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Edition 207

Although meetings, groups and activities are postponed for the foreseeable future, there is information in this newsletter which can be of help.

We are lucky with modern technology that we can keep in touch with our family, friends and neighbours by phone or internet.

At the moment I plan to continue publishing the newsletter bi-monthly, provided it can be printed, to keep up with what's happening in the community.

Keep active and well, look out for each other and enjoy the environment around us!

*Liz Hopkins*

**Daylight Savings Ends  
Sunday April 5**

**LAHARUM  
PLAYGROUP** **SUSPENDED**



*Brimpaen Pennant tennis team*



*Cricket U14 team at their closing celebration evening*

### **Three good friends**



Three good friends went for a swim.  
The one who was fat wished she was thin.  
The one who was curvy wished she was clever.  
The one who was clever wished she swam better.  
The really great swimmer wished she was witty.  
The one who was witty wished she was pretty.  
All three friends thought the other two were just fine.  
If only they could let their own bright light shine.  
**So throw on your swimsuit if you're fat or you're thin.**

**Enjoy fun and friendship and love the skin that you're in!**



# Laharum-Wartook Produce & Vegetable swap

**POSTPONED**



**Do you have excess fruit and vegies?  
Horsham Christian Food Centre will be  
grateful to receive them.**

**Open Monday to Friday from 1-4pm**

Christian Emergency Food Centre provides emergency food supplies and emergency relief to people in need.

Participating churches under the Horsham Ministers Association - Anglican Church, Church of Christ, Harvest Christian Church, Lutheran Church, Presbyterian Church, Salvation Army, Roman Catholic Church, Seventh Day Adventist Church, Uniting Church and Spirit Song Christian Church.

Although the address is 28 Firebrace Street, everyone is now asked to **park at the back of the building** (large car park). Donations to be left on the loading ramp at the back door then walk up the stairs and ring the bell. Someone will come to the door to acknowledge the donation and will collect them from the landing.



GWMWater assures customers that the organisation is well prepared to continue to provide water and wastewater services given the current challenges faced by the community of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

To protect both customers and staff from the spread of infection, GWMWater has temporarily closed its McLachlan Street Customer Service Centre in Horsham to the public until further notice. The Customer Call Centre and 24-hour service fault line remain fully operational 1800 188586.

Visit [www.gwmwater.org.au/news](http://www.gwmwater.org.au/news) for more information.

**Adele Rohde**, Manager  
Communications/Engagement

**CORONAVIRUS CALL FOR HELP  
HOTLINE 1800 195 114**

**NURSE ON CALL  
1300 606 024**



*Colourful display of the March Vegie Swap*

## Laharum Tennis Club



Our A Grade had an up and down year, struggled to find players most weeks, but we all had a great time! Thanks to everyone who did play and filled in.

We had our presentation after the last game. Congratulations to Vanessa Lenehan and Tony Sykes. Also, very big congratulations to Herbie on his past 50 years of playing tennis!

**Deb Bunworth** 🎾

## Food for thought!

*Going outdoors is not cancelled  
Listening to music is not cancelled  
Reading a book is not cancelled  
Singing out loud is not cancelled  
Laughing has not been cancelled  
Sharing HOPE with others is not cancelled  
Let's EMBRACE what we have!*

Contributed



## Laharum Hall Committee



The Hall Committee has engaged a Horsham contractor to sand and reseal the main hall floor in April. This will help all hall users keep the floor clean. Funds to do this have been raised by the committee.

We are actively pursuing grants to paint the internal walls of the hall.

**Judy Berendsen**, Secretary 5383 6265

## CFA District 17



**District 17 Office has been closed until further notice.** Staff will be working remotely and can be contacted by the usual methods. Some staff may attend the office at various times. Please call to arrange pick up or delivery of PPC or equipment. Please call the catchment team for any operational queries.

All brigade elections have been postponed for six months. Existing brigade office holders will remain in their current roles until such time as the elections are held. All CFA training in District 17 has been postponed. If you have any questions, please contact the office on 5362 1715.

