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Mayor's Message

Mayor
Cr Elizabeth Nealy



Working in partnership with our community and other levels of government is critical to delivering the services and outcomes that make our community better for years to come.

Shaping Banyule

A big part of our job as your local government is engaging with our community and listening to what you tell us. This helps us to better understand your needs and deliver the right services. It also means you are helping to create the community you need and want. Our community engagement website, Shaping Banyule, features many projects each year where you can have a say and make a difference. From policies and plans to buildings and playgrounds there is always something to get involved in. See page 4 to find out how easy it is.

Sustainable building & construction

Making buildings more sustainable is key to achieving our climate action goals. Banyule has teamed up with 23 other Victorian councils to make the design of new buildings carbon-neutral and more efficient. Read more about what's involved on page 10.

Did you know that Council requires large or complex construction projects to have a Construction Management Plan (CMP) that shows how public safety and amenity are protected during demolition and construction. Council has dedicated staff who can respond to breaches of a CMP.

Banyule is known and loved for its beautiful trees. Protecting these during construction is always a topic our community is passionate about. Learn more about how we are managing construction and protecting our trees on page 11.

Advocacy

As the level of government closest to our community, we believe advocating for our community is one of our key responsibilities and it's our job to speak up on the community's behalf. That's why we have developed a list of priority issues on which we are advocating to other agencies and levels of government.


North East Link is a huge infrastructure project for Banyule and broader Melbourne. Council has advocated for many years to get the best outcomes for Banyule and the special wrap on this edition shows how we are pushing for design improvements for the northern section of the project. We strongly believe that putting a green lid over North East Link is the best outcome and a solution that will maximise the benefits for the community for years to come. I invite you to learn more and show your support at lidthelink.com

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banyule.vic.gov.au/subscribe

  
[@BanyuleCouncil](https://www.instagram.com/BanyuleCouncil)


Have your say on important projects and local initiatives

 shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au

Council Meetings

 **Upcoming dates:**
26 September, 17 October

 **From 7pm**

 **For location and up-to-date COVID restrictions, please check our website.**

For agendas, minutes, public question time and request to speak forms, visit banyule.vic.gov.au/CouncilMeetings

Banyule City Council is proud to acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as Traditional Custodians of the land and we pay respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, past, present and emerging, who have resided in the area and have been an integral part of the region's history.

Our community is made up of diverse cultures, beliefs, abilities, bodies, sexualities, ages and genders. Council is committed to access, equity, participation and rights for everyone; principles which empower, foster harmony and increase the wellbeing of an inclusive community.

Everyone's in with a sporting chance

Banyule's all-abilities sports program has got off to a great start with five clubs signing up for Council's Inclusion@Sport project, which aims to expand awareness and inclusive practices in sport and recreational clubs.

Watsonia Heights Football Club will field three all-abilities teams in Football Victoria competitions, playing at its new home at Greensborough College. The other clubs joining the program, which is funded by Sport and Recreation Victoria, are Diamond Valley Athletics Club and Bundoora, Viewbank and Watsonia tennis clubs. They will work with Council's All-Abilities Sports Project Officer Brooke Carter to expand opportunities for all-abilities players.

"Sport has many health and social benefits and is just a whole lot of fun; we think that should be available to people of all abilities," said Brooke.

Watsonia Heights FC President David Lattanzio said: "Now we have use of one of the best football facilities in the north, our club wants to ensure everybody can enjoy the game as much as we do. The world game is an inclusive sport where everybody can join in and become part of the greater football community, regardless of their ability, ethnicity, or other personal factors. Having the all-abilities players and teams on board has added some fantastic new energy to our club."

Council's Inclusion@Sport working group will help implement the program, including production of a toolkit for clubs to develop inclusive opportunities. Banyule has partnered with Disability Sport and Recreation, which will provide training and education, expert advice and networking opportunities.



Above: Watsonia Heights FC players on the pitch at Greensborough College.

Below: All Abilities Sports Project Officer Brooke Carter, left, with Mayor Cr Elizabeth Nealy.



Financial assistance for ratepayers

People experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19 or other circumstances that impact their ability to pay rates and charges may be eligible for a partial waiver.

Waivers of 33%, up to a maximum of \$500, are available.

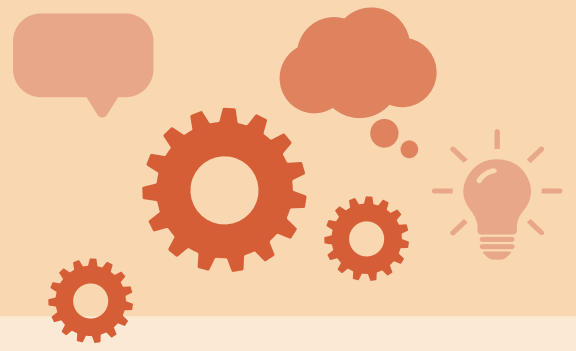
Apply on line after you receive your 2022/2023 rates notice. If you have difficulties applying online, call us on **9490 4222** for assistance.

