

# DIVERCITY

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## Many faces of youth

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Tackling tagging



Albert Park College Peer Resilience trainers Will Hurley, Mellisand Box and Oscar Pearce with Mayor Cr Dick Gross.

Photographed by fellow trainer and student Charlotte Hewitson for our youth edition.



**Mayor  
Cr Dick Gross**

## Building for today and tomorrow

The exciting thing about serving on Council is overseeing the provision of infrastructure for the community to use and enjoy.

In recent times we have built, often with help from the State government, the Peanut Farm Pavilion and the St Kilda Life Saving Club. The arts have also been well served with the amazing Palais revival, the rescue and renovation of Linden and the refit of Gasworks.

We have boosted the environment by installing huge tanks in Alma Park to capture and store millions of litres of water and built a whole new park in Fishermans Bend. There are plenty of road repairs and upgrades. It is an imposing list.

Our Bob the Builder attitude is replicated in this year's Council budget. We will finish the South

Melbourne Life Saving Club redevelopment and the JL Murphy Reserve Pavilion upgrade. Council will also complete the foreshore lighting upgrades between Station Pier and Kerferd Road, as well as the St Vincent Garden and Point Ormond Park playspace upgrades. Even more will be spent repairing footpaths, roads and the South Melbourne Town Hall.

In future budgets, I hope we can turn our minds to all sorts of new infrastructure for the community, including a reimagining of the Elwood foreshore collection of life saving and sports clubs.

A council's infrastructure work is never done. We are going to build like there is no tomorrow in 2019/20 because there is actually a tomorrow and the future needs our investment.

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A new comedy about a dysfunctional family.




## Netball under lights


St Kilda City are now using new courts with lights at Peanut Farm.



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## Divercity 99 - July to September 2019

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### Story suggestions are welcome

Next deadline Friday 9 August

Information included in this magazine is accurate at the time of publishing but may be subject to change.

## Womin djeka

Council respectfully acknowledges the Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung. We pay our respect to their Elders, both past and present. We acknowledge and uphold their continuing relationship to this land.

Holli, Council's Graffiti Management Officer, with street art by Creature Creature on utility assets along Fitzroy Street.



## Street art replaces tagging

Council has teamed up with CitiPower and VicRoads to replace tagging with street art on utility owned cabinets at the south end of Fitzroy Street and beyond.

Holli Taylor, Council's Graffiti Management Officer, said that removing tagging from publicly owned assets required coordination with the numerous agencies responsible for the sites.

The Fitzroy Street effort is the first step in a renewed Council program to systematically reduce and remove graffiti by targeting hot spots, restoring pride to neglected spaces and speeding up removal.

### Read the Graffiti Management Plan 2019-24

📍 [portphillip.vic.gov.au](http://portphillip.vic.gov.au)

## Second life for historic pier decking

Timber decking salvaged from the Kerferd Road Pier is being reused as palings for a new fence in Alma Park.

The pier was built between 1887 and 1889 using untreated hardwood, most likely spotted gum or yellow box. The timber, which has amazing character, will live on in this popular park.

## Knick knacks and other treasures



Here's a chance to show off your treasured miniatures, ornaments and knick knacks in a community exhibition during Seniors Festival.

Your items will be lovingly displayed at the Emerald Hill Library and Heritage Centre alongside other mini marvels.

### Show your stuff

📍 [portphillip.vic.gov.au](http://portphillip.vic.gov.au)  
☎ 9209 6416

Applications close  
Thursday 12 September

## Winter has come

Register for free practical draught prevention workshops and stop throwing your money out the window.

💰 Free  
📍 [sustainableportphillip.com](http://sustainableportphillip.com)

## Federal election pledges for local projects

Several spending announcements for Port Phillip were made by the Liberal Party during Scott Morrison's federal election campaign. With the return of the Morrison government, it is hoped that the projects will be delivered over the next three years.

Local organisations Wear for Success, Port Phillip Men's Shed Association, Middle Park Bowling Club and St Kilda RSL will receive support, as will the Middle Park Primary School, which was promised \$500,000 towards Stage 1 of its redevelopment.

### Liberal Party local pledges over \$1.5 m

Lakeside Stadium upgrade \$15 m

500 space commuter carpark at Balaclava Station \$15 m

South Melbourne Town Hall restoration \$12.5 m

Albert Park's Power House redevelopment \$5 m

North Port Oval redevelopment \$1.5 m

# Outdoor classroom for wildlife

Albert Park College teachers Rebecca Seel and Steven Stanecki with students from the APC Enviro Club.



Council has teamed up with residents to create a wildlife corridor along the wide median strip of Danks Street in Albert Park.

