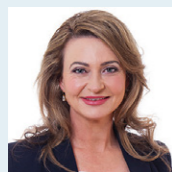




Steve Lynch from Program Records in Thornbury is excited for The Eighty-Six festival coming to Darebin.

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## GOING ELECTRIC WITH SOLAR SAVER

Reservoir resident Ian installed solar panels through Darebin's Solar Saver Rates Program last year and has been reaping the rewards since.

"I wanted to be more sustainable and using the sun's rays to generate electricity made sense. I didn't have the capital to do it on my own, so the program helped," Ian says.

Ian and his partner use their appliances during the day, taking full advantage of the energy produced from their panels.

Ian has noticed a 30 per cent reduction in his monthly electricity bill since installing solar.

Having taken the first step to electrify his home by installing solar, Ian is now keen to do more. "I want to get off gas, starting with an electric heat pump."

From heating, cooling, hot water and cooking, all-electric options are healthy, clean and cheaper to run, even more so if you have solar panels.

**To register your interest in Darebin's Solar Saver program visit [darebin.vic.gov.au/solar](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/solar)**

**For help electrifying your home visit [darebin.vic.gov.au/go-electric](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/go-electric) You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.**



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Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung people who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which Darebin stands. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Exciting news! This spring, Darebin will host the Eighty-Six festival, featuring free live music from Melbourne and international acts at venues along the 86 tram route. Be sure not to miss the 'Super Saturday' event and the music exchange; you'll find all the details on pages 4-5.

As we prepare to reopen the redeveloped Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre, we're thrilled to offer this highly valued community facility once more. It has been designed and built with sustainability in mind, ensuring a greener future.

In this DCN Spring edition, there's something for all ages.

I encourage you to explore what's on offer. You'll be surprised at all Council has to offer, with many activities free to enjoy.

Clyde Street Kindergarten is celebrating a milestone year, and the Intercultural Centre has a vibrant spring line-up.

Join our bike skills workshops, and don't miss seeing the exciting new exhibitions at Bundoora Homestead Art Centre.

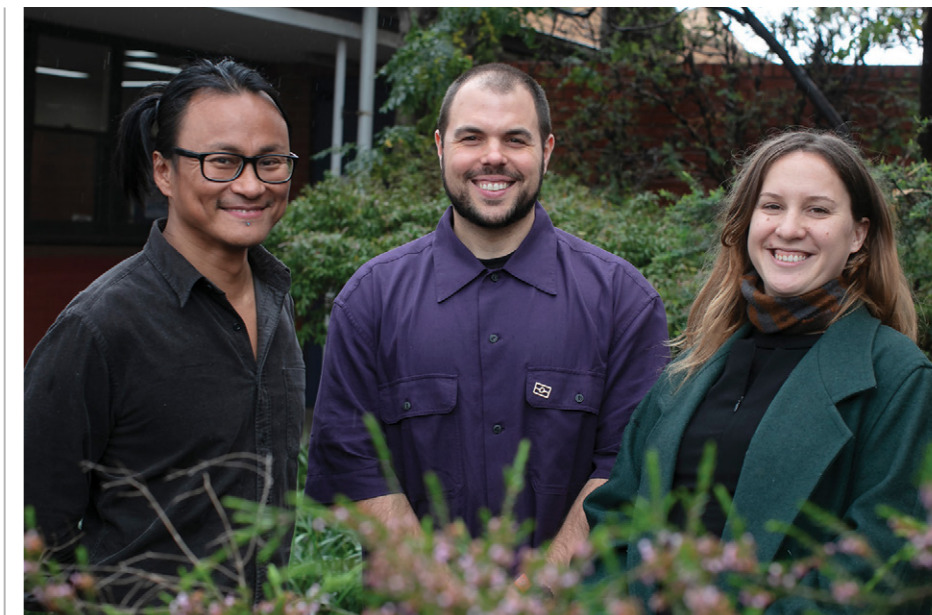
There are also Social Rainbow Golf sessions on the last Sunday of every month and Footgolf too at Northcote Public Golf Course.

Discover Darebin Children's News, featuring artwork by First Nations artist Aunty Lorraine Nelson.

You can also join our Council meetings, open to everyone.

Enjoy this DCN Spring edition!

Cr Julie Williams  
Mayor



Darebin Assertive Community Outreach workers Joseph, Jesse and Laura.

## FROM SLEEPING ROUGH TO A "FOREVER HOME"

Darebin resident, Ta\*, was 71 years old when they moved to Australia in 2018.

