

The Flowerdale Flyer



Open Day and Community Garden Opening a Great Success!!

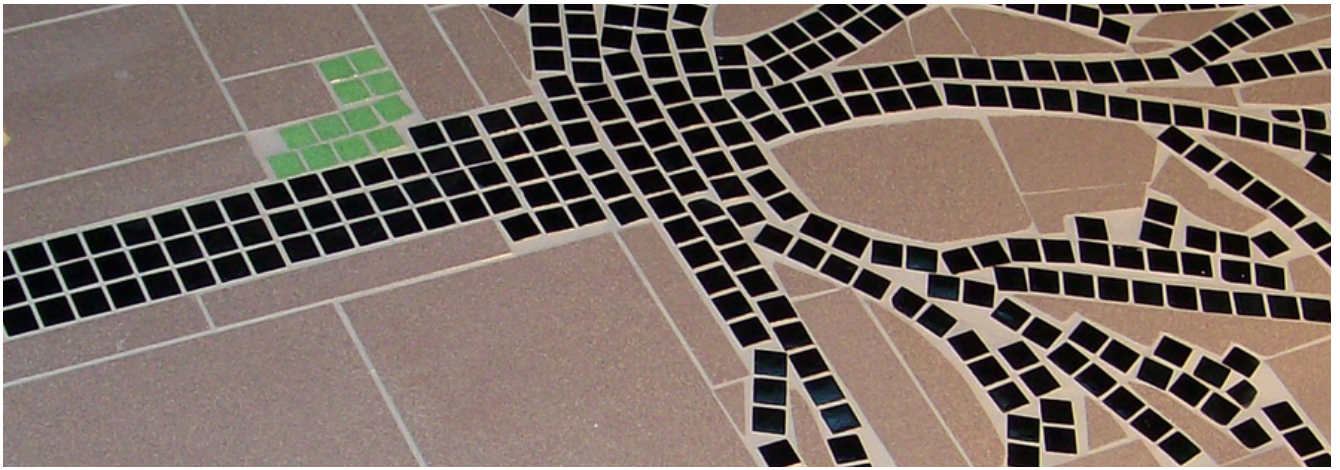
Its fair to say that Flowerdale had a big day on Sunday 8th of October. The sun showed up and the people came! Flowerdale Community Houses Annual Open Day paired with the Community Garden Opening was a resounding success with over 167 people in attendance on the day.

These days would never be made possible without Flowerdale coming on board to have stalls, volunteer and attend.

The amount of volunteer hours that have gone into the Community Garden itself in well into its thousands over 3 years. The congratulations should very much go to them.

Well done to **Rose Elsom, Don Love, Jackie Hare, Jill Vizec, Michael Barrott, Gary and Jenny Leather, Joe Law, Sherl Britton, Trevor Goodwill, Kate Collins, Di Harris, Bruce Hinkley, Mathew McArdle, Bron Hunter, Shaye Hunter, Sharron Collins Minton, Jeanette Williams, Lyn Cunningham, Bruce Mc Donald, Clare Roberts,, Deb Smith, Gavin, Clare Roberts, Kelly Clift and boys, Steve Brennan, and Magenta Brennan.**





Flowerdale Community House

Building Friendships...

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Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday
9am-3.30pm

The Flowerdale Flyer is a social enterprise initiative of the Flowerdale Community House.

Our staff are fully trained in both First Aid 004 and Mental Health First Aid.

If you would like your article featured in The Flowerdale Flyer, please email your article to

admin@fchadmin.com.au

Articles are due on the 20th of each month

Coordinator: Rebekah Grant
coordinator@fchadmin.com.au

Advertising Rates

Community group/ Not-for-profit Organisation Local (Glenburn/ Strath Creek/ Flowerdale Area) rates:

1/2 page: Free

In addition 1/2 page: \$30 increments
full page: \$50

Commercial Rates:

Full Page: \$100

1/2 Page: \$50

1/4: \$30

1/8 (business card): \$15

Not-for-profit organisation from non-local area: negotiable, contact Rebekah.

Guidelines

- All articles are subject to publisher and committee approval.
- Please submit in a Word document.
- Advertisement payment must be in process.
- Articles published are neither in favour or not in favour of politics
- All articles must be submitted by deadline.

PAINT & SIP FUN WITH DI



The Paint and Sip events have been very popular and booking out very quickly.

Di Harris at Meander and Ramble have offered another date to those who have missed out.

This will be a new art piece too so you could come back for a second time if you would like.

