



PYRENEES UNEARTHED WINE AND FOOD FESTIVAL



Saturday 13 April from 11am to 5pm on the Avoca Riverbank, Dundas Street

A sensational day of wine, food, local produce and live entertainment. More information: visitpyrenees.com.au/calendar-event/pyrenees-uneearthed-wine-food-festival-2024.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Landsborough community engagement session

Council's Community Development team will be at the Landsborough Community Recreation Centre next Monday 15 April, to discuss a range of issues with residents. Drop in and chat about:

- funding, youth, recreation, community health and positive ageing any time between 10.30am and 3pm
- community grants any time between 1pm to 3pm, when officers will be available to help you with grant opportunities.

If you can't make the session, get in touch with the Community Development Team on 1300 797 363 or commdev@pyrenees.vic.gov.au.

Forestry works road closures - Mt Lonarch/Berungower State Forest area

Some roads around the Mt Lonarch/Berungower State Forest area will be closed until June due to harvesting by HVP Forestry. Most of these roads were already closed to the general public due to the Bayindeen fires, and are primarily used by the forestry industry with some recreational use. These road closures will ensure the safety of anyone who may wish to use these roads during harvesting. The community will notice an increase in heavy vehicles using the Raglan-Elmhurst, Main Lead and Amphitheatre roads. Drivers are asked to obey traffic signage in these areas.

Council meeting

The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday 16 April from 6pm at the Avoca Town Hall Supper Room. Everyone is welcome to attend in person or tune in on our YouTube channel.

Councillor Cuppa and Chat

Everyone is welcome to our next Cuppa and Chat on Tuesday 14 May at the Stoneleigh CFA Shed at 5pm. Come along and have a chat with your Councillors about local issues that are important to you.

Animal registration payments extended

Council has extended the due date on all animal registration renewals due to the fire. Renewals have been posted to residents and will have a due date of 10 April, however residents can pay up until 30 April. You can pay online, in person or over the phone by calling 1300 797 363.

Glenpatrick Recreation Reserve Committee of Management

A public meeting will be held at the Glenpatrick Recreation Reserve on Monday 15 April at 5.30pm. The purpose of the meeting is to nominate up to nine people as the Committee of Management recreation reserve for a term of three years. All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night. For further enquiries please contact Linda Burrows on 0417 166 901.

Central Highlands Regional Partnership

The Minister for Regional Development, Gayle Tierney MP, is seeking applications from business and community leaders for membership on the Central Highlands Regional Partnership. Find out more and apply online: www.rdv.vic.gov.au/regional-partnerships/apply-for-a-committee-position.

FIRE RECOVERY

Council, with the Victorian Government, is helping the community rebuild and recover from the Bayindeen fires. You can find more recovery information below or on our website pyrenees.vic.gov.au/firerecovery.

Recovery centre

A member of Council's Recovery Team will be available at the Beaufort Library and Resource Centre on Wednesdays from 10am to 5pm, for people are looking for information and support following the fires. Pop in and have a cuppa with Tony or Jane.

Recovery services

The Emergency Recovery Hotline (Windermere Services) has dedicated and caring people available to provide recovery support. Services include clean-up, financial and emotional support. Call 1800 560 760 or register online at www.vic.gov.au/recovery-support. Council's Recovery Team is working closely with Windermere Services to ensure people are well supported in their recovery.

Clean-up services

Emergency Recovery Victoria has a clean-up service for fire damaged/destroyed homes that need demolishing/clearing away. It's a free service and residents are encouraged to register on 1800 560 760 or www.vic.gov.au/clean-support-bushfire-damaged-homes.

EMPLOYMENT

Plant Operator

Full time – 12-months limited tenure
Band 3 (salary between \$63,191 - \$67,545 incl. allowances plus super and RDO)
Applications close 12pm, Wednesday 24 April.

Applications from diverse/female/male people are encouraged. Find out more and apply online at pyrenees.vic.gov.au/employment.

GRANTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Event sponsorship grants now open

Event sponsorship grants provide support for new and existing community and tourism events such as festivals, open days, networking events, exhibitions, sporting competitions and community celebrations. Grants of up to \$2000 are available, with applications open until 22 April. For more information and application instructions visit pyrenees.vic.gov.au/Community/Community-Funding-Program/Event-sponsorship.

Flood recovery Community Resilience grants

Applications are open for the Community Resilience Grant Program (a flood recovery initiative). Grants up to \$2000 are available for programs/projects to help and empower communities to recover and build resilience for future flood impacts. Applications close 22 April. For more information visit Council's website pyrenees.vic.gov.au/funding.

A drop-in session is running for community members to discuss the grant, and any other queries, with Community Development and Flood Recovery team members. Head to the Landsborough Community Resource Centre on Monday 15 April from 1pm to 3pm.

TENDERS

Tender 2324-004

Cleaning of the Beaufort Caravan Park

Council is seeking submissions from qualified and experienced cleaning service providers for the cleaning of the Beaufort Caravan Park.

Specification and submission details can be found online: portal.tenderlink.com/pyrenees. Submissions are due 2pm on Tuesday 23 April.

ROADWORKS AND PROJECTS

Roadworks Eurambeen-Streatham Road

Works have started on Eurambeen-Streatham Road, south of Mt William Road near Coburn Rd. Works will cause some traffic delays.

Roadworks Trawalla Waterloo Road

Construction in underway on Trawalla Waterloo Road near Racecourse Road. Drainage works have been completed. Pavement works have started. These works will cause some delays.

Avoca drainage maintenance

Avoca drainage upgrades are well advanced, and we expect there to be little impact on motorists, residents, and pedestrians.

Caramuir Road, Nerring culvert works

Upgrade work on the Caramuir Road culvert is underway. Works include the extension of the existing culvert, road reinstatement, and installation of guard railing. The road will be closed during works, please follow the detour signs. We apologise for any inconvenience

Roadworks Smythesdale-Snake Valley Road

Construction work is complete. Line marking to be completed when contractors are in the area.

Roadworks Pittong Snake Valley Road

Works have started on Pittong Snake Valley Road near Cochrane Drive. Works include pavement upgrades and sealing of the unsealed road between Kelly Road and Cochrane Drive. Works will cause some traffic delays.

Infrastructure repairs

Repair work continues on infrastructure damaged by the October/November 2022 flood events. There is more work to do on roads, culverts, floodways and bridges. We thank you for your patience during these works.

EVENTS

Free Seniors' Digital Literacy Program

Learn to download apps, scan documents, pay bills and send emails, or ask the library team questions about something you've always wanted to know. Please bring your own smartphone or tablet.

Avoca Library: Wednesday 17 April 11am to 1pm. Bookings: 5465 1000 or aic@pyrenees.vic.gov.au

Beaufort Library: Thursday 18 April 11am to 1pm. Bookings: 5349 1182 or bcrc@pyrenees.vic.gov.au.

International Women's Day celebration

Join us on Friday 19 April (rescheduled due to the fires) from 8.30am at the Beaufort Library to celebrate the wonderful women of our community. Book your free ticket: trybooking.com/CPXTU or 5349 1180.

Free small business workshop: social media and content marketing



Tuesday 7 May, 2pm to 5pm, at the Beeripmo Development Centre, Beaufort.

Learn how to reach your customers through compelling social media marketing content. This free workshop covers topics including social media fundamentals, choosing the right platform for your target market, creating a Google Business profile, and curating and creating content. This workshop is free but bookings are essential: pyrenees.vic.gov.au/socialmediamarketingmay2024.