

Meet the Mayor Cr Andrew Davenport Wattle Ward

What's your favourite thing about Whitehorse?

The convenience. Our city offers easy access to essential services including hospitals, educational institutions and commercial and retail outlets. Public transport options ensure residents can travel without a car. Additionally, leisure activities are just around the corner with beautiful parks and gardens, and there are facilities like The Round, our neighbourhood houses and our Aqualink centres enhancing our community's lifestyle.

Best place in Whitehorse to spend your weekends?

My home in Burwood, close to the Lundgren Chain Reserve park playground and barbecue area, where my family and I enjoy outdoor activities. Another favourite spot is Box Hill Gardens on Saturday mornings where I can watch tai chi and other organised exercise activities, and my children can use the large play space.

Favourite AFL/sports teams:

The Box Hill Hawks, they play at City Oval.



What is the number one priority or project that you would like to get done in your mayoral term?

Working cooperatively with my fellow Councillors to deliver positive change for the city through the Council Plan and our Budget.

What's going to be your biggest challenge as Mayor this year?

I look forward to working with the State Government to ensure their planning proposals offer the opportunity for added housing while respecting the neighbourhood character we all enjoy. This includes the Burwood and Box Hill station precincts as part of the Suburban Rail Loop, and the activity centres proposed for Blackburn, Nunawading, Mitcham and Ringwood.



Panel's recommendations revealed

Mid-last year, a group of 36 community members came together as part of our Shaping Whitehorse community panel.

The panel met on 4 occasions to consider a range of information and make a series of recommendations to Council, to help shape the future of our city for the next 4 years and beyond.

The recommendations spanned 6 key themes for the future of our city, including health and wellbeing, our social, built, economic and natural environments and how Council works.

The panel's recommendations, together with wider community feedback, will help inform the development of our Integrated Council Plan 2025-2029, Annual Budget 2025/26 and other important planning documents. Our community will have the opportunity to view and comment on these documents in mid-2025.

You can view the full panel report and all its recommendations on our Your Say website.

Look for the 'Shaping Whitehorse' page at yoursay.whitehorse.vic.gov.au



The 2024 awards winners with our Councillors and guest speaker Andrew Gaze (back row centre). Picture: Jorge de Araujo.

Celebrating local legends at the Whitehorse Sport and **Recreation Awards**

The outstanding contributions of local athletes and sport and recreational clubs were recognised at the Whitehorse 2024 Sport and Recreation Awards on Wednesday 27 November at The Round in Nunawading.

This annual event shines a spotlight on the remarkable achievements of those who help shape our community's sporting culture. 63 nominees were honoured for their accomplishments over the past 12 months, with winners announced in 12 categories, as judged by the Whitehorse Sport and Recreation Reference Group.

Among the winners were athletes, clubs and groups who delivered outstanding performances while giving back to their sport, activity and local community. The awards also recognised the individuals behind the scenes, such as event officials, coaches and administrators.

Mayor Andrew Davenport congratulated all the award winners and nominees and paid tribute to all the volunteers who contributed to community sport in Whitehorse.

"For junior sport and senior sport to flourish in our city, it's only possible because of our volunteers who turn up week in, week out," Cr Davenport said.

The guest speaker, Australian basketball legend Andrew Gaze, said he was delighted to see the talent and dedication of the Whitehorse sporting community on display. Major sponsor

"It is great the Council recognises this through these awards, and it is also great the Council provides activities for them to engage in and excel," Andrew said.



