

Winter may be here, but there's plenty happening at Westbrook right now

Here's our round up of all the latest news from Westbrook, along with some great suggestions for things to do and see in and around the City of Wyndham in the coming months.

Westbrook's Southern Precinct parks

In good news for lovers of the great outdoors, construction on the two eagerly awaited parks in Westbrook's Southern Precinct are nearing completion, with both opening to the public soon.



The two new open spaces, on Latitude Promenades and Picnic Street, have been designed with residents of all ages and physical abilities in mind. Between them they feature over 200 mature trees complemented by extensive plantings of native shrubs, delivering two great recreational spaces guaranteed to appeal to Westbrook's growing community.

Located just off Leakes Road, on the corner of Latitude Promenade and Society Boulevard in Stage 1, the Central Reserve is spread over two acres. Looking out over Forth Waterway and offering up picturesque views of Melbourne's city skyline in the distance, the park features sheltered seating, BBQ facilities, free WiFi, a children's play zone, a scooter track and bowls and a large kickabout space.

The smaller Pocket Park can be found on the corner of Montmartre Drive and Picnic Street in Stage 2 of the development. As with the Central Reserve, it features a custom designed shelter and plenty of fun play equipment for kids, free WiFi, with the smaller more intimate setting expected to appeal to families with young children.

Leakes Road duplication on the way

Westbrook residents are set to benefit from major upgrades to Leakes Road, with essential road duplication works about to commence.

Running the full length of Westbrook's Southern Precinct, Leakes Road is one of Triggona's key thoroughfares, carrying an estimated 23,000 cars each day. The roadworks will see the current dual carriageway widened to two lanes in each direction, significantly increasing Leakes Road's capacity and delivering locals with reduced travel times, more efficient traffic flows and greater connectivity with surrounding areas.

Contractors engaged by Dennis Family Corporation will carry out construction of the initial 15 km stretch of new road between Skeleton Creek and Alcock Road.

What's on in and around the City of Wyndham?



EAT: Joseph's Restaurant & Bar, Werribee Mansion Hotel

Winter is the perfect season for dining out on delicious hearty food – preferably by a warm fire. One of the best places to do this at the acclaimed Joseph's Restaurant & Bar at Werribee Park, Mansions, just a 20-minute drive from Westbrook.

The modern European menu has an emphasis on local produce, while the snack menu at the bar offers lighter dining options. With over 200 wines to choose from, it's best to heed the advice of the restaurant's sommelier to pair the perfect drop with your meal. The perfect place to what your taste buds this winter. Bon appetit!



PLAY: Indoor Bowls @ The Hive

If you are finding it a little more challenging to muster up enthusiasm for outdoor exercise during the chilly winter months, then the Werribee Bowling Club's Indoor Bowls @ The Hive, 10 minutes' drive from Westbrook, could be just the thing for you.

Held every Thursday night from 7pm – 10pm until 6 September, Indoor Bowls @ The Hive is a fantastic way to learn how to play one of Australia's most popular grassroots sports in the comfort and warmth of the Werribee Bowling Club at 237 Watton Street. At just \$5 per person including bowls, your first beer and nibbles, feel your inner Crackerjack calling, book via the Club now on 9741 3229.

directly adjacent to Westbrook, with completion of the works expected to take around 20 months. VicRoads will also begin duplication works to the remaining sections of Leakes Road, between Derrimut Road and the Princes Freeway later this year.

Other important projects about to get underway at Westbrook, in coming months include the relocation of overhead power lines underground along Alcock Road and to the north, the upgrades of the Doherty Road and Moine Road intersection is well underway and is expected to be completed in the coming months.

For all the latest updates on the Leakes Road construction schedule and necessary route changes, visit the Westbrook website at <http://westbrook.vic.gov.au>



SHOP: Watton Street, Werribee City Centre

What better way to beat the winter blues than with a little retail therapy. With plenty of great shopping precincts to choose from nearby, Westbrook residents don't have to travel far to get a great retail fix.

Some of the best shopping is to be had along Watton Street in downtown Werribee, with its vibrant mix of boutiques, restaurants and cafes.

Pick up the perfect gift at the Gift Haven's Gallery, featuring a selection of aromatic body lotions, hand creams, soaps, candles and diffusers sourced and handpicked from all over the country.

And when you're ready for a coffee fix or a quick bite to eat, pop into Black Seed Coffee. With its rustic decor, inviting atmosphere, relaxed vibe, friendly staff and a menu offering a variety of delicious breakfast and lunch options, it's no wonder the cafe is a favourite with locals. But it's the award-winning coffee that really keeps people coming back for more.

STYLE: Decorative Scented Candles

Warm up your home – and make it smell like spring right throughout the winter months, simply by investing in plenty of beautifully scented candles – because frankly, when can you ever have too many of these?



A fragrant candle is the perfect way to create ambience in every home. So stock up on your favourites, and establish a tranquil and inviting environment that you're sure to want to come home to, by placing them throughout your house. Our suggestion – light them in your living room, bedroom, bathroom and entry for maximum impact.