COMMUNITY UPDATE

Festival of FOOD FLAVOURS & FUN

tastes
OF CENTRAL GEELONG
5-28 July 2019

Afternoon with Karen Martini • Sweet Street • Delicious Events
Over three weeks, Tastes of Central Geelong showcases the fabulous restaurants and cafes in Central Geelong.

For the full Tastes program of events and more information visit CENTRALGEELONG.COM.AU/TASTES

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OF CENTRAL GEELOM
— 5-28 July 2019 —
Festival of food, flavours & fun

Indulge your senses at Tastes of Central Geelong – it’s a 24 day festival of food, flavours and fun. Held throughout Central Geelong, sample gourmet food and drink, learn tricks of the trade from local chefs, wine and dine and participate in food-themed events. With hundreds of activities on offer, it doesn’t matter if you’re a seasoned foodie or a new found food lover, young or young at heart, there’s something for everyone at Tastes of Central Geelong.

Bon Appetit!

Guided Tours

Fried Chicken & Froths
Sample tasty Korean, Japanese and Southern fried chicken, washing it all down with crisp local beers.
Dates: Wednesday 10, 17 & 24 July
Time: 6.00pm
Cost: $40
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BCBYS

Cheese & Wine
Graze your way through some of Central Geelong’s cheese and wine experts. Treat your taste buds to an afternoon of cheese, charcuterie and wine tastings at a select few.
Dates: Friday 12, 19 & 26 July
Times: 3.00pm
Cost: $40
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BCCBT
*Patrons must be 18+ to attend this tour

Just Desserts
Enjoy a variety of sweets from just a small sample of Central Geelong’s thriving dessert bar scene with one exciting mystery stop from a Dessert Wars entrant.
Dates: Saturday 13, 20 & 27 July
Time: 11.00am
Cost: $33
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BCCCU

Dumplings, Bao & Buns
This is not a drill! During Tastes we are bringing you a walking tour dedicated to your Asian favourites. Spend the afternoon tasting mouth-watering dumplings, bao and buns that can only be found in Central Geelong.
Dates: Thursday 11, 18 & 25 July
Time: 1.30pm
Cost: $33
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BC3ZT

Soups & Broths
Sample hearty soups and broths on offer this season from a select few in Central Geelong. Discover how this winter favourite is done in other parts of the world as well as the classic dish we all know and love.
Dates: Wednesday 10, 17 & 24 July
Time: 1.30pm
Cost: $33
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BBTJ

Tastes for Kids

The first week of Tastes falls in the second week of school holidays which means kids can enjoy Tastes too! On offer is a variety of kids activities including a VR experience, Milkshake Chefs, cooking classes & workshops and crafts.
For kids events visit centralgeelong.com.au/kidstastes

EAT the STREET

Eat your way through Central Geelong’s vibrant laneways, tasting a little something from a select few. Be guided through this food hub, stopping at six venues treating your taste buds and meeting the brains behind the operation. This is one exclusive experience not to be missed!
Dates: Thursday 11, 18 & 25 July
Time: 5.30pm
Cost: $30
Bookings (essential): trybooking.com/BCCRK
*Patrons must be 18+ to attend this tour
SHINING A LIGHT ON RECONCILIATION

RECONCILIATION IS ABOUT BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS, RESPECT, AND COMMITMENT AS WELL AS CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE.

To enhance reconciliation efforts in our region, we’re developing a Reconciliation Action Plan. This plan will detail the steps we need to take to achieve equality between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and non-Indigenous people in our community.

The City of Greater Geelong acknowledges Wadawurrung Traditional Owners of this land and all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People who are part of the Greater Geelong community today.

Approximately 2400 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live in Greater Geelong.

We will be creating the action plan in partnership with representatives of the Aboriginal community and Reconciliation Australia, and we want your feedback too.

Tell us your priorities and aspirations to help direct our reconciliation strategies and activities with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.


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City Hall has been transformed into a digital canvas to help mark this year’s National Reconciliation Week. More than 50 artworks produced by local Aboriginal children, students and artists will be projected onto City Hall and Barwon Water’s building forecourt in Ryrie Street, from 24 May until 9 June (6.00pm–11.00pm).