Grab an friend or two and book in today!

Payment can be made through cash or bank transfer. Call the house to book.

MEANDER AND RAMBLE ART STUDIO
& FLOWERDALE COMMUNITY HOUSE PRESENTS...

PAINT & SIP

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 7PM

A NIGHT OF SOCIALISING AND CREATIVITY. PAINT YOUR OWN MASTERPIECE (WITH GUIDANCE) TO TAKE HOME. ALL ART MATERIALS SUPPLIED BYO DRINKS, NIBBLES & SMOCK (OR WEAR SOMETHING YOU DON'T MIND GETTING PAINT ON!).

\$40 PER PERSON PH: 57802664 TO BOOK
PLACES LIMITED

 FLOWERDALE COMMUNITY HOUSE, 36 SILVER CREEK RD, FLOWERDALE





COMMUNITY GARDEN



The 9 major garden volunteers and Garden Committee were gifted a mug on Sunday to thank them for all their hard work, dedication and sacrifice of many many days. The mug features the Community Garden Logo as well as many key elements the volunteers have worked so hard on.

There are 3 mugs still waiting at the house for their owners to pick them up.

Congratulations to all who have participated in this massive venture.



Thank you to our funders

Helen Haines MP

\$15,000 - Materials for Ferro Cement Beds, Galvanised Raised Beds, Playgroup Beds, Soil, Gravel, Mulch, various garden tools, concrete, sand, bench seats, plant mosaic tiles, mosaic grout, Bee Hives



\$10,000- Plumbing to get water supply re activated to the garden., Fencing.



\$2000- Fencing



\$1500 Worm Farm, Bee Keeping Course for Garden Committee



\$1000 Garden Shed



Volunteers did car parking on 3 occasions for \$500 each to raise money for the garden.



Volunteers did Sausage sizzle at the Yea market to raise funds for the garden

There are currently 5 raised garden beds available to be rented. The cost is currently just \$20 per year.

For more information please contact the house on 57802664



Murrindindi

Shire Council

Join the flock – get involved in the 2023 Aussie Bird Count



Pictured: Superb Fairy-Wrens

Murrindindi Shire communities are invited to spare a moment of their time to contribute to bird conservation efforts by simply counting and recording the birds they see in backyards, local parks, or playgrounds.

Held during National Bird Week from 16-22 October, Birdlife Australia's Aussie Bird Count encourages local community members to use their observation skills for 20-minutes and count how many birds they see, providing an important snapshot of Australia's more common bird species.

It's a fun, simple, family-friendly and safe activity observing nature, which is proven to provide benefits to mental health and wellbeing.

Youth Group September Happy Snaps



ALOWYN GARDENS

Garden
Workshop
Excursion

**Come with us to Alowyn
Gardens in Yarra Glen.**

Kathleen will be our tour guide to see the
best bits.

When: 18th November 23

**Time: Bus leaving house at
10am- Returning approx 3pm**

**Cost: \$15 per person \$12
concession at the gate.
\$5 per peson towards petrol
cost**

**Only 10 spots so
book early
Call 57802664 to
book.**



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Government's Housing Statement Explained

If the year 2020, capstone by Covid, brought that decade to a less than stunning end, then the government's housing statement in 2023 heralds the next – consider the intervening few years a brief interlude: the next decade will be defined by how our state responds to housing demand.

In May the Federal government announced that it was planning to set the 23-24 permanent Migration Program at 190,000 places. This is part of the reason why the national housing target is 240,000 new homes each year for the next five years. As far forward as 2051, Melbourne is expected to house 10.3 million people. And while news outlets early in the year proclaimed that Melbourne (because of shifting urban boundaries) had exceeded Sydney on a technicality, the reality is, Melbourne will be categorically more populous than Sydney in a short time.

In light of this, it is no surprise that the last thing Daniel Andrews did was announce housing reform.

Whether the Housing Statement was a political stunt pulled by the outgoing premier is yet to be determined, but beware: simple announcements are never simple in practice or legislation. To keep it simple for you, we're going to break down just a few of the main announcements that are on the minds of regional Victorians.

No planning permits for tiny houses

The fine print here is “for properties without an overlay”. Tiny houses and other semi-permanent dwellings will still be subject to local laws. Remember, the purpose of overlays is to control how much dwellings are built on bushfire prone land, and also to place constraints on septic systems to reduce environmental impact.

