



Ararat Rural City

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK, BELLFIELD FIRE UPDATE

TUESDAY, 18TH JUNE 2024

POMONAL COMMUNITY RELIEF HUB HOURS UPDATE

Monday: 9am - 4pm
Tuesday: CLOSED
Wednesday: 9am - 4pm
Thursday: CLOSED
Friday: CLOSED
Saturday: 10.30 - 1pm
Sunday: CLOSED



COMPOST NOW AVAILABLE

A load of compost has arrived at Pomonal Relief Hub for the community. Should you wish to secure some of this batch, please register your interest with the Hub.

NEW YOGA RECOMMENCEMENT DATE

Attendees of Yoga Sessions at Pomonal Hall are advised the series will recommence on Saturday 6 July.

POMONAL RECOVERY CENTRE HOURS UPDATE

Pomonal Recovery Centre will be closed on Thursday 20 June and Saturday 22 June, reopening on Monday 24 June.

HOURS:

Monday: 9am - 4pm
Tuesday: 9am - 4pm
Wednesday: 9am - 4pm
Thursday: 9am - 6pm
Friday: CLOSED
Saturday: 9am - 1pm
Sunday: CLOSED

If you are in need of assistance outside these hours, please contact Ararat Rural City Council on 5355 0200.

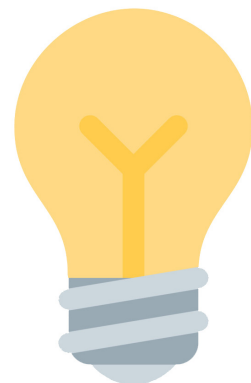
FREE BAL LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENTS

Ararat Rural City Council and the Victorian Government are partnering to offer Pomonal residents free individual Bushfire Attack Level assessments, to assist in making informed choices about their property. More information to come; register your interest at Pomonal Recovery Centre.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM POWERCOR

Powercor Australia have been fielding enquiries from Pomonal residents who are under the impression electricity reconnection fees have increased post fire damage.

Powercor wish to make it known they are **waiving all fees** for bushfire-affected residents, and have been doing so since the beginning of recovery.



If you have any questions about reconnection, call Powercor's Customer Request line on 1800 771 434.

POMONAL TRANSFER STATION UPDATE

Pomonal Transfer Station has resumed normal operating hours, and fees and charges are still being waived for Pomonal residents with the expectation they will be reimplemented from 1 July 2024.

Opening hours are:

Wednesdays 2pm - 5pm
Saturdays 1pm - 4pm

Cleanaway Stawell is no longer taking waste free of charge.



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UPDATED HOURS FOR MANAGER OF PLANNING & BUILDING

Ararat Rural City Council's Manager of Development and Regulation, Rob Fillisch, will be attending Pomonal Hall every week:

Wednesdays: 8.30am - 3pm

Alternatively, please call Council's Customer Service line to receive assistance on 5355 0200.



Above: Images from the Pomonal Village Market, 26 May, courtesy of facebook.com/pomonalvillagemarket.

The market runs on the last Sunday of every month; the next event will be 30 June.

COMMUNITY GARDEN WORKING BEES

The Pomonal Community Garden - located at the General Store - will be hosting two working bee events to upkeep the recent work completed by visiting tradesmen, with a coffee catch-up afterwards (courtesy of APS).



DATES: Saturday 22 June & Saturday 20 July

TIME: Any time between 9am - 12pm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are a number of Pomonal organisations looking for more volunteers to contribute to their community work.

Pomonal CFA Brigade Support Team

The Support Team assists active duty firefighters by keeping the shed and trucks clean and aiding in fundraising.

Contact Keith Ward: keith.ward1999@gmail.com

Pomonal Village Market

This team's efforts fund the valuable Pomonal Progress group.

Contact Alison: 0417 883 445 or pomonalvillagemarket@gmail.com

Pomonal Community Relief Hub

Contact the Hub: 0403 183 921

LANDSCAPING FOR BUSHFIRE BOOKS AVAILABLE NOW

Available as both a free downloadable PDF and a printed booklet, *Landscaping for Bushfire: Garden Design and Plant Selection* is a CFA-published resource which provides information on garden design in high-risk bushfire areas.

Covering topics of tree placement, choosing suitable plants, and garden design's place within a holistic approach to bushfire preparation, it contains relevant information for brand new gardens or for modifying your existing garden.

Get your physical copy at Pomonal Hub or Pomonal CFA Communications Officer Andrew, or access it online at <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/how-to-prepare-your-property/landscaping>.