CFA Brigades will still be responding to incidents. Some precautions are to be taken, such as minimal crews, separate vehicles where possible, and being mindful of who should attend. Crews must use proper PPC. Where appropriate, double-glove with nitrile (blue) gloves under your leather gloves, use a P2 mask and goggles.

All vehicles and equipment should be carefully disinfected after use and ready for the next crew to turnout. This includes wiping down all touch points such as steering wheels, keys, gear stick, door and grab handles, seats, pump controls, hoses, nozzles/branches, radios, mobile phones, pagers etc. Crews should maintain the separation rules as well as they possibly can. Anyone who is unwell should not respond at all. For any suspected contamination, contact the RDO immediately. Make sure all members who attend are recorded correctly on Fire Reports and that they are put in as soon as possible. Wishing good health to one and all.

**Louise McGillivray**, Brigade Administrative Support Officer

## Brimpaen Tennis Club



Tennis is finished for another year. Brimpaen had a disappointing year with players hard to come by. Hoping for better luck next year! See photo front page.

**Courtney Dunn**



**1800 333 000**

## Laharum Football Netball Club



Well, what a lot has been going on since my last report. Probably not much to report with the current COVID-19 situation.

AFL has made the decision to postpone all football and netball activities until May 31. What this means is that we cannot train, have practice matches, social gatherings, meetings, etc until that time.

After an online HDFNL President's and Secretary's meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>, there is some uncertainty if we will even get to play this year. Very difficult times and my thoughts go out to Jason Muldoon (AFL Wimmera/Mallee), who must be pulling his hair out!

The staff in the office in town have been stood down for the present time, so we must think of them and their families.

So in the meantime, we must stay positive, make some calls to see how people are travelling, and also support those around the club - players, board, members and supporters who are finding this time difficult and also those who have lost their jobs as a result of this crazy pandemic.

In the meantime, stay safe and look out for any further updates via our Facebook page.

**Tim Nagorcka**, Chairperson

## North West Grampians Branch of Horsham Lions Club



Due to the threat of the Corona virus, our monthly Lions meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

Green Lake Driver Reviver operation has also been suspended until further notice and will not be available during school holidays, Easter break or Anzac weekend.

The whole world is experiencing circumstances unheard of in our life time. Let's make sure we heed the directives of our health advisers and government authorities and limit the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

Stay safe, keep well and remember to support the more vulnerable in our community, especially the elderly.

**Libby Peucker**



### Batteries

Used vehicle batteries can be left at Pam & Des Geue's property at 1922 Northern Grampians Road which helps raise funds for Laharum Hall

## Mobile Library



This service is not available at the moment.

**Greg Maybery**





Council together with our community has been watching the worldwide development of the COVID-19 pandemic. We understand the anxiety, uncertainty and fear around this for our community because we are members of this community.

Council's Number 1 priority during the pandemic will be to maintain essential services and support our most vulnerable people.

To this end we have implemented our Pandemic Plan, and a team of key staff including community well-being, environmental health and communications have been tasked with ensuring an effective pandemic response. The main focus of this team will be to implement State and National Government directives designed to minimise the spread of the virus and to support any people impacted directly through illness or self-isolation.

Underneath this, Local Government has a responsibility to continue to provide 'business as usual' as much as possible.

Council has a dedicated webpage for news on changes to Council service - <https://www.hrcc.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/News-and-Media/Latest-News/COVID-19-Impact-on-Council-services-and-events>

In addition, the two key government websites for people to get the most up-to-date information on the Coronavirus pandemic are - Victorian Department of Health and Human Services <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus> and Australian Department of Health <https://www.health.gov.au/>

**Susan Surridge**, Coordinator Community Relations & Advocacy

**Yoga at Laharum Hall** **POSTPONED**

**Wonwondah Sit & Sew** **POSTPONED**

**KnitKnaX & KnitWitZ**

**Our weekly knitting and crocheting group is postponed until further notice.**



**CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



## Latest News

**Waste Disposal** - Horsham Rural City Council is urging residents to dispose of waste the right way during the Coronavirus pandemic. Waste collection services are currently operating as normal.

