YOUR CHAFFEY NEWSLETTER

This newsletter provides you with updates relating to your ward and the key projects Ward Councillors are involved in.

# Your Chaffey Ward

Chaffey Ward is situated in the centre of the Wyndham municipality and includes the suburbs of Tarneit and parts of Werribee and Hoppers Crossing.

Based on population forecasts, the Chaffey Ward population is estimated to be around 75,404 people as at 2016.

Over half of Chaffey residents were born in Australia. The top 5 most common countries of birth outside Australia are India, New Zealand, the Philippines, England and Myanmar. Punjabi is the most commonly spoken language other than English in the Chaffey ward.

**Get Your Skates On**

Tarneit’s newest park Baden Powell Reserve is the largest of its kind in the western suburbs. It is also the first skate park to be in a residential setting that caters for large scale community events and all levels of skate, scoot, and BMX activities.

Residents can also enjoy the park’s other features such as the exercise zones, barbecue areas, and playgrounds.

The park officially opened in February and has been truly embraced by the local and wider Wyndham community.

**Community Shed at Wyndham Park**

Got broken items that need fixing? Or are you keen to learn some woodwork or welding skills?

The Wyndham Park Community Shed offers short courses in woodwork, welding and bicycle maintenance throughout the year. Residents are also welcome to bring in their broken items that need fixing and their dedicated volunteers will work their magic.

The Community Shed is also a member of the Australian Men’s Shed Association. The Werribee Men’s Shed program is open to men of all ages and includes access to tools and resources in woodwork, metal work, gardening, bike mechanics and computer training. They also offer health seminars throughout the year.

Similar opportunities are available for women through the Kookaburra Girls Program. To find out more about the Wyndham Park Community Shed and the other fantastic programs offered at Wyndham Park Community Centre, visit [www.wyndhamparkcc.com.au](http://www.wyndhamparkcc.com.au)

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**New Kinders in Tarneit**

Wyndham City, in partnership with bestchance Child and Family Care, has recently opened a kindergarten facility at Tarneit to meet the needs of the growing number of young children in the local area. This will help ensure that Wyndham children have access to a 4-year-old Kindergarten program in the year before school.

Families wishing to enrol can simply nominate Tarneit North Kindergarten group as their preference on the Enrolment Form.

Tarneit North Kindergarten

2-28 Goddard Street, Tarneit

**What’s on at your local library**

**1000 Books Before School**

Did you know that reading together is the best way to encourage a love of books in your child? Register for 1000 Books Before School at your local library branch to receive your first reading record and start your child on their journey of a lifelong love of reading and learning.

[www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries)

Phone 8734 2600

**Live Jazz in the Library**

Join us as we welcome back the Georgia Brooks Swingtet! Georgia has assembled some of the finest musicians to play some rip-roaring swing dance to more subdued jazz music in a dynamic concert setting. To book, call 87342600 or visit www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries

Plaza Library

Friday 22 June

7pm – 10pm

**Growing Volunteering Expo**

It was great to see hundreds of residents attend the Growing Volunteering Expo held at Tarneit Community and Learning Centre in March.

The Expo, organised by Volunteer West in partnership with Wyndham City, gave residents the opportunity to learn more about the different volunteering opportunities available and how they can become a volunteer here in Wyndham.

Volunteers assist in providing some of the essential services needed by our residents. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, making a difference and helping make Wyndham even better, visit [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteering](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/volunteering)

**Chaffey Parks Get Upgraded**

Approximately 200 local and district parks will be upgraded as part of the Wyndham Parks 2021 project. The program for 2017/18 involves a $1.3 million investment which will upgrade 45 local parks across Wyndham making the spaces better, safer, more accessible and welcoming to everyone.

The upgrade of the parks began this summer and will include improved entry, gardens, picnic facilities, more trees and seating as well as improved pathways and play facilities.

15 parks within Chaffey Ward will be upgraded and the first five parks are:

* Alsace Avenue
* Giofches Crescent
* Karinya Close
* Argyle Crescent
* McMahon Crescent

To find out more about this project, visit [www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/wyndhamparks2021](http://www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/wyndhamparks2021)

# Capital Works Project Update

Chaffey Ward residents will continue to benefit from a number of road and infrastructure projects that are underway across the Ward.

Works are underway for:

* Tarneit Road Duplication (between Hogans Road and Caraleena Drive)
* LED Sports Lighting Projects
  + The Grange Soccer Reserve (Sports Floodlighting)
  + Galvin Park Soccer pitch 4
* Mossfiel Reserve Development, Hoppers Crossing (Cricket/Rugby Sports Pavilion)
* Galvin Park Tennis Pavilion

Recently completed:

* Baden Powell Drive Reserve Development, Hoppers Crossing (Skate Park and Shelter)

Design Works:

* Old Geelong Road Service Road, Hoppers Crossing
* Thames Boulevard Reconstruction, Werribee (between Hogans Road and Heaths Road)
* Tarneit Road duplication, Sayers Rd to Leakes Rd
* Hogans Road Upgrade between Davis Creek and Basinview Drive
* Frawley Court Rehabilitation
* Chesterton Avenue, Tarneit (Harmony Drive to Thames Blvd)
* Tarneit Community Centre Upgrade
* Mossfiel Reserve Development, Hoppers Crossing – Sporting Ovals, Landscape and Netball Pavilion
* Galvin Park Soccer Pavilion Upgrade
* Galvin Park Football/ Cricket/ Netball Pavilion Upgrade
* Cambridge Tennis Pavilion Upgrade

Footpath and pram ramp are also being constructed at:

* Pandelis Boulevard, Tarneit

Construction starts for State Government Funded project as part of the $1.8 billion Western Roads Upgrade Program

* Derrimut Road (from Sayers Road to Dohertys Road), Tarneit – mid 2018

While some of these projects are in progress, there are other projects in the pipeline for Chaffey Ward which are currently in the planning and design phase.

**Mossfiel Reserve Pavilion update**

Construction of the rugby/cricket pavilion is expected to be completed by September 2018. Following its completion, Council will commence reconstruction of the netball pavilion and oval redevelopment.

# Message from Your Chaffey Councillors

We’re well and truly into 2018, and it’s been a very busy year so far.

Our Draft Budget is now out for consultation until 15 May. To have a read and provide feedback, head to our website.

Since the last Ward Newsletter, the $4 million Baden Powell Skate Park has been completed, and we celebrated the launch of this exciting park with hundreds of community members. This regional level skate park also features fitness equipment, play spaces, and spaces for picnics.

The Wyndham Parks 2021 project is well underway. This exciting project will see us making 45 of our local parks in Wyndham more accessible, safe, comfortable and welcoming for everybody. To check out which parks are being upgraded near you head to our website.

VicRoads and Netflow, the contractor delivering the Western Roads Upgrades, have released the sequencing of road upgrades across our City. This exciting project will see some of our busiest roads duplicated and widened as part of a $1.8 billion package. While we welcome the State Government’s massive investment in our roads, we’ll continue to advocate for the infrastructure our community needs.

As always, we love hearing from our residents, and welcome feedback of all kinds.

Regards, Chaffey Ward Councillors

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