





Wodonga Senior Secondary College



Orientation to Wodonga Information Sheet

Wodonga Police	100 Hovell St, Wodonga VIC 3690 Phone: (02) 6049 2600 Fax: (02) 6049 2605 Email: WODONGA.UNI@police.vic.gov.au Hours 24 hours seven days per week Description For Law and order; child sexual assault, family violence, missing persons, (particularly children), child exploitation, domestic violence.
Wodonga Ambulance	31 South Street, Wodonga VIC 3690 Phone 000 for all emergency requests Website www.ambulance.vic.gov.au Hours 24 hours Description Paramedic attendance for all out-of-hospital emergencies.
Wodonga Hospital	Vermont Street Wodonga VIC 3690 Postal Address PO Box 326 Phone: (02) 6051 7111 Fax: (02) 6051 7477 Email: feedback@awh.org.au Website: www.awh.org.au Hours Public Holiday Times: As normal Emergency 24/7 Description Acute medical and surgical services. Inpatient Rehabilitation. Maternity Services Albury Wodonga Emergency Department



Visiting Albury/ Wodonga	<p>For visitor information, please visit Albury Wodonga's official visitor information website visitALBURYWODONGA.com</p> <p>Wodonga has visitor information points (smart terminals) located at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">♦ Wodonga Library, 126 Hovell St, Open Monday to Friday 10am to 5.30pm and Saturday 9am to noon♦ Junction Square, 34B Elgin Blvd (opposite Woolworths) - Outdoor terminal - 7 days, 24 hrs♦ Wodonga Plaza, Smythe St♦ Wodonga Railway Station <p>Website: visitalburywodonga.com</p> <p>Email: tourism@wodonga.vic.gov.au</p> <p>Social media: facebook.com/VisitAW, twitter.com/VisitAW and instagram.com/visitalburywodonga</p>				
Wodonga Law Courts	<p>5 Elgin Blvd, Wodonga VIC 3690 Phone - (02) 6043 7000 BH Fax - (02) 6043 7004 Website: www.magistratescourt.vic.gov.au Hours Monday to Friday 9am-4.30pm Description Law Court administration, signing of documents, civil marriages, jury commissioner.</p>				
Dyson Bus Lines	<p>Regular bus service Wodonga and Albury. Ultra low floor, wheelchair access, air-conditioned vehicles. Local and interstate tours and charter. Regular v/line services to Canberra, Mildura, Adelaide and Melbourne. 18-20 Moloney Drive, Wodonga, Vic, 3690 0260 563100</p>				
Martins Bus Lines	<p>Public bus line which services Albury, Lavington and Thurgoona. 66 Fallon Street, Albury, NSW, 2640 0260 404400</p>				
Wodonga Sports & Leisure Centre	<p>Hedgerow Court, Wodonga VIC 3690 Phone - (02) 6058 2555 Fax - (02) 6058 2544 Email: wodonga@ymca.org.au Website: www.wodonga.ymca.org.au Hours Monday to Thursday 6:00am to 9:00pm Friday 6:00am to 8:00pm Saturday & Sunday 8:00am to 6:00pm Public Holidays 10:00am to 5:00pm Facilities The facility includes a 25m indoor swimming pool, learner's pool, spa and sauna, fully equipped health club, health suites, group fitness studio, cycle studio, crèche, meeting / multi-purpose room and a multi-purpose five (5) court sports stadium.</p>				
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Waves Swimming Pool	<p>WAVES is Wodonga's new aquatic facility located at White Box Rise Estate. The facility includes a 50m x 25m outdoor heated swimming pool, toddlers pool, splash park with interactive play equipment, meeting / multi-purpose room, cafe, BBQ facilities and ample shade and parking.</p> <p>Phone: 0260 562066 Fax: 0260582544 Address: 8 Mactier Avenue, Wodonga Vic 3690</p>
<p>Wodonga Ten-Pin</p>  <p>Bowling</p>	<p>Phone: (02) 6024 7022 Fax: (02) 6056 2228</p> <p>Address: 2 Sanyo Drive, Wodonga Vic 3690</p>
<p>Wodonga Council Youth Services – Anthony Nicholson Youth services officer</p>  <p>104 Hovell St, Wodonga, VIC 3690 PO Box 923, Wodonga, VIC 3689 Phone: (02) 6022 9703 Fax: (02) 6022 9322 Mobile: 0448 538 563 Email: anicholson@wodonga.vic.gov.au wodonga.vic.gov.au</p>	<p>Our youth services team - (facebook.com/wodongayouthservices) is strongly connected to local networks associated with young people; and plays an important role in the lives of Wodonga's young people through the provision of a range of activities, facilities and services including open spaces, sporting facilities, festivals and events, urban planning and infrastructure development. The team is located in the city offices in Hovell St, Wodonga and also has a significant responsibility in encouraging democratic participation, access to active citizenship and advocating on behalf of young people.</p>



HISTORY OF WODONGA

Cultural Information

Founded as a customs post with its twin city Albury on the other side of the Murray River, Wodonga grew after the opening of the first bridge across the Murray River in 1860.