No planning permits for new dwellings on lots bigger than 300 sqm

Again, this doesn't apply to properties with an overlay on them. The most common overlay in Victoria is the Bushfire Management Overlay, which covers a huge percentage of the state's land. The purpose of this overlay is to ensure that new homes and renovations exceeding 25 per cent of existing footprint are built appropriate to the conditions for defending against bushfire. We expect that planning permits will continue to be a feature of building in regional.

Rent increases

The government claims that they will limit rent increases between successive fixed-term rental agreements. The period of notice owners must give to increase rent or to issue a Notice to Vacate will be extended from 60 to 90 days.

Conclusion

We may see less power in the hands of local councillors and more at state government level, designed to not only shift the power balance but speed up the long convoluted planning process.

While greater attention on housing is generally a good thing, we hope that, when this pithy announcements come to legislation, the legislation will be well-throttled in parliament to ensure that Victorians don't get the raw end of the stick.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BRINGING ALL OF US TOGETHER



Book Now for
**Community
Christmas
Lunch**

Thursday **DEC 14TH** 12 pm

Flowerdale Community House
36-42 Silver Creek Rd Flowerdale

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

Call 5780 2664 to book

FOR MORE INFO: contact us at the house
admin@fchadmin.com.au



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Flowerdale Op Shop News

Thank you Sally

We are seeking a volunteer to step into the Coordinator Role at the Flowerdale Op Shop in 2024.

Our current Coordinator Sally has put in an amazing 3 years in the role she has led the shop and its volunteers through the move to the new building in Youth Space, introduction of online payments, through the restrictions and shutdowns of Covid and of staffing changes.

We are immensely grateful for all her hard work and commitment to the role and the commitment to supporting her community.

Sally will be finishing in December which will mean we are on the look out for a community minded volunteer to take on the role. The Community House staff and Committee of Management will be supporting this person in the role. If you are interested please call Rebekah at the house on 57802664.



Connect News

Jeanette 0408172935

Craig 0488493418



Flowerdale Community House invites you to

CONNECT

1st Friday Night of the Month 7-9 pm

Connect is a monthly discussion/social and support group for adults 18+ who identify as LGBTIQ+. Light refreshments provided.

36-42 Silver Creek Rd Flowerdale. Please RSVP call 5780 2664.

BARE FOOT BOWLS

FLOWERDALE Sports Club presents
Barefoot Bowls

3rd SUNDAY
Every month
3-6pm

Social family friendly bowls
Cash bar at club prices available
BBQ dinner on sale
An array of kids games on offer
Come to play or just to socialise



Bare Foot Bowls



**Foundation
Murrindindi**

For a community-led future

Mid-weeknight Social

Spring Valley Recreational Reserve
748 Spring Valley Road, Flowerdale 3658



The **Flowerdale Tennis Club** has a vibrant membership from across the district including Flowerdale, Strath Creek, Glenburn, Yea, Kinglake, Whittlesea and Kilmore – who enjoy coaching, local or regional competitions, social play, round robins and other fun activities. Members can use the courts free of charge at any time when there are no club arranged activities.

Mid-Weeknight Social starts Tuesday, October 3rd 2023.

If you are interested in taking part in the next mid-weeknight social competition, please phone Dom on 0404 494 650 before Friday September 22nd. **Membership essential** and to be paid up before October 1st 2023). Depending on numbers the social may be held Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays (TBC). **Social tennis days will be on offer also, possibly Fridays (TBA).**

2023 / 2024 MEMBERSHIP

	Full Fee	Early Payment
Adult - basic	\$90	\$80 (if paid before Oct 1)
Family	\$200	
Junior (14 – 18 years)	\$30	
Pensioner / Healthcare Card Holder / Students	\$70	\$60 (if paid before Oct 1)

Please email flowerdaletennis@bigpond.com if you have any questions about **membership**. Discounts apply if paid before October 1st 2023. Pay online at <https://play.tennis.com.au/flowerdaletennisclub/Membership/Join>

2 free lessons are on offer for new players/members from Keith.
Free shirts to new members for Night Comp players.



Flowedale Primary School Report



A very big congratulations goes out to our students who represented Flowerdale PS at today's District Athletics! A lot of 4th and 5th place finishes amongst a field of roughly 15-20 competitors in each event! We couldn't be more proud of this group and the effort they have put into their sports over the last month - a truly amazing bunch of young students who continue to achieve above and beyond

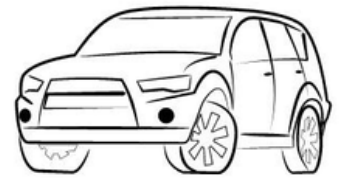


A great day out for our grade 5/6 students at the Hooptime competition. 5 games were played, many points scored and plenty of fun was had! Well done to these smiling faces who did our school community proud!



