



Ararat Rural City

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK, BELLFIELD FIRE UPDATE

TUESDAY, 16th APRIL 2024

### Pomonal Fire Recovery Update

#### Planning & Building information:

- From Wednesday 3rd April, Council's Planning Manager will be based at the Pomonal Hall Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8.30am - 4.00pm, during April.
- If you have any queries regarding the planning and building permit process, they are available to assist with advice and information.
- A planning expo is also being organised for Pomonal over the next few weeks, further information to follow on this.

#### Emergency Recovery Vic Clean-up

- The ERV concierge team will be in Pomonal next Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th April (9am-3pm) to help register anyone for clean up with Disaster Relief Australia (DRA).
- If you require help with trees, removal of fences, shed clean up or anything else please come and have a chat to them about your needs and to register for help.
- If you cannot attend either of these times please call Emergency Recovery Victoria 1800 560 760.



Check out the 2nd episode of the Pomonal Recovery Podcast with Jill Miller - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4ZxZAZ7zEI>



Stay informed with Pomonal updates via FB, SMS, and email

Over the next few weeks there are going to be an increase of activity around Pomonal and we want to inform the community about who is engaged and will be visual around the area:

- Emergency Recovery Victoria (ERV)
- Hansen Yuncken (HY)
- Disaster Relief Australia (DRA)
- Ararat Rural City Council (ARCC)
- Lions Club (Bob's Army)

The Recovery Hub and Nadia's shop has a list of local tradies that you may access including tree arborist, plumbers and electricians.

For clean up requirements including houses, sheds, hazardous trees, fencing etc. register with Emergency Recovery Victoria on 1800 560760 as ERV Concierge will engage both DRA and HY to complete works

**If you are approached by anyone in relation to work / assessment on your property and you doubt their authenticity, remember to ask to see identity and that no government agency will ask for any payments**

Any questions, please reach out to our Council members at the Pomonal Hall or call the Council Office in Ararat.

## Wellness Drop In Day for Pomonal

Saturday 20 April  
10am - 4pm

Pomonal Community Hall

### A special event for Pomonal residents

Join us at any time during the day to simply have a cuppa and a bite to eat or take part in a range of gentle wellness activities including:

- Art therapy
- Yoga
- Meditation
- Massage
- Chiropractic care
- Sound therapy

Dot AND Frankie

S.e.d.e Cafe

share•eat•drink•enjoy



FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION: VISIT [ararat.vic.gov.au/pomonal-fire-recovery](https://www.ararat.vic.gov.au/pomonal-fire-recovery)

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### FIRE RESTRICTIONS TO END

The Fire Danger Period (FDP) will finish at 1.00am on Monday, 15 April in the following municipalities in CFA's Districts 16 and 17:

Ararat Rural City, Pyrenees, Northern Grampians, Hindmarsh Shire, West Wimmera Shire and Horsham Rural City

While restrictions are lifting in these areas, CFA still expects the grassfire risk to remain across the state so Victorians need to remain alert and prepared.

CFA District 17 Assistant Chief Fire Officer Mark Gunning said the weather has abated to a point where we can ease restrictions on the use of fire.

"There are parts of the district that remain dry and anyone who lights a fire is responsible to ensure that fire does not endanger lives or property," Mark said.

"We're urging everyone to stay safe, whether you're living in or travelling to high bushfire risk areas.

"Please monitor the conditions on hot, dry and windy days, as we may still see some days of elevated fire risk."

CFA District 16 Assistant Chief Fire Officer Archie Conroy said after last week's rain, autumn weather has arrived with overnight moisture and damp mornings reducing the fire risk in the areas

around Ararat, Stawell and St Arnaud.

"We're urging everyone to stay safe, whether you're living in or travelling to high bushfire risk areas," Archie said.

The end of the Fire Danger Period (FDP) will be an opportunity for some landowners to burn-off again, however it's important that residents check that local conditions are safe before undertaking these activities.