After family relationships deteriorated and a rooming house where they were living was sold, Ta found themselves homeless and alone. Ta slept outside in Bundoora and around Preston Market, riding a tram route end-to-end during the day to keep warm and relatively safe.

After sleeping rough for several weeks, Ta was referred to the Darebin Assertive Community Outreach program. Outreach workers connected Ta with much needed services and advocated to see them safely living in an over-55s property, with onsite support from the Older Person's High Rise Support Program and Food Bank.

Outreach worker Joseph says the turnaround was memorable.

"It was heartening to see services collaborate to help Ta, a first-time homeless person, transition into long-term housing in a miraculously short period of time," Joseph says.

"I'm grateful to have been a part of Ta's care team, and I will remember this experience of

working successfully to help a person exit homelessness and move into their forever home."

There are currently more than 1,000 people experiencing homelessness in Darebin, with more than 90 sleeping rough on the street, in parks, or cars and vans.

The Darebin Assertive Community Outreach program, run by the Merri Outreach Support Service (MOSS) in partnership with Darebin Council, connects rough sleepers with the support services they need. Outreach workers visit rough sleepers where they are, providing support by linking them to housing, health and wellbeing services.

If you see someone sleeping rough in Darebin who may need support please email [assertiveoutreach@darebin.vic.gov.au](mailto:assertiveoutreach@darebin.vic.gov.au) or call Customer Service on 8470 8888.

*\*Name changed to protect privacy.*

**To read a more detailed version of Ta's story visit [darebin.vic.gov.au/DCN](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/DCN) and for more information on how we're responding to homelessness, head to [darebin.vic.gov.au/homelessness](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/homelessness) You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.**

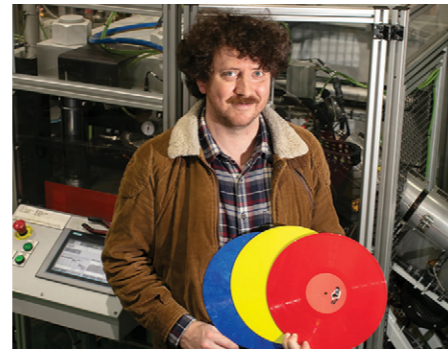


Photo: Machiko Abe

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT THE EIGHTY-SIX FESTIVAL

Program Records in Thornbury, one of only three vinyl record pressing facilities in Australia, launched in 2020 to help homegrown bands and record labels get their music into the hands of their local fans, fast.

That's why Director, Steve Lynch, is so excited about The Eighty-Six festival in Darebin.

From 23-31 October venues along the 86 tram route in Darebin, possibly the most densely concentrated strip of live music venues on the planet, will showcase Melbourne's exciting music culture.

The festival promises something for everyone.

'Super Saturday' on October 28 is a free event taking over local bars, nightclubs, bowls clubs, record stores, bocce courts and beyond, from the early morning through to sunrise the next day.

There's also the Independent Music Exchange, a free, two-day event for independent labels from across Australia to showcase vinyl, cassettes, merch, zines, test pressings, posters and more.

Program Records is supporting the Independent Music Exchange by providing a discount to labels that are pressing records especially for the event.

Steve says it is exciting to see his vision for the business as "a place where you could get good records made in Australia, quickly", now being able to support local bands and events like The Eighty-Six.

True to that vision, Program Records has pressed 10,000 records especially for the festival.

"I am excited for The Eighty-Six and the Independent Music Exchange. It's been fun being involved," Steve says.

"We're helping out in a small way, trying to help people get records out for the event, but it's been fun seeing projects come through, and it's exciting."

Steve says The Eighty-Six exemplifies Darebin's unique nature as a creative city.

"We wanted to be in a creative, interesting area. And Thornbury has creative and industrial side-by-side, so it seemed like a good fit for us."

Darebin Mayor Cr Julie Williams says The Eighty-Six showcases Darebin as the epicentre and ultimate destination for live music in Australia, and a diverse and inclusive city of artists and music lovers.

"What better place to bring together music makers and music lovers alike in this whole-community celebration that has something for everyone to enjoy," Cr Williams says.

Part of an epic season of creative events taking place in Melbourne and regional Victoria this October, The Eighty-Six has been made possible with support from the Victorian Government, and in partnership with Darebin City Council.

To find out more head to [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

Venues across Darebin will showcase Melbourne's exciting music culture as part of a new festival called 'The Eighty-Six' from 23 – 31 October.

As part of the festival, on 28 October 'Super Saturday' is a free event taking place in local bars, nightclubs, bowls clubs and record stores along the 86 tram route.