To dispose of waste –

- do not overfill waste or recycling bins
- put the bins where they cannot be easily tipped over and spill. The lid should close completely and this will help stop potentially infectious items from escaping
- tissues or other sanitary items should be wrapped in a garbage bag or similar
- put your bins out for collection every week even if it is not full – do not compact waste already inside the bin

**Customer Service** - HRCC have closed facilities including Horsham Town Hall, Horsham Aquatic Centre, Mibus Centre Library and Horsham Regional Art Gallery.

Customers can access services by submitting a request **online**; calling 5382 9777 from Monday to Friday between 8.30am-5pm or emailing to [council@hrcc.vic.gov.au](mailto:council@hrcc.vic.gov.au)

Council has a Financial Hardship Policy which is available on their website. It outlines the process to seek deferment or waiver of rates and charges.

**Recreation Facilities** - Playgrounds, skate parks, water fountains and a range of other public facilities have been closed in response to COVID-19 pandemic. Public barbecues, outdoor exercise equipment, sports clubrooms and community halls are now off-limits.

## Laharum Landcare Group



There are no meetings planned until further notice. Members will be contacted by email or phone when a meeting can occur.

Pest plants and animals still need attention. Stinkwort needs slashing or pulling now and Cape Tulip will need spraying in late winter. Please contact Gil on 0490 830769 for any enquiries.

We had planned on rabbit ripping which may still occur and Wendy McInnes can be contacted on 0407 914498. All plantings and group activities have been postponed.

**Gil Hopkins**, Vice President



**Local Vocals**  
Laharum Hall

**POSTPONED**



One thing we can still do is to promote remaining active (individually or adhering to social distancing requirements). So many activities can still be enjoyed such as fishing, gardening, walking the dog, yoga etc to assist with our mental and physical health during this unprecedented time.

**Hayley Thomas**, HRCC Project Officer Recreation & Open Space



- Tips & Ideas -

## Keeping active at home

Keeping active can be a little more challenging when restricted to solo pursuits. However, with a little creativity we can all get enough exercise at home.

**Look online** - YouTube is a treasure trove of online workout sessions or dust off that old Michelle Bridges dvd and get moving!

**Give yourself space** - Move the furniture and turn the lounge room into your own workout studio.

**Bike Ride** - If leaving the house is possible, head out for a bike ride on some beautiful and open trails in the area.

**Yoga** - Search up a yoga routine online and enjoy raising your heart rate, strengthening and some calming music.

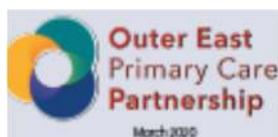
**Embrace Virtual** - We may not be able to exercise in groups, but we can still compete if that's your thing. Create virtual competitions and challenge your friends using fitness apps.

**Equipment** - No fancy equipment required. There are lots of items around the house that you can use for your workout, load up a backpack for added weights, use the stairs for some glute work or use a towel as a yoga mat.

**Grab a ball...and a kid** - A great way to spend time with the kids and get you both active. Grab a ball and head outside for some soccer or basketball. This can be a great cardio workout - time flies when you're having fun!

**Run or Walk** - A great way to clear the cobwebs from the body and mind, if leaving the house is an option. Running or walking is not only great exercise, it can be done without a crowd.

**Routine** - Establish a routine at home to make sure you do some sort of exercise each day. Wake up early and head out for a walk before your work day starts or find a yoga routine online for some evening zen.



## Wonwondah Landcare Group



Our last meeting discussed the further advance of snails in our district. Members have now started baiting quite hard as it is the optimum time to lay the bait. Snail bait is still available for members. Please contact me for a supply on 5383 7518.

Nick Zordan from Western Ag gave the group a comprehensive overview of last year's harvest and the varieties which may best suit this district. He also explained the difficulties suppliers were having to complete orders of fertiliser and chemicals.

Our next meeting will be in July.

**Chris Guest**

## Horsham Rural City Landcare Facilitator



What an interesting time we are having after the devastating start to the year. Some people are calling it 'the lost summer' and we will have unpredicted knock-on effects of these disasters.

James Rowe from Ag Victoria led a very informative workshop on controlling Rabbits in Semi Urban areas. Thank you to those who attended. He has offered to do more work locally educating around fox control as well.