The projections will also feature approximately 30 works created by Aboriginal men from Barwon, Karreenga and Marrgoneet prisons. With support from The Torch project, these artworks will be exhibited at the Geelong Library & Heritage Centre until 20 June.
MAYOR'S MESSAGE

There are hundreds of great clubs and groups in our region who provide enjoyment, activities and social opportunities for their local communities.

Be they sporting clubs, theatre troupes, conservation groups, or other, they generally all have a couple of things in common:

1. They’re run by fantastic volunteers who give hours of their time and effort for the benefit of others, and
2. They need money to survive and thrive.

As a council, we’re acutely aware that we have a key role to play in supporting our community clubs and groups.

That’s why in our new proposed financial year budget, we’ve bulked up our community grants program to make more money available to more people.

It’s proposed that in 2019-20, our Community Investment Support Fund will offer a total of over $8.3 million in grants, which is 30 per cent up on last year.

This includes $3 million specifically for community infrastructure (up from $1 million in 2018-19), to help fund major projects such as lighting and changeroom upgrades through grants of up to $350,000.

Where previously only clubs on council-owned or Crown Land could apply for infrastructure grants, now they’re open to clubs on private land as well.

The draft budget also proposes a brand new $300,000 community events fund. This is for events that don’t classify as Geelong Major Events, but still bring enormous benefit to their local communities.

In addition, there are grants categories for environment projects, heritage restorations, arts projects and festivals, and equipment purchases. All of these contribute to a happy and healthy Greater Geelong.

Applications for the first round of grants open in June at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/grants – and if you need help applying, there’s support available.

If your club has a project needing funding, please check if it qualifies for a council grant and put in an application.

2019–20 Budget – stay tuned

Keep an eye out for all the details on this year’s budget in the August Community Update.

This publication is part of the City’s ongoing commitment to improve our communication and engagement with our residents. We make every effort to ensure the information included is accurate at the time of publishing, but it may be subject to change. If you have any ideas to improve Community Update please email: communityupdate@geelongcity.vic.gov.au
The City’s Settlement Strategy predicts our population will grow by more than 150,000 people to 387,900 by 2036.

The City has stepped up its campaign to deliver the much-needed Northern ARC development.

With the backing of G21 Geelong Region Alliance and other leading organisations, the City has a petition calling on governments to provide funding for the health and wellbeing facility.

The Northern ARC would offer multiple pools, water play areas, gym and group exercise, early childhood care and maternal health, rehabilitation services and community spaces.

The City has allocated $20.6 million to the development, which would be situated on the current Waterworld site in Norlane, next to the new Barwon Health North facility.

The petition calls on other levels of government to commit the necessary funds to realise the $61.6 million priority project. Help support the petition at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/northernarc

The advocacy campaign also includes an open letter of support, co-signed by 18 Geelong community leaders, and a billboard on the Princes Freeway at Lara.

FUND THE NORTHERN ARC


PLANNING FOR GROWTH

Blueprints for the development of the largest urban growth project in regional Victoria are taking shape.

Work on the Northern and Western Geelong Growth Areas – which will host a combined population greater than that of Ballarat – is a key priority of the Council Plan for 2019–20.

A focus is the creation of Precinct Structure Plans (PSP) for the areas around Elcho Road East (Northern) and Creamery Road (Western).

They are the first of nine PSPs that will be developed in a planned, orderly sequence for the two growth areas.

The work paves the way for the urban development of the new neighbourhoods, which will be home to more than 110,000 new Geelong residents.

The overall project aims to deliver great places to live and meet the city’s clever and creative aspirations, while addressing Geelong’s long-term population growth needs.

There is a strong commitment to enhance the natural environment, create vibrant and walkable neighbourhoods, provide easy access and movement and to grow the local economy.

The plan includes 19 primary schools, five secondary schools, major road and rail upgrades and the transformation of the Batesford quarry into a freshwater lake.

A planning scheme amendment, which is required to facilitate the PSPs, is expected to be exhibited in July.

DID YOU KNOW?

United front: Geelong leaders are calling for funding for the Northern ARC.

Northern ARC Concept designs.

POT HOLE?
MISSING BIN?
THERE’S AN APP FOR THAT!

