

WHITEHORSE YOUTH NEWS

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INTRODUCING YOUTH NEWS

A newsletter made
by young people,
for young people

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around Whitehorse

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and get involved



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This issue of Youth News was written by
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Whitehorse Youth News is a newsletter made by young people, for young people. As members of the Whitehorse Youth Voice and as fellow young people, we know how important it is for you to stay connected with your community in a way that's just for young people. And that's why we created this newsletter. We hope it's fun and interesting to read, and that it celebrates what it's like to be a young person in Whitehorse for you. Inside, you'll find upcoming events, community spotlights, fun activities and more!

This is our space to share what matters to young people in Whitehorse - so grab a copy, have a look and enjoy!

FATIMA

CIVIC AWARDS



Fatima Ali - Young Citizen of the Year

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT 'CIVIC AWARDS'

AISHA



Hi, I'm Aisha, I'm 12 years old and a member of Whitehorse Youth Voice, where young people can share their ideas and have a voice in our community. In July, I had the exciting opportunity to represent Youth Voice at the Whitehorse Civic Awards. I presented a speech highlighting the ideas, projects and achievements young people had contributed to throughout the year. Being part of such an important community event was a valuable leadership experience that helped me build confidence, connect with inspiring members of the community and proudly represent young people in Whitehorse.

AISHA, 12

TEVIA



The Whitehorse Civic Awards Night was a wonderful leadership opportunity to showcase the work of the Whitehorse Youth Voice, a committee of young people that gives their voice to Whitehorse City Council to help make Whitehorse a better place for youth, and what it had been up to over the past year. I was very grateful for the opportunity to practice my presentation skills and meet new people, while also building a further connection with Aisha and her family and receiving the support given by the Whitehorse Youth Connexions team.

TEVIA, 18

HAND PICKED BY NINA

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND WHITEHORSE?

There are lots of fun and interesting things happening around Whitehorse in October and November. Whether you're into nature, gardening, art or simply getting out and about, there are plenty of ways to get involved in the community.



Whitehorse Spring Festival

Enjoy live entertainment, workshops and activities for everyone.

**COME CHECK OUT
THE YOUTH AREA!**

When

Sunday, 18 October

Where

Whitehorse Civic Precinct and The Round

Time

10:00am – 4:00pm

Cost

Free



Walk and Talk with an Arborist at Halliday Park

Learn more about local trees and how they are cared for on a walk and talk with an arborist.

When

Friday, 16 October

Where

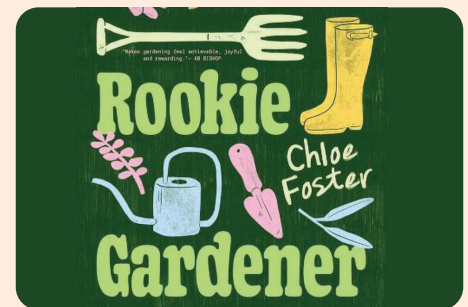
Halliday Park

Time

10:30am – 11:30am

Cost

Free, bookings essential



The Rookie Gardener with Chloe Foster

Learn the basics of gardening, including soil, light, climate and managing weeds, with Chloe Foster.

When

Monday, 19 October

Where

Nunawading Library

Time

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Cost

Free, bookings essential

MORE TO EXPLORE

There's plenty more happening across Whitehorse. Explore upcoming events, activities and things to do.



Whitehorse City Council – What's On

Discover more events and activities happening across Whitehorse.



National Bird Week at Wurundjeri Walk

Discover local birds and learn how you can create a more bird-friendly garden while exploring local wildlife.

When

Wednesday, 21 October

Where

Wurundjeri Walk

Time

10:00am – 11:00am

Cost

Free, bookings essential



Annual Bonsai Exhibition

Explore beautiful bonsai trees and learn more about the art and practice of bonsai.

When

10–11 October

Where

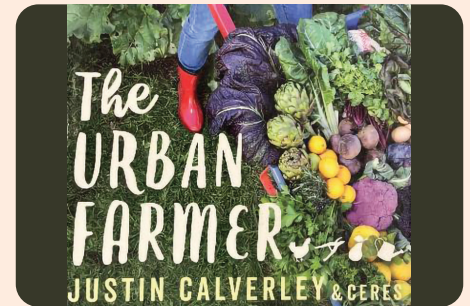
Box Hill Town Hall

Time

Saturday: 9:00am – 4:00pm
Sunday: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Cost

Adults: \$10.00
Children under 12: Free



The Urban Food Forester with Justin Calverley

Learn how trees, shrubs and other plants can work together to create a thriving garden ecosystem.

When

Monday, 9 November

Where

Nunawading Library

Time

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Cost

Free, bookings essential



Whitehorse Spring Festival

Find out more about the festival, including activities and entertainment.



Whitehorse School Holiday Program

Find activities and events for young people and families.



DESIGN YOUR OWN BASKETBALL JERSEY

Choose your colours, add your
style and make it your own.



SPORT CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

The Vermont Vultures basketball club had a huge 2025/26 junior season, with teams battling through finals and reaching grand finals across their junior competitions. A season full of competition, teamwork and big moments!

Thanks to Vermont Vultures for sharing their logo with us.

AISHA

YOUTH VOICE

Whitehorse Youth Voice empowers young people to have a say on issues that matter to them. By joining the Youth Voice database, you'll hear about opportunities to get involved through surveys, focus groups, meetings, creative projects and by helping write this newsletter. Influence local events, programs and services, and provide feedback directly to Council. Take part when and how it suits you. Your voice, your choice!

Please contact the Whitehorse Youth Connexions team if you wish to join Youth Voice or if you want to contribute to the next edition of Youth News.

Email us at: youth.worker@whitehorse.vic.gov.au

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YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Have an idea, story or event
you'd like to see in the next issue?
We'd love to hear from you.



SCAN TO HAVE
YOUR SAY