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Nunawading Swim Club

Junior Sportsperson of the Year:

Olivia Gargano - U18 Australian Ice Hockey and Blackburn Karate

Sportsperson of the Year with a Disability:

Flynn Ireland – Melbourne Jets Ice Hockey Club

Team of the Year:

Melbourne Juggernaut Ultimate Frisbee

Official of the Year:

Heather O'Connor -Surrey Park Swimming Club

Volunteer of the Year:

Margaret Bevan -Whitehorse Pioneers Football Netball Club

Junior Volunteer of the Year:

Andy Chesterfield -Nunawading Basketball

Coach or Leader of the Year:

Matthew Burns -Surrey Park Swimming Club

Club or Group of the Year:

Blackburn Junior Football Club

Women in Leadership Award (Sponsored by Deakin **University):**

Gayle Wood – Forest Hill Football Netball Club

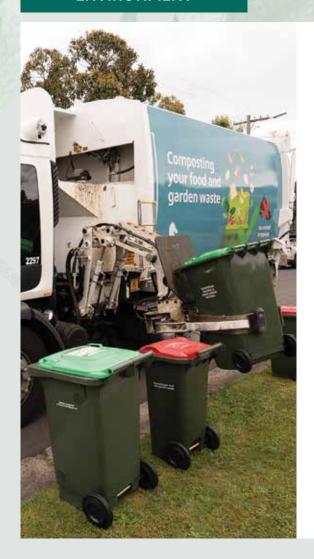
Recreation Group of the Year:

Mullum Mullum parkrun

Inclusive Club of the Year:

Whitehorse Netball Association

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2025 bin collection calendars now available

Stay on top of recycling and composting in 2025!

Keep track of your recycling and food organics and garden organics (FOGO) bin collection schedule with our handy 2025 bin collection calendar.

Garbage bins (red or dark green lid) are collected weekly, while recycling (yellow lid) and FOGO (bright green lid) bins are collected fortnightly on alternate schedules, depending on which zone your house is in.

Download your 2025 bin calendar today!

Scan the QR code or search
 'Bin Collection Day' on Council's
 website. You can enter in your address
 to find your bin collection day or
 download a copy of the bin calendar
 for your area (Zone 1 or Zone 2).

Scan the QR code to download



Not sure how to best sort your rubbish?

 Search 'What Can Go In My Bin?' on Council's website for guidance or download the RecycleMate app on your phone to get it right every time!



Carbon neutral certification

Whitehorse City Council has achieved carbon neutral certification for our operations in the 2022/23 financial year.

We've become the 10th local government in Victoria to receive this recognition through the Climate Active program.

This milestone independently verifies our commitment to actively reduce and transparently report our emissions while investing in offset projects.

Search 'Sustainability' on Council's website to learn more and find out how you can take action too.



Home energy efficiency kits

Want to save money and make your home more comfortable?

Borrow a thermal imaging camera from Whitehorse Manningham Libraries to spot inefficiencies in your house such as draughts, hot or cold areas, or gaps in roof insulation.

Available on its own or as part of a complete energy efficiency toolkit, it's the perfect way to get your home summer-ready.

Search 'Home Energy Kit' on the libraries' website: wml.vic.gov.au



Christmas tree collections

This festive season we're again offering free Christmas tree collections, with bookings now open.

Collections are available through to Friday 31 January, and bookings are limited to 1 tree per household.

Book your collection online at whitehorse.cleanaway.com.au



Midsumma Festival *

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The Round's Big Gay Gala

Slip on your sequins, slop on some eye shadow and slap on a wig for this vivacious variety extravaganza at The Round as part of Midsumma 2025.

Prepare for a smorgasbord of entertainment – we're talking devilish drag, show-stopping songs, side-splitting comedy, tantalising burlesque and enough sequins to outshine a disco ball.

Hosted by Reuben Kaye, the full lineup features the finest of Australia's LGBTQIA+ talent including Rhys Nicholson, Mama Alto, Brenda Bressed, Piera Dennerstein and Egson Ham.

Bring your friends and prepare to soak up the energy, sparkle and celebration at this unmissable Midsumma highlight!

When: Friday 31 January, 7.30pm

Where: The Round Theatre

Cost: \$41 to \$56

Bookings: Required, tickets at

theround.com.au

Talking With Pride

Box Hill Community Arts Centre is proudly presenting the remarkable work of the Talking with Pride group in collaboration with Family Access Network this Midsumma.

The group is dedicated to empowering young people to express themselves and celebrate their unique identities through art.

