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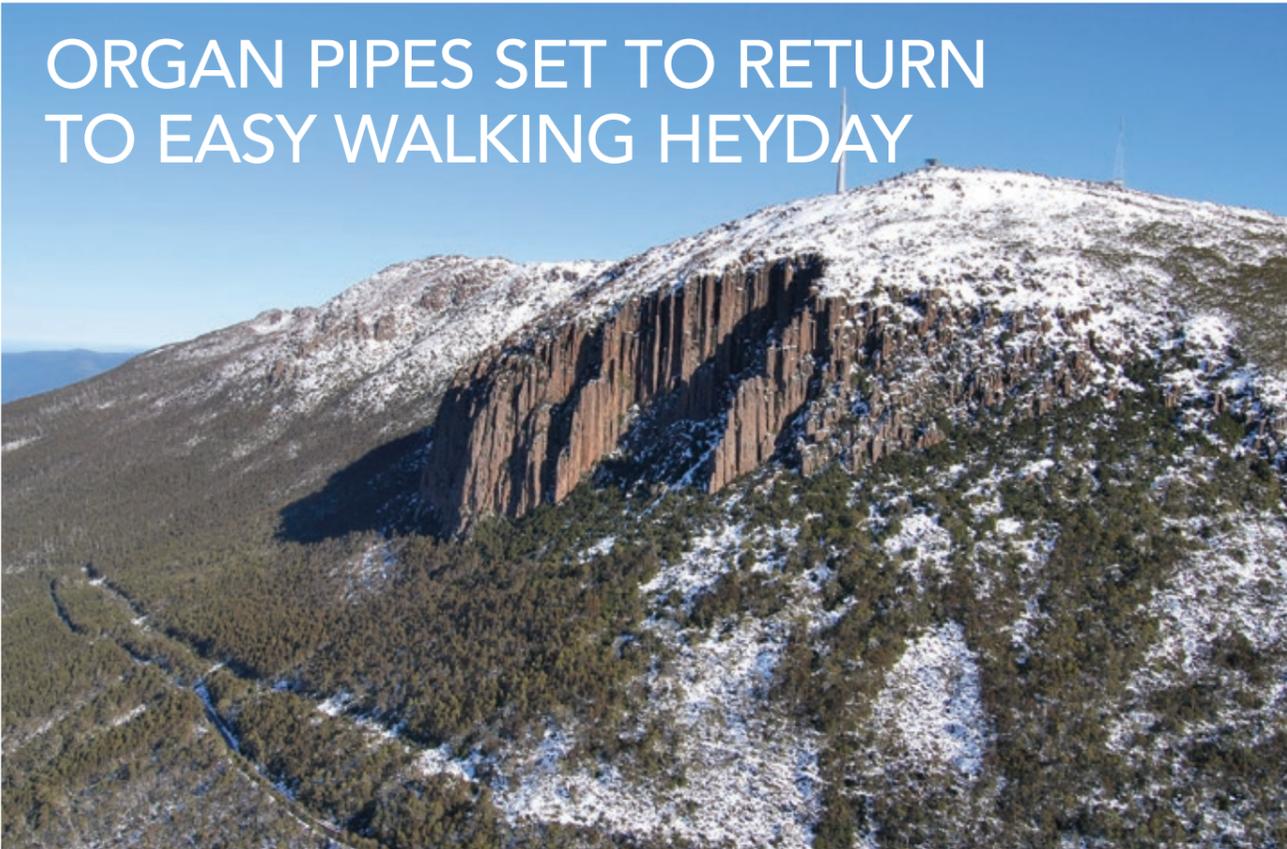
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ORGAN PIPES SET TO RETURN TO EASY WALKING HEYDAY



HIGH HOPES: A light dusting of snow on kunanyi/Mt Wellington. Photo: City of Hobart

Works have begun on rejuvenating the Organ Pipes and Pinnacle tracks, on kunanyi/Mt Wellington providing 3.6 km of accessible, family-friendly tracks linking The Springs to the Chalet.

Rejuvenating the Organ Pipes track will help maintain its status as the only Great Short Walk in Hobart and return it to its 1930s heyday when people flocked to the mountain for day walks.

The new tracks will retain a natural bush feel and heritage values and will be easier for walking.

Construction works will involve closure of parts of the track and temporary closures of the Pinnacle Road from Big Bend to the Chalet for helicopter drops of materials.

There will be reduced car parking at the Big Bend and Chalet car parks during construction which will occur in the months outside winter this year and in 2018.

