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MONASH SEED LIBRARY'S SUCCESSFUL CROP IS TAKING OFF

We're encouraging budding market gardeners out in the community to grow their own vegetables, fruits, and herbs in their own garden - regardless of how big or small that garden might be - with the launch of the Monash Seed Library.

Every season, seed library members can take their pick of up to three packets of seeds from the library collection. This Autumn, members had the chance to grow lettuce, bok choy, radish, silverbeet, parsley and snow peas.

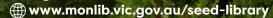
As well as growing fresh produce at home, members are encouraged to make sure at least one plant is used for collecting seeds that can be returned to the library to go back into the seed library program for other members to grow.

To get started, you can register online or complete a form at Glen Waverley Library. You can also collect a starter kit at the seed library stand, which includes a handy six-page booklet with tips on planting and sowing seeds, and hints on how to harvest seeds before returning them to the library.

The booklet also features QR codes that will link you to the Monash Public Library Service catalogue, for information on seeds and growing food; general gardening; sustainability and gardening for children.

We're also encouraging community members to donate seeds to the program (these can be any seeds) and donated seeds can be dropped off at the library. Just complete a donation form and give it to staff.

To register and find out more:





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Oakleigh Service Centre

3 Atherton Road, Oakleigh 8.30am-5pm | Mon-Fri





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For text version of the Monash **Bulletin:**



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SNAP SEND SOLVE is a great app to report through to us what needs

fixing: (www.monash. vic.gov.au/snap-send-solve

Monash Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land that makes up Monash, the **Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung and Bunurong People, and recognises** their continuing connection to the land and waterways. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

Information in the June Bulletin is current at the time of going to print on 1 May 2023.

FINAL STAGES

of Bogong car park planning

We're in the final stages of planning for the extension to the existing multi-level car park in Bogong Avenue, Glen Waverley - which will deliver four additional floors and approximately 522 new car parking spaces for the Glen **Waverley Activity Centre** with construction likely to start in the coming months.

We'll need to close the car park while these works are underway, which will result in disruption to parking in and around the

Activity Centre, and we'll need to make changes in surrounding streets to accommodate for this for the duration of the build and encourage visitors to park in our car park nearby on Euneva Avenue.

Keep an eye on \bigodem www.monash. vic.gov.au and the July issue of the Monash Bulletin, where we'll be providing information for residents, traders and the broader community about the parking changes. We'll also write directly to businesses in the Glen Waverley Activity Centre and residents nearby.

GET READY

for more dog off-leash areas

If you're a dog owner, make sure you have 1 July marked in your calendar. That's when canines will be able to run off-

leash at 14 new areas in the City of Monash.

From 1 July, the number of offleash areas increases from 31 to 45, with some existing areas also being either expanded or reduced.

For the sites and latest details, **go to:** (11) www.monash.vic.gov. au/dogs-off-leash-areas



The deadline for animal registration renewal is 10 April each year. All dogs and cats in Monash, aged over three months, must be microchipped and registered.

If you haven't registered or renewed registration for your pets, now is the time to do it. If you do not register a pet, you may be subject to a fine.



MESSAGE FROM Mayor Cr Tina Samardzija

It was a privilege to attend commemoration services on ANZAC Day with several fellow councillors to honour the ANZACs and acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice they made for us all.

This is a day of important meaning and tradition, and it is always moving to see the large attendance from the Monash community who pay their respect at these services. Lest we Forget.

One of my priorities since becoming elected to Council has been improving local amenity, in particular, combating graffiti. Council has trialled a new way to deal with this scourge that is finally paying dividends, which you can read about on the next page. As always, let us know if you spot any graffiti so we can work to remove it quickly.

I recently visited the Monash Tennis Centre at the Glen Waverley Sports Hub at Jells Park with councillors and

the Member for Glen Waverley John Mullahy to check progress on this outstanding facility.

There's been an impressive amount of work done already to lay the foundations for the \$26.7 million centre, featuring 18 courts, a shared use pavilion for tennis and golf members including a café and improved social space. We've already delivered traffic upgrades to this area with a new intersection and lights at the corner of Jells and Waverley roads. It was great to see the new facility coming together and we appreciate the \$21 million in funding towards this project from the Victorian Government. Can't wait to see it opened early next year.

