



PYRENEES SHIRE COUNCIL WASTE APP



Pyrenees Shire Council has launched a new waste app, making it easier than ever for residents to access important waste and recycling information in one place.

From Thursday 2 April, residents can download the LoopedIn Councils app via the App Store or Google Play. Simply select Pyrenees Shire Council from the options to get started.

The app includes a range of helpful features:

- Bin day reminders and service alerts
- Online waste collection calendars
- Issue reporting and feedback options
- Information on waste and resource recovery facilities
- Recycling tips and practical resources

The app is designed to complement, not replace existing information channels. Residents can continue to access waste and recycling information via Council's website at pyrenees.vic.gov.au, the Council Facebook page, or through printed waste collection calendars.

Printed calendars are still available from Beaufort Council Office, Beaufort Community Resource Centre and Avoca Information Centre.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Step right up for a Circus Workshop!

Young people aged 8 to 13 are invited to run away with the circus – for a day at least – at our upcoming Circus Skills Discovery workshops.

Two sessions will be held on Thursday 9 April 2026:

Beaufort Community Resource Centre - 11am

Avoca Information Centre - 2.30pm

Places are limited, so bookings are essential. To enquire or reserve a place, please contact Beaufort on 5349 1180 or Avoca on 5465 1000

Digital literacy workshop for Landsborough residents

Are you aged 50 or over and wondering how to keep your treasured photos and important documents safe?

Join us for a free, friendly, hands-on workshop designed especially for older adults who would like simple, practical help to safeguard what matters - family photos, certificates, letters and important paperwork.

Thursday 9 April 2026
Landsborough Public Hall

Workshop: 1pm – 3pm
Lunch: From 12pm

Places are limited, so bookings are essential. To book call 1300 797 363 and ask for Sheena or Claire, or email claireh@pyrenees.vic.gov.au

STAFF PROFILE



Emily McDonald

Job title: Frontline Administration Officer / Acting Customer Service Supervisor

What does your job involve? Customer service mainly – we answer the phones, look after enquiries via email and assist people when they come into the counter. We try to help at your first point of call however, if we can't, we will refer you to one of our other staff members for assistance.

What are the favourite parts of your job? Assisting and listening to the variety of enquiries that we receive. No two calls are ever the same and whilst we don't get to hear the end result of an enquiry sometimes residents to call back to pass on thanks to the department who assisted which can be great to hear for the whole team.

What is something surprising that people would not know about the Pyrenees Shire? Many people may not be aware of the number of wineries in the Pyrenees. There are over 25 wineries selling over 12 varieties of wine around the Shire. There is even a cycle trail that you can take that takes you to several of the wineries. Many of the wineries are even dog friendly.

EVENTS

Beaufort Car & Truck Show

Saturday 28 March – Goldfields Recreation Reserve, Beaufort

Beaufort Walkfest

Sunday 29 March – Goldfields Recreation Reserve, Beaufort

Avoca Autumn Races

Sunday 29 March – Avoca Turf Club

For more details visit visitpyrenees.com.au.

CAREERS AT COUNCIL

Rostering and Program Lead

Full time – Limited Tenure (6 months)
Band 5 (Salary \$78,982 - \$90,344 incl. RDO) + Super

Applications for this position close at 12pm Monday 6 April 2026.

Interested candidates can download the position description and submit applications via Council's website.

Pyrenees Shire Council is proud to be an inclusive and equal opportunity employer. We offer flexible work arrangements and welcome applications from individuals of all abilities and backgrounds.

GRANTS

Ararat Wind Farm Sustainable Community Grants

Community groups in the Pyrenees, Ararat and Northern Grampians regions have the opportunity to bring their local ideas to life with the opening of the 2026 Sustainable Community Grants Fund.

Applications for the 2026 Sustainable Community Grants Fund opened last Friday and close on Monday 13 April. For more information visit ararat.vic.gov.au/ararat-wind-farm-sustainable-grants-program.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Lease Agreement

In accordance with Section 115(4) of the Local Government Act 2020, Pyrenees Shire Council is seeking community feedback on a proposal to grant a ten (10) year lease to Ability for You for the exclusive use of the Gunga Hub located at the rear of the Avoca Town Hall building at 92 Rutherford Street Avoca.

The proposed lease would permit NDIS provider, Ability for You the use of the building to provide programs for people with disabilities.

Community feedback can be provided via email at: pyrenees@pyrenees.vic.gov.au or via post at Pyrenees Shire Council, 5 Lawrence Street Beaufort 3373.

Community feedback must be received by 5pm on Friday 03 April 2025.

CURRENT ROADWORKS

Racecourse Road Rehabilitation Project, Beaufort

The Racecourse Road Rehabilitation Project aims to improve the condition of the road along a 1,400-metre stretch northeast from Tip Road.

Works began this week and will include road widening from 3.9m to 6.2m, new sealed road surface, drainage upgrades and table drain improvements and culvert upgrades where needed.

There will be minor traffic disruptions, including traffic control signs and reduced speed limits.

Carngham-Streatham Road Mt William Road intersection works

Works to realign the Carngham–Streatham Road and Mt William Road intersection at Stoneleigh have begun to improve safety at the site.

The upgrade will address the current "see-through" effect at the intersection, which can mislead drivers into thinking the road continues straight rather than forming a signed intersection. There will also be traffic management in place during the construction works. Any traffic management updates will be posted on our Facebook page.

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