

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK, BELLFIELD FIRE UPDATE

TUESDAY, 25TH JUNE 2024

POMONAL COMMUNITY RELIEF HUB HOURS



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

POMONAL RECOVERY CENTRE 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.

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.

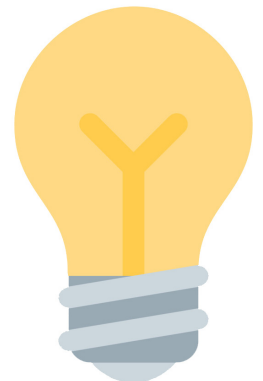
FREE BAL LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENTS

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 HOURS

Pomonal Transfer Station has resumed normal operating hours, and fees and charges are still being waived for Pomonal residents until further notice.

Opening hours are:

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

Cleanaway Stawell is no longer taking waste free of charge.



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GRAMPIANS GROWERS & PRODUCERS AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN



There's just over one week left to submit a nomination for your favourite producer or grower in the lead-up to the Business Excellence Awards.

Commerce Ballarat and Federation University are again delivering the Business Excellence Awards in August, the honours of which include the Regional Development Australia Grampians Growers & Producers People's Choice Award.

To nominate your favourite grower or producer (including yourself; businesses are encouraged to self-nominate!), visit commerceballarat.com.au and click on the pop-up banner.

Nominations close July 5, after which voting will commence on July 17.

All nominees will be mailed an information booklet, application details, and receive one-on-one mentoring sessions throughout the process.

The winner of the Grampians Growers & Producers Award will be announced at the 2024 Federation University Commerce Ballarat Business Excellence Awards Gala Dinner on August 29, along with the other featured categories.

YOGA RECOMMENCEMENT DATE

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

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.

COMMUNITY GARDEN WORKING BEE

The Pomonal Community Garden - located at the General Store - hosted a working bee last weekend to upkeep the recent work completed by visiting tradesmen. A second working bee event will be held next month, with a coffee catch-up afterwards (courtesy of APS).



DATE: 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