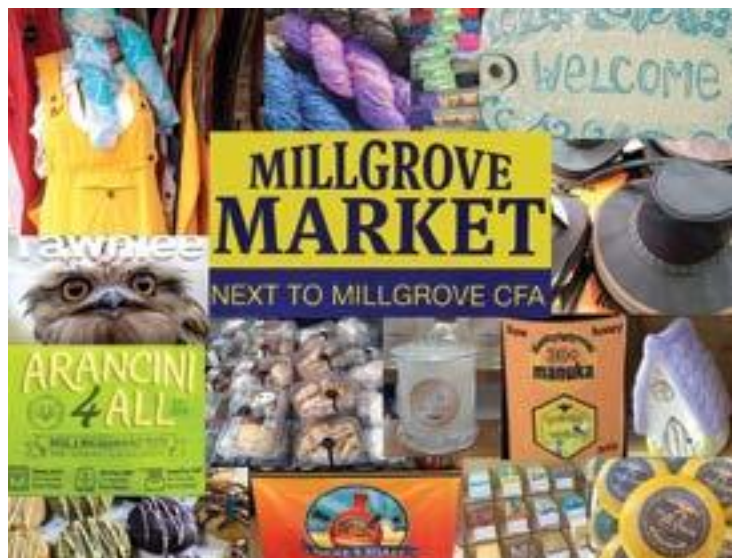


3799 Connect

Connecting our Community



Millgrove's Vibrant Monthly Market Brings Community Spirit to Life

by Kate Baselier

Rain or shine, the heart of Millgrove beats a little faster once a month as the Community Market springs to life! It is organised entirely by dedicated local volunteers and it runs under the banner of MRAG (Millgrove Residents Action Group).

This all-weather event welcomes around 35 to 40 passionate stallholders, offering a range of artisan made products, soap, fresh produce, food, coffee, clothes, toys, dog treats, plants etc. Free giant family games are set up on the grass for everyone to enjoy.

Held every 3rd Saturday and every 5th Sunday of the month from 9am till 2pm, this

market is more than a shopping trip. It's a celebration of community, creativity, and local pride.

Save 'going down the line' and support our stallholders and local businesses just minutes from home. Parking is easy at Millwarra Primary School, only a two-minute stroll away via Nadires Walk. Make this your go-to market and be part of something local, lively, and lasting!

See you at our next markets on 18 October / 15 & 30 November / 20 December

Inquiries: market@mrage.net.au,
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What is 3799 Connect?

by 3799 Connect Committee.

Welcome to our first edition! We want to make sure that this will be the start of a long and valued contribution to the communities in the 3799 Postcode – Wesburn, Millgrove, Warburton, East Warburton, Big Pats Creek, McMahoons Creek and Reefton.

This newsletter is about connectedness and better information sharing - when are the local markets being held, what meetings are coming up, what films are showing, what is Council doing, how do I join a club, how can I prepare for an emergency, what is the latest gossip etc, etc.

It will only work if we get your feedback and contributions.

It started back in June when a few 3799 community members discussed how the connectedness of our townships could be improved. We knew that many people in our area feel that they are not well informed about activities in the 3799 Valley.

We are modelling our effort on The Triangle News, a weekly newsletter distributed to the wider community around Marysville, which has provided exactly this type of information since 1975. We thought this could be a great initiative for our 3799 Postcode community too.

With initial financial support from the Warburton Emergency Planning Group, Millgrove Residents Action Group and the Warburton Advancement League, we expect that 3799 Connect will soon be able to cover all costs and potentially give back to our communities. 3799 Connect will be a free newsletter, supported by advertisers and available in each community near the beginning of every month. The paper will appear more frequently in due course.

When we are better connected, we are more resilient. Our key objective is to provide information to our community to help build our cohesion and resilience.

To do this, we need your input. We want to include content from every 3799 community in each newsletter. We have many community groups, sporting clubs, schools, churches, local service providers, and of course businesses throughout the Valley that would benefit by contributing articles and information to each newsletter. We look forward to 3799 Connect helping to build a more resilient 3799 Valley.

With your help, 3799 Connect will become information you look forward to receiving every month!



