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DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

- **10,000 residents**
- **200 lots currently under construction**
- **3,550 lots sold**

2021 brings a fresh start and as Warralily grows to 10,000 residents we are very happy to welcome Oberon High School to our community (page 5) and excited for the year ahead.

Construction on the Grange Village park will commence in the coming months which will include a BBQ and picnic area, public toilet, water play, sound play, sand play, basketball / netball ½ court, skating, mountain bike trail (small), huge climbing structure, slides, swings fun for all ages!

Great news for the start of the footy season! Oval 1 at the NAC is now resurfaced and back under The CoGG control.

The design of a new boardwalk crossing close to the Surfcoast Hwy is nearing completion and will provide safer passage to the Lutheran school and the new Armstrong Creek Town Centre.

With 3.36 Ha of native grassland now flourishing along Warralily Blvd we continue our commitment to restoring Warralily's natural assets of the landscape with our street tree planting program re-commencing in Autumn.



COUNCILLOR COLUMN

Cr Ron Nelson from the City of Greater Geelong

Recent media coverage highlighting the 3217 postcode as a national property 'hotspot' has made it clear the word is out about what a great place Armstrong Creek is to live.

It has a strong and growing community with a lot of young families, excellent schools, playgrounds and other community facilities, and plenty of green open space.

Therefore it's really no surprise that there's so much interest from people looking to move from Melbourne or elsewhere, and all indications are that the area will continue to grow quickly over the coming years.

As a Council we know we will need to keep investing in facilities to support the expanding populations on both sides of the Surf Coast Highway. This is certainly happening in 2021, with detailed design in progress for a community shed and garden at the Sovereign Drive sporting reserve, and early planning underway on a library and indoor sports stadium in the new Town Centre precinct.

These projects are all very important to the future of the area and we will keep you informed as they reach key stages along the way – including any opportunities for the community to have input.

As we develop further areas of public open space, we will be undertaking master planning processes in consultation with the community. This will be your opportunity to tell us what you think Armstrong Creek needs. A BMX/skate park and a fenced dog park are two suggestions I've received.

The Council is also supporting the community's grassroots projects via our annual Community Grants program. This financial year, with the addition of several grants streams aimed specifically at supporting Greater Geelong's recovery from COVID-19, there is a total of \$4.33 million in grants available across a range of categories.

A fantastic local example was the recent \$2000 equipment grant awarded to the Warralily Community Garden 3217 for gardening gear and a first aid kit. Not only does the group help to maintain and protect our local natural environment, it also provides a fun social outlet for members of the community. Well done team on your grant and I hope you enjoy the new equipment!



RECONNECT

Get a mentor - Get training - Get a job

DO YOU WANT A JOB BUT ARE STRUGGLING?

Reconnect provides participants with mentoring to help them find the right course that suits their strengths, interests and career aspirations. Our ongoing support is designed to help participants enrol and complete their studies to gain employment, while addressing any other unmet needs. What Reconnect provides participants:

- Weekly to fortnightly mentoring, including outreach
- Assistance to enrol and complete accredited training
- Motivation, confidence and self-esteem building
- Group training, work experience and access to other services
- Up to 18 months support

For more information Phone: (03) 5223 3222 or email reconnect@diversitat.org.au



WATERING YOUR GARDEN WITH CLASS A RECYCLED WATER

Barwon Water supplies Class A recycled water for non-drinking purposes, to customers in Armstrong Creek and parts of Torquay, Mount Duneed and Charlemont via a dedicated 'purple pipe' network.

Plants can be watered using Class A recycled water from the purple pipe system. This includes edible plants such as fruits, vegies and herbs.

Recycled water has more salt than drinking water. Direct recycled water to the roots of your plants, not the foliage to protect them from potential leaf burn.

Some plants, including citrus trees, roses, azaleas and camellias, may be particularly sensitive to salt in their seedling stage. For more information about how to use recycled water, please visit Barwon Water's website

www.barwonwater.vic.gov.au/recycled-water
You can also contact Barwon Water on 1300 656 007 or info@barwonwater.vic.gov.au

STATE MEMBER UPDATE

I've represented this area at both federal and state levels over the last 12 years, and I have seen firsthand the astonishing growth of Armstrong Creek into a vibrant, thriving community with a strong sense of identity.

As your local State MP I have lobbied for greater investment in this area to cater for the massive growth it is experiencing and to provide the services that you and your family need. The Victorian Budget 2020-21 has delivered this, with a big commitment to infrastructure, education, and local jobs. We have made Kinder free, we are building new childcare centres, opening new schools, duplicating Barwon Heads Rd, and investing in our community.



A new kindergarten and community centre will be built in Mount Duneed, right next to Mirripoa Primary School.



The amazing new Oberon High School campus is now open to service the Armstrong Creek community.



Follow my Facebook page at facebook.com/darrencheesemanmp for further updates on what the Andrews Labor Government is doing for our region.

