



# FIRE RECOVERY UPDATE

NUMBER 29: MARCH 2019



CORANGAMITE  
SHIRE

## WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Council will continue to provide support and answer enquiries as some specific fire recovery roles change, 12-months after the St Patrick's Day fires. Residents are encouraged to call 5593 7100 with any issues or concerns, and you will be referred to the appropriate person.

The Fire Recovery Team will finish up next month but Council staff have gained the skills and knowledge over the past year to help residents continue their recovery process.

The community came together in a time of need and became stronger than ever.

These times provide us with the opportunity to reflect and recognise how far we have come in the year. To appreciate those around you, the support you have received and the connections that have grown.

There is no right way to mark the occasion. You might consider a barbecue with close friends, spending time with neighbours, attending a local event or having a quiet meal with your loved ones.

The 12 month milestone is a good time to consider your quality of life



and to inventory whether you have retained your priorities in life or if this event has made you re-evaluate.

An example of this is a couple may have had a routine to sit and have a cuppa after the kids went to bed, to connect and touch base.

If this time is now taken up with talking about things that still need fixing or jobs that have to still get done, the couple can find they are not feeling connected to each other as they were.

So take the time to mark the occasion, it will be worth it.

Talk to one another about the year you have had and what the future looks like.

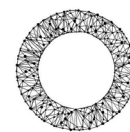
We are here to help you towards achieving your future goals.

## NEW ARTS GROUPS, EVENTS FLOURISH

Exciting times are happening in Cobden, Camperdown and Terang/Noorat. Three community-led committees have been established to deliver events, such as workshops, live music and markets to the community to bring people together.

## PHOENIX PROJECT

Cobden's has been named The Phoenix Project which is being led by members of Progressing Cobden who are aiming to have a monthly market which will be held at the Miniature Railway. They are also hoping to have live music and art workshops to be held in Cobden and also the local parks.



The CIRCLE Effect

Connect. Inclusive. Resilient. Create. Learn. Empower.

Camperdown's has been named 'The Circle Effect' which is being led by the Camperdown Courthouse and Camperdown Community House who have created events such as open mic nights, performing art shows, outdoor cinema experience, harvest festivals and much more.

Arts in the Avenues is being led by Terang Progress Association and will include art festivals and sculpture making. They also hope to have street art and poetry readings. Look out for flyers and advertisement of these upcoming events to learn more.



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## RECOVERY PHOTO BOOK AVAILABLE

Corangamite Shire has created a photo book to share the recovery process from the night of the fires to its ongoing recovery. Photos were provided by the community



and local photographers to create this book that will be distributed to the community. It can also be picked up from the Council Civic Centre at 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown.

## COMMITTEE

### WRAPS UP

The Community Recovery Committee finished up on Monday 25 February after a general consensus was reached.

The committee has been meeting for the last 11 months to assist the community in its ongoing recovery after the St Patrick's Day Fires.

It created an action plan that was implemented into the community which is now 90% complete thanks to the work of the Community Recovery Committee and Corangamite Shire.

The Committee provided feedback from the community to Council and other agencies so to address community needs.

Council would like to thank those members for their time and contribution which has been appreciated.

The committee's work has had a significant impact on the directions of recovery.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

**Mental Health Services**.....  
..... 1800 808 284

**South West Healthcare**  
.....5593 6000

**Colac Area Health**.....5232 5100

**Headspace**.....1300 276 749

**beyondblue:** ..... 1300 22 4636

**Lifeline:** .....13 11 14

**Kid's Helpline:**..... 1800 55 1800

**MensLine:** ..... 1300 78 9978

**Nurse on Call:** .....1800 02 2222

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## EVENTS

### MARCH

#### WEDNESDAY 13

Heytesbury District Landcare Network Whole Farm Planning workshop Glenfyne Hall, 9am-1pm

#### THURSDAY 14

Occasional counsellor workshop-Proudfoots Boathouse, Warrnambool, 9 am-3:30 pm

#### Friday 15 - Sunday 17

Terang Country Music Festival, Terang Racecourse

#### Saturday 16

Kangarooie Klassic, Old Ocean Road Princetown, 9 am-3 pm

Movie Night, Terang Pool

#### Sunday 17

Arts in the Avenues, Terang Rotunda, 1-3 pm

The Phoenix Project Cobden Market, Miniature Railway 11 am-4 pm

The Circle Effect Tunes & Chill, Camperdown, Courthouse 3 pm-6 pm

#### Saturday 23

Cobden Movie Night, Miniature Railway, 8 pm

#### Wednesday 27

Paper craft, Camperdown Community House, 1.30-3 pm

#### Friday 29

Life drawing workshop Phoenix Project, Cobden

### APRIL

#### Sunday 14

Concert on the Green, Terang RSL

#### Sunday 21

The Phoenix Project Cobden Market, Miniature Railway 11 am-4 pm

**Planning an event? Tell us on 5593 7100 or shire@corangamite.vic.gov.au**