With 122 new native trees, 600 new indigenous plants and shrubs, and 32 nesting boxes,

the corridor will provide new opportunities for a variety of species, including lorikeets, rosellas and microbats.

Albert Park College students will use the corridor as an outdoor classroom and living

research project to monitor animal populations and native vegetation.

Council hopes this project will become part of a future network of wildlife corridors across Port Phillip.

## Big projects nearing the finish line

Many Council projects are set for completion later this year as the local infrastructure blitz continues.

Beach goers will soon be enjoying the new South Melbourne Life Saving Club pavilion. At the JL Murphy Reserve, a wide range of sports will have upgraded facilities.

More solar panels on the South Melbourne Market roof will boost our efforts against climate change.

### Projects near completion

South Melbourne LSC	\$7.5 m
JL Murphy pavilion	\$4.2 m
Foreshore lighting between Station Pier and Kerford Road	\$1.2 m
South Melbourne Market solar panels	\$0.7 m

## Help shape your Domain

The draft Public Realm Masterplan for the Domain Precinct proposes improvements to public spaces such as Park Street Link, Kings Way Reserve, Millers Lane / Kings Place Plaza and improved streetscapes.

Your feedback is invited via Have Your Say from Thursday 18 July to Wednesday 14 August.



[haveyoursay.portphillip.vic.gov.au](http://haveyoursay.portphillip.vic.gov.au)



# #city4youth

Meagan, Ed and Nina are involved in Council's Youth Advisory Committee. Divercity asked the trio to share in their own words why they got involved and - for a bit of fun - to nominate in just five words a problem they'd solve if they had superpowers.

Meagan Doyle, Year 11 Albert Park College student, enjoys debating and is active in her school community.

**What most motivates you to be involved?**

The feeling of helplessness I have when I'm not contributing to my community. There are so many things I care about; being engaged helps me act on those passions.

**If you had the power, what problem would you solve first?**

The lack of equity in society.

Ed Krutsch, former St Michael's Grammar student, who is dedicating his gap year to environmental activism.

**What most motivates you to be involved?**

The passion I have for my local area, paired with the deep desire to see community led positive change on the many important issues that matter to the community.

**If you had the power, what problem would you solve first?**

All of them, but primarily, injustice associated with climate change.

Nina Jenney, former PCW student, is enjoying a gap year combining work and activism.

**What most motivates you to be involved?**

Giving the youth in this local area a voice is what drives me. Also, the importance of those voices in such an adult dominated space such as local council further encourages me to make a difference.

**If you had the power, what problem would you solve first?**

Corruption in politics.

## Get involved now

People aged 15 to 22 years who live, work, study or play in Port Phillip are invited to be part of the committee and it's initiatives.

**Find out how**

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Semi and Jillian at PCYC in St Kilda where their skate decks are on display.



## Twins make their mark

Port Melbourne twins Semi and Jillian Edwards have created skateboard decks and other amazing art as part of the Make Your Mark Youth Leadership Program.

Meeting weekly at the SouthPort Community Centre, young people aged 12 to 25 are mentored by artists and learn new skills including marketing so they can earn from their work.

What's good about the program? 'Improving my skills,' says Semi with a grin.

**Get skills and make art**

✉ [youth@southportcc.org.au](mailto:youth@southportcc.org.au)

# what's happening in your City

Your guide to what's on, in and around your City

● Port Melbourne ● South Melbourne ● Albert Park ● Middle Park ● Windsor

## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

### ● Red Stitch

2 Chapel Street, St Kilda East

📍 redstitch.net

#### Pomona

Tuesday 9 July to Sunday 11 August

A powerful modern thriller that asks what lies beneath the veneer of contemporary civilisation and the price you pay to find out.

#### Ulster American

Tuesday 20 August to  
Sunday 22 September

A searing comedy on show business post #MeToo that brilliantly captures the confusion of 'woke' men trying to mansplain their positions of power.

💰 \$55

### ● Father's Day Classic Car Show

Sunday 1 September  
10 am to 4 pm

Acland Street, St Kilda



A showcase of classic cars, hot rods, motorbikes and pristine machines.

💰 Free

📍 aclandstreetvillage.com.au

### ● Acland Street Ice Skating

Ends Sunday 14 July, 10 am to 9 pm

Acland Plaza, St Kilda



School holiday fun, ideal for all skill levels and ages.

💰 \$21 / \$15

📍 stkilda.skatingat.com.au

### ● Winther in Winter, Beethoven and Brahms

All Saints Anglican Church  
2 Chapel Street, St Kilda East

Sunday 28 July, 3 pm

Violinist Anne Harvey-Nagl and pianist John O'Donnell team up to deliver soul warming performances of Beethoven and Brahms.