Apply online at banyule.vic.gov.au/RatesHelp or scan the code



Shaping Banyule

Get involved in local projects



Help shape Banyule

Community engagement is key to making sure our projects are relevant, sustainable and reflect the needs of the Banyule community.

Become a member of Shaping Banyule and receive participation alerts when projects go live!

By signing up, you can help design Banyule places, projects and strategies and provide feedback on the facilities, infrastructure and services you use every day. Your participation gives us valuable insight to strengthen our work for the benefit of the whole community.

Join our online community to easily contribute to projects and help us better understand your views, experiences and needs.



Visit shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Register to get started



Help review our governance rules

Governance rules are important because they tell us how Council decisions will be made, provide rules to conduct Council meetings, and make sure councils deal with matters transparently and effectively.

From 2 September 2022, a change to the Local Government Act will permanently allow councils to conduct meetings online. This has prompted us to look at the ways virtual meetings take place and consider other changes to our governance rules based on best practice and industry standards.

We'd love to know what you think about the proposed changes.



Head to shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/GovRules or scan the code to stay up-to-date with this project.





Proposed changes to parking permits

With growing population density increasing demand for parking permits, we have prepared a new draft Residential Parking Permit Policy to balance access to on-street public parking for residents, their visitors, and other road users in Banyule.

The draft policy has three main updates:

- Parking permits issued per dwelling limited to three (currently four).
- Combining three small parking area zones in Ivanhoe (Area zones 59, 60, 61).
- Clarification of permit eligibility criteria.

Give us your thoughts by completing a short survey at shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/RPPP or scan the code. You can also attend a drop-in community information session:

- Ivanhoe Library and Cultural Hub – Wednesday 5 October, 5.30pm-7.30pm
- Council Offices, Level 4, 1 Flintoff St, Greensborough – Tuesday 18 October, 5pm-7pm



Getting around the Northern Trails network

Banyule has joined with five municipalities across the north of Melbourne to complete a renewed draft Northern Trails strategy.

Building on the previous strategy completed in 2016, the draft Northern Trails 2022 is a blueprint for the development and maintenance of a network of recreational off-road trails for cycling and walking across northern metropolitan Melbourne. The draft Strategy includes the 'top ten unfunded trail action items' for the northern region, as well as the ten priorities for Banyule and the other five Councils.

Priorities will help guide our advocacy efforts over coming years, and we'd love to know which ones are most important to you.

Find out more at shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/NorthernTrails or scan the code.





YouthFest returns in 2022

Enjoy youth culture with music, rides, workshops and more!

From humble beginnings to eclectic celebrations, YouthFest is the flagship event in the extensive calendar of Banyule Youth Services, and its return is much anticipated by young people in Banyule.

No matter if you've been before or attending for the first time, YouthFest22 will not disappoint. Get your friends together for a full day of free entertainment geared for young people. Enjoy free offerings of live music, fun rides and enviro activities. But there is also a market space and food trucks. Get creative with workshops, active with sports activities or learn something new.


YouthFest is an inclusive festival which caters for and celebrates the different interests and needs of our young community members. You'll find a range of activities and information celebrating our diverse community! Try Somali tea, celebrate in the Rainbow Space tent and learn more about our First Nations community. We'll have a sensory-friendly chill space plus low-sensory programming between 4-5pm.

Whether you're a young person interested in wellbeing, advocacy, arts, sports, music, or just having fun – YouthFest is bound to have something for you and your friends! Buses will be replacing trains on the day so give yourself plenty of time to travel.



 **Sunday 11 September**

 **12pm-5pm**

 **Macleod Park, Birdwood Avenue
(across from Macleod Park)**

 **Free event**

More information at
youthfest.com.au or scan the code.





Eco Festival


A new community event celebrating sustainability

Petrie Park in Montmorency will be buzzing on Sunday 6 November with a packed program of free events on the sustainability theme, including workshops, information stalls, entertainment, face painting and family craft sessions where you can make Christmas decorations or a kokedama to take home.


Green thumbs will be well catered for with stalls and workshops on gardening and home sustainability measures, while children will love the messy play and craft sessions, reptile display, and Doggy Tales book readings by librarians from Yarra Plenty Regional Library.

A highlight will be a Pet Show featuring finalists in Banyule's Best Pet Competition (entry details below) and there'll be a pet photo booth for free pics of you and your pet.

Food will be available from a selection of food trucks.

 **Sunday 6 November**

 **10am-4pm**

 **Petrie Park, Mountain View Rd, Montmorency**

 **Free event**

Stay tuned for updates and booking information via [banyule.vic.gov.au/EcoFestival](https://www.banyule.vic.gov.au/EcoFestival) or scan the code.



Seeking Banyule's best buddy

They loved us unconditionally and never once asked for the daily case numbers.

