

“Be ready in season and out of season”

It is that time of year when we begin to make preparations for the Christmas season and warmer weather. We have been very fortunate the last 3 years to have milder summers however the advice is that this year we will much hotter and drier weather with increased bushfire and severe weather risks. The following information will help you prepare for Summer.

Vic Emergency—The Vic Emergency website www.emergency.vic.gov.au and phone-based App are the best way to get information about all kinds of incidents and emergencies in Victoria. They cover earthquakes, fires, bushfires, major traffic incidents, floods, shark alerts and severe weather. I encourage you or a family member to download the app and create a profile to set up “watch zones” so that if an incident occurs in your ‘watch zone’ you will receive an alert. In a bushfire, this app and website will be the source of the most up to date information and it will provide information through a series of alert levels that include “Advice”, “Watch and Act”, Emergency Warning and advice such as “Move to Higher Ground,” “Evacuate Immediately” or at the highest level: “Too Late to leave”.



CFA -The CFA publish fire danger ratings and forecasts on their website here: <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/total-fire-bans-and-ratings> Village Baxter is in the “Central” fire district. Generally speaking, the safest place to stay is in your unit unless directed to leave by the Emergency Authorities. This ensures that the roads are not blocked with traffic preventing emergency vehicles from accessing the fire and that you are not overcome by any smoke that may be in the area. The units along either side of Entry 7 and from Parkside through to Entry 7 are in a bushfire overlay. In the extremely rare event of a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for the central district, we recommend that Residents in those units have a clear plan to leave for the day.



Severe Weather and safety— Our Community Centres generally stay lovely and cool in hot weather and have access to water, toilets and some have televisions and lounge chairs. If your unit feels too hot, please make use of the community centres on a hot day. Be aware of your own security and safety when late evening cool changes come through, keep your security doors locked and remember to close your windows and lock your doors when you go to bed or doze off for a nap on the couch. Burglaries rise in our area in warm weather as criminals take advantage of people leaving doors and windows open overnight to cool the house down. If you see something or someone suspicious in the Village, keep your doors locked and please call 000 immediately, or if you are not confident to call yourself, press your Nursecall button and ask the Village Nurse to call for you.



Australia Post Delivery Times—Australia Post publishes estimated Domestic and International Parcel Delivery times on their website <https://auspost.com.au/> If you are intending to send parcels to Europe the cut off is December 1st, or in Australia 14 – 18th of December depending on state. More dates are available on the website.

Power Outages—We own the electrical grid within the Village as part of the embedded power network that enables us to bulk purchase power at significantly discounted rates, however the power to our grid comes from the wider United Energy network. If there is a power outage in our area that is caused by an interruption to the United Energy Grid it will appear on the United Energy outages map here: <https://www.unitedenergy.com.au/outage-map/> It is important to understand that we have no ability to respond to and fix United Energy related power outages.



The Village always looks beautiful in Spring with flowers blooming and grasses lush and green. Enjoy the milder weather and prepare for the warmer days ahead.

Warm regards, **Kim Jackson**, Chief Executive Officer



Announcements

⇒ *Welcome* ⇐

We welcome the following new Residents and wish them well in their new home.

Mrs Beryl & Mr Anthony Washington—Unit 21

Miss Kim Bartlett—Unit 274

⇒ *Congratulations* ⇐

The following Residents have achieved memorable years of occupancy.

10 Years

15 Years

20 Years

Ruth Kain

⇒ *Transfers* ⇐

The following residents have transferred within the ILU, to the Manor, an Apartment, or to the Community.
We wish them well in their new home.

Community

Manor

Norah Mayor

⇒ *In Memory* ⇐

Sadly, we advise the following residents have passed away and we extend our sincere sympathy to their family and friends.

Marion Reid—Suite 829

Donald Tozer—Unit 31

Patricia Johnson—Suite 845





Lithium-ion Battery Safety



Many portable devices (eg laptop computers, mobile phones, children's toys, e-scooters and e-cigarettes) as well as motorised scooters and wheel chairs may contain rechargeable lithium-ion batteries. Most modern devices with rechargeable batteries contain Lithium-Ion batteries.

Occasionally, if a Lithium-ion Battery is improperly charged, handled, stored or disposed of there is a risk of overheating, catching fire or explosion. This also increases the risk of a house fire, garage fire or personal injury.