For more information and tickets visit [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

ستعرض الأماكن في جميع أنحاء داربين الثقافة الموسيقية الرائعة التي تزخر بها ملبورن خلال مهرجان 'The Eighty-Six' الجديد في الفترة من 23 إلى 31 أكتوبر/تشرين الأول.

وستكون هناك فعالية مجانية تسمى 'Super Saturday' ستقام كجزء من المهرجان في 28 أكتوبر/تشرين الأول في الحانات المحلية والنوادي الليلية ونوادي البولينج ومتاجر التسجيلات على طول خط الترام رقم 86.

للمزيد من المعلومات والتذاكر قم بزيارة [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

为庆祝全新推出的“86” (The Eighty-Six) 艺术节, 10月23日至31日期间, 戴瑞宾各地的众多场所将展示墨尔本精彩纷呈的音乐文化。

作为该艺术节的一部分, 10月28日, 86路电车沿线的当地酒吧、夜店、保龄球俱乐部和唱片商店, 将举办“超级星期六” (Super Saturday) 免费活动。

查询更多信息及票务, 请访问 [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

Χώροι εκδηλώσεων σ' όλο το Darebin θα παρουσιάσουν τη συναρπαστική μουσική κουλτούρα της Μελβούρνης ως μέρος ενός νέου φεστιβάλ που ονομάζεται «The Eighty-Six» (Το Εξήντα Οκτώ) από τις 23 έως τις 31 Οκτωβρίου.

Στο πλαίσιο του φεστιβάλ, στις 28 Οκτωβρίου το «Super Saturday» είναι μια δωρεάν εκδήλωση που πραγματοποιείται σε τοπικά μπαρ, νυχτερινά κέντρα, bowls clubs και δισκοπωλεία κατά μήκος της διαδρομής 86 του τραμ.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες και εισιτήρια επισκεφθείτε το [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

23 से 31 अक्टूबर तक 'द एटी-सिक्स' नामक एक नए उत्सव के हिस्से के रूप में डारेबिन में कई स्थानों पर मेलबर्न की रोमांचक संगीत संस्कृति का प्रदर्शन किया जाएगा।

उत्सव के हिस्से के रूप में, 28 अक्टूबर को 86 ट्राम रूट पर स्थानीय बार, नाइट क्लब, बाउल्स क्लब और रिकॉर्ड स्टोर्स में 'सुपर सैटर्डे' नाम से एक नि:शुल्क कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया जाएगा।

अधिक जानकारी और टिकटों के लिए [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com) पर जाएं

Le sedi di Darebin esibiranno la fantastica cultura musicale di Melbourne in occasione del nuovo festival chiamato "The Eighty-Six" dal 23 al 31 ottobre.

Nell'ambito del festival, il 28 ottobre "Super Saturday" è un evento gratuito che si svolge nei bar, nelle discoteche, nei club di bocce e nei negozi di dischi della zona lungo il percorso del tram 86.

Per ulteriori informazioni e biglietti visitate il sito [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

Местата на изведби низ Даребин ќе ја покажат возбудливата музичка култура на Мелбурн како дел од новиот фестивал наречен „Осумдесет и шест“ (‘The Eighty-Six’) од 23 до 31 октомври.

Како дел од фестивалот, на 28 октомври „Супер сабота“ е бесплатен настан што се одржува во локалните барови, ноќни клубови, клубови за куглање и продавници за плочи долж трамвајската рута 86.

За повеќе информации и билети посетете [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

२३ अक्टोबरदेखि ३१ अक्टोबर सम्म 'द एटी-सिक्स' (The Eighty-Six) नामक नयाँ महोत्सवको रूपमा डारेबिन भरिका स्थलहरूले मेलबर्नको रोमाञ्चक सांगितिक संस्कृति प्रदर्शन गर्नेछन्।

सो महोत्सवको शिलशिलामा, २८ अक्टोबरका दिन ट्राम ८६ मार्गमा रहेका स्थानीय बारहरू, नाइटक्लबहरू, बाउल क्लबहरू र संगीत पसलहरूमा 'बृहत शनिबार' (Super Saturday) नि:शुल्क कार्यक्रम हुँदैछ।

थप जानकारी र टिकटहरूको लागि [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com) मा जानुहोस्।

ਡੈਰਾਬिन ਦੇ ਵੱਖ-ਵੱਖ ਸਥਾਨ 23 ਤੋਂ 31 ਅਕਤੂਬਰ ਤੱਕ 'ਦਾ ਏਟੀ-ਸਿਕਸ' ਨਾਮਕ ਨਵੇਂ ਤਿਉਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਹਿੱਸੇ ਵਜੋਂ ਮੈਲਬੋਰਨ ਦੇ ਰੋਮਾਂਚਕ ਸੰਗੀਤ ਸਭਿਅਚਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਦਰਸ਼ਤ ਕਰਨਗੇ।

ਤਿਉਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਹਿੱਸੇ ਵਜੋਂ, 28 ਅਕਤੂਬਰ ਨੂੰ ਟ੍ਰਾਮ ਰੂਟ 86 ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਲੱਗਦੀਆਂ ਸਥਾਨਕ ਬਾਰਾਂ, ਨਾਈਟ ਕਲੱਬਾਂ, ਬਾਉਲਿੰਗ ਕਲੱਬਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਸਟੋਰਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ 'ਸੁਪਰ ਸਨੀਵਾਰ' ਮੁਫਤ ਸਮਾਗਮ ਹੋ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ।

ਵਧੇਰੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਟਿਕਟਾਂ ਵਾਸਤੇ [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com) ਵੇਖੋ।

Goobaha Darebin oo dhan waxay soo bandhigi doonaan dhaqanka muusiga oo xiiso leh ee Melbourne oo ka qayb ah munaasabad cusub oo loogu yeero 'The Eighty-Six' laga bilaabo 23- 31 Octoobar.

Ka qayb ahaan dabaaldega, 28 Octoobar 'Super Saturday' waa munaasabad bilaash ah oo ka dhacaysa baararka xaafada, naadiyada caweyska, naadiyada boojada iyo tiro bakhaaro ku yaal wadada taraamka ee 86 ah.

Wixii macluumaad dheeraad ah iyo tigidhada booqo [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

Sitios de todo Darebin mostrarán la fascinante cultura musical de Melbourne como parte de un nuevo festival llamado "The Eighty-Six" (El ochenta y seis), del 23 al 31 de octubre.

Como parte del festival, el "Super Saturday" (Súper sábado), en el 28 de octubre, es un evento gratuito que tendrá lugar en bares, discotecas, clubes de bolos y tiendas de discos locales, a lo largo de la ruta del tranvía 86.

Para mayor información y obtener entradas, visite [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

23 تا 31 اکتوبر کے عرصے میں The Eighty-Six کے نام سے ایک نئے فیسٹیول میں ڈیڑھ گھنٹے کے مختلف مقامات پر میلبرن کا زبردست میوزک کلچر پیش کیا جائے گا۔

اس فیسٹیول میں 28 اکتوبر کو 'Super Saturday' کے نام سے ٹرام 86 کے روٹ پر مقامی بارز، ناٹ کلبس، بولنگ کلبز اور ریکارڈسٹور میں ایک مفت ایونٹ ہو رہا ہے۔

مزید معلومات اور ٹکٹوں کے لیے [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com) دیکھیں۔

Trong dịp lễ hội mới gọi là 'The Eighty-Six' diễn ra từ ngày 23 đến 31 tháng 10, tại các địa điểm trên khắp Darebin sẽ có các tiết mục văn hóa âm nhạc thú vị của Melbourne.

Là một phần của lễ hội này, vào ngày 28 tháng 10, 'Siêu thứ Bảy' là sự kiện miễn phí diễn ra tại các quán bar, hộp đêm, câu lạc bộ bowling và tiệm bán băng đĩa địa phương dọc theo tuyến xe điện (tram) 86.

Muốn biết thêm thông tin và vé, hãy truy cập [theeightysix.com](http://theeightysix.com)

## LITTLE GALLERY IS A BIG HIT

One of the big hits of FUSE Spring this year was the Reservoir Little Art Gallery.

Curated by Reservoir artist Nicole Robertson, Reservoir Little Art Gallery was a hub for both emerging and established artists to showcase their creativity.

“Each item I chose for the gallery offered a peek into the everyday creativity of people living in Reservoir,” Nicole says.

Locals were invited to add new artworks daily, making each visit a fresh and exciting experience.

As well as being invited to take part by adding their own works, visitors to the Little Art Gallery were also able to take home a work that they loved.

Located in a parklet at the corner of Cheddar Road and Broadway in the heart of Reservoir, the gallery celebrated diversity in art, and featured a wide range of works, including embroidery, henna, sculptures, drawings, paintings, prints, carved woodworks, handcrafts and more.



This lively, engaging, community-focused event captured creativity in the public space and highlighted Reservoir's local artists and makers community.

Proudly supported by Darebin's FUSE Fund, this vibrant and dynamic art installation received a hugely positive response from locals, showing in a unique way how art brings communities together.

