

# **Knox Festival 2020**

**Saturday 29th Feb and Sunday 1st March 2020**

**Wally Tew Reserve, Brenock Park Drive, Ferntree  
Gully**

**Phone: 03 9298 8000**

**Website: <http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/Knoxfestival>**

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## **Glossary**

**AFFL Above Finished Floor Level.**

**MLA Key – Master Locksmith Access Key.**

**TGSI – Tactile Ground Surface Indicators.**

**FTG Library – Ferntree Gully Library.**

## **Guidelines**

**Thank you for choosing to use an Access Key for  
Knox Festival 2020.**

**For your Access Key to be successful, we  
recommend you follow these guidelines:**

**Access Keys are available online to help you prepare for your visit in advance.**

**Access Keys be read and shared in an environment free of distractions.**

**Access Keys can be read independently or shared with a friend, family member, carer or support worker to prepare for the visit.**

**If sharing the Access Key with participant, help participant comprehend key points, consistently monitoring for level of understanding.**

**If sharing the Access Key with participant, contextualised photographs can be used to summarise information and experiences.**

**If using the Access Key as a reflective tool, make sure to enjoy the pivotal link between experience and recall after the visit has taken place.**

**Once the visit has taken place, revisit the Access Key to celebrate success.**

**Download Access Key in its entirety 32 pages in total.**

**Did You Know?**

**Knox Festival 2020 is held at Wally Tew Reserve,  
Brenock Park Drive, Ferntree Gully.**

**Gates open on Saturday 10am - 9pm and Sunday  
10am - 5pm.**

**Entry into the event is free of charge.**

**Knox Festival 2020 is a community festival where  
you will find fun for all ages and abilities.**

**Packed with heaps of activities including community  
and market stalls, delicious food trucks, all day  
stage entertainment, games space and lots of free  
interactive and creative fun for the whole family.**

**Please click the following link to view Knox  
Community Access and Equity Implementation Plan  
2017 – 2022.**

**[http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/files/Community/Knox Community Access and Equity Implementation Plan 2017-2022.pdf](http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/files/Community/Knox_Community_Access_and_Equity_Implementation_Plan_2017-2022.pdf)**

**Event Information Hub is located in the Food Court  
near Event Control.**

**Free Shuttle Bus - loops from Ferntree Gully Station to the event - download the bus timetable on the following link.**

**<http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.aspx?PageId=405>**

**Bike parking will be available near Lyndale Court. Please bring your own bike lock.**

**To see what's on at the Knox Festival, download a program of events on the following link.**

**<http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.aspx?PageId=5654>**

**Knox Festival 2020 is a drug, alcohol and smoke free event.**

**Follow us on Facebook on the following link.**

**[facebook.com/knoxartsandevents/](https://www.facebook.com/knoxartsandevents/)**

**To provide feedback please email**

**[events@knox.vic.gov.au](mailto:events@knox.vic.gov.au)**

## **Accessibility Features**

**Knox Festival 2020 welcomes patrons of all abilities and we are keen to support a great event day for all,**

**by providing the following accessibility features:**

**Event Information Hub for all event enquiries located in the centre of the event site. Staff will be available here to provide information including accessibility information, large print information, maps, stage programs and helpful directions. Staff are also available to read information if required.**

**A visual Communication Board is available at the Event Information Hub to support confident communication.**

**Identification wristbands will be available at the Event Information Hub. Wristbands will include parent phone numbers to assist in child safety at this large-scale event. This Hub will also be the collection point for lost children.**

**Accessible amenities in FTG Community Arts Centre, Wally Tew Reserve and Event Control. A permanent Changing Places is also available in Wally Tew Reserve.**

**Accessible car park is located via the Burwood Highway entrance.**

**New accessible pathways have been added to the event site to link up existing pathways and improve site accessibility.**

**A Sensory Garden - Chill Out Space is available for creative and calm comfort for those seeking respite from the busy crowds.**

**Knox Festival 2020 is a pet free zone so please leave your animals at home. Assistance animals are welcome.**

**Wayfinding signage for key event features displayed as large signs and in colourful teardrop banners.**

**Protection from weather in FTG Library.**

**A variety of seating options throughout from bench seats, seats with backrests, seats with back and armrests and picnic style tables.**

**Spaces for a person using a wheelchair to sit with friends.**

**An accessible gated playground.**

**If requiring telephone access, please go to the Event Information Hub and ask to use the event mobile.**

**Interpreter service available at Knox City Council.  
Please call the Translating and Interpreting Service  
(TIS National) on 131 450 and ask them to telephone  
Knox City Council on 03 9298 8000. Opening hours  
8:30am-5pm - Monday – Friday.**

