



BELLARINE  
**SPRINGS**

Bellarine Springs Newsletter  
May 2024



Autumn



# A message from our Village Manager

**KENT HODGSON**

While the temperatures are cooling down, our calendar for May is brimming with exciting upcoming events. We extend our gratitude to our dedicated BSRA for their unwavering enthusiasm in organizing these wonderful events. To those embarking on journeys near and far, especially our Queensland and overseas travelers, we wish you safe travels and plenty of sunshine. As you wander around our village, you will notice new roads and developments unfolding in stage 10. On page 2 you will find the updated village map.



## Community Centre Updates

We have had the monthly fire inspections and the Annual Fire Hydrants flow test which were both completed by our fire service contractor. Movie license fee has been paid for the theatre room.

## Carpet Cleaning

Kindly be informed that on Wednesday, May 15th, carpet cleaning will take place in both the community centre and the Pavilion. To ensure everyone's safety, the Pavilion will be closed from 11am to 4pm, and the Community center will be closed from 9am to 4pm. If either space becomes available earlier, we will notify residents via email.

## Village Garden Progress

Mulching for Stage 2 front garden beds has been completed and mulching for Stage 3 will commence in April/ May. Work continues on leveling backfilled soil around paths, driveways, and roadways for Stage 2.



## Happy Mother's Day

Sending warm wishes to all the mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers in our community. We hope you are showered with love and pampering.

Happy Mother's Day to all the incredible mothers out there in the village!



## Emergency Pendant testing - Homes in Stage 1, 2 and 3.

We are so pleased to see all the Emergency pendant are working well, but it's now time to start routinely testing all emergency pendants again. Please look out each month for information in the monthly newsletter and Buzz when it's your turn please test the emergency button on your pendant. Please do this during the hours of 9.00am to 1.00pm, Monday to Friday.

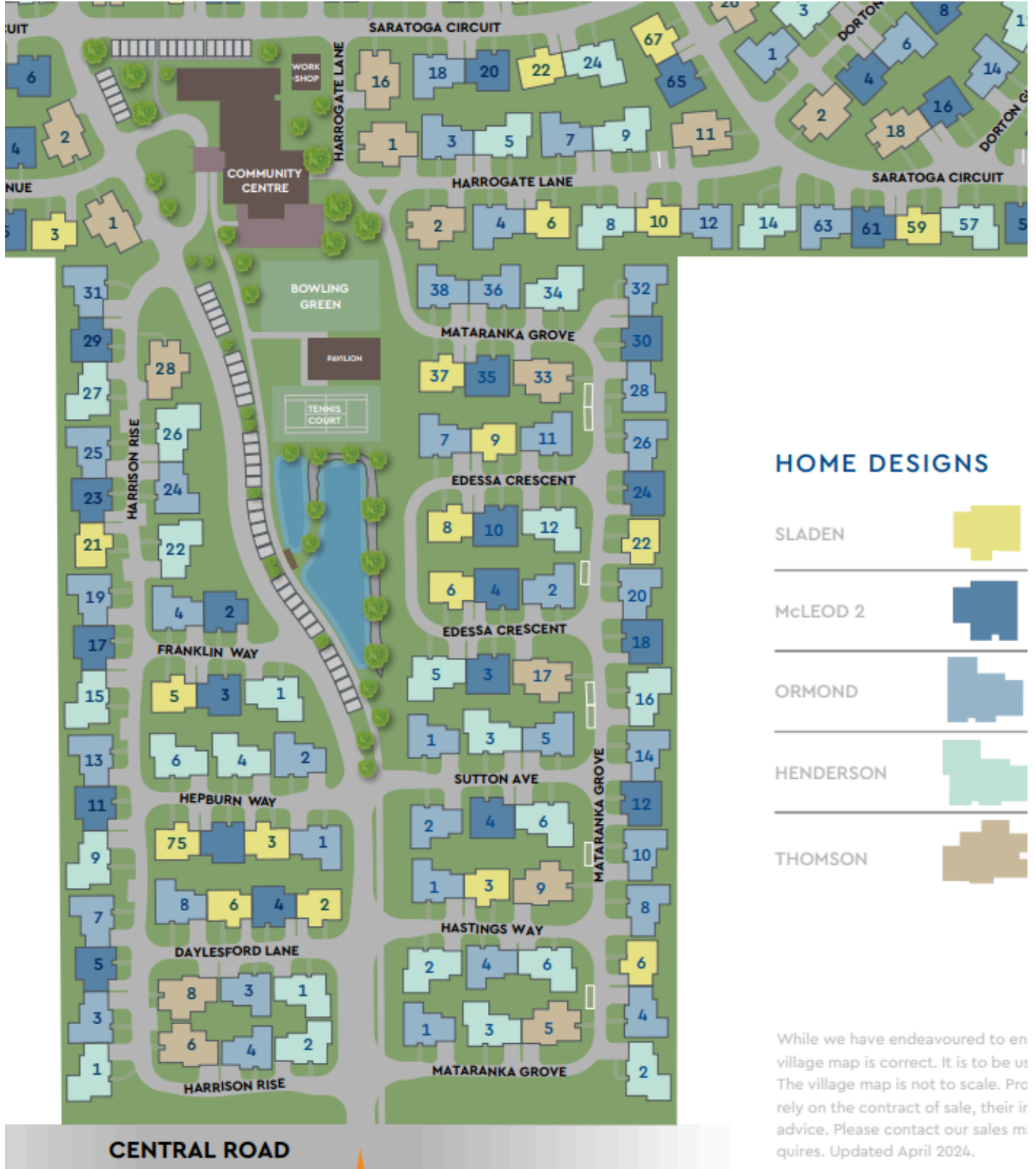
If you are unsure of which stage your home is in please check with reception staff.

