

#### **Community gathers for** Redesdale's Biggest Morning Tea -Repeated!





Every year, Cancer Council Australia promote their revenue raising event -the Biggest Morning Tea - and on Thursday 23rd May Redesdale held its' Biggest Morning Tea in the Redesdale Community Hall. Every attendee received a tea or coffee, and a choice of scone (with jam & cream) or sausage rolls, with homemade cakes and slices also available to take home for later. All items available were graciously made and donated by, not just members of Redesdale and District Association and Redesdale RecreationReserve Committee, but many other community members who felt the desire to contribute to such a worthy

It was wonderful to see such a cross-section of the community support such a worthy cause, and at the same time relax and catch up with other friends.

A brief talk was given by representatives of the Otis Foundation who operate Kez's Hideaway in Redesdale - reminding everybody just how important the funds contributed were. Raffle prizes were also generously donated by community members and locally affiliated businesses.

With all the time, products and items donated by such a wide range of people, as well as the selflessness of the community members who found the time to attend, or donated online because they couldn't, I am thrilled to confirm the Redesdale community raised a total of \$1,102!!!! A result everybody should be proud of.

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#### Editorial

Dear Readers,

By the time you read this, the Clean up Redesdale day may be over (June 1st). This is an annual event followed by a BBQ and a great way to take pride in our little town. Every year a large box trailer full of rubbish is taken to the tip. That people will carelessly jettison bottles, cans, food wrappings (and many other surprising things) from their cars is dumbfounding to say the least!

On a happier note, how fantastic that we now have a podiatrist visiting Redesdale on a regular basis (see page 13). Hurry up and make your appointment!

The Redesdale Hall has never looked so cheerful. The yarnbombing is spectacular (see page 4) and a credit to the knitting and crochet group who meet at the pavilion on Thursdays.



What a gorgeous autumn we have had, now let's hope we get some decent rain.

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Keep in touch with us and what's happening in our community.







Redesdale & District Association





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- 3. Fostering geographic identity, and
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# **Bombing Redesdale Project** We, a small group of women, gather every Thursday afternoon to knit, crochet and generally enjoy each other's company. We share

our expertise and are ready to explore new challenges.

Early last year we became aware of a group of women, much larger than ours, who were attempting to yarn bomb the Black Rock Clock Tower in time to celebrate the International Yarn Bombing Day, Tuesday 11 June. This was a huge undertaking which planted a seed in our minds. What if we were to yarn Bomb Redesdale to warm up the town in winter and celebrate IYBD 2024?

Reality check made us decide that we would decorate the gates and entrance to the hall.

After obtaining permission from the Reserve Committee of Management we got out our hooks and needles and set off.

Around about this time we realised that the Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea was held near the same time, we decided that we would get the work hung in time for this.

We were quickly able to decide on what to do to the gates, but the Hall entrance presented a different challenge, we decided to have a go at Mandelas and searched for patterns.

This search led us to a 'The Loopy Stitch' pattern called 'Connie's Ray of Hope'.

Connie Johnson was a cancer sufferer; she had bone cancer at 11, uterine cancer at 22 and finally succumbed to breast cancer. Connie and her brother, Samuel Johnson, set up a charitable organisation promoting awareness of Breast Cancer and raising money for research. 'The Loopy Stitch' was inspired by Connie's story and the Mandela designed in her memory. 'The Loopy Stitch' asked that when making the Mandela we remember Connie's message about the importance of regularly doing a breast check. This message is as important to men as to women because men can also suffer breast cancer.

**Connie Johnson** 

Our group considered that using that pattern was very fitting for our display. We ask that as you look at it you are reminded of the importance of not only doing a breast check, but also reminding your friends as well. Have another look at our display and search out the relevant Mandelas.

