



Bellarine Springs Newsletter September 2026



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A message from our Village Manager

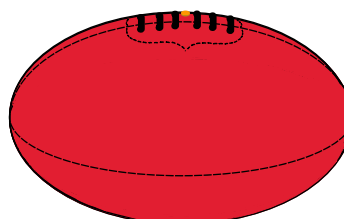
KENT HODGSON

Village updates

Spring is a great time at Bellarine Springs. The season brings a fresh energy and community spirit. With more new residents, there's a chance to make new friends and share experiences.

We want everyone to feel safe and comfortable, so there's a new lock code for the back gate. Please keep this code private and only share it with other residents to keep Bellarine Springs a secure and welcoming place. If you have forgotten it please see reception.

Enjoy the season and all it offers!



Village Events

It's an exciting month ahead of us at The Village with a range of events to look forward to! Grand Final Day is sure to bring together sports enthusiasts for a thrilling celebration of athleticism and teamwork. R U OK Day provides a meaningful opportunity to engage with friends and neighbors, fostering supportive conversations and mental health awareness. The Monthly Special Birthday event is a wonderful way to celebrate community members, bringing joy and connection to all involved. Be sure to visit the Activity Station to sign up and be part of these vibrant community gatherings. Whether you're participating or volunteering, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Annual Bellarine Springs Survey

The Bellarine Springs Annual Survey is coming up, and this year, we're excited to announce that it will be conducted online for your convenience. This shift aims to make the process more accessible and efficient for everyone involved. We encourage all residents to participate, as your feedback is invaluable in helping us improve our services and community offerings. The survey will cover a range of topics, and your insights will directly influence future developments and initiatives at Bellarine Springs. Keep an eye out for further details on how to access the survey, and thank you in advance for your contribution to The Village.

New Residents

Welcome to Bellarine Springs! We're excited to have you with us. Our team is ready to help with any questions. The Residents Committee is here to help you connect and enjoy village life. Check out the activities, events, and social opportunities. Visit the Activity Station, Events Noticeboard, and Library for updates. We're eager to get to know you and believe you'll find our community welcoming and lively. Enjoy your adventure with us!

Welcome to Bellarine Springs!

A message from our Sales Manager- Fiona Olin

Ocean Grove Ladies Day Classic

We were delighted to sponsor the Ladies Day Classic at Ocean Grove Bowling Club on 19th and 20th August. It was a fantastic couple of days of bowls, friendship and great competition.

We were pleased to present the award to the winning triples on the day and congratulate all the players who took part. It was wonderful to support such a great event and be part of the celebrations.



Bellarine Springs Open Home

On Wednesday 26th August, Kent, myself and our new Group Sales Manager, Simone, presented to a wonderful group of guests at our Bellarine Springs Open Home event.

It was a great opportunity to welcome prospective residents into our beautiful village.

We were also joined by some of our current residents, who mingled with guests afterwards and shared their own experiences of village life. We were able to show visitors through a selection of our homes and give them a closer look at what Bellarine Springs has to offer.

I'm also very pleased to share that over the past year, we have sold 24 homes within our beautiful village — 10 established homes and 14 new builds. Every resident's decision is very personal, and it's wonderful to be able to offer a choice of established homes and brand-new builds to suit different lifestyles and preferences.

Looking ahead, we have a further four settlements next month, including three established homes and one new build. It's fantastic to see Bellarine Springs continuing to grow, with new residents joining our community and becoming part of village life.



Fiona Olin
Sales Manager
0455 112 360



Presidents Report

September 2026



September has arrived, bringing longer daylight hours, warmer breezes and a beautiful burst of colour across our village gardens.

Spring is the perfect season to refresh our routines, spend a little more time outdoors, and connect with neighbours and friends over a morning cuppa or participating in some of the many activities on offer. Check out the notice board in the foyer for the new calendar of events. Remember, some activities require you to sign-up, this is for either transport or catering purposes and these events can fill up quite quickly.