The inaugural Banyule's Best Pet Competition honours the pooches, moggies, birds, stick insects, lizards, guinea pigs, rabbits, snakes and other non-human friends who stood by us and helped us through the darkest days of lockdowns.

Send a photo of your pet and tell us how they supported you through COVID-19 or everyday life to be in the running for a range of great prizes and a spot among the finalists at Banyule Eco Festival.



We'll post the top 30 on Banyule Council's Facebook page from 17-30 October. Then we want you to vote by liking or loving your favourite pet! So follow us now at [facebook.com/BanyuleCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/BanyuleCouncil)

One of our 10 finalists will be crowned Banyule's Favourite pet at the Eco Fest.

*Top 10 finalists must be available to attend the Eco Fest with your pet from 11am-noon.

Enter online by 25 September at [banyule.vic.gov.au/PetShowComp](https://www.banyule.vic.gov.au/PetShowComp) or scan the code.



FOGO is here!

July 4 was a huge milestone for Banyule, with the start of our FOGO waste service. It is great to see the community embracing this exciting change as we divert our food and organic waste from landfill to compost.

The easiest way to remember what can and cannot go in your FOGO bin is to learn this rhyme:
If you can eat it or it grows, in the FOGO bin it goes!



Why 'compostable' bags are a NO-GO for FOGO

Banyule's composting facility produces high-quality compost that is in demand for use on farms, parks and gardens. The rapid composting process cannot break down 'compostable' bags, which can take months or even years, to decompose fully. Compost contaminated with bag fragments is unsuitable for farms and parks.

There are a few other reasons why we do not accept 'compostable' bags in our FOGO:

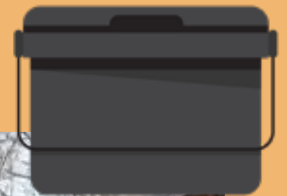
- There are no regulations governing 'compostable' liners and it can be confusing for consumers to choose the right one.
- Contamination is a major problem for organics processors. Not allowing bags reduces contamination because all the FOGO material can be seen, making it easier to identify and remove contamination.
- We don't want liners ending up in our soil, and farmers don't want it in theirs.

Keeping you caddy clean

Try using a couple of sheets of newspaper or paper towel to line your kitchen caddy. These can be composted in small quantities.

Sprinkle with bi-carb soda to help absorb odours.

Rinse your kitchen caddy between uses or pop it in the dishwasher.



Did you know?
Even 'compostable' liners can take months, or even years, to break down.



Adrian loves the new FOGO service.



Simple tips and tricks for managing your FOGO bin

- Let hot food cool down before putting it in your bin
- Place grass clippings and garden waste at the bottom of the bin before adding food waste, and layer food waste with garden waste
- Keep unwanted meat and seafood in the fridge or freezer until bin night
- Keep your bin in a shaded area, don't overfill it and keep the lid closed
- Consider a green cone biodigester, now available at a reduced price. Check Council's website for details.

Get in touch

Find out more at banyule.vic.gov.au/FOGO or scan the code

If you still have questions, call **9490 4222** or email enquiries@banyule.vic.gov.au



Together, let's rethink our waste



New recycling stations have arrived!

Do you have some unwanted items to throw out? Items that can't be recycled in your yellow-lid bin or put in your rubbish bin?

Did you know you can recycle certain things at our recycling stations? They accept globes, florescent tubes, electrical cords, mobile phones, digital cameras, CDs, DVDs, video tapes and even unwanted x-rays.

By choosing to drop off these materials with us, you'll be diverting waste which is often toxic from landfill. Instead, they will be recycled to make different products, just like our new stations, which are made out of 100% recyclable waste, including old milk bottles and lids.

Find stations at:

- Council Offices, ground floor, 1 Flintoff St, Greensborough
- Ivanhoe Library and Cultural Hub, 275 Upper Heidelberg Rd, Ivanhoe
- Shop 48, Bell St Mall, Heidelberg West

We're proud to work with Green Collect, a social enterprise for people and planet that focuses on innovative resource recovery while creating work opportunities for people who have faced barriers to employment.

Development and building in Banyule



Know the rules

Construction on building sites is permitted between 7am and 6pm Monday-Friday and from 9am to 3pm on Saturdays. No work is permitted on a Sunday, Anzac Day, Good Friday or Christmas Day unless an out of hours permit has been issued by Council's Local Law Construction Management Team.

If you are disturbed by building site work outside these hours, you can report it to Council's **After-hours Service on 9490 4222**. We'll send a Council officer to investigate and undertake any necessary enforcement action. The After-hours Service cannot investigate work associated with utility services, roadworks or VicRoads work.

We investigate all reported breaches and work to resolve situations so compliance is met.

Building towards net zero

Banyule has joined 23 other Victorian councils to lodge a planning scheme amendment with the Victorian Government, seeking to elevate sustainability requirements for new buildings and encouraging a move towards net zero carbon development.

