

Bellarine Springs Newsletter March 2025







A message from our Village Manager

KENT HODGSON

What a wild start to the month with storms hitting the Village hard, we sincerely appreciate the residents who pitched in to clear fallen tree branches, helping to keep everyone safe. A special thank you to our village garden staff—Nathan, Frank, and Robert—for their prompt response and hard work in the cleanup efforts. All roof repairs have now been completed, and the ceiling at the community center portico entrance is prepped and ready for painting.



Village Updates

This month, fire service contractors completed their routine inspections, ensuring all systems are in order. The spa's water level sensor has been replaced, and the community center's automated doors have undergone their annual service. A crack in the pool's heat exchange pipe was identified and successfully repaired. Additionally, quarterly pest control treatments have been carried out, and a new first aid kit has been placed in the community center kitchen for added safety.

Village Gardens - Robert Burza

A huge thank you to everyone who assisted in clearing the fallen trees during the storm.

The garden team has efficiently removed 25 stumps using the stump grinder and has injected poison into the root systems. Frank is currently on holiday and will return after the Labor Day weekend.

I kindly ask everyone to ensure that their young trees receive at least two watering cans of water on hot days, especially in the morning before the heat sets in.

Bellarine Springs Cycling Group

A big thank you to Pinnacle Living for providing the new safety vests for our cycling group, as showcased by some of our members recently.

With the addition of these bright and comfortable vests, our cyclists can continue to explore the scenic trails with enhanced visibility and safety. While also promoting our village.

Whether you're a seasoned cyclist or new to the group, there's always something invigorating about feeling the breeze as you pedal through the beautiful landscapes. All are welcome to join our next group ride and experience the camaraderie and joy that comes with cycling through our wonderful community.

The group ride every Monday at 9am. Happy cycling!



Cycling group models!

Emergency Pendants

Testing Emergency Pendants - Stages 4, 5, and 6.

It's time to continue our regular testing of these devices.

Please keep an eye out for updates in the monthly newsletter and Buzz.

When it's your scheduled turn, remember to test the emergency button on your pendant between 9am and 1pm, Monday through Friday. If you're uncertain about your home's stage, don't hesitate to ask the reception staff for assistance.

As our village grows and street sizes expand, conducting tests by stages has become the most effective method to ensure that all emergency pendants are functioning properly.



A message from our Sales Manager- Fiona Olin

Bellarine Springs RV is perfectly situated.

I love hearing all the residents' stories of their recent outings, in particular too those that have recently settled into their new home at Bellarine Springs and have recently relocated and have started to explore our stunning hidden Bellarine gem.

Additionally, some of the feedback I get to why they decided on Bellarine Springs village is the feeling as they drove up to towards the community centre with our 180 incredible views of the bay out to the You Yangs and more importantly we cannot forget at night the views to Kardinia Park and seeing the lights blazing....Go Bombers!! I hope you all enjoy your football season, and your respective teams do well this year!

Again, thank you to all the residents that speak so highly of their community and love where they live!! The referrals never go unnoticed, and I feel so humble to have the opportunity to work in such a fun, vibrant community.

You will have also recently heard the 0.25% interest rate reduction.

We do hope to see a shift in the market, and I look forward to giving you an update in the coming months on what has sold in our beautiful community.

Don't forget our wonderful resident referral plan.

We have issued 4 referral rewards just in the last month. Ask me how!!

Thank you again for all the smiles 😊

Fiona Olin Sales Manager 0455 112 360



New Residents

We are excited to be bringing out the welcome mat for our newest members of our village community. During March we will have the pleasure of settling the following residents into our village.

John and Pauline Schreenan



BSRA president's report

As we head into Autumn we hope we can expect more stable weather, however my motto has been "Expect the unexpected". The damage around our village created during the mid to late February winds was quickly cleared by staff and some helpful residents and thankfully no physical harm was reported. The financial cost of damage is now something the village operations is having to address. We welcome back residents who have been away and wish safe travels to those who are about to venture further afield.

There are some residents experiencing ill health. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you cope with these adversities. Please don't hesitate to reach out should you require any assistance.

Kind regards, Sue Kuter BSRA President.





Community Vegetable Garden Update

As February comes to a close, we are harvesting some amazing tomatoes. Have you tried the sweet yellow ones?

We also have crisp green silverbeet, which has been very popular this season. And, this week, we picked the first of many pumpkins.

Thank you to all the village garden team who have done an amazing job of watering, weeding and maintaining the compost bins.

It is also so wonderful that residents offer to share their own produce and plants.

As you know the veggie table in the library is not large and is in front of a window, which heats up causing some products (especially herbs) to quickly wilt and so get discarded.

