

Colac Otway

COMMUNITY Matters



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SHIRE

HOW THE *Winds* OF CHANGE Shaped Beeac



NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE *Peter Brown*

BLUEWATER GYM GOES *24/7*

LAKE COLAC *Makeover*

YOUR 2018-19 *Waste Calendar*

Meet Peter Brown OUR NEW CEO

Colac Otway Shire Council looks forward to welcoming Peter Brown to the role of Chief Executive on July 2. Peter has more than three decades experience in local government, most recently Horsham Rural City's Chief Executive – a position he held for seven years.

No stranger to the rural lifestyle, Peter grew up in the West Wimmera region and has lived and worked there for most of his life.

"I grew up on a mixed farm in the Wimmera where we grew wheat, oats, sheep and cattle. It was your typical family farm of that era, we milked a few cows and raised pigs and chooks as well.

"I attended Goroke Primary School and went on to Horsham High School, where I met my wife Wendy," Peter said.

Peter earned his tertiary qualifications at Latrobe University in Melbourne, before moving back to the Horsham region where he and Wendy raised their four children.

In addition to roles at Horsham Rural City, Peter was the Chief Executive Officer with Wimmera Uniting Care and also Director of Corporate Strategies with Warrnambool City Council.

Peter and Wendy, a maternal and child health nurse, are both looking forward to moving to the Colac Otway region.

"We are looking forward to exploring the Colac Otway region and meeting people in our new community. Our daughters live in Melbourne and so we are happy to be closer to them.



"I'm very pleased to be taking on the role and moving to Colac Otway, this is a beautiful part of the world. It is also on the cusp of exciting times. The duplication of the highway brings us closer to Geelong and to Melbourne. This will bring important economic opportunities."

In previous years, Peter enjoyed playing sports including golf, cricket and football. These days you might find him at the gym, taking a walk or – as a keen Collingwood supporter - keeping an eye on where his team is sitting on the ladder.

"It will be great to get along and see a couple of local footy games. I'm also looking forward to walking through the Botanic Gardens, around the lake and generally getting out and about in the community," Peter said.

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BEEAC'S TRIBUTE to wind power

Humans have harnessed the power of wind for millennia to grind grain, pump water and fill the sails of ships on voyage to far flung lands.

In Beeac, the power of wind helped the settlement town grow into a bustling agricultural centre known for its primary produce including onions, peas and milk.

The area's early settlers inherited rich volcanic soils and open plains capable of growing almost anything.

The missing element was water – with a lack of rivers or creeks farmers had to rely on fresh water from swamps or ground water sources.

But for our resourceful and resilient early settlers life was never about problems but solutions, and the lack of surface water gave rise to a thriving windmill manufacturing industry.

In its heyday, there were six different windmill manufacturers in Beeac.

Those six manufacturers are now immortalised at the Beeac Windmill Park, which was created through a partnership between the Beeac community, the State Government and Council to celebrate 150 years of settlement.

Each windmill at the park represents a local manufacturer – Brown, Corbet, Jones, Prowse, Nelson and Hall.

Significantly, every windmill was reconstructed from mainly original parts by retired Beeac engineer Dick Shinnars.

It took Dick three years to rebuild the six relics for the park, which officially opened in 2010 on the 150th anniversary of the settlement of Beeac. In the words of lifelong Beeac resident Robert Missen, "it all started with a boxthorn hedge".



"Sometimes, in the wind of change we find our new direction."

"We found an old windmill inside a boxthorn hedge out at South Cundare, and we went looking from there to see if we could find others," Mr Missen said.

"Farmers brought in pieces to help us along the way and in the end we had a shed full and we managed to piece the windmills together from there.

Robert said Dick did a tremendous job putting the windmills together. "He manufactured all the missing bits himself," he said.

The Beeac Windmill Park is situated in Main Street, Beeac and includes a rotunda of interpretive panels outlining Beeac's history. It can be viewed at any time and is wholly maintained by a committee of the Beeac Progress Association.

