



Have Your Say



Waste & Recycling Calendar Survey 2021

With the roll out of a new waste and recycling service in July, we'd love to get your thoughts on whether you'd like a waste and recycling calendar and, if so, in what format and with what information you'd like included on it. You can find the survey here www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/about-pyrenees-shire-council/news-media/waste-recycling-calendar-survey-2021. Or pick up a paper copy from resource centres in Avoca and Beaufort or the Council office.

Grants

Get Active Kids Voucher Program

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families enrol their children in organised sport and active recreation activities by reimbursing the cost of membership and registration fees, uniforms and equipment. Eligible children may be able to receive up to \$200 each. To be eligible, children must be Victorian residents, aged 4 to 18 and named on a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, as well as a Medicare Card. Round two of the program closes at 5pm, Friday 9 July 2021. For more info, visit www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers.

Community Information

Waste & Recycling is Changing in the Pyrenees

From the start of July there are going to be significant changes to waste disposal and recycling in the Pyrenees. Residents who already have street collection services will be getting a glass bin, while we will be rolling out a universal street collection service (landfill bin, recycling bin and glass bin) to residents who currently don't have any street collection. At this stage, we expect that most residents should start getting their new bins by the middle of July (if you haven't received one by the middle of August, please contact us). If you have any questions about these changes, you can find more information at www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/about-pyrenees-shire-council/news-media/waste-recycling-is-changing-in-the-pyrenees. Alternatively, you can contact Council by phone: 1300 PYRENEES (1300 797 363).

Youth Leadership Program

Young people (18-22 years old) from regional Victoria are invited to attend the 2021 Youthrive Victoria Young Rural Leaders Program. The program is a great opportunity to meet new people, learn new skills, be

challenged and engaged, and have some time to relax at a beautiful farm near Ballarat. This unique six-day residential program (from Sunday 4 July to Saturday 10 July) aims to build on your existing leadership and life skills, foster leadership capacity, and build a network of young leaders in rural and regional Victoria. All costs are covered by Youthrive Victoria and partner organisations. Apply at https://youthrivevic.formstack.com/forms/yrlp_registration_july2021.

Council Meeting

Pyrenees Shire Council's next meeting is Tuesday 20 July at 6pm at the Beaufort Council chambers. The public are encouraged to get involved by watching the live stream or submitting a question via our website www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/about-pyrenees-shire-council/council-meetings.

COVID-19 Information

Latest Restrictions

While regional restrictions have significantly relaxed, remember that masks still need to be worn indoors (outside your home) and outdoors when you can't physically distance by 1.5m. It is a legal requirement that you record your attendance at any business or venue by logging in with a QR code. You can find the latest restrictions at www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covidsafe-settings.

Testing and Vaccinations

Please remember, if you are feeling unwell with even the mildest of COVID or flu-like symptoms, get tested. You can find testing locations using www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/where-get-tested-covid-19.

You can find out if you are eligible to book a COVID-19 vaccination here: <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility>.

Employment



Plant Operator – Beaufort Depot

Council is looking for an experienced plant operator. Primary activities will include pothole patch, edge break repairs, guidepost maintenance, shoulder re-sheeting and unsealed road pothole patching. Other duties may include general maintenance, street cleaning, drainage maintenance and roadside vegetation maintenance. The role is permanent full time. Applications close at 5pm Wednesday 7 July 2021. Find more information at www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/employment.

Projects



Beaufort Lake Foreshore Update

The Beaufort Lake foreshore project is designed to reinvigorate the useability, look and feel of the lake for locals and visitor alike. Earlier in the year the earthworks and construction of picnic tables was completed, more recently, some playground equipment was installed – a slide, totem forest and swing. Council has also put in extensive plantings and mulched the area with chip bark, while lawn areas have been seeded with grass seed. This project has a budget of \$125,000 and was funded as part of a \$2 million grant from the Federal Government's Drought Communities Programme. You can find more information about this project and others at www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/residents/pyrenees-shire-projects.

Roadworks



South Street Footpath, Beaufort

Council has started building a footpath on South Street, Beaufort with construction to last five weeks, depending on weather and contractor availability. To view the design of the footpath, head over to our website, www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au.

Crossing points in High Street, Avoca

Preliminary work is underway for the construction of four pedestrian crossings on High Street Avoca. Construction is expected to last about four weeks.

Smythesdale-Snake Valley Road/ Linton-Carngham Road Intersection

Work on this intersection in Snake Valley has begun and should be completed in the next week.

Snake Valley Footpath

Work has begun on bitumening the footpath from Snake Valley CFA that heads south along Linton-Carngham Rd, finishing near Coates Rd. Depending on the weather, work is expected to last a few weeks.