I am also pleased to share that Monash has established an additional collection point for our leading soft plastics recycling service, which you can read about below.

I'm honoured to be one of 13 mayors, and the first ever Monash mayor, appointed to the Victorian Government's Local Government Advisory Panel for 2023. The Panel provides an important opportunity to elevate your concerns directly to the Victorian Government and work on solutions. When all three tiers of government work together there is much to gain. You can read more here: www.monash.vic. gov.au/Monash-Mayor-appointed-to-Victorian-Government-Advisory-Panel

Please contact me anytime if you have any queries or feedback on Tina.Samardzija@monash.vic.gov.au or \ 0435 011 927

MONASH ESTABLISHES SECOND SOFT PLASTICS drop-off point

A second soft plastics dropoff point is now available to Monash residents who want to continue recycling their soft plastics following the suspension of the RedCycle recycling program at Coles and Woolworths.

The drop-off point, at the Monash Civic Centre (293 Springvale Road, Glen Waverley), is for Monash residents ONLY and is open Monday-Friday, 8.30am-5pm.

There is a limit of one bag of household soft plastics per visit. For larger quantities, please visit the Monash Recycling and Waste Centre at 380 Ferntree Gully Road, Notting Hill. Please note that the centre is currently undergoing

some essential works and delays are expected at the site.

Some of the soft plastics you can drop off include plastic bags, plastic film, plastic wrap, chip wrappers, cereal liners, bread bags, lolly wrappers and frozen food bags. They should be free from food or other materials to avoid contaminating the rest of the collected items.

Soft plastics will be taken to the Monash Recycling and Waste Centre, where they will be collected by APR Plastics who will then recycle them.

Read more about our soft plastics recycling option at:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/soft-plastics-drop-off





Look out for the 2023/24 waste collection calendar with your copy of next month's Monash Bulletin!

This year's waste collection calendar will be inserted into the July Monash Bulletin, delivered to all households in Monash, and not mailed out separately. It will also be accessible online and made available in several key translated languages.

Please contact sustainability@monash.vic.gov.au if you have any questions about the waste collection calendar.

More info: www.monash.vic.gov.au/bin-collection

ZERO TOLERANCE

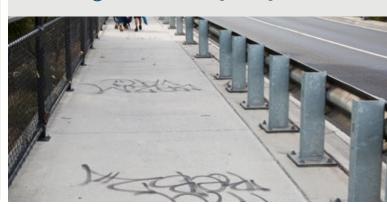
for graffiti

Council is introducing a new strategy to tackle graffiti across several sites in Monash, with a rapid response/zero tolerance approach to unsightly graffiti.

Graffiti vandalism affects how safe people feel and undermines the amenity of Monash. We'll be targeting all major and local activity centres and hot spots and will also remove graffiti from some assets owned by third parties, such as Australia Post and Telstra, to clean up these areas. Sites will be monitored, and any new graffiti removed immediately.

The new strategy follows a successful trial earlier this year in Wheelers Hill, Clayton, Mulgrave, Glen Waverley and Mount Waverley. We're pleased that graffiti removed during the trial has not returned.

More info: \(\bigcirc \text{ www.monash.vic.gov.au/graffiti} \)





SING & SWING with Brooks & Baker Friday 2 June | 7pm Oakleigh Hall

PIANO POP with Drew Downing & Band Friday 9 June | 7pm The Count's – Monash Uni BABY LOVE by Women Of Soul Sunday 18 June | 10am & 12pm Clayton Community Centre

COMMUNITY CHOIR with Jen & Tez Sunday 25 June | 2pm Mt Waverley Community Centre

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

For more information visit www.monash.vic.gov.au/festivals



MONASH PRECINCT home of innovation

We were thrilled that Clayton, home to the Monash National Employment and Innovation Cluster, was recently featured in The Age's series on alternative CBDs in Melbourne.