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Millgrove Happenings – September 2025

MILLGROVE TO SHOWCASE EMERGENCY SERVICES AT ITS OPEN DAY 2025

As another summer approaches, the Millgrove Community Open Day, to be held on the 12 October 2025, will be a timely reminder to residents that they need to be prepared in case of an emergency and have a fire plan.

The Upper Yarra Valley is recognised as being extremely vulnerable to potential fires, under adverse conditions and residents are advised to have the VicEmergency App on their mobile phone.

The Millgrove Residents Action Group (MRAG) in collaboration with the CFA and SES will provide valuable awareness and preparedness information as well as demonstrations on their capabilities. This includes access to the CFA fire refuge and an SES demonstration of the jaws of life in a car rescue situation.

The day also will provide plenty of fun and free entertainment, including a magic show, roving artists, face painting, black snake productions with their animals, caricatures drawings, jumping castle, giant games and much more.

There will be an EXPO of local community and service organisations providing an insight into their services and how to access them. Vice President Phil Pomaroff of MRAG said “that they were partnering with the Yarra Energy Foundation to deliver the State Governments Community Electrification Engagement Program. An information marque will be available to provide brochures about rebates on a range of energy efficient options for residents.”



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Maureen Halit, the MRAG President said “MRAG will be giving away show bags to the first 200 people to come to our marque, which will be full of useful information and some treats. MRAG will be showcasing some of the ambitious projects from Millgrove’s Community Plan, come along and find out the latest news on the community garden, the miniature train plans and other projects.”

Come for an hour or make it for the day, the event kicks off at 10am and will wind down by 2:30pm. Food vendors will be providing a range of yummy offerings with entertainment and activities being planned over the whole day.

Millgrove Community Open Day

CFA Fire Planning & Fire Refuge SES Jaws of Life Demo	EXPO Stalls Entertainment Black Snake Prod Jumping Castle Face Painting Roving Artists	MRAG Free family games Resilient Community Planning Rotary BBQ Kona Scones
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A Message from the Warburton Fire Brigade CFA

by Ron McIntosh - Warburton Captain



Hello to the local community from Warburton CFA. With summer closing in on us, now is the time to start cleaning up around your property to help minimize fires near and around your house and sheds. Think about moving any firewood away from your house, leaving only the minimum nearby, clean your gutters, trim your trees and keep your grass short.

If you haven't already created a bushfire plan then now would also be a good time to start planning one and practice it with the whole family, including any animals you might have. The CFA website <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/> has a lot of useful information to assist you.

Don't forget to include what you need to take with you if or when you need to execute your plan, and let someone know when or where you are going. This will help the emergency services if a search becomes necessary. Although we have had some heavy rain recently it is still very dry underneath to a depth of 1 metre.

If burning off, don't forget to register your burns no matter how big or small and also look up your address on the council web page <https://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Our-services/Climate-and-environment/Burning-off> to make sure you are allowed, as not all areas can burn off on the same days. Keep water nearby and make sure the area around and above is clear and an adult is in attendance at all times.

To stay informed, you should download the Vic emergency app <https://emergency.vic.gov.au/respond/> and stay tuned to ABC 774 AM or 96.1 FM for emergency information.

You can also look at our Facebook page at "Warburton Fire Brigade CFA" to see what activities are coming up and to stay prepared. Please be aware that this site is not monitored full-time, so it will not be updated during fires etc, and messages might take a few days for a reply.



Beauty on the Yarra

Beauty on the Yarra, established in 2023, is a unique local business servicing customers in the Yarra Ranges.

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Koha Community Café - Warburton

Koha Community Café, located at 25a Dammans Rd in Warburton, is run by volunteers and trained cooks and offers food relief on several days throughout the week. We invite you to come dine with your community on Thursday nights from 6pm-8pm. Pay by donation for a hefty 3 course vegetarian meal. Also, on Monday and Friday from 10 – 2pm we have a free food pantry room where you can get fresh produce and bread. Take away meals are also available on Fridays for a donation.

Our Monday Morsels breakfast is served by Nina who will cook you a hearty breakfast from 10am – 12pm. While you are there, keep an eye out for all the future activities being held at the Warburton Community Space, which is part of Koha at the same address. Coming up is our free community pickle and preserves workshop on the 27th of September followed by our next free event, Craftopia on 25th of October. It's free family friendly fun and everyone is welcome. Want to join a social group or have a game of scrabble, join us on Fridays from 10am – 2pm. Look us up on Facebook or email contactkohacomunitycafe@gmail.com for more information or drop in during any of our open hours.