"We've got a plan to help our community get to zero emissions by 2040 and this is a big step towards that goal".

Banyule Mayor
Cr Elizabeth Nealy

The councils, which represent about half the Victorian population and planning activity, have written to the Minister for Planning, asking her to support the amendment and to acknowledge that the current planning requirements do not reflect the urgency needed to tackle climate change.

The amendment seeks to build on the current Environmentally Sustainable Development (ESD) requirements for new developments to better protect the natural environment, reduce resource and energy consumption, and support the health and wellbeing of future occupants. It looks at improving standards such as:

- zero carbon operating requirements
- increased landscaping and green infrastructure
- increased bicycle parking and electric vehicle infrastructure
- updated circular economy standards
- increased water efficiency targets
- improved indoor environment quality standards.



Construction Management Plans

There's a lot of planning that goes into building construction and many steps involved before a tool is raised.

To protect the environment and to minimise disruption to the local community, Council requires developers and builders to carefully manage excavation, demolition and building works.

For large scale projects or those with certain issues, applicants are required to submit a Construction

Management Plan (CMP) before work starts to outline how they will manage any demolition or building works. The CMP covers things such as:

- public safety, amenity and site security
- hours of operation
- noise and vibration controls
- air and dust management
- stormwater and sediment control
- waste and materials re-use; and
- traffic management to minimise disruption and ensure the safety of all road users.



Trees and development sites

With more home extensions, sub-divisions and developments happening, we need to make sure we preserve and renew the trees and leafy outlooks that make Banyule so special.

Afterall, these trees improve the enjoyment of private properties and neighbourhoods. They provide so many benefits for residents, visitors and the local wildlife.

That's why when we receive an application for a new building development, we look to retain on the site as many of the existing and significant trees as possible. We also ensure developers replant appropriate trees to compensate for any loss of habitat.

During construction, work must not impact trees that are to be retained as part of a development. These trees are required to be protected by fencing during construction and must be in good health when construction is finished. Officers will attend to any reports where tree fencing is not adequate or trees are being impacted.



All residential properties in Banyule are covered by some level of vegetation protection. Depending on a tree's size, species and location, it's removal generally requires a planning permit.

Removing trees without a permit may attract a significant fine. It is important you call our Development Planning department on **9490 4222** to see if a permit is required.

National Carers Week

16-22 October

Our Carer Support Program is recognising community members who provide care and support to a family member or friend and we are celebrating with a range of activities.




Rosanna Parklands carers support walking group


Centrelink for Carers

Centrelink staff explain Carer Allowance and Carer Payment.

The session will cover eligibility, how to apply, other Centrelink support available to carers and more.

 **Wednesday 19 October**


 **Time to be confirmed**


 **Ivanhoe Library and Cultural Hub**


Morning tea and information session

Pathway for Carers Walk at Banyule Flats

Connect with other carers and connect with nature each month for an easy 30-45 min walk at beautiful Banyule Flats, followed by complimentary morning tea.

 **Thursday 20 October**

 **10am-11.30am**

 **Possum Hollow Playground, 44 Beverley Rd, Heidelberg (meeting point)**

More information at pathwaysforcarers.com.au

Rosanna Parklands Walk 'n' Talk

For carers and their families.

Enjoy a guided walk in Rosanna Parklands with Council's bushland team.

Join us solo or with the person you are a carer for.

 **Friday 21 October**

 **10am-11.30am**

 **Rosanna Parklands, 153 Lower Plenty Rd, Rosanna**

Register to receive updates about National Carers Week and other activities for carers occurring throughout the year.

For all enquiries and bookings, email carers@banyule.vic.gov.au. Email contact is preferred, but if you don't have email please call 9422 8396.

To see what other activities are happening during National Carers Week, visit carersvictoria.org.au

Contact us if you are a carer who would like to attend a delicious High Tea during the Seniors Festival in October.

Numbers strictly limited. See next page for details.

Clean up after your dog!

You can be fined \$300 for not carrying a bag or cleaning up after your dog if it poos on the street or in the park.

Please ensure you dispose of your bags in a rubbish bin. You will see dog poo bins in some of our parks.



Seniors Festival High Tea

Victorian
Seniors
Festival
40 Years
2022



We invite you to High Tea to celebrate the 2022 Victorian Seniors Festival with your local community.

Enjoy a delicious High Tea with live entertainment from Stringsplace Quartet, whose repertoire includes stylish classical, jazz and pop tunes.

Heidelberg Golf Club
8 Main Rd, Lower Plenty

Three dates to choose from:

- Friday 14 October, 10.30am-12.30pm
- Thursday 20 October, 10.30am-12.30pm
- Wednesday 26 October, 10.30am-12.30pm

Free event – two ticket limit per person.
Bookings essential. Bookings open Monday 3 October at 8.30am; phone Customer Service on **9490 4222** to book.

High Tea includes a selection of delicious freshly cooked items, with a range of hot and cold, sweet and savoury treats. Tea, coffee and juices provided. Please let us know when booking if you have any dietary requirements.

