

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

POMONAL & YARRAM GAP FIRE UPDATE



Ararat Rural City

**FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER, 2025**

## TAKE TIME OUT AT LOCAL PHOTO EXHIBITION



Taking time out is important, and we're lucky to have the Willaura Modern Railway Station Gallery to take our minds to new places. If you haven't already, get along to the 'Bring a Plate' portrait exhibition before it closes on October 31. You'll see photos by Ararat's Kelly Jordan that shine a light on extraordinary rural women. The gallery is open from 10am to 2pm Wednesdays-Saturdays. Enquiries: 0428 541 482

## PREPARATION TIP: INCLUDE PETS IN YOUR FIRE PLAN

Makesure your cats, dogs and other domestic animals are included in your household/property bushfire survival plan to help save valuable time during a possible evacuation. Things to consider include:

- Having pet bedding, food, water, medication, and important documents like vaccination records in one spot for easy access.
- Ensuring rego/microchip tags are on your pets' collars (where possible) and make sure their microchip details are up-to-date (prioritise now).
- Clarifying how you'll gather and transport your pets during an evacuation.

For livestock, separate plans are essential.

Visit [www.rspcavic.org/emergencyplanning](http://www.rspcavic.org/emergencyplanning) or [cfa.vic.gov.au](http://cfa.vic.gov.au) for more information.

## WILLAURA POOL TO OPEN DECEMBER 3

Willaura's outdoor pool will open on Wednesday 3

December and will operate from 4pm to 7pm until school holidays start, when it will be open from 11am to 7pm daily. For regular updates on pool operating hours and any weather-related changes, please follow Ararat FitnessCentreon Facebook.

## RUBBISH SKIP REMINDER

Between October 27 and November 9 Council will provide a rubbish skip at the Moyston Transfer Station on Wednesdays from 9am to 12pm and Sundays from 2pm to 5pm to help locals carry out their pre-summer property clean up.

Whilst most of us know what needs to be done for a property clean up, it's worth checking out the CFA website for their latest tips, just to refresh our knowledge. The main thing is to get onto it nice and early - maybe get a headstart this weekend!

Visit: [www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare)

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