#### June Kitchen Garden

# Action

#### Plant or sow now



**PS - Plant Seedling** 

SD - Sow Direct

ST - Seedling Tray

Asparagus - plant crowns

Rhubarb - plant crowns

Broad beans – sow direct (SD)

Broccoli – (PS)

Cauliflower- plant seedlings (PS)

Cabbage – PS

Celtuce - PS

Coriander - SD

Endive - PS

English Spinach - PS

Garlic – SD last planting try longer staying e.g.

Creole or Silver skins

Jerusalem artichokes

Kale -PS

Lettuce - SD

Mint – SD in a pot to avoid spread in veg patch

Mustard Greens (SD)

Onion - SD

Peas – SD (soak overnight before planting)

frost-free areas

Potato onions

") Snow Peas – SD (soak ""

Radish-SD

Spring Onions - PS thickly in wide drills

Thyme - PS

Turnip – (SD)

White Onions - PS

Early Tomato seeds can be grown under glass in warm conditions

Apply sulphate of potash to your emerging **Broad Beans** 

Apply liquid fertiliser every 2 weeks

Regularly check Brassicas for snails, slugs and caterpillars

Fertilise your winter vegies

Prune deciduous fruit trees, berry fruit bushes & vinesSpray your peach and nectarine trees with an anti-fungal spray before growth returns to prevent leaf curl and shot hole

Spray citrus with horticultural oil to target immature summer bugs e.g. Bronze orange bug

Rake up the last fallen leaves for your compost

Dig and store your dahlia tubers

Happy winter in your Kitchen garden



#### **The House Gallery Redesdale**

is thrilled to welcome Rebecca in her venture



Cafe, Redesdale

The old building is now fully restored to its historical beauty and will continue to accommodate Redesdale residents and visitors for many years to come.

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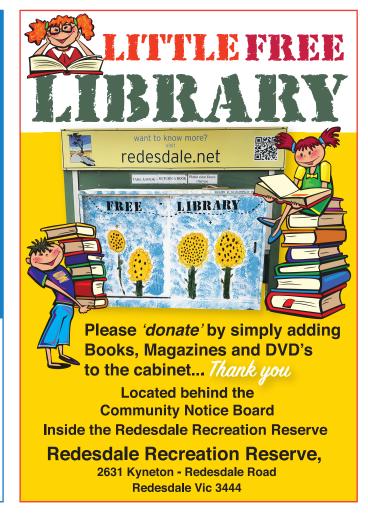
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#### SUPPORT FOR FLOOD RECOVERY

Following the recent floods, our community was offered support and assistance with recovery.

The City of Greater Bendigo came to Redesdale on Thursday 18th April to chat and meet anyone who is in need of help.

Our small town is definitely on their radar according to the Mayor Andrea Metcalf, together with the Deputy Mayor, Matthew Evans who brought with them a very large contingent of professionals offering their expertise and time.

The Redesdale Recreational Reserve Committee hosted the free community event BBQ, courtesy of the Bendigo Council, giving our Redesdale residents the opportunity to chat and register their needs.

Our thanks goes to the council who provided their many resources through the attendance of the following.

Megan Jennings (Senior Design Engineer), Ingrid Watson (Environmental Health Officer) Kim Ross (Emergency Management Officer) Sarah Perry (Resilient Communities Officer) Jay Noble (Recovery and Resilience Project Officer).

Victorian Council of Churches Emergency
Management (VCC-EM) Tricia Blanks and Karen
Bradfield. Emergency Recovery Victoria, Luke
Bott. (NCCMA) North Central Catchment
Management Authority. Vic Butler and Owen
Hayden.

Mount Alexander Council, Luke Ryan.

The message is; "The support is out there and Bendigo Council is listening".









#### Nationals MP to talk telecommunications in Redesdale

Nationals Member for Euroa Annabelle Cleeland will be in Redesdale in July to discuss the ongoing telecommunications and connectivity issues in town.

Ms Cleeland will be at the Redesdale Hotel on July 3 to discuss the local telecommunications challenges, as well as have a general chat with residents about her role as MP and how she can help with State Government issues.