As our village has grown and the street sizes have got much bigger, testing in stages is now the easiest way to complete the testing of the emergency pendants.




The news is out! Get ready to cruise through the brand-new street names in stage 10 as they develop.


Continuing to embrace the Springs vibe, we're rolling out Mataranka Grove, Edessa Grove, Sutton Ave, and Hasting Way for our journey ahead.




### HOME DESIGNS

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- McLEOD 2 


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- ORMOND 

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- HENDERSON 

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- THOMSON 

While we have endeavoured to ensure the village map is correct, it is to be used as a guide only. The village map is not to scale. Please rely on the contract of sale, their independent legal advice. Please contact our sales manager for more information. Updated April 2024.



# A message from our Sales Manager- Fiona Olin

Is it just me or is everyone getting excited about what the village will look like after Stage 10 completion? I love the process, going on site and showing the excited new residents to be their new homes that are under construction.

Not only do I have the best job ever but we also have amazing residents who organise lots of activities which Meagan, Sharon and Kent co-ordinate along with BSRA. Thank you for organising these wonderful events.

This month Geoff Reeve and Michael Morgan will be on site sharing with our guests their knowledge and inspiration behind our beautiful homes and I look forward to providing everyone with an update on Stage 10 as the news comes to hand.

Stage 9 – You will have noticed more residents that have recently moved in from local areas and country Victoria. Did you know we are currently at 276 residents?

Thank you everyone for making them feel welcome as I know you would remember when you moved in and the changes that you made when downsizing.

We have two stunning established homes available in our community: both a Mcleod1 and Mcleod2 styles. It is very exciting to have the opportunity to sell these homes which have some unique features and are move-in ready! These homes have extra features which make them highly desirable for those wanting a completed home to put their feet up and relax straight away.

If you know of anyone who could benefit, as you do from the wonderful supportive community at Bellarine Springs, please feel free to come and see me and I will be happy to show them our delightful village.

Big smiles as always 😊

Fiona Olin  
Sales Manager  
0455 112 360

## Stage 10 progress



## Welcoming New Members to the village Community

We are thrilled to extend a warm welcome to the latest additions to our village community. In May we will have the pleasure of welcoming the following residents to our village:

Joyce and Graham Bennett





# BSRA report



Hello fellow residents,

The end of another month, where has the time gone.

