

WHAT'S NOO?

NOORAT NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2024 -

This community newsletter is an initiative of the Noorat Residents' Association

Letter from the Editor

Easter and the school holidays are almost here, as I write this month's letter. It's still a few days out from Good Friday, and I am looking forward to sampling a hot-cross bun. They have been available since Boxing Day! Such a popular line, they seem to disappear as quickly as they make it to the shop shelves!

We have last month welcomed new owners to the Beehive Store, and the Old Butter Factory, and look forward to new life coming to both buildings.

A big shout-out to Shelby and Team Carlin at The Shed! I call in for the papers every morning, and am always greeted by a smiling Shelby, a sometimes broom wielding, Louie, and the aroma of coffee and bacon! It would be hard to imagine the Village without this very popular small business.

Most of us are waiting for some rain, and even the Autumn Break; the usual harbingers seem to be letting us down, and in spite of many flocks of Black Cockatoos, and armies of ants, not much precipitate has come our way!

Gina and I recently had a visit from our cousin, Maggie Black, from UK, where it has been "raining for months"! Our turn will come.

I wish you all a very happy and safe time over the coming holidays.

Until next month,

Eve Black

Lest We Forget

Thursday, 25th April, will see us gather at our War Memorial to commemorate ANZAC DAY. The Service will begin at 8am, and finish with a complimentary hot drink and an ANZAC biscuit or two.

Farewell to the Meeuwissen Family

Our NB Presbyterian Church community bids farewell to our Pastor of the last five years, Damian Meeuwissen, his wife, Fiona, and their five children.

Damian has served us throughout his own health troubles, and the years of COVID. We wish them all well as they depart for WA.

How now Jersey Cow

Congratulations Con and Michelle Glennen on being added to the Genetics Australia Honour Board.

Your years of hard work and dedication to the dairy industry have certainly paid off with this latest accolade.

Ed

Newsletter Online

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- Hover over 'Our School' and click 'Newsletters'

Thought for the Month

Money may not buy happiness, but it does buy chocolate; and that's pretty much the same thing.

Recipe of the Month**FREEKEH TABBOULEH**

1 and 1/3 cups freekeh
2 halved lemons
1/2 cup olive oil
1 bunch flat-leaf parsley, leaves chopped

500g baby tomatoes, halved
1 small red onion, finely chopped
1tbsp red wine vinegar




1. Add freekeh to a large saucepan of boiling water; simmer for 30 minutes until tender. Drain and set aside to cool.
2. Heat a chargrill pan over high heat. Brush cut side of lemons with oil.
3. Cook lemons, cut side down for 2 minutes, or until charred.
4. Place freekeh, parsley, tomatoes, onion, vinegar, oil and juice from charred lemons, in a bowl.
5. Season and toss to serve.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT EDITION

The newsletter welcomes contributions from readers: articles will be included at the editor's discretion.

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Wednesday 17 April | 7 pm
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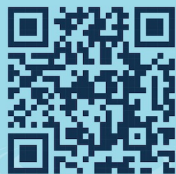
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Friday 15 March 2024

Flares, e-waste start more landfill fires

Serious injuries—or worse—and millions of dollars in damage are possible if careless people keep throwing batteries, e-waste and flares into the rubbish.

Corangamite Shire Staff have repeatedly been called on to fight fires at Corangamite Landfill started by incorrect disposal.

Council Coordinator Waste and Environmental Sustainability Sofia Myers said staff were at their wits' end.

“There was one day in January when three fires started from municipal waste disposed of at the landfill. The fires were caused by one flare, and two batteries. We’ve never seen this many fires in one day.

“If that had happened on an extreme fire day, the consequences could have been disastrous.”

Ms Myers congratulated the landfill team for repeatedly stepping up.

“Our team is well trained in dealing with small emergencies but they shouldn’t be put in potential danger because of their job.

“We have outstanding operators who have great skill on heavy machinery.

“Recently we had two fires in the waste caused only by inappropriate appliances put into the waste bins.

“Another was caused by an e-scooter with the battery igniting when compacted.

“We need members of the public to help keep our people, and residents around the landfill safe.”

“We would like to remind the public that no one should ever place hazardous items like old flares or lithium, household, and lead acid batteries or jump starters into their wheelie bins or skips.

“They can start a fire in the waste truck or a landfill when crushed with a compactor.”

Batteries and flares burn at high temperatures for a long time which can set fire to waste and create serious land, air and water pollution.

Expensive landfill liners, leachate and gas collection systems can also be damaged, allowing more pollution to escape and disrupt essential services.

Ms Myers encouraged residents to separate out their e-Waste, including batteries, and dispose of them free of charge at the landfill or their nearest transfer station.

She also encouraged boaties to invest in an electronic LED distress beacon instead of pyrotechnic flares.

“There are plenty of products available now that are just as effective, don’t expire and can be safely disposed of in e-waste.”

Anyone with a flare that needs to be disposed of should call their local police station for advice.

Media Release



Tuesday 19 March 2024

Libraries help maximise home energy, water efficiency

Nobody wants a thief in their house but what if a hidden culprit was taking money out of your pocket?

Inefficient houses can cost residents a surprising amount when the bills arrive.

Corangamite Moyne Library Service branches have home energy and water efficiency kits available to borrow.

Library user Brendan Donahoo said the Energy Audit kits had been a great resource for his household.

“The kit was easy to use and the accompanying information helped navigate a whole range of options for me to explore how we could set up simple and easy changes in our household to start saving a significant amount on our household energy costs.

“Reviewing our home energy use and setup has been on my mind for a long time and this kit and the connected information was the catalyst that helped me plan the steps needed towards action in reducing our energy consumption and saving dollars.”

Corangamite Shire Mayor Cr Kate Makin said the kits can help residents understand their energy and water use and take steps to reduce their household consumption.

“The kits have four handy tools to assess your home,” Cr Makin said.

“Finding where you can improve your home’s electricity, gas or water can save money on your utility bills.

“It can also help the environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions.”

Moyne Shire Mayor Cr Ian Smith said most of us used appliances, air-conditioning and heating without thinking much about where the power came from.

“These kits will help give you a real picture of what your day-to-day needs cost,” Cr Smith said.

“If there are any rude surprises, you’ll be able to take action and have more money to spend on the enjoyable things”.

The tools include:

The Power-Mate Lite shows how much electricity an appliance uses and what it costs you.

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A **Thermal imaging camera** shows hot and cold areas around your house. It will show you where there are draughts, water leaks or missing insulation.

An **energy-saving thermometer** shows the appropriate operating temperature for heating cooling hot water service fridge and freezer. It will let you know if you should adjust your settings.

A **Water flow measuring cup** will tell you the how much water your shower and taps use in litres per minute.

The kit also has a guide that covers how to use the tools, safety tips, making a personalised energy saving action plan and links to more information.

Contact Chris Rodda, Communications Officer
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Lest We Forget

Thursday 25th April

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