We hope you had the opportunity to visit Reservoir Little Art Gallery and find a new piece of art to take home!

FUSE is Darebin's biannual multi-arts festival, twice-yearly transforming the City into a dynamic hub of creativity, and connecting artists, communities and audiences in our venues, galleries and public places.

**To see more of the action from FUSE Spring and to get updates on next year's FUSE Autumn festival, head to [fusedarebin.com.au](https://fusedarebin.com.au).**

## DAAC CALLING ALL MOB



Calling all mob who live, work and play in Darebin, have a yarn with us about joining the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee (DAAC).

Being part of DAAC gives you a chance to share culture, knowledge and advice with Council on a whole range of projects and programs.

These can include working with Wurundjeri Woi wurrung Traditional Owners, festivals and events, Aboriginal employment,

citizenship ceremonies, youth projects, community awards, public art, housing, naming of places and spaces, responding to climate emergency, plus a whole lot more.

**To find out more, head to [darebin.vic.gov.au/DAAC](https://darebin.vic.gov.au/DAAC) or chat with Uncle Stuart McFarlane, Aboriginal Partnership Officer on 0427 797 668 or email at [Stuart.mcfarlane@darebin.vic.gov.au](mailto:Stuart.mcfarlane@darebin.vic.gov.au).**



## LARKS IN THE PARK TO RETURN TO NARC

Darebin resident Lawry and his social group 'Larks in the Park' met regularly for years at Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre for exercise and to stay connected before it closed for redevelopment in 2021.

As part of the Active Adults membership at the centre, the group, aged in their 70s and 80s, would exercise, then grab a coffee afterwards.

Lawry says group members became quite close.

“We celebrated birthdays and had Christmas parties - it was about exercise but also about getting people together,” Lawry says.

During the centre's closure for redevelopment, Larks in the Park have been meeting at All Nations Park instead.

Using hand weights provided by Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre for the redevelopment period, group members follow an exercise regime of cardio and strength exercises followed by stretching and meditation.

Lawry encourages anyone to come along and says it's not only about exercise, but also the social connection.

“It's about getting people together to meet socially instead of going home to be lonely for some,” he says. Lawry says he will be happy when the new facility

opens and looks forward to seeing what's on offer for groups like his.

“Many from the group have already signed up as members for when it opens,” Lawry said.

“We won't have far to go for coffee.”

The Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre reached its end-of-life and was determined through the Council Plan 2017-2021 to be redeveloped, to meet the needs of our growing community into the future.

The centre is set to reopen to the community in November.

As well as an in-house café, the new Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre features a 10-lane 50m heated outdoor pool, eight-lane 25m heated indoor pool, learn to swim pool, warm water pool, splash pad and leisure pool. Fitness and wellness facilities include multi-purpose spaces for group fitness and reformer Pilates, an 800m<sup>2</sup> fitness centre, and consulting rooms for allied health professionals. Change rooms include dedicated spaces for accessibility, gender neutral, changing places and school groups to cater for everyone.

October is Seniors Month so check out what's on offer this month and beyond by visiting [www.darebin.vic.gov.au/Seniors-Month](https://www.darebin.vic.gov.au/Seniors-Month).

**Head to [northcoteaquaticreccentre.com.au](https://northcoteaquaticreccentre.com.au) to sign up as a member including the new Active Adults membership today!**



## MILESTONE YEAR FOR CLYDE STREET KINDERGARTEN

It's a year of celebrations for Thornbury's Clyde Street Kindergarten.

As the kindergarten marks its 70-year anniversary, educator Maria Callegari celebrates an impressive 40 years of teaching - 18 of those at Clyde Street.

In its seven decades, Clyde Street Kindergarten has nurtured and educated countless local children through their important early years.

Maria credits the kindergarten's welcoming environment and community feel for its longevity, as well as a commitment to "aiming high" to achieve the best outcomes for each child.

As for her own significant milestone, Maria says she is proud of her work mentoring other teachers, and the impact she has at such a crucial time in a child's development.

"Everything happens in that first eight years (of a child's life) - it's just as simple as that," Maria says.

"I love gardening too, so to use that analogy, if I'm looking after that seedling, it's going to grow into a beautiful tree."

She says seeing children's breakthrough moments is what has kept her teaching for so long.

"The lightbulb moments - whenever I see a child 'get it', that's the best. They just work it all out, and they're so proud of themselves and I think that, for me, is why I've done it."

Clyde Street Kindergarten's 70th birthday celebration will be held on Saturday 28 October.