Found a dog, noticed graffiti, or perhaps seen damaged play equipment at a park?

Help keep our public spaces safe and tidy by using the GeelongCity app to report anything you think needs attention.

Our easy to use app allows you to report over 100 different issues. Just upload a photo and tell us the location of the issue.

The GeelongCity app is free and available from the App store or Google Play; just search for Geelong City.
LET'S TALK ABOUT SOCIAL HOUSING

Our region’s population is growing and housing costs are on the rise. Housing stress now impacts about eight per cent of our residents, increasing the need for secure, affordable, long-term housing.

That’s why the City is developing a social housing plan, thanks to funding from the Department of Health and Human Services. In response to changes in planning and environment legislation, the plan will identify future social housing needs and suitable land, and propose some options to increase the amount of high-quality, accessible housing available in our region through to 2036.

Exciting and innovative approaches to social housing are emerging as governments and not-for-profits grapple with the complex nation-wide issue of housing affordability and housing stress.

Join us to hear from leaders who are facing the issue head-on and coming up with new models and approaches to social housing.

We’re hosting a community forum and panel discussion featuring:

- Lisa Briggs, CEO, Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative
- Ken Marchingo, CEO, Haven Home Safe
- Jeanette Large, CEO, Women’s Property Initiatives
- Madeline di Pietrantonio, Social and Affordable Housing Coordinator, City of Kingston
- Janine Shelley, North Geelong Rental Housing Co-operative

This free event is part of ‘The City presents’ series and is being held at City Hall on Thursday 20 June from 7.00pm-8.30pm. Book your ticket at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/yoursay

ARMSTRONG CREEK’S COMMUNITY SPIRIT

The Armstrong Creek community continues to evolve with more than a dozen community groups and organisations now operating from our largest integrated child and community centre.

Following its official opening in April, the new Armstrong Creek East Community Hub is hosting fitness, dance, faith, youth, writing and new parent groups in the flexible 2800 square-metre facility.

The wide variety of activities reflects the rising population in Armstrong Creek’s first residential precinct, which is expected to be home to around 17,500 people when fully developed.

The hub is located on Central Boulevard next to the Armstrong Creek School, which opened in 2018.

The $15.24 million facility has been jointly funded by the Victorian Government ($7.24 million) and the City of Greater Geelong ($8 million).

The largest integrated centre of its kind in Greater Geelong features a 191 place long day-care and kindergarten, operated by Bestchance Child Family Care. It also includes Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services, providing free information, advice and support to families with children from birth to school age.

There are nine flexible areas for the groups and the public to use, including meeting spaces, multi-purpose rooms and a playroom.

ARMSTRONG CREEK EAST CONTACT INFORMATION

CHILD CARE AND KINDERGARTEN SERVICES

Contact Bestchance Child Family Care at enquiries@bestchance.org.au or phone 1300 224 644.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH


YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The City’s youth space (for young people aged 12–25) operates every Wednesday 4.00pm-6.00pm during school terms. Contact youthadmin@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or phone 5272 5272.

BOOK A COMMUNITY SPACE

Book a community space or room for your group at bookingofficer@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or phone 5272 5272.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Start a community program or group in Armstrong Creek, email pjfarri@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or phone 5272 4229.
OUR COAST’S PRECIOUS FOR SHORE

The City has been working to restore the habitat of one of our most remote and precious coastal areas, the Buckley Park foreshore, which stretches from Ocean Grove to Point Lonsdale.

The picturesque foreshore is one of our region’s only truly remote coastal reserves, much of it inaccessible by road, and home to many unique plants and animals.

The area is also an important breeding ground for the critically endangered hooded plover. Alongside Conservation Volunteers Australia, the City’s nature reserves team and specialist contractors have cleared about 40 hectares of harmful weeds from the foreshore, allowing native plants and shrubs to flourish.

Since 2014, the City, along with Ocean Grove Coast Care and the Week Day Weeder, have stepped-up efforts to rapidly restore the natural habitat along a five kilometre stretch of the foreshore, after receiving $370,000 in funding from the Corangamite Catchment Management Authority.

