

October 2021

# Village Voice



# Cooinda

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## Hard Waste Collection Days

Wed 6th October 2021

Wed 1st December 2021

Please note: all large bulky  
items to go in hard waste,  
small items to go in red bin.

## Hub Report

Hello friends,

Unfortunately very little has changed for this month. Once again in 'Lockdown' though at least this time we haven't been on a 5 kilometre limit from home.

The talking point for the month was the 'out of the blue' earthquake. I hope you didn't get too big a fright though it was quite unnerving. I haven't heard of any damage around Cooinda, just pictures needing to be straightened.

We welcome Eileen Kealey into our midst this month. Eileen moved in at the beginning of the month to 68 Jean Lee Crt. We do look forward to meeting you at some of our activities. Eileen is a sister of Mary Ginnivan, who has sadly just passed away. Our sincere sympathy to Leo and Eileen.

Terry Turner has left us to reside nearer his ACT family.

It's a watch this space as to whether we are able to have our monthly dinner. If COVID regulations allow, the menu will be what was intended for last month and that is Chicken wrapped in Bacon or Silverside with white sauce – both with vegies. Sweets will be Peach Cobbler with Custard & Cream.

Indoor Bowls is going well with some enthusiastic players. More are welcome to come along as long as we don't have more than 10 in the building at a time. We're still looking for some Pool players. We need a minimum of 4 to play.

All organised events have been suspended until further notice due to COVID but the Hub is open for anyone to come and socialise just keeping in mind the capacity limit (10) and social distancing until we are advised otherwise.

The Hub surrounds are responding to the sunny days with the grassed areas and shrubs looking good. Thanks to Daniel for pressure washing the outside of the building. It's looking very clean. Daniel attended our last Hub meeting to bring the Committee up to date with the proposed changes to the kitchen.

To those of our Village family who are or have been unwell, we wish you a speedy recovery to good health.

Joy Poole

# KNOWN BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER 2021



**Gordon Tune**  
**Jeanette Shepherd**  
**Val Emmett**



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Dear ILU residents,

With Alex taking some annual leave, I get the lovely opportunity to write something for the ILU October newsletter. I am very happy to speak to you if you require any assistance.

With all the wonderful rain we have had, the gardens are looking abundant and full of life. It lifts our spirits and gives us all a feeling of emerging from the gloom of winter and the challenges COVID has presented to us all.

With the slight easing of COVID restrictions announced by the state government over the last week, ensure you reach out to family and friends to spend time together. We have all come to realise throughout this pandemic that time together with loved ones is something you can't place a value on.

The Coinda community continues to remain vigilant, wearing our masks and exercising social distancing, and I would like to thank you all for your commitment. Our staff are now all vaccinated and if you haven't already and are wanting to, we are happy to assist you with finding a vaccination site near you.

It's important to also remind you that we are committed to supporting and assisting you through these difficult times so please reach out if we can do anything to assist you.

I know I started the newsletter referring to the lovely rain we have had, but now it's time for us to enjoy more of those lovely sunny spring days that have teased us all over the last few weeks. Remember, if you are going for a walk, the magpie mums are still busy protecting their young so please be careful not to get swooped.

