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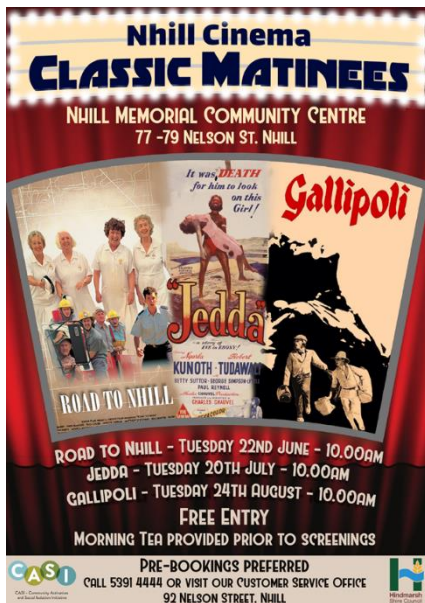
COUNCIL MEETING

A Council meeting was held on Wednesday 7 July 2021. You can watch it back on our Council Facebook page or read the minutes on Councils website <https://www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/council-meetings>.

The next Council meeting will be held on 4 August 2021, commencing at 3:00pm.

CINEMA

What is coming up at the Nhill Cinema?



Nhill Cinema is hosting monthly Classic Matinees. Held on Tuesday morning from 10am, join us for morning tea and a movie. Classic Matinees will be held free of charge and have been funded by the State Government's CASI initiative. Pre-bookings are preferred.

Jeddah

Tuesday 20 July 2021 — 10am

Gallipoli

Tuesday 24 August 2021— 10am

'SING-A-LONGS' WITH SANDRA AND LEO

Hindmarsh Shire Council and CASI's 'Sing-A-Longs' were well received in Jeparit, Rainbow, Nhill and Dimboola.

Leo Tellefson and Sandra Loats entertained very appreciative community members with an hour and a half of songs and stories. Leo and Sandra played overtime in each town due to numerous encores. Some communities' members even attended more than one event! Attendees were quoted saying 'this was just what we needed' – 'fantastic'.

The first Classic Movie and Morning Tea for 'Road to Nhill' was also well attended. This free event will continue on a Tuesday morning, once a month, until November 2021.



CAM'S MARVELLOUS EXPERIMENTS

In the first week of the school holidays, Scientist Cam ventured to Dimboola, Nhill, Jeparit and Rainbow to conduct some marvellous science experiments with the local kids.

A lot of fun was had and those who attended had the opportunity to experiment with a cloud simulation using shaving foam to make it rain in rainbow colours, some weirdly-wobbly eggs, producing quicksand to examine non-Newtonian liquids, and making bags go boom! The activities were well received with 55 children attending in total from the four towns combined.

If you missed out this school holidays, don't worry, we will be holding more fun activities in future school holidays.

UNITING WIMMERA LEVEL-UP GAMING EVENT

Hindmarsh Shire Council supported Uniting Wimmera with their Level Up Gaming Event in Dimboola in the first week of the school holidays by providing transport, lunch and the venue. We were proud to be part of an amazing event, as Hindmarsh's young people enjoyed all kinds of video games, VR and drumming.



We look forward to hosting the Level Up team in Nhill in the near future after having to cancel the event on 28 May 2021 due to the COVID lockdown. Keep and eye out on our social media in the coming weeks as we announce the rescheduled date!

CRAFTY ART WITH DANELLE

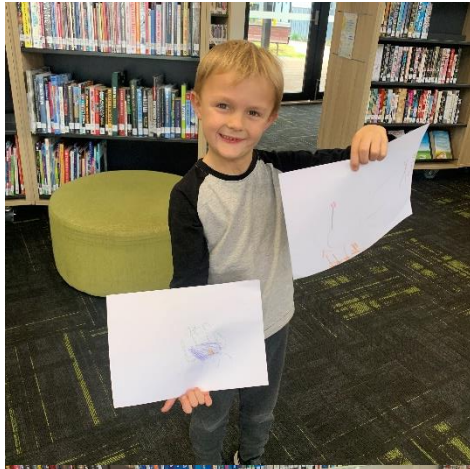
Danelle held four Crafty Art sessions throughout the School Holidays. These sessions consisted of creating combination pictures with both painting and pencil drawings.