To find out more about kindergarten in Darebin and how to register your child visit [www.darebin.vic.gov.au/kindergarten](http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au/kindergarten) You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.



## IMPROVING LIFE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

What's important to children, young people and families in Darebin? What's working well? What makes life hard? What should Council and our partners focus on to help children, young people and their families right across our diverse community?

These are all things we want to hear your thoughts on to help develop a new strategy to support children and young people up to 25-years-old, and their families.

The new Integrated Families, Youth and Children Strategy will replace our previous Early Years Strategy 2011-2021 and the Youth Services Strategy 2019-2021, to help Council and our partners take a long-term and strategic approach to improving outcomes.

Please tell us what you think is important to help make Darebin a great place for our children, young people and families as we develop this new strategy together with our partners.

Have your say or find out more until 17 November at [yoursay.darebin.vic.gov.au/integrated-fyc-strategy](http://yoursay.darebin.vic.gov.au/integrated-fyc-strategy) You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu on the page.



Darebin Children's News

All the latest news for Darebin's young people.



## BUNDOORA PARK FARM

Do you love animals? Bundoora Park Farm is the perfect place to get close to some furry and feathered friends. Take a Wildlife Ride to check out emus and kangaroos, then join in feeding sessions with farm animals like sheep, horses, chickens and alpacas.

You can even pat a guinea pig!

There are also fantastic play spaces, picnic areas, a Heritage Village and a cafe.

Ned, 5, shared this about his recent visit.

"I saw a tiny horse named Ned like me, and I fed a HUGE horse called Ben.

"Then I played a giant game of snakes and ladders and the snakes were real slides!"

Bundoora Park Farm is not just about fun but also about educating and inspiring change towards more sustainable practices.

Learn about historic farming and how we can better care for land, water and animals through hands-on activities and programs.

Bundoora Park Farm is on Wurundjeri Woi wurrung land. Find out more at [darebin.vic.gov.au/bundooraparkfarm](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/bundooraparkfarm)

## DAREBIN FACT

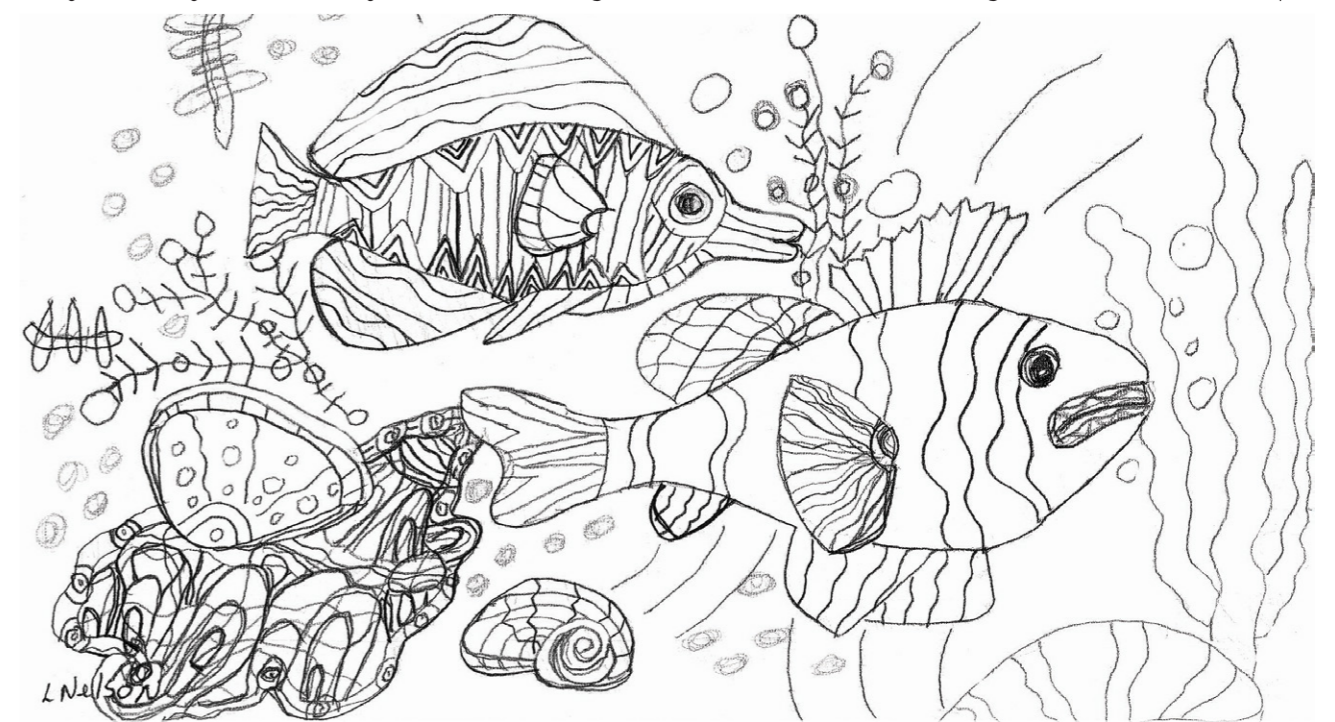
The region we now know as Darebin has traditionally been and still is an important and thriving area for the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung people.