There have been lots of activities this month.

Starting with the Easter Raffle the winners were -

1st Prize – Jean Konings

2nd Prize – Honor Gillies

3rd Prize – Maureen Gati

Winner of the guessing jar was Peter Guerin, congratulations to all the winners and a big thankyou to Julie Nicholson for making the wonderful baskets.

We also enjoyed some delicious Hot Cross Buns, thanks to BSRA and Jayne Huson.

On the Friday at Happy Hour, we enjoyed some Hot Dogs which went down very well, thanks again to the BSRA for supplying the Hot Dogs.

## **Paella Meal**

The Paella lunch and dinner was enjoyed by about 80 residents. Thanks to Rod, Robin and the BSRA for organising a wonderful meal, there was nothing but positive feedback.

## **Anzac Day**

There were about 70 Residents who enjoyed a scrumptious morning tea, thanks to Jayne and Sue for organising the food and to any other residents who helped.

The morning tea was followed by a flag raising ceremony to commemorate those who served in our armed forces. Thanks to Judith and Geoff for organising the event. Also, thanks to Jean for reading a speech prepared by the RSL outlining the significance of Anzac Day.

## **Workshop**

Just a reminder that when using the workshop, you must SIGN IN when using any equipment or borrowing any equipment.

## **Events**

Just another reminder that after any event held in the C.C. or the Pavilion the tables must be cleaned and floors vacuumed by the person using them, they are not cleaned by the cleaner and should not need to be done by other residents. Also when using Plates or Cups anytime other than a big event, they are to be placed in the dishwasher in the hallway next to the activity station, not in the dishwasher in the kitchen.

## **Website**

Hopefully by now you have had a look at our new BSRA website. This will be your go-to spot to find out details about village activities and events, check who can help you out if you need some support or to provide help to others. Thanks to Mal and Rick for all their work getting this up and running.

The link is: [www.BSRA101.org](http://www.BSRA101.org)