Martyrs Bus Service Farewells Popular Driver

by Peter Boer

Staff from Martyrs Bus Service gathered together at the Wesburn hotel recently to farewell Craig Brydon, a popular and very capable driver who has been with the company for over 15 years.

Although this was Craig's first job in the bus industry, he quickly caught on and in no time was doing School run's, camp transfers, Seniors tours, airport transfers, and Winery tours etc. He also drove public buses, did V-line train replacement, and CFA Strike Team transfers during major bush fires.

But Craig had another talent. He was a funny man. Very quick witted and was constantly playing practical jokes on his colleagues as well.

So, on his final day, it was time for a bit of pay back, as you can see from the photos.

Well-known local identity and colleague, Andy Bennett, along with his wife Jo, managed to find a mannequin which they dressed up in a Martyr's uniform and even stuck a printed photo of Craig's face on the head before sitting it in the driver's seat of his school bus.



And to top it off, they also placed a full-size skeleton in one of the passenger seats. Certainly, enough to give anyone a fright.

Craig and Mel left the next day to start a new life in Queensland and we wish them all the very best.



Yarra Ranges Council First stage of Warburton Bike Park open!

by Jesse Graham

Council recently opened the first stage of trails for the Warburton Bike Park!

The soft launch opening weekend welcomed over 1100 riders of all ages, genders and abilities.

"After years of planning and development, we're thrilled to have opened the first 30km of the Warburton Bike Park network, and to be delivering this incredible asset for our community," said Yarra Ranges Mayor, Cr Jim Child.

"For beginner riders that want to get into riding and learn and progress, there's not going to be many places in Australia that will rival Warburton," said Yarra Ranges Mountain Bikers president Andrew Howieson.

Local riders who've been following the project were excited to finally be able to get on their home trails.

Yarra Ranges resident Jane, from local women's riding group Girls of Gravity, is passionate about encouraging more women to get into the sport.

"I was excited about the opening of the Warburton Bike Park, but I didn't actually realise the real-life impact it would have. Last Sunday a crew of us women rode there to map out a ride for our next women's event, my message feed hasn't stopped with positivity and excitement for future rides."

Warburton local Josee was excited to discover the bike park was opening on her tenth birthday! She celebrated with a ride with her family and friends.

Opening the trails in stages allows for operations—like parking and infrastructure—to be managed more effectively. It also gives local businesses and the community time to adapt to changes in visitation.

The aim is for a gradual increase in visitors to ensure a smooth transition for everyone involved.



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Upper Yarra Rotary

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A friendly and welcoming group who meets on the first and third Monday of the month at the Yarra Junction CFA building, 6:30pm for 7:00pm start.

Rotary is one of the largest service groups in the world. When you become a Rotarian, you are in a global network, where people unite and take action to create lasting change.

If you are interested in service above self, whilst having fun with like minded people and making a positive difference, please consider joining the Upper Yarra Rotary Club.

Contact: rotaryclubofupperyarra@gmail.com
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Burras bring home 2 Premierships in 2025

by Rod McKail

The Warburton Millgrove Football and Netball Club (The Burras) have just completed a successful 2025 season winning both the senior men's Division 1 premiership and the senior women's Division 2 premiership. The Burras will be promoted into the higher Division for the 2026 season.

The men's team had not won a premiership since 2006, whilst the women won in only their second year of competition.

We have a range of teams starting at Under 18 boys football and Under 18 girls netball, we then have four senior netball teams, two senior men's football and one ladies senior football team. All teams played in at least two finals throughout the 2025 campaign, an outstanding effort.

Sport plays an important part in building our local community so if you are interested why not become part of the Burras army.

New players, sponsors, volunteers and supporters are all welcome to come on board for the 2026 season. If people are interested, they can contact the Club at warburtonmillgrove@outreastfn.com.au

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All ads need to be in either .jpg, .pdf, Microsoft Word format or typed directly into the email.