Originally named Wodonga, its name was changed to Belvoir then later back to Wodonga.

The original post office opened on June 1, 1856.

Wodonga Shire was created in 1876 when the colonial Government agreed to ratepayers' petitions to have their part severed from the Yackandandah Shire and form a new municipality.

In 1973, the Wodonga Shire was granted rural city status and was officially named the Rural City of Wodonga by the Governor of Victoria, Sir Rohan Delacombe.

In 1994, we sought to retain the name in a new authority and so the Wodonga Rural City Council was born. However, the commissioners decided in 1995 that, to give the city a fresh image, the term 'rural' be dropped from use except where there was a legal requirement.

In December 2003, we applied to rename the council removing the term "rural" and it is now legally Wodonga City Council.

The marketing name of the council is 'City of Wodonga'.

The **Wodonga Historical Society** can offer more information whether for your own knowledge or a project.

Facts

Area: 433.7 sq km

Floral emblem: Pink Heath

Fauna: Leadbeatters Possum

Aboriginal name: Signifying bulrushes (Wodonga)



Resident Ross Chamings took this photograph of Woodland Grove and the water tower.



ABOUT WODONGA

Wodonga is strategically placed between Melbourne and Sydney on the Hume Hwy.

The city's residential base is more than 37,000 and the total area of Wodonga is 433.7 square kilometres; with 13 localities.

Wodonga is ideally situated on the Murray River with surrounding hills, rich agricultural valleys, adjacent wineries and historic towns.



Wodonga has more than 80km of bike and walking paths providing the perfect opportunity to meander by the river or enjoy one of the scenic routes that link the city.

Picturesque parks and gardens are dotted throughout the community.

The hillsides and parkland reserves provide the ideal bushwalking, bird watching and hiking tracks for the novice as well as the experienced walker.

Quality restaurants, coffee shops and taverns offer wonderful food and entertainment for locals and visitors alike.

The wine areas of Rutherglen, Beechworth, Milawa and King Valley to the south, and Tumbarumba to the north, make for a great wine lovers' experience.

The historic towns of Beechworth, Yackandandah and Chiltern are close by.

Wodonga is part of **North East Victoria**.





BUSES

Dysons Bus Lines is a member of the Dyson Group of Companies.

Dysons bus charters in Wodonga operates a fleet of more than 40 vehicles and offers public transport for Albury-Wodonga.

Town services

Dysons operates 13 local services covering Wodonga, Baranduda, west, east and south Albury six days a week.

School services

Dysons services about 2500 students daily over 44 schools, TAFEs and community colleges.



A bus stop is located across the road from the city offices in Hovell St (near Woodland Grove and the water tower).

To view timetables, go to dysongroup.com.au/wodonga





TRAINS

V-Line services operate to and from Wodonga, with a train station located off Moloney Drive.

Visit vline.com.au or phone [1800 800 007](tel:1800800007) (6am to midnight) for timetables and more information.



The Wodonga Train Station platform.

FLIGHTS

Wodonga is serviced by a regional airport that is located in Albury.

Regional Express and Qantaslink operate regular services from Melbourne and Sydney with connections to other capital cities around Australia.



Virgin Blue operates services to Sydney only.

Smartair charter services are also available.

General and covered security car parking is provided adjacent to the terminal building. Charges do apply.

Car hire is available and a taxi rank is located at the airport.

- ◆ Qantaslink – 13 13 13 or qantas.com.au
- ◆ Regional Express – 13 17 13 or rex.com.au
- ◆ Virgin Blue Airlines – 13 67 89 or virginaustralia.com

The Albury Airport is operated by AlburyCity.



An aerial photograph of Albury Airport.



WODONGA SPORTS & LEISURE CENTRE



The **Wodonga Sports and Leisure Centre** is located in Hedgerow Crt, Wodonga ([view map](#)) and provides a complete range of activities aimed to promote community health and fitness.

It offers group fitness classes, a gym, cycle classes, a 25m indoor heated pool, sauna and spa, as well as outdoor programs in the warmer months.

There is a five-court stadium which caters for sports such as basketball, netball, volleyball and badminton.

Major tournaments are held in the facility, which is home to the Wodonga Wolves CBL basketball team.

Memberships for the pool and gym are available.

The facility is owned by us and operated by Aligned Leisure.

For more information, please visit the [website](#) or phone [\(02\) 6058 2555](tel:0260582555).

It is open seven days a week.



SKATE PARKS

Wodonga has two public skate parks in operation - James Scott Memorial Skate Park and the Baranduda Bowl.

James Scott Memorial Skate Park at Willow Park located off Pearce St, Wodonga ([view map](#)) was redeveloped in 2012 after extensive consultation with users.