Regular updates about the track work and temporary road closures will be posted on the City's website: hobartcity.com.au ■



RISK REDUCTION: The City's Fire and Biodiversity team work with the Tasmania Fire Service to reduce fuel loads in bushland and reserves. Photo: City of Hobart.

Bushland burns aim to reduce risks

The onset of autumn also marks the start of a new hazard reduction burn season for the City of Hobart.

Reserves and bushland are burnt under a City-wide fire management plan that aims to reduce the risk to lives and property if a bushfire breaks out.

Last year, the City burnt 270 hectares (40 hectares on private land) with the cooperation of the Tasmania Fire Service and Parks and Wildlife Service.

This year the City is aiming for 337 hectares (106 hectares on private or other types of land).

Because the weather has to be 'just right' to conduct a burn, some of the planned burns may not occur this year.

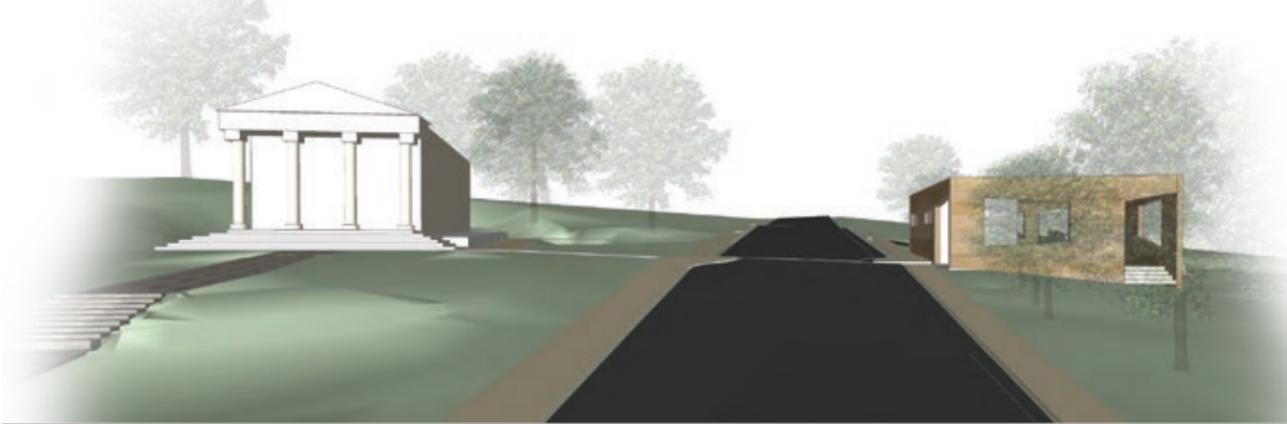
The City aims to put up signs at reserve entrances seven days before a burn occurs and distribute leaflets to nearby homes. On the day of a burn, the City will put up closed signs and barrier tape at reserve entrances and over tracks and update its webpage: hobartcity.com.au/bushfire

Burns may take several days to complete, so people should never enter areas with closed signs and tape.

The City is also upgrading reserve fire trails to improve access through Hobart's bushland. ■

Ancanthe Park gets overhaul

HERITAGE: A new toilet block will be built opposite the museum as part of upgrade in Ancanthe Park



Ancanthe Park in Lenah Valley is set get an upgrade of its entrance, landscaping and paths, and a new toilet block and bus shelter.

A new toilet block will be built next to the car park, over the road from the current block which will be demolished. The new toilet block will have an accessible cubicle and feature a rammed earth exterior to complement the natural feel of the site and colours of the museum.

The works will take three to four months to complete and there will be some impact on the availability of the car park next to the new toilet block during that time.

The works to improve the park are designed to better showcase the heritage values of the museum building and its site. ■



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TEN DAYS NOT TO MISS THIS MONTH

The biennial Ten Days on the Island festival gets underway this month, including a performance in the City of Hobart's own building on the corner of Davey and Elizabeth streets.



TEN DAYS ON THE ISLAND
MARCH 2017 TENDAYS.ORG.AU
Tasmania's Arts Festival

The world premiere of Invisible Practice's *Babel* will be staged on a currently vacant floor of the Hobart Council Centre and will run for three nights: 18, 24, 25 March, exploring the many languages spoken in Tasmania.

The City of Hobart is a partner of this exciting festival that will take place in locations throughout the state. For the program and tickets, visit the website: tendays.org.au ■

MANY VOICES: The premiere of Babel will take place in the Hobart Council Centre. Photo: Nicole Robson.



COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON LENAH VALLEY STREETScape DESIGN

A concept plan for the Lenah Valley retail precinct was released for public comment in February with a wider footpath, improved pedestrian crossings and street trees in the mix.

The concept plan was developed by the City of Hobart and a community-based project team including local residents and businesses.

The public feedback will be considered in the final design and construction is due to begin late this year.

To view the concept plans visit <https://yoursay.hobartcity.com.au/lenahvalley> ■

URBAN UPGRADE: The community has had its say on the draft concept plan for the Lenah Valley retail precinct.

Giving back to the community the focus in Australia Day Awards

Dedication to the local community, sharing the written word and Antarctic appreciation are behind this year's City of Hobart Australia Day awards.



SUPER CITIZENS: Antarctic Festival organisers Paul Cullen and David Jensen AM, Fay Ibbott and Stephanie Eslake. Photo: Alastair Bett.

Citizen of the Year is Lenah Valley stalwart Fay Ibbott, who has devoted countless hours to volunteering for a long list of groups: the Lenah Valley Community Hall Trustees, Pat Murnane Memorial Hall, American Field Scholarships, St John's Anglican Church, St Therese's Tennis Club, Meals on Wheels, Lenah Valley Girl Guides, Glenview Community Services Auxiliary and the Lenah Valley Community Association.

Young Citizen of the Year is Stephanie Eslake who has shared her passion for writing and classical music with a national audience through her cutcommonmag.com website. Stephanie also mentors other young writers through the City of Hobart's *Platform* magazine and tutors woodwind musicians at local schools.

The inaugural four-day Australian Antarctic Festival has won Community Event of the Year. A crew of more than 120 volunteers helped bring the celebration of historical and living links with Antarctica to life on Hobart's waterfront. Thousands of visitors toured ships and facilities, the Antarctic Expo and photography exhibition, and attended music, films and lectures. ■

A NEW FRIENDSHIP FOR HOBART



CITY FRIENDS: Chinese dancers from Fuzhou entertained the crowds on Parliament Lawns in November last year.

The City of Hobart has signed a five-year friendship city agreement with the Chinese city of Fuzhou.

Fuzhou is the capital city of Fujian Province, which has been Tasmania's sister state for the past 36 years.

The agreement was forged after years of negotiations and was signed in Fuzhou just before the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra performed in the Fujian Grand Theatre in January this year.

The friendship city relationship will focus on improving information and trade between the two cities in sectors such as education, culture, science and

technology, agriculture, aquaculture and tourism.

One Hobart school is already talking to a Fuzhou counterpart about working together and the Yongui Superstore chain that operates 351 outlets across 17 provinces in China is in discussions with several local businesses.

A Fuzhou government, business and cultural delegation visited Hobart in November last year and staged a free community concert on Parliament Lawns that included a traditional tea ceremony, min opera, painting, martial arts and Chinese lute playing. ■

Join the fun with **healthy HOBART**



FREE ACTIVITIES IN HOBART PARKS

16 February–13 April 2017

For more information go to hobartcity.com.au/healthyhobart or call the City of Hobart on 6238 2882.

21 FREE sports sessions and activities over 8 weeks across Hobart's parks and sports grounds.



STREET ART FESTIVAL BRIGHTENS CONCRETE OUTLOOK

WONDER WALL: Local artists are set to transform this blank wall in Bathurst Street into a work of art. Photo: Vibrance Festival.

The first ever Vibrance Festival on 25–26 March aims to transform a 200 square metre concrete wall into a work of art, while offering local artists and the community a great time.

The City of Hobart is partnering with the festival to commission five local artists to work on the large wall together, and three small walls at other city locations.

The festival site at 82–84 Bathurst Street will also include live music, food vans, live painting and a bar on the Saturday night.

The Vibrance Festival celebrates Tasmanian street artists and all of the walls will remain painted as part of the City's Urban Art Walls program.

For information visit vibrancefestival.com ■

Mountain biking fun for family or beginners

The Queens Domain summit shared track has been upgraded and is now open for walkers and family-friendly mountain biking.

The 3 km of track has been specially altered to make it suitable for entry-level mountain biking. It includes switch-back corners, berms (raised sides) and other challenges.

You can access the track from Upper Domain Road, just after it crosses Clearys Gates Road, or just up from Soldiers Memorial Oval under the large water tanks.