Safety Advice:

- Purchase products from a reputable supplier and follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Only use chargers and cords that are originally supplied with that device. Using chargers with incorrect power delivery (voltage and current) can cause damage or overheating that can lead to fires.
- Don't leave batteries or devices unattended or charging overnight while you are asleep. Once fully charged, disconnect them from the charger.
- Only use the battery that is designed for that device.
- Charge your portable device on non-combustible surfaces in a room where a smoke alarm is present. Avoid locations where a fire would block your exit.
- Charge your mobility scooter outdoors and never in a place that would block your exit.
- Never charge a device under your pillow, on your bed or on a couch.
- Avoid overheating of batteries including exposure to heat or extreme temperatures for example in locked vehicles. Let batteries cool before recharging.
- Don't use batteries or devices that show signs of swelling or bulging, leaking, overheating, or signs of mechanical damage (cracked, dented, punctured, or crushed).
- Avoid exposure to moisture, overcharging and storing batteries close to each other.

Warning indicators:

Stop using the battery if you notice strong odours, colour change, extreme heat, change in shape, leaking or unusual sounds (for example popping or hissing). Don't touch leaking or damaged batteries (use gloves) and clean up any spilled material carefully. If safe to do so remove the device away from anything that can catch fire. If your battery catches fire ring 000 immediately and wait in a safe location for firefighters to arrive.

Lithium-ion Battery Disposal:

There are risks if Lithium-ion batteries are not disposed of correctly. Proper disposal avoids damage or puncture by heavy machinery during transport or processing which may lead to fires, for more information on where and how to dispose of used batteries please go to the website www.recyclingnearyou.com.au/batteries

More information

More information on lithium-ion battery safety is available online here: www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9389 and www.frv.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-01/FRV_Fire-Safety-Battery-Safety_V3.pdf



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

25th December 12.00 -2.30 pm

\$80pp

BYO Drinks and glasses

APPETIZER

Prawn cocktail served with crispy lettuce, zesty cocktail sauce

or

Fresh homemade pumpkin soup with buttered French bread

MAIN COURSE

Succulent turkey, pork and honey-baked ham roasted to perfection

roast Potatoes

honey-baked pumpkin, cauliflower cheese and garden peas

roast gravy

or

homebaked vegetable Lasagne with fresh garden salad

DESSERT

Homemade Christmas pudding with brandy custard

or

homemade English sherry trifle

platters per table

Homemade minced pies and Christmas shortbread

Please pre-book with David in the cafe call 0481 045 582

or email mooneyskitchen@gmail.com

Full payment is required at the time of booking

Limited Seating



SCOOTER TYRE PUMPING



Dean from Mobility Help will be at Clarke Centre on the back verandah on

Wednesday 8 November for Tyre Pumping between 9am - 9.30am.



CARDS AT CLARKE



Over a number of years, the card games of '500' and Crazy Whist have been played at the Clarke Centre. Recently the number of players has decreased. It has therefore been agreed, by the few players still interested, that '500' and Crazy Whist will not be played in 2024. If there is a revived interest all the cards and score sheets will be available.

Jean Grey



Thank you for your continued support of this very worthwhile charity! During September, boxes were placed around the village as collection points for your generous donations. Prior to this however, we had already collected and donated 30 kgs. of toiletries by July. With our September total, we have collected 129.2 kgs. for the year! You can rest assured that all of those goodies will be distributed to those in need and your wonderful assistance is appreciated so much not only by those who receive them but also by the Team at Pinchapoo!

In the five collections we have completed at the village since 2018 (Covid precluded a 2020 effort!) we have obtained a total of 596 kgs. that have been donated: over half a tonne! AMAZING!!

THANK YOU AGAIN! Heather Charman



A Reminder to all RESIDENTS, VISITORS, FAMILY MEMBERS, STAFF AND CONTRACTORS. The Village has a strict speed limit of 20km/h

We would appreciate everyone respecting this; we would like to keep everyone safe!



"I always wanted to learn a musical instrument but somehow it never happened..."

If that's your experience come and try ukelele. It's a great little instrument!

We sing as we strum so both voices and fingers get a valuable workout.

