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Welcome to the 36th edition of the Community Services Newsletter!

In this Newsletter find a list of upcoming events, including details on the 2021 Devonport Festival of Learning.

There is information on available grants e.g. Community Defibrillator Fund, 26TEN Grants and the Devonport City Council Financial Assistance Scheme.

Have your say on Food Security and Aged Care standards.

Learn how to breathe your best this Spring and burn brighter and cleaner and a whole lot more.

We would love for you to share the information or Newsletter with your friends, networks and community groups. You can subscribe by using the subscription button on the Council Website here.



Upcoming events

Bookings may be a requirement of the below events, check website for information including COVID-safe conditions.

Find a complete list on the Council website: www.devonport.tas.gov.au/whats-on-devonport/

- 25 Aug 9 Sep Devonport Eisteddfod
- 27 Aug Daffodil Day Cancer Council
- 31 Aug Wild Butterfly Screening
- 1-30 Sep Festival of Learning
- 7 Sep eSafety's Parent Guide to Online Sexual Harassment and Image-based

Abuse

- 8 Sep Community Engagement Outreach Connection Van
- 8 Sep North West Film Society I Hate Summer
- 9 Sep Providing an Inclusive Practice and Community for LGBTIQA+ People
- 12 Sep Daffodil Day
- 23 Sep Devonport Dementia, Prevention and Wellbeing Expo



Regular events

• Every Monday and Tuesday 9.30am - The Community HUB - Pathway to Life

- Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday of the School Term <u>Ageing Stronger</u>, 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. 6.15pm Rotary Club of Devonport South East
- Every Tuesday. 7.30pm City of Devonport Brass Band Senior Band rehearsal
- Second Tuesday of each month. 7.30pm <u>Devonport Garden Club</u>
- 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 <u>Spirit of Devonport</u> <u>Toastmasters Club</u>
- Second Tuesday of each month. 7.30pm Devonport Garden Club
- First Wednesday of each month. 6pm Soroptimists International Devonport
- Every second Wednesday. 10am-midday Reflections Dementia Friendly Cafe
- First Thursday of each month. 5-6.30pm <u>Headspace</u>, <u>Face to Face Safe</u>
 <u>Space Peer Support</u>
- Every second Thursday. Times vary Salvation Army Companion Club
- Every Thursday. 6pm Rotary Club of Devonport North
- 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
- Every second and fourth Saturday. 8am 12 midday <u>Devonport Farmers</u>
 Markets
- Sundays 8am 2pm Don Markets
- First Sunday of each month. 2pm International Cafe Devonport



Media Releases

9 August 2021 Devonport wins second award for digital transformation

16 August 2021 50 plus years ratepayer luncheon

25 August 2021 Nominate an exceptional woman for Diamonds of Devonport 2022

Position Descriptions

www.devonport.tas.gov.au/council/get-involved/employment/employment-

Asset Management Coordinator - This permanent full-time position is responsible for the sound, efficient and timely coordination, operation, planning and development of Council's Asset Management and Geographic Information System (GIS). The position will oversee and work closely with relevant staff in the enhancement and day-to-day operation of these functions. Applications close Sunday, 29 August 2021.

<u>Communications and Engagement Officer</u> - Devonport City Council is seeking a highly skilled, innovative and motivated Communications & Engagement Officer to develop, coordinate and deliver corporate public relations and communications for Council. Applications close Sunday, 29 August 2021.

<u>Parks & Reserves Coordinator</u> - This full-time position is a unique opportunity for a candidate with demonstrated knowledge in horticulture and people management skills. Applications close Sunday, 5 September 2021.



Devonport Festival of Learning

The Devonport Learning Festival is back this September!

View the calender of events on the Living + Learning

website here: https://livingandlearningdevonport.com.au/events/

The Festival runs from 1-30 September 2021.