The new skate park has urban plaza elements such as rails, steps and ledges, as well as two refuge areas with seating, banked walls and a funbox.

The jumpbox and quarter pipe from the existing park were also upgraded to allow multi-directional travel into the snake run.

Baranduda Bowl ([view map](#)), built in 2004, is adjacent to the Baranduda Reserve.

This facility includes two grind rails, sub-box and bowl with shallow and deep sections.

The Baranduda Bowl focuses on the intermediate to advanced users.

Both skate parks are popular with people of all ages on scooters, skateboards, BMXs and rollerblades.

Users must wear protective gear including a helmet when using either skate park and obey all signage onsite.

Our recreation team has been guided by the [Skate, BMX and Mountain Bike Strategy](#).





WALKING & BIKE PATHS

Wodonga has more than 80km of bike and walking paths, providing the perfect opportunity to meander by the river or enjoy one of the scenic routes that link the city.

Whether taking a leisurely stroll, going for a jog, getting on your bike, taking the children for a walk or going for a power walk, Wodonga's pathways offer something for everyone.



They are an important part of our community and enhance our quality of life.

They can improve your health, conserve resources, provide close to home recreation, as well as giving us an environmentally-friendly transport option.

The **Wodonga Pathways** booklet is a convenient pocket-size booklet and is waterproof. It provides details on key pathway loops within the city of Wodonga. Copies of the booklet are available from our Hovell St office and our visitor information centres, or by emailing recreation@wodonga.vic.gov.au

The **Walk Wodonga** booklet is a convenient pocket-sized booklet that shows you the many opportunities where you can exercise in our community.

To encourage suitable and safe use of our pathway network, a **code of conduct** has been developed. It identifies key behaviours users should exhibit when using the pathways, and some health and safety tips.

There is also an array of other trails in and around Wodonga including the **High Country Rail Trail map** and the **Parklands Albury Wodonga map**.

Our pathways link up with the rail trail, which offers a path along the historic railway line along Lake Hume.

Stripped of its rails and sleepers, the old railway line provides a unique 35km gravel recreational trail that includes a new bridge constructed in 2012 known as the Sandy Creek Bridge that links the path across Lake Hume.

The Murray Valley Highway takes you to the nearby defence facilities, the Killara link and the High Country Rail Trail, which provides a natural environment to Lake Hume and beyond.

The route is a combination of on and off-road paths along Thomas Mitchell Drive to the Murray Valley Highway, where the rail trail (see map) becomes all off-road.

Parklands Albury Wodonga also has some useful links to cycling and walking trails.



SPORTING OVALS & FACILITIES

Wodonga has an array of sporting ovals/complexes that are council-owned and operated, or leased to local clubs.

For bookings or information on a particular facility listed, please contact our recreation team on [\(02\) 6022 9300](tel:0260229300), submit an online booking enquiry or email recreation@wodonga.vic.gov.au

To contact a club directly, please see the [Albury-Wodonga Community Guide](#) and search for their details.



Wodonga's facilities and resident clubs include:

- ◆ [Kelly Park](#)
- ◆ [Wodonga Tennis Centre](#)
- ◆ [Willow Park](#)
- ◆ [Birallee Park](#)
- ◆ [Martin Park oval one](#)
- ◆ [Martin Park oval two](#)
- ◆ [Athletics complex](#)
- ◆ [La Trobe Soccer Facility](#)
- ◆ [Diamond Park](#)
- ◆ [Parklands Tennis Centre](#)
- ◆ [Emerald Oval](#)
- ◆ [Gayview Park](#)
- ◆ [Hockey/BMX facility](#)
- ◆ [Baranduda Reserve](#)
- ◆ [Racecourse sporting ovals](#)



Pedestrians

A summary of the key road rules regarding pedestrians in Victoria.

Under the road rules pedestrians are people:

- on foot
- on **wheeled devices** such as skateboards, rollerblades, wheelchairs and motorised mobility devices
- pushing a bicycle.

Rules for pedestrians

Pedestrians are not allowed to:

- cross the road if they are facing an amber or red traffic or pedestrian light
- cross the road within 20 metres of a pedestrian crossing - they must use the crossing
- get out of a moving vehicle
- cross a **railway level crossing** when it is not allowed
- cause a traffic hazard by moving into the path of a driver
- walk along, or fail to give way when crossing, a path which is for bicycles and wheeled devices (a path showing a 'Bicycle lane' sign).

Pedestrians must:

- use the shortest or most direct way to cross a road
- cross to the nearest edge of the road after getting off a tram
- obey traffic instructions from a police officer
- give way to vehicles at roundabouts
- obey a 'no pedestrian' sign.

If you need to walk along a road and there is no footpath or nature strip, or if there is but you can't then, you may need to walk on the road. If so, you must walk on the other side of the road facing oncoming traffic.