



## Bayside Drive upgrade

During winter 2017 construction of a new sea wall at Bayside Drive at the Walkerville Hall and boat ramp has been completed. This will help to protect the coastal assets for another 50 years.



The remaining civil works including new road pavement and footpath, car and trailer parking, roundabouts and landscaping will be undertaken by South Gippsland Shire Council. This is due to commence at the end of January 2018. The Committee is also contributing to these works. The proposed works will ensure easier launching and retrieval of boats, reduce conflict between road users and deliver safer boating practice.

## Landslip at Walkerville South

The Committee has sought professional advice from an engineer and Parks Victoria regarding the landslip on the track between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> beach at Walkerville South. It is considered that the intervention required to rectify the track would be too intrusive upon the fragile environment and the land will continue to be unstable and at risk of future landslips.

The track will be closed for the foreseeable future and is impassable in that section. Please obey the warning signs and do not enter the area as the land is unstable. The Committee is undertaking other existing track maintenance and upgrades to continue to allow access to the same Walkerville South beaches.

## New Walkerville Foreshore website

The Walkerville Foreshore has a new website. It contains all the up to date information on the camping reserve and broader foreshore, including news and events. It can be found at:

[www.walkervilleforeshore.com.au](http://www.walkervilleforeshore.com.au)

## Walkerville North Master Plan

The Committee has engaged Tract Consultants to undertake a master plan of the foreshore from the kiosk to the Walkerville North Hall works. Tract has sought stakeholder and community feedback and input on the plan through information sessions, workshops and on line surveys. For more information on the master plan process and to have your say, please visit:

[www.facebook.com/walkervilleforeshoreMP](https://www.facebook.com/walkervilleforeshoreMP)  
[walkervilleforeshoreMP@gmail.com](mailto:walkervilleforeshoreMP@gmail.com)

## Boat launching at Walkerville South

Due to difficult traffic management issues and public safety the Committee is looking at closing Walkerville South to boat launching and retrieval over the busy January period next year (2019).

## Camping Ground News



The Committee is pleased to welcome the Forrest-Kennedy family as the new Walkerville Camping Reserve Managers. Sarah Forrest and Paul Kennedy commenced in November 2017 and will live in the manager's residence with their five children Taj, Riley, Ruby, Willow and Orla. Please make them welcome in this busy transition period.

The Committee would also like to thank Cameron Walker and Abigail Van Rooyen for their management of the camping reserve for the past 10 years. They contributed greatly to the running of the park over those years and the Committee appreciates their service and wishes them well for their future.

## Cabins

The Committee has heard the views of community regarding the proposed removal of the cabins within the camping reserve. Two of the three cabins have been retained and will be made disabled friendly in the autumn of 2018. The Committee hopes the cabins

continue to be enjoyed by those with limited mobility so everyone can enjoy beautiful Walkerville.

### Enjoying your holiday at Walkerville

#### Fires

- Open fires are strictly prohibited during summer.
- The foreshore and surrounding bush is extremely dry.
- Be alert for smoke and fires and call 000 and Paul or Sarah on 5663 2224 if you see anything that looks like smoke or fire.

#### Water

- The water supply for the camping area is drawn from a local creek.
- Water restrictions are in place this summer.
- No showers or washing machines are to be used between **10 am and 4pm**. During this time toilet blocks will be cleaned so please avoid use while being cleaned.
- No hosing down of boats permitted.
- Please be very frugal with water.
- Water should be boiled for drinking.

#### Vehicles

- It is illegal to drive along the beach between North and South Walkerville.
- On hot days parking is very busy at Walkerville South. If possible, park at Walkerville North and walk, or park at the top of the hill at Walkerville South and take the track to the beach.
- In Walkerville South, no vehicles are permitted south of the boat ramp.
- Parking attendants will be working at South during January.
- Boomgate at park: one code per car is issued upon payment, **max 2 cars per site**. No tailgating through the gate. Extra cars need to park in car-park at entrance.

#### Noise

- No noise after **10 pm**. After a second warning campers will be asked to vacate their site.
- Please be aware of others and keep noise down at the rotunda.

#### Dogs

- Dogs are not permitted in the camping reserve at any time.
- Dogs are not permitted on the beach between 9 am and 6 pm from December 1 to March 31.
- Dogs are permitted on leads on the beach before 9 am and after 6 pm from December 1 to March 31.
- Dogs are permitted on lead other times (except in the camping reserve).

#### Rubbish

- The Walkerville Foreshore is a delicate environment, please minimise the rubbish you leave at the reserve.
- Please do not put plastic bags in recycling bins and continue to be diligent about recycling bottles and cans.

### News from the kiosk

Walkerville Kiosk is open daily through the summer school holidays from 8am to 8pm.

The kiosk still has all the old favourites as well as more breakfast and hot food options, and a big range of bait. Ben is happy to take fresh fruit, vegetable and meat orders. If there is something they don't have, just ask and they should be able to get it in for you by the next day. Any kiosk enquiries can be directed to Benjamin on [benjamin@walkervillekiosk.com.au](mailto:benjamin@walkervillekiosk.com.au)

### Summer by the sea activities in Walkerville



**Rockpool Rambles!** Bayside Drive, Walkerville North  
8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 10.30am – 12.00pm

14<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 3.00 – 4.30pm

What curious creatures make the rock pools their home? Seastars, Elephant snails, Decorator crabs, mussels and much more. Discover the amazing diversity of life on Walkerville's rocky shore.

**Geology Rocks!** Bayside Drive, Walkerville North  
6<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 10.00am – 12noon

21<sup>st</sup> January 2018 at 10.00am – 12noon

Join a recognised authority on local geology and take a close look at amazing rock formations along the Walkerville coastline including faults, fossil limestone and greenstone and learn about the historic lime kilns.

These activities are suitable for all ages. An adult must accompany children under 14. Bookings essential by visiting [summerbythesea.vic.gov.au](http://summerbythesea.vic.gov.au) or for enquiries call 13 61 86.

### Foreshore contact details

The first point of contact is Paul Kennedy and Sarah Forrest, Walkerville Camping Reserve Managers. They can be contacted on 5663 2224.

The Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management is responsible for managing the coastal reserve. The Committee is a voluntary local group appointed by the Minister for Environment and Climate Change. You can contact the chairman of the Committee, Bill Bray, by email [admin@walkervilleforeshore.com.au](mailto:admin@walkervilleforeshore.com.au), or write to the secretary of the Committee, Merran Wilde, 215 Mathers Rd, Fish Creek 3959.

In 2018 the Committee will meet on January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 15<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 19<sup>th</sup>, June 21<sup>st</sup>, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, October 18<sup>th</sup> and November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Public questions and submissions are welcome during the first half an hour of the meetings. Meetings are held at the Walkerville Hall from 7.00 pm. Please confirm dates and intention to speak with Bill Bray, Chairman of the Committee at [admin@walkervilleforeshore.com.au](mailto:admin@walkervilleforeshore.com.au).