Devonport City Council 2021-2022 Grants

Now Open - Council's Community Services 2021-2022 Financial Assistance Scheme Round One;

- Major Grants (up to \$25,000),
- Minor Grants (up to \$3,000) and
- · Community Rates Remissions.

Check the eligibility and guidelines. Co-funding requirements may apply. Applications for this round close 31 August 2021.

Find the guidelines, eligibility and online application forms on the Council website: www.devonport.tas.gov.au/live/your-community/grants/

Applicant support is available by emailing Community Services on: grants@devonport.tas.gov.au



Community Defibrillator Fund

Individuals, community organisations and not-for-profit organisations can register their interest in obtaining a Tasmanian Government funded AED through the Community Defibrillator Fund.

Application

form: http://ambulance.tas.gov.au/community_information/community_defibrillators
For more information please contact Ambulance Tasmania on 1300 979 057 or email aed@ambulance.tas.gov.au



26TEN Grants Program - For Employers

This program seeks to support employers and peak bodies to run projects to improve literacy and numeracy of Tasmanian workers (paid and volunteers).

Grants between \$5,000 and \$50,000 (excluding GST) are available.

This program is open on an ongoing basis until 18 February 2022 or until funds are exhausted, whichever comes first.

Application information can be found on the 26TEN

website: https://26ten.tas.gov.au/build-your-business/Pages/Grants-for-

Employers.aspx



PPCA Performers' Trust Foundation Grants

performing arts.

Applications must be for one or more of the following purposes:

- Performances at concerts at or for charitable institutions such as hospitals or homes for the aged.
- Scholarships for the promotion and encouragement of musical and theatrical education.
- The promotion and encouragement of the performing arts to the general public.
- The aid or assistance of any beneficiary who is unable to adequately maintain herself/himself by her/his own exertions and other income.

This program is open on an ongoing basis.

Find more information here: www.ppca.com.au/about-us/performers-trust-foundation



Get involved and get Online

Get Online Week, is back on 18-24 October 2021 to promote the benefits of getting online through the theme 'Get online. Get connected.' As more of our lives move online, it's more important than ever that everyone has the skills and confidence they need to safely use the internet.

\$1,000 grants are now available for community organisations in the Be Connected Network to host digital skills events. If your organisation is interested in getting involved, find out more on the Get Online Week

website: https://aus.getonlineweek.com/

Be Connected Network: www.beconnectednetwork.org.au/



Food Security 2020 and beyond

The Tasmanian <u>Public Health Services</u> want to hear about community experiences to help plan for a more resilient future around food security. Community members are asked to share their stories in a way that feels safe and right for them:

- online survey
- interview (self-selected or invited)
- focus groups
- self submitted stories (written, audio or image based).

The anonymous survey is now open and only takes around 5 minutes to complete.

Here is the link to the survey: www.surveymonkey.com/r/JN9Y8LJ

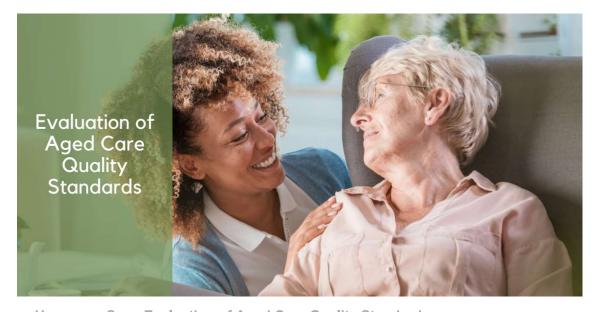
Here is a link to a short information video about the

survey: www.youtube.com/watch?v=tz 78kuLITQ

More information can also be

found: www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/community_nutrition/health_and_communit

y workers/food security



Have your Say - Evaluation of Aged Care Quality Standards

The Department of Health has commissioned KPMG to undertake an evaluation of

- Consumers, family members, carers or representatives of a consumer
- Consumer peak bodies
- · Aged care service providers
- · Aged care workers/professionals

The survey asks about the Quality Standards, their implementation, and outcomes from their introduction and takes about 20 minutes to complete. You can participate up until midnight (AEST) on 3 September 2021.