We'll lend you a ukelele to start off and teach you the first three chords. Soon you'll be playing along with the group. We are always practicing for our next performance or just playing for pleasure and fun.

Acoustic Guitar Players Welcome!!

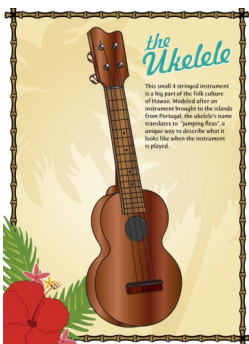
Why not pop into Parkside one Friday afternoon between 1.15pm and 3pm to hear the ukes,

or after 3pm if you just want to Chat over a cuppa.

If you like singing along join us to do just that.

For more information phone **Robyn Thatcher 0412 331 011** or

Audrey Mutton 5971 1767





RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Just when we thought we had closed the door on winter, it seems the Universe had other ideas. Under the changeable conditions, the gardens have done remarkably well. The bottlebrush growing throughout the Village have been playing host to the birds, particularly the parrots and lorikeets. It's a joy to watch them performing their acrobatics, hanging upside down to have a better go at getting to the nectar.

Bridget Robinson, DON at The Manor, wanted to replace two outdoor seats that have rotted. The R.A. is pleased to be able to cover the cost of these.

Jill's Comfort Shoes will be visiting us on Thursday 16th November at Clarke from 1.30pm.

Saturday 25th November is Market Day at Clarke from 9am to 1pm.

Until next time, be well, stay warm/cool.

Marlene McKenzie

President

Diary Dates for November

Wednesday 8th – Tyre Pumping, Clarke back verandah, 9am – 9.30am

Saturday 11th – R.A. Morning Tea, Parkside 10am – 11.30am

Wednesday 15th – R.A. General Meeting, The Chapel 1.30pm

Thursday 16th – Jill's Comfort Shoes, Clarke 1.30pm

Saturday 25th – Market Day, Clarke 9am – 1pm

Pete's Jokes for November

My mother taught me RELIGION: "You better pray that will come out of the carpet".

My father taught me about TIME TRAVEL: "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week".

My mother taught me about BEHAVIOUR MODIFICATION: "Stop acting like your father".

My mother taught me about ENVY: "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do".



DRIVING IN THE VILLAGE



It is a requirement by law that **ALL drivers of vehicles** hold a current Driver's Licence and their vehicle is registered when driving in the Village.

Residents without a current driver's licence are not permitted to drive within the Village.

Thank you for your cooperation.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2023



Fifty or so Christmas Child boxes have been carefully and lovingly packed and prayed for and picked up by the Samaritan's Purse van. They will join boxes from New Zealand for somewhere in the Pacific.

A big thank you to all who either packed a box or gave various articles for others to pack. We had fun topping up a few boxes with some of these. Our Receptionists and Jayne were very helpful and encouraging as the boxes went out then came back in. Thank you ladies for your cheerful support. Although 50 boxes is down on last year's 91, that's 50 children who will receive a box and feel loved, and that's something.

Thank you again for YOUR part in Operation Christmas Child 2023. Barb Allison

The Chaplaincy Support Group invite you to a

PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON

SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER

at 2:30 pm

in the Chapel

with SOUND WAVES



This local vocal ensemble will present us with a program of great music and singing.

Come and bring a neighbour or friend for a great afternoon.

Join us for Afternoon Tea

Donations toward the support of our Village Chaplains



VEGGIE GROUP

Open Day has been and gone.

Marian and I have now been in the Village for a little over 15 years and this is the first occasion we have experienced rain, wind and cooler temperatures, a challenge for all as they wandered the village.

As was expected the weather did affect our Sausage Sizzle somewhat and it means we have enough sausages/bread left over for our coming Christmas BBQ on Wednesday 22 November 5PM. Remember to bring your plates, nibbles, glasses and your choice of beverage. If you can bring a chair too, it would be appreciated. Weather permitting we will be under the gazebos at the veggie shed, if cold or wet we move to Parkside.

Coral and Doug did very well with their Tomato plant sales again and at the time of writing had sold a touch over \$1,000. A fantastic effort. Doug says that it's probably his swan song, but time will tell! We didn't take a photo of our open day activities - a bad oversight.