Sessions were held at all 4 of the major towns in the Shire, with 16 children attending at Jeparit; 10 at Rainbow; 5 at Dimboola & 14 at Nhill.

The children enjoyed mixing it up by not just doing paintings and drawings and made the most of the spare downtime they had while waiting for their paintings to dry.

They also had the opportunity to add to a community picture in between drawing. These are now on display at

the Nhill library.



JEPARIT MOVIE NIGHT

On Friday 2 July 2021, young people from all over the Shire came together in Jeparit to watch some 'prehistoric' themed movies and eat some delicious pizza. An initiative of one of our Youth Councillors from Jeparit, we were thrilled to bring the inflatable screen to

the Jeparit Hall so that those who can't get to Nhill Cinema for movies get to see a film on a cinema-size screen.

Given the success of this event, we hope this can become a school holidays tradition.

Thanks to the local businesses for working with us to provide food and transport, and to everyone who came along and made it such a great night!



SMARTPHONE PHOTORAPHY TOUR

On Monday 5 July, a group of 10 adventurous young people climbed aboard the Community Bus for a 'Hindmarsh Shire Photography Tour.'

They visited the Albacutya Silo Art, Herman's Hill, stopped for toasted sandwiches at the newly opened Dimboola Civic Hub then went to Horseshoe Bend Picnic Area and the Nhill Lake.

Despite the long hours on the bus and impressive mileage covered, the attendees said that they had a fantastic time!

We had people from Nhill, Dimboola, Jeparit and Rainbow, so it was a great time for everyone to make friends from other areas. Given how much the young

people enjoyed this trip, we're already planning the stops for our next School Holidays photography tour.



SUKHA PILATES WITH JANELLE

On Wednesday 7 July, Janelle Inkster joined us in Rainbow and Dimboola and to run two Pilate's sessions. The two groups varied in age, but all enjoyed the benefits of the gentle stretching that this form of exercise brings.

CASEY KOSCH FIRST AID TRAINING

On Thursday 8 July 2021 we offered two free First Aid courses in Nhill, one for 9-13 year olds and an accredited CPR Training Course for 14-18 years.

Young people learnt how to provide CPR, respond to asthma attacks, anaphylaxis and other medical emergencies whilst waiting for emergency services.

We know that some young people wanted to attend but couldn't get to Nhill, so we'll aim to continue to offer this training in Rainbow, Jeparit and Dimboola in the future.

Thank you to Casey Kosch and her team for providing this training.





HARRY POTTER DOUBLE FEATURE COSTUME PARTY

On Friday 9 July, Get your wizarding hats and wands ready for a truly magical afternoon! We'll be playing the first two Harry Potter films: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone and Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets on the **big screen**. We can't wait to see you in your costumes - there will even be some magical treats! Transport is available from Jeparit, Rainbow and Dimboola.

HAVE YOUR SAY

B-DOUBLE CHANGES TO ROAD USE

At the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9 June 2021, Hindmarsh Shire Council resolved to give public notice of its proposed changes to road use for B-Double access.

A number of roads are recommended to be opened to B Double access as well as another 5 truck classes including HML, Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS) - B-Doubles, Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS) - Rigid trucks & Semi-Trailers, PBS Level 1 & PBS Level 2A, with some conditions between full and local access only.

To make a submission, please visit Council's website at www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/have-your-say.

Submissions close **5pm on Friday 16**

July 2021.

REVIEW OF ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2023

In accordance with Section 54 (5) of the Road Management Act 2004 (Act), Hindmarsh Shire Council gives notice that of its proposed changes to the Road Management Plan. This draft plan will be available for public consultation for 28 days as required by the Act, after which all submissions will be presented to Council for consideration prior to any adoption of the Draft Road Management Plan.