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Warburton Emergency Planning Group (WEPG)

by Kevin Bargar and Gordon Buller

The Black Saturday bushfires of 2009 was a horrific event in Victoria, and in particular for Marysville. Although spared that day, Warburton could have very easily been severely impacted instead if the south-westerly wind change came 45 minutes later that afternoon. Move forward to 2012; in response to an invitation from Yarra Ranges Council in June 2012 a small group of local residents began working behind the scenes on a community-led project to evaluate all potential risks for Warburton. Bushfire was identified as the biggest risk while a pandemic was thought to be a very low risk. Needless to say, we grossly underestimated the impact of a pandemic!

WEPG's primary focus has been emergency awareness, preparedness and planning. A bushfire planning workshop in 2014, and a bushfire scenario session in 2015, helped inform Warburton residents on the key details they should understand when developing their bushfire plans. A WEPG website (www.warburtonemergency.org.au) was also developed to provide ready-access to a broad range of important emergency information.

In 2016, WEPG advocated to CFA for the installation of Fire Danger Rating signs in Warburton, which we update daily during each bushfire season. Communication in the valley can be hit and miss at the best of times so in 2017, after a huge effort we were able to get the ABC Radio repeater tower equipment installed on Mt. Victoria. This provides an FM broadcast on 96.1FM of the ABC Radio Melbourne signal throughout the entire valley, which is very important to be able to hear emergency updates during weather events.

WEPG's latest project is to develop a resilience plan for Warburton. We are evaluating the actions we can take now to be self-sufficient in the immediate aftermath (24-48 hours) of a severe storm or bushfire affecting our township. We received support from Eastern Community Legal Centre in accessing a grant from The Resilience Canopy to begin this effort.

WEPG meets at 7:00pm on the first Thursday of each month and we are always looking for locals to bring their experiences and talents to our group. Contact Kevin with questions - 0438 081 252.

Warburton Advancement League Inc – 71 years of service to Warburton

by Jeff Gill

The Warburton Advancement League (WAL) was created to represent and lobby on behalf of the town. WAL came into being after a meeting was called in 1953 to bring all the local community committees together to form a single identity.



Warburton was a timber and tourist destination town but it was missing a lot of the required infrastructure needed for further growth. Apart from being a famous resort town Warburton also supported the Upper Yarra Dam construction.

WAL started with the construction of the Caravan Park and the timber royalties from the trees removed put WAL in a good financial position to do so much more in the coming decades.

Below is a small sample of projects WAL was heavily involved with apart from all the lobbying and promotion of Warburton:

- Swimming Pool
- Purchasing picture theatre (now the Mecca) saving it from demolition
- Saving the Mechanics Hall
- Arranging for a transmitter on Mt Victoria to greatly improve TV signal
- Redwood (Army) Bridge
- The Warburton Skate Park
- Huge Easter Carnivals and wood-chops
- Winterfest
- Harmony Festival
- Warburton Water World
- Eastern 80 Charity Bike Ride
- Up and Running
- Millgrove war memorial
- Town entrance timber sign
- River Walk trail (6 Klm)
- Annual Carols by Candlelight
- ... And much more

All of our records since the start have been collected and are being digitised and they will be available in the near future on our website – <https://wal.org.au>.

- Maintaining the river tracks, made by Ted Chisholm, to his high standards
- Operating our community bus
- Keeping the old Sanitarium factory in a presentable state
- Working with the owner of the factory to turn it into a tourist resort supporting local employment
- Driving the Cerini Centre affordable housing project (punching well above our weight on this)
- Auspicing groups and clubs for funding purposes
- Graffiti removal
- ...And many other projects

WAL meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm at the Yarra Ranges Enterprise Centre (YREC).

More Than Commerce: The Community of Warburton's Mainstreet

by Laura Jayne

The Warburton Bakery stands as a kind of punctuation point on the town's highstreet – marking the end of the main row of shops and cafes, and providing a rest stop by the river before the street carries on. The bakery, like the rest of this beautiful town, has soared in popularity over the last few years. In fact, this is not the first time it's seen its name in print: late last year, we made it into an article in Broadsheet listing 13 of the best rural bakeries worth travelling to in Victoria.

The article talked about the food we sell, and the fantastic location, trying to give potential tourists a taste of what The Warburton Bakery has to offer. But any local will tell you that there's something missing from Broadsheet's descriptions – a flavour that bakery regulars know and love in a way that only they can.