Sunday 25 August, 3 pm

Danish-Chinese pianist Sine Winther plays selected works of Brahms, Scarlatti and Debussy.

💰 \$25 / \$15

📍 allsaints.org.au

### ● Gateway to ANAM

South Melbourne Town Hall  
210 Bank Street  
South Melbourne

📍 anam.com.au

#### A Gateway to the Sublime

Friday 2 August, 11 am

ANAM musicians and guest artist Gregory Ahss perform Schubert's astoundingly beautiful Octet in F major.

💰 \$35 / students \$25

#### Joy and Heartbreak Saturday

Saturday 10 August, 7.30 pm

Israeli violinist Gregory Ahss leads musicians from the ANAM and soprano Sara Macliver in a concert featuring Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony Song Cycles.

💰 \$62 / \$45 / \$25

#### LA Philharmonic

Saturday 21 September  
7.30 pm

LA Philharmonic Wind Quintet musicians take audiences on a journey from 19th century France to 20th century United States.

💰 \$62 / \$45 / \$25



● St Kilda ● Balaclava ● Elwood

## ● Carlisle Street Arts Space

St Kilda Town Hall  
99a Carlisle Street, St Kilda

📍 portphillip.vic.gov.au

### Aesthetic Distortions

Wednesday 10 July  
to Wednesday 7 August

Daniel Coulson's media usage ranges from sketchbook paper to cardboard boxes on which he uses pastels, pen and ink.

### Grooviest of the Grove

Wednesday 14 August  
to Wednesday 11 September

A selection of works showing the diverse practices of Shakespeare Grove's current studio artists.

💰 Free

## ● Theatre Works

14 Acland Street, St Kilda

📍 theatreworks.org

### AutoCannibal

Tuesday 9 July to Sunday 21 July

An experimental new work of solo physical theatre that explores ideas of resource depletion, environmental exhaustion and social decay.

### Let Men Tremble

Wednesday 14 August  
to Saturday 25 August

Inspired by The Scarlet Letter, Let Men Tremble throws colonial concepts of sin, sex and the role of women in society into a modern day crucible.

💰 \$47.50 / \$37.50 / \$32.50

## ● Good times at Gasworks

21 Graham Street, Albert Park

📍 gasworks.org.au



### Spencer

Thursday 4 July to Friday 5 July  
7.30 pm

A brand new comedy drama that looks at a gloriously dysfunctional Australian family.

💰 \$45 / \$30

### Deep Culture

Thursday 18 July, 6 pm

Architect Jefa Greenaway goes deep to explore the opportunities for Indigenous design.

💰 \$5

### The Nativity Play

Thursday 25 July  
to Thursday 1 August

One senile grandfather, one drunken wretch and one pregnant woman travel across the desert to Bethlehem in search of the King of Men. Worst holiday ever.

💰 \$40 / \$25

### Sensory Decadence

Friday 16 August  
to Friday 23 August

Five circus artists pursue completeness through exhilarating and contemporary circus.

💰 \$45 / \$30

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## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

### ● **Ripple and Resonance**

Ends Sunday 1 September

26 Acland Street, St Kilda

Through the medium of sound, Cat Hope, Lucreccia Quintanilla and Mona Rujis have created intense auditory sculptures and soundscapes.

🕒 Free

🌐 [lindenarts.org](http://lindenarts.org)

### ● **Winter is coming, and so is Spring**

Sunday 15 September, 2.30 pm

South Melbourne Town Hall

210 Bank Street, South Melbourne

The South Melbourne Symphony Orchestra performs the main theme from Game of Thrones and Vivaldi's Spring concerto.

🕒 \$20 / \$15 / free

🌐 [smso.org.au](http://smso.org.au)

### ● **World Peace Pageant**

Saturday 21 September

2 pm to 5 pm

Acland Plaza, St Kilda



Everyone is invited to celebrate the art and music that represents a better future in the name of peace.

🕒 Free

🌐 [planetaryhealingartists.org](http://planetaryhealingartists.org)

### ● **Listen Out**

Friday 27 September

12 noon to 10 pm

Catani Gardens, St Kilda



Listen Out is back, bigger than ever. This year features Diplo, Flume, Cosmo's Midnight, Dom Dolla, Schoolboy Q and more.

🕒 \$147

🌐 [listenout.com.au](http://listenout.com.au)



## ACTIVE

### ● **Connor's Run**

Sunday 15 September

A vibe you can't describe. Run or walk and raise money for paediatric brain cancer.