President

Steve Merriman

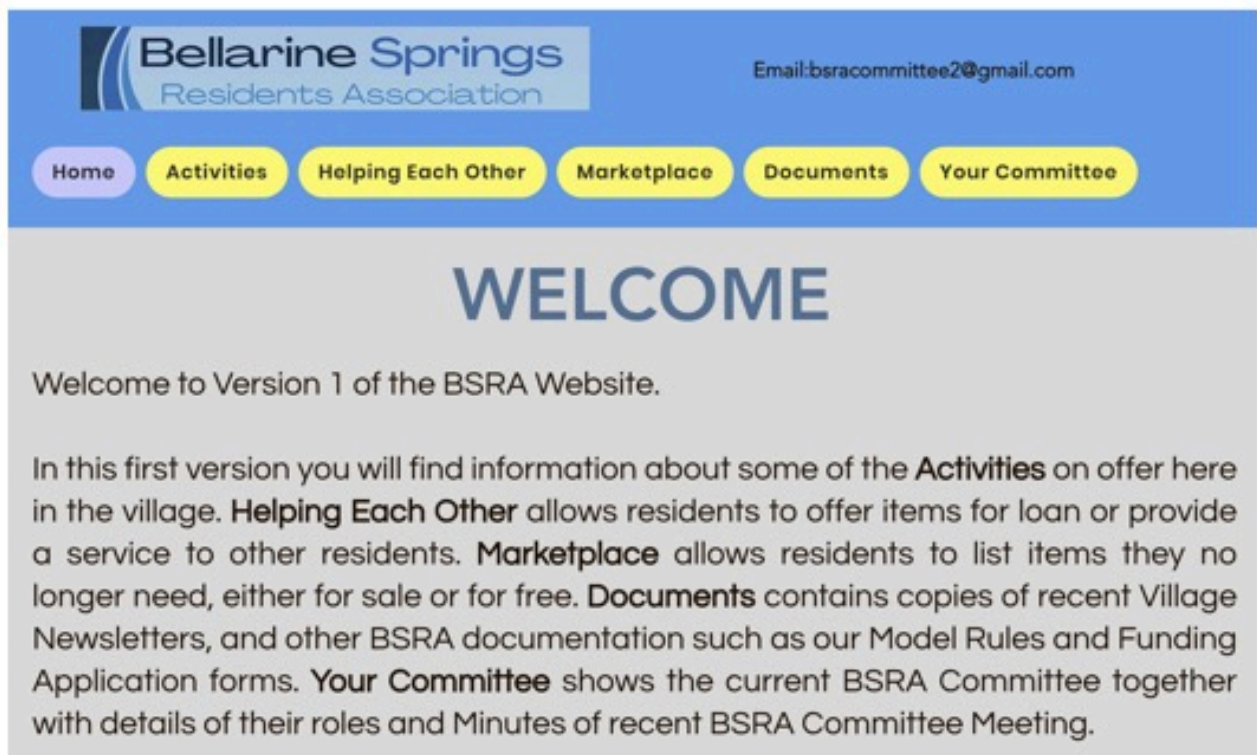


# Website Launch

The BSRA Committee are excited to be able to launch the Residents Association Website.

To access the Website, type the URL below into your browser search on your phone, tablet, laptop or computer.

[www.bsra101.org](http://www.bsra101.org)





# Community Vegetable Garden Update

With the now longer nights and cooler weather we are midway through autumn.

Thank you to Steve, Alan Joyner, John Bickerton and Greg Chalmers who gave the garden team extra "manpower" and helped clean up the garden, dig in manure /compost and prepare our veggie beds for winter planting.

Broad beans, garlic, cabbages, peas, cauliflower, broccoli and beetroot have now been planted.

Thank you to contributors Marg Linke (parsley), Sandra (yellow chilli) Gavin for last (tomatoes & rocket)  
Please note that in the current season, our weekly harvest may be reduced as plants grow slowly in winter and the gardening team will be travelling.

Maria Ryan





# Movies



Time seems to fly by too fast for commonsense but here we are with a selection of May Movies.

This month I'll start by saying that I always hope I am picking out stuff you'd like but please, please feel free to put forward your own suggestions. I don't mean a specific movie necessarily but maybe you have a favourite actor/actress or a type of movie whether it be crime, comedy, foreign or whatever. If so, I might have something that meets your expectations hiding in my collection.

I have a somewhat peculiar (eclectic) collection but I'll remark that there are a number of romantic movies in there while at the other end of the spectrum I can enjoy horror. In mentioning that I'll clarify that while classic horror appeals the more recent slasher "horrible" does not. It sometimes worries me that these appear to be aimed at teenagers. Rant over!

The Tourist is a delight with Johnny Depp, Angelina Jolie, Paul Bettany, Timothy Dalton and Rufus Sewell along with others popping up. A near perfect balance of crime, mystery, romance and glamour along with Venice as a setting. Even if you have already seen it another watch is worth it.

Thursday 9th @ 2.30pm

The Generals Daughter is in my opinion one of John Travoltas best movies. Featuring Madeline Stowe, Timothy Hutton and James Woods. A murder set within the confines of a military compound. Travolta and Stowe as military investigators have to weave their way through the restrictions a lies.