Beeac Windmill Park



Solar array to SLASH POWER BILLS

In recent weeks, we've completed the installation of a solar array system on the roof of the Bluewater Leisure Centre.

The 99kW system uses new panels that are not only more efficient, but lighter which allowed us to install a large system without going over the load limit of the roof.

Our new solar array will reduce Bluewater's electricity costs by \$25,000 each year and will pay for itself in five years.



LUCY RETURNS HOME FOR DREAM JOB AS NEW

Bluewater Manager

Lucy Vesey grew up swimming laps and eating her breakfast at Bluewater in Colac and now, after a lot of hard work and dedication, she's landed her dream job as the centre's new manager.

"Being from Colac, I grew up here at the centre after joining the swimming club in 2000 and since then Bluewater has really been a second home to me. I love the people, I love the facilities and I love the environment here," she said.

"To me Bluewater is not just a pool, gym or stadium – it's also a community place where people can enjoy a coffee, sit in the warm water pool with their friends and mix socially while maintaining a happy, healthy lifestyle.

"Part of what I'm excited about with my new role is giving more people the opportunity to have experiences like I had growing up here

and making sure Bluewater is a service that offers something for everyone."

Ms Vesey said a friend introduced her to swimming in primary school and it quickly became a big part of her life.

"I was an active member of the Colac swimming club for 15 years and grew up swimming laps early in the morning and eating my breakfast here after training," she said.

"It was a lot of fun and hard work and I still have claim to fame for holding the fastest 50m freestyle time for a female in the club's history. I also made it to the national titles a couple of times swimming against the likes of Gate Campbell and Emily Seebohm.

"My swimming career is where I found my love of the pool and I was fortunate enough to turn it into a career."



24/7 Gym Membership Packages

Category	Gym	24/7 Gym Access	Group Fitness	Stadium	Swim	Spa & Steam	Warm water pool	Splash Pad	Swim School	Childcare
Platinum	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Membership Rates Apply
Gold	•	•	•	•						Membership Rates Apply

Direct Debit membership

Type	Family	Adult	Concession
Direct-Debit (per-fortnight)			
Joining Fee	\$72.00	\$48.00	\$40.00
Platinum	\$48.00	\$31.50	\$26.20
Gold	\$42.00	\$28.30	\$23.10

Paid in full memberships

12 months up front			
Platinum	\$1240.00	\$820.00	\$680.00
Gold	\$1100.00	\$730.00	\$605.00

HEALTH OUTCOMES TO FLOW FROM

Bluewater's new 24/7 gym hours

Squeezing workouts into people's busy lives will be a whole lot easier in Colac from June 29 when the Bluewater gym becomes a 24/7 operation.

Mayor Joe McCracken said the move to 24/7 was an exciting one that placed the Council right at the forefront of health and wellbeing innovation in regional Victoria.

"We are the first rural Council to convert to a 24/7 gymnasium, which highlights our commitment to getting more people active and removing barriers for people looking to live a happier, healthier life," he said.

"Bluewater members who upgrade to the 24/7 gym package will have access to the gymnasium at any time that is convenient for them - including Les Mills Group fitness classes on demand.

"Bluewater is a wonderful community facility and this announcement means more people in our community will be able to take advantage of what it has to offer."

Manager Arts & Leisure Ian Seuren said 24/7 gyms were seeing significant growth nationally.

"The 24/7 gym industry is worth about \$2 billion annually and has experienced 7.5 per cent growth in the last five years," he said.

"A substantial amount of work has been done to convert the gym to a 24/7 operation, including the installation of a swipe tag access system at the front door and internal doors to restrict access to other areas such as the aquatic and stadium facilities.



"Additional security cameras have been installed, as well as a panic button on the gym floor that will be monitored by our security company. There's also a range of other measures we've undertaken to help ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment of the gym," he said.

Cross X pollination

'Journeys' is the theme for the 2018 CrossXpollination series of textile and fibre exhibitions, workshops and artist talks taking place at COPACC July 7 to 29.