🕒 \$75 / \$55

🌐 [connorsrun.com](http://connorsrun.com)

### ● **Tyre Flip**

Saturday 27 July, 7 am to 12 noon

Starting Port Melbourne Beach and ending St Kilda Beach

Follow Steve Booth and Domenic Moore as they attempt to break the Australian record for flipping tractor tyres to raise money for mental health.

### ● **The Bloody Long Walk**

Sunday 25 August

Starts Yarra Bend Park, finishes St Kilda Sea Baths

A 35 km walk/jog/run challenge to help fund the fight against mitochondrial disease.

🕒 \$110+

🌐 [bloodylongwalk.com.au](http://bloodylongwalk.com.au)

### ● **Turn up for a tune up**

9.30 am to 1 pm every fourth Saturday of the month

Cecil Street, South Melbourne

Your one stop for everything bike. Pedal along to this pop up and get a bike tune up from Back2Bikes.

🕒 Free

🌐 [sustainableportphillip.com](http://sustainableportphillip.com)

## YOUTH

### ● Gasworks school holidays

Monday 8 to Sunday 28 July  
21 Graham Street, Albert Park

🌐 gasworks.org.au

### Kids' School Holiday Program

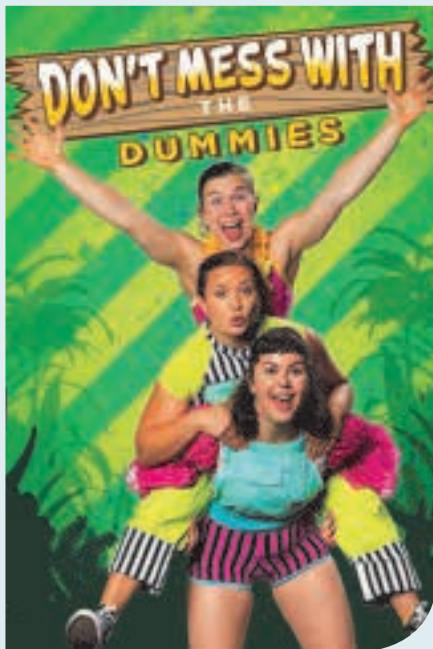
Monday 1 July to Friday 12 July

Arts and science-based workshops and classes for kids of all ages.

### Don't Mess with The Dummies

Wednesday 10 July

Acrobats blend circus and comedy.



### ● Kids Can Cook

Wednesday 3 July to Friday 12 July  
South Melbourne Market

School holiday cooking classes for kids, where they make easy, delicious and nutritious meals.

💰 \$20

🌐 southmelbournemarket.com.au

### ● St Kilda Hip Hop Fest

Friday 26 July to Sunday 28 July  
14 Acland Street, St Kilda

An open invitation for young people to try something new or develop existing skills alongside professional artists over one incredible weekend.

🌐 theatreworks.org

### ● Box Heads PCYC

179 Inkerman Street, St Kilda

🌐 stkildapcyc.org

### Youth Boxing

Tuesdays and Fridays, 4.30 pm

Take your boxing and fitness to the next level.

### Junior Youth Boxing

Mondays and Wednesdays, 4.30 pm

For youth beginners, learn the correct technique in a safe environment.

💰 Free

## HERITAGE

### ● Monument to a View

Tuesday 16 July to Friday 27 September

**Emerald Hill Library and Heritage Centre, 195 Bank Street South Melbourne**

An exhibition of photographs from Park Towers residents.

💰 Free

🌐 heritage.portphillip.vic.gov.au

### ● Merchants and Menace

**St Kilda Cemetery Dandenong Road, St Kilda East**

**Coroners, Constabulary and Crime Tour**

Sunday 28 July, 2 pm

**Colonial Merchants of Melbourne Tour**

Sunday 25 August, 2 pm

💰 \$15 includes afternoon tea

📞 0422 379 053

### ● Beat around the Borough

**Heritage Art Deco**

Monday 26 August, 7.30 pm

**St Joseph's Church Hall 274 Rouse Street, Port Melbourne**

Art Deco and Modernist Society president Robin Grow will speak on Port Melbourne's Art Deco heritage.

**Port Sport**

Monday 23 September, 7.30 pm  
**Port Melbourne Town Hall**

Three talks on personal connections with Port Melbourne's historic cricket, tennis and bowling clubs.

🌐 pmhps.org.au

St Kilda Primary School Nature Club students, pictured with Dr Jane Goodall, proudly wear youth inspired humiform shirts.