**Knox City Council is Relay Service Friendly. Go to  
Relay Service and give the number 03 9298 8000 you  
want to call.**

**If you have any queries prior to the event regarding  
accessibility at the festival, please call the Festival  
and Events team on 9298 8000 or email  
[events@knox.vic.gov.au](mailto:events@knox.vic.gov.au) prior the event date.**

## **Parking**

**Parking is limited - where possible please walk, ride  
or take public transport to the event.**

**Accessible parking will be available within the  
reserve.**

**There will be approximately 30 bays.**

**Entry and exit for accessible parking will be via the  
Burwood Highway entrance.**

**Accessible parking will be open for patrons to come and go at any time throughout the event.**

**There will be access path connections throughout.**

**A drop off point will be located on Brenock Park Drive for quick 2-minute drive through access, also ideal for taxis and accessibility patrons. Please be guided by our traffic attendants.**

**For information on how to get to Wally Tew Reserve, visit Public Transport Victoria on the following link.**

**<https://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/>**

## **Entry**

**Gates will open at 10am and entry is free.**

**Pedestrian entry can be made through three different gates:**

**Lyndale Court.**

**Brenock Park Drive.**

**Burwood Highway accessible parking area.**

**An Event Information Hub is available for all enquiries. It will be located in the centre of the event**



**site. This hub also provides key programming and other helpful information to all patrons.**

**It will be open from 10am – 9pm on Saturday and 10am – 5pm on Sunday.**

## **Sensory Guide Entry**

### **Feel**

- **Change in ground surfaces**
- **Shared personal space**
- **Uneven ground**
- **Weather**

### **Sounds**

- **Announcements**
- **Entertainment (loud)**
- **Music**
- **People**
- **Traffic**

### **Sights**

- **Bright flashing lights**
- **Crowd movement**

### **Smells**

- **Food/Drink**
- **Nature**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Staff and Assistance**

**Knox Festival event staff wear Knox City Council t-shirts and some staff also wear high visibility vests. Event staff will be happy to give you directions, answer questions and direct you to the Information Hub for more information.**

**Security Guards wear a black uniform with high visibility vests.**

**St. John Ambulance Australia (Victoria) will have a first aid station located alongside Event Control.**

**St. John Ambulance Australia (Victoria) first aid staff wear a jumpsuit with the medical cross visible on their back.**

**Victoria Police will be on-site. They wear a navy uniform with high visibility vests.**

## **Changing Places**

**Changing Places toilets have extra features and more space to meet the needs of people with severe and profound disabilities.**

**Location: Within Wally Tew Reserve, near the library.**

**Includes:**

**Unisex, fully accessible toilet and adult change facility.**

**Door clearance of 950mm.**

**Cubicle space 3650mm x 4740mm.**

**Grab rails wall mounted behind.**

**Wall mounted fold down grab bar fitted to either side of the toilet.**

**1 x adult change table – electronically height adjustable foldable table – Max load 200kg.**

**CHS Healthcare Ceiling lift system & Stellar 440F hoist with hoist – max load 200kg.**

**1 x washbasin with lever operated tap.**

**Please remember to bring your own sling and ensure it is compatible with hoist. If there is any uncertainty, please do not use hoist.**

**Entry method: To access the Changing Places, you will require the MLA key.**

**Alternatively, eligible users can borrow a MLA Key from the FTG Library or the Event Information Hub.**

**Also includes:**

- **Separate unisex, accessible toilet.**
- **Automated sliding door. Door clearance 800mm with easy-to-operate internal door lock.**
- **Grab-bar on wall beside toilet.**
- **Separate male and female toilets.**
- **Baby change area (within female toilets).**

## **Sensory Guide Changing Places**

### **Feel**

- **Heating/Cooling**
- **Shared personal space**

## **Sounds**

- **Automated door**
- **Echo**
- **Hand dryer**
- **People**
- **Toilet flushing**
- **Water running**

## **Sights**

- **Bright lights**
- **Mirror/Reflection**

## **Smells**

- **Bathroom smells**
- **Disinfectants**

## **Amenities**

**At Knox Festival, there are three sets of toilets.**

### **Set 1**

**Location: Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre,  
located nearest to the accessible parking entrance.**