The track has been upgraded as part of ongoing works on the Queens Domain to implement a master plan that includes a new community hub and other facilities, joggers loop, new pedestrian bridges and connected tracks and paths:

hobartcity.com.au/Recreation/Queens_Domain ■



TIME OUT: Thanks to reader Alastair Watson for sharing in his photo of riders on the new Queens Domain track during a recent lunch break.



NEW SOUNDSCAPE SCULPTURE EXPANDS FRANKLIN SQUARE'S HISTORY

AUDIO JOURNEY: A concept drawing of what Two Islands will look like when placed in Franklin Square.

A new sculpture in Franklin Square by internationally-acclaimed artist Dr Nigel Helyer will bring historical stories to life with an innovative 'soundscape'.

The artwork, *Two Islands*, features the hull of John Franklin's ship, the *Erebus*, alongside a Tasmanian Aboriginal canoe.

People who walk near the sculpture will trigger motion sensors that start a loop of spoken Aboriginal and colonial stories.

Dr Helyer's \$100,000 artwork was selected unanimously by the City's independent Public Art Advisory Panel and represents the City's first major artwork that publicly recognises the Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

Dr Helyer will work with Aboriginal canoe-maker Tony Brown this year to create the work, and to provide opportunities for other Aboriginal people to contribute to the sound sculpture.

The artwork will be built locally using Tasmanian materials and fabricators including the Tasmanian Wooden Boat Centre and Barking Owl Audio. ■



KEEP TRUCKIN: Food trucks have proved popular with Hobart locals. Photo: Alastair Bett.

Food trucks hit Hobart streets for good

Hobart's popular 12-month trial of food trucks has turned into a permanent program.

The trial showed that food trucks enlivened public spaces, expanded dining options and provided an opportunity for people to start their first food business.

Applications for the new program opened in early January, with annual and short-term licences available from hobartcity.com.au/foodtrucks

Food trucks will be allowed to trade in more places than in the trial, but there will be some no-go zones to protect existing food businesses and residences.

The program has also been opened up to non-road-registered vehicles such as tricycles and carts, and vendors must use compostable containers as part of the City's zero waste to landfill goal.

To find a food truck in your area, use the **Where the Truck At?** app. ■

FUTURIST LOOS GRACE PRINCES PARK



BRIGHT BLOCK: The new Princes Park toilet block includes an accessible toilet and change table. Photo: City of Hobart.

Hobart's newest public toilet block has been unveiled in Battery Point's Princes Park.

The new block is on the main path next to the playground and replaces the ageing toilets at the opposite end of the park.

Locating the new block close to the playground will help parents looking after more than one child and also improves visibility for other users.

An accessible toilet and change table have been added to the futuristic looking structure, designed by Terroir architects and built by Hutchinson Builders.

The City has also recently upgraded the Franklin Square toilet block to improve ventilation, lighting and tiling. ■

BEAM ME UP

Young artists wanting to see their work projected on a massive scale will be rewarded by this year's Light up the Lane festival.



BEAM ME UP: Every spare surface is lit up through Mathers Place during Light Up the Lane. Photo: Graziano Di Martino

The Light up the Lane digital arts festival features illuminated pieces from young artists aged 12 to 25 years, working in all mediums ranging in size from an entire building to a small screen.

Back for its fourth year as part of the National Youth Week, the pop-up festival will be held in Mathers Place at 108 Bathurst Street in Hobart, on Friday 31 March.

Projections will be screened from 6.30 until 9.30 pm. The festival will also feature performances from local young musicians, DJs and dancers as well as a cinema room screening short films, and there will be food vans on site. This family friendly event is drug and alcohol free.

Light up the Lane is organised by the City of Hobart's Youth Arts and Recreation Centre: youthartsandrec.org ■

CLEANING UP, AND DOWN, THE MOUNTAIN



HIGH HOPES: Help keep kunanyi/Mt Wellington looking fantastic with Clean Up Australia Day on Saturday 4 March. Photo: Alastair Bett.

Past Clean Up Australia Days have resulted in a mountain of collected rubbish, so this year the City is focussing on its own mountain, with a clean-up session from 10 am until 1 pm on Saturday 4 March.

Everyone who has a soft spot for kunanyi/Mt Wellington is invited to come along to lend a hand with the Clean up Australia Day event.

Bags, gloves and equipment will be supplied, all you have to bring are warm clothes, wet weather gear, sturdy shoes, snacks and lots of cleansing energy.

Last year, the City of Hobart held two clean-ups on kunanyi/Mt Wellington and collected more than a staggering 200 kg of rubbish.

