



Welcome to the June edition of Shire News

In this issue you'll find an update on the Small Town Streetscapes Project, an opportunity to join a new community reference group, upcoming events in the shire, and much more.



National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week 2022 🖤🟡❤️

National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week are being recognised across the shire with a range of events.

National Sorry Day (Thursday 26 May) is an annual day of remembrance which

acknowledges the pain and injustice experienced by members of the stolen generation.

Uncle Rick Nelson, Dja Dja Wurrung Elder, conducted a Smoking Ceremony and Welcome to Country at the Castlemaine Botanical Gardens last week to acknowledge Sorry Day. The ceremony also featured guest speaker Ron Murray, Wamba Wamba, Tatiara man.

National Reconciliation Week, which began on Friday 27 May, is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to stop and think about how we can contribute to, and work towards, reconciliation.

There's been a range of activities for the community to get involved in, including film screenings, a special story time with Aunty Kerri Douglas, a week-long Sorry Tree and Possum Skin Cloak display, exhibition at the Castlemaine Market Building, and much more.

Learn more about National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week, and find reconciliation resources at [Reconciliation Australia](#).

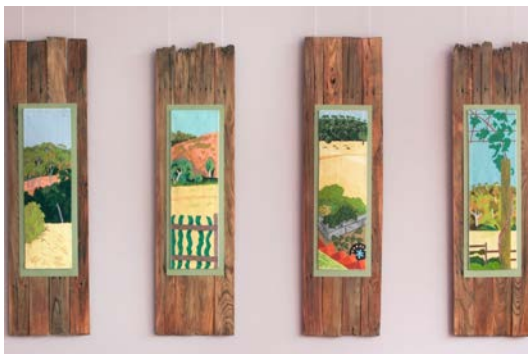


Taradale is looking beautiful

The township of Taradale has had a revamp with new footpaths, dedicated car parking spaces, signage, trees and more.

These improvements are part of the Small Town Streetscapes project which is taking place in Taradale, Guildford, Campbells Creek, Chewton, Elphinstone and Newstead.

Learn more about the project on the [Small Town Streetscapes](#) page of our website.



Proposed budget update

Council has released its proposed budget for 2022/2023, which outlines the resources necessary to maintain and improve infrastructure, and deliver projects and services which are valued by our community.

View the draft budget at [Shape Mount Alexander](#).

Council will consider the budget for adoption at its meeting on 21 June.



View local artwork in the Phee Broadway Theatre foyer

The Phee Broadway Theatre Foyer Exhibition Program welcomes its second artist to the space.

Jennifer Sharpe is a woven tapestry artist whose work is inspired by life experiences, and Australian flora and fauna.

Find out more about the program and upcoming exhibitions on our [website](#).



Pick up a sustainable house kit from your local library

Goldfields Libraries have four sustainable house kits available for loan.

The kits help residents identify ways to improve the energy efficiency of their homes. Each kit includes:

- thermal camera
- PowerMate energy measuring device
- copy of *The Energy Freedom Home*.

To borrow a kit, search 'Sustainable House Kits' in their [catalogue](#).

We're improving the footpaths in Castlemaine

Castlemaine's town centre is a charming, pedestrian-friendly and highly-utilised area.

To maintain its vibrancy and accessibility we're renewing a number of footpaths in the area.

To view the new footpath locations and find out more visit our [website](#).



Help shape the future of our shire

Do you have expertise in the areas of planning and the built form?

Would you like to contribute to your community?

Apply now to join our new community reference group.

The group will support the development of a Housing and Neighbourhood Character Strategy for Castlemaine, Campbells Creek and Chewton.

Find out more at [Shape Mount Alexander](#).



Have your say with Shape

Sign up to our online engagement platform, Shape Mount Alexander, to have your say on projects and initiatives happening in the shire.

Current projects open for input include:

- [Housing and Neighbourhood Character Study](#)
- [Chewton Pathways](#)

To find out more visit [Shape Mount Alexander](#).



There's so much happening around the shire this month from markets and exhibitions, through to swap meets and food events.

Take a look at [Castlemaine, Maldon and Surrounds](#) for more details, or for monthly updates on local events [subscribe](#) to our email newsletter.

Highlight event for June - Castlemaine Jazz Festival

Don't miss the much-loved Castlemaine Jazz Festival, which is showcasing an exciting line-up of live jazz from Friday 10 June to Sunday 12 June.

A wide variety of groups and performers will take you on a journey through the depths of New Orleans and go back in time from the 1920s to the present day.

Book now and don't miss out <https://book.bookeasy.com/castlemaine-jazz.../events/138861>

Upcoming Council meeting

Our next Council meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday 21 June.

To raise a question at the Council meeting [email](#) the Governance team or write to them at PO Box 185, Castlemaine VIC 3450. Messages must be received by 12.00pm on the day of the meeting.

The meeting will be live-streamed to [Youtube](#).

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