"You must register your burn-offs, check weather conditions and follow local council laws and regulations," Archie said.

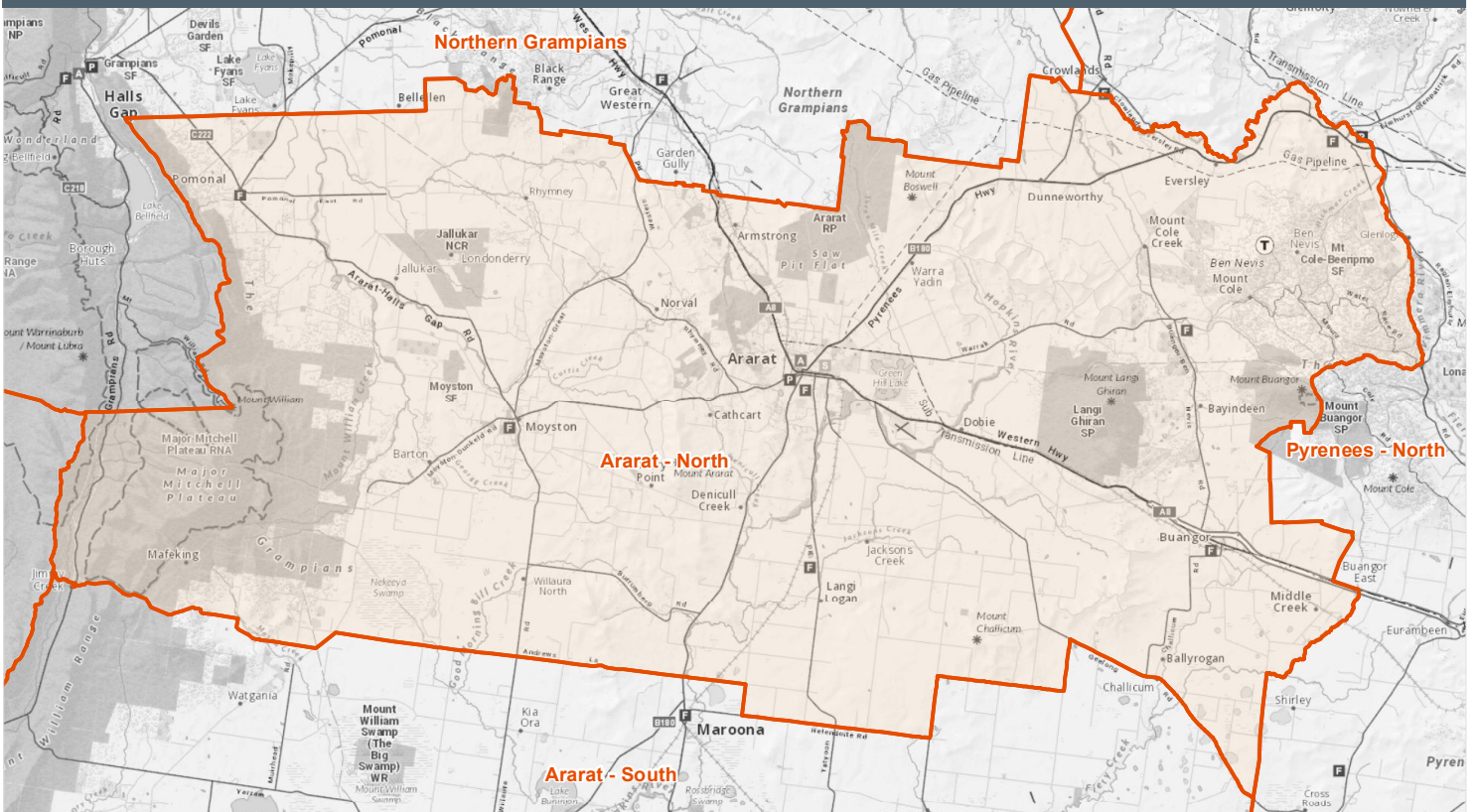
"Registering your burn-off ensures that if smoke or fire is reported, the incident is cross-checked with our register, which prevents firefighters from unnecessarily responding.