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Keep the community safe



www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus
1800 675 398 - 24 hours, 7 days



Get the latest
COVID-19 advice



Visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus
If you have questions, call 1800 675 398





XMAS at 13th Beach - Residents and staff celebrating their first Christmas together.



NYD BBQ - The men were on cooking duty for the New Years residents BBQ



XMAS 2020 - Resident Maureen, Village Manager Sue and Sales Specialist Linda enjoy lunch at 13th Beach

ARMSTRONG GREEN

RCA Village's newest development, Armstrong Green offers 2-3 bedroom modern coastal style homes, situated around a luxurious Clubhouse that will feature all the amenity 21st century retirees long for. Located conveniently adjacent to the Warralily Shopping Centre, the village is close to shops, health providers, eateries, and transport links.

Retirement at Armstrong Green is anything but sedate. The Surf Coast's newest retirement village is now home to 24 residents with another 20 preparing to move in over the next couple of months. Village Manager, Sue Farrar said, "This group of residents is a very social bunch. We may not have our Clubhouse yet, but there is plenty to do. Currently, we have fitted out one of the double garages as a temporary 'clubroom', where residents enjoy happy hour and other small functions together. And we now have a larger marquee for regular functions for residents and those who are interested in retiring to Armstrong Green to mingle together in a safe way."

Residents currently enjoy Bridge Club, Chat Groups, Pizza Nights and Fish 'n Chip Fridays, and bus trips to local wineries for lunch. "Over the Festive Season, the community really came together. Residents and staff enjoyed a great celebration at the 13th Beach Golf Club, a Christmas Party in the marquee onsite and a casual BBQ on New Years Day." Sue said.

With the first two stages almost completed, stage three has just been released, offering four villa designs.

The sales office is open 7 days and the kettle is always on. To inspect the display villas, and find out more, contact Karen and Linda on Freecall 1800 777898, or just drop in.

Armstrong Green, 722-742 Barwon Head Road, Armstrong Creek.

**CLEAN
UP
DAY**

**Sunday 7th March
8:30 to 10:30am
Meet at Ambrosia Park.**

Join the 3217 Community Group at our Annual Clean Up Day along Armstrong Creek Pathways. Please bring your hat, sunscreen and water bottles. Gloves and rubbish collection bags will be available at the sign in desk.



OBERON HIGH'S NEW CAMPUS 'GOES ONE BETTER!'

By Karen Cartwright

If you've had a chance to get a sneak peek at the new Oberon High School campus at Armstrong Creek, you might well be thinking, 'Wow, I wish I'd gone to a school like that.'

And if you're a prospective student, you'll have every reason to be excited – because no matter what interests you have, this new campus has a great facility for you.

In addition to 'learning community' facilities for English, the humanities, maths and languages, there are custom designed areas for music, art, science, engineering and food technology. Plus, there's a performing arts centre and, of course, a first-class library. And if sport and fitness are for you, you'll love the spacious gym, outdoor courts and the beautifully maintained oval.

It's the perfect environment for students to live the school motto - SHAPE YOUR FUTURE, GO ONE BETTER.

And the school's dedication to learning and achievement doesn't end in the classroom. Students are encouraged to meet their individual interests and abilities from an extensive list of extra-curricular activities;

- Individual and team sport
- Annual drama production
- Jazz band, instrumental music and an extensive choir program
- An extensive camp program including; Central Australia, Tasmania, Indonesia, Germany and more
- Academic extension with science & engineering challenges
- Debating and public speaking festivals
- School for Student Leadership and Bogong Alpine Leadership opportunities
- Enviro team – coastal regeneration projects

Principal Tim McMahon says the school motto is based on the premise that students will make the most of the opportunities that are offered to them, whether in the classroom or through extra-curricular opportunities.



"Our expectation is to achieve student learning growth at an average rate that is faster than occurring across the state and it's pleasing that we have consistently achieved this in most learning areas. The school prides itself on offering a wide range of extra-curricular activities, linked to what the students are learning in the classroom, to enhance their understanding and application." said Principal McMahon.

A strong emphasis is also placed on a caring and supportive environment. Connect Groups across all year levels allow students to develop strong bonds with significant teachers. Year Level Managers are responsible for student welfare and are supported by the School Chaplain, Student Wellbeing Manager and the administration.

Located near the Warralily shopping centre and sports precinct, Oberon High School will literally be part of village life, and within easy walking or cycling distance from homes via Warralily's extensive pathway network.

Oberon High School is a single campus years 7 – 12 co-educational school with a student population of 700 drawn from a wide urban, rural and coastal area. In 2021 the school will relocate from Belmont to the Armstrong Creek Education Precinct, alongside the state primary Armstrong Creek School. The new campus can accommodate 1,100 students to meet the areas growing population.

