



BELLARINE
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Bellarine Springs Newsletter
November 2024



A message from our Village Manager

KENT HODGSON



Can you believe it's already November? This year is truly zooming by! It's wonderful to witness residents commemorating milestone birthdays with unforgettable celebrations. Many happy returns to you all. I enjoyed seeing Drysdale showcased on the postcard television program the other night, featuring some enjoyable activities in the area. Aren't we so fortunate.

Village community centre updates

This month saw a range of essential maintenance and improvements carried out across the village. Acquisition of two defibrillators for our village emergency responders to carry with them. Installation of additional outdoor seating in Stage 7a Wetlands.

We upgraded the library with new mailboxes and shelving. Thank you for your understanding during the brief closure of the library. The new mailboxes can now accommodate magazines, and the new library table looks great, providing ample space for all the parcels for our eager shoppers—just in time for Christmas.

Garden Report by Robert Burza

Over the course of the month, the following tasks will be accomplished: The community centre will receive an aerator scarifier, which will cause the lawns to turn brown temporarily. Afterward, they will be nourished and watered, and within 4-6 weeks, they will return to a lush green state. The gardening team is currently operating on a temporary schedule: Frank will oversee stages 1-3, Robert will handle stages 4, 5, 6, and 7a, while Nathan will take care of stages 7b, 8, 9, and 10. Stage 2 will be managed by all the team.

Emergency Pendant Information Session

We invite you to attend an informative session about the emergency pendant. This session is perfect for new residents or anyone seeking a refresher on the benefits of the pendant. Join us on Wednesday, the 13th, at 10:30 AM in the boardroom. This pendant alarm system is specifically designed for seniors and features the ability to alert emergency responders, provide two-way voice communication, and pinpoint the resident's location.



Emergency Mock Evacuations

We have organised a mock emergency evacuation for all village residents.

Please join us if you can on -

Zone 1 - 4 - Monday 18th November at 10am

Zone 5 - 9 - Monday 18th November at 10.30am

Zone 10- 15 - Tuesday 19th November at 10am

Zone 16 - 18 - Tuesday 19th November at 10.30am

Please refer to your Village zone map to check your evacuation meet up point.



A message from our Sales Manager- Fiona Olin

Our final stage of development of the Village, Stage 10, has been broken up into five bite-sized pieces. The first part, Stage 10.1 has been completed in late August to early September, and already we've had two couples, and a lovely lady and gentleman move in. They are thrilled with their new homes and have especially enjoyed disposing of those packing boxes they hope not to see again for a long time!

Further updates on Stage 10 will be released closer to December, so stay tuned.

We have also seen some delays lately with incoming residents and the sales of their former homes, so I send best wishes for a quick sale. I invite anyone that would like to view our established homes, of which we have one design available of each home at the moment, so please reach out if you would like to come and view with any friends or family.

It is so exciting for me to take the residents and families on-site to see their homes come to life and for them to have a high-quality home built for their retirement years. However, once the sparkle of a brand-new home has worn off, I especially enjoy seeing the fundamental reasons you chose to move into Bellarine Springs being fulfilled: security; friendships; location; support from a community when your family isn't close; enjoying homes and environs built perfectly for your retirement years and easing the upkeep of your existing home. To see you enjoy these benefits and flourish in life are why the operations staff and I believe so strongly in our community and love what we do.

I like seeing all the smiles when we have a gathering of residents and guests at events as we all know you like to have fun! Therefore, because we are getting closer to Christmas... we have organised another Wine event!!!

Would you like to sample some delicious wine from our Wines of the World.

We have allocated Tuesday 26th November for nibbles and, Wines of the World wine tasting.

The event starts at 1pm and concludes at 3pm. It is a free event for all residents and guests.

Please RSVP to myself and or resident's activities board.

The only charge is if you purchase wine for yourselves friends and family.

Thank you to the indoor bowling group for allowing us to move your timings this day! Greatly appreciated.

Wishing you all a happy November!

Thank you as always for the smiles

Happy snaps from last year's event for referencing!