Please be advised that you must be over 55 and a resident of Banyule to attend this event.

We may ask you for proof of age and residency to secure your booking.

COVID-19 may affect the staging of this event. Check our website closer to the date.

Older adults' newsletter

Would you like to know more about Council activities, events, outings and services for older adults?

Sign up to our older adults' newsletter and receive a FREE copy of the Seniors Festival activity guide with the next edition.

To receive a regular e-newsletter email:
agefriendly@banyule.vic.gov.au

If you don't have access to email, call us on **9242 3471** to receive a hard copy in the mail.



Maximising solar

Whether your solar has been powering along for years or is shiny and new, here are some tips to get the most out of your investment.

Electrify everything!

- The more you can use your solar power for heating, hot water and cooking, the more you can save.
- Solar Victoria is now offering \$1000 grants to replace gas hot water with a highly-efficient heat pump.

Use your timers

- Some dishwashers can be programmed to turn on in the middle of the day when there is plenty of excess solar.

Prepare your cooling or heating

- Set your air conditioners to cool/heat the house in the afternoon, in anticipation of the evening.

Monitor performance

- Most inverters have online or app-based monitoring so you can understand your power production better.

Cleaning your panels

- Most systems are designed to self-clean when it rains. If they are excessively dirty, use a low pressure hose or a soft cloth with water.

Want to know more? We're always happy to chat about all things energy. Contact our Community Energy Officer on **9242 3451** for advice.

Make the switch to solar

Check out our Solar Savers Bulk Buy and get a quote now at banyule.vic.gov.au/solar

MONASH CLIMATE CHANGE COMMUNICATION RESEARCH HUB

Building climate literacy in Australia

Climate communication workshop

Are you interested in climate communication? Perhaps you would like to learn more about how to communicate complex climate issues in an accessible way?

Join the team from Monash Climate Change Communication Research Hub for this free workshop on climate communication. The hub focuses on helping Australians to better understand climate change, how it is going to impact them, and what solutions are available.

This workshop is part of our 2022 Community Upskilling Workshop series, a program designed to build skills and grow capacity in our network of environmental volunteers.

 **28 September,**

 **6pm-8pm (online event)**

 **Free event**

Bookings at banyule.vic.gov.au/ClimateComms
To find out more about MCCRH and the projects they're working on, visit monash.edu/mcccrh

Busy bees

Now we're in spring, you'll see European honey bees becoming more active. Honey bee queens are laying more eggs in preparation for the spring and summer nectar flows and pollen bursts.

Bees are key parts of our broader food systems, integral to a healthy and productive urban food network. Our backyard orchards and vegetable plots rely on local honey bees for bountiful harvests as they visit these flowers and pollinate the fruit.

You can support a healthy insect community and local food network by planting a diverse range of flowering plants in your garden. Bees are also attracted to our diverse native trees and shrubs, with wattles and early flower eucalypts a favourite.



Pesticides can kill more than pests

Many of us have dealt with rodents in our houses and a lot of us would have used off the shelf pesticides. But some of these products can have dire consequences for our wildlife and pets.

Owls, mammals and reptiles can prey on rats and mice. This becomes a problem if they eat rats and mice that have consumed pesticides containing SGARs (Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides); evidenced by a tawny frogmouth found dead in Rosanna with a confirmed case of SGAR.

Even domestic dogs and cats that eat pesticide or poisoned rodents can become sick or die.

What can you do to protect our pets and wildlife?

If using pest baits, read the 'active constituents' on the packaging and only use products that contain Warfarin or Coumatetralyl. Anything else, leave on the shelf!

Make your house less attractive for rodents by:

- Tidying up garden waste
- Picking up any fallen fruit
- Keeping pet feeding areas clean
- Sealing any roof/wall cavities

Please consider your choices to help our wildlife and pets. For more information, visit birdlife.org.au/rodent-control



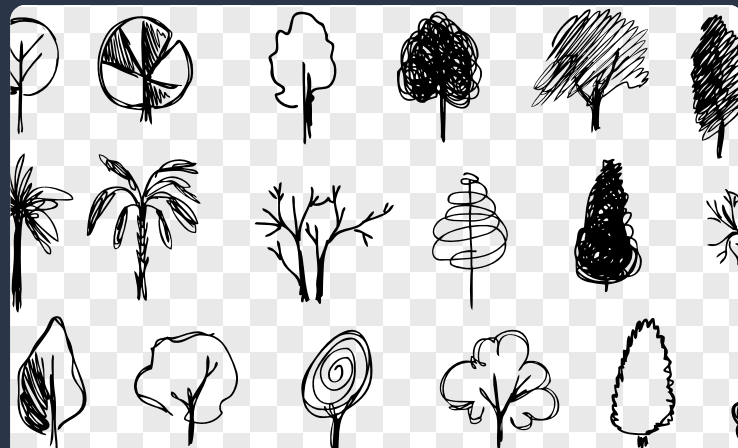
Children's Week 2022

22-30 October

Banyule Council, together with local libraries and neighbourhood houses, is hosting a program of free activities that supports the wellbeing and healthy development of children up to 12 years of age. Here are some of the events:


