



Council will soon be launching the Better Approvals Project to improve our business and event permit processes by making applications easier and quicker for our customers to complete.

Council staff worked with Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions and Small Business Victoria and spoke to some of our local small businesses and event organisers about how we could improve the permit application process to start a business or run an event.

What we heard from our business community is that they found the process to be confusing, that there was no clear path and they struggled to find the information they needed to understand requirements, costs and timeframes.

Event organisers felt the event approval process could be made simpler and more communication about timeframes was required.

As a result, we will be implementing the following changes:

- A concierge model to assist businesses to understand the regulatory requirements and to lodge correct application forms
- A single application form for businesses that combines the various application processes and streamline event application forms
- A new business permits page and an improved events page on our website
- An evaluation framework to assess the effectiveness of the new process

We aim to have the new process in place by the end of the year and will keep you updated.

This project aims to support business and economic development by:

- Streamlining the regulatory process for small businesses
- Reducing the time and money small businesses and communities spend during the application process
- Increasing the likelihood of small business and events setting up and succeeding

If you're interested in starting a business or running an event, please contact Council Offices on 1800 065 993 or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.

ARE YOU FINDING **OUR QUARTERLY BULLETIN USEFUL?** We'd love to hear weather you're finding our quarterly bulletin useful. Is there anything you'd like to see included in the next bulletin? Please feel free to provide feedback by emailing info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au or calling 1800 065 993.

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Do you know someone who has given a lot to our local community? Is there an awesome community event or group in the Strathbogie Shire that deserves recognition?

We encourage you to nominate an outstanding individual or group for an Australia Day Award before nominations close on **Friday 1st November at 5pm**.

We have so many generous and dedicated individuals and groups who make great things happen in our region.

The Strathbogie Shire Australia Day Award Ceremonies are a great way to acknowledge and celebrate the efforts of some of our amazing community members.

The following award categories are open for nominations:

- · Community Organisation of the Year
- Community Event of the Year (event occurred after 27/01/2019)
- Junior Citizen of the Year (under 15yrs at 26/01/2020)
- Young Citizen of the Year (between 15-25yrs at 26/01/2020)
- Citizen of the Year (over 25yrs at 26/01/2020)

To nominate someone, please fill in the online form on Council's website at www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/community/community-resources/australia-day-awards.

Nomination forms are also available at the following locations:

- · Avenel General Store, Queen Street
- Euroa Council Offices, 109A Binney Street or Euroa Hub, 50 Binney Street
- Longwood General Store, 12 Down Street
- Nagambie Visitor Information Centre, 293 High Street
- Strathbogie General Store, 30 Main Street
- Violet Town Post Office, 27 Cowslip Street

All nomination forms need to be submitted to 109A Binney Street, Euroa or 293 High Street, Nagambie.

Australia Day Awards Ceremonies and celebrations will take place on Sunday 26th January 2020 in Avenel, Euroa, Longwood, Nagambie, Strathbogie and Violet Town.

Event details, including our inspiring guest speakers, will be made available on our website and in local publications closer to the date.







If you haven't already, now is the time to make sure you and your property are prepared for the Fire Danger Period. These are some important things you need to do to prepare your property:

- Ensure grass and weeds are kept cut to a height of no more than 10 centimetres
- If you have rural land neighbouring urban housing, a minimum 20 metre fire break must be maintained between the land and the neighbouring property
- Prune low hanging branches from trees and shrubs
- Store woodpiles and flammable liquids away from the house

For more information about how to prepare yourself and your property this fire season, visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare.

To receive information about fire events in your region, download the VicEmergency app on your mobile or device, which is also available on the CFA website.

What happens if I'm not fire ready?

Property owners and occupiers have a responsibility to ensure their land is as safe as possible to reduce the risk and impact of fires. Failure to prepare and maintain your property during the fire season will put you and your neighbours at a much greater risk.

If owners and occupiers fail to keep a fire safe environment, a fire prevention notice will be issued requesting the property owner to take action. This notice will include a \$113 administration fee. It is a requirement for the owner or occupier to follow the requests in the Fire Prevention Notice throughout the entire fire season, not just at the time the notice is received.

A further failure to maintain the requirements of the Fire Prevention Notice will result in a fine. Council has an active role in reducing fire hazards within and abutting urban areas.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to your obligations, please feel free to contact Council Offices on 1800 065 993.

You may have already noticed more and more shops in the Strathbogie Shire going plastic bag free. With the upcoming Victorian Ban on lightweight single use plastic bags it will be even more important to remember your reusable shopping bag.

There is no need to buy a reusable bag every time you shop because reusable bags are made to be reused! The trick is remembering your bag. With better bag habits, remembering your reusable bags will become second nature.