"After speaking with residents in Redesdale, it was clear there are serious concerns about the quality and reliability of telecommunications in the local area," Ms Cleeland said.

"I have been meeting with Telstra as we work through some of the telecommunications challenges that Redesdale and its surrounding areas are suffering from.

"I am hoping to share the local concerns with Telstra so they can understand just how much of an impact the lack of reliable phone and internet reception is having on the community."

Ms Cleeland has previously stressed the need for telecommunications to be considered as critical infrastructure, recently meeting with the Minister for Government Services to advocate to Federal Government.

"Strengthening our telecommunications infrastructure is an essential step to ensuring residents are not left without access to their phones during emergencies such as power outages, floods, and fires," Ms Cleeland said.

"Mobile phone reception is undeniably critical infrastructure in today's world, serving as the primary connector between individuals and emergency services.

"During crises such as natural disasters or accidents,

#### **Connectivity Issues Update**

Thanks again for all the letters received regarding connectivity issues in our area. Our local State member, Annabelle Cleeland, is very supportive of our efforts to highlight our local connectivity issues and she will be holding a town meeting on **July 3rd at the Redesdale Hotel**. Details to be confirmed. Please keep an eye on the notice board and community social media pages for more information.

Via Annabelle's office, I am pleased to report that we have been contacted by Marcus Swinburne from Telstra who would like to hold individual sessions with some of those who have written. Marcus's title is: Regional Engagement Manager for Northern and Western Victoria, Regional Australia, Consumer and Small Business. He is also reasonably local in that he lives in Woodend and is familiar with our part of the world. We will be facilitating Marcus holding individual sessions.

The community input has been very valuable. Let's hope our voices will be heard!

**Kathy Hall** 

**RADA** 





Redesdale CFA update.

As this time of the year is the safest to do so, many people are taking advantage of the conditions to burn-off.

Remember that it's a good idea to register your burn. You may be unlucky enough that someone will see the smoke and call 000 triggering an unnecessary turnout.

If you intend to burn-off within 2 hours then you will need to call the burn-off notification line on 1800 668 511. If you have planned ahead then you can register online. This is a convenient method as once you have given your details it's a simple matter of submitting the time and day of future burns.

There are rules and regulations about what you can and can't do but just be aware of those around you. Don't burn hazardous or toxic materials, be aware of the wind/ smoke direction and a courtesy call to your neighbours might be a good idea.

Finally, we encourage you to do as much as you can now rather than waiting until the last few weeks before fire restrictions come in, even worse, the start of summer.

#### **Andrew Campbell**

Community Safety Officer.



## Congratulations

**Andrew Campbell** 

On receieving the 40 year service medal

for service to the Redesdale CFA.









Redesdale 63.80mm Year to date 255.80mm

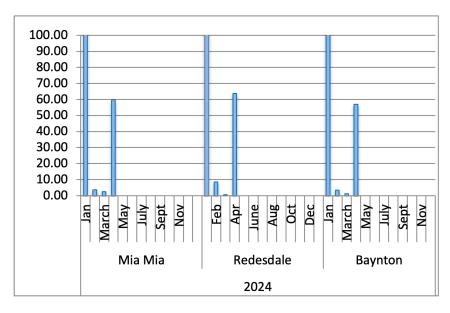
Mia Mia 59.75mm Year to date 267.25mm

Baynton 57mm Year to date 270.20mm

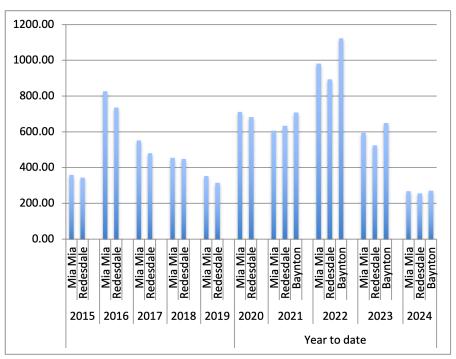
The average yearly rainfall for **Redesdale** is about 601mms.