They spent the hot summer months near the cool waters of the Merri and Darebin creeks and the Birrarung Marr (Yarra River).

These were reliable sources of water even when there wasn't much rain and were good places to find food, as there were lots of fish, water rats and even platypus.

You can read more about Aboriginal culture in Darebin at [darebin.vic.gov.au/aboriginaldarebin](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/aboriginaldarebin)

Local artist and proud Yorta Yorta woman Aunty Lorraine Nelson has created this special artwork to colour in. Aunty Lorraine is a member of the Stolen Generations. After being taken from her family as a child, Aunty Lorraine found her family after 20 years and today she continues to get to know them, and heal through her beautiful and unique art.



Fish in the Murray River in Aunty Lorraine's traditional Yorta Yorta lands, where her ancestors lived along the riverbanks.

## JOIN US AT OUR MEETINGS

Would you like to come along to one of our Council or Planning Committee meetings? All community members are welcome to attend.

The following are meeting dates for the remainder of the year. All meeting dates are also available on our website.

Meeting	Date	Time	Location Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston (unless stated otherwise below)
Ordinary Council	Monday 23 October 2023	6pm	Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston Online attendance available
Planning Committee	Monday 13 November 2023	6.30pm	Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston Wholly in person
Ordinary Council	Monday 27 November 2023	6pm	Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston Online attendance available
Planning Committee	Monday 4 December 2023	6.30pm	Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston Online attendance available
Ordinary Council	Monday 18 December 2023	6pm	Council Chamber, 350 High St, Preston Online attendance available

To find out more visit [darebin.vic.gov.au/council-committee-meetings](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/council-committee-meetings). You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.

## PLANNING YOUR TRIP TO THE TIP

Did you know you can visit the Darebin Resource Recovery Centre (DRRC) in Reservoir to detox your home, drop off recyclables for free, and find second-hand bargains?

You can get rid of unwanted toxic chemical products sitting around your home at one of our free 'Detox Your Home' events. The next event is on Saturday 4 November.

If you have general waste to dispose of, check our website so you know what we accept and avoid being charged for items that should be free by separating them into groups.



You can also drop off household items you're not using at the DRRC second-hand shop, or pick some up as bargains yourself.

You can bring all sorts of things to the shop, to be sold at very low cost. We aim to encourage reuse of items, rather than make money.

Find out more at [darebin.vic.gov.au/DRRC](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/DRRC). You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.

## SPRING INTO SPRING



### GEAR UP AND PEDAL ON

Spring is the perfect time to jump back on your bike, and we're here to help with Basic Bike Maintenance Workshops and an E-bike Q&A.

Local bike rider Annie attended one of our springtime Basic Bike Maintenance sessions at Reservoir last year and wasn't disappointed.

"Now that I know the ABC&D of bike safety checks and maintenance, I'm not so scared to go it alone, change my tyre on the road, know how to fix my brakes if they're feeling funky and the right way to lube a chain," Annie says.

"The instructors were both warm and approachable, good humoured and patient."

Perhaps you're wondering whether an e-bike could suit your lifestyle this spring? How affordable are e-bikes? What options are there for carrying kids, shopping and pets? What about converting an existing bike? How do you charge an e-bike and how far can you go?

Put your questions to our expert panellists and get the low-down from local e-bike riders at our friendly E-bike Q & A at Preston Library, 1-2.30pm, Sunday 3 December.

Bookings for our bike skills workshops and events are essential. Go to [darebin.vic.gov.au/bikeskills](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/bikeskills). You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page.



### DROP IN TO THE DAREBIN INTERCULTURAL CENTRE

Darebin's diverse community is at the heart of everything we do at the Darebin Intercultural Centre.

And for Meg Rosse, community is not just being part of groups and attending events, it's also about showing up for your community and truly being part of it.

Meg has been coordinating volunteers to run the English Pronunciation Program at the Intercultural Centre for seven years.