Fiona Olin
Sales Manager
0455 112 360



New residents

Extending a Warm Welcome to New Members of the Village Community

It brings us great joy to welcome the newest members to our village community. In November, we look forward to greeting the following residents to our village - John Wedlick



RESIDENTS, YOU'RE INVITED TO A



B O U T I Q U E

W I N E S O F T H E



Sip, Swirl, Savour

HOSTED BY
BELLARINE SPRINGS

TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER

1PM- 3 PM

101 CENTRAL,
DRYSDALE



PINNACLE LIVING
BRINGING RETIREMENT TO LIFE

BSRA presidents report

Hello Fellow Residents,

I am honored to have been elected to the position of President and know that the committee and I will endeavor to serve you to the very best of our abilities. Our aim is to try and make the transition and life into this wonderful village a peaceful, happy place where the residents feel at home and whose opinions are valued.

For the benefit of those who were not able to attend the recent AGM on Wednesday 23rd October, the new incoming committee are as follows:

President: Sue Kuter

Vice Pres: Steve Merriman

Secretary: Glynis Jones

Treasurer: Rick Goss

Ordinary members:

Maree Burn, David Gilbert, Jayne Huson, Delia Jenkins, Gayle McNiece.

Please do not hesitate to contact any of your committee members should you have any concerns or issues.



The Activity Station in the community centre foyer is where any upcoming events/outings are listed and November looks like being a busy month already.

Tuesday 5th November: Sandra Adams has put a lot of effort into holding this function which has all the makings of a fun day.

Tuesday 12th November: VIP series with anecdotes from Jayne Huson and Peter Guerin.

Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th November: Geelong Botanical Gardens followed by lunch at Malt Shovel Taphouse.

Wednesday 13th November: Drysdale RSL Remembrance Day Golf Day
At Clifton Springs Golf Club

There are many more activities so it pays to regularly check in at the station to find out more and of course sign up so you don't miss out.

Kind regards,
Sue Kuter
President BSRA





Community Vegetable Garden Update



Finally some rain and sunshine- our garden has responded with crops of snap peas, chard, silver beet, lettuce, radish , rhubarb and currently lots of broad beans and spinach.

Also we have harvested some bay leaves and thyme and thanks to Barbara Joyner using her dehydrating machine - packets of dry herbs available- see veggie table in library.

Garden team have been busy clearing weeds and thanks to (artificial turf donations- Greg and Alan have laid it all on our paths. Much safer for our gardeners.)

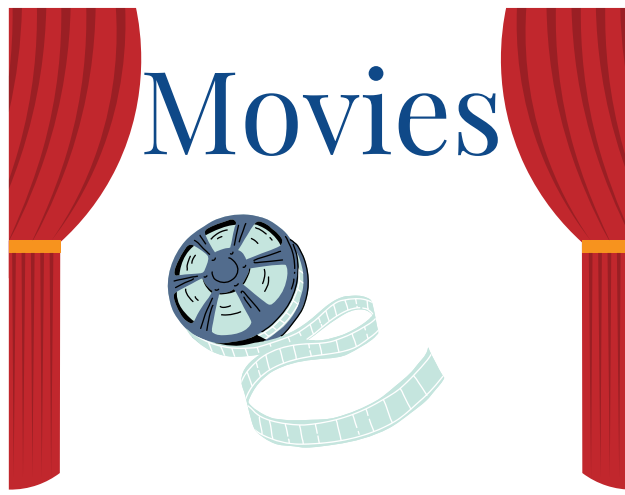
Spring plants now in are zucchini, cucumbers, pumpkins, tomatoes, spring onions, eggplant and capsicums.

The garden team works in the garden every Monday and Friday morning- extra help is always appreciated.

Also very nice to have many residents come up for a visit and a chat.

Maria R





I've chosen two very different films this time around but both starring an actor of whom I am inordinately fond. It is of course Lee Marvin who in his time has been a great bad man, ruthless gangster, occasional comic actor but always a terrific performer. Hopefully you might enjoy these two movies as they are also filled with top rate actors.