The team’s hard work has had a remarkably positive effect on the local habitat throughout Buckley Park foreshore, allowing an estimated 100,000 new native plants to naturally regenerate in this unique and precious coastal area.

GEELONG’S WAR ON WASTE

THE CITY IS ADDRESSING THE SERIOUS WASTE AND RECYCLING CHALLENGES FACING OUR NATION.

To combat the issue, we’re developing a new Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy.

The strategy will set our region’s long-term waste management directions and actions to reduce waste and increase the rate of recoverable material being diverted from landfill. Among the issues to be tackled is the reduction of food waste, which accounts for about one-third of the material in our residential red bins.

Public consultation has also considered the future of waste disposal. We’re assessing the feedback received so far, which includes almost 500 responses. The draft strategy will be presented for public input later in the year.

REDUCE YOUR WASTE

IT’S UP TO EVERYONE TO HELP ADDRESS THE MAJOR CHALLENGES WE’RE FACING IN WASTE AND RECYCLING.

Start by cutting down the amount of your waste that ends up in landfill by reducing, reusing and recycling wherever you can.

WHERE DO I RECYCLE MY E-WASTE?

E-waste can be dropped off free at:
- Geelong Resource Recovery Centre, 100 Douro Street, North Geelong
- Drysdale Resource Recovery Centre, Becks Road, Drysdale
- Mobile phones can be dropped off at MobileMuster sites. Find your nearest site at www.mobilemuster.com.au/ recycle-a-mobile

Drop off your AA, AAA, C, D and 9 volt batteries (domestic quantities only) at:
- Geelong Resource Recovery Centre
- The City’s customer service centres
- Lara Library
- Your local ALDI store

CDS, DVDS AND COVERS

Drop off your old CDs, DVDs and covers at our customer service centres and we’ll recycle them for you.

MOBILE PHONES

Most of the materials in mobile phones can be recovered and reused. Find your nearest mobile phone recycling location at www.mobilemuster.com.au.

RECYCLE OLD PLASTIC BAGS

Some supermarkets can recycle your old plastic bags. Ask them next time you’re shopping.

CLOTHING AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Recycle clothes you no longer wear. You can donate them to a local charity or even make money by selling them online.

WORM FARMS AND COMPOST BINS

Your food scraps and garden waste can be turned into compost – your garden and plants will love the extra nutrients.

REUSE

Buy durable and long-lasting products. These are often better quality, require fewer repairs and create less waste than disposable products.

FOR MORE TIPS ON REDUCING YOUR WASTE, VISIT WWW.GEELONGAUSTRALIA.COM.AU/RECYCLING

DID YOU KNOW?

Last year the City collected approximately 27,000 tonnes of recyclables through our yellow-bin recycling collection.
GREEN LIGHT FOR BIKE LANES

After considering a wide range of community views and significant safety research, council has voted to move ahead with the Better Bike Connections southern and western links.

Here’s an update on each section now approved to go ahead:

**WESTERN LINK**
- The contract has been awarded for this section, which connects central Geelong to Herne Hill.
- Works will begin onsite from Monday 17 June.

**SOUTHERN LINK – STAGE ONE**
- This section, which runs along Gheringhap, Carr and Moorabool streets, was approved after extensive consultation around factors including car parking and safety.
- The detailed design will now be finalised and the works are expected to proceed to tender this year.

**SOUTHERN LINK – STAGE TWO**
- The connection from the Barwon River to Waurn Ponds, including High Street in Belmont, will now proceed to detailed design.
- This stage requires funding variation approval from the TAC.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the project team at BetterBikeConnections@geelongcity.vic.gov.au

KEEP YOUR PROPERTY AND VACANT LAND SAFE ALL YEAR ROUND

- Inspect your property and land regularly
- Cut grass all year round (grass must be less than 15cm high at all times)
- Clear any excess rubbish, weeds, litter and building materials
- Don’t make your property a fire hazard
- Don’t put your neighbours at risk
- Failure to comply can result in a fine of up to $2000

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Our Neighbourhood Amenity laws are there to ensure community safety and to enhance the look of our streets and neighbourhoods.

You might think fire hazards only occur in winter but we often see a surge of weed growth in winter which can make properties a fire hazard and endanger nearby residents and homes.

