



Ararat Rural City

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK, BELLFIELD FIRE UPDATE

TUESDAY, 7th MAY 2024

A SEA OF BLUE SHIRTS

Pomonal's Wildflower Drive surged with a sea of blue shirts across Friday, Saturday and Sunday last week, as DRA – Disaster Relief Australia – put their backs into another week of fire recovery volunteering.

Over the three months since bushfires hit Pomonal on February 13, the area has become a hive of spirited activity.

The weekend's projects offered the perfect opportunity for community members to jump in and lend a hand. Residents are eager to aid volunteers as the groups move clean-up efforts through Robins Road, Springwood Hill Road, Cherry Tree Road, and other affected areas of the district.

Over the last week, DRA - along with the Hansen Yuncken team - moved forward with demolition and removal of debris from properties via the Emergency Recovery Victoria clean-up program. Pomonal has also received immense support from BlazeAid, whose volunteers have been diligently rebuilding or replacing fences with the tenacity which has characterised this recovery effort.



POMONAL TRANSFER STATION

Pomonal Transfer Station is currently open every day for residents to dispose of general waste. Current opening hours are:

Weekdays 8.30am - 4.00pm
Weekends 10am - 2pm

Pomonal Transfer Station can no longer receive building materials or scrap metal due to asbestos contamination. Waste will need to be taken directly to Cleanaway Stawell - 492 Pomonal Road, Stawell. Open weekdays 7:30am - 3pm.

Please note that all waste accepted by Cleanaway also has no charge, as long as the owner or contractor has ID for Pomonal or has completed this declaration form.



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FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION: VISIT ararat.vic.gov.au/pomonal-fire-recovery

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POSSIBLE INTERRUPTION TO YOUR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

Powercor will be conducting essential works in your area to support growth in your area. We do not anticipate your power will be interrupted however sometimes additional customers near the work area may be impacted.

Please plan ahead in case your power is interrupted between the following times:

From Wednesday May 15 at 09:00AM until Wednesday May 15 at 03:30PM

These times are approximate, and there's a possibility that we may need to cancel these works.

Powercor operate the network responsible for supplying power to your property and we work all year round to ensure this network of poles, wires and other infrastructure is safe and reliable. This includes addressing faults, essential maintenance, extending or upgrading infrastructure and connecting new customers.

We understand there's never a convenient time to have a power outage and that now, more than ever, people are relying on the continuity of electricity supply. Be assured our teams have planned the works in a way that minimises the disruption as much as possible.

You can minimise disruption to your home or business by planning ahead; read more about how to prepare overleaf. If you rely on electricity to provide vital health support, please ensure you have a back-up plan in place.

For enquiries about this planned outage, please call our Customer Contact Centre on 13 24 12.



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

Pomonal clean-up working bee Tue 21st and Wed 22nd of May

The Melbourne Tradie Team is coming to Pomonal with lots of skills and tools to do a working bee at your property affected by the bush fires

Please register with Relief Hub

M: 0403 183921

to book your needs of work to be done and tools required

eg: wood mulching, wood chopping, wood splitter, small plumbing jobs, small painting jobs (veranda posts) small electrician jobs (replace power point, etc)



If you'd like to join on the working bee as a volunteer with the Tradies Team, please reach out to the Relief Hub to register.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Pomonal Relief Hub

If anyone in our community has a hour or two to spare either morning or afternoon and would like to volunteer at the relief hub, please call in or phone 0427 182015 to put your name on the roster.



The Relief Hub hours are
Mon to Wed 9am to 4pm
Thu 1pm to 6pm
Sat 10.30am to 1.30pm



Mother's Day Sunday 12th May

Join us on Mother's Day for a "Pop Up Locals Market" Black & Ginger Wines, Live Music by "We Three" Complimentary glass of our Sparkling Riesling & Handcrafted Chocolates by Kerrie's Kreations.





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) _____