I say "we" made it into Broadsheet – I first heard about the article from a tourist who told me about it over the counter as I was ringing up her order. As a server at the bakery, I see every day that missing flavour which is such an important part of what we offer, and which isn't in any of our pies – it's that sense of local connection and community which is so vital in a small town like Warburton, and which every local who visits mainstreet business – whether shops, cafes, or services – is adding to and creating simply by getting their morning coffee.

We've all heard and read 'Buy Local!' and 'Support Local Businesses!' ad nauseum over the last few years – I'm not here to say that. Well, not exactly – local commerce is as vital as local community, and without the income of both locals and tourists, the well-loved cafes and coffee shops of Warburton mainstreet, and its carefully-curated and quirky shops, would disappear. They form an integral part of local economy. But 'Buy Local!' doesn't capture the whole essence of what it means to have a favourite coffee shop on your mainstreet. Knowing your barista by name isn't so much about 'Buying Local!' – it's about being local.

The mainstreet of a town like ours is the centre of our community. Here more than anywhere, Warburton residents connect with each other as fellow residents. I see it every day. Our regulars come to us to catch up with friends, or else they bump into acquaintances by surprise in the queue; they read the posters on the noticeboard, they tell me about the local art class they're on their way to attend, or the community garden they're off to volunteer at. Mostly, they chat to us as they order their meal – and it's the same at every café in Warburton, locals meeting each other, sharing news and experiences, and forming the casual but meaningful connection between strangers that makes a town a community.

From behind the bakery counter, I've discovered that, more often than not, when a local comes to get their morning coffee, the coffee is not the important part (well – perhaps it is at six a.m.). It's the interaction – the engagement with both people and sense of place that comes from making a walk down mainstreet part of your routine.

With the summer months approaching, and the crowds of tourists with them, it may feel to our regulars like there isn't as much room for them in our queues. And with business booming, the phrase 'Buy Local!' doesn't seem much of an inducement down to your local café when there is tourist commerce aplenty. But local business is about more than just the business. Be local – let us get to know your coffee order by heart, come read the noticeboard to find out what's on in your town, and be part of what the mainstreet in small towns like Warburton has always been about – not just commerce, but community.

A New Chapter for Warburton Holiday Park

by David Pratt

September marked an exciting new chapter in the story of Warburton Holiday Park, as David and Simon stepped down from their roles as owners, entrusting the next phase of the park's journey to Hampshire Holidays.

Hampshire Holidays is part of a proudly Australian, family-owned and operated group of caravan and holiday parks. With more than 100 parks across Australia and New Zealand, a blend of both tourist and residential communities, Hampshire Holidays brings a wealth of experience, a strong sense of family values, and a deep commitment to creating memorable holiday experiences.

Warburton Holiday Park has always been more than just a place to stay. Its history stretches back to 1958, soon after the opening of the Upper Yarra Dam. The park was originally founded and managed by the Warburton Advancement League, which set it up not only as a tourist destination but as a vital part of the town's attraction and vibrancy. To help the park thrive during quieter winter months, a small and carefully capped number of permanent residents were welcomed, ensuring the community and visitors could enjoy the best of both worlds. The League successfully operated the park for over 35 years before handing it over to the Shire Council in the 1980s.

Today, Hampshire Holidays is eager to honour that proud legacy. They have already expressed a strong desire to work closely with Yarra Ranges Shire and the Warburton community to ensure the park retains its vital local connection while continuing to welcome visitors from near and far. Their goal is clear: to ensure Warburton Holiday Park remains a place where families return year after year, where lifelong camping memories are made, and where the community feels proud of its role in shaping one of Victoria's most beloved holiday destinations.

The future is bright, and the story of Warburton Holiday Park is set to continue with the same spirit of community, family, and adventure that has defined it for nearly seven decades.

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Edgewater Project: Building Towards a Bright Future for Warburton

by David Pratt

While progress on the Edgewater Project may not always be visible, significant strides are being made behind the scenes to bring this iconic building back to life. As with any significant development in Victoria, much of the work involves complex planning and consultation with a multitude of Government departments, a process that takes time but is aimed at ensuring the very best outcomes for both the community and the environment.

Our very own River Reserves Committee has been working closely with the project team to ensure the development respects and enhances the natural environment and beauty of Warburton's adjacent riverside flora and fauna habitats. We believe that there is a shared vision for a development that strengthens the connection between the building and its surrounding environment, delivering lasting positive outcomes for generations to come.