That’s why we’re encouraging all landowners to inspect their properties regularly to make sure they keep on top of maintenance.

Owners of vacant land need to keep it clear of potential fire dangers such as weeds, litter and rubbish, building materials, and regularly mow grass so it doesn’t exceed a height of 15cm.

Any properties considered a fire hazard will be issued with a Notice To Comply to clean up the property by a certain time.

Failure to comply can result in a fine to the property owner of up to $2000.

To find out more, visit www.geelongaustralia.com.au/locallaws

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It’s critical that all pet owners help us manage the problem of unwanted kittens and cats across Greater Geelong.

Cats can breed rapidly leading to many unwanted litters.

Did you know that thousands of cats are impounded but only a small number are claimed by owners or are re-housed?

To manage this growing problem, our Domestic Animal Management Plan requires that all cats are de-sexed at the time of registration.

To take advantage of our discounted de-sexing and registration offer during July, visit www.geelongaustralia.com.au/pets

A NEW SPIN ON EDUCATION

THE CITY’S LARGEST MULTI-USE SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT VENUE IS NOW AN EDUCATION HUB.

The Geelong Arena has become the home of SEDA College’s third campus in Geelong.

Victoria’s largest Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) provider, SEDA is offering a basketball and netball program for year 11 and 12 students at the City-owned facility.

The college has partnered with Netball Victoria, Basketball Victoria and Melbourne United to offer education and industry experience.

The first intake of 25 students are working towards a Senior VCAL along with the Certificate II and III in Sport and Recreation.

It adds another string to the bow of the Geelong Arena, which complements its range of sporting activities with functions, concerts, expos, conventions and community events.

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LOOKING TO START, GROW OR DEVELOP YOUR BUSINESS?

The Geelong Small Business Festival is back this August with dozens of events and workshops to help take your business (or business idea) to the next level.

Gain expert insight and knowledge from business leaders and connect with other local businesses.

Develop skills in areas critical for small business success:

• Marketing and social media
• Business development and sales
• Networking
• Entrepreneur and start-ups
• Employing and leading people

Held at various locations around Geelong from 1–31 August.

See the event program, available from 17 June, at www.gsbf.com.au

A PROSPEROUS ECONOMY THAT SUPPORTS JOBS AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Want all the latest news and updates on what’s happening for small businesses in Geelong?

To subscribe email ecodev@geelongcity.vic.gov.au and you’ll also receive information on grants and funding opportunities, as well as networking events.

SHAPE OUR NEW PRECINCT

WE’D LIKE YOUR COMMENTS, FEEDBACK AND SUGGESTIONS ON OUR NEW CIVIC PRECINCT AT 137 MERCER STREET.

Expected to be completed in 2022, this precinct will be the City’s new central administrative workplace and will provide community access to our services. It’ll enable us to deliver better and more efficient services to the Geelong community.

We want your help to make sure we create an inclusive precinct for our entire community. Your feedback and ideas will also help council’s decision-making process when it selects a preferred tenderer later this year.

REGISTER FOR A WALKING TOUR OF THE CIVIC PRECINCT SITE

Community walking tours of the Civic Precinct site will be held on Tuesday 11, Thursday 13 and Sunday 16 June.

Visit www.geelongaustralia.com.au/civiprecinct to register for a walking tour or to take part in our interactive forum.

You can also provide feedback in person by visiting our customer service centre at 100 Brougham Street.

PECHAKUCHA NIGHT GEELONG

Following the success of the inaugural PechaKucha Night in March, this fun and informal multi-speaker event is returning in June with the theme ‘Design Journeys’.

Presented by UNESCO Geelong; City of Design, PechaKucha Night will feature a range of 400-second stories about clever and creative design.

Imagine this: eight speakers, 20 PowerPoint slides, shown for only 20 seconds each. There’s no stopping the slides so presenters must keep up!

PechaKucha is the Japanese word for ‘chit chat’ but increasingly it’s becoming known as a fast-paced, presentation format to tell stories and present ideas.

Join creative professionals to hear stories about great projects, some incredibly personal, some funny and all very different.