**Includes:**

- **Separate unisex accessible toilet with a manual door opening inward and an 870mm door clearance, easy-to-operate internal door lock and grab-bar on wall beside toilet.**
- **Separate male and female toilets.**
- **Baby change area (within the accessible toilet).**

## **Set 2**

**Location: Wally Tew Reserve toilets, located in the centre of the event site.**

**Includes:**

- **Separate accessible toilet with an automated sliding door and an 800mm door clearance, easy-to-operate internal door lock and grab-bar on wall beside toilet.**
- **Separate male and female toilets.**
- **Baby change area (within female toilets).**

## **Set 3**

**Location: Event Control.**

**Includes:**

- **One unisex, accessible toilet (via lift access).**

- **Separate male and female toilets.**
- **Parent Room.**

## **Sensory Guide Amenities**

### **Feel**

- **Different ground surfaces**
- **Heating/Cooling**
- **Shared personal space**

### **Sounds**

- **Announcements**
- **Echo**
- **Hand dryers**
- **People**
- **Toilet flushing**
- **Water running**

### **Sights**

- **Bright lights**
- **Mirror/Reflection**

### **Smells**

- **Air Freshener**

- Bathroom smells
- Disinfectants

## **Sensory Garden – Chill Out Space**

**The Sensory Garden – Chill Out Space will provide a quiet, outdoor sensory garden where children and festival patrons can take respite and relax away from the busy crowds of the festival.**

**It will be located behind the Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre, near the playground.**

**The space will feature a range of sensory based toys and activities including:**

- Visual sensory pod
- Auditory sensory pods including the ‘Quiet Cave’
- Snuggle pods
- Olfactory sensory pod
- Tactile sensory pod
- Gentle Water/Sound play wall
- Large sensory puddles
- Large floor pillows for cloud watching.



# **Sensory Guide Sensory Garden – Chill Out Space**

## **Feel**

- **Gentle water**
- **Sensations**
- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**

## **Sounds**

- **Gentle instruments**
- **People**
- **Water running**

## **Sights**

- **Kaleidoscope patterns**
- **Vibrant colours**

## **Smell**

- **Fragranced oils**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Food Court**

**A Food Court will be located near the Canopy stage. It will be open daily from 10am to 9pm on Saturday with bands on the canopy stage in this area until 9pm; and 10am to 5pm on Sunday.**

**Food vendors will sell a variety of food including cultural cuisines, sweets, healthy and snack foods, as well as beverages including water, soft drink, tea and coffee.**

**Most food vendors will accept EFTPOS and all will accept cash. An ATM will be available located next to the Event Information Hub.**

**An accessible water station is located outside the Wally Tew Reserve toilets in the centre of the event site.**

**A second water station will be located near the Food Court.**

**Picnic tables and chairs will be available.**

## **Sensory Guide Food Court**

**Feel**

- **Shared personal space**
- **Warmth from stoves/trucks**
- **Weather**

## **Sounds**

- **Cooking sounds**
- **Festival sounds**
- **People**
- **Wrappers crinkling**

## **Sights**

- **Bright flashing lights**
- **Crowd movement**

## **Smells**

- **Food/Drink**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Kids Hub**

**A Kids Hub will be located to the left of the Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre.**

**It will be open daily from 10am to 5pm.**

**It will include the fun skilled Kids Stage featuring**

**some of the youngest Knox talent, free inflatables and games, interactive performers and more.**

**Some age/height restrictions may apply for the inflatables and amusements. Restrictions will be signed.**

## **Sensory Guide Kids Hub**

### **Feel**

- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**
- **Weightlessness**

### **Sounds**

- **Applause**
- **Blowers/Equipment**
- **Crowd cheering**
- **Festival sounds**
- **People**

### **Sights**

- **Crowd movement**
- **Moving inflatables/rides**
- **Vibrant colours**

- **Vivid entertainment**

## **Smells**

- **Food/Drink**
- **Nature**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Global Kitchen**

**The Global Kitchen will be located behind the Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre.**

**It will be open and sizzling daily from 10am to 5pm.**

**Chefs and local cultural cooks will demonstrate culinary delights from across the globe, with local cultural cooks sharing their passions, and local chefs sharing their skills.**

**All tastings are offered free of charge!**

**Chairs with backrests will be available.**

## **Sensory Guide Global Kitchen**

### **Feel**

- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**

## **Sounds**

- **Amplified voices**
- **Cooking sounds**
- **Festival sounds**
- **People**
- **Wrappers crinkling**

## **Smells**

- **Food/Drink**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Basketball Half Court**