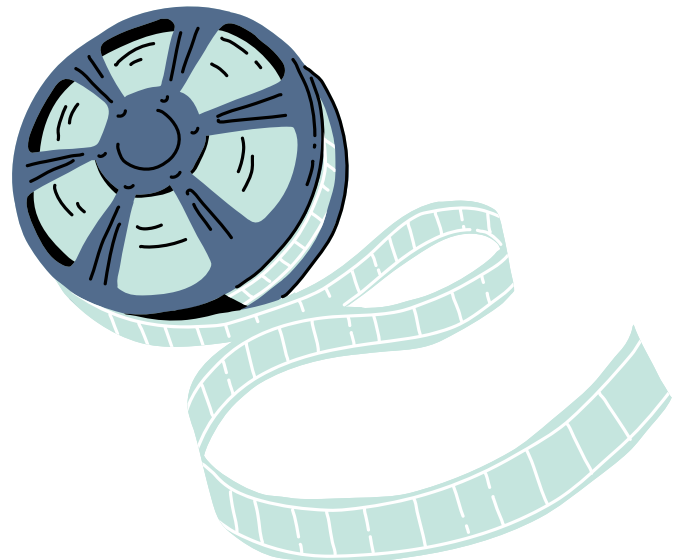
Thurs 23rd @ 7.00pm

Finally another of my classics. Highlander is an outstanding film starring Christopher Lambert, Sean Connery and one of my own favourite actors Clancy Brown as the frightening Kurgan. Immortal Connor Macleod must fight his eternal enemy The Kurgan in the struggle between good and evil and taught by Sean Connery as Ramiz. Moving between the highlands of Scotland to the streets of New York. The music from Queen as a background.

Thurs 30th @ 7.00pm

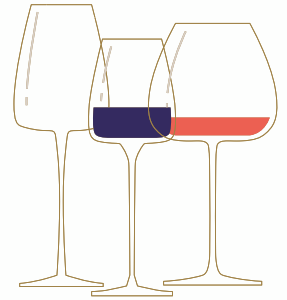
Hope you'll like the movies this time round.

David





Cheers!



## Social Gathering Report

Our singles group gathered at Claribeaux restaurant in Curlewis Golf Club last Saturday evening. Despite a small hiccup at the beginning, we had a delightful time conversing with different individuals. A humorous incident occurred when two members pointed out that the potatoes served with their main dish were tough. To everyone's surprise, the waiter revealed they were actually white radishes!

We have several upcoming events planned, so we invite you to join us for Happy Hour on Tuesdays. It's a relaxed evening, perfect for socializing instead of being alone at home. Special thanks to Peter Gurin for arranging transportation for us on the bus.



## Bellarine Springs Bicycle Group

The Bellarine Springs Bicycle Group recently celebrated their 200th ride. Since the first ride in 2020, there have been many enjoyable outings to places far and wide, including one last year over to the Mornington Peninsula. We had to dash back to the ferry for that one!

With our rides generally being about 15 km each way, with a coffee in the middle, there is as much chat as riding. Also, when we started in 2020, we all rode manual bikes.

E-bikes are now as common as manuals, reflecting the times.

We were all inspired in 2023 by a Newspaper article about a group in Melbourne celebrating their 25th anniversary. They had five octogenarians!

Alan Clarke





Thanks to everyone who attended the ANZAC Day ceremony at the flagpole. Although not an official event and originally intended for those who would have difficulties attending an RSL ceremony, the crowd has grown bigger each year. The weather was kind, and we were treated to a fly-past of an RAAF Winjeel aircraft, which overflew the RSL ceremony in Drysdale. (Pictured on the right) Thanks to Jayne and her helpers we were also treated to a lavish morning tea beforehand. Thanks also to Jean K for reading the speech. For those who are interested, the speech is available on the Dept. Veterans Affairs website (<https://anzacportal.dva.gov.au/commemoration/event-planning/speeches>).

Judith J & Geoff T





# VIP SERIES

Very Interesting Presentations

## Resident's Stories

Rick Goss and Jean Konings, two of our well know residents, will give you some fascinating insights into their rich and varied life experiences.

**Rick** will present the first part and has called his talk: *Australia: A Migrant's Story* and **Jean** will follow up with: *My Life on the Gold Coast*.