- Art Party, Greenhills Neighbourhood House, Sat 22 October, 10am-12.30pm
- Rosanna Library, Monday 24 October: Mindful storytime at 10.20am & Mindful Lego at 4pm
- Ivanhoe Library and Cultural Hub, Tues 25 October: Little Messy Playgroup at 10am & Doodling for preschoolers at 10.30am
- Puzzle Morning, Watsonia Library, Mon 24 October, 10.30am
- Rosanna Fire Station Community House, Sat 22 October: Children's Day Celebration, 10am-1pm, and Watercolour painting at 4pm
- Mini Bikers, Delta Reserve Greensborough, Thu 27 October, 4pm-6pm


For more details, visit banyule.vic.gov.au/ChildrensWeek





Artist walk and workshop

Walk with artist Lou Endicott from Warringal to Sills Bend and look for patterns in nature to create your own mindful doodle on leaves, pebbles and supplied paper. Stop at 'The Magic Wishing Tree' in Heidelberg Park for a workshop.

 **Sunday 23 October**

 **Session 1: 10am-11.30am**
Session 2: 1.30pm-3pm

 **Possum Hollow playground gates, Warringal Parklands, Beverley Rd, Heidelberg**

 **Suitable for aged 8 to 12**
(accompanied by an adult)

Bookings essential from 16 September at trybooking.com/CBFPL or scan the code




Spring gardening workshops


Sustainable Macleod is offering free spring gardening workshops for kids and adults.

Sow veggie seeds, plant seedlings and take home plants. Learn composting and get hands-on with worms! Kids can get arty with artists Jodi Wiley and Lou Endicott.

Bookings open 16 September

Macleod Organic Community Garden, Somers Ave, Macleod.

 **Gardening tips for adults**
Sundays 2 & 16 October

 **1pm-2.30pm**

Book at trybooking.com/CBFNT or scan the code.



 **Gardening with kids (aged 5-10)**

 **11am-12.30pm**

Book at trybooking.com/CBFON or scan the code



Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub

Events & activities

📍 275 Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe

Ivanhoe Library & Cultural Hub is subject to COVID-19 restrictions and proof of vaccination status. If unsure, please call or check our website for details and any updates prior to visiting.

🌐 banyule.vic.gov.au/ILCH

✉️ arts@banyule.vic.gov.au

☎️ 9490 4222

Banyule ART Salon

2022 Banyule Art Salon

Outside these four walls...

📅 5 August – 29 September

📍 Art Gallery 275

Banyule's biggest community art exhibition returns with a new theme: Outside these four walls...

Covid lockdowns have taught us a new appreciation for our outdoor spaces. Our daily walks kept us sane as we escaped our homes for brief adventures. This exhibition is dedicated to the great outdoors – an artistic exploration of nature, open space, parks, recreation, plants and wildlife; anything 'outside these four walls'.

More info: banyule.vic.gov.au/BanyuleArtSalon

Performance Nights @ ILCH



2022 Banyule Art Salon

Performance Nights @ ILCH

📅 Thursday 8 September: spoken word, poetry, comedy

Friday 9 September: music, dance & movement

📍 Yarra-me Djila Theatrette

As part of the 2022 Banyule Art Salon there will be two performance nights to showcase non-visual artforms. Support our local performers and experience the diversity of talent found right here in Banyule!

Bookings required:

banyule.vic.gov.au/BanyuleArtSalon

Night Paintings - Darebin Creek

by Fran Lee

📅 26 August – 18 September

📍 Loft 275

Fran Lee: "These works are paintings of the trees along Darebin creek at night, when the air is powerfully full.

My mum spoke of these beautiful spaces as 'Mother Nature' and I somehow link that powerful mythic feminine presence to the last light on a clear night. During the pandemic many of us walked along the creek – often at twilight, in the black and the blue – walking beneath the trees, immersed in Mother Nature."

banyule.vic.gov.au/Exhibitions

Image / Night Painting (2022) by Fran Lee





Banyule Open Studios Exhibition

📅 26 September – 23 October

📍 Loft 275

Giving a glimpse into the rich diversity of the Banyule Open Studios artists' group, this is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the vibrant local arts community. Art forms on display include installation, performance, video, photography, sculpture, ceramics, jewellery, drawing, painting, printmaking, mosaics, textile and fibre art.



Return to The Patch

Anna Farago Artist Residency

📅 15 August – 29 September

📍 Mungga Artist Studio 1

Anna will make a large octagonal textile using scraps of fabric and leftovers from community and personal projects. Once made, it will be hung and photographed at the site of Anna's childhood home where 'Return to The Patch' (pictured) was shot in 2015. The patchwork and subsequent photographic work will be shown at a solo exhibition in Loft 275 next year.