Clayton is home to some of Australia's most exciting and important health and technology organisations, including the Melbourne Centre for Nano Fabrication, Australian Synchrotron (pictured above), Monash health and medical research precinct, Australia's first and only specialised Heart Hospital, the CSIRO, and the main campus of Monash University. All of this has sparked interest and attracted investment from smart businesses with strong futures.

Council has, and continues to, advocate for investment and support for precincts right across Monash. Our land use and planning policies have laid the groundwork to ensure the area can thrive as a hub providing jobs for our residents and beyond.

Jobs in this region are, on average, more highly skilled and highly paid. Growth businesses have attracted a strong supply chain of smaller businesses and, together, they support trades and retailers and grow our local Monash economy.

Businesses in Monash currently provide more than 150,000 jobs, making us the largest employer of any municipality outside the Melbourne CBD.

Read more about Clayton's Monash National Employment and Innovation Cluster at

www.monash.vic.gov.au

We have a dedicated Economic Development team that works to support businesses in Monash and plans for the businesses of the future.

Find out more at \(\bigcup \text{ www.monash.vic.gov.au/business} \)

SURVEY GIVES Monash a tick for satisfaction

Monash has recorded a strong result in the annual Community Satisfaction Survey, which gauges community satisfaction

with council performance across Victoria.

With a welcome return to face-to-face interviews, we recorded an overall satisfaction score of 7.18 - an improvement from the 2022 result of 7.07. While a small number of councils are yet to report on their results, this result places Monash higher than the metropolitan council average (6.98).

Thank you to everyone who took part in the survey, your input also identified several areas for improvement. More information and to read our results in detail:

www.monash.vic.gov.au/satisfaction-survey



COUNCILLOR NEWS

Cr Shane McCluskey

Monash has long been renowned for its 'garden character', both in terms of the many beautiful home gardens it has, and the variety of open and green spaces. Much of that open space enjoys a multi-use element, encompassing passive and active recreation - including organised sport.

Which of course brings with it the added advantage of bringing community together.

The latest example of this is the establishment of the Glen Waverley Sports Hub that, once completed, will house the existing Glen Waverley Golf Club as well as a newly established 18-court tennis centre. Incorporated in the construction, which is now underway (pictured below), will be a brand new state-of-the-art multi-level facility that will form the new home of the golf club and the relocated Glenvale Tennis Club.

Scheduled for an early-2024 completion, the design includes reclaimed stone and masonry from the former building in the finished product.

This \$26M project is made up of a state government contribution of \$21M with a further injection of \$5M from Council. The tennis offering is designed as a communityuse facility with Glenvale as the tenant club. Adjacent to the Women's Sport Precinct, just across the road in Jells Park, it promises to entrench Monash as an active community with facilities to match.

Late-May will see the national recognition of volunteers through National Volunteer Week (May 15 to May 21). Volunteers play a pivotal role in delivering the necessary services and opportunities across Monash. Whether it's through our established programs, community groups and clubs, or sporting organisations, the positive contribution to the fabric of our community should be celebrated.

If you know of someone who volunteers their time, reach out and acknowledge their efforts. Why not think about getting involved yourself? It is as important as it is rewarding.

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NEXT COUNCIL Meeting

Tuesday 27 June, 7pm

Monash Civic Centre 293 Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley

Attend the meeting in-person or watch it live: webcast.monash.vic.gov.au

Meeting agenda and most up-to-date info: www.monash.vic.gov.au/meetings

WORDFEST 2023:Things That Matter

WordFest is the annual literature festival proudly presented by Monash Public Library Service.

Each year the festival brings readers and writers together for a series of author talks, writing workshops and the Monash Short Story Writing Competition. The festival creates safe and vibrant spaces to enjoy the sharing of ideas and engagement in public discussion.

All lectures and authors talks are FREE, however, bookings are essential. See below for more details.



LAUNCH WITH JON FAINE

Thursday 22 June | 7pm | Museum of Australian Photography (Previously MGA)

Known for his provocative and probing debate, quick wit, and ability to ask the stickiest of questions during his more than 20 years on ABC Radio Melbourne, Jon Faine investigated the issues and stories affecting Melbourne with energy and vigour - all without taking life too seriously. He is now a weekly columnist with The Sunday Age as well as a Vice Chancellor's Fellow at the University of Melbourne Law School.

