



Wimmera River to host dragon boat regatta

More than 250 paddlers will take to the Wimmera River on the first weekend of November for the Horsham Dragon Boat Regatta.

A come and try day is scheduled for the Saturday afternoon and the racing will start on the Sunday.

The event will feature 10 teams, including interstate entries and all the action will be at Horsham Rowing Club in Barnes Boulevard.

Horsham Rural City Council Co-ordinator Business Development and Tourism Chris McClure said the Regatta would bring significant economic benefit to the region.

"With those sort of numbers plus partners and family that is probably 350 people we would expect to be here," Mr McClure said.

"In terms of an economic benefit, having 350 odd people stay for two nights in our caravan parks and motels and then having meals and social functions in the evening, it will be quite substantial.

"We want Horsham to be recognised as the event capital in Western Victoria."

Dragon Boat Victoria General Manager Chris Schleusener said it was very exciting to return to the Wimmera.



"I think it is very exciting for our metro members to get out and experience paddling in the regions to support our regional clubs like the existing Dimboola club," he said.

Dimboola Warreguk Dragon Boat Club President Ann Falkingham hoped to see more members join.

"Hopefully they enjoy it and come and watch the competing on the Sunday and then join the Dimboola Warreguk Dragon Boat club which will now be Horsham based," she said.

Dragon boat racing has cultural origins in ancient China and has evolved into a highly competitive sport right across the globe.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Organic / Green Waste Material

Council invites expressions of interest from companies with the capacity to receive organic waste / green waste material.

Council currently receives around 800 tonnes per year of green waste at its Kenny Rd transfer station. Currently this material is mulched on a periodic basis but this may become more frequent.

Council is investigating the introduction of a green waste collection service. It is estimated that this could produce up to an additional 2000 tonnes per year of green waste. If adopted by Council, this service could be in place from July 2019.

There is no prescribed format for the submission of expressions of interest, but it is anticipated that the following aspects would be addressed:

- Annual capacity of material able to be received.
- Weekly capacity to receive material.
- Location of receipt of material
- Range of materials able to be received, e.g. including food organics, manure from regional saleyards
- Physical form of material, e.g. mulched / un-mulched
- Costs

Submissions will be treated as commercial-in-confidence and are to be submitted to the Director Infrastructure: council@hrcc.vic.gov.au. For more information ph: 5382 9724.



NORTHWEST GRAMPIANS LIONS BRANCH

In association with Horsham Rural City Council



His Mothers Son
The story of Ellen Kelly

Join Christine Middleton in this multi media production incorporating storytelling, songs and photos, as she performs "His Mothers Son - The Story of Ellen Kelly", mother of our most famous Bushranger Edward "Ned" Kelly.

This riveting and poignant drama is a tribute to the pioneering bush women who shaped this country with their vision, courage, tragedies, devotion, hard work and resilience.

DATE
Monday 8 October
TIME
1.30pm
VENUE
Horsham Town Hall | Heritage Hall
DURATION
90 minutes plus interval
PRICE
\$20.00 | All tickets
Includes afternoon tea

Local sports grant applications submitted

Horsham Rural City Council has submitted four projects to the Federal Government's Community Sport Infrastructure Grant Program.

The new funding scheme was announced in August and will be delivered by the Australian Sports Commission.

The grants support greater community participation in sport and physical activity and are designed to offer safer and more inclusive community sporting hubs.

Director Community Wellbeing Kevin O'Brien said, given the tight time frames, Council had prioritised projects that were well advanced in the planning and consultation stages.

"Following the release of the new funding guidelines, Officers have assessed any current projects that are application ready and suitable for the new funding program," Mr O'Brien said.

The following projects were identified as the most suitable for application to the Federal Fund:



Horsham Aquatic Centre Stage 2 Accessibility project \$646,313
Grant request \$323,000, Council contribution \$323,313.

Quantong Netball Facilities \$248,000
Grant request \$165,000, Council contribution \$83,000.

Laharum Community Facility \$700,000
Grant request \$500,000, Laharum Sports Inc. \$200,000.

Pimpinio Second Netball Court \$228,160
Grant request \$125,000, Council contribution \$35,320, Club contribution \$67,840.

ANNUAL REPORT

The 2017-2018 Annual Report and associated Annual Accounts for Horsham Rural City Council will be considered and received at an ordinary meeting of Council on Monday 22 October 2018. Council has received a copy of the report from the Auditor, under section 9(a) of the Audit Act 1994 which forms part of the Annual Report.

The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, 18 Roberts Avenue, Horsham, starting at 5.30pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Copies of the 2017-2018 Annual Report, including the Auditor's Report and Performance Statement, are available for inspection at the Municipal Offices, Civic Centre, 18 Roberts Avenue, Horsham and the Natimuk Council Office, Natimuk Community Centre, Main Street, Natimuk. The Annual Report can also be downloaded from Council's website - www.hrcc.vic.gov.au



DEAF AWARENESS TRAINING

Wednesday 17 October

- Understand issues faced by deaf and hard of hearing people
- Learn about deaf community and culture
- Learn basic Auslan (Australian Sign Language)

Location: Kalkee Road Childrens and Community Hub
Time: 2pm until 3.30pm or 7pm until 8.30pm
Cost: Free **RSVP:** by 10 October
Contact: Maggie Bridgewater Deaf Access Worker
Maggie.Bridgewater@hrcc.vic.gov.au Ph/mobile text: 0437167125

MARKETING SPONSORSHIP

Tourism Events & Festivals Funding

Horsham Rural City Council is committed to supporting tourism within the Horsham municipality and recognises the value of events to the region's wider visitor economy. Events provide an economic injection and increased visitation and awareness to the region.

Council invites applications for sponsorship to assist the marketing of events, festivals and other marketing activities.

Marketing sponsorship is now available. Application and guidelines are available from Gloria McRae, Civic Centre, Roberts Avenue, ph 53829706 or email gloria.mcrae@hrcc.vic.gov.au

IMMUNISATION

Thursday
4 October
8.30am to 10am
Tuesday
16 October
4pm to 5.30pm



TENDERS

CONSULTANCY SERVICES

CONTRACT No. 19/004

Council is seeking consultancy services for development of a Strategic Planning Framework and Vision for the revitalisation of the Wimmera River precinct Horsham and Horsham central activities district (CAD).

Tenders close 12noon Monday 8 October.

For more information visit hrcc.vic.gov.au
For technical support contact 1800 836 337