The R U OK Day planned for Thursday September 10th is open to all residents. This should be a good opportunity to connect with residents you may not always get to see in a fun environment. We wish all the fathers and grandfathers in the village a very HAPPY FATHER'S DAY on Sunday 6th.

Wishing you all a vibrant, joyful and healthy start to the Spring Season.

Kind regards,
Sue Kuter



Book Club

This is just an introduction to new residents who have recently moved into the village and, perhaps, a reminder to those residents who may have overlooked the Book Club. Newcomers to Bellerine Springs may not know about our Book Club. This get together is held on the first Monday of each month at 3.00pm in the Community Centre in the boardroom room.

Unlike some book clubs ours is very much informal with no set agenda. Our meeting is to enjoy ourselves chatting about books we have read along with TV and Films that may be book related. What are we reading? Where did we buy our latest and where good book shops can be found? Anything is of interest whether it be Fiction, Non-fiction, history, thrillers, crime, romance, fantasy or whatever. So hopefully there may be something that appeals to you. If so, give the Book Club a try on that Monday afternoon.
Hope to





Gardening Group Update

We have been delighted with our harvest of beets, cauliflowers and cabbages but sadly broccoli not so good yet? There is now a good crop of broad beans starting to flower.

We are delighted to welcome new resident Jill who has joined our team. Many hands make light work .

Again a big thank you to the residents who have supplied citrus fruit to our table and shredded paper. Much appreciated.

Only a few more days before Spring and your Village garden team are now working out what beds to prepare and what seedings to purchase.

As with everything these days prices are ever increasing and we do rely solely on your funds to pay for seedings and fertilisers. Thank you for your support.



Grounds and Maintenance Team Report

Spring is in the air!

Over the coming months, we'll be replanting 25 Gleditsia Sunburst trees across Stages 3 - 8, replacing trees that have failed to grow, along with replacement plants across the village.

As temperatures continue to rise, our Santa Ana Couch grass will come out of dormancy and reinvigorate itself.

Once this has occurred, the G&M team will perform soil coring across the village, to ensure the best result throughout Spring and Summer. This occurs due to the added nutritional absorption, added sunlight absorption, deeper water penetration, and added oxygen absorption.

Thanks,
Nathan & the Garden Maintenance Team.





MOVIES

A little romance followed by something to get the blood racing with a lot of action. Hope these will appeal to you for our September movies.



Under the Tuscan Sun stars dejected writer Frances (Diane Lane) is thrown when a good friend offers her a ten day vacation in Tuscany. She goes but then impulsively purchases a run down Villa plunging her into a life changing adventure filled with fun, friendship and romance. A true delight with Sandra Oh and Lindsay Duncan. I loved it and hope you do.

Thursday 10th Sept @ 2.30pm

Criminal. Jericho (Kevin Costner) gives a towering, explosive performance as a man taken from death row to having his mind torn apart and filled with memories that are not his own. What happens when you give a dangerous, unpredictable criminal all of the power.

Outstanding performances by Gary Oldman, Tommy Lee Jones and Gal Gadot. This is a real twisting thriller from the very start..

Thursday 24th Sept @ 7.00pm

See you at the movies
David



The VIP2026 Presentation was presented by Jayne Salmon OAM, Foundation Member and former President of the Friends of Geelong Botanical Gardens. Jayne is a living legend based on her vast experience in supporting the GBG. Her presentation was very impressive and gave residents much greater understanding of the history and evolution of the GBG from its inception in the early days of Geelong through to contemporary times, and the governance and political challenges met along the way. Her description of the wide range of garden design features, plantings and significant trees in the GBC was particularly noteworthy reflecting a comprehensive knowledge of the gardens. Her presentation was clear and informative reflecting a commitment, enthusiasm and passion, prompting numerous questions from the group to which she responded in a good-humoured, entertaining and friendly manner.

The 20 residents who participated, warmly applauded her presentation and their feedback has been very positive.

Rod Wellard
VIC Convener
0438 115 693



FRIDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 3PM

AFL GRAND FINAL BBQ



- HAND BALL COMPETITION
- BEST GOAL KICKER
- FOOTBALL TRIVIA COMP.