Our festival audience will be treated to a 'round the dinner table' style presentation that, like any animated conversation amongst friends, can and does lead anywhere. Jon will share insights about his new book Apollo & Thelma which spans 40 years of his life and wanders from the law to the media, introducing readers to 'The Mighty Apollo' a circus strongman and his sister Thelma, the publican of Australia's most remote outback pub.

OTHER WORDFEST TALKS

VIKKI PETRAITIS

Saturday 24 June | 2pm Wheelers Hill Library and Thursday 29 June | 7pm Wheelers Hill Library

SAMUEL JOHNSON

Tuesday 27 June 7pm Clayton Community Theatre

CATH MOORE

Saturday 1 July | 2pm Wheelers Hill Library

ROB MILLS

Tuesday 4 July | 7pm Clayton Community Theatre

RACHAEL JOHNS

Thursday 6 July | 7pm Wheelers Hill Library

KATE CUTHBERT

Saturday 8 July | 2pm Wheelers Hill Library

TONI JORDAN

Tuesday 11 July | 7pm Oakleigh Main Hall

SIR JOHN MONASH LECTURE WITH DR KYLIE MOORE-GILBERT

Uncaged Sky – Surviving 804 Days in an Iranian Prison

Thursday 13 July 7pm
Museum of Australian Photography
(Previously MGA)

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

The 2023 WordFest Short Story Competition opens **Monday 19 June** and closes Sunday 30 July.

There are three categories you can enter your story in:

Category A: 12-14 years

Category B: 15-17 years

Category C: 18+

FOR THE WORDFEST PROGRAM:

www.monlib.vic.gov.au/wordfest or visit your local Monash Public Library branch.

GET COMPOSTING this winter

We're offering Monash residents a double rebate on a range of already discounted compost bins, worm farms and Bokashi bins through Compost Community.

From 1 - 30 June, residents can receive a rebate* of up to \$80 to get started on their composting journey.

Composting your food scraps and garden waste is one easy way to reduce landfill and protect the environment. Plus, you will get to enjoy the benefits of using your compost, and your garden will thank you for it!

*One rebate available per household, per annum.

More info: (www.compostcommunity.com.au/monash.html



Each Tuesday and Thursday in May

Keen to shoot some hoops? Hangtime is an all-inclusive local basketball community that plays social basketball games in the South-Eastern suburbs.

We bring basketballers together by organising and playing self-refereed, social, full-court games that doesn't require commitment to a team or full season. We cater to all skill levels and abilities. All games are fun, inclusive, and purely social focused.

Waverley Basketball Stadium, 31A Batesford Road, Chadstone

Cost: \$10 per person (currently cash only)
To register: justinhangtime@gmail.com
Join the group: https://rb.gy/wbpymu





ITALIAN Social Group

Friday 2 June, 11am to 12pm

Join library staff Lisa and Antonella to mark 'la Festa della Repubblica' (Italian National Day) with a morning of social conversation (all in Italian), trivia, music, food and more!

Meet and engage with other Italian speakers in the community and learn about some of the library resources and services available in Monash.

This event is aimed at adult Italian speakers who have limited opportunities to converse in Italian.

O Clayton Library, 9-15 Cooke Street **To register:** \$ 9541 3120



REPAIR Café

Sunday 4 June, 10am-2pm

Do you have small items that could be fixed? Don't throw them away, bring them to the Repair Café.

Rather than replacing or disposing items that can otherwise be fixed, Monash residents can give their items a new lease on life by visiting the Repair Café.

A gold coin donation is requested for simple repairs made on the spot or leave a deposit for repairs requiring further work.

We are also looking for volunteers who have expertise repairing sewing and textiles, small electrical items, toys, and crockery.

Waverley Woodworkers Club and Glen Waverley Gem Club Central Reserve, Glen Waverley. Located rear of the Grandstand

Register your repair or to volunteer: Connie Lambe

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www.monash.vic.gov.au/repair-cafe

The Repair Café is a collaboration between Monash Council, Waverley Woodworkers, and the Glen Waverley Gem Club.