Her aim is to provide learners at any level of English language skills with individual sessions to practice their pronunciation.

"I love that our drop-in program is easy to check out. You don't need to register, just come along and see if it's helpful," Meg says.

To find out about Meg's English Pronunciation Program and a range of other activities at the Intercultural Centre, check out our What's On section on page 12. There's no need to book - simply swing by. If you do need to wait, you can help yourself to free tea, coffee and wifi.

The Intercultural Centre is open 10am-4pm weekdays at 350 High St, Preston. Drop in any time to say hi or share your thoughts on how we can enable connections and foster respect across cultures and identities.

To find out more head to [darebin.vic.gov.au/interculturalcentre](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/interculturalcentre). You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page. Or sign up for our e-newsletter at [darebin.vic.gov.au/council-newsletters](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/council-newsletters).

# WHAT'S ON



## NORTHCOTE PUBLIC GOLF COURSE

### Footgolf

Looking for something different? Come and try out Footgolf at Northcote Public Golf Course.

Blending soccer and golf, the aim is to kick the soccer ball around the course into a series of large holes. We have all the equipment; all you need to do is bring yourself and your friends for some fun.

**Monday-Friday, 12pm-6pm**  
**Weekends, 2pm-6pm**  
**\$10-\$15 per person**

Find out more and book at  
[northcotepublicgolfcourse.com.au/foot-golf](http://northcotepublicgolfcourse.com.au/foot-golf)



## SOCIAL RAINBOW GOLF

Join Melbourne Rainbow Golfers on the last Sunday of each month for a unique golfing experience that celebrates diversity and camaraderie.

Experience the joy of golfing with like-minded individuals in a welcoming environment. Players of all skill levels are welcome.

**Last Sunday of every month, from 11am**  
**\$28 for Ambrose 9-holes, includes lunch**

Find out more at  
[northcotepublicgolfcourse.com.au/whats-on](http://northcotepublicgolfcourse.com.au/whats-on)



## DAREBIN INTERCULTURAL CENTRE

### English Pronunciation Program

Come and fine-tune your pronunciation of the English language at weekly drop-in tutorials with useful, high-quality resources and expertise. Get one-on-one practical support to improve your language skills in a safe, constructive and supportive environment during your 30-minute session.

**Every Friday, excluding school holidays, 11am-1pm**  
**Free, no bookings required.**

### stARTalking

Learn how to improve your wellbeing in a safe and comfortable setting with free health checks by student nurses under the supervision of a registered nurse. This free program delivered in partnership with DIVRS (Darebin Information, Volunteer and Resource Centre) and La Trobe University provides health education through open-access creative workshops for diverse communities.

**Every Thursday until 7 December, 2-4pm**  
**Free, no bookings required.**

### Drop-in sessions

Come along to drop-in sessions in the Ganbu guljin ganbu wilam lounge. These sessions will offer free advice on a range of topics, such as renter's rights and legal advice.

**Check session times on our website**  
**Free, no bookings required.**

Find out more at [darebin.vic.gov.au/interculturalcentre](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/interculturalcentre). You can choose your preferred language from the drop-down menu at the top of the page. Or sign up for our Darebin Intercultural Centre e-newsletter at [darebin.vic.gov.au/council-newsletters](http://darebin.vic.gov.au/council-newsletters).



## BUNDOORA HOMESTEAD ART CENTRE SPRING SEASON

### *Of Earth and Ether* *(Flowers never bend)* Louise Meuwissen

With devotion, joy and solemnity, Meuwissen considers mortality and the eternal.



### *Nimbostratus*

Exhibiting Artists: Aleeshanee Faery, Larissa McFarlane, Penny Pollard, Warren Loorham, Joanna Kiriazis, Nicole Tsourlenes, Jane Tomlinson, Dinithi Samarawickrama, Marnie Woods and Leeann Preddy.

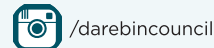
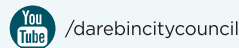
*Nimbostratus* is a multidisciplinary group exhibition presented by the Nimbus studio, a creative collective working from the Bundoora Homestead. For many years, they've been developing their practices in a range of different media, including drawing, printmaking, painting, sculpture, video and even AI.

**Both showing until Saturday**  
**16 December**  
**Wednesday-Saturday, 11am-4pm**

**Bundoora Homestead Art Centre**  
**7 Prospect Hill Drive, Bundoora**  
**Free admission**

Find out more and plan your visit at  
[arts.darebin.vic.gov.au/BHAC-exhibitions](http://arts.darebin.vic.gov.au/BHAC-exhibitions)

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