A GREAT WAY TO SPEND THE GRAND FINAL HOLIDAY AFTERNOON, COME ALONG AND BE PART OF THE 'GAME' THIS WILL BE A FANTASTIC ARVO WITH A FREE BBQ, GAMES, AND TRIVIA FUN FOR ALL. PROUDLY WEAR YOUR TEAM COLOUR

COMMUNITY CENTRE BSRA SPONSORED

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR TEAMS AND WIN GREAT PRIZES RAFFLES & MORE



Bellarine Springs Residents Association

Join our R U OK? event



Ask R U OK? ANY DAY

R U OK? is encouraging all Australians to create space for meaningful conversations, any day of the year. Join us to learn how you can start more life-changing conversations.

Date: Thursday September 10th
Time: 11:30am - 3:00pm @ CC

- Free BBQ - 12 - 1pm
- Guest Speaker - 1pm
- Pool Competition - 1:30pm - Sign up by Sept 7th
- Bar open from 12 - 3pm with all drinks \$2
- Great Door Prizes
- Activities - Indoor bowls, cards, mahjong, pickleball

Brought to you by our
Blokes, Billiards & Beers group

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VIP SERIES

Very Interesting Presentations

Improving Your Health and Well-being Through Physiotherapy

This session will be presented by Keagan FitzGerald, Lead Physiotherapist at Ocean Physiotherapy. Keagan does regular consultations at Bellarine Springs Village providing personalised care and treatment. This VIP session should be of particular interest to Residents who have restricted physical functioning, suffer chronic pain in joints and muscles, or need to understand types of physical exercises that would help their general health and well-being.

For further information contact: Rod Wellard, VIP2026 Convener, 0438 115 693

- Tuesday 8th Sept
- 11:30am - 12:30pm
- In the Theatre
- Sign up at the CC



Keagan FitzGerald.
 Lead Physiotherapist at Ocean Physiotherapy



High Tea Fundraiser *Smith Family Fundraiser* *with* *The View Club*



The fundraiser was a tremendous success! Partnering with The View Club, you managed to create an engaging and supportive environment for a great cause.

The effort to raise funds for The Smith Family and support the education of two local children in need is truly commendable.

The raffle prizes added an exciting element to the event, encouraging participation and generosity.

Adam Page's entertainment was one of the highlights, bringing everyone together to enjoy the occasion.

Thank you to all the attendees and contributors for their kindness and support in making a positive impact on these children's futures.



Next Visit is Wednesday 16th and 30th September 10am
Please Sign up at Activity Station or see reception.



We believe
in the power
of friendship



In the world's healthiest
communities, people move
through life with five good friends.

We bring that philosophy to your village, helping you
stay connected and independent at home **so you**
can live the life you love.

GET IN TOUCH

Make an appointment with your Nurse Concierge.

📄 Fill out the booking sheet at reception

☎ Call 1300 787 581

🌐 fivegoodfriends.com.au



*60's 70's 80's
Entertainment!*

LARRY HALL

**Larry's Back!
Along with
Clive "O"**

PLAYING ALL THE CLASSICS

Presented to you by Clive & the BSRA.

- **When:** Sunday 13th September
- **Time:** 2pm-5pm
- **Where:** Community Centre:
- **Entry:** \$5.00 per head
- All proceeds to "BEYOND BLUE"
- Please bring a plate of food to share and all your friends
- Bar will be open.