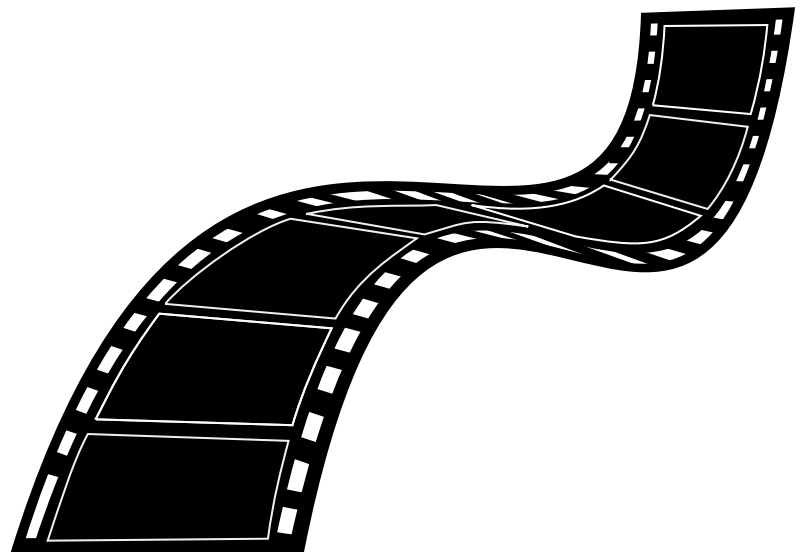
Paint Your Wagon. Although initially panned by the critics this has morphed into a much-loved classic. Stars Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood and Jean Seberg. With a superb setting the music is fantastic and this has to rate as a great musical comedy. The play was a hit on Broadway so let go and enjoy a real fun film.

Thursday 14th @ 2.30pm

The other end of the pendulum for Marvin comes with The Professionals. Not a conventional "cowboy" western as it is set in the early part of the twentieth century. Terrific stars with Lee Marvin, Burt Lancaster, Robert Ryan, Woody Strode, Jack Palance and Claudia Cardinale. Four mercenaries are employed to rescue the kidnapped wife of a rich cattle baron. The photography in harsh country is stunning as is the action.

Thursday 28th @ 7.00pm

Look forward to seeing you at the movies.
David



Singles Group

This month took us back to the Potato Shed where we were entertained by Frankie J Holden and his wife Michelle Pettigrove in *How Sweet It Is*, which was a homage to life and love.

13 people attended this event and it was excellent, we all thoroughly enjoyed it and having the cabaret tables at the front made it even more enjoyable because you can have a drink and take nibbles (Pauline's baked cheese biscuits went down a treat).

They even joined us for a photo after the show which was a bonus for us.

This venue is very popular with our members, and we have another event lined up next month and within 2 days of me advertising it I had 15 people wanting to go.

Our Tuesday night Happy Hour table has welcomed 2 new ladies this week and is proving to be popular as it can be quite daunting if you are new and single so please join us, you will be made very welcome, both men and women alike.

Rita and Lynn



Belairne Springs
Residents Association

Village Outing

When – Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th November
Time – 9:30am at the Community Centre
Lunch – Malt Shovel Taphouse at your own cost
Visit – 10:30am - 1 Hour Guided Tour of Geelong Botanical Gardens. (\$4 to be paid prior – in the labelled box in library).
Return – Around 3:30pm

Our next Village Outing is to the Geelong Botanical Gardens

The Geelong Botanic Gardens are located within Eastern Park on the eastern outskirts of the central business district. They were established in 1850 and are the fourth oldest botanic gardens in Australia.

Stimulate the senses with the colours and scents of the amazing plant collection as you explore this renowned regional garden.



Denis O'Reilly, Historian, Queenscliffe Historical Society: The Life and Times of William Buckley



On Tuesday 8th October 2024, Denis O'Reilly, ably assisted with the audio-visual equipment by his son Declan gave a fascinating presentation on the experiences of William Buckley an escaped convict who managed to remain alive with assistance of the aboriginal tribes of the Bellarine Peninsula.

Denis dressed in convict clothing and spoke in the first person as William Buckley might have told his story. William Buckley, described as a "giant of a man" became accepted by aboriginal people because they believed he was the re-incarnation of a recently killed aboriginal man. After more than 30 years living with the Wathaurung people and having lost all vestige of English language he gave himself up to a camp left by John Batman at Indented Head in 1835.



William Buckley's life and adventures were recorded in a book first published in 1852 and reprinted as a Text Classic in 2022. The book gives real insight into the hardship, struggles and challenges he endured. Denis has kindly donated a copy of this book for the Bellarine Springs Village Library.

Steph Wellard Rod Wellard
VIP Conveners



VIP SERIES

Very Interesting Presentations

Resident Stories

Peter Guerin & Jayne Huson

One Woman: Stories from Two Countries. Jayne will be presenting stories drawn from her rich and varied experiences in South Africa and Australia.

Cleaning Up Toxic Messes. Peter's presentation will be a reflection on his experiences working with police in cleaning up the messes left by criminal drug makers producing amphetamines (often in their lounge rooms!)