Landcare events which I was involved in planning for March, April and May have been cancelled or postponed. Horsham Urban Landcare hopes to be able to run events such as the Biggest Little Farm movie later in the year when the Horsham Cinema gets back up and running.

Laharum/Wartook Vegie Swaps have been cancelled until further notice, but I encourage everyone to still share in a safe manner any surplus fruit and vegetables they may have. It's a time that growing your own food has an extra satisfying element!

The next newsletter hopefully will be a time we can start to reorganise some Landcare events again. If anyone has ideas which could be suitable for future events, please just give me a call on 0407 914498. Keep safe and well.

**Wendy McInnes**, Landcare Facilitator



**Cancer Council**

Australia's  
Biggest  
Morning  
Tea

Thursday May 28

Laharum Hall

**POSTPONED**

We are hoping this Cancer Council fundraiser will go ahead later in the year.

**Liz Hopkins**

## Education News



The school year commenced with a positive and enthusiastic momentum with many extra-curricular activities planned for our students.

Most excitingly, Laharum has a Supported Playgroup each Wednesday morning in the kindergarten building at school. We have had 8 children attend but on different weeks. It is fabulous to have the youngsters and their parents attend a program that is local to Laharum and Brimpaen. The program will be maintained with the support it has been given. If anyone has been thinking about the playgroup and would like to come along, please feel most welcome. The group will start again when students return to school and people may reconvene gatherings.

Our LFACES well-being program has been a highlight with many of the students demonstrating their ability to cook tasty food from the vegetable garden. The focus has been on healthy food, sustainable living and well-being. Hopefully the garden will receive some rain to give it a boost in the weeks ahead. See photos page 11.

Each week students have participated in the Sporting School Program delivered by a golfing coach. We have been fortunate to have Mr Bruce deliver the golf sessions to our students. There's certainly a few golfers in the mix! Our community volunteers have slipped back into the reading routine at school each week. The time given is very much appreciated and the students benefit from another person spending time with them. With the impact of the global health crisis, we have had all our planned activities postponed or cancelled. The most important aspect at this stage is to maintain good health and events shall resume later in the year.

We are well prepared at school for remote learning if the situation evolves into a case where students must stay home. Our students have been briefed about a routine school day at home, as our programs can translate across to the home setting. If we enter into the remote learning at the start of Term 2, we are most fortunate to have smaller student numbers at Laharum Primary School. The small cohort will enable us to have a telephone call to each student, each day, to monitor learning. Staff will work at school in isolation and be available for any questions, support and assistance as required.

May everyone stay safe and keep good health during this unprecedented time. Enjoy the autumn weather – a positive!

**Jane McLean**, Principal

## Brimpaen Craft Group



There will be no craft group activities until further notice.

**Jill Sinclair**

## Grampians National Park



For information on Park closures and affected visitor sites visit

[www.parks.vic.gov.au/COVID19](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au/COVID19)

MacKenzie Falls will be closed March 28 to April 13 at least. Parks Victoria's public programs, including Ranger-led school excursions and events will be postponed until further notice. This includes school excursions, Junior Rangers activities, welcome walks, guided tours, citizen science and Parks Victoria led volunteer programs. Parks Victoria is working with organisers of events being held in all its locations to ensure limits on gatherings are upheld. These steps are being taken as a public health precaution in support of measures to contain coronavirus (COVID-19), especially for those in the community who are most vulnerable.

The vast majority of the remainder of parks will remain open. While we encourage everyone to continue to visit, we ask that you put your health and the health of others first. It is recommended 'social distancing' be practiced and those with 'flu-like' symptoms follow the advice from Victoria's Chief Health Officer and remain at home.

Visit [www.parks.vic.gov.au](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au) for information on what else there is to see and do in Parks.

This is a rapidly changing situation. It is possible there will be further changes to park closures, pending advice from health authorities. Parks Victoria will continue to follow Government advice and implement changes as necessary.

Parks Victoria has arrangements in place to ensure business continuity. This includes ongoing urgent recovery efforts in bushfire-affected parks, essential maintenance and visitor services as well as firefighting. It's important to note that other parks may be closed for different reasons, such as bushfire impacts or park management work.

