



Ararat Rural City

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

POMONAL & YARRAM GAP FIRE UPDATE

FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2025

Moyston
Easter Market
9am to 2pm Easter Saturday
April 19th, 2025
Moyston Oval, Ararat-Halls Gap Rd

WILLAURA
goodFriday
appeal
THE NOTRAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

**DRAWN 2PM
FRIDAY 18TH APRIL
AT WILLAURA REC RESERVE**

\$2 PER TICKET

Tickets can be purchased
at the Willaura Bakery
and/or Willaura
Supermarket.

POMONAL RECOVERY CENTRE TEMPORARY HOURS

The Recovery Centre will be operating at amended hours until Wednesday next week:

Saturday 29 March: 9am - 12pm
Monday 31 March: 9am - 4pm
Wednesday 2 April: 9am - 4pm

After this period, the Centre will return to normal hours. For assistance during business hours, call Council's Customer Service team on 5355 0200.

REGISTER FOR SMALL BUSINESS + PRIMARY PRODUCER SUPPORT

The State Government has announced that Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) will deliver more than \$24 million in essential support to Western Victoria businesses affected by the December 2024 bushfires.

More information including program guidelines and how to apply will be available on the Business Victoria website soon.

Businesses can sign up now to register their interest and receive updates at: business.vic.gov.au/2024-25-western-victoria-bushfire-supports.

APPLY FOR LANDCARE GRANTS NOW

The Victorian Landcare Grants are open now, offering up to \$20,000 for activities to protect or improve natural assets such as native vegetation, native fauna, waterways, wetlands and soils including on-ground works, community education and engagement activities, and group/network development activities.

Applications close at 5:00pm on Wednesday 16 April 2025 and must be submitted through your local water catchment authority. For more info, head to <https://www.environment.vic.gov.au/grants/victorian-landcare-grants>

BURN-OFF REMINDER FROM CFA

The CFA are urging residents in the region to remember burn-off rules during the Fire Danger Period (FDP), which extends until 1 May 2025. Burn-offs conducted without a permit are strictly prohibited, and those who burn off without a permit may be prosecuted.

For information on permits and burning off safely, visit: www.cfa.vic.gov.au/burnoff

STAY INFORMED: Visit [ararat.vic.gov.au/bushfire-recovery](https://www.ararat.vic.gov.au/bushfire-recovery) and follow us on social media:





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REGISTER FOR UPCOMING EMERGENCY PLANNING WORKSHOPS

The follow-up Community Emergency Planning Workshops coordinated by Council with support for Emergency Management Victoria and facilitated by The Six C's, have been scheduled for the coming weeks.

Scan the QR code to register, or for more information call Council's Customer Service team on (03) 5355 0200.



STREATHAM WORKSHOP

DATE: Tuesday 15 April 2025
TIME: 6.00pm - 9.00pm
LOCATION: Streatham Memorial Hall



POMONAL VILLAGE MARKET THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday is the March edition of the Pomonal Village Market, held from 9am - 1pm.

Come along for fresh seasonal produce, cooked food, coffee, live music, handmade goods, books, and much more.



Register your interest in the State Government's small business and primary producer support package at: business.vic.gov.au/2024-25-western-victoria-bushfire-supports