COPACC's sixth instalment of CrossXpollination, run in partnership with the Red Rock Regional Theatre and Gallery, will offer a feast of textile and fibre exhibitions, events, artist talks, classes and workshops showcasing the talent of artists near and far.

COPACC has engaged some of Australia's most innovative textile and fibre artists for the exhibition including renaissance engineer Professor Melissa Knothe Tate, who creates scaled-up textiles that mimic the natural cellular weaves of living tissues.

Other feature artists include Marie-Therese Wisniowski who has

pioneered her own signature dyeing technique; environmental artist Peter Day; practicing artist and South West TAFE teacher Sue Ferrari; Liz Powell and Dr Denise Rall who have created a piece exploring how clothing reflects cultural parameters for women; Barbara Rogers who specialises in the ancient Japanese resist dye technique shibori; and Mary Preece, who will share a collection of arabesque weaving and basketry.

In addition to a \$2000 'Journeys' award and a \$500 people's choice award, CrossXpollination 2018 offers a new \$1500 Tarndie Fibre Art Award for the best piece incorporating wool fibre.

CrossXpollination curator Carole Redlich said CrossXpollination has been favourably compared to high-profile exhibitions in Melbourne and even Europe.

Fantastic Osterblastic by Melissa Knothe Tate

"The COPACC team have put together an exciting program to inspire, delight and challenge; there will also be fabulous linked exhibitions and events at Red Rock Regional Theatre & Gallery, Tarndie, Beac WindowSpace and Studio 92," Mrs Redlich said.

CrossXpollination is proudly sponsored by Tarndie, Irrewarra Sourdough and Star Printing.

For more information
INCLUDING WORKSHOPS, ARTIST
TALKS AND LINKED EVENTS, VISIT:
www.copacc.com.au
Or follow the CrossXpollination
page on facebook. CrossXpollination is
open from 10am to 4pm in the
COPACC Civic Hall.

RECYCLING MORE

Important than ever

The current challenges facing the recycling industry have been well documented, but Council is urging residents and businesses to remain vigilant and keep up the good work.

Colac Otway Shire diverts well over 2000 tonnes of recycling from landfill each year, which is not only great for the environment but reduces the Council's disposal costs.

We would like to reassure residents that, at this stage, there are no changes to any of our kerbside collection services due to the current industry challenges. We will continue to keep the community updated should any changes arise.

It remains imperative that both residents and businesses within our shire are recycling right. This means taking responsibility for the waste they generate and ensuring that the recycling bin is not contaminated by items such as polystyrene, plastic bags and other soft plastics.

Mayor Joe McCracken said it is more important than ever to keep what waste we can out of landfill and to recycle in accordance with Council's guidelines.

"Victorians have a great record when it comes to recycling. Since 2001 the amount of recyclable household material diverted from landfill has increased by 70 per cent," he said.

"The importance of recycling has not changed, regardless of the changes occurring within the recycling industry."

Please see the adjoining diagram to assist you with what can go in your recycling bin or see the A-Z guide on the back of our waste calendars for a more detailed list.

The Rubbish & Recycling section on the Colac Otway Shire website is also a very useful tool for any waste questions you may have in terms of where our recycling goes, additional bins that are available to residents and much more.

RECYCLING UPDATE

You can now put these additional items in your household recycling bin.



EMPTY RIGID PLASTIC CONTAINERS
NO motor oil or hazardous material containers



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TRANSFER

Stations

Going cashless from JULY 1

Please be advised that from July 1, our transfer stations in Apollo Bay, Alvie and Birregurra will no longer accept cash payments.

Tip Tickets and EFTPOS machines will provide the only payment method for anyone wanting to dispose of waste or recycling material at the transfer stations.

Customers can purchase tip tickets from the Customer Service Centres in Apollo Bay and Colac.

Tip Ticket books are available in books of 10 for \$70.00 (works out at \$7.00 per ticket) or 25 tickets for \$150.00 (works out to \$6.00 per ticket).

Tip Tickets are the cheapest way to dispose of general waste at any of the Council's transfer stations within the shire. They have no expiry date, so make sure you keep them in a safe place.

