OUARTERLY NEWSLETTER JUNE - AUGUST 2025



HAVE YOUR SAY

Hindmarsh Shire Council regularly seeks community feedback on policies, community projects, plans and other Council related matters through community consultations and surveys.

Visit our Have Your Say website to view what Council is currently seeking feedback on by scanning the QR code or visiting:

www.haveyoursay.hindmarsh. vic.gov.au



NEW CABINS AT NHILL HOLIDAY PARK

Hindmarsh Shire Council is excited to announce that funding has been secured to deliver significant upgrades to Nhill Holiday Park, thanks to support from the Victorian Government's Regional Tourism Investment Fund 2024.

This investment will support the installation of three modern, self-contained one-bedroom studio cabins, enhancing accommodation options for visitors to the region.

Since September 2024, Nhill Holiday Park has been part of the Hindmarsh Holiday Parks network, which is directly managed by Council. A recently developed ten-year masterplan, shaped through community consultation, outlines a strategic vision to upgrade and diversify accommodation offerings across the park network.

FREE SENIORS CONCERTS

Council has received funding from Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) to hold **FREE** music concerts in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow in June 2025.

The well-known and highly regarded **Acoustic Box Duo** will provide entertainment for an hour and a half, presenting hits from the '50s, '60s, '70s, '80s and beyond. **Times and venues for the concerts are as follows:**

Nhill Memorial Community Centre

Thursday 26 June 2025 from 11:00am - 12:30pm (Doors open at 10:30am)

Dimboola Bowling Club

Thursday 26 June 2025 from 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Doors open at 2:30pm)

Rainbow MECCA Town Hall

Friday 27 June 2025 from 11:00am - 12:30pm (Doors open at 10:30am)

Jeparit Memorial Town Hall

Friday 27 June 2025 from 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Doors open at 2:30pm)

Light refreshments will also be served after the concerts.

While the concerts are a free event, **registrations** are essential. Bookings can be made by emailing info@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au, calling (03) 5391 4444 or by visiting any of Council's Customer Service Centres. Please specify any dietary requirements when booking.

COUNCIL ROAD UPGRADES



Council has recently completed sealed road reconstructions on the following roads:

- **Woorak-Ni Ni-Lorquon Road** (roughly 1km in length) Works included reconstruction of a narrow section of the road to a wider seal, as well as repairs to failed pavement.
- **Dimboola-Minyip Road** (roughly 1km in length) Works included full reconstruction and seal to repair failed sections.
- **Old-Minyip Road** (roughly 1km in length) Works included full reconstruction and seal to repair failed sections.







LLEW SCHILLING SILO UPDATE



Council has awarded the contract for art activation at the Rainbow Llew Schilling silo after an extensive expression of interest program which attracted submissions from across Australia.

Artist James Voller, the founder and Creative Director of Collide Public Art Initiative who was awarded the project, recently visited the Rainbow Llew Schilling Silo to further develop his concept for art activation at the Silo once construction works are complete.

James and his team of artists have been responsible for the delivery of innovative public art projects across Australia. The Rainbow Silo presents a new challenge though, with the inclusion of internal art activation within one of the Silo bins - a first for the popular Silo Art genre.

Pictured left to right: Bernard Young, artist James Voller, and Llew Schilling.

Read more at www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/latest-news.

NHILL DOG PARK



Have you seen Nhill's new off-leash Dog Park? It is located in Whitehead Ave, adjacent to the Nhill Lawn Tennis Club and Cane ball Court.

The dog park features internal pathways, a lawned area with a watering system installed to keep it lush for the dogs to play on.

Landscaping, including planting of several small trees and shrubs, and the spreading of bark chips will also be installed, along with agility obstacles, including jumping logs, a pipe tunnel and weaving poles. Two park-seats and a picnic table within the park will provide visitors with a place to rest between activities with their dogs and a water fountain with dog bowl to hydrate your dog.

This project has been funded through the Victorian Government's Tiny Towns grants program and Hindmarsh Shire Council.

OUT AND ABOUT



Pathway and Kerb & Channel Works

Our concrete team have been busy repairing high priority concrete defects across the Shire. Footpath repair works have been carried out on Goldsworthy Street in Nhill and in front of the Dimboola Swimming Pool, along with replacing sections of damaged kerb and channel around Nhill.



Little Desert Fire Road Repairs

Our grader maintenance teams have been busy repairing several Council roads and tracks that were utilised to access the Little Desert during the recent bushfire.



Kerb & Channel Works - Winifred St

Contractors have completed new kerb & channel works at Winifred Street in Rainbow. Council staff are finishing off the project by completing the road shoulder and nature strip works.

MAYORAL MATTERS



Want to know what Mayor Ron Ismay has been up to? Did you know that you can read all previous Mayoral Matters columns on Council's website?

Scan the QR code, or visit www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.a u/latest-news and search by category 'Mayoral Columns'.

HINDMARSH SHIRE LIBRARIES MIGRATING TO 'BORROWBOX'

Hindmarsh Shire Libraries is committed to building full, comprehensive and exciting collections and curations in both our physical and digital resources.

As such, we have made the decision to move our e-Book and e-Audiobook titles to a single platform. **From Tuesday 1 July 2025**, we will discontinue our affiliation with e-Resource provider 'Libby' and move solely to the use of 'BorrowBox'.

Our friendly library team can help you download the BorrowBox app, show you how to navigate the platform and how to access our full collection of e-Books and e-Audiobooks – just pop in during our usual opening hours for any assistance.

RAISED LEVEL CROSSING FOR MACPHERSON STREET, NHILL

Hindmarsh Shire Council has successfully secured funding to construct a raised pedestrian crossing - commonly known as a "Wombat Crossing" - at the intersection of Macpherson Street and McDonald Street in Nhill.