We thank all those who gave their time on the Friday afternoon and again throughout Saturday. I came back after collecting the remaining tomato plants from Clarke to find the BBQs cleaned and put away and everything else tidied up. Everyone got involved and worked together without any fuss. Thank you again.

Our veggies are still selling well in the Kiosk with broad beans now producing as well beetroot, cabbages and other produce. You have to be early to get the best of them.

It has been a great month topped off by the Mighty Magpies deservedly winning another flag, much to the disappointment of a FEW hardy souls. Hopefully they feel the same way next year. Cheers all, enjoy the warming weather,

Regards

Norm Eyers (U935)



BIRD WARNING !!!



PLOVERS—Please be aware that during the Plovers' nesting period, they can be very territorial and if possible avoid these areas if you see them.

Plovers are native birds and just like Magpies they will swoop to protect their area.

The Village is unable to move or remove their nests!

DUCKS can be aggressive when protecting their young; please do not approach them and keep your distance as they are known to attack.

REMINDER: PLEASE DON'T FEED THE BIRDS



COME AND ENJOY A GAME OF SNOOKER All are Welcome

Where: Robinsons Centre
When: Every Thursday
Time: 2pm - 4pm

Come and have a fun time -
let us teach you how
to play a game of snooker

Attention

Mobility Scooter Users

Do you have issues using your
mobility scooter within the Village?

Please put your name and contact details on the
lists which will be available at the

Community Centres from

1 September 2023 to 30 November 2023

Please call

Marie Newton

0428 486 541

to discuss.

Marie is a member of the VBRC.

Mount Erin College Vocational
Major Students Present:

Village Baxter CAR WASH



Dates: October 19
October 30
December 4
Time: 9:30 AM - 12:30 AM (1 hour blocks)
Location: Village Baxter car wash bays

COST:

Basic Option:

Exterior hand wash - \$10

Deluxe Option:

Exterior hand wash and inside vacuum and
wipe (not available October 19) - \$15

All money raised will be used to fund the
ongoing relationship between Mount Erin
College and Village Baxter

SIGNING UP

Spaces are limited, so
please use the sign up
sheet located in the Grant
Centre to register your
interest.

All payments to be made on
the day **cash only**.

ON THE DAY

If you have provided a
phone number we will send
out a reminder message.

On the day, please bring
your car to the car wash
bays at your allotted time.

MOUNT ERIN COLLEGE
VOCATIONAL MAJOR STUDENTS
PRESENT:

BINGO

Date: Thursday, Nov 2
Time: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Location: Clarke Centre

**GOLD COIN DONATION
WILL BE USED TO FUND
THE ONGOING
RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN MOUNT ERIN
COLLEGE AND VILLAGE
BAXTER**

Mount Erin College's Year 11
Vocational Major students will
be hosting an afternoon of
Bingo in the Baxter Village
Clarke Centre. Light
refreshments, prizes and fun
provided.

Numbers are limited, so please
indicate your interest using the
Community Centre notice
boards.





SOCIAL GROUP



Social Club November Dates

Village Café 2nd, 16th and 30th

Roundabout Café 8th and 22nd

Always at 10.30am

Owing to the underwhelming response to last month's note, it looks like Camping and Hiking will go the way of Tabletop Dancing, Pole Dancing and any other activity involving any sort of exercise. Far be it for me to make any comments. Message received and understood. In future only eating and drinking will be entertained as future activities except how about the possibility of Sky Diving? No exercise involved, you just have to fall out of an aeroplane.

Bob Peachey (266) 0490 552 847 or 5971 5291



REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER



Since 1918 Australians have commemorated remembrance day by wearing a poppy on the 11th of November.

Please honour our ex-service women and men by wearing a poppy this November; a selection of poppy badges are available now at your community centres. Your donation will be used to provide welfare services to our veterans and veterans' families.

By wearing a poppy *WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.*

Graham Wilson U920



MEN'S BRUNCH



9.30am at Parkside
\$5.00 pay on the day

ALL MEN WELCOME

**Please enter via the main entrance
at Parkside only**

**** We will only be catering to order****

Men's Brunch at Parkside at 9.30am on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

Great morning for the men where they can enjoy a delicious egg and bacon sandwich with coffee, tea, and great conversation.