2018/19 Waste collection calendar **WEEK 1**

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R Cardboard	R Gift wrapping paper	G Plastic clothes baskets	R Vitamin bottles
G Cardboard (waxed)	G Glad wrap	G Plastic cutlery	G Waxed cardboard
G Cassette tapes	G Glass (other than jars & bottles)	R Plastic lunch boxes	G Waxed paper
G CDs (recycle at Council office)	R Glass jars	R Plastic plates/bowls/cups	O Weeds
G Cellophane	O Glass lids	G Plastic strapping	G Window panes
G Ceramics	R Grass clippings	R Plastic trays/baskets	R Wine bottles
R Cereal boxes	R Greeting cards	G Plastic wrappers	R Wrapping paper
G Chip packets	R Hair product containers	G Plate (glass)	R Yoghurt containers
G Cigarette butts	R Hairspray cans	G Polystyrene (foam)	
G Cleaning rags	R Ice cream containers & lids	R Pots and pans (no glass lid)	NO Bricks
G Cling wrap	R Insect spray cans	G Printer cartridge	NO Building material
G Clothing/shoes	R Jar lids	NO Car parts	NO Concrete
R Coffee tins	R Jars (with metal lid removed)	NO Dirt/sand	NO Human or animal remains
R Compact disc cases (no disc)	R Juice cartons	NO Medical or infectious waste	NO Oils
R Computer paper	R Junk mail	NO Paint tins (wet)	NO Sharps including hypodermic needles, blades and scalpels
G Confectionery wrappers	R Kitty litter	NO Slops or liquid waste	NO Solvents
R Cooking oil containers	R Laundry detergent bottles & boxes	NO Trade waste	
G Corks	O Leaves		
R Cosmetic jars	G Light bulbs & tubes		
G Cotton reels	G Lolly wrappers		
G Cotton wool buds	R Long life containers (milk/stock)		
G Crockery (broken)	R Lunch boxes		
G Crockery (intact)	R Magazines		
G Cups and saucers	G Manure/animal droppings		
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G Cassette tapes	G Glass (other than jars & bottles)	R Plastic lunch boxes	G Waxed paper
G CDs (recycle at Council office)	R Glass jars	R Plastic plates/bowls/cups	O Weeds
G Cellophane	O Glass lids	G Plastic strapping	G Window panes
G Ceramics	R Grass clippings	R Plastic trays/baskets	R Wine bottles
R Cereal boxes	R Greeting cards	G Plastic wrappers	R Wrapping paper
G Chip packets	R Hair product containers	G Plate (glass)	R Yoghurt containers
G Cigarette butts	R Hairspray cans	G Polystyrene (foam)	
G Cleaning rags	R Ice cream containers & lids	R Pots and pans (no glass lid)	NO Bricks
G Cling wrap	R Insect spray cans	G Printer cartridge	NO Building material
G Clothing/shoes	R Jar lids	NO Car parts	NO Concrete
R Coffee tins	R Jars (with metal lid removed)	NO Dirt/sand	NO Human or animal remains
R Compact disc cases (no disc)	R Juice cartons	NO Medical or infectious waste	NO Oils
R Computer paper	R Junk mail	NO Paint tins (wet)	NO Sharps including hypodermic needles, blades and scalpels
G Confectionery wrappers	R Kitty litter	NO Slops or liquid waste	NO Solvents
R Cooking oil containers	R Laundry detergent bottles & boxes	NO Trade waste	
G Corks	O Leaves		
R Cosmetic jars	G Light bulbs & tubes		
G Cotton reels	G Lolly wrappers		
G Cotton wool buds	R Long life containers (milk/stock)		
G Crockery (broken)	R Lunch boxes		
G Crockery (intact)	R Magazines		
G Cups and saucers	G Manure/animal droppings		
G Curtains	R Margarine tubs		
R Cutlery (metal)	R Matchboxes		
	O Meat scraps		



LAKE COLAC FORESHORE

Upgrade kicks off

The Lake Colac's beach reclamation work has started and is one of a number works projects underway as part of upgrading the Lake Colac Foreshore.