When: Monday 20 January to

Thursday 20 February

Where: Box Hill Community

Arts Centre

Cost: Free

Bookings: Not required

Night Creatures outside The Round

Come down to The Round and meet *Night Creatures,* two beautiful wooden pole carvings now on display outside the venue.

These unique works are part of Council's involvement in the Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place's First Nations Arts Trail Project.

This project maps out existing First Nations public art across Melbourne's eastern suburbs as well as commissioning new pieces from talented First Nations artists, in collaboration with other local councils.



Night Creatures was chosen through an open expression of interest process, with the winning proposal from the talented public art partnership Murrup Biik (Chris Joy and Aunty Kim Wandin). Created by the artists Shlomit Moria and Lewis Wandin-Bursill, these carvings showcase a powerful owl and a brush-tailed possum, both locally significant species to the area and to Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people.



What better way to spend a warm summer evening than listening to live music on the lawn at the annual Whitehorse Australia **Day Concert?**

Join us from 5pm for a fun night of family-friendly activities, food trucks and entertainment.

Our concert starts at 6pm with a stellar lineup of acts performing classic hits through the evening, before we finish with a spectacular fireworks display. There's plenty to keep the kids entertained all evening with free rides, face painting and activities.

This year's Australia Day concert lineup is led by 1970s rock band Yacht Rock Revival. They'll be joined by original Red Wiggle

Murray Cook's grippingly groovy soul-pop band The Soul Movers, children's group Team Dream, and Nicky Bomba's Caribbean-inspired group Bustamento.

We will have plenty of features to support the community on site including AUSLAN interpreters, a chill-out space, an accessible viewing area and parents' rooms.

Best of all, this event is free! Bring your family, invite your friends, and make your way down to our Australia Day concert!

- Team Dream
- Bustamento

When: Sunday 26 January, 5pm to 10pm (Fireworks at 9.50pm)

Where: Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct. 379-399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading

Parking: Limited spots available. We recommend walking, riding, carpooling, or taking public transport. If travelling by car, please be mindful of residents and don't block driveways.

More information:

Search 'Australia Day Concert' at creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au or phone 9262 6333 to speak to a team member.

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What's on for > Lunar New Year

Get ready for an incredible Lunar New Year celebration with exciting activities across Whitehorse! Embrace the Year of the Snake with vibrant cultural performances, traditional crafts, festive workshops, and experiences that bring the magic of 2025 Lunar celebrations to life.

Whitehorse Lunar **New Year Festival**

Organised by the Asian Business Association of Whitehorse and supported by Whitehorse City Council, celebrate the spirit of Lunar New Year with delicious food, captivating performances, traditional arts, amusement rides and more.

When: Saturday 1 February, 10am to 12 midnight

Where: Bank Street, Box Hill | Cost: Free



Celebrate!

Visit this exhibition showcasing Chinese-Australian photographers who have documented a range of public and private celebrations throughout Melbourne over the past 12 months, including Pride, traditional Chinese festivities and opera.

When: Saturday 1 February to Saturday 1 March

Where: Whitehorse Artspace, Box Hill

Age: All ages Cost: Free

Town Hall

Bookings: Not required

Plant-based cooking

Join us for a festive celebration of plantbased cooking for Lunar New Year! Learn how to prepare traditional Lunar New Year dishes, guided by an expert cook.

When: Sunday 2 February, 11am to 1pm

Where: Strathdon House and Orchard Precinct

Age: Adults Cost: \$25

Bookings: Required



Chinese brush painting

Join award-winning Chinese brush painting artist Echo Wu to celebrate the Lunar New Year. With the plum blossom as your theme, learn how to use ink and colour to create paintings on Xuan paper.

When: Sunday 9 February, 10am to 12 noon

Where: Box Hill

Community Arts Centre

Age: Adults **Cost**: \$65

Bookings: Required







New structure for Whitehorse Planning Scheme

Whitehorse's Planning Scheme now looks different due to a new structure introduced by the State Government, which all councils are required to use.