Copies of the proposed Draft Road Management Plan will be available for inspection at the Customer Service Centres in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow, as well as on the Council website www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/have-your-say.

Submissions close at **5pm on Monday 19 July 2021**.

TOURISM UPDATES

The Nhill Streetscape Masterplan is being finalised by the consultants and will be presented to Wimmera Mallee Tourism as part of the larger regional project under which it sits. Wimmera Mallee Tourism will then present the report to Council which may decide to ratify or have further discussion and development done on the plan. Once the masterplan is ratified by Council we will begin to leverage for funding opportunities for implementing the masterplan. The plan was developed as a 10 year plan and it is likely to be a staged implementation as funding becomes available.

The \$4.9 million Wimmera Mallee regional tourism funding package announced in December 2020 will shortly begin to be rolled out across the Councils in the region and we are very excited to begin implementing the funded projects on Hindmarsh. The 'draw-card' project for the region is the Silo Art Re-imagined project in Rainbow. Hindmarsh have also received funding through the package

for another silo art project to build on the visitation already being generated by Albacutya Silo Art, and some business pilot projects. More details on these projects will be released in the coming weeks.

ALL-ABILITIES BATHROOM AT RIVERSIDE HOLIDAY PARK

Construction of an all-abilities bathroom as an extension to the camp kitchen at the Riverside Holiday Park, Dimboola are continuing with expectation to be completed within the next two – three weeks.

The extensions include a new all-abilities access ramp, DDA compliant bathroom, cleaner's cupboard and an enlarged deck along the front of the camp kitchen.

This project has been funded through a Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Victorian Camping and Caravan grants program.



NHILL CARAVAN PARK AMENITIES BLOCK REFURBISHMENT

Works to refurbish the Nhill Caravan Park's amenities block are expected to commence by the end of July 2021.

The existing amenities block will be refurbished to provide visitors with clean, modern facilities and improved services.

This project has been funded through a

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Victorian Camping and Caravan grants program.

MAINTENANCE WORKS

The maintenance teams in Jeparit, Rainbow and Dimboola area have recently completed installing some town entry and shire boundary signs.



They are also working on line marking, tree trimming and pruning, with one grader doing maintenance grading out Tarranyrk East and West area.



Nhill maintenance team currently have graders operating in the Winiam area, and are working on VicRoads repairs on Nhill Yanac Road and Nhill Netherby Road, and renewing signs and tree trimming.

CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

WOORAK – NI NI – LORQUON ROAD

Council's Construction team are well

underway a sealed road construction of Woorak – Ni Ni – Lorquon Rd heading North from the Ni Ni Well Rd. The project includes widening the pavement and seal to allow for easier transport particularly for agriculture and a safer section for all road users. This project is funded by the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant from the Federal Government. The final stage of sealing is scheduled soon, weather dependent.



ANDERSON STREET

Council's Concrete team have begun works to reconstruct the kerb and channel as well as road on Anderson St Dimboola. This project will repair the uneven drainage and road pavement south-west of Lloyd Street. The team has completed several kerb and channel concrete pours and is making good progress.



SALISBURY – WOORAK ROAD

Council's Construction team have recently begun works to reconstruct and widen the Salisbury-Woorak Rd through the swamp section North of the Western Highway. This project will increase the width of the shoulders decreasing the steep drop-offs and renewing the pavement. The team has started

importing gravel and is making good progress.



DIMBOOLA COMMUNITY CIVIC HUB OFFICIAL OPENING

In front of a well-attended gathering, Dr. Anne Webster MP, Federal Member for Mallee, officially opened Dimboola's refurbished Old Shire Hall on Thursday 1 July 2021. Hindmarsh Shire Council received funding of \$600,000 through the Federal Government's 2019 Community Development Grants Program to undertake refurbishment works following the construction of the new Dimboola Library / Customer Service Centre.