The work is in response to community members identifying the Lake Colac foreshore upgrades as important, not only for the community but also for attracting more visitors to the town. The beach reclamation work is the first step in transforming the area for locals and visitors to enjoy.

Other works include installing safety lighting along the foreshore from the boat ramp along the foreshore pathway directly in front of the Botanic Gardens, installing new picnic furniture and seating adjacent to the upgraded pathway, sealing the rowing club carpark, installing three drink fountains and replacing the Barongarook Creek footbridge.

Colac Otway Shire Mayor Joe McCracken said it was great to see the work identified in the Lake Colac Foreshore Masterplan get underway.

"The maintenance and improvement works in the area are much needed and will ensure the foreshore area will be a place people will want to visit," he said.

"The rowing club car park works are already complete. Foreshore beach reclamation works are underway which

will stretch from the jetty to the boat ramp and the boat ramp to the groyne, plus a strip in front of the rowing club.

"These projects, among a number of other works projects, will enhance the whole lake area," Cr McCracken said.

Council developed the Lake Colac Foreshore Master Plan following extensive community consultation, with work taking place during the next six months to include upgrading the Queens Avenue pathway and installing drink fountains.

In addition to these improvements, Council's Services and Operations teams will carry out a range of minor improvements scheduled to take place in coming weeks including:

- **Replacing and/or repair of park furniture**
- **Footpath repairs and improvements**
- **Removing old garden beds and other vegetation**
- **Carp trap removal**
- **Removing old pine timber structures and arbours along Barongarook Creek.**

Colac Otway Shire Council's Infrastructure and Leisure services manager Tony McGann said the Lake Colac Foreshore Master Plan recommendations were developed through extensive community engagement and endorsed by Council.

He said all Council managed infrastructure was reviewed as part of the plan to ensure it met current design and safety standards.

Colac Otway Shire Works coordinator Frank Castles said the first stage of lake foreshore improvement works being carried out by Council's Service and Operations team and contractors would be finished by the end of August.

He said there was a second stage of works scheduled that included landscaping between the rowing club and the yacht club and installing new and linking existing pathways, which was due for completion by the end of the year.

The Federal Government funded the development of the Lake Colac Master Plan that sets out a 10-year program of improvements to the Lake Colac foreshore, providing \$250,000 in funding as part of its Regional Jobs and Investment Fund. The Colac Otway Shire Council contributed \$500,000 in funding for the masterplan's implementation.

REX NORMAN PARK

Makeover

Gellibrand's Rex Norman Park precinct has received a major makeover, with a new playground, activity space, exercise equipment, basketball area and pathways among the upgrades.

Colac Otway Shire Mayor Joe McCracken said the project, which was completed in early May, was part of the implementation of the Gellibrand Rex Norman Park Masterplan.

"It's a sizeable upgrade and there was a lot of community consultation and input throughout the planning to ensure we ended up with a great result for Gellibrand," he said.

"The old playground was removed, however there were a couple of pieces that the community wanted retained for static display as a bit of a nod to the park's history.

"One of those was a Yogi Bear spring rider which was a bit weathered, but had been there a long time and the community wanted it kept and mounted nearby - a bit like a piece of public art."

Cr McCracken said the new playground incorporated some

modular pieces, but also rocks, logs and mounds to encourage free play.

"More and more of these types of projects are now creating play spaces where children use their own creativity to explore and find fun ways to enjoy the area," he said.

"There are also the exercise benches and bars to encourage older members of the community to utilise the park as part of their exercise regime. There's something for everyone and that's how a park should be."

Cr McCracken said a large basket net swing, spider web climbing apparatus and slides were among the other installations.

"There are some rubberised areas for children's safety, as well as soft fall mulch. There has been drainage installed and path works which are part of the activity walking trail within the park." he said.

Colac Otway Shire Council jointly funded the project, with the support of a grant through the State Government's Community Sports Infrastructure Program.