Warmest regards,

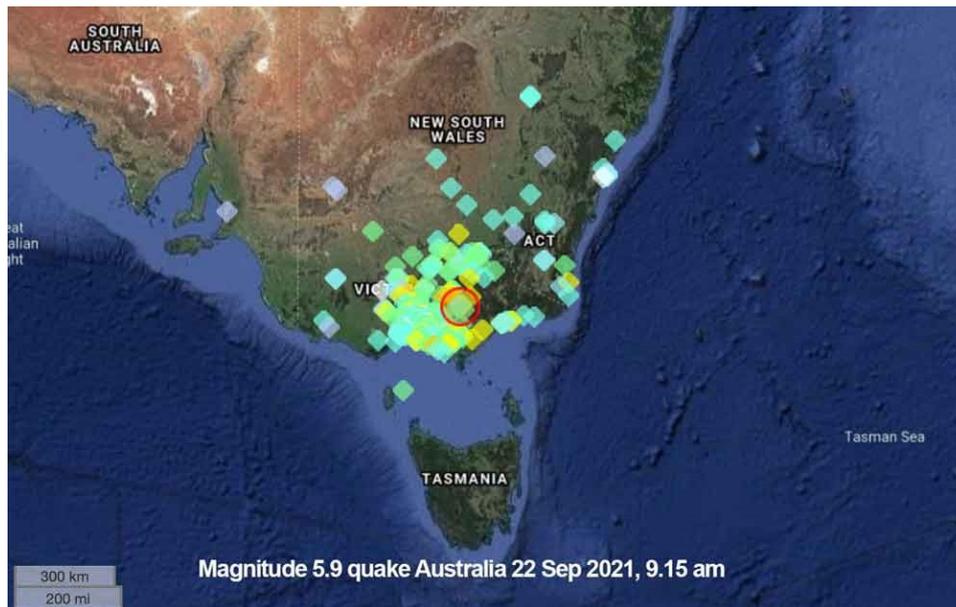
Margaret Daws

*Executive Manager, Clinical Care*

## An Earthquake.....

Did everyone feel the earth move? That was, by all reports, the biggest shake Benalla has had in anyone's experience. It had a magnitude of 6.0 and went 10kms deep into the earth with its epicentre being Mansfield and reaching as far as Canberra. Thankfully there was no one hurt and no reports of any damage done within the village.

It does serve as a reminder to make sure our insurance is up to date. Coinda insures all our buildings and infrastructure, but is your car and home contents covered?



## Maintenance

Reminder to please request or report all maintenance jobs to reception on PH: 5761 3300. This includes urgent after hours' matters.

## Grounds

'Hooray', it's spring and the sun is shining, the grass is growing, flowers are out and trees are in bloom. The new plantings around Coinda Close, the HUB and both ends of Central Avenue are in and will hopefully be bursting to life in the sunshine.

A reminder also to please refrain from parking on the lawn, as well as compacting the soil, this can damage the sprinklers and irrigation lines.

## Waste Disposal and Recycling

Reminder that the weekly bin collection is for basic household waste, recycling and organic waste only.

When placing items in the yellow recycling bin please do not put them in plastic bags. Soft plastic cannot go in the recycling bins.

## Hard Waste Collection this Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Cooinda offers ILU residents a bi-monthly opportunity to dispose of items that are not suitable for the weekly collection.

However, there are things that Cooinda needs to pass the cost back to the individuals for; things that require the disposal, these include mattresses and lounge furniture which cost \$46 per item. These charges are imposed by Benalla Landfill.

If anyone has bulky waste or unwanted items, these should be put out for hard waste collection on Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning. For those that require help with items please contact reception to have maintenance staff assist with removal from your unit.

All ILU residents please note: Our hard waste collection is done for the benefit of Cooinda ILU residents only. Under NO circumstances can this be extended to family or friends outside of Cooinda to take advantage of. If there are any questions or clarification required regarding this policy, please speak to David Morrow.

(Please note: amounts quoted are subject to change by Benalla Landfill).

### Cooinda Achievers

When considering changing over or downsizing of furniture etc. please consider donating unwanted items that may be re sellable to the 'Cooinda Achievers'. This hardworking group of volunteers raises money for Cooinda and would welcome the opportunity to on-sell unwanted residents items if appropriate.

To contact the group please call reception 5761 3300.

### HUB

Flood mitigation works at the HUB are coming to an end, we are just waiting on the propriety flood barriers to arrive and some touch up and painting works internally. The new gardens are looking good with the trees in bloom and the lawn is now coming along.

Kind regards,

David Morrow

*Executive Manager, Building & Environment*