Students recently visited their new school and were thrilled to see what awaits them! See for yourself here > <https://youtu.be/yYD0dQolw-U>

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Is your child ready to travel to school without you?

Learn together at Neighbourhood Watch 4 Kids
www.nhw4kidsvic.com.au

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH 4 KIDS

It can be quite tough and rather scary knowing when your children are ready to transition to travelling to school or around your neighbourhood safely by themselves. That's where our new free interactive e-learning platform can help - Neighbourhood Watch 4 Kids (Victoria) at www.nhw4kidsvic.com.au

Neighbourhood Watch 4 Kids is an interactive learning journey parents and kids can do together to improve safety knowledge, increase confidence and empower your child to trust their instincts and react appropriately to unsafe situations. There are quizzes, games, activities, resources and a range of scenarios to explore. You can even plan a walking or riding route together.

Neighbourhood Watch 4 Kids (Victoria) is based on a Neighbourhood Watch Northern Territory initiative



CONTROLS FOR DOGS ON BEACHES OCEAN GROVE AND BARWON HEADS

Barwon Coast is the land manager for 15 kilometres of coastal Crown land from 7W Collendina to 42W along 13th Beach Road, Connewarre.

Helping us to Share Our Shores keeps your dog, wildlife and people safe. Please look for the signs at all access pathways to ensure you know where you can and cannot take your dog and please respect other beach users. Together we can make a difference.

OFF LEASH UNDER EFFECTIVE CONTROL MEANS YOUR DOG:

- is not in other peoples space;
- does not run up to other dogs;
- is prevented from approaching wildlife;
- is exercised only on the sandy intertidal beach zone; and
- is close to you at all times.



For more information visit:
<https://www.barwoncoast.com.au/dogs-beaches>
For dog incidents please call CoGG Animal Control Management on 5272 5272



ATTENTION!

GARDENERS & POTENTIAL GREEN THUMBS

BY THE WARRALILY COMMUNITY GARDEN 3217 INC

You may not know that a group of fantastic people are trying very hard to get a Community Garden off the ground (no pun intended). At the moment the people involved are starting a BUSH TUCKER GARDEN at the back of Narana near the playground (Boundary Road entrance) and this is an ongoing concern with propagation, planting and, of course, weeding and mulching.



ANYONE INTERESTED in this project and the future Community Garden is very welcome to come to any working bee at the bush tucker garden on the first Saturday of each month; please keep an eye on our Facebook group (info below) for updates and events.

So far we have been working with the CoGG council to access a site for this garden and our diligent designers have worked out a super plan for it. This is a fantastic opportunity to be involved with the development of the project.

Feel free to check out our Facebook group 'Warralily Community Garden 3217 Inc' or reach out to us via email: warralilycommunitygarden@gmail.com

WHAT'S NEW



THE
Village
Warralily
SHOPPING CENTRE

WARRALILY FRESH FRUIT MARKET SHOP 22.

Come and visit our new local fruit and vegetable retailer at The Village Warralily, today. The locals are saying "it is like being on a farm" only the freshest quality produce in your back yard. The store is immaculately clean, and quality control is excellent. Great produce and great prices! They stock fresh flowers, in-season fruit and vegetables, and as fresh herbs.



A.D CHARCOAL CHICKEN AND KEBAB SHOP 17.

Provides fresh and quality tastes straight from the Mediterranean. You can eat the most mouth-watering, fresh homemade signature dishes, charcoal chicken, kebabs, burgers, wraps, and meal deals. You can order online, many delicious options and have them delivered straight to your door or dine-in.



GET INVOLVED

CREATE A CHANGE IN YOUR COMMUNITY THIS YEAR.

3217 Community Meeting
Saturday 27 Mar & 24 Apr at 9:30am
6 Anglet Way, Armstrong Creek

For further information contact
Ninabendon@newland.com.au



IRIS LOOP MOTORBIKE NOISE POLLUTION

Recently we have received many noise complaints about the use of motorbikes in the open space along Iris Loop. This area is private property and is opposite residential houses.

The noise created by repetitive laps has disturbed and is upsetting people who live over the road and nearby. In some cases, keeping our essential shift workers awake during the day.

Please be considerate of your neighbours and seek alternative places to ride. Please be aware that penalties may apply to anyone who is found to be using a motorbike in this area.



Felix's Tips *Native Grass*



Have you spotted the lush native grasses flourishing along Warralily Boulevard yet? Did you know -

- A vast number of beneficial insect species and wildlife call grasslands home including finches and parrots (attracted by seeding plants), native butterflies, lizards and their natural predators such as kookaburras.
- Grassy woodlands like this are classified as endangered vegetation in Victoria.
- The native grass species growing here include red leg, spear, kangaroo and silky blue grasses which will maintain an ornamental look throughout every season.
- Native grasses are stress tolerant of intermittent droughts and fires and have huge biodiversity values.

For more information please visit:
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Warralily Coast Land Display Office
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www.warralily.com.au