Don't forget to check Parks Victoria's website for any change of conditions for the park -

[www.parks.vic.gov.au](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au) and the [change of conditions and closures](#) page before visiting parks.

**Prue Daley**, Community Engagement and Tourism Western Region



**Police Assistance Line**  
**131 444**

Call us any time to report non-urgent crimes and events

**ALWAYS DIAL TRIPLE ZERO  
TO REPORT FIRE**



## Laharum Cricket Club



Well, what a way to finish the cricket season! A successful summer of cricket for the club.

The Woolworths Blast program came to a close on Sunday March 15 with the final session being held at Laharum. It was very rewarding to see the progression of skills and confidence amongst the seven participants throughout the summer. A special thank you to the parents, siblings and friends who attended and assisted with the running of the activities with me.

The U14 had a successful combine with juniors from Nhill. A closing session of ten pin bowling was undertaken on February 28. See photo of the closing celebration evening on the front page.

The U16 had a successful combine with the Bullants, missing finals by just one win. Presentation evening was held at Noradjuha on February 28. Trophy winners were - Champion player - Jordan Matuschka; Champion batter - Ethan Heard; Champion bowler - Nathan Hughes; Coach's Award - Nikisha Sonogo.

The C Grade had a very successful summer finishing in third place on the ladder, less than a game separated the top 3 teams.

C Grade played in the T20 grand final and despite dominating for 75% of the game, managed to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory. Congratulations to Jeck Tyler for winning the Association Batting Average. The senior season was called off prior to finals being played and no premiership awarded.

A Grade also had a successful summer finishing in fourth place on the ladder. A special mention to our English imports for their successful seasons in Australia. Adam Barber managed to snare the association Bowling Average Award for his summer including 33 wickets at an average of 11.15 runs. Anthony Molloy also managed 13 wickets before injuring his shoulder early in the new year and was our second highest run scorer with 334 at an average of 22.3.

Following the early cessation of the season, these lads were able to alter their flights and return to their home March 21 prior to any more stringent travel bans being imposed by either country. Whilst it is sad to see them end their summer in Australia a bit prematurely, it is great for them and their families to be back together in this tough time for us all. Thank you both for the summer.

The senior presentation evening was planned for March 29. With current restrictions, this will no longer go ahead as a live event in a licensed venue. We are looking at using a streaming technology of sorts to complete this event. It seems that some other clubs are undertaking this process and I'm eager to see how that goes. Please follow our Facebook page for details of that event. The full

list of senior trophy winners will be advised in the next issue.

**Sponsors** - now more than ever, we appreciate the support which our sponsors have provided us, especially this season. Many of these have been supporters over a long period of time. I ask that all members reach out and provide support back to our sponsors wherever possible in the coming months.

Hopefully the weeks and months ahead are kind to us all and we can return to some level of normality promptly. Thank you.

**Ben Peucker**, President 0408 011319

## How long does it take to decompose?

**Paper towel** 2-4 weeks

**Banana peel** 3-4 weeks

**Paper bag** 1 month

**Newspaper** 1.5 months

**Apple core** 2 months

**Cardboard** 2 months

**Cotton glove** 3 months

**Orange peel** 6 months

**Plywood** 1-3 years

**Wool sock** 1-5 years

**Milk cartons** 5 years

**Cigarette butts** 10-12 years

**Leather shoes** 25-40 years

**Tinned steel can** 50 years

**Foam plastic cups** 50 years

**Rubber boot sole** 50-80 years

**Plastic containers** 50-80 years

**Aluminium can** 200-500 years

**Plastic bottles** 450 years

**Disposable nappies** 550 years

**Monofilament fishing line** 600 years

**Plastic bags** 200-1,000 years

Plastic is one of the major reasons related to global warming. Please support a green environment!



## Laharum Hall subscriptions are due

Subscriptions \$10 per adult. These subs are very important for the upkeep of our hall. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed.

If paying by direct deposit please include names.