Workshops and sewing circle: banyule.vic.gov.au/ILCH

Image / Detail of 'Return to the Patch' (2015) by Anna Farago. Photo: Adrian Miles



FILM+

Experimental Film Nights
by Jutta Pryor

📅 Thursday 15 September

📍 Yarra-me Djila Theatrette

FILM+ is a night of short films and video art curated by local filmmaker Jutta Pryor, via her association with filmmakers and film festivals across the globe. Each event is themed and presents an international collection at the forefront of experimental film. This is a unique opportunity to discover the latest directions in film and video.

Bookings required:
trybooking.com/CAYZX



Rainbow Social Art Club

By Emerson Zandegu

📅 First Saturday of the month

🕒 2 - 4pm

📍 Ivanhoe Library and Cultural Hub

Join local artist Emerson Zandegu in an afternoon of art making and mingling for LGBTQI+ people aged 14-24. There will be guided activities from guest artists, or pop in to use the space and work on your latest project alongside fellow artists.

Register your interest at
trybooking.com/BYXGM

Katherine Chouliaras Lewis

Artist Residency

📅 October 3 - 16

📍 Mungga Artist Studios

Katherine Chouliaras Lewis is a local artist whose practice is mainly in abstract painting, contemporary art and experimental art. She likes to push the boundaries using 'no brush' techniques and scratchboard art. Kathy will use this residency to showcase her work and process and will run workshops in her techniques.



Art in Public Spaces

Each year Council supports a range of one-off, temporary, site-specific art projects.

This year, two works have been commissioned to invigorate our communal spaces and encourage us to think about our urban environment differently. Find out more, including installation dates at banyule.vic.gov.au/ArtInPublicSpaces



Camouflage

by Felicity Gordon

These works on the approach to Watsonia Train Station highlight the relationship between Simpson Army Barracks, the Watsonia community, the natural environment and indigenous plant species.



Do I Belong Here?

by Jasmine Powell

With this sound art installation at Greensborough Plaza bus stop Powell welcomes us into her inner dialogue and sings for us, inviting us to connect with ourselves and our inherent well-being.

**Finders
KEEPERS**

Finders Keepers

By Irianna Kanellopoulou

'Finders Keepers' is an artistic scavenger hunt for a series of unique ceramic artworks hidden around Banyule. Join the hunt for one of 200 mystery boxes hidden 'in the wild', in

this fun and exciting project that encourages us to engage with art in new ways. Before the hunt in October, follow Irianna's artistic process and get updates on Instagram [@iriannastudioplay](https://www.instagram.com/iriannastudioplay)

Supported by a Banyule Arts and Culture project grant.

Ward Rounds



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The Banyule Clean Energy Expo will explore the environmental benefits of clean energy and look at ways to reduce energy use in your home and transport, while saving money. View a range of electric vehicles and talk to their owners to get the low down on how they work. Learn about clean energy solutions such as heat pumps, solar

power, batteries and more. Get expert advice on simple ways to climate-proof your home and see examples of how to retrofit an older building to be more energy efficient. And the expo is free!
Banyule Clean Energy Expo
11am - 3pm, Sunday 25 September
Old Shire Offices,
60 Beverly Rd, Heidelberg



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You'll notice various Council works around Sherbourne Ward. With funding from the Level Crossing Removal Project we're improving EJ Andrews Reserve and Petrie Park, including actions from the Petrie Park Masterplan. We're completing community consultation and works on both projects will begin early

2023. As part of Council's playground replacement program, we are upgrading playgrounds at Harrington Reserve and Montmorency Park. Work is set to begin on road resurfacing of Old Eltham Rd and we've begun consulting with residents about improvements on Rangeview Rd. Pavilion upgrades at Monty Bowling Club will start soon.



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Banyule is celebrating spring in our amazing parks and gardens, once again teaming up with Nillumbik and Manningham councils for Spring Outdoors 2022. We're hoping for a huge turnout for Birdlife Australia's annual Backyard Bird Count from 17 - 23 October. It starts with Breakfast with the Birds, a tour with bird experts on

Sunday 16 October. Have you heard of shinrinyoku? It's the Japanese term for forest bathing or forest therapy. Join a guided forest therapy walk near the river. Or take a cultural awareness walk with Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Elders Uncle Bill and Uncle Dave. These events are at Banyule Flats and tickets are limited. Turn to page 23 for more details.





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I was proud to represent Council at the official opening of renovations at Partingtons Flat Reserve in Greensborough, home of the Diamond Valley United Soccer Club. The improvements, jointly funded by Council and the Victorian Government, include female-friendly changerooms for players and umpires, a new first

aid room and a general refresh of the pavilion. Club legend Gordon Kirkwood has been honoured with a section of the pavilion named after him. Thank you to Gordon Kirkwood, Diamond Valley United Soccer Club president Mark O'Shae and the club committee for working with Council to deliver the improvements.