You can find the link to the survey here: https://insightssurvey.kpmg.com.au/wix/6/p850573168126.aspx

If you or someone you know, would like assistance to register for either the survey or the focus group please call the COTA Tasmania office on 6231 3265.



Women With Disabilities Australia - Mentoring Program

Women With Disabilities Australia (WWDA) have just launched their new Mentoring Program! The program is designed to build the confidence and leadership skills of women, girls, feminine identifying, or non-binary people with disability – and it's free!

If you are looking to build on your leadership skills, connections, or help someone else build theirs, then this program is for you!

Find out more and sign up today at: https://wwda.org.au/mentoring/



Cradle Coast Cat Tracker

At least 70% of cat owners allow their cat to roam outside, but do we really know where these cats go once, they walk out the door?

The Cradle Coast Cat Tracker Project wanted to unravel the mystery and the results of the pilot project are in. Access the full report here: www.cradlecoast.com/cat-tracker/



Keep Australia Beautiful Tas

<u>Keep Australia Beautiful</u> are now accepting Sustainable Communities award nominations. There are three main categories for the 2021 Awards

- 1. Tidy Towns Overall Winner for an Outstanding Sustainable Community. The town or village can be any population and should have at least one project, program or activity demonstrating sustainability in each of the three 'pillars of sustainability' economic, environmental and social.
- 2. Community Citizen An individual of any age making an outstanding contribution to their community.
- 3. Community Group A Community Group or Organisation making an outstanding contribution.

Entries close: Friday, 17 September 2021



Congratulations Spreyton Primary School!

Spreyton Primary School officially opened a new greenhouse this week.

The greenhouse is thanks to a grant from Keep Australia Beautiful Tasmania Sustainable Schools Award.

Spreyton Primary School: www.facebook.com/SpreytonPrimarySchool



Wanted: The Bubas bison

The Bubas bison dung beetle was introduced to Tasmania about 20 years to bury cow dung, reduce fly numbers, and improve soils... but was the introduction successful??

<u>Landcare Tasmania</u> need your help! If you sight Bubas bison please text a clear photo to Andrew on 0429 015 371



Equipment for hire

Rotary Club of Devonport North are not only busy in the community, they also have some equipment available for hire for community events. The items for hire include:

- Fence panels 1.8m high with feet clamps
- Crowd barriers 1m high
- Fold up tables 1.8m long
- Marquees 3x3m & 6x3m
- Bains-Marie

Enquires phone: 0417 362 129.

Rotary Club of Devonport North Facebook page: www.facebook.com/RotaryDevonportNorth



Recycling checks

Kerbside recycling bin checks are being undertaken by assessors in North West Tasmania over the next two months.

With so many different labels and types of packaging, it can sometimes be confusing to know what belongs in your kerbside recycling bin. Information collected from these

Learn more about recycling in Tasmania with Rethink Waste

Tasmania: https://rethinkwaste.com.au/
In Devonport Recycling is collected by

Veolia: www.devonport.tas.gov.au/live/residents/rubbish-waste-recycling/fortnightly-

recycling-collection/



FindHelpTAS

FindHelpTAS is a free online directory of community services for all Tasmanians. You can find advice, counselling, support groups, food relief, local community activities and everything in between — online, over the phone or face-to-face.

There are over 900 programs listed from more than 400 community service organisations.

FindHelpTAS Website: www.findhelptas.org.au/
Become a member organisation and list your services: www.findhelptas.org.au/register/



Are you prepared for spring this year?

The last two years have been unlike any other, especially for people with asthma. There is a lot of cross-over between COVID-19 symptoms, asthma, and hay fever. We know the last thing people want is to be sneezing, blowing their noses, and getting short of breath let alone to feel shamed by others as well. To help you, we have put together some essential resources and links to help you stay in control of your asthma this spring.

