



Ararat Rural City

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

POMONAL & YARRAM GAP FIRE UPDATE

FRIDAY 22 AUGUST 2025

APPLICATIONS OPEN: 2025 EAST GRAMPIANS BUSINESS AWARDS

Businesses from across Ararat Rural City are encouraged to showcase their accomplishments and impact on the community by entering this year's East Grampians Business Awards.

Categories include: Best New Business, Accelerating Women, Outstanding Customer Service, Innovation and Change, Professional Services, Business of the Year, and People's Choice. All businesses located or operating in Ararat Rural City are eligible to apply and can enter into more than one category.

Applications close **Sunday 7 September 2025**

Winners will be announced at a Business Awards Gala presentation evening at Ararat Town Hall on Wednesday 29 October 2025. Scan the QR code to learn more, and to submit your entry.



COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC PROGRAM IN POMONAL

Grampians Community Health's Community Paramedics run drop-in clinics to provide free health checks and assessments, support and advice related to your health needs.

Community Paramedics can take your blood pressure, give you health advice, set health goals with you, and connect you and other services you may need

A Community Paramedic will be visiting **Pomonal Hall** on Thursday 4 September, from 12.30pm - 3.30pm



Scan the QR code for more info.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING WORKSHOPS

A further round of Community Emergency Management Planning workshops, facilitated by emergency management specialists The Six C's, and supported by Emergency Management Victoria, have been scheduled for August and October this year.

The workshops are designed to develop tailored strategies to address unique local vulnerabilities in our townships' emergency preparedness, response and recovery capabilities.

A workshop was held in Elmhurst earlier this week where locals came together to reconnect, support the development of their Community Emergency Management Plan (CEMP), and plan for the future.

A further workshops will be held at Pomonal Hall on Wednesday 8 October 2025, from 6.30pm - 9.30pm.

A free dinner will be provided. For catering purposes, please register via the QR code.

For more information, please call Council on (03) 5355 0200.



POMONAL RECOVERY CENTRE OPERATING HOURS

Pomonal Recovery Centre operating hours as of 1 August 2025: **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9am - 5pm (excluding Public Holidays).**

Manager of Planning & Building will be available to Pomonal residents by appointment.

For more information, and to make an appointment, please contact Ararat Rural City Council on (03) 5355 0200.