Please RSVP for CATERING PURPOSES your details on the notice boards at Grant, Robinsons, Clarke & Parkside.



VILLAGE BAXTER BOWLS CLUB

Much more than just a bowling club



Indoor Bowls

Looking to get involved with Indoor Bowls?. Contact either Joan Reilly or Maureen Brett, or the Clarke Centre receptionist Meridee. Action is on Mondays starting from about 1pm – 1.15pm.

Just come and get involved.

Social Outdoor Bowls

Bowlers, please note all games start now at 10.30am (bring your lunch) from 14th October.

Grand Final Day at “the Bowl” Event

Following a single game of bowls members (some in footy colours) retired to the Green Room, where some 40+ members enjoyed our annual **GF bowls event** and watch the match and enjoy the traditional footy fare of pies, pasties & sausage rolls. Depicted are some of those revellers who enjoyed the day. Our thanks go Providore Noeleen Bates and her helpers for decorating the Green Room in team colours and for preparing and serving the food.



Webpage – <https://baxtervillage.bowls.com.au>

The Village Baxter Bowls webpage has been updated and is up and running. Our aim is to keep members aware of what is happening at the “Club” and have a place where members can access important club information. The 'Members Only Information' is password protected. The password can be obtained from Michael McCrae, 5972 8990, or John Fraser 0407 323 089.

Summer Season

The first big change to the new season is the starting time for both Tuesday and Saturday social bowls is 10.30 am. Given the weather bureaus forecasts for a hotter than usual summer your management team has decided **to commence all matches at 10.30am as of 24th October (bring your lunch).** This is in line with MPBR match rules which require all fixtures to be called off if the temperature reaches 35 degrees, or commence at 10.30am if the weather forecast is for a hot day.

Our thanks go to all those who participated, or helped in running our winter season.

Twilight Bowls

Unfortunately we had to cancel our first planned “Twilight” evening for the year as preparations for Market day took precedence. We now look forward to the 10th November.

November 10th

December 15th

January 12th

February 18th

March 15th

Staff v Bowlers Event

A fun evening is planned for Thursday 16th Nov. Staff v Bowlers Challenge on the green at 4pm.

Bowling Club cont....

Pennant Season



The 2023/24 Tuesday Pennant Season commenced on 17th October against Main Ridge BC at home and we are pleased to say we had a solid win with all 3 teams winning. We were the only club in the competition to have all 3 teams win and as such we find ourselves on top of the ladder. Let's hope we can stay on top for the season.

Our next game is away at Beleura Retirement Village in Mornington.

The scene, left, is from the first round of the season against Main Ridge.

Fish & Chip Night

On the 20th of September the Club held a Fish & Chip night with over 80 members joining together to just have fun on a cool Wednesday night at the Clarke Centre. The local Lakeside Fish & Chippery provided the food and Chris McMillian entertained us with his music trivia. A special thanks to all those who organised the night, prepared the room, distributed the food and cleaned up afterwards. *Our next big event will be our traditional Cup Day celebration.*



Calendar - Upcoming Events for Members 2023/24

2023 - Twilight Bowls Bowls has begun, see flyers around the village for dates.

7th November - Cup Day - \$20 lunch

14th December – Christmas Dinner - (Clarke Centre + entertainment) - \$30

2024.

1st February – Pizza Night - \$10.00.

Special 90th Birthday

Eileen Critchley turned 90 in October and President Ron Osborne is depicted (right) presenting her with a small gift to recognise her special day. Another ex City of Frankston bowler (now Frankston Bowling Club) where she was a member for over 20 years. Eileen won premierships in both Tuesday and Saturday pennant teams and was an active worker behind the scenes and became Club Providore and also served on a number of Club committees.



Eileen entered the Village some 8 years ago with husband Geoff (dec) and has been an active member of the Club. Since joining the Village Baxter BC she was selected in the Grand Final Team that was affected by the Covid epidemic and successful in the Club Championships pairs winning with Russell Chandler and later runner-up with Allen Peter.

Much more than just a Bowling Club!



Village Baxter **Free Bus Mystery Trip**



Mystery Trips are held on the 1st and 2nd Wednesday afternoon of the month.