This new structure integrates state, regional and local planning policies into common themes such as environment and landscape values, housing, economic development and transport.

All Victorian councils, including Whitehorse, were required to reorganise (or "translate") their local policies into the new Planning Policy Framework structure. If you use the Planning Scheme, it will look different, but the content remains the same.

You can find out more about the new framework at the State Government's Department of Planning website.

Search 'Planning Policy Framework Translation' at planning.vic.gov.au



Garry Rush, GJ Rush Butcher.

Shopping Strip Spotlight: Canterbury Road, Blackburn South

When you walk down Canterbury Road in Blackburn South, the GJ Rush Butcher is a familiar sight.

For 43 years, Garry Rush has been serving the community, continuing the legacy his grandfather began 80 years ago when he bought the shop.

Garry's oldest customer is 101 years old and living proof of the shop's enduring connection to the community.

Garry has watched the shopping strip change over more than 4 decades, from a few grocery shops and a haberdashery to new cafes, clothing shops, a florist and major retailers. Visit and support Garry and other local traders along this strip between Wreford Road and Hunter Drive.



5 Star Food Safety Awards: Pages Cafe, Blackburn South

Address: 4-8 Vicki Street, Blackburn South

(inside Koorong book store)

Trading hours: Monday to Saturday, 9am to 4pm

Contact: 9262 7441 or visit koorong.com/stores/blackburn

Congratulations to manager Suzanne Clarke and the team at Pages Cafe – our latest nominee for Council's 5 Star Food Safety Program Awards.

The team achieved an almost perfect score of 99.62 per cent in a recent inspection.

Find out more about our program by searching '5 Star Food Safety' on Council's website.

Wattle Ward Cr Andrew Davenport Mayor

With 2025 just beginning, I'd like to highlight the Whitehorse festival season program is underway, with the next event being the Australia Day concert with fireworks. It will prove to be a great event and I highly recommend early attendance to reserve your spot on the lawn. I encourage you to look at our website for other activities available to attend during the summer break. As this is my first column postlocal government elections, I would like to thank the residents of Wattle Ward for re-electing me as their representative for the next four years. I look forward to delivering positive change for the community with my Councillor colleagues.

0407 652 145 Andrew.Davenport@ whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Eley Ward Cr Daniel Griffiths

Wishing you a happy 2025 and a prosperous Year of the Snake! 蛇年快乐! If you have concerns about local services, planning or community issues, please don't hesitate to reach out. I'm here to listen and work on the issues that are important to you. The Council offers a wide range of facilities, programs and events - there's something for everyone, so I encourage you to get involved. We also honour the life and remarkable contributions of David Berry, a tireless volunteer and advocate. His unwavering commitment to environmental stewardship left a legacy that will continue to inspire and benefit our community. Vale.

0431 486 455 Daniel.Griffiths@ whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Cootamundra Ward Cr Kieran Simpson

I feel privileged to have been elected to Whitehorse Council.

During the elections, I had hundreds of conversations with residents. There were consistent themes and many ideas that I want to bring to Council over the next four years.

Whether it was spending time with family, being outdoors, reading a book, or watching the cricket (go Stars!) I hope everyone has had a relaxing break.

My goal is to work to repay the trust residents have shown me.

My Facebook handle is @crkieransimpson – if I can help you with anything, my door is always open.

Let's have a great 2025!

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Elgar Ward Cr Blair Barker

I was delighted with the election result, being returned with a considerable and improved margin. This is a reflection on the wonderful things we have achieved and our positive plan to continue improving Council and our area. I had meetings with staff on the day I was sworn in and was happy the organisation continued to do great work during the election caretaker period. Disruptions to the shared path on the Koonung trail will continue for some time and I am pleased that staff have been working on good options to minimise disruption. Thank you again for placing your trust in me. I look forward to working with the Council staff and the community over the next four years.

0459 857 280 Blair.Barker@ whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Council Meetings

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council Chamber in the Whitehorse Civic Centre.