Be prepared and download your free spring asthma pack at https://asthma.org.au/about-asthma/live-with-asthma/spring-asthma/

Asthma Week 1-7 September

Is Asthma Week, learn all about our 'Air Nutrition' – you are what you breathe.

2.7 million of us are living with asthma (1 in 9). With air pollution being a regular thing we breathe in, the risks and impacts for people with asthma are getting harder. But it's not just people with asthma who are impacted. Air pollution, from traffic exhaust to your gas cook-top, can be damaging our lungs and your general health. When we breathe in certain air pollutants, the risk of developing conditions like asthma, heart or lung disease and cancer can increase.

Learn more here: https://asthma.org.au/get-involved/what-is-on/asthma-week/



Burn Brighter

Smoke reduces the quality of the air we breathe. Prolonged exposure to smoke from wood heaters is a significant problem for people who have chronic illnesses like asthma and heart conditions. In Tasmania, poor air quality is common during the colder months when the air is calm, as wood smoke tends to build up and linger for days, particularly in low-lying areas.

If you use a wood heater you can reduce smoke pollution and help your neighbours

- Always burn with a flame don't let your fire smoulder
- After reloading, open the air control and burn your fire on high for 20 minutes, especially before going to bed
- Only burn dry, seasoned wood
- · Ensure your flue is clean

Learn how to reduce smoke from your wood heater on the Environmental Protection Authority website: https://epa.tas.gov.au/environment/air/wood-heaters-and-cookers/improving-wood-heater-use/burn-brighter-this-winter-program



Have your say on Covid-19 Vaccination Passports

As more people become fully vaccinated against Covid-19 there is discussion about the introduction of "Vaccination Passports" whereby people who are fully vaccinated face few restrictions in their employment, socialising and travel.

<u>Health Consumers Tasmania</u> wish to understand any concerns you may have, via a survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/HCTsurvey.

Your answers are confidential and the survey is open from 20 August to 4 September.

Email <u>admin@healthconsumerstas.org.au</u> for more information.



Moving Pictures: Raising dementia awareness

Moving Pictures is an innovative multi-media project that aims to raise dementia awareness in Australia's culturally and linguistically diverse communities. This study has been funded since 2017 by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care.

The latest range of films and comics have been co-produced with people from Italian-, Greek-, Vietnamese-, and Spanish-speaking communities. These short films cover the signs and symptoms of dementia, navigating care, and the carer's journey. The films feature the stories and lived experiences of carers of people living with dementia, and the expert views of key service providers. More information about our project is available at https://movingpictures.org.au/.

For further information contact the Moving Pictures team: MovingPictures@nari.edu.au



Free online dementia education

The Preventing Dementia MOOC (massive open online course) examines the latest evidence on dementia risk factors and ways to reduce the risk. This free online

isolation.

Enrolments are now open for the next Preventing Dementia MOOC

Course opens: 5th October 2021

Course duration: 4 weeks

Estimated effort: 2 hours per week

Course access: Day or night, on your smart phone, tablet or computer Course closes: 19h November 2021 (content is accessible across 6 weeks) Completion certificate? Yes, there is a personalised certificate on completion

Cost: FREE

Sign up: https://mooc.utas.edu.au/index.php?
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Find more information on the course: https://mooc.utas.edu.au/index.php?

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Share the Dignity August Drive

<u>Share the Dignity</u> is a women's charity in Australia, that works to make a real, on-the-ground difference in the lives of those experiencing homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or doing it tough. They distribute period products to women, girls, and anyone who menstruates who needs support.

Throughout the month of August Devonport City Council and Devonport Library will be accepting brand new sanitary and period products including pads, tampons, maternity pads, incontinence pads, reusable pads, period-proof underwear and menstrual cups to donate to Share the Dignity.

