful festive summer season. Don't miss out on Club Tropicana - Eve in the City. We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have an event you would like to share with the community, send us an email at [events@devonport.tas.gov.au](mailto:events@devonport.tas.gov.au)

We would love for you to share Newsletter with your friends, networks and community groups. Anyone can subscribe by using the subscription button on the Council Website [here](#).



As the festive season unfolds and we bid farewell to another year, I am filled with immense gratitude and pride for the spirit and resilience our community has shown. Devonport, a place we all cherish, has demonstrated time and again the strength of its character and the warmth of its heart.

Christmas is a special time in Devonport. It's when our streets and homes sparkle with festive lights, our parks echo with laughter, and our community comes together in a spirit of goodwill. This season is an opportunity for us to pause, reflect, and appreciate the beauty of our surroundings and the people who make our lives meaningful.

This year, as your Mayor, I have witnessed remarkable acts of kindness and community spirit. From our local businesses supporting one another to neighbours helping neighbours, the sense of community in Devonport is more than a feeling—it's a living, breathing presence in our daily lives.

As we look forward to the New Year, let us carry with us the lessons learned and the joys experienced in the past year. Let's continue to work together to foster a community where everyone feels valued, connected, and proud to call Devonport home.

On behalf of the Devonport City Council, I wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a safe, prosperous, and happy New Year. May this festive season bring you joy, peace, and cherished moments with your loved ones.

Warm regards,  
Cr Alison Jarman  
Mayor of Devonport



### **Christmas Holiday Closures**

#### **Devonport City Council Offices**

The offices will be closed from 5pm Friday, 22 December 2023, reopening on Tuesday, 2 January 2024. For emergency situations during the festive period please phone 6423 3074.

#### **Household Waste & Recycling Collections**

Collections scheduled for Monday, 25 December will be collected a day later, on

changes to scheduled collection dates. Please place bins out the night before to allow for early morning collection.

#### Spreyton Waste Transfer Station

The Spreyton Waste Transfer Station will be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

Standard operating hours will apply for all other days over this period.

Monday – Friday: 7.30am to 4pm.

Saturday – Sunday: 11am to 4pm.

#### Devonport Recreation Centre

Will re-open for members of the General Public at 9 am on Monday, 8th January 2024.

User groups and individuals with existing independent access arrangements to the centre will continue as normal, subject to usual booking and fee payment processes.

#### Bass Strait Maritime Centre

The Bass Strait Maritime Centre will be closed on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. It will be open on New Years Day from 10am – 3pm.

#### paranaple arts centre

The paranaple arts centre will be closed on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. It will be open on New Years Day from 9am – 2pm.



#### Eve in the City - Club Tropicana

Dive into the tropical oasis of Club Tropicana this New Year's Eve!

When: December 31, 2023

Time: 6pm onwards

Location: Aikenhead Point

Join us for a laid-back yet festive celebration with a touch of the tropics!

SeaRoad Fireworks will illuminate the night at 9:30pm and midnight, creating a mesmerizing skyline to welcome 2024.

Free Entry



- 24 December - [Christmas Eve Music Festival](#)
- 25 December - [Public Holiday - Christmas](#)
- 26 Devonport - [Public Holiday - Boxing Day](#)
- 29-30 December - [2023 SeaRoad Taste the Carnival](#)
- 31 December - [Eve in the City](#)
- 1 January - [Public Holiday - New Year's Day](#)
- 3-20 January - [Devonport Family Fun Fair](#)
- 5 January - [Market Square Twilight Market](#)
- 9 January - [School Holiday Activity – JackJumper Camp](#)
- 10 January - [Devonport Public Holiday - Devonport Cup](#)
- 10 January - [School Holiday Activity: Intro to Performing with Dylan Boys](#)
- 11 January - [School Holiday Activity: Collage Workshop](#)
- 13 January - [Devonport Farmers Market](#)
- 18 January - [Remember When – School Days at Devonport Library](#)
- 21 January - [2024 Wedding Expo](#)
- 21 January - [Mr Perfect – More than a BBQ](#)
- 22 January - [3D Garden Collage at Devonport Library](#)
- 24 January - [School Holiday Activity: Intro to Performing with Dylan Boys](#)
- 25 January - [Meet up for Autistic Adults](#)
- 25 January - [Citizenship and Australia Day Award Ceremony](#)
- 26 January - [Public Holiday - Australia Day](#)
- 27 January - [Devonport Farmers Market](#)
- 31 January - [School Holiday Activity: Intro to Performing with Dylan Boys](#)