- Tues Nov 12th
- 11:30 - 12:30pm
- In the Theatre

**SIGN UP NOW
AT THE
COMMUNITY
CENTRE**



**JAYNE HUSON AND
PETER GUERIN**



Drysdale Food Bank Drive 2024

As the supermarkets and shopping malls love to remind us, Christmas is coming. This time of year, many of us appreciate how fortunate we are to have the security of a roof over our head and food on the table and we recognise that others in our Drysdale and Clifton Springs community are not so fortunate. For this reason, Geoff Turner and I have organised an easy way for residents to contribute food items for our local foodbank every November.

About the foodbank: The Drysdale food bank is run as part of Drysdale Family Support (DFS), out of the Drysdale Community Church. The DFS also operates a counselling centre and second chance shops. The food bank receives some funding from Give Where You Live grants, but it has seen an increase in demand in recent years and always appreciates extra donations around this time of year.

How it works, in-kind donations: On Monday 25th November residents leave their donations of canned and packaged food, toiletries, cleaning products, etc. (no frozen goods please), on their porch by 10am. Geoff and I, along with some helpers from the village then drive around collecting the items and we deliver them to the foodbank on Jetty Road that day.

If that time is not convenient for you, you can leave your donation on my porch after November 20th.

How it works cash donation (1): If you would prefer to make a direct financial contribution the following information appears on the DFS website (<https://www.dcchurch.org.au/family-support>) *Drysdale Family Support is a separately incorporated entity that has Charity status and is approved as a Deductible Gift Recipient. To donate to DFS financially, bank details are provided below.*

Drysdale Family Support

BSB: 633000

ACC: 118464429



Please include a reference with your transfer so we know what it's for.

If you would like a tax receipt for your donation, please contact our office.

How it works cash donation (2) Alternatively you can give cash to me by November 22nd and I will shop for specific items as needed. Unfortunately I am not able to provide a tax receipt, but I can provide a copy of the shopping docket indicating where you funds were spent, if requested. If giving me cash please give it to me in person and I will record the details.

You may not receive any personal thanks or recognition for your donations.

You may never know the person or people who benefitted from your gifts.

You *will* know that your thoughtfulness brought some comfort, and knowing that is a priceless gift you give to yourself.



Judith Jones
1 Tenbury Wells Ave
(0409 192 123)

Join Us

MELBOURNE CUP DAY 5TH NOV. @1PM

SIGN UP NOW \$5 P/P

- **CUP SWEEP**

Everyone loves a winner

- **CHICKEN & CHAMPAGNE**

Glass of bubbles on entry
Chicken & Salad provided
(One Serve)

- **FASHIONS**

Dress up and be a part of
the fun on the Red Carpet

- **BYO NIBBLES &
WINE/BEER.**

For the Party if you are staying the
day. Bar will not be manned.

- **PRIZES**

Cup Outfit Ladies
and Mens..