Newly founded Flowerdale Detailing is a born and bred
Local.

We provide numerous services to your cars
Interior/Exterior leaving a spotless finish!



FLOWERDALE DETAILING
NOTICE THE DIFFERENCE

Flowerdale based servicing all around Victoria

For a free quote or any enquires contact Matthew.
Or send us a message via Facebook



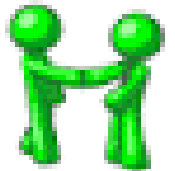
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Flowerdale Detailing



Flowerdale Men's Shed



Flowerdale
Men's Shed

Hello from the Mens Shed!
Did you know we are now open
Wednesdays 9am-4pm
and

Saturdays 9am-1pm

Join us for a cuppa and a chat
Come and check out our amazing facilities,
Plan your next project or even repair
something.

All blokes welcome at the Shed





10AM
to 5PM



Open Gardens

YEA & DISTRICT

**Saturday 11 & Sunday 12
November 2023**

8 unique gardens open

• \$5 town gardens • \$8 country gardens • \$40 per 2-day pass to all 8 gardens

TICKETS at <https://www.trybooking.com/CJTWN>
also on the weekend at Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre
and at each open garden gate (cash only)



Information available on Rotary Club of Yea website
or phone 0407 096 128 ~ Email tickslife@bigpond.com

Maps and garden descriptions available on website from September



Plus YEA
GARDEN CLUB
Annual
PLANT SALE

www.yearotary.org.au

Rotary
Club of Yea





COMMUNITY PLANNING IS COMING TO FLOWERDALE AND THE KINGLAKE RANGES

Do you live in Flowerdale or the Kinglake Ranges? Do you want to help plan for the future of your community?

Community Planning is all about putting local communities in the driver's seat. It's an exciting opportunity for you to come together with others to identify local strengths and priorities and develop solutions that will help your town thrive.

You already have a lot of great ideas, which came about as part of the community-led Kinglake Ranges Flowerdale Talks Program that took place in 2022. Community Planning will help you build on these ideas and prioritise what's most important.

The first cab off the rank is Flowerdale, with planning underway for the Kinglake Ranges.

To get this project off the ground, we're looking for a passionate group of people to get involved and work with us to plan how the program might work in Flowerdale. Come along to the following events and find out more about community planning and how you can get involved.

**Flowerdale Community
House Open Day**

Sunday 8 October from
10.00 am - 2.00 pm

Flowerdale Hotel

Thursday 12 October from
5.00 - 7.00 pm

**General Store in
Flowerdale**

Saturday 14 October from
10.00 am - 12 noon

You'll have the opportunity to connect with others and meet Council's Community Planning Officer, Anna. Visit theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/flowerdale-community-planning for more information or call 5772 0333 and ask to speak with Anna from Community Planning.

CIRCULAR ECONOMY BUSINESS WORKSHOP

Council is hosting a workshop for local business owners and operators to learn more about the circular economy and opportunities for managing waste differently.

Workshop details:

Tuesday 14 November 2.00 - 7.00 pm
Alexandra Shire Hall, 55 Grant Street, Alexandra

Find out more and register for the workshop at:
murrindindi.vic.gov.au/ceworkshop

DRAFT EILDON PONDAGE MASTERPLAN

From September to October, we asked you to share how you use the Eildon Pondage Precinct and your ideas on how it could be improved. We would like to thank everyone who got involved and gave us lots of community feedback via the survey, interactive map and at our pop-up kiosks.

We have now drafted a Masterplan and are seeking feedback from the community on the proposed future vision for the area.

To get involved, visit The Loop:

theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/Eildon-pondage

Feedback closes Monday 20 November.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

We are open to business! Council is inviting the community to help shape a five-year Economic Development Strategy, to help us guide the future of our economy by supporting existing and new businesses, providing employment, goods and services for our community and visitors.

Visit our Community Engagement platform The Loop theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/economic-strategy to get involved, share your thoughts, register to participate in the focus group and check out dates when you can chat with us in person.

Feedback closes Sunday 3 December.

GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIPS PROGRAM

Are you interested in applying for a grant through Council's Grants and Sponsorships Program? Grant applications are open for round 3. Quick Response Grants are available all year round.