Thank you to **Helen Bennett** for the **Mia Mia** readings & **Belinda Ryan** for **Baynton** readings

# Year Totals for Previous Years



2017	Mia Mia Redesdale	551.75 479.60
2018	Mia Mia Redesdale	455.00 448.40
2019	Mia Mia Redesdale	352.00 315.00
2020	Mia Mia Redesdale	711.25 682.85
2021	Mia Mia Redesdale Baynton	593.50 634.40 707.80
2022	Mia Mia Redesdale Baynton	981.50 894.00 1122.30
2023	Mia Mia Redesdale Baynton	593.90 524.40 648.40







Redesdale & Surrounds **Comming Events** 

June

Sat 1st 10.30-12.30 Clean Up Redesdale

Sat 8th Heathcote on Show Mon, 10th Kings Birthday

Thu 13th Craft Alive Bendigo

Sun 15th **Prince of Wales Showgrounds** 

**JULY** 

Fri: 19th-21st Bendigo , Australian Sheep and Wool

Show Prince of Wales Showgrounds,

October

Sat-Sun 19th 20th local open gardens

for more information - redesdale.net

https://www.heathcote.org.au-kyneton.org.au

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#### Redesdale Yoga is back for 2024!!!!!

So, come and join our local yoga teacher – Tania – on Wednesdays and/or Saturdays to discover the many physical and mental benefits of yoga.

No prior experience or minimum fitness level is required. Just bring a mat, hand towel and water, wearing comfortable clothing.

**Redesdale Reserve Community Pavilion** 

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Ballan Local Farmers and Makers Market.

2nd Saturday of every month. 9.00 - 1.00pm

Castlemaine. Local Farmers Market.

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CFM. Weekly Market, Wednesday. 2.30 - 5.30pm

Clunes. Local Farmers Market

> 2nd Sunday each month. 8.30 - 1.00pm

Creswick. Local Farmers Market

3rd Saturday every month. 9.00 - 1.00pm

Daylesford. Local Market.

Every Sunday. 8.00 - 3.00pm

Gisborne. Olde Time Market.

1st Sunday every month. 9.00. - 2.00pm

Kyneton. Local Farmers Market.

> 2nd Saturday every month. 8.30 - 1.00pm

Lancefield. Local Farmers Market.

4th Saturday every month. 9.00 - 1.00pm

Maldon. Local Farmers Market.

2nd Sunday every month.

Malmsbury. Local Farmers Market.

3rd Sunday every month. 9.00 - 1.00pm

Talbot. Local Farmers Market.

> 3rd Sunday every month. 9.00 - 1.00pm

Trentham. Local Farmers Market.

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Tables, plastic,1.8m x 1m	10	Chairs, white plastic	80
Tables, wood, 1.8m x 1m	20	Umbrellas , charcoal	10

For all inspections and enquiries contact Redesdale Recreational Reserve Committee:

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#### RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Apple and Sour Cream Slice 84



1 packet butter or sponge Cake Mix - 340 grams, the generic brands are the best..

1 cup desiccated coconut

125 grams melted butter

1 x 420 gram can pie apple- lightly mashed.

1 x 300 ml tub sour cream (full fat).whip slightly if necessary.

Cinnamon or cinnamon sugar.

METHOD - Grease and line slice tray

Heat oven to a moderate 180° Less if fan forced

Mix cake-mix, coconut and melted butter together and spread into prepared slice tin. Firm down. spread with crushed apple slices.

Top with sour cream.

Sprinkle with cinnamon

bake for 45min.

Cool in tin,

Store in fridge.

## **PODIATRIST**

### IS COMING TO REDESDALE

We are very excited to announce that **Nicole Chappell** is coming to attend to our feet on a monthly basis from SATURDAY July 6. Appointments start from 8.30 am at the

Redesdale Hall.

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