- Every Monday and Tuesday 9.30am - [The Community HUB - Pathway to Life](#)
- Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday 6-7.50pm - [Grans Van](#)
- Every Monday 6pm - [Rotary Club of Devonport](#)
- First Monday in the Month 10am - [Ladies Probus Club of Devonport Inc](#)
- Fourth Monday in the month 10am - [Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club](#)
- Every Tuesday 9.30am - [Mersey Singers Choir](#)
- Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday of the School Term - [Ageing Stronger, Active Longer](#)
- Every Tuesday 1.30pm - [East Devonport Child and Family Centre](#)
- Every Tuesday of the School Term 3-4.45pm - [Arvos @ The Junction](#)
- Every Tuesday of the School Term 5.30-7pm - [Devonport Rainbow Girl Guides](#)
- Every Tuesday 6.15pm - [Rotary Club of Devonport South East](#)
- Every Tuesday and Thursday of the School Term 6.30pm - [City of Devonport Scout Group](#)
- Every Tuesday 7.30pm - [City of Devonport Brass Band Senior Band rehearsal](#)
- Second Tuesday of each month 7.30pm - [Devonport Garden Club](#)
- First Tuesday of each month 6.30pm - [Inner Wheel - Mersey](#)
- Second and last Tuesday of each month 2-4pm - [Friends of the Don Reserve](#)
- Second and fourth Tuesday of each month 6.15pm - [Spirit of Devonport Toastmasters Club](#)
- Second Tuesday of each month 7.30pm - [Devonport Garden Club](#)
- Every Wednesday 5.30pm - [Heaven's Kitchen](#)
- First Wednesday of each month 6pm - [Soroptimists International Devonport](#)
- Every second Wednesday 10am-midday - [Reflections Dementia Friendly Cafe](#)
- Every fourth Wednesday 10am - Devonport Men's Probus Club - 0412 753 306
- Every Thursday 3.30-5pm - [City of Devonport Brass, Junior Band](#)
- Every Thursday and Saturday 1pm - [Senior Citizen Indoor Bowls](#)
- First Thursday of each month 5-6.30pm - [Headspace, Face to Face Safe Space Peer Support](#)
- Every Thursday of the School Term 6-8pm - [Devonport Indigo Girl Guides](#)
- First and third Thursday 7pm - [Mersey Devonport Lions Club](#)
- Every second Thursday times vary - [Salvation Army Companion Club](#)
- Every Thursday 6pm - [Rotary Club of Devonport North](#)
- Every Thursday 6.30pm - [Resonance Choir](#)
- First Thursday of each month 6pm - [Zonta Club of Devonport](#)

- Every Friday 4-7pm - [Salvation Army Craft Group](#)
- Second Friday evening of each month - [Providore Place Twilight Markets](#)
- Occasional Saturdays 8.30-12pm - [Devonport Farmers Market](#)
- Sundays 9am - 2pm - [Don Markets](#)
- First Sunday of each month 2pm - [International Cafe Devonport](#)
- Second Sunday of each month 12pm - [Devonport Orchid Society](#)



### Major and Minor Grants open soon

Council's community Major and Minor Grants Program supports community organisations to deliver one-off projects, events and activities that enhance the liveability, health and wellbeing of the Devonport community.

Applications will open 1 January until 28 February 2024.

Find eligibility, guidelines and application form here: [Major and minor grants | Devonport City Council](#)

Have questions? Send an email to [grants@devonport.tas.gov.au](mailto:grants@devonport.tas.gov.au)



### Neighbours Every Day 2024

Local Tasmanian community members, groups and organisations are encouraged to apply for grants up to \$1,250 that can be used to host neighbourly activities in the

neighbours to increase belonging and minimise loneliness.

Grant activities/events don't have to occur on the day of action - Neighbour Day 31 March 2024 (Easter Sunday), but this is encouraged.

Grant Guidelines, and application form can be found [here](#).



### **Clean Up Australia Day**

Clean Up Australia inspires and mobilises communities to improve and conserve our environment, eliminate litter and end waste. It is the largest volunteer led clean up event of the year and the most practical way to educate and demonstrate waste prevention.

- Business Clean Up Day – Tuesday 27 February 2024
- Schools Clean Up Day – Friday 1 March 2024
- Clean Up Australia Day – Sunday 3 March 2024

Register to get your free kit here: <https://www.cleanup.org.au/>

Registering means you are covered by Clean Up Australia's public liability insurance - and can be counted as a participant.





The December edition of Cradle to Coastlines is here thanks to Cradle Coast NRM. This edition features stories about trees, bees, cats, crayfish and our amazing Kelcey Tier BioBlitz!

Read the online magazine here: [2023 December Cradle to Coastlines](#)



### **RiskReady**

The most common emergencies in Tasmania are bushfire, flood and storm. How prepared are you?

[TasALERT](#) RiskReady is designed to improve property owners understanding of natural hazard risks to their property to help them reduce the risk of property damage.

Find out more [here](#)



### **Meals on Wheels Seeking Volunteers**

Melas on Wheels have the following volunteer positions available;

- Meal packing
- Meal delivery
- Vehicle and eski cleaning
- Administration



Email: [volunteers@mowtas.org.au](mailto:volunteers@mowtas.org.au)

Or visit their website: <https://mowtas.org.au/get-involved/volunteer/>



### [Devonport Regional Gallery Exhibitions](#)

#### [Dusk](#)

Curated by Victor Manuel Medrano-Bonilla

Upper Gallery, Level 2

11 November - 20 January 2024

#### [Zoonoses](#)

Dr Nicola Hooper

Main Gallery, Ground Level

25 November 2023 - 6 January 2024

#### [North West Support School 2023 Exhibition](#)

Foyer/Avenue Exhibition Space

2 December - 3 February 2024

#### [Carbon and other colours](#)

Joseph Collings-Hall

Little Gallery Emerging Artist Program

16 December - 20 January 2024



## Council Meetings

Council meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month, in our Council Chambers in the Aberdeen Room, level 2, paranapple centre, 137 Rooke Street Devonport, starting at 5.30pm. Meetings will continue to be livestreamed on [Council's YouTube channel](#) for those who are unable to attend the meeting, and a link will be available the following day on Council's website: [www.devonport.tas.gov.au/council/council-meetings/](http://www.devonport.tas.gov.au/council/council-meetings/)

- Monday, 22 January 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 26 February 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 25 March 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 22 April 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 27 May 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 24 June 202 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 22 July 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 26 August 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 23 September 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 28 October 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 2 November 2024 | 5:30pm
- Monday, 23 December 2024 | 5:30pm