The \$125,000 project is jointly funded by the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) under its Local Government Grant Program and Hindmarsh Shire Council, on a 50:50 basis. TAC is contributing \$62,861 toward the total project cost.

The works will include the construction of a raised pedestrian crossing on Macpherson Street, kerb outstands on both sides of the crossing, drainage improvements, footpath construction, solar lighting above the crossing, and associated line marking.

The primary goal of the project is to provide a safe, priority crossing point for pedestrians - especially those traveling to and from the nursing home located to the north. The raised crossing will help reduce vehicle speeds at the intersection and eliminate the need for pedestrians to wait for safe traffic gaps.

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS

Does thinking about money make you feel worried? Are budgets something you avoid? Hindmarsh Shire Council and Neighbourhood House are partnering to bring **free sessions** to Hindmarsh to increase community understanding of money, savings, budgeting and more. Stay tuned on Council's website, Facebook and Instagram for more information on dates and locations.

AGE AND RESPECT CUPPA CONNECTIONS IN JUNE

Our Free From Violence Project Officer will be attending Cuppa Connections throughout June with information on how to help yourself, or someone you know, who may be experiencing mistreatment or a lack of care. Cuppa Connections are held weekly in our libraries on the following days:

Dimboola Library

Thursdays 10:00am - 12noon
Nhill Library
Thursdays 10:00am - 12noon
Jeparit Library

Wednesdays 10:00am - 12noon Rainbow Library

Wednesdays 2:00pm - 4:00pm

RATES DUE DATES

1st Instalment - 30 September 2025 2nd Instalment - 30 November 2025 3rd Instalment - 28 February 2026 4th Instalment - 31 May 2026

Payment options are included on your notice, but if you have any questions or are experiencing difficulty paying your rates by the due date, please contact our Rates Department on 03 5391 4444.

JOIN OUR TEAM

Are you looking for a new career? Hindmarsh Shire is a vibrant and progressive rural council, rich in history, natural wonders and a strong community spirit, offering a rewarding career, with excellent working conditions and a positive teamfocused culture.

We're a dedicated workforce, proud to deliver a huge array of services to our local community and striving to make a difference.

To view our current vacant positions, visit our website by scanning the QR code or visit:

www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/ work-in-council



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To follow us, scan the QR code or look us up on Instagram!

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Do you want to keep up-to-date with the latest news from Hindmarsh Shire Council?

Did you know that you can subscribe to Council's emailing list to receive fortnightly e-newsletters with the latest news, project updates, consultation opportunities, job vacancies and upcoming events in Hindmarsh Shire.

You can subscribe by visiting Council's website:

www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/ e-news

To view all previous Council newsletters, visit:

www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/ newsletters

PURPLE GLASS BIN COLLECTIONS

All purple glass bins within

Hindmarsh Shire will be collected on **Friday 4 July 2025**.

Please put your bins out the night before.



MAKE A REQUEST

Do you need to report an issue to Council?

Whether it be an issue with a Council managed road, tree, footpath or drain; an animal issue, or a parking / traffic issue, etc - please let us know by submitting a request on Council's website.

Once you have submitted your request, it will be directed to the appropriate department for action.



Scan the QR code or visit our website at:

www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/ make-a-request

UPCOMING EVENTS

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Hindmarsh Shire Council Meetings are open for members of the public to attend or to be watched live on Council's YouTube channel.

Council meetings will be held at the Nhill Council Chambers, 92 Nelson Street Nhill, from 3pm on the following days:

> Wednesday 18 June 2025 Wednesday 23 July 2025 Wednesday 27 August 2025

For more information, visit: www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings

GET CREATIVE AT NHILL LIBRARY

Enjoy crafting/creating and socialising? Join us at the Nhill Library every second Friday for a creative session.

'BYO project' to work on.

Next session on 6 June 2025

Time: 1:00pm - 2:00pm Location: Nhill Library, 5 Clarence Street

JIGSAW CLUB

Held weekly at the following locations:

Rainbow Library

Fridays from 1:30pm
Nhill Library

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Fridays from 2:00pm

Jeparit Library

Mondays from 2:00pm

NHILL WRITING HOUR

Join us at the Nhill Library for Writing Hour!

Thursday 15 May, 19 June & 17 July 2025

Time: 1:00pm - 2:00pm **Location:** Nhill Library, 5 Clarence Street

For more details, scan the QR code:



NHILL CLASSIC MOVIE

Join us at for a **FREE** Classic Movie!

THE LONG, LONG TRAILER Tuesday 24 June 2025

Time: Morning tea at 10:00am Movie at 10:30am Location: Nhill Memorial Community Centre, 77-79 Nelson Street Rated G

DIMBOOLA BOOK CHAT

Join us at the Dimboola Library for Book Chat!

Friday 16 May, 20 June & 18 July 2025

Time: 2:30pm Location: Dimboola Library, 101 Lloyd Street

STORY TIME

Join us for Story Time!

Dimboola Library Fridays from 10:00am

Nhill Library

Every second Friday from 11:00am Next session on 6 June 2025

SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

Join us at Supported Playgroup with Hindmarsh Shire Council's Supported Playgroup Facilitators. Held weekly during school terms.

Nhill Library

Mondays 10am - 12pm **Dimboola Library** Tuesdays 10am - 12pm **Jeparit Kindergarten**

Wednesdays 10am - 12pm

Contact our facilitators on 0417 020 329 for more information!

NHILL KIDS CRAFT CLUB

Join us at the Nhill Library for Nhill Kids Craft Club **FREE** of charge!

Wednesday 21 May, 18 June & 20 August 2025

Time: 3:30pm **Location:** Nhill Library, 5 Clarence Street