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday



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9am: Walking group
1pm: Craft at pavilion
1:30pm: Pickleball
2pm Chicks Cue Sticks
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
5pm: Sundowners

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9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale
9am Social Tennis
9.30am Tai Chi at Pavilion
10am Hearing checks
1pm: Mahjong at CC
2 pm: Rummikub
5pm Zumba

3

9.30am Exercise - Penny
11:00am: Aqua
1:30 pm: Social Bridge
2pm: Golf Croquet
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
2pm: Rummicub & cards
1:30pm Blokes, Billards,
Beers at CC

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8:45 am: Cycling Group
[Maintenance run](#)
9am Gardening group
10am:chair yoga
11am: Aqua
1pm: Aqua
1 pm: Mahjong at CC
2:pm: Rumikub at CC
1:30pm: Scrabble at CC
3pm: Book Club

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9am: Walking group
[10:30am: Birthday Morning Tea](#)
11:30am: VIP Series
1pm: Craft at pavilion
1:30pm: Pickleball
2pm Chicks Cue Sticks
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
5pm: Sundowners

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9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale
9am Social Tennis
9.30am Tai Chi at Pavilion
1pm: Mahjong at CC
2 pm: Rummikub
5pm: Zumba
6:30pm: Bingo CC

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9.30am Exercise - Penny
11:00am: Aqua
[11.30am RUOK Day](#)
1:30 pm: Social Bridge
2pm: Golf Croquet
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
2pm: Cuppa and games
1:30 Blokes, Billards,
Beers at CC
[2:30pm: Movie- 'under the Tuscan Sun '](#)

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8:45 am: Cycling Group
9am Gardening group
10am Chair Yoga at Pav
11am Aqua
1pm: Aqua
1 pm: Mahjong at CC
2:pm: Rumikub at CC
2 pm: Scrabble at CC

15

9am: Walking group
1pm: Craft at pavilion
2pm: Chicks Cue Sticks
1:30pm: Pickleball
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
5pm: Sundowners

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9.15 am: Bus to Drysdale
9am Social Tennis
9.30am Tai Chi at Pavilion
[10am Five good friends](#)
1pm: Mahjong at CC
10am Social Tennis
2 pm: Rummikub
5pm Zumba at CC

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9.30am Exercise - Penny
11am Aqua
1:30pm: Bridge at Pav
2pm: Golf Croquet
2pm: Indoor Bowls CC
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1:30pm: Blokes, Billard &
Beers CC

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9am Gardening group
10am Chair Yoga at Pav
11am Aqua
1pm Aqua
1 pm: Mahjong at CC
2:pm: Rumikub at CC
1:30pm: Scrabble at CC
7:00pm: Trivia

22

9am: Walking group
1pm: Craft at pavilion
1:30pm: Pickleball
2pm Chicks Cue Sticks
2pm: Indoor bowls at CC
5pm: Sundowners

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9.30 am: Tai Chi Pavilion
9am Social Tennis
9.30am Tai Chi at Pavilion
1pm: Mahjong- Pavilion
2pm: Rummikub
5pm Zumba at CC
7pm: Whisky Club Pav

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9.30am Exercise - Penny
11am Aqua
1:30pm: Bridge at Pav
2pm: Golf Croquet
2pm: Indoor Bowls CC
2pm: Rummicub & cards
1:30pm: Blokes, Billard &
Beers CC
[7pm: Movie- " Criminal Jericho"](#)

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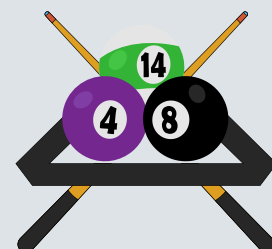
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Friday

Saturday

Sunday

4 9am Gardening group 10am: Fish Van 10am: Musical Mornings 1pm: Mahjong at CC 2pm: Rummikub at CC 5pm: Happy Hour at CC - Fathers Day Dim Sim night & Raffle	5 10am: Pickleball	6 2pm Left, right and centre at Community centre 2pm: Board Games in cc	 Village Handyman Nathan: Monday 7th of September from 9am. Book in at reception \$15 per 15 minutes
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25 Office closed Public holiday Grand Final BBQ 9am Gardening group 10am Fish Van TBC 10am: Musical Mornings 1pm: Mahjong at CC 2pm: Rummikub at CC 3pm Grand Final Party at CC 5pm: Happy Hour at CC	26 10am: Pickleball	27 2pm Left, right and centre at Community centre 2pm: Board Games in cc	Physiotherapist Keegan FitzGerald is located in the practioners room in community centre 0411 096 099 to schedule appointments. 