If you would like to help, come along to the summit car park anytime between 10 am and 1 pm.

You can also take a walk down the Pinnacle Track and leave your filled bags at The Springs for pick up. ■

ZERO WASTE TO LANDFILL GOAL ON TRACK



The City of Hobart's zero waste to landfill goal is on track, with residents and businesses improving their recycling and reuse over the past year.

Last year:

- 7000 tonnes of rubbish were diverted from landfill through recycling and re-use
- residents consistently did a good job of sorting their recycling and green waste
- 1000 people opted in to the green waste kerbside collection

This year, about 2500 tonnes of green waste is set to be collected, representing about 10 per cent of annual landfill input.

The City is now also collecting 1–20 litre containers of old paint at the South Hobart Waste Centre in McRobies Road – usable paint can still be dropped off at the Tip Shop.

The City has a Waste Management Strategy through to 2030 that aims to reduce the amount of rubbish going into landfill. A copy of the strategy is available at hobartcity.com.au/publications ■

COUNCIL MEETINGS OPEN TO ALL

All Hobart City Council meetings are open to the public and start at 5 pm in the Town Hall Council Chamber, 50 Macquarie Street, Hobart.

If you can't come in person you can listen live online or to a recording after the meeting by visiting: http://www.hobartcity.com.au/Council/Council_Meetings/Council_Meeting_live_recordings

To see what's on the agenda and listen to council meetings, visit the City of Hobart website: hobartcity.com.au/Council/Council_Meetings

Meeting dates for the next quarter are on Mondays:

- 6 and 20 March
- 8 and 22 May
- 3 and 24 April
- 5 and 19 June

Environment and waste grants open soon

Applications for Dr Edward Hall environment grants open in March 2017: hobartcity.com.au/dredwardhall

Applications for the City of Hobart waste reduction grants open in April 2017: hobartcity.com.au/wastegrants



WHAT'S ON

Clean up kunanyi/Mt Wellington

Saturday 4 March, 10 am – 1 pm
Meet at summit car park
hobartcity.com.au/Bushcare

Ten Days on the Island

Thursday 16 – Sunday 26 March
tendays.org.au

Harmony Day celebration

Tuesday 21 March, 12.30 pm
Elizabeth Mall, Hobart

Vibrance Festival

Saturday 25 – Sunday 26 March
82–84 Bathurst Street, Hobart
vibrancefestival.com

Light up the Lane

Friday 31 March, 6.30–9.30 pm
108 Bathurst Street, Hobart
youthartsandrec.org

City of Hobart free composting workshops

Sunday 11 June and
Sunday 9 July, 10.30–11.30 am Mathers House,
108–110 Bathurst Street, Hobart
RSVP to goodlifepermaculture.com.au

Bush Adventures autumn activities program

hobartcity.com.au/bushadventures

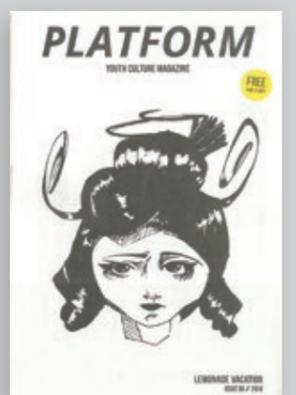
Mathers House autumn activities program

hobartcity.com.au/Community/Older People

Salamanca Market

Every Saturday
Salamanca Place, Hobart
hobartcity.com.au/SalamancaMarket

PLATFORM is a youth culture magazine published by the City of Hobart through the Youth Arts & Recreation Centre.



The magazine is created by local young artists aged 12 to 25. The entire magazine is created by young people for young people.

Eight issues have been created so far and now Platform has moved into the digital realm with a dedicated website designed to showcase the best writing our young locals have to offer: Platform-youthculture.com ■



Harmony celebrated in Elizabeth Mall

This year's Harmony Day will be celebrated on Tuesday 21 March in the Elizabeth Mall with a focus on international, migrant and humanitarian entrant students.

City of Hobart Lord Mayor, Alderman Sue Hickey, will officially welcome students from 12.30 pm, following colourful and engaging musical and dance performances from some of the City's multicultural groups.

The celebration is being organised by the Hobart Networking for Harmony Group and the City of Hobart. ■



Still Gardening

Love to garden and want to help older Tasmanians? We are looking for volunteers to help maintain gardens or talk about the benefits of gardening.

Call 6236 9349 or email: stillgardening@hobartcity.com.au for more information.



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