Before you leave home, just remember

'Bag, wallet, keys and phone'.



at our Transfer Stations

From 1st January 2020 cash payments will no longer be accepted at Transfer Stations across the Strathbogie Shire.

We are moving to EFTPOS only to streamline payments and reporting for staff and users of the facilities.

If you have any questions or concerns relating this change, please get in touch with us at Council Offices on 1800 065 993 or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.





What's On In Spring

Follow **@WhatsonStrathbogie** on Facebook or download the latest monthly flyer on our website **strathbogie.vic.gov.au** to keep up to date with events, markets and activities happening in the Strathbogie Shire.



Markets

NAGAMBIE LAKES COMMUNITY MARKET

Sat 2 Nov, 9am- 1pmCentre median strip, High Street, Nagambie

VIOLET TOWN MARKET

Sat 9 Nov, 8:30am-1pm Violet Town Recreation Reserve

AVENEL MARKET

Sun 10 Nov, 9am-1pm Jubilee Park, Avenel

EUROA VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET

Sat 16 Nov, 9am-1pm Rotary Park, Kirkland Avenue, Euroa

NAGAMBIE FARMERS MARKET

Sun 24 Nov, 10am-2pm Tahbilk Winery, 10 Cottage Lane, Nagambie

Cinema

Tickets: \$10.00 NO EFTPOS (Pre-school children FREE) 1B Bury Street, Euroa

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Fri 1 Nov, 8pm MA15+, 165 mins, Horror

RIDE LIKE A GIRL

Sat 2 Nov, 8pm & Sun 3 Nov, 4pm PG, 98 mins, Australian/Biography

THE WHITE CROW (subtitles)

Fri 8 Nov, 8pm & Sat 9 Nov, 4pm M, 127 mins, Foreign/Biography

THE GOLDFINCH

Sat 9 Nov, 8pm & Sun 10 Nov, 4pm M, 149 mins, Drama

HIISTI EDS

Sat 16 Nov, 8pm & Sun 17 Nov, 4pm CTC, 110 mins, Crime/Drama

THE LEAST OF THESE: THE GRAHAM STAINES STORY

Fri 22 Nov, 7:30pm PG, 112 mins, Drama

AMAZING GRACE

Sat 23 Nov, 8pm & Sun 24 Nov, 4pm G, 90 mins, Documentary

BLINDED BY THE LIGHT

Sat 30 Nov, 8pm & Sun 1 Dec, 4pm PG, 118 mins, Comedy

MELEFICENT: MISTRESS OF EVIL

Sat 7 Dec, 8pm & Sun 8 Dec, 4pm CTC, 118 mins, Fantasy

LAST CHRISTMAS

Sat 14 Dec, 8pm & Sun 15 Dec, 4pm CTC, Runtime TBC, Romance

ANDREW WISHART LIVE AT THE WHITE HART HOTEL

Sat 2 Nov, 7:30 - 10:30pm 63-65 Hill Street, Longwood

RUFFARTZ PRESENTS DR HERNANDEZ

Sat 2 Nov from 7.30pmRuffy Hall, 3 Nolans Road, Ruffy.
Bookings essential, tickets \$25.
Christine Ford 0419 561 386 or

ruffartztickets@gmail.com

BOGARTS STRATHBOGIE ARTS FESTIVAL A COLLECTION OF CURIOSITIES

Fri 1- Sat 9 Nov. Strathbogie Memorial Hall Visit www.bogartsfestival.org for more information

2019 FOUR VINES RUNNING FESTIVAL

Sun 3 Nov, 6am-3pm.

Tahbilk Winery, 254 O'Neils Road, Tabilk.
Visit www.runfourvines.com for registrations and more information

NIGHTMARE ON COWSLIP STREET ACT IV

Mon 4 Nov, from 6pm

Halloween Celebrations. Violet Town Community Complex & Cowslip Street, Violet Town

MELBOURNE CUP AFTERNOON TEA

Mon 4 Nov from 6pm Maygars Hill Winery. 53 Longwood-Mansfield Road, Longwood. Bookings \$15pp via Jenny 0402 136 448 or email jenny@maygarshill.com.au

MELBOURNE RECITAL CENTRE, ULTRA FOX REGIONAL PERFORMANCE

Fri 8 Nov, 11am-12pm

Euroa Health. 36 Kennedy Street, Euroa Gold coin donation, all welcome

EUROA LIBRARY CRAFT AND COFFEE

Tues 12 Nov, 10:30am. 62 Binney Street, Euroa Making Christmas Decorations Bookings call 1300 374 765

MEET THE AUTHOR: T.M. CLARK

Sat 30 Nov, 10:30am- 12.30pm

Euroa Library, 62 Binney Street. Book signing and light refreshments. Free event, all welcome