To be known as the Dimboola Community Civic Hub, the venue will be a multi-use facility that can be used by businesses and community organisations for meetings, exhibitions, training and educational purposes as well as library events and functions. You can read more about this event on Council's website here:

<https://www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/news>





concluding on 30 June 2022.

A copy of the adopted 2021/2022 budget incorporating Revenue and Rating Plan are available online at www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/council-resources or at all Customer Service Centres.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

A dog in Horsham has tested positive for ehrlichiosis – the first detection of this disease for an Australian-born dog in Victoria. The dog came from the Northern Territory where the disease is established.

Common signs of ehrlichiosis could include fever, lethargy, eye changes such as conjunctivitis, cloudy or red eyes; abnormal bleeding and swellings, small spots or bruising; and swellings on the body and limbs.

If your dog is unwell or you find any abnormal bumps or ticks, make sure you promptly arrange to take your dog to your vet. More information can be found on Agriculture Victoria's website <https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/biosecurity/animal-diseases/general-livestock-diseases/ehrlichiosis>.

YOUTH AND EARLY YEARS

Supported Playgroup caters for children from birth to school age, creating a space where parents and children can come together every week to encourage a positive environment to learn, explore, grow and nurture children's talents. Everyone is welcome to attend any of the playgroup sessions.

There are a variety of different community run playgroups that you may be interested in looking into. Go to <https://www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/youth-early-years#playgroup>.

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP NHILL
Nhill Memorial Community Centre
Wednesdays 10am - 12pm

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP JEPARIT
Jeparit Kindergarten
Thursdays 10am - 12pm

BABY RHYME TIME

Join us at the Nhill Library for Baby Rhyme Time!
Every Monday from 10:30am

LIBRARY NEWS

JIGSAW CLUB

Join us at the Nhill Library for Jigsaw club!
Every Friday from 2pm

STORY TIME SESSIONS

Join us at the Dimboola and Nhill Library for Story Time!

Nhill Library
Thursdays from 10:00am

Dimboola Library
Fridays from 10:00am

BABY RHYME TIME

Join us at the Nhill Library for Baby Rhyme Time!
Every Monday from 10:30am

BOOK CHAT SESSIONS

Join us at the **Dimboola Library** for our monthly Book Chat!

If this is of any interest to you, please contact your friendly library staff on 03 5391 4452.

EXTENDED LIBRARY HOURS

Can't go to the library during work hours? Need a place to study? Want somewhere to catch up with your friends?

Great news! The Nhill and Dimboola Libraries are **now open until 6:00pm on Wednesdays!**

POSITIONS VACANT IN COUNCIL

Council currently has vacancies for:

Town Maintenance Employee

Dimboola - Full Time
Applications close on Wednesday 14 July 2021

Community Care Worker - Casual
Applications ongoing

If you would like to join our team or find out more information, please visit <https://www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/work-in-council>.

8 DAYS FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORT FOR VICTORIAN SENIORS CARD HOLDERS

8 days of free public transport covering all metropolitan services, all V/line services and all regional town bus services will be provided to Victorian Seniors Card holders for the period **Sunday 3 October to Sunday 10 October 2021** as part of the 2021 Victorian Seniors Festival.

For more information about this, please visit Seniors Online here: <https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/festivalsandawards>.

A WORD FROM YOUR FRIENDLY GARBAGE MAN

"We recently had a fire in one of our Garbage Trucks in a different Shire. Thankfully the local Fire Brigade was able to put it out and our truck wasn't damaged. **I ask that you please DO NOT put hot ash or anything combustible into either bin.** Thanks for your help. The last thing we want is a fire in our truck." Wimmera Mallee Waste.

COUNCIL 2021/2022 BUDGET ADOPTED

At the Council meeting held on Wednesday 23 June 2021, Hindmarsh Shire Council adopted the 2021/2022 Budget incorporating Revenue and Rating Plan.

The Budget relates to the financial year commencing on 1 July 2021 and