Visit murrindindi.vic.gov.au/grants or call our Grants team on 5772 0333 for more information.

FREE GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL AND COUNCIL'S ROADSIDE SLASHING PROGRAM

Clean up your property ahead of fire season! From now until 31 December, you can dispose of your green waste for free at Council's Resource Recovery Centres. This includes domestic quantities of grass clippings, leaves, garden trimming and branches.

For more information on green waste disposal and RRC opening times, visit our website and search 'green waste' or give us a call.

Council's Fire Prevention Roadside Slashing Program is also underway, starting in the north of the Shire, which dries off earlier than the southern parts. The program will run through until the end of December and further slashing will be arranged as required throughout the summer months.

For more information, including Frequently Asked Questions about our Roadside Slashing Program, visit our website and search 'bushfire prevention'.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON FAIR ACCESS

Council is exploring ways to improve opportunities for women, girls and gender diverse people to participate in local community sport and recreation.

We know there are barriers to participation and want to ensure it is welcoming, accessible, and inclusive for everyone. We need your help to find out what is making it difficult to get involved and how we can help make it easier.

Your feedback will guide the development of our draft Fair Access Policy and Action Plan. To get involved, you can:

complete a survey online or by dropping-in to our Library and Customer Service Centres attend either of the following workshops:
8 November, 5.30 - 6.30 pm, Yea Shire Hall
9 November, 5.30 - 6.30 pm, online

Register for a workshop or complete the survey at:

theloop.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/fairaccess

Feedback closes Sunday 19 November.

STAY INFORMED

To stay up to date with the latest Council news, visit murrindindi.vic.gov.au/news or follow us on Facebook.

GET IN TOUCH

customer@murrindindi.vic.gov.au
murrindindi.vic.gov.au/request
5772 0333

Whittlesea Community House

92A Church St, Whittlesea ph 97163361



Fix it Friday

Get out of trouble, speak
to an expert and sleep
better at night

A one stop shop for solving problems

Get a real coffee and speak to:

Whittlesea Community Connections Social Worker, My Aged Care,
Whittlesea Community Legal Service, Police - Stat Decs and crime reporting
Lift program for Mental Health, Centrelink, Gamblers Help
Financial Counselling, Merri Health Victims Assistance
NDIS with Brotherhood of St Laurence, No Interest Loan Scheme,
Home and Community Care for young people (HACCPYP)

10am—1.00pm

Power Saving Bonuses and Online Application Assistance

Fridays: 2023

~~24th February, 24th March, 28th April, 26th May and 23rd June~~

~~28 July, 25th Aug, 22nd Sep, 27th Oct, 24th Nov, 15 Dec~~

For assistance please register on 9716 3361



Calendar 2023

Mondays

Tennis Coaching: Spring Valley Reserve

Tuesdays

Quilters: 10.30am, Flowerdale Community House
Tennis Mixed Doubles: 7pm, Spring Valley Rec. Reserve

Wednesdays

Men's Shed: open 9am-4pm, Spring Valley Rec Reserve
Bus Errands Depart 9:15am - from FCH to Seymour
Facilitated Playgroup: 10am, Flowerdale Community House
Tennis Mixed Doubles: 7pm, Spring Valley Rec Reserve

Thursdays

Community Lunch: 10:30am-2pm, Flowerdale Community House
Happy Hour 7pm Flowerdale Hotel

Fridays

Op Shop 10.30am-4pm Next To Hall

Pizza Night 4pm-8pm Hazeldene Store

Saturdays

Op Shop Open: 10.30am-4pm, Next to the Hall
Junior Tennis Development: 10am Spring Valley Rec Reserve
Garden Workshops 11am-12:30pm Feb - June

Sundays

Op Shop Open: 10:30am-4pm, next to the Hall
Tennis Coaching: Spring Valley Rec Reserve

Monthly

- **1st Friday of the Month- CONNECT 7pm-9pm**
- **1st Sunday CFA Training & Meeting 11am**
- **3rd Sunday CFA Training**
- **1st Sunday Music 2pm Flowerdale Hotel**
- **1st & 3rd Sunday Tennis Coaching**
- **2nd Tuesday Flowerdale Womens Group meeting 3:30pm**
- **1st Saturday UFO Quilters Day 10am**
- **3rd Sunday Flowerdale Community Market 10am-2pm (Not between May-August)**

CHECK OUT THE

website

FOR MORE DETAILS

<https://www.flowerdalecommunityhouse.com.au>