Meetings are also live streamed at webcast.whitehorse.vic.gov.au

There are no meetings scheduled in January. The first Council meeting for 2025 will be held on Monday 3 February at 7pm.

Councillor updates online

Scan the QR code to read more from our Councillors.



The views expressed are those of individual Councillors and do not necessarily reflect Council policy or the views of Council as a whole. Our Councillors have been elected to serve until October 2028.

Kingsley Ward Cr Kirsten Langford

Firstly, thank you to Kingsley Ward constituents who voted for me to be your Councillor, it is a privilege and an honour. A highlight since commencing was the inaugural Christmas Vintage Fair in Mont Albert Heritage Plaza. Organising the event was a partnership between Whitehorse City Council and Mont Albert Village Business Association The old Mont Albert Station was decorated with festive buntings, with Santa giving lucky dip presents to children. There were 15 terrific stalls, including several local traders from Hamilton Street. This was a communitybuilding event, and it was wonderful so many supported this new and exciting initiative.

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Italian | Italiano

Concerto per Australia Day 2025

Vieni a goderti il nostro concerto di Australia Day al 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, domenica 26 gennaio dalle 17:00 alle 22:00.

Ci saranno musica dal vivo e fuochi d'artificio e si potranno acquistare cibo e bevande.

Per maggiori informazioni visita il sito creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Festival del Capodanno Lunare a Whitehorse

Unisciti a noi per festeggiare il Capodanno Lunare di Whitehorse sabato 1 febbraio dalle 10:00 a mezzanotte.

Il festival gratuito si terrà a Bank Street, Box Hill.

Ci saranno cibo delizioso, intrattenimento dal vivo, arti, giostre e tanto altro.

Per maggiori informazioni e per conoscere altri eventi del Capodanno Lunare visita whitehorse.vic.gov.au/lunar.

Calendari per la raccolta dei rifiuti 2025

I calendari per la raccolta dei rifiuti 2025 sono ora disponibili e possono essere scaricati.

I bidoni per i rifiuti (coperchio rosso o verde scuro) vengono ritirati ogni settimana.

I bidoni per il riciclo (coperchio giallo) e per i rifiuti organici e da giardino (coperchio verde acceso) vengono ritirati a settimane alterne.

Per maggiori informazioni visita il sito whitehorse.vic.gov.au/bin-collection-calendar.



Servizio di interpretariato gratuito

Chiama il numero 131 450 menziona la lingua che parli e chiedi di essere messo in contatto con il Consiglio comunale di Whitehorse.

Greek | Ελληνικά

Συναυλία για την Ημέρα της Αυστραλίας 2025

Ελάτε να απολαύσετε τη δωρεάν συναυλία μας για την Ημέρα της Αυστραλίας στη διεύθυνση 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, την Κυριακή 26 Ιανουαρίου, από τις 5 μ.μ. έως τις 10 μ.μ.

Θα υπάρχει ζωντανή μουσική, φαγητό και ποτά προς πώληση, καθώς και πυροτεχνήματα.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες επισκεφθείτε τον ιστότοπο: creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Γιορτάστε το Σεληνιακό Νέο Έτος του Whitehorse

Συμμετάσχετε στο Φεστιβάλ Πρωτοχρονιάς του Σεληνιακού Νέου Έτους του Whitehorse το Σάββατο 1 Φεβρουαρίου, από τις 10 π.μ. έως τα μεσάνυχτα.

Το δωρεάν φεστιβάλ θα διεξαχθεί στην Bank Street, Box Hill.

Θα υπάρχουν νόστιμα φαγητά, ζωντανή ψυχαγωγία, τέχνες, παιχνίδια και πολλά άλλα.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες και για να βρείτε άλλα γεγονότα της Πρωτοχρονιά του Σεληιναικου Νέου Έτους, επισκεφθείτε τον ιστότοπο: whitehorse.vic.gov.au/lunar

Ημερολόγιο συλλογής κάδων απορριμμάτων 2025

Το ημερολόγιο συλλογής κάδων απορριμμάτων για το 2025 είναι πλέον διαθέσιμο για το κατεβάσετε.