To help us prepare and present usable items please bring your items on Monday or Friday morning by 10.00 am - your friendly Village garden team can then ensure your offerings are not wasted.

Thank you for you cooperation Maria Ryan



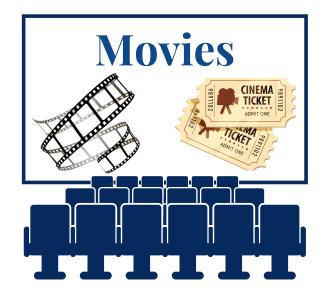














How time flies by, but here we are looking at films for March and I hope that the two I've chosen will appeal. One is out and out great fun as a sheer adventure while the other dives into the supernatural.

When I was a kid going to Saturday morning movies the Rocketeer was shown in half hour series form. Well in 1991 they made a full length light-hearted version that is action all the way. Set in the 30's it stars Timothy Dalton, Alan Arkin, Paul Sorvino and Jennifer Connelly. When down on his luck air racing pilot stumbles on to an amazing invention the chase is on between Howard Hughes, the government and the Nazis. If you like fun then this is it.

March Thursday 6th @ 2.30pm

The Ninth Gate is, to me, one of Johnny Depp's least well known films but one of his best. as a world weary shady book dealer. He is paid to find the truth about the last remaining copies of "the Ninth Gate of the Kingdom of Shadows" What starts as a job becomes an obsession which may lead him to unlock the gates of hell. Brilliantly directed by Roman Polanski. If you can enjoy a supernatural thriller then look no further.

Thursday 20th @ 7.00pm

Have fun and see you at the movies.

David



Musical Moments

I would like to let everyone know that the SOUVA BAR restaurant in Drysdale have donated 10 \$20 vouchers for our village for use in their restaurant.

This coming Friday 30 of our MUSICAL MOMENTS members will be going there for lunch subsidised by our group.

Everything was very easy to organise as were the management who were very approachable.

More information futuristic. Music - GOING GREAT!

Jacqui Brough



AFL Bellarine Springs Tipping Competition

All May

The 2025 Tipping Competition is officially open for entries! Join us for some enjoyable and friendly competition.

This event is open to all residents, with prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place overall at the end of the season prior to the finals. Additionally, there will be prizes awarded every four weeks for the winner of each block throughout the season.

- Entry Fee: \$15 (please place in the envelopes provided and submit in the white BSRA box located in the library).
- The season kicks off on Thursday, March 6th. Make sure to register by Tuesday, March 4th.
- Please provide your email address so that you can receive updates on the results.

A progress sheet will be posted on the Activity Station notice board every four weeks.







HANDYMAN SERVICES



Nathan Roberts

Let our reliable handyman, Nathan, take care of all the minor tasks around your home at a rate of \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof. Nathan is available next on **Wednesday 5th March**To schedule the handyman service, please email bellarinereception@pinnacleliving.com.au and provide your address, phone number along with the specific service details.
Or see our reception staff between 9am and 3pm.





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8:45 am: Cycling Group 11.30am Line Dancing at CC 1:00 pm: Mahjong at CC 1:00pm: Aqua 1:30 pm: Rumikub at CC 2:00 pm: Scrabble at CC 3pm: Book Club in the boardroom	9am: Walking group 1pm: Craft at pavilion 2pm: Indoor bowls at CC 3pm: Chicks Cue Sticks 5pm: Sundowners	9am Handyman services 9am: Social Tennis 9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30 pm: Rummikub at CC 3pm: Physiotherapy at Pool 2pm: Outdoor bowls	11:00am: Aqua 1:30 pm: Social Bridge 2pm: Golf Croquet 2pm: Cuppa and games 2pm Indoor bowls at CC 2pm Blokes, Billards, Beers at CC 2.30pm "Rocketeer" at Theatre 6pm Croquet at bowling green
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Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
March 2025	l 2pm Line Dancing at CC	2 2pm Cuppa and games inclucing Left, Right, centre and keeper at CC	Villlage Handyman services - Nathan 5th March from 9am. Book in at reception \$15 per 15 minutes
7 10am: Musical Moments 10.30am: Fish Van at CC 12.30pm; Travel Club Info session at Pavilion 1pm: Mahjong at CC 1.30pm:Rummikub at CC 5pm: Hot Dog Special Happy Hour at CC	8 2pm Line Dancing @CC	9 2pm Cuppa and games inclucing Left, Right, centre and keeper at CC	Hairdresser Sally is located in the community centre hairdressing salon. Please contact her direct on 0428 150 094 to arrange your appointment.
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