The bus driver decides on where you will go on the day, making sure it is somewhere with toilet facilities and a café close by if you would like to buy your afternoon tea instead of bringing it.

Please arrive by 12.45pm for collection at Clarke and Manning Centres.

You are usually back at the Village between 4pm-5pm.

Please book with the Clarke or Robinsons Community Centre Receptionists, as seating is limited.



RESIDENTS' WORKSHOP



HOME PROJECTS

The workshop is generally open between the hours of 9:30am – 12:00 noon

Located near the Greenhouse/Veggie patch

*Contacts: **Don Hunt 0427 597 132** or **Graham Wilson 5971 2536.***

Visit the workshop and speak to the members about your requirements.

Do you want to join the group? Do you need assistance completing a project or simple repairs?



VB COMPUTER CLUB



Join the...

Village Baxter Computer Club



A fun, friendly environment for residents new to Tablets, Smartphones & Computers, or for those just wishing to update their knowledge or solve a problem.

**We meet every 4th Tuesday
at Parkside, from 2pm - 4pm
with a break for refreshments.**

For Windows or Android help:
please call John on 5971 6833.

For iPad/iPhone help call Chris on 5971 6865.

Annual membership is only \$20 and includes access to the internet in all community centres.

Call for more details or email: cclinic3@gmail.com



VILLAGE BAXTER RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE

Report for Village Voice November 2023

Meeting held on 13th October 2023

There was an opportunity to meet David Mooney from the Village Café. David introduced himself and shared his background within the hospitality industry. The committee gave feedback and wished him well in the Village

2023/24 Committee - Lorraine Holt and Heather Charman were welcomed to the Committee and it was noted that Graeme Jones did not stand for re-election. Thanks were expressed for the contribution Graeme had made to the Committee.

The appointment of Norm Eyers as the Returning Officer, replacing Ron Osborne, who was unavailable at the last minute, was endorsed.

Des Stewart was elected as President and Ken Sleep as Secretary.

It was confirmed that VBRC Meetings with Management will continue to be held on the second Friday of each month.

The Committee has requested that their report be published in Village Voice as submitted by VBRC.

On-going items noted -

- Survey of mobility scooter users re their safety issues.
- Report on Footpaths & Crossings.
- Progress on Grant Centre re-development.
- Battery Fire Risk Mitigation information .
- Croquet lawn area replanting.
- Response from BVB Board with regards to Auditor.

The following were noted –

Replacement of ILU gas appliances with electricity, at resident's cost, can be requested on an 'Alterations and Additions form' through Receptionists.

Reported **Café heating and cooling problems** are being monitored by Café Manager. Residents are encouraged to inform café staff of any issues.

The Village has a **precheck inspection process**, prior to handover of new units.

The **Activities Information booklet** requires editing and will be undertaken by Heather Charman and the Village Manager.

With the prospect of a very hot summer, concern was raised with regard to **units without Air Conditioning**. To support residents in these units who are unable financially to have air conditioning installed, it was suggested that consideration be given to the feasibility of having the cost of supplying and installing units being deducted from the Resident's equity in their unit.

Overcrowding of noticeboards in the community centres was noted. Management is responsible for the 'management' noticeboard only. Resident groups/clubs are responsible for their own noticeboards. However, all other notices should be approved by receptionists with a date and contact details on the notice.

Next Meeting: 10th November 2023

Des Stewart - VBRC President

VBRC MEETINGS WITH RESIDENTS

A reminder that VBRC members are available at the end of Residents' Association Monthly Meetings to meet with residents to discuss any issues.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS

High Tea

Thursday 7th December

12.30pm - 3pm

at the Grant Centre Café

*Entertainment by
Frankie Davis Junior*



Tickets are available from your Receptionist.

Donations gratefully accepted.

