

Community News



Additional Green Waste Collection

Additional green waste collection has commenced through Colac Otway Shire to help you clean up your property and prepare for fire season.

When your red bin goes out, put your green bin out too.

The additional green waste collection starts in October and continues through to the end of November.

You can check your next bin collection date on Council's website - search for 'when will my bin be collected'.

Colac Otway Shire Waste Calendars are available on Council's website by contacting Customer Assist on 5232 9400 or from Council's Customer Service Centres in Colac or Apollo Bay.



Colac Regional Saleyards - Online Sale

Colac Regional Saleyards will trial an online auction for the Store sales, Friday November 6, Friday 4 December and for the weaner sale in January.

The online auction will be via StockLive which aims to connect buyers to the Colac Regional Saleyards through their computer or smartphone. See Monday's Colac Herald for more information.



Skip Bins for GREEN WASTE ONLY drop-off on the coast

Council is planning to provide additional green waste skip bins in Wye River and Kennett River to assist property owners who are conducting clean-ups and maintenance at their property this weekend in preparation for fire season.

Skips are for green waste only - not general waste - and will be in place Friday (30 October), and removed the following Wednesday (4 November).

Please check Colac Otway Shire's Facebook page for updates and locations of additional green waste bins.



Central Reserve Netball Courts

The completion of the Colac Central Reserve Masterplan is in sight, with twilight and night games a potential inclusion on the football and netball fixture for 2021 and beyond.

Competition lighting was installed on the oval earlier this year, with the Colac Tigers testing the quality of the lights at their last training session for 2020 - providing a brief taste of what they can look forward to next season.

The netballers haven't had the same opportunity this year - due to COVID restrictions and project delays - but they can look forward to quality facilities for 2021 pre-season training.

The unexpected discovery of the old swimming pool shell, tank, fire hydrants and rubbish used as fill under the Colac Central Reserve Netball Courts, has caused delays however work on the upgrade has progressed and a pre-Christmas completion is expected.

Additional drainage issues caused by the old toddlers' pool, outside of court footprint, had allowed water to seep into the court area and added to the project delays over recent weeks.

However, all sub-base and drainage issues have now been addressed and contractors are waiting for warm, dry weather conditions (not the cold and damp climate we've been experiencing) to complete the asphalting, linemarking and other finishing touches.

The completion of the netball courts' upgrade to Australian competition standards will complete the final stage of the Colac Central Reserve Masterplan to establish a premier sporting venue for the region.



New Footpaths and Infrastructure Improvements

Planning work is well underway on projects funded through the Federal Government's Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program.

Affected residents and user groups will be notified of start dates and other advice, and we apologise for any inconvenience while these important infrastructure upgrades, which are creating local jobs, are underway. Start and completion dates for projects are weather dependent. Here's a snapshot of our upcoming community improvements:

- Footpath: Thomson Street, Apollo Bay (Pascoe Street to Apollo Bay P12 College) – works expected to commence early November and completed early December.
- Footpath: Lake Corangamite Road, Cororooke (General store to RRRTAG. Additional footpath works will also be completed north of the store, coinciding with the LRCI project) – works expected to commence in early November and completed mid-December.
- Footpath: Tulloh Street, Elliminyt (Main Street to Queen Street) works commencing late November and completed by mid-December.
- Traffic Calming Treatment: Wilson Street, Colac (Installation of speed humps on either side of existing school crossing to improve pedestrian safety) - works expected to commence towards the end of November and be complete by mid-December.
- Apollo Bay Tennis/Netball Court re-surfacing works to start from mid-November onwards as re-surfacing requires very specific temperature and moisture conditions.



Design & Construct - Pedestrian Bridge Replacement - Barongarook Creek, Colac

Contract No. 2103

Council invites submissions from suitable contractors for the design and construction of a new pedestrian and cycle bridge over Barongarook Creek, Colac. The works will also involve approach paths and landscaping.

A copy of the tender documents can be downloaded from Council's website at: www.eprocure.com.au/colacotway

Tenders close at 2pm, Wednesday, 25 November 2020. Submissions must be lodged via the electronic tender box. Late, emailed, facsimiled or posted tenders will not be considered.



Immunisation sessions | November

Council's free monthly immunisation sessions are held on the first Thursday and the third Monday of the month at COPACC, 95-97 Gellibrand Street, Colac. Please use main entrance (all abilities access) via Gellibrand Street.

Thursday 5 November, 10.30am - 11.30am Monday 16 November, 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Social distancing measures will be in place, hand sanitiser will be provided and only one parent/guardian should accompany a child into the session. People should not attend the session if they or their child has symptoms of a respiratory infection (such as fever, sore throat, runny nose, shortness of breath, cough) or have recently returned from overseas.

For enquiries please contact Colac Otway Shire Immunisation Unit on 5232 9429 or visit Council's website.