- **Tues May 14th**
- **11:30 - 12:30**
- **In the Theatre**



**RICK GOSS & JEAN KONINGS**

**SIGN UP NOW  
AT THE  
COMMUNITY  
CENTRE**

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- **2nd Tues of the month**
- **11:30 - 12:30**
- **In the Theatre**

## 2024 Schedule

Date	Session	Presenter
12/03/24	Overview and Introductory Session	Rod & Steph Wellard
09/04/24	Elder Rights and Aged Care Advocacy	Rosemary Wilkinson
14/05/24	Resident Stories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australia – A Migrant's Story</li> <li>• My Life on the gold Coast</li> </ul>	Rick Goss Jean Konings
11/06/24	Assessment for Aged Care, Financial Aspects	Bernadette Bartok Homestead Estate (TL Care)
09/07/24	Inspiration, Challenges and Futures in Establishing Retirement villages	Geoff Reeve CEO Pinnacle Living
13/08/24	Advance Care Planning, Medical Power of Attorney and Refusal of Treatment	Emma Cvitak Barwon Community Legal
10/09/24	Bridesmaids, Brides and Grooms & other Celebratory Experiences	Anne Cowden Celebrant
08/10/24	Resident Stories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drugs</li> <li>• TBC</li> </ul>	Peter Guerin Jayne Huson
12/11/24	Last Laugh/Wrap Up	Rod & Steph Wellard

**SIGN UP AT THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE**



# BINGO NIGHT

**Every 3rd Wednesday of the month**

Get ready to shout "BINGO!" and win at this fun-filled event. Our Bingo caller will guide you through multiple rounds of the classic game, and there will be plenty of opportunities to win big.

**START AT 6:30 PM  
AT THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**NO COST INVOLVED - NO SIGN UP REQUIRED**

**BAR WILL BE OPEN**

## Jenkins & Son Fresh Fish Friday

10th and 24th May  
10.30am - 11am

The Fish Van will be located out the front of the community centre.

They accept eftpos and cash





Donald Fraser: Rhythm/Lead Guitar/Vocals  
Johnny Barsby: Bass guitar/Vocals  
Gary Corcoran: Percussion/Vocals

# Pickled Onions



Come and enjoy an afternoon of music from the 70's, 80's and 90's with this versatile covers band featuring our very own Johnny Barsby.

**DATE:** Sunday 26th May

**TIME:** 2pm - 5pm

**VENUE:** Community Centre

**COST:** Covered by BSRA

**FOOD:** BYO / Plate to share

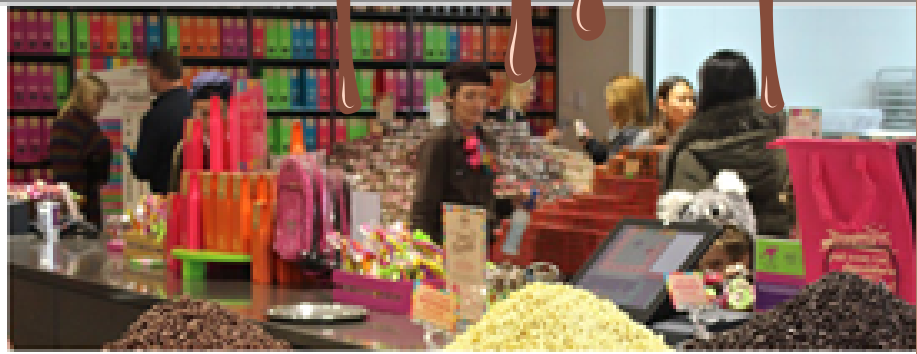
**SIGN UP:** Required to confirm numbers

**Bar will be open**

Bellarine Springs  
Residents Association



# Chocolate




## Village Outing

- When** - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
**Time** - 9:30am at the Community Centre  
**Visit** - Great Ocean Rd Chocolaterie - \$7.00  
(Includes a Gourmet tasting)  
**Lunch** - At the venue, at own cost.  
**Return** - by 3:00pm
- Sign up and Payment required.**  
**\$7.00 Payment in an envelope with your name and placed in Box 1, in library by Fri May 10<sup>th</sup>.**