BOOKINGS CLOSE 24TH NOVEMBER



THINGS TO PLANT IN NOVEMBER

Amaranth, Artichoke (globe), Asparagus, Basil, Beans, Beetroot, Bok Choy, Broccoli, Cabbage, Capsicum, Carrot, Chicory, Chilli, Chives, Corriander, Cucumber, Eggplant, Fennel, Garlic, Kale, Kohl Rabi, Leek, Lettuce, Mustard Greens, Oregano, Pak Choy, Parsley, Parsnip, Potato, Pumpkin, Radish, Rhubarb (crowns), Rocket, Rockmelon, Salsify, Silverbeet, Spring Onion, Sunflower, Swede, Sweet Corn, Tomato, Turnip, Watermelon, Wombok, Zucchini

List taken from: <https://www.yummygardensmelbourne.com/spring-vegetable-garden.html>



CLARKE CENTRE KIOSK

The Kiosk is open Monday to Friday

9.30am – 11.30am

Selling a variety of goods including:-

Eggs, Milk, Bread, Frozen and Dairy items and fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables supplied by the Village Veggie Gardens.

Just a reminder we are looking for Volunteers either 2 hours a week, fortnight or month.

Please call **June Austin 5971 1780** or **Lesley McMillan 5971 6865** for more details.



BOOK GROUP

Book Group 2023

Enjoy Reading ? Like Sharing your Thoughts ?

Small Group Meeting Monthly & A New Book each time

You choose from a Wide Book Selection

4th Wednesday of the month @ 3pm to 4.30pm in Parkside

Contact Neil or Sandra Graham 5972 8941



BY-LAWS OF THE MONTH

If you'd like to brush up on your Village By-Laws, they can be found on our Website at the link below

<https://www.villagebaxter.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Bylaws-2018.pdf>

by scanning the QR code, or in your copy of your Lease Agreement.



13 — SALES

The Resident shall not without the prior written consent of BVB permit any public sale whether by auction or otherwise to be held or conducted on the Premises or on any part of the common areas.

14 — SUB-TENANCIES

The Resident shall not grant any occupancy right or sub-licence or sub-let the Premises or assign any of his rights and entitlements hereunder without the express consent of BVB, and the provisions of Section 144 of the Property Law Act 1958 as amended or re-enacted from time to time (if applicable) are hereby expressly excluded.



VILLAGE BAXTER OPEN DAY



To all the Residents who participated in making Open Day such a success

Even though it was a bit chilly we were able to attract visitors to the village.

There were many sales enquiries and interest in our units.

It was lovely to see people strolling through the Village, enjoying the gardens, classic car display, stalls, sausage sizzles & Devonshire teas etc. The jumping castle and face painting were a huge success with the children and the support from the C.F.A. & S.E.S. was well appreciated.

To the residents who had a stall for their area or assisted in so many other ways, we thank you for your help in promoting the Village to the community and taking the opportunity to fundraise.

THANK YOU ALL ONCE AGAIN

2023 Takings

CLARKE CENTRE	TAKINGS
Craft - Clark group	\$903.70
Devonshire tea	\$952.10
Sausage Sizzle	\$574.80
Clarke Library	\$323.00
GRANT CENTRE	
Manning Book Sale	\$136.00
Craft - Robinsons group	\$1,096.50
Raffle	\$155.00
PARKSIDE	
Devonshire tea, sandwiches, cakes, woodwork displays	\$2,204.40
Shed	\$1,156.50
DAYCARE	\$504.90
SAUSAGE SIZZLE / VEGGIE GROUP / PLANTS	\$1,150.00
POTTERY:	\$200.00
OPEN DAY TOTAL	\$9,356.90

Village Baxter Indoor Market

Morning
tea

Plants

Sausage
Sizzle

Jams
&
Pickles

Craft

Jewellery

Books

And
much
more!

Trash
&
Treasure

Giftware

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CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP



Open Day is a very special day in the Baxter Village calendar and despite the cold and blustery weather, the event was a great success. The CSG would like to thank all those who helped to set up and put away for Open Day. Also all the volunteers who on the day helped with serving, waiting, washing dishes etc. and to all who supported the work of our Chaplains. We enjoyed the company of our Chaplains Rod & Janine who volunteered their time working in our midst.

The **Strathisla Highland dancers** drew a wonderful crowd and gave us a spectacular display of Scottish dancing.

Please note our upcoming events for this month.

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon with the 'Sound Waves' on Sunday 12th November at 2.30 pm in the Chapel. Brochures are displayed on your Community Centre Notice Boards and in the Village Voice.

Our group meets on the first Wednesday of each month in Parkside to plan events in support of our Village Chaplains. Following the meeting, we enjoy an afternoon tea. Newcomers are very welcome.