## Nature Club meets Jane Goodall

It was inspiration all around when St Kilda Primary School's Nature Club met world renowned scientist Dr Jane Goodall at a recent zoo event with Roots & Shoots Australia.

The students spoke with Jane about ways to recycle organic waste in Port Phillip schools and homes.

Grade 6 student Mila P said, 'Jane showed us that we can be teachers and lead our community so that others will follow.'

Soleil, another Grade 6 student, said she was proud to share the club's ideas about getting green bins into Port Phillip.



## Never too young

Albert Park Pre-School children have created a bush tucker community garden inspired by Jaeden Williams from the Boon Wurrung Foundation. The children's interest in the natural environment and learning about

sustainability helped the kinder become a finalist in the 2018 Premier's Sustainability Awards. Now they are striving to be Australia's first officially accredited carbon neutral Early Childhood Service.

## Hot Local FreeZA



Approachable Members of Your Local Community will be the headline act at a youth organised afternoon live music event at Saint Martins Place in August (during Live N Local).

The event is organised by The Unsigned FReeZA Committee, a group of local young people aged 15 to 24 who plan and deliver live music, dance parties and events that are drug, alcohol and smoke-free.

It's a great way to get involved and learn about staging events.

### Be part of the FReeZA Committee

✉ [Lisa.lorenz@portphillip.vic.gov.au](mailto:Lisa.lorenz@portphillip.vic.gov.au)

Tickets on Facebook

👤 [@copyouthservices](https://www.facebook.com/copyouthservices)



The EcoWarriors are proud of the ecogarden at St Columbas. The school has used the bay and canal as a curriculum resource.

## STEAM powered warriors

St Columbas Primary School in Elwood is a finalist in the Resource Smart School Awards thanks in part to the enthusiasm and leadership of its EcoWarriors.

Under the banner of Operation STEAM (Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts and Maths) Clean the Bay, the young warriors

have been taking action to improve the health of Port Phillip Bay.

They have planted over 1,000 trees, counted nurdles and shells, and been part of the inaugural Eel-wood Festiv-eel where they have welcomed the short finned eels as they migrated from the Coral Sea into the local freshwater canal.

The EcoWarriors and their parent Green Team have also designed and created an indigenous bird garden.

**Learn more about the EcoWarriors**

[www.stcolumbasprimary.org](http://www.stcolumbasprimary.org)



## Torres Strait to Elwood

Kee'ahn Bindol is a Kuku Yalanji, Jirrbal, Torres Strait Islander woman who has made Elwood her home base as she pursues her musical talents.

Her name, which comes from the Wik people, means to dance, to sing, to create. Kee'ahn honours her name and ancestors through soulful music that weaves lush melodies with words of heartbreak and healing.

**See Kee'ahn perform during Live N Local**

24 to 31 August

[livenlocal.com.au](https://livenlocal.com.au)



# St Kilda City under lights

Despite it being a chilly winter evening, St Kilda City Netball teams are thrilled to take advantage of the renovated and much upgraded facilities at Peanut Farm Reserve.

Team captains and vice captains Kirsten Lawrie Rhodes, Maddison Andrews, Rachel Steel and Rachel Beams are proud of the leadership roles they play in their club. 'It's important to make players feel welcome and encourage participation,' they said.

Rachel Beams (right) is a team vice captain as well as being a tournament umpire. 'They are very different roles, but each is equally important. I have to be very aware of the role I am playing,' she said.

And yes, the women are enjoying the upgraded facilities, especially the improved club rooms, courts and magnificent lighting. The repositioning of the cricket nets means the pavilion is now equally connected to the football, and the netball and basketball facilities.

## Get involved in netball

✉ netball@stkildacity.com

## Get it off your chest

The South Melbourne Community Chest (SMCC) offers grants to community organisations to use in local projects that benefit the Port Phillip community.

Applications open on 1 July and close 5 August.

## Get an application form

Community Chest Opportunity Shop, 200 Bank Street South Melbourne

✉ smccgrants@gmail.com

## Share memories of Montague

Council is searching for stories and photos of life in Montague for an exhibition at the Carlisle Street Arts Space in December. Through photographs, archival documents and personal stories, the exhibition will tell social history of Montague from the late 1860s through to today's grand plans.

## Contribute your memories

✉ art&heritage@portphillip.vic.gov.au

☎ 9209 6795

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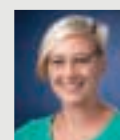
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# don't waste it

Find out ways to reduce your waste  
and maximise your recycling.

[portphillip.vic.gov.au](http://portphillip.vic.gov.au)

Look out for the new waste  
and recycling guide, coming  
soon to your letterbox.