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It's been a long winter and if your family is anything like mine you are busting to get out more as spring unfolds. Council has a range of events for the whole family over spring and summer. From well-loved regulars like Carols by Candlelight, to new celebrations such as our first Eco Festival and the inaugural Banyule's Best Pet

Competition (details pg 7). It's great to see many events returning after being cancelled or moving online during lockdowns; see a rundown of YouthFest 2022 on page 6. In Bakewell, we have free bike skills sessions at Delta Rd Playground from 4-6pm on Thursday 27 October. Book at trybooking.com/CBHCC



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A new book by local art historian Dr Caroline Miley celebrates world-renowned stained glass artist Christian Waller, who lived and worked at Waller House in Ivanhoe from 1922 until her death in 1954. 'Christian Waller Stained Glass: Towards the Light' was launched at ILCH last month. Dr Miley, of Ivanhoe, will lead a free tour of St James Anglican Church, which has one

of the largest collections of windows by Christian Waller. Dr Miley is pictured holding the book with St James church historian Louise Ryan and myself. The tour is free and copies of Cr Miley's book will be available for purchase at St James Church, 252 Upper Heidelberg Rd, Ivanhoe, at 2.30pm, Saturday 17 September. Bookings at christianwallerstainedglass.com



Ward Rounds



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We are delighted to announce that Olympic Leisure Centre is reopening after a long closure due to COVID lockdowns, followed by repairs and renovations. We welcome its continued operation as, together with the Heidelberg West community, we reimagine the long-term future of the centre. Facilities include spa, sauna, heated indoor 25m pool,

a gym and basketball court, and there is a program of group fitness sessions. Pay for a single session, come for a swim – the pool has space for lap swimmers and recreation - or sign up for a membership. For opening dates and membership deals, stay tuned on the OLC Facebook page, Council's website, or via Ivanhoe Aquatic Centre.



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Council is proud of its achievements as a fair, equitable and inclusive employer. Banyule has an even spread of women and men across all levels of staff, up to and including the executive, and there is no gender pay gap. We take an intersectional approach to identifying and reducing ways in which potential discrimination can intersect and be

compounded. In April, we produced a Gender Equity Action Plan to evaluate our progress and plan for continued progress. You can find the plan on Council's website. It was a proud moment for me to introduce my daughters Claudia and Gabrielle to two great role models in Banyule Mayor Cr Elizabeth Nealy and Chief Executive Officer Allison Beckwith.



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Congratulations to project manager Tylah Ingram, pictured with Mayor Cr Elizabeth Nealy, and Council's Open Space Planning & Design team for the award-winning renovation of Macleod Village Green Playground. It won in the Vic/Tas section of the Parks & Leisure Australia Awards for Excellence, which stated: "This award is given to a playspace under the value

of \$500,000 that involves a range of stakeholders, contributes to a sense of 'place' for its local community and exhibits landscape and/or structural design innovation that delights and aids childhood development." It's a great example of how Council and the community worked together to create a wonderful new asset for the whole community.



Bushland diaries

Importance of insects

Spider catching a native bee on a Bronze Bluebell.

Insects play a crucial role in the ecology of our bushland reserves. Not only are they essential for the pollination and subsequent reproduction of indigenous plants but they also provide a critical food source for a range of other animals.

In simple terms, a healthy insect population has the flow on effect of supporting other invertebrates, such as spiders, and vertebrates, such as reptiles, birds and mammals.

Banyule's Bushland Management Unit works to increase insect populations by providing the right

habitat for them. This largely involves restoring indigenous vegetation to replicate what would have been present in Banyule prior to European settlement. Wildflower species, like lilies, daisies and peas, as well as flowering trees and shrubs, provide a vital food source for a range of native pollinators.

The Friends of Darebin Creek have been helping restore the ecology of the Banyule Northern Grassland Reserve by planting a range of locally indigenous wildflower species which had been largely lost due to past agricultural grazing. They have added more insect and spider-friendly habitat by building 'bug hotels'.



'Bug hotel' installed in the Banyule Northern Grassland Reserve.

Spring is a great time to see an incredible diversity of wildflowers across Banyule's bushland reserves. Scan this code to find a reserve near you.



You can help out our insect population by planting locally indigenous vegetation at home. Banyule offers a buy-1-get-1 voucher to be used at selected nurseries. Scan the QR code to apply.



Spring Outdoors

There's no better time to Spring Outdoors and enjoy our annual program of environmental events to discover the natural wonders of the local area.

We've put together an array of free outdoor and online experiences where you can connect, learn and help protect our natural environment and biodiversity. There will be gardening tutorials, educational seminars and events on offer, either online or in the great outdoors across Banyule, Manningham and Nillumbik.

This is a partnered program so we encourage you to attend events outside of Banyule. For more information and to view the program, visit banyule.vic.gov.au/SpringOutdoors

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