



e-Newsletter

Welcome to the July edition of our newsletter, where we dive into the winter wonders of Melbourne, Australia. As the city embraces the chilly month, we explore the unique charm and offerings that make Melbourne a delightful destination during July. From cozy cafes serving steaming beverages to winter festivals illuminating the streets, there is no shortage of warmth and excitement. Join us as we uncover the cultural experiences, culinary delights, and indoor activities that make Melbourne a vibrant and captivating city in the midst of winter.

NEWS

Agreement with Students

According to Standard 3 of the National Code, schools and institutions that provide education to international students in Australia must have a written agreement with those students. This agreement formalizes the student's enrolment and clearly explains the rights and responsibilities of both the institution and the student.

Making sure that students have a positive experience is very important for the reputation and success of the international education sector in Australia. The quality of the courses and the support services provided by the institution plays a big role in creating this positive experience.

The requirements for written agreements are specified in Part 5 Division 2 of the ESOS Act and Standard 3 of the National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018 (National Code).

ITECA

ITECA, the Independent Tertiary Education Council Australia, is taking the lead in driving the national

policy debate on improving student completion rates in skills training programs in Australia. Independent Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) have shown impressive course completion rates, as indicated by government data. To harness this expertise and advocate for change, ITECA has established the ITECA Skills Training Course Completion Task Group. This task group is responsible for evaluating and proposing effective strategies to bolster completion rates in skills training programs, identifying underlying causes and barriers, and providing recommendations for successful completions.

One of the objectives of the task group is to develop a policy green paper on skills training completion rates to guide ITECA's policy leadership and advocacy with the Australian, state, and territory governments.

The ITECA Skills Training Course Completion Task Group will conduct comprehensive reviews of previous studies and engage with stakeholders to understand the variables impacting completion rates. It will also collect strategies that have proven successful in increasing completion rates. The task group will seek advice from high-quality independent RTOs and regularly report its progress, challenges, and recommendations to a designated authority. ITECA's Chief Executive, Troy Williams, emphasizes the importance of putting students at the heart of the skills training system and driving up course completion rates through policy solutions.

Members interested in improving skills training course completion rates can participate in the ITECA Skills Training Course Completion Task Group and contribute to policy advocacy efforts. It's an opportune time to get involved and make a difference in the sector.

Events

32nd National VET Research Conference “No Frills”

Date: 19-21st July 2023
Time: 6-7 pm ACST
Venue: RMIT University Melbourne City Campus (Storey Hall),

European Night Market

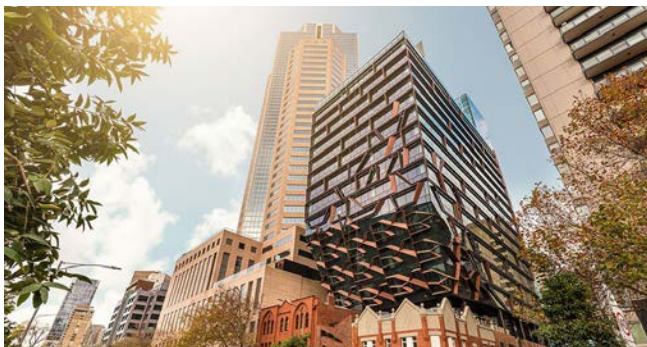
Date: 7-28th July



Get ready for the most spectacular edition yet of Melbourne’s beloved European Night Market, making its grand return to Madame Brussels Lane this winter. Prepare to immerse yourself in a Bavarian beer hall, where you can savor refreshing brews and indulge in mouthwatering giant pretzels. Keep your eyes peeled for enchanting roving performers, including mesmerizing ballerinas adding a touch of sparkle and grace to the bustling market ambiance. This is an event you won’t want to miss!

Open House Melbourne

Date: 29-30th July



Calling all architecture buffs and stickybeaks. Melbourne’s most beautiful buildings are throwing their doors open once again for Open House. Take a free guided tour of iconic spaces, from Parliament House to Melbourne Park and the award-winning Johnston Collection. Stroll the city on a self-guided tour. Then catch free art exhibitions and talks.

FIFA

Date: from 20th July

Federation Square is set to transform into a huge free festival for the Women’s World Cup. Catch all the matches on the big screen. Grab a bite to eat from some of Melbourne’s tastiest food trucks. Enjoy interactive experiences and share in the glory of the sport with your fellow soccer fans.

AUTOMOTIVE CORNER

Vehicle Maintenance and Servicing for Ensured Longevity and Safety



Welcome to our “Automotive Corner”, where we explore important topics every month. While owning a vehicle comes with various advantages, it also carries responsibilities. Ensuring regular maintenance and servicing is vital for the longevity, performance, and safety of your vehicle. In this article, we will delve into the significance of proper vehicle maintenance and how it can lead to long-term time and cost savings.

Longevity and Resale Value: Regular maintenance, including oil changes, filter replacements, and timely repairs, ensures that your vehicle’s engine and other components remain in optimal condition. This not only extends the lifespan of your vehicle but also increases its resale value. When it comes time to

sell or trade-in your vehicle, a documented service history demonstrates your diligent care, making it more appealing to potential buyers.

Enhanced Safety: Routine inspections and servicing play a crucial role in ensuring your safety and that of others on the road. By identifying potential issues with key safety components such as brakes, tires, suspension, and lights, you can prevent hazards that compromise your ability to control the vehicle. Regular maintenance provides peace of mind during your journeys.

Increased Reliability: Proactive maintenance reduces the likelihood of unexpected breakdowns and keeps your vehicle running smoothly. By addressing minor issues early on through regular oil changes, filter replacements, and inspections of belts, hoses, and fluids, you can avoid the inconvenience and expense of major repairs or being stranded on the roadside.

Improved Fuel Efficiency: Adhering to the manufacturer's recommendations for vehicle maintenance can optimize fuel efficiency. Properly maintaining your vehicle by replacing clogged air filters, keeping tires properly inflated, and tuning

the engine can enhance performance and reduce fuel consumption. These small improvements can result in significant savings at the gas pump over time.

Warranty Protection: If your vehicle is still under warranty, it is essential to follow the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule. Neglecting maintenance may void your warranty, leaving you responsible for costly repairs that would otherwise be covered. By adhering to the prescribed maintenance guidelines, you can protect your warranty and enjoy added financial security.

Conclusion: Vehicle maintenance and servicing should never be overlooked or underestimated. By investing time and resources into regular upkeep, you protect yourself, your passengers, and your investment. The advantages of enhanced safety, increased reliability, improved fuel efficiency, and prolonged vehicle lifespan outweigh the inconvenience and costs associated with neglecting maintenance. Remember, a well-maintained vehicle not only saves you from potential troubles but also provides a smoother, more enjoyable driving experience.