Οι κάδοι απορριμμάτων (κόκκινο ή σκούρο πράσινο καπάκι) συλλέγονται εβδομαδιαία.

Οι κάδοι ανακύκλωσης (κίτρινο καπάκι) και τροφίμων και οργανικών απορριμμάτων κήπων (ανοιχτό πράσινο καπάκι) συλλέγονται κάθε δεύτερη εβδομάδα.

Επισκεφθείτε την ιστοσελίδα: whitehorse.vic.gov.au/bin-collection-calendar για περισσότερες πληροφορίες.



Δωρεάν υπηρεσία διερμηνείας

Καλέστε το 131 450, αναφέρετε τη γλώσσα που μιλάτε και ζητήστε να συνδεθείτε με το Δήμο Whitehorse.

Simplified Chinese | 简体中文

2025年澳大利亚国庆日音乐会

欢迎在1月26日星期日傍晚5点至晚上10点来 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading 免费参加我们的澳大利亚国庆日音乐会。

届时会有现场音乐演奏、美食和饮料出售,还有烟花表演。

详情请浏览网址: creative whitehorse.vic.gov.au

Whitehorse 农历新年节庆活动

2月1日星期六上午10点至午夜12点,与我们一起参加 Whitehorse 农历新年节庆活动。

这次免费的节庆活动将在 Box Hill 的 Bank Street 举行。

届时将有美味佳肴、现场表演、艺术作品、游乐设施等供您欣赏游玩。

欲了解更多信息和农历新年活动,请浏览网址:

whitehorse.vic.gov.au/lunar。

2025年垃圾收集日历

2025年的垃圾收集日历现已可供下载。

一般垃圾桶(红色或深绿色盖子)每周收集一次。

回收 (黄色盖子) 和食物及园艺有机物 (明亮绿色盖子) 的垃圾桶每两 周收集一次。

详情请浏览网站:whitehorse.vic.gov.au/bin-collection-calendar。



免费口译服务

请拨打131 450,说明您使用的语言,并要求接通 Whitehorse 市议会。

Vietnamese | Tiếng việt

Buổi Hòa nhạc mừng ngày Quốc khánh Úc 2025

Hãy đến và thưởng thức buổi hòa nhạc miễn phí mừng Ngày Quốc khánh Úc tại 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading vào Chủ Nhật, ngày 26 tháng 1, từ 5 giờ chiều đến 10 giờ tối.

Sẽ có nhạc sống, đồ ăn và thức uống để mua, cùng màn bắn pháo hoa.

Để biết thêm thông tin hãy truy cập creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Lễ hội Tết Nguyên Đán Whitehorse

Hãy tham gia cùng chúng tôi tại Lễ hội Tết Nguyên Đán Whitehorse vào thứ Bảy, ngày 1 tháng 2, từ 10 giờ sáng đến 12 giờ đêm

Lễ hội miễn phí sẽ được tổ chức tại Bank Street, Box Hill.

Sẽ có những món ăn ngon, giải trí trực tiếp, nghệ thuật, trò chơi cảm giác mạnh và nhiều hoạt động khác.

Để biết thêm thông tin và tìm hiểu thêm về các sự kiện Tết Nguyên đán, hãy truy cập whitehorse.vic.gov.au/lunar

Lịch Thu gom Rác năm 2025

Lịch thu gom rác năm 2025 hiện đã có sẵn để tải xuống.

Thùng rác (nắp đỏ hoặc xanh lá cây đậm) được thu gom hàng tuần.

Thùng tái chế (nắp màu vàng) và thùng đựng thực phẩm và chất hữu cơ trong vườn (nắp màu xanh lá cây sáng) được thu gom hai tuần một lần.

Truy cập whitehorse.vic.gov.au/bin-collection-calendar để biết thêm thông tin.



Dịch vụ phiên dịch miễn phí

Gọi số 131 450, cho biết ngôn ngữ quý vị nói và yêu cầu được kết nối với Hội đồng thành phố Whitehorse.



