

Public Notices

19 January 2024



Pyrenees
Shire Council

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS



Join us from 10am on January 26 at the Avoca Recreation Reserve for Australia Day celebrations including a citizenship ceremony and the Australia Day Awards. Find out more pyrenees.vic.gov.au/Community/Events-and-activities/Australia-Day-2024.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Council meeting cancellation

The Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday 23 January 2024 has been cancelled.

The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday 20 February, 6pm at the Council Chambers in Beaufort. 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 13 February at Beaufort Senior Citizen's Centre in Beaufort at 5pm. Come along and have a chat with your councillors about local issues that are important to you.

Free health check

Avoca Information and Community Centre in partnership with Ballarat Community Health is offering free health checks for older adults on Thursday 8 February from 10:30am to 12:30pm at the Avoca Information and Community Centre at 122 High Street, Avoca.

A diabetes educator and service navigation intake worker will be available on the day. COVID vaccinations will also be available for anyone who may need a booster dose. For more information call Liz at Ballarat Community Health on 0491 085 342.

Community Development Team visits

Council's Community Development team is visiting townships around the Shire. The team supports community, sport, leisure, arts, and community grants.

The team will be in Avoca on 31 January at the Gunga Community Hub (Old Shire Office), 9.30am-4pm.

You can make an appointment by email commdev@pyrenees.vic.gov.au, phone 1300 797 363, or just drop in on the day.

Tiny Towns Fund

The Victorian Government's new Tiny Towns Fund supports local communities to deliver quality tourism and community facility projects, such as splash parks, bike trails, playgrounds, community hall and library upgrades, public art and more. All localities in Pyrenees Shire are eligible to apply.

If you're interested in developing a project for our Shire, email commdev@pyrenees.vic.gov.au or phone 1300 797 363 and chat with our Community Development Team.

Cool off at the pool



Summer is finally heating up and the Avoca, Beaufort, and Landsborough pools are open for your enjoyment. For opening times and more see pyrenees.vic.gov.au/swimmingpools.

Mobile library service

Our Mobile Library will be back in action for 2024. The service visits several locations throughout the Shire on a two-week timetable. See pyrenees.vic.gov.au/library for more.

Rural Water Supply Expressions of Interest

Interested in a water connection to your property as part of the proposed Southern Wimmera and Northeast Pyrenees Water Supply project? Landholders and community members from the northern end of the Shire can submit an expression of interest or learn more at www.gwmwater.org.au/swnep-study, or phone GWMWater on 1300 659 961.

Customer satisfaction survey

Each year the Victorian Government asks the National Field Service to survey residents by phone to identify ways to provide improvement or more effective service delivery to residents. This will start at the end of January for Pyrenees and run until mid-March.

Stay prepared this summer

Keep your property maintained by clearing vegetation, and keeping grass trimmed, firewood away from your house, and gutters cleaned.

Make sure your household is familiar with your bushfire survival plan. Have everything ready to leave early if that's your plan and keep an eye on the weather and warnings each day.

Download the VicEmergency app, keep an eye and ear on local emergency broadcasters, and check in with Fire Danger Ratings regularly.

Check out www.cfa.vic.gov.au for more information and resources to help stay prepared.

EMPLOYMENT

Parks and Gardens Maintenance Operator

Permanent – Full Time
Band 3 or 4 (depending on experience) \$63,191 - \$72,664 plus super. Applications close Monday 22 January.

Plant Operator

Permanent – Full Time
Band 3 - \$63,191 - \$67,545 incl. allowances plus super and RDO. Applications close Wednesday 24 January.

Coordinator Planning Services

Permanent – Full Time
Salary \$99,388 - \$127,326 (dependent upon experience) plus super and RDO. Applications close at 12pm on Monday 5 February.

Senior Planning Officer

Permanent - Full Time
Salary between \$89k - \$110k plus super and RDO. Applications close at 12pm on Tuesday 5 February.

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

EVENTS

BIG Summer Read

The BIG Summer Read is now open to all children aged from 0 to 18 years. Pyrenees Libraries is offering a first prize \$50 Big W voucher. Statewide prizes are also available. The BIG Summer Read runs until 31 January. Find out more and register: plv.beanstack.org.

Craft and games in Beaufort

Join us on Thursdays from 3.30pm to 4.45pm for an afternoon of crafting fun and games at the Beaufort Resource Centre.

Avoca Riverside Market

The Avoca Riverside Market is held along the banks of the Avoca River and in Cambridge Street on the fourth Sunday of each month. Enjoy stalls providing crafts, fresh food, plants, garden care, clothing and more at the next market on 28 January from 9am to 1pm.

Get your diaries ready for 2024

Now is the time to start planning on getting to some great events in the Pyrenees this year, including:

A Day in the Garden at Mount Mitchell Estate on Sunday 18 February

Avoca by the River live music event on Saturday 2 March

Pyrenees Unearthed Food and Wine Festival on Saturday 13 April

Find more events at visitpyrenees.com.au.

PROJECTS

Roadworks Beaufort-Carranballac Road

Construction works have started on Beaufort-Carranballac Road (1.5km to 2.3km south of Meadows Lane). There will be some traffic delays and periodic road closures including

a detour using Meadows Lane, Eurambeen-Streatham Road and Mt William Road. Works are expected to be completed by late-February.

Roadworks Smythesdale-Snake Valley Rd

Construction works have started on Smythesdale-Snake Valley Road (Hopes Lane to 150m south of Canico Lane). There will be some traffic delays. Works are expected to be completed by early March.

Beggs Street footpath, Beaufort

Construction and maintenance work on the footpath in Beggs Street has started. The planned works are expected to be undertaken in January and February. Beggs Street will remain open, but access to the car park may be restricted at certain times. The toilet facilities will also remain open and signs directing traffic and pedestrians will be in place.

FLOOD RECOVERY

Recovery support

If you need help with fencing or any other support, there's still help available. Don't hesitate to reach out to the Flood Recovery team on 1300 797 363 or recovery@pyrenees.vic.gov.au.

If you have ideas for your community to help recovery and build resilience, please contact the team. Sign up to our flood-recovery newsletter at pyrenees.vic.gov.au/flood-update.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Creative Community Strategy workshops



Council is seeking participation by interested community members, producers, and artists alongside representatives from venues, creative businesses and community organisations to collaborate on a new Creative Community Strategy for Pyrenees Shire Council.

Workshops will be held in Beaufort on Thursday 1 February from 4pm to 7pm, and in Avoca on Saturday 3 February from 10am to 1pm. You are welcome to attend one or both the workshops.

For more details and to reserve your spot, visit pyrenees.vic.gov.au/ccworkshop.

Pyrenees Shire Council customer service survey

We want your feedback on our customer service. Tell us about your experience, how you feel about our service, what we do well and where we can improve. You can have your say online engage.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/customer-service-survey, or fill in a printed copy of the survey at Council offices in Beaufort, at our Resource Centres in Beaufort and Avoca, or our Mobile Library. You can also call us on 1300 797 363 to request a copy via email or post, or for help filling in the survey over the phone.