**A fun-filled basketball half court will feature alongside Event Control.**

**It will include 3 x 3 competitions, shoot outs and giveaways.**

**It will also highlight player appearances thanks to our friends at the Deakin Melbourne Boomers and MSF Sports.**

## **Sensory Guide Basketball Half Court**

### **Feel**

- **Faster heart rate**
- **Increased body temperature**
- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**

## **Sounds**

- **Applause**
- **Balls bouncing**
- **Crowd cheering**
- **Nature**
- **Whistles**

## **Sights**

- **People**
- **Sporting activity**

## **Smells**

- **Deodorants**
- **People**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Community Stage**

**A Community Stage will be located in the centre of the festival.**

**Performances will start daily at 10am and finish at 5pm.**

**This stage bursts with a colourful program of a range of local multicultural performances, big bands, energetic dance troupes and more.**

## **Sensory Guide Community Stage**

### **Feel**

- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**

### **Sounds**

- **Announcements**
- **Applause**
- **Crowd cheering**
- **Entertainment (loud)**
- **People**

### **Sights**

- **Bright flashing lights**
- **Crowd movement**
- **Vivid entertainment**

### **Smells**



- Food/Drink
- Nature
- Sunscreen

## **Ocean Mysteries**

**Ocean Mysteries is located at the heart of the festival. It includes a giant Knox Festival sandpit and colourful sea creatures and mysterious characters.**

**Parents can sit back and relax whilst keeping a watchful eye on children playing in the sandpit.**

## **Sensory Guide Ocean Mysteries**

### **Feel**

- Change in ground surfaces
- Sand
- Shared personal space
- Weather

### **Sounds**

- Announcements
- Applause
- Children playing

- **Entertainment**
- **Music**
- **People**

## **Sights**

- **Entertainment**
- **Glare**
- **People**
- **Sandpit**

## **Smells**

- **Nature**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Other Programs**

**Other programs on offer include:**

**Market Stalls**

**Kids Cooking and Composting**

**Come and Try**

**Community Sites**

**Get creative**

**Eastern Regional Libraries**

**The Sustainability Hub**

**Youth Hub**

## **Saturday Evening Program**

**A Saturday evening twilight program will be featured on the Canopy Stage. It will be located in the Food Court area.**

**Starting from 5:00pm to 9.00pm on Saturday, stay for dinner, music, amusements and to watch the sun set over the Canopy Stage.**

**Performances will include live funk, rockabilly and calypso inspired bands. Patrons are welcome to enjoy the bouncy beats combined with burgers and burritos from the Food Court Treats as the sun sets over Knox.**

**Download the Knox Festival Stage Programs on the following link for all three stages.**

**<https://www.knox.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.aspx?PageId=5654>**

**Sensory Guide Saturday Evening Program**

**Feel**

- **Shared personal space**
- **Weather**

## **Sounds**

- **Announcements**
- **Applause**
- **Crowd cheering**
- **Entertainment (loud)**
- **People**

## **Sights**

- **Bright flashing lights**
- **Crowd movement**
- **Vivid entertainment**

## **Smells**

- **Food/Drink**
- **Nature**
- **Sunscreen**

## **Safety**

**Varied terrain throughout including grass, concrete, accessible paved and gravel pathways with some small embankments on surrounding areas.**

**FTG Community Arts Centre glass automated entry doors with wide solid beam at 860mm to 1000mm AFFL.**

**FTG Community Arts Centre with TGSi and handrails on access ramps.**

**Additional lighting provided in the evening.**

**Event Control with TGSi and handrails on access ramp at front.**

**Event Control steps with handrails.**

**Protruding objects on pathways including wheelie bins (green) as well as guide ropes and anchors situated around ALL marques.**

**Overhead hazards may include moving rides, overhanging branches or decorations.**

**Cables may extend across ground surfaces (appropriate cable trays will be provided).**

**Available signage for wet floors may be displayed.**

**Accessible water station available.**

**If first aid is required, please see a St. John Ambulance Australia (Victoria) first aid attendee.**

**Security will be on site. Emergency Services will be on site as required.**

**Children must be supervised at all times.**

**Alcohol and Drug Free event.**

**All council event staff have with Working with Children's Checks.**

**In the event of an emergency, emergency services and event wardens will help and direct visitors. If there is to be an evacuation, visitors will be directed to the nearest exit and designated assembly area.**

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**<https://accessabilityaustralia.com/contact-us/>**

**Please complete our short survey on the following link to help us ensure continuous improvement.**

**<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F666XYK>**

**We really appreciate your feedback.**

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