Brigette Fergus and Oreo

YOUR TOWN IN FOCUS

Beautiful Beeac

“ We are a supportive, close knit community and we love to extend the hand of friendship to new people. ”

Beeac is the Aboriginal name for salt water, and was named after a local tribal elder and also in reference to the salt lake that hugs the town's western fringe.

But when you think about it, the word Beeac could just as easily refer to the salt-of-the-earth townsfolk, who value their sense of community above all else.

Wendy Parker, president of the Beeac Progress Association and longtime Beeac district resident, said one of her town's best qualities was its open arms.

“We are a supportive, close knit community and we love to extend the hand of friendship to new people,” Wendy said.

“We always hope that new people will get involved in the community, and most do in some way.”

In the years after white settlement, Beeac was a bustling farming post underpinned by pea and onion growers, and also dairy farmers.

Melva Shinnars, who moved to Beeac with her family as a four-year old said she remembers the days when the town had three grocers, a chemist, butcher, barber and four active churches.

“It was a thriving town. Even though we were only 12 miles from Colac, not everyone had cars so we all did our business in Beeac.

“We had lots of balls in the Beeac hall – everyone loved to dress up and attend the balls.”

Recent building activity at Beeac via a new subdivision suggests that Beeac is on the cusp of a renaissance.

And who wouldn't want to live there?

“We have the most beautiful avenue of trees in Wallace Street and lovely wide residential streets which really mean something to us,” Melva said. “The windmill park draws lots of attention too.”

Wendy said the local school, innovative rural health service, beautiful heritage buildings in the main street and the thriving local pub the Farmers Arms were also great selling points.

“Housing is affordable, we're getting new businesses in the main street, you get the best of both worlds because it's friendly and quiet, but it's really close to Colac and Geelong.”



WHAT'S ON *Events*

JULY

SAT 30 JUNE - SUN 29 JULY

CrossXPollination 2018 'Journeys'
Red Rock Regional Theatre & Gallery
Fri & Mon 1 - 4pm
Sat & Sun 11am - 4pm
www.redrockarts.org.au

SAT 7 - SUN 29 JULY

CrossXPollination 2018 Journeys'
COPACC
10am - 4pm
www.copacc.com.au

SUN 8 - SAT 15 JULY

NAIDOC Week Multiple venues (TBC)
www.colacotway.vic.gov.au/Upcoming-Events

SAT 21 JULY

Gellibrand River Winter Warmer
Gellibrand Public Hall
6pm
coordinator@gellihouse.org

SUN 29 JULY

25th Annual Warm Winter Words
Apollo Bay Mechanics Hall
www.apollobaywritersfestival.com

AUGUST

WinterWild

DEATH - FRI 10 TO SUN 12
BIRTH - FRI 24 TO SUN 26

Apollo Bay foreshore & multiple venues
www.winterwildapollobay.com.au

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 1

Friends of Colac Botanic Gardens - Wattle Day
Colac Botanic Gardens
Sat 10am - 11am

SEPTEMBER 15 - 16

Amy's Gran Fondo
Lorne and Apollo Bay
Sat 12pm - 7pm
Sun 7am - 5pm
www.amysgranfondo.org.au

SEPTEMBER 22

Colac Garden & Lifestyle Expo
Colac Showgrounds
Sat 9am - 3pm

MEETINGS

ORDINARY COUNCIL

Wednesdays at 4pm
27th June at Colac COPACC
25th July at Colac COPACC
22nd August at Beeac Recreation Reserve Hall

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesdays at 4pm
11 July at Colac COPACC
8 August at Colac COPACC

REGULAR *Events*

Apollo Bay Community Market
Every Saturday
Apollo Bay Foreshore

Otway Growers and Makers Market
4th Sunday of each month
Echidna House, Kwarre

Apollo Bay Farmers' Market
Third Sunday of each month
Apollo Bay Youth Club

Colac Regional Saleyards
Store sales – first Friday of every month
Fat cattle sales – every Thursday
Bobby calf sales – every Thursday
Sheep sales - third Thursday of every month'



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