### Our next Village Outing is to the Great Ocean Rd Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery.

The venue is located on 15 acres of landscaped grounds along the iconic Great Ocean Rd between Torquay and Anglesea. The venue offers visitors the chance to immerse themselves in a chocolate experience like no other. We will be able to watch their European Chocolatiers hand craft over 480 different chocolate products. Be amazed at their showroom choc-filled with thousands of couverture delights and the opportunity to indulge in a delicious selection of house made ice-creams. We will also participate in a 20 minute Gourmet Chocolate Tasting Session and then have lunch in the Pod Café relaxing and taking in the views over a light meal or while indulging in decadent pastries, desserts and ice creams. Visitors can also explore the sheltered gardens and orchard to discover sculptures and local indigenous art projects or wander through the lavender fields.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p><b>May 2024</b></p>		<p>1 9.00 am Social Tennis 9.15 am Bus Drysdale 9.30am Tai Chi Classes @ Pavilion 1pm Mahjong @ CC 1.30pm Rummikub 7pm Trivia Night</p>	<p>2 9.30am Exercises with Penny 11am Aqua (resident lead) 1.30 pm Bridge @ Pavilion 2pm golf croquet@ bowling 2.30pm "Blokes, Belles, Billiards, Beers @ CC</p>
<p>6 8.45am Cycling Group 1 pm Mahjong @ CC 1pm Aqua (resident lead) 1.30pm Rumikub 2pm Scrabble 3pm Book club</p>	<p>7 9am Walking group 1pm Craft 2pm Indoor Bowls 2pm Chicks with Que sticks @ CC 2pm golf croquet@ 5 pm Sundowners</p>	<p>8 9.00 am Social Tennis 9.15 am Bus Drysdale 9.30am Tai Chi Classes @ Pavilion 10am Cafe Zoo 1pm Mahjong @ CC 1.30pm Rummikub</p>	<p>9 9.30am Exercises with Penny 11am Aqua (resident lead) 1.30 pm Bridge @ Pavilion 2pm golf croquet@ bowling 2.30pm "Blokes, Belles, Billiards, Beers @ CC 2.30pm "The Tourist @ Theatre room</p>
<p>13 8.45am Cycling Group 1 pm Mahjong@ CC 1pm Aqua (resident lead) 1.30pm Rumikub 2pm Scrabble</p>	<p>14 9am Walking group 10.30am Bday Morning tea @ CC 11.30am VIP series 1pm Craft @pavilion 2pm Chicks with Que sticks @ CC 2pm Indoor bowls 2pm golf croquet @bowling 5pm Sundowners</p>	<p>15 9.15 am Bus Drysdale 9.00am Social Tennis 9.30am Tai Chi Classes @ Pavilion 9.30am Village outing 6.30pm Bingo @ CC <b>Carpet Cleaning in the Pavilion and CC.</b></p>	<p>16 9.30am Exercises with Penny 9.30am Village Outing - Fyansford 11am Aqua (resident lead) 1.30 pm Bridge @Pavilion 2pm golf croquet@ bowling green 2.30pm "Blokes, Belles, Billiards, beers@CC</p>
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<p>27 8.45am Cycling Group 1 pm Mahjong@ CC 1pm Aqua(resident lead) 1.30pm Rumikub 2pm Scrabble</p>	<p>28 9am Walking group 10am Sue Mystery tour 1pm Craft @pavilion 2pm Indoor Bowls 2pm golf croquet 2pm Chicks with Que sticks @ CC 5 pm Sundowners</p>	<p>29 9.15 am Bus Drysdale 9.00 am Social Tennis 9.30am Tai Chi Classes @Pavilion 1pm Mahjong @ CC 1.30pm Rummikub</p>	<p>30 9.30am Exercises with Penny @ pavilion 11am Aqua (resident lead) 1.30 pm Bridge @Pavilion 2pm golf croquet@ bowling green 2.30pm "Blokes, Belles, Billiards, Beers @CC 7pm "Highlander"@ Thearte</p>



Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Notes
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