Details as follows –

Commonwealth Bank Horsham

BSB 063 514 Account No 1007 6686

Or post to – Laharum Hall, C/- Judy Berendsen

PO Box 621, Horsham 3402

## Telstra Priority Assistance

For people with life-threatening medical conditions, Telstra will provide an 'immediate response' to telephone connection if your landline breaks down – phone **132 200**

## Laharum Rural CFA



Fortunately Laharum Brigade has had to respond to only two call outs since the last newsletter; one which was actually a false alarm and the other a flare up of a burn-off the day after it was burnt. Thanks to everyone who responded.

**COVID-19** - Like most of the world, CFA is involved with the COVID-19 virus. All CFA trainings and meetings are postponed until further notice. We had planned for our bi-annual and post season meeting on April 15, but obviously this is postponed as well; potentially up to a few months. Once we get the all clear to hold meetings, we'll advise everyone via all means possible of the details.

District 17 office is currently closed because of the current situation. Many staff members are still working from home. Staff can either be contacted direct on their mobile numbers or via the duty officer on the office number 5362 1715. However, our emergency response will remain the same as always. But we ask members to make a common sense approach if they are showing signs of the symptoms or are currently in self-isolation, to not respond to an incident. We've been asked to prevent the spread of the virus. This includes disinfecting all equipment we use and touch at a fire when using the tankers, as well as steering wheels, door handles, radios, etc. This will be provided in each station. Also we've been asked to have a log book in each station for members to fill in if they go to either station for a fire call or taking the truck for a run. Instructions for all this will be available in each station.

**Tanker 2** - We've applied for a couple of grants for added features for the new tanker. Still no word on when we'll get the new tanker. I'd say this could be delayed because of COVID-19 if production companies are not working, etc.

We are still accepting donations to go towards the brigade's contribution for the tanker – details as follows -

**Direct deposit** - A/c name CFA & Brigades Donations Trust Fund BSB 063 225. A/c 1022 0603 Reference 17442 Laharum, then type in your name for CFA records and for your receipt. Please email me at [lukedummo@hotmail.com](mailto:lukedummo@hotmail.com) if you require a written receipt.

**Cheques** should be made payable to – Laharum Fire Brigade C/- 210 Snells Road, Wartook 3401.

**Fire Restrictions** - So far we haven't heard when fire restrictions will be lifted. I'll notify everyone via text and social media once we hear. Until this occurs I urge all permit holders to adhere and follow the conditions on the permit for your own sake to avoid heavy fines and potential prosecution. We haven't had any breaches that I know of which is great that land owners are following the conditions. If anyone

has any feedback regarding the permits feel free to contact me. Following the lifting of the restrictions and if you plan to burn piles of sticks etc, please remember to log the burn off with the **Burn Off Notification number 1800 668511**.

**Roads** - A couple of CFA members recently met with Council to discuss vegetation clearance on our local roads. In particular Smiths Road, mainly from Flagstaff Track through to Roses Gap Road. This is a tricky section of road which starts and ends in Horsham Rural City Council, goes through the National Park which is in the Northern Grampians Shire. So hopefully works can get going soon. Also we're negotiating access on Reservoir Road through to Winfields Road for fire access. This should happen soon and most likely have locked gates to restrict access from the public to emergency and management vehicles only.

**Winter Fire Safety** - As we move into the cooler months, the fire risk now increases inside the house. Make sure you - check your wood heaters; get the flues cleaned out; electric heaters are in good working order and gas heaters serviced. Any queries regarding Laharum Fire Brigade, please contact me on 0428 838242

I hope everyone looks after each other through the next few months and follows the directions of the health experts. It's definitely going to be a different situation which we're not used to. Take care!!

**Luke Dumesny**, Captain



**David**

Due to the current COVID-19 outbreak, Kailash will be temporarily closed. We encourage people to journey inside and to reach out for guidance on some easy and free meditation practices at <https://joincollectivityonline.com/>.

## Grampians Olive Co

Our farm shop is currently closed due to COVID-19. We continue to accept and deliver orders via our website [www.grampiansoliveco.com.au](http://www.grampiansoliveco.com.au).

For locals, pick up can also be arranged - please email [greg@grampiansoliveco.com.au](mailto:greg@grampiansoliveco.com.au) if you would like to arrange an order.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to re-opening when safe to do so.