Collection points:

- <u>Devonport City Council</u> Customer Service Counter, paranaple centre, Level 2
 137 Rooke Street, OR
- Devonport Library Customer Service Counter, paranaple centre, Ground Level
 137 Rooke Street, OR

Find out more about Share the Dignity here: https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/



Shining a light

Devonport Devonport City Council will light up the paranaple convention centre to shine a light on;

Wear it Purple Day

To celebrate and promote the value of diversity and inclusion of young people from the LGBTIQ+ community, the paranaple convention centre will shine Purple 27 August. Find out more: www.wearitpurple.org/

International Overdose Awareness Day

International Overdose Awareness Day 31 August 2021 aims to raise awareness of overdose and reduce the stigma of drug-related deaths. It is also an opportunity to stimulate discussion about evidence-based overdose prevention and drug policy. International Overdose Awareness Day acknowledges the grief felt by families and friends whose loved-ones have died or suffered permanent injury from a drug overdose.

Alcohol, tobacco and other drugs Council Tasmania: https://www.atdc.org.au/

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Seeking Expressions of Interest

Expression of Interest: Licence to Operate Tourist Train Experience

Devonport City Council invites expressions of interest from individuals, service clubs, commercial and not-for-profit organisations to operate a Tourist Train Experience in Devonport.

Council intend the Tourist Train Experience be based at the newly redesigned waterfront park, however, Council would endorse the attraction operating between the waterfront park and Devonport's Bluff precinct.

Closing date Friday, 24 September 2021. Submissions should be addressed to: Geoffrey Dobson, Convention and Arts Centre Director, gdobson@devonport.tas.gov.au 145 Rooke Street, Devonport TAS 7310 Read the full media release, overview and submission details here: Expression of Interest: Licence to Operate Tourist Train Experience | Devonport City Council

Expression of Interest: Seniors Week events and activities

Seniors Week will be held 11-17 October 2021 with the theme friendship – "discover.imagine.together"

After the success of the last few years, Devonport City Council is once again celebrating seniors week in the Devonport region with a calendar of events for the week long celebration.

Council would love to hear from organisations providing Devonport activities and events in Seniors Week 2021. Ideally Activities would be low cost, and must be COVID-Safe and open to the public for inclusion in the calendar. Contact dobrien@devonport.tas.gov.au for an expression of interest form.

Closing date Monday, 27 September 2021

Mental Health Week 9-16 October 2021

Are you hosting an event for Mental Health Week this year? Council would like to hear about it/advertise it!

Please send details to dobrien@devonport.tas.gov.au

Children's Week 23-31 October 2021

Council would love to help advertise any low cost public activities and events occurring for this years Children's Week.

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<u>Living Lightly Expo – 30 October 2021</u>

Devonport City Council and Devonport Community House will again host the Living Lightly Expo in the Devonport Community Garden, and we are looking for a few more stalls.

The Expo focuses on inspiring the community to live sustainably, eat locally and eat healthily. If your organisation would like to participate, please send details to dobrien@devonport.tas.gov.au by the end of August.



Devonport Regional Gallery

Undercurrent
Emerging Curator Program
Upper Gallery
26 June - 25 September 2021

North West Art Circle
Annual Community Art Exhibition & Awards 2021
Main Gallery
23 July - 21 August 2021

The Surface of Things
Liam Fallon - Little Gallery Emerging Artist Program
14 August - 25 September 2021

Upcoming Exhibition

Un/Touched Wilderness
Main Gallery
28 August - 9 October 2021

Little Gallery Emerging Artist Program

Call out for the 2022 program will be announced in September 2021.



Council Meetings

Council meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month, in our Council Chambers In the Aberdeen Room, level 2, paranaple 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/

Scheduled Council Meetings for 2021:

- Monday, 27 September
- Monday, 25 October
- Monday, 22 November
- Monday, 20 December

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