

# **Connecting our Rural City**



#### Mayor's Message

Spring has sprung, bringing with it a wonderful time of year.

The redeveloped Visitor Information Centre is now complete and was

officially opened by Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes MP last Thursday.

Located on the picturesque foreshore of Lake Benalla and within walking distance of our CBD, the Visitor Information Centre is a gateway to our town and region.

This Visitor Information Centre is a place where you can discover our rich history and exciting possibilities within Benalla and our surrounding townships.

Last week we also launched the brand new Benalla Cinema. Whether you're a film enthusiast or simply seeking an entertaining night out, the Benalla Cinema is set to become a must-visit destination, offering the latest releases in a cozy, modern setting for everyone to enjoy.

Our Rural City is growing, and together, we are making it a wonderful place to live, visit, and enjoy.

Until next month,

Cr Bernie Hearn Mayor

## New VIC officially open



Mayor Cr Bernie Hearn and member for Northern Victoria, Jaclyn Symes MP, officially opened the Visitor Information Centre last Thursday.



Make your own Galaxy Glitter Jar this Friday at the Benalla Art Gallery

#### School holiday workshops

Make memories these spring school holidays with a busy line-up of activities, entertainment, and attractions.

Get creative and unleash your inner artist at the Benalla Art Gallery, learn a new skill at the Benalla Library, or enjoy some well-deserved downtime with movie screenings galore at the new Benalla Cinema.

For more information and details on how to book, visit **benalla.vic.gov.au** to view the full School Holiday event program.



Road surface improvements along Mair Street.

**Seniors Festival:** 

Festival events in Benalla and surrounds include a Beatles Tribute Show, Trivia Morning, Indigenous Craft Workshop, and a Ballroom

Dancing Exhibit, with music and

discounted movie screenings for

workshop to help seniors navigate

For more information and to book,

please visit benalla.vic.gov.au

seniors at both the Swanpool Cinema

Council has also organised

Other events include a U3A

and Benalla Cinema.

The Victorian Seniors Festival returns in October with several opportunities to participate in free and low-cost

October

afternoon tea.

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events.

#### **Works Update**

- New footpaths, road surface asphalt improvements and maintenance works have been completed in Mair Street, out the front of the redeveloped Benalla Visitor Information Centre.
- Road resurfacing works have been completed from Kent Street to the Railway Crossing.
- Landscaping, including new grasses, has been completed on nature strips in Mair Street, adjacent to the Visitor Information Centre.
- Drainage improvement and maintenance works have been completed in Hope Street, Benalla.

All these important works are part of Council's Capital Works Program.



New grasses and landscaping works have been completed in Mair Street.

#### Free Green Waste weekend



The Free Green Waste weekend will be held again on the last weekend in October.

Residents and ratepayers can bring one load of green waste (up to 300kg) and dispose of it for free at the Benalla Landfill and Resource Recovery Centre.

Green Waste may include prunings, grass clippings, leaves and branches. The Landfill will be open from midday to 3.45pm on the weekend of 28-29 October 2023.

### **Be Connected**



The Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop Learning Centre (Benalla Library) hosts regular tech sessions to help seniors gain confidence using technology in small group tutorials. Courses suit all levels from beginner to more advanced users. For more information or to book please contact the Library on 5762 2069.