



Ararat Rural City

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## POMONAL & YARRAM GAP FIRE UPDATE

**FRIDAY 29 AUGUST 2025**

### WESTERN VICTORIA EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND (RARF)

The Western Victoria Drought Emergency Relief Fund (RARF) is providing relief to farming families affected by drought in the region.

The fund is a collaboration between Rotary Australia World Community Service, the Farmers Relief Agency, and the Western Victorian Rotary Clubs of District 9780.

Scan the QR code for more information and to register for assistance, or contact Rotary District 9780 Drought Coordinator, Noel Howard, at [allambie165@gmail.com](mailto:allambie165@gmail.com)



### SPRING FIREWOOD COLLECTION SEASON

Firewood for personal use can be collected from designated collection areas in State forests during the Spring season.

Firewood can be collected from 1 September to 30 November 2025. Firewood cannot be collected outside these times.

Penalties apply for failing to follow firewood collection rules.

Scan the QR code for more information, and to view maps showing designated collection areas.



### POMONAL RECOVERY CENTRE OPERATING HOURS

Pomonal Recovery Centre operating hours as of 1 August 2025 are **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9am - 5pm (excluding Public Holidays)**. For more information, and to make an appointment, please contact Ararat Rural City Council on (03) 5355 0200.

### MOYSTON GENERAL STORE TO CLOSE

After eight years of trading, the Moyston General Store will be closing its doors. Their final day of trade will be Sunday 31st August 2025.

A clearance stock sale will be held on Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st August 2025 with everything in the store heavily discounted – more details to follow.



### GREENHOUSE BY JOOST FILM SCREENING IN WILLAURA TONIGHT

The Upper Hopkins Land Management Group will host a special community screening of Greenhouse by Joost at Willaura Hall this Friday 29 August 2025.

Greenhouse by Joost is an uplifting look at the teamwork and ingenuity behind a paradigm-shifting project that bursts with life.

This inspiring feature documentary follows Bakker as he builds a self-sustaining home, an ecosystem that provides its occupants with water, energy, shelter and nourishment.

The film screening will be followed by supper and a chat. Doors open at 6:30pm, screening commences at 7pm.

Scan the QR code for tickets and more information.