**Greg Mathews** 5383 8299



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access to 24 hour support 7 days a week

[cfa.vic.gov.au/wellbeing](http://cfa.vic.gov.au/wellbeing)

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5383 6247 or 5383 6305 AH; 0427 836366 or

[bikechef@activ8.net.au](mailto:bikechef@activ8.net.au)



## LAHARUM FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTER

### April - May 2020 IN CASE OF FIRE DIAL 000



*The trucks need to be driven at least 30km a week, and water pumped for at least 5 minutes. Fuel, tyres, lights checked. Refuel if less than ¾ full. Fill in the log book. Immediately report any problems to the Captain.*

**Captains are: Laharum - Luke Dumesny 0438 838242; Brimpaen - Ken French 5380 1500.**

**Truck radio will be on Vicfire Channel 517 for emergency callout (VHF Channel 10 for Grampians Group)**

**Call Grampians Remote 275# before taking the truck on a run. When returning change back to 517#**

	LAHARUM TANKER 1		LAHARUM TANKER 2	
WEEK START	DRIVER	CREW	DRIVER	CREW
30/03/20	Bill Gardner	Stuart Gardner	Bruce McInnes	Jessica Bettess
06/04/20	Gil Hopkins	Eh Doh Jah	Jamie Parfett	Adam Shields
13/04/20	Jim Carter	Graeme Wood	Rob Jess	Daniel Doherty
20/04/20	Bruce McInnes	Jessica Bettess	Brendan Dunn	Peter Dunn
27/04/20	Jamie Parfett	Adam Shields	Will Pyke	Htoo Kaw Jah
04/05/20	Rob Jess	Daniel Doherty	Francoise van der Plank	Vicky Stevens
11/05/20	Brendan Dunn	Peter Dunn	Mal Griffiths	Ray Zippel
18/05/20	Will Pyke	Htoo Kaw Jah	Rob McInnes	Leigh Mibus
25/05/20	Francoise van der Plank	Vicky Stevens	Mark Uebergang	Jenny Uebergang

## BRIMPAEN FIRE BRIGADE TRUCK ROSTER

Date	Tanker 1 Brimpaen		Tanker 3 Brimpaen		Tanker 2 Glenisla	
30/03/20	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
06/04/20	Peter McGenniken	Rachel McGenniken	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
13/04/20	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
20/04/20	Andrew Chincarini	Kerry Anne & Tristan Chincarini	Dean Winfield	Maggie Winfield Bailey Pilgrim	Rod Miller	Sue, Alana & Will Miller
27/04/20	Cameron McDonald	David Schmidt	Steve Price	Gerard Matthews	Luke Barber	Laura Anderson
04/05/20	Brenton Roberts	Amanda Britten	Des Roberts	Chris Roberts	Brian Campbell	
11/05/20	Peter McGenniken	Rachel McGenniken	Anthony Smith	Ben Starick	Robert Barber	Will Barber
18/05/20	Ron Winfield	Courtney Dunn	Andrew Bell		Ken French	Teresa & Hettie French
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## VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE INFORMATION LINE 1800 240 667

Total Fire Bans – Fire Restrictions - Bushfire Planning – Major Fires

**Fire warnings and updates:** Emergency broadcasters: ABC and Commercial radio stations & SKY News TV



*Wanting to catch up with some reading?*

*Lah Arum book told by the people of Lah Arum and district printed in 1987 is a good read! Learn about the district and its people from years gone by.*





Wendy 'bagging' her honey to give away at the March Vegie Swap – yum!



Laharum Primary School students cooking from the garden



Studying history with new headphones



Group working bee in March at Laharum Primary School



Very fashionable!!

**Commemorative jewellery  
to always remember 2020**





## ***A blast from the past!***

*Lah Arum school children leaving for home in the 1920s! ↓*



*Unveiling of Laharum Soldier Settlement Plaque on March 31, 2007 at original site of the Farley Estate sign ↓*



*Tanker 2 new fire shed opening September 5, 2010 ↓*



*← Opening and unveiling of the Griffiths Sporting Complex by Thelma & John Griffiths with Mayor, Pam Clarke March 2009*