The Shed Op Shop

The Shed continues to open on Fridays 2-4 pm. If you have goods for the Shed, please phone Maree or Bernie on 5971 4079 and they will advise you what items are acceptable and when they may be delivered. Just a reminder not to leave items outside the Shed where rain, wind or sun may ruin them!

For those who are new to the Village, the proceeds raised at the Shed go toward the support of our Village Chaplains.

Irene McGladdery
Secretary

Have something that you would like to share? Want to thank someone?
Have any feedback?

Please send your submissions, photos, and feedback to
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or you can also drop off a note to your Community Centre Receptionist.



FROM THE CHAPLAINS

Sun, Sun, Sun.....

As I write this reflection to you, it is 26 degrees outside, and the promise of summer is in the air! Knowing Melbourne it will be 16 tomorrow, but I am enjoying the sun and the warmth and comfort it brings as long as it is here.

I remember being in London one Christmas, and it was light at 9am, and dark at 3pm !
No wonder they get depressed in winter!
Our daylight-saving time gives us long days of light and warmth over summer, and most of us enjoy the longer days while they last.

As Aussies, we love the sun, and the long sunny days we are afforded until winter rolls around again. Indeed some of us are sun worshippers!
Back in 1996 I produced and played on an album by Nicky Chiswell, called Copernicus.
Nicky is a well known Christian song writer, who has produced several albums over the years, and you can find her music on Spotify.
The title track "Copernicus" was a brilliant reminder the things are not always how we assume them to be.

Up until the 16th century, astronomers assumed that the planets revolved around the earth, which is fair enough when the earth is the centre of your existence and your knowledge. But in the early 16th century, Copernicus observed that the earth and the other planets in fact revolved around the sun, and derived their orbit from it, not vice versa.

Pope Clement VII received his revelations, which was a good outcome compared to Columbus, Caxton and others before him who had suffered worse fates for their discoveries. However his theory wasn't widely accepted until Issac Newton formulated his universal law of gravitation in 1687 nearly 150 years later.

I only tell you all this because in Nicky's song, just like Copernicus who realizes his world revolves around the sun, she realizes that our world revolves around "The Son".
As a Christian my world revolves around the 'Son'.....
And regardless of the endless theories and scientific attempts to explain our existence, I believe our world and indeed our lives revolve around the one who made us; who loves us; and who gives us meaning. Jesus, the Son of God.

The truth is in fact, a person, not merely a bunch of random facts.
He is the Light of the world, the reason for the season, the Way and the truth and the life.
Like Copernicus, it is what we chose to believe that defines our place in this world, and our purpose.
What does your world revolve around ?

Maybe like Copernicus you need to reexamine how life really works, and who Jesus is ?
I'm always up for a chat or a discussion, and I would love you to listen to Nicky's music too.
She is a brilliant musician and story teller.

Let me know what you think of her songs about the 'Son'
God bless you as the sun warms you in the days to come, and the 'Son' blesses you.

Rod Wilson
Chaplain

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Late submissions will be held for the next month's edition.



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DIARY DATES – November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10.15am Line Dancing (C) 12.45pm Mystery Bus Tour (C) and (M) 2 – 4pm CSG (P)	2 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 1pm – 2.30pm Mt Erin & Village Baxter Bingo (C) 11am-5pm Mahjong (P) 2 - 4pm Snooker (R) 2 - 4.30pm Darts (R)	3 9am - 4pm Craft (RC) 12noon – 1pm Chair Yoga (C) 1.15 - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2 - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2 - 4pm The Shed	4 9am –12noon Croquet (M) 12.30pm Outdoor Bowls (C) 1 - 5pm Cards-500 (CC)
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SUN – Village Church (includes Communion 1st Sunday each month) **10am – Chapel (non-denominational)**
Wed – Devotions **9.30am - Clarke Centre**
3rd Thurs – Uniting Church – Communion **2:30pm - Parkside**

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 Wed – Nepean Hearing-Tony Wilms – 9783 7520
 Thurs – PFGP-Doctor Kalan – 9781 3300
 Fri -Podiatry – Step Ahead -Tara Dullard – 9708 8626
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To place something in the Diary Dates or Classifieds contact the Village Coordinator at 5971 6364 or at villagecoordinator@villagebaxter.com

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