Owner Garry Crocket and his project team, led by coordinator David Pratt, have already invested thousands of hours working with Heritage Victoria, DEECA, and the Department of Planning. These efforts are laying the essential groundwork to breathe new life into a structure that, despite its current tired and fortress-like appearance, remains strong and full of potential. This building is quietly waiting to reclaim its place as the beating heart of Warburton.

The architectural significance of Edgewater makes this project even more special. Designed by Edward Feilder Bilson, one of Australia's leading architects and the first architecture graduate of the University of Melbourne in 1914, the building is internationally recognised for its style and vision. Bilson was also the only articulated student of Walter Burley Griffin, the legendary architect of Canberra.

In a wonderful connection across generations, the project team has recently engaged with Edward Bilson's grandson, also named Edward, an award-winning architect in his own right who trained under his grandfather. His involvement will help ensure the redevelopment honours the building's proud heritage while shaping a vibrant future.

Though approvals still lie ahead, the foundations for success are being carefully put in place. The Edgewater Project is not just about restoring a building — it is about restoring a symbol of Warburton's history, creativity, and community spirit. The day will come when Edgewater once again opens its doors, welcoming locals and visitors alike to share in its story and create new memories in the heart of our town.

Join the Yarra Ranges Film Society

Celebrate cinema with us in the heart of the Yarra Ranges! Enjoy monthly screenings at the Arts Centre in Warburton (first Tuesday) and The Memo in Healesville (second Tuesday), featuring a rich mix of classic, contemporary and foreign films.

The Yarra Ranges Film Society also hosts the annual Healesville Mini Film Festival and the Warburton Film Festival.

Memberships are available at our screenings (cash or EFTPOS) or online. Discover great films, meet fellow enthusiasts, and share the big screen experience—become a member today!

For more information, email yrs.president@gmail.com

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3799 Connect Community Calendar

Sun Oct 5	Daylight Saving Time begins
Oct 10	Fight MND - Daniher's Drive - Warby Bowls Club - 10:15am-11:15am
Oct 11 / 12	Yarra Valley Open Studios – more info @ YARRAVALLEYARTS.ORG.AU
Oct 12	Millgrove Community Open Day – Memorial Park 10:00am to 2:30pm
Wed Oct 15	Warburton Fire Station – Bushfire Community Evening – 7:00pm
Oct 25 / 26	Upper Yarra Open Studios – more info @ YARRAVALLEYARTS.ORG.AU

Emergency Contacts

In an Emergency – Call 000

Beyond Blue – 1300 224 636

Electricity Fault Line – AusNet Services – 131 799

EPA – 1300 372 842

Lifeline – 131 114

Red Cross Emergency – 1800 232 969

SES Flood/Storm Emergency – 132 500

Vic Emergency Hotline – 1800 226 226

VicRoads (For information on updated road closures) – 131 170

Victoria Police (Non urgent matters only) – 131 444 Crime Stoppers – 1800 333 000

Wildlife Victoria (Injured wildlife) – (03) 8400 7300

Yarra Ranges Council – 1300 368 333

3799 Connect Noticeboard

Every Monday	Free Chair Pilates – Redwood Centre Warburton – 12:30pm – 1:20pm
Every Monday	Warby Walkers – meet at Redwood Centre front entrance – 2:00pm
2 nd Tues of month	Yarra Ranges Film Society – 7:30pm at The Arts Centre Warburton
3 rd Wed of month	Warburton Advancement League meeting – 7:30pm at YREC
Every Wednesday	Warburton CFA training – 7:30pm – 9:00pm
Last Wed of month	River Valley Church – Free Dinner – 6:00pm
Every Thursday	Koha Community Café – Community Dinner from 6:00pm – by donation
1 st Thurs of month	Warburton Emergency Planning Group meeting – 7:00pm at YREC
Every Friday night	Free Friday Soup Night – Redwood Centre Warburton – from 5:30pm
3 rd Sat / 5 th Sun of month	Millgrove Market – 9:00am – 2:00pm
Every Sunday	Warburton CFA training – 9:30am – 11:30am
1 st Sun of month	Warburton Valley Market – 11:00am – 3:00pm