Mega Aqua classes return to Aqualink Nunawading

Get your body moving, keep fit and have a blast as our Mega Aqua classes make their return!

Join us for 1 of 2 huge 45-minute sessions:

- 9am with instructors Boon-Yim, Doria and Steve
- 10am with instructors Mel, Libby and Belinda

These fun, low-impact classes are designed to boost cardiovascular fitness, strength and muscle tone – all in the water!

When: Sunday 19 January, 9am and 10am

Where: Aqualink Nunawading

Cost: Free for Aqualink members. Non-members:

adults \$21, students/concession \$16.

Bookings: Spots are limited – secure yours now

at aqualink.com.au



Positive Ageing Connect and Support Service

Do you have questions about how My Aged Care works?

Would you like to join a community group or activity?

Do you provide unpaid care to a family member or friend? We can help find support for you or the person you care for.

The Positive Ageing Connect and Support team is here to listen and support you to access information and services.

Please email

ConnectandSupport@whitehorse.vic.gov.au or phone 9262 6333 for a call back.

Contact Whitehorse City Council

Whitehorse City Council, Locked Bag 2, Nunawading, VIC 3131

customer.service@whitehorse.vic.gov.au

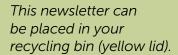
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Acknowledgement of Country

Whitehorse City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of the land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Cover photo: Fireworks from our 2024 Australia Day Concert at the Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct.

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Customer service centres

Whitehorse Civic Centre Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

Forest Hill Chase Shopping Centre Tuesday to Friday, 9am to 1pm

Box Hill Town Hall

Tuesday to Friday, 9am to 1pm

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WHITEHORSE Summer **School Holiday Program**

Get ready for awesome summer holidays with these fun and affordable activities all over Whitehorse!

Scan the QR code to make a booking



Visit our website to view the full program and book: whitehorse.vic.gov.au/school-holidays



All Day Art Day: Summer Under the Sea

Dive into a creative ocean adventure: make a clay seahorse, paint a beach landscape and craft a 3D underwater aquarium scene.

When: Tuesday 14 January, 9.30am to

3.15pm

Where: Box Hill Community Arts Centre

Age: 6 to 12 years

Cost: \$89

Bookings: Required



Mini Master Cooks: **Poptarts**

Make homemade pastry pockets and fill them with sweet or savoury flavours.

When: Thursday 16 January, 12.45pm

to 2.15pm

Where: Strathdon House

Age: 9 to 12 years

Cost: \$48

Bookings: Required



Youth Botanical Illustration

Use pencil and watercolours to master drawing, shading, colour mixing and brush techniques. Capture the beauty of nature.

When: Thursday 16 January, 2pm to 4pm

Where: Box Hill

Community Arts Centre

Age: 12+ years

Cost: \$55

Bookings: Required



Garden Fairies and **Guardians Capes** Workshop

Decorate cardboard wings and capes using flowers, leaves and paper.

When: Friday 17 January,

10am to 11am

Where: Strathdon House

Age: 3 to 5 years

Cost: \$15

Bookings: Required



Whimsical Garden

Enjoy playfully arranged art through real and imagined gardens and see what lives in them.

When: Friday 10 January to

Friday 28 February

Where: All Nations Fover.

Box Hill Town Hall

Age: All ages Cost: Free

Bookings: Not required



Play old-fashioned games

Play classic lawn games or come inside the Museum and play some old-fashioned favourites.

When: Weekends and public holidays from Saturday 4 January to Monday 27 January, 1pm to 4pm

Where: Schwerkolt Cottage and Museum Complex

Age: 3 to 8 years

Cost: Free

Bookings: Not required



Chill Zone

Run amok in the pool with our 2 inflatables then swing on the Tarzan rope.

When: Weekdays from Monday 6 January to Friday 24 January.

12.30pm to 2.15pm: Inflatables 2.20pm to 3pm: Tarzan rope

Where: Aqualink Nunawading

Age: 5+ years

Cost: Regular pool entry fee

Bookings: Not required