"When conducting burn-offs, remain alert and always have resources on hand to extinguish the fire."

Landowners can register their burn-off online at [www.firepermits.vic.gov.au](http://www.firepermits.vic.gov.au) or call 1800 668 511.

If possible, landowners should also notify their neighbours and others nearby who may be sensitive to smoke so they can take necessary precautions.

Fire Danger Period Areas - Ararat - North



# WHAT'S IN UP IN POMONAL FROM APRIL 2ND

\*ALL ACTIVITIES  
ARE FREE TO  
POMONAL  
RESIDENTS



## MONDAYS

9.30am - 3pm  
Men's Shed  
3pm  
Chat and Cuppa (Hall)  
6pm  
Yoga (Hall - Bring your mats!)



## TUESDAYS

8.30am  
Walking Group (Shop)  
9am  
Prayer Group (Church)  
10am  
Library Services (Hall)  
Coffee & Fellowship (Shop - 3rd Week/Month)  
Men's Shed Talk (1st Week/Month)  
5pm  
PPA Meeting (Hall)  
7pm-9.30pm  
Men's Shed (all inclusive session)



## WEDNESDAYS

8.30am  
Bike riding (Shop)  
9am  
Movement Class Cardio Fitness (Hall)  
9.30am  
Fit and Strong (Hall)  
1pm - 4pm  
Patchwork Group (Men's Shed)  
7pm  
Community Assets Committee  
Meeting (1st Week/Month - Hall)  
Social Pool (Barneys)



## THURSDAYS

9.30am - 3pm  
Men's Shed  
10.30am  
Play Group (Hall - Playground)  
3.30pm  
Mixed Bunch Art coffee (3rd Week/Month - Shop)  
Cards (Pomonal Estate)  
7pm  
Creative Writing Group (Hall)



## FRIDAYS

9am  
Photography Group (Hall)



# SATURDAYS

8.30am  
Bike Riding (Shop)  
Stand up Paddle (Lake Fyans  
Brick Toilet Block)  
9am  
Yoga (Hall)  
Community Garden Day (2nd Last  
Week/Month - Shop)  
10am  
Art group (1st Week/Month - TBA)



## SUNDAYS

8am  
Market (Last Sunday of the Month)  
10am  
Church  
4.30pm  
Social Tennis (Tennis Courts)  
Women Acting Out (Hall)



## CONTACTS

Mens Shed - Russ Kellett	0438204929	Church - Lyn Mc Kinnon	0427182015
Yoga with Danielle	0488144257	PPA	
Walking Group - Stuart	0417573217	APS	grampians@psvic.org.au
Pool - Barneys	0419505025	Bike Rides - Terry May	0417573217
Drumming - Leonie Shillas	0403785088	Photography - Keith Ward	0459769945
Women Acting Out - Barb Venn	0407796614	Tennis - Michelle Stewart	0407823874
Movement Class - Jenny	0425749033	Stand Up Paddle Board - Barb	0407796614
Patchwork Group		Mixed Bunch - Annette May	a.t.may@bigpond.com
Playgroup - Carly	cewallman@gmail.com	Art Group	
Creative Writing - James	0403883620		





## DECLARATION OF WASTE

I \_\_\_\_\_ of  
\_\_\_\_\_ in VICTORIA  
(Residential Address)

**do solemnly and sincerely declare the waste I carry is disaster waste from the emergency events commencing on the 13 February 2024:**

That the contents of waste carried is from and or on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_  
(approved LGA)

OR/I am a carrier for \_\_\_\_\_ (company name)  
and am duly authorised to make this declaration on its behalf.

Vehicle  
Registration \_\_\_\_\_

Declared

At \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cleanaway Site Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (day) , (month) \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Site officer (Cleanaway) \_\_\_\_\_