

Message from the Mayor



Australia Day Awards
- The Story of Australia begins 60,000 years ago and on 26 January 2023, we will recognise and celebrate our country's rich history and most of all, it's people.

Northern Midlands Council has over 100 volunteers contributing

their time to Council, whether it be in an advisory capacity, or in a practical capacity, our volunteers are crucial to maintaining the services and facilities that Council provides. There are also numerous volunteers supporting all manner of community groups including emergency services – indeed the glue in our communities.

Each year we recognise outstanding citizens and events within the community as part of our Australia Day Awards and our 2023 Community Celebration will be held at the recreation ground in Cressy. Commencing at 10.00am with the Australia Day Awards, the 2023 Australia Day Address will be delivered by Ella Dixon followed by Citizenship ceremonies, a free community sausage sizzle and a round or two of community cricket.

Come dressed as your favourite Australian sporting hero, and bring your bike decorated in your Aussie theme to win prizes.

Most of all, bring your happy smile and be ready to share your stories as we have a yarn and celebrate, community.

Self-contained means, your vehicle must include its own shower, washing, toilet, cooking, and sleeping facilities within the vehicle and no grey/black water, or other liquid is to be let out onto the ground, around trees, or into the river.

Your free permit can be obtained from Council's website northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/ Write your permit number on a piece of paper and display it on your dashboard.

If you are unable to connect to the internet, call Council on (03) 6397 7303 during business hours and we can assist you with a permit number. If you arrive after hours and require our assistance, please call first thing in the morning.

Grasses and Mowing - If you live in or near the bush, your home is at risk from bushfire. The beautiful weather has also produced ideal growing conditions which has affected the amount and length of grass throughout the municipality on both private and council land that can be difficult to maintain for us all.

This long, dry grass is an ideal fuel source for fire which can be problematic for our communities so I encourage property owners to do the best they can to keep the grass short.

Council staff have been further delayed by equipment malfunctions which has put them behind schedule in our southern communities however they are progressively working their way around the municipality.

Community Events Calendar – While the weather is so fantastic, why not take advantage of it and get out and about:

Markets

- ★ Evandale Markets – Every Sunday from 8am to 2pm
- ★ Ross Village Market – 3rd Sunday of each month 9am to 3pm
- ★ Campbell Town Markets – Last Sunday of the month 8am to 2pm
- ★ Campbell Town Bowles Club Market – Second Sunday of each month
- ★ Longford RSL Car Boot Sale – the last Saturday of the month from 9am to 1pm
- ★ Liffey Valley Market – held at the Old Liffey School on the second Saturday of the month (September to April)

If I have missed a market, can you please let me know.

Walking Football Tasmania – Promoting fun, physical and mental health, a Walking version of soccer (no running or jogging allowed) Saturday 28 January at Campbell Town District High School Gymnasium 2pm to 3.30pm

Launceston Horticultural Society will present their **Summer Flower Show** at Evandale Memorial Hall on 11 to 12 February including Floral art, flower judging, open to the public. Strathmore' at 286 Nile Rd will also have a display. 2pm to 5pm Saturday and 9am - 4pm Sunday.

Ross Arts Festival will be presenting Christopher Barman conducting Camerata Obscura in a concert of **Summer for Symphonies** at the Ross Town Hall Sunday 12 February at 2pm.

Evandale Village Fair & National Penny Farthing Championships on Saturday 18th February 2013 from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Mona Foma Chloe Kim - Chloe Kim is drumming for 100 hours around Tasmania, and 10 of those hours are at Ross. A Mona Foma event, come to listen and watch this talented drummer smash out some beats from 8am-11am, 12pm-4pm, 5pm-8pm. Free entry. Ross Town Hall, Bridge St. <https://monafoma.net.au/100-hours>

Committee Vacancies - Local District Committee Vacancies - There are presently vacancies on the following Committees until 30 June 2023:

- Avoca, Royal George, and Rossarden (1)
- Campbell Town District Forum (1)
- Cressy Local District Committee (1)
- Evandale Local Advisory Committee (3)
- Longford Local District Committee (1)
- Perth Local District Committee (3)
- Ross Local District Committee (2)

Local Recycling Committee Vacancies - The Local Recycling Committee identifies and prioritises achievable local recycling initiatives and provides a focal point for information relating to waste disposal and recycling between the Northern Midlands Council and the community.

The committee currently has four (4) vacancies so if you would like to actively participate and provide feedback to the Northern Midlands Council in respect to key strategic recycling issues, contact Lorraine Wyatt by emailing council@nmc.tas.gov.au

FOGO Bin Rollout 2023 -

The rollout of FOGO bins has commenced and will continue through to the end of January and flyers have been placed in letterboxes to let you know what you can and can't put in your FOGO bin. If you don't receive yours by the end of January, please let us know or, look at the information on our Facebook page or on our website:

<https://northernmidlands.tas.gov.au>



Mary Knowles OAM

Mayor



Project Updates

Longford Road Safety Park

The line markings on the roads have now been completed. Signage has been ordered and will be installed once it arrives.



Australia Day
Community Celebration

From 10.00am to 3.00pm

- Australia Day Awards including address from Ambassador Ella Dixon
- Citizenship Ceremonies
- Free community lunch - BBQ/sausage sizzle
- Competitions:
 - Prizes for best decorated bike
 - Prizes for best costume, come dressed as your favourite Aussie sporting hero
 - Community Cricket (modified rules) at 1.00pm (Mums/Dads verses the Kids)

See you at
Cressy Recreation Ground
Thursday, 26 January 2023

welcome to
CRESSY

We're all part of the Story

Reminder - Permits Required for Self-Contained Recreational Vehicle Overnight Rest Areas - Northern Midlands Council offers a range of self-contained recreational vehicle friendly towns but, you **must** obtain a permit prior to your arrival, and you cannot stay longer than **48 hours**.