Experience the PechaKucha phenomenon – held in more than 1000 cities around the world – and discover why these events are renowned for uncovering unexpected ideas and serious talent.

PECHAKUCHA GEELONG – DESIGN JOURNEYS

Thursday 27 June, 6.30pm–8.30pm
Beav’s Bar, Little Malop Street Geelong

Entry is free, bookings required, www.pkgeelong.eventbrite.com.au

The City presents: It’s Your Money: Breakfast with Alan Kohler

We’re delighted to host the ABC’s Alan Kohler, one of Australia’s most trusted financial experts, to discuss the recent crisis in the banking and financial services industry, where we are now, and how to protect and grow your money.

With more than 45 years’ experience reporting on this sector, Kohler sees the big picture in a way no-one else can.

Monday 19 August, 7.00am–9.00am at Rydges Geelong. Tickets: $37.50 per person, including breakfast. To book, visit www.trybooking.com and search ‘Alan Kohler’.

AUTHORISED CITY

PECHAKUCHA
20 X 20
IMAGES
20 SECONDS

A PROSPEROUS ECONOMY
THAT SUPPORTS JOBS AND
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PECHAKUCHA
GEELONG

FESTIVAL 2019

There are more than 16,000 small businesses that provide more than 50,000 jobs across Greater Geelong.
WIN TICKETS TO THE SAPPHIRES

18–19 July at Potato Shed, Drysdale
To celebrate the award-winning musical play, The Sapphires coming to Geelong, we’re giving away a double pass! Be entertained by the story of four young Aboriginal women from regional Australia, who like singing country music. When opportunity calls, their lives and tune changes. Wearing sequins and armed only with microphones, they find themselves trying to spread joy in the hell that is the Vietnam War.


Competition closes 12.00pm, Friday 12 July.
Terms and conditions apply.

SPIEGELTENT GEELOONG

On now until 23 June at Johnstone Park, Geelong
See a stellar line-up of hand-picked comedy, music, cabaret and dance when the iconic Aurora Spiegeltent arrives in Johnstone Park this winter. Its inaugural season is headlined by the award-winning LIMBO, whose international cast has captivated audiences worldwide with a celebration of other-worldly proportions.

NATIONAL CELTIC FESTIVAL

7–10 June at Portarlington
Warm yourself with rich Celtic culture and a pint of Guinness at the National Celtic Festival. Explore over 65 acts across 12 venues showcasing music, song, dance, theatre, comedy and literature. Participate in workshops, talks, and music sessions. Explore the market area featuring emerging designers, Celtic goods and delicious local produce.

QUEENSCLIFFE BRICKS

8–9 June at Point Lonsdale Primary School Hall
See amazing LEGO creations and models. Join in a master class and test yourself or make something wonderful in the play area. You can also buy new LEGO and enter competitions to win prizes.

VICTORIAN TEACHERS GAMES

22–25 September at various locations, Geelong
Up to 3000 teachers from around the state will descend on our region for the 24th Victorian Teachers Games. There’ll be more than 40 sporting and social activities. The multi-sport event will then return to Geelong for a special 25th anniversary in 2020. Are you a teacher? Register now.

CALENDAR

JUNE

7 Food Truck Friday, Little Malop Street Central, Geelong
7–10 National Celtic Festival, Portarlington
8–9 National Highland Cattle Show and Sale. For location details visit www.eventsgeelong.com.au

JULY

5 Food Truck Friday, Little Malop Street Central, Geelong
5–28 Tastes of Central Geelong, Central Geelong
13 AFL: Geelong Cats V St Kilda, GMHBA Stadium
14 Neil Diamond and Bobby Darin – Legends of Vegas, Potato Shed, Drysdale
9–14 ITTF Australian Open Table Tennis, Geelong Arena, North Geelong
20 Pop-up planetarium – special anniversary celebration, Geelong Gallery

AUGUST

2 Food Truck Friday, Little Malop Street Central, Geelong
10 AFL: Geelong Cats V North Melbourne, GMHBA Stadium

White Night Geelong will be back in 2021!
Geelong will again host the spectacular arts event White Night in 2021. The Victorian Government has announced that following its success in 2018, White Night Geelong will return to illuminate our city’s streets, laneways and public spaces in two years’ time – as part of a rotational regional program.