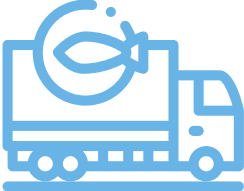

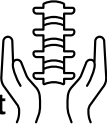



CONTACT ME
ON 0404896361
SANDRA ADAMS

Sold Out

This event has now reached full capacity. While you're still welcome to join us, we are unable to accommodate any additional chicken or champagne.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>8:45 am: Cycling Group 1 pm: Mahjong at CC 1pm: Aqua 1:30 pm: Rumikub at CC 2 pm: Scrabble at CC 3pm: Book Club in the boardroom</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>9am: Walking group 1pm: Craft at pavilion 1pm: Cup Day celebrations 2pm: Golf croquet 5pm: Sundowners at CC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Office closed</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>9am: Social Tennis 9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale 9.30 am: Tai Chi Pavilion 10am: Bus to Westfield 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30 pm: Rummikub at CC 2pm: Physiotherapy at Pool 2pm: Outdoor bowls</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>9:30 am: Exercises at Pav 11am: Aqua 1:30 pm: Social Bridge at Pavilion 2pm: Golf Croquet 2pm: Cuppa and games at CC 2pm Blokes, Billards, Beers at CC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>8:45 am: Cycling Group 1 pm: Mahjong at CC 1pm: Aqua 1:30 pm: Rumikub at CC 2 pm: Scrabble at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>9am: Walking group 9.30am Village outing 10.30am: Birthday Morning tea at CC 1pm: Craft group at Pav 2pm: Golf croquet at bowling green 2pm: Chicks with Cue sticks at CC 2pm: Indoor bowls at CC 11.30am: VIP at theatre 5pm: Sundowners at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>9am: Social Tennis 9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale 9.30 am: Tai Chi Pavilion 10.30am Pendant info at Boardroom 10.30am Drysdale RSL Remembrance Day Golf Day 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30 pm: Rummikub at CC 2pm: Physiotherapy at Pool 2pm: Outdoor bowls</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">14</p> <p>9:30 am: Exercises at Pav 9.30am Village outing 11 am: Aqua 1:30 pm: Social Bridge at Pavilion 2pm: Golf Croquet 2pm: Cuppa and games at CC 2pm Blokes, Billards, Beers at CC 2pm "Paint your wagon" at theatre</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>8:45 am: Cycling Group 10am Mock Evacuations 1030am Mock Evacuations 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1pm: Aqua 1:30 pm: Rumikub at CC 2 pm: Scrabble at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>9am: Walking group 10am Mock Evacuations 1030am Mock Evacuations 1pm: Craft at pavilion 2pm: Golf croquet at bowling green 3pm: Indoor bowls 3pm: Chicks Cue Sticks at CC 5pm: Sundowners at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>9am: Social Tennis 9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale 9.30 am: Tai Chi Pavilion 10am: Bus to Westfield 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30 pm: Rummikub 2pm: Physiotherapy at Pool 2pm: Outdoor bowls</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>9:30 am: Exercises 11am: Aqua 1:30 pm: Social Bridge at Pavilion 2pm: Golf Croquet 2pm: Cuppa and games at CC 2pm Blokes, Billards, Beers @ CC 7pm Whisky Night at CC</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>Drysdale Food Bank Drive Goods on your porch by 10am please. 8:45 am: Cycling Group 1:00 pm: Mahjong at CC 1.00pm: Aqua 1:30 pm: Rumikub at CC 2:00 pm: Scrabble at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>9am: Walking group 1pm: Craft at pavilion 1pm: Wine tasting at CC 2pm: Golf croquet 3pm: Indoor bowls at CC 3pm: Chicks Cue Sticks 5pm: Sundowners</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>9.00 am: Social Tennis 9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale 9.30 am: Tai Chi Pavilion 1.00 pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30 pm: Rummikub at CC 2.00 pm: Physiotherapy at Pool 2.00 pm: Outdoor bowls</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>9:30 am: Exercises 11am: Aqua 1:30 pm: Social Bridge at Pavilion 2pm: Golf Croquet 2pm: Cuppa & Games 2pm Blokes, Billards, Beers at CC 7.00pm "Professionals" at theatre</p>

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>10am: Musical Moments at Theatre 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30pm: Rummikub at CC 5pm: Happy Hour at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>2pm Line Dancing at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>2pm Cuppa and games at CC</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>10am: Musical Moments at Theatre 10.30am: Fish Van at CC 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30pm: Rummikub at CC 5pm: Happy Hour at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>2pm Line Dancing @CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>2pm Cuppa and games at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Fish Van 10.30am - 11am Friday 8th November Friday 22nd November</p> 
<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>10am Musical Moments at Theatre Lux Beauty bus at CC 1pm Mahjong at CC 1.30pm Rummikub at CC 5pm Happy Hour at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>2pm Line Dancing at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>2pm Cuppa and games at CC</p>	<p>Lux Beauty Bus 9am Friday 15th November. To book appointments for that day, please contact Fiona at 0404 043 096</p> 
<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>10am Musical Moments at Theatre 10:30am Bucket List travel and cruise club at Lounge 10.30am Fresh Fish Van 1pm Mahjong at CC 1.30pm Rummikub at CC 5pm Happy Hour at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>2pm Line Dancing at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>2pm Cuppa and games at CC</p>	<p>Physiotherapist  Keegan FitzGerald is located in the practioners room in community centre 0411 096 099 to schedule appointments.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>10am: Musical Moments at Theatre 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30pm: Rummikub at CC 5pm: Happy Hour at CC</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>2pm Line Dancing at CC</p>		<p>Hairdresser  Sally is located in the community centre hairdressing salon. Please contact her direct on 0428 150 094 to arrange your appointment.</p>