*Dates and ticketing information researched and presented with due care and attention.
TASTES OF CENTRAL GEELONG • 5 – 28 JULY 2019

This delicious selection of events is only a bite size portion of the Tastes program. Find the entire program, more information and bookings at centralgeelong.com.au/tastes.

Learn & Master

A series of food and drink-related classes and workshops for you to discover. Learn the tricks of the trade, hints and tips from Central Geelong’s experts.

For Learn & Master events visit centralgeelong.com.au/master

$10 DISHES with deliveroo

We’ve partnered with Deliveroo to offer you $10 festival dishes during Tastes. Participating restaurants will have a $10 special menu item for you to order online and have delivered to work or home. For more information and to order visit centralgeelong.com.au/deliveroo.

Dates & Time: During Tastes, 5-28 July
Cost: $10 + delivery fee

What’s For Dinner

The fun continues with themed dinners happening multiple times throughout Tastes. Grab your friends and enjoy Greek Meze, food and beverage pairings and more.

For more dinner events visit centralgeelong.com.au/dinner

Central Geelong Bake Off

Enter your signature dish for the chance to be crowned Central Geelong’s Bake Off Champion by celebrity chef, Karen Martini. Winners of each category will receive two tickets to the Tastes Afternoon with Karen Martini and dinner for two at the Season Degustation Dinner at The Davidson restaurant. The overall winner will receive a 'Kitchen Aid Mixer thanks to Chef’s Essentials valued at $799.'

Venue: Westfield Geelong.
Dates: 11 & 20 July

For One Night Only

During Tastes there will be delicious themed dinners. These gems are for one night only including a Dosa Festival, Stuzzichini for dinner and more.

For one night only events visit centralgeelong.com.au/onenight

Tea Party

You’re invited to join our tea party! High teas and afternoon teas will be happening at various locations throughout Central Geelong. How many will you attend?

For tea party events visit centralgeelong.com.au/teaparty

SWEET STREET FRIDAYS

Indulge your sweet tooth with this sugary delight as we transform Lt Malop West (between Moorabool St & Shorts Pl) into Sweet Street. For two glorious hours enjoy delicious dessert pop ups from Central Geelong businesses, musical entertainment and giveaways.

Dates: Friday 5, 12, 19 & 26 July
Time: 11am-2pm
Visit centralgeelong.com.au/tastes to see what’s on the menu each Friday.

AN AFTERNOON WITH
Karen Martini

Indulge in an afternoon of enjoying sweet treats and bubbles at this afternoon with Karen Martini. Host and GT Editor Jemma Ryan will be interviewing Karen on life as one of Australia’s top chefs followed by a live cooking demonstration with Karen.

Where: The Pier Geelong
Date & Time: Saturday 20 July, 1–3pm
Cost: $50 incl glass of sparkling wine, indulgent afternoon tea & prizes
Bookings (essential): mybooking.com/BBJS

WIN

Central Geelong Bake Off

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Tea Party

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Tasty Treats

A collection of special food themed activities featuring Sweet Street Friday, Friday night events, delicious tastings and more.

For Tasty Treat events visit centralgeelong.com.au/treats

Special Offers

There are plenty of special offers available during Tastes of Central Geelong.

Visit centralgeelong.com.au/tastes to see a full list of offers from 5 July.

Lovely Lunches

A series of special luncheons and express lunches including Burgers & Furry, feed me lunch menus, a Cheesy Luncheon and more.

For lunch events visit centralgeelong.com.au/lunches

Brunches & Buffets

If you’re a slow start in the morning, then enjoy a selection of bottomless brunches, an all you can eat buffet and a buffet brunch.

For brunches and buffet events visit centralgeelong.com.au/brunch

WIN Coffee for a Year

Never miss a beat – sign up to the Tastes of Central Geelong food mailing list and keep up to date with all the foodie events within Tastes of Central Geelong. Plus you’ll have the chance to win coffee for a year.

Enter at centralgeelong.com.au/competitions/110

View terms and conditions online.

This delicious selection of events is only a bite size portion of the Tastes program.

Find the entire program, more information and bookings at centralgeelong.com.au/tastes

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