

Creating a better Brown Hill

A collaboration between the people of Brown Hill and the City of Ballarat to help create an even better Brown Hill.



The City of Ballarat is proud to have partnered with the Brown Hill Community on the delivery of 10 local projects as part of the Engaging Communities Program over the past three years.



As part of the Engaging Communities Program, the City of Ballarat allocated \$200,000 towards local projects in Brown Hill. These funds have been matched with other funding sources and in-kind contributions estimated at \$164,125. In total, \$571,567 has been delivered by this program.

We look forward to working with you in the future and we are excited to see the benefits of the work in the coming years!

Brown Hill Recreation Reserve



Brown Hill Community Festival (funded 2016, ongoing)



Pathway Improvement and Park Furniture (August 2016)



Footpath, Post and Rail Fencing (July 2016)



BBQ and Shelter (August 2016)



Brown Hill Cricket Club Rooms Kitchen, Carpet and Furniture Upgrades (August 2016)



Brown Hill Hall (funded March 2016, expected completion for current upgrade is early 2019)



Fruit Tree Planting (August 2016)

Yarrowee River Projects



Connecting to Nature 2.0 Bird Watching (April 2018)




Connecting to Nature 2.0 'Frog Walk' (October 2018)



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Brown Hill Community Information Services



Brown Hill Community Hub

Read the [newsletter](#), swim at the [pool](#), find a local [business](#), join a [sports club](#) or connect with a [community group](#). There's a lot happening in Brown Hill!

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Brown Hill Online Community Hub (funded November 2016, ongoing initiative)

Brown Hill Community Newsletter

Edition 15, October 2018

A project of the Brown Hill Progress Association, supported by the Brown Hill Community Partnership.

We are proud to walk this land with the Wadawurrung people.



Diary Dates

See [brownhillvic.com](#) for details.

21 September to 6 November: Biennale of Australian Art in Ballarat, [bosa.net.au](#)

OCTOBER

Sunday 7 October to Tuesday 6 November: Victorian Mental Health Month (p.34)

Sunday 14: 10.00 am, Working Bee at the Brown Hill Pool (p.3)

Thursday 18: 6.45 pm - 8.00 pm, Brown Hill Frog Walk and Talk, Serrina Wetlands. RSVP: [jane@highcatchmentgroup.org](#)

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Christine Plover (L) and members of the Ballarat Highland Dancers at the 2017 Brown Hill Community Festival. Photographer: Nigel Stevens.

High time for a Festival!

There is much excitement across Brown Hill with our 2018 Brown Hill area. The dancers train across Trenholme classroom at the

returning for our second year to perform at the Brown Hill Festival.

Brown Hill Community Newsletter (funded December 2015, ongoing publication)

Brown Hill Community FireAware Network

Did you know that Brown Hill is in a Bushfire Prone Area?

Latest News

17 August 2018. The Conversation, Drought, wind and heat: when fire seasons start earlier and last longer. The New South Wales Rural Fire Service declared the earliest total fire bans in its history this week. The entire state was declared to be in drought. On the same day, the combination of winter drought and hot, dry weather has made dangerous fires increasingly likely. Already this week two fires on the south coast have escaped containment lines and destroyed houses. The weather during these fires was 10C warmer than the August average, dry and extremely windy. The wind speed peaked at 114 kilometres an hour in Bega and Blouin in NSW's two towns close to where fires broke out. Under these conditions, bushfires will spread quickly, produce large numbers of embers and are hard to stop. Our fire seasons now start earlier and last longer. This means we're increasingly likely to see repeats of historically large fires threatening residential areas. [Read more here](#)



Fire invading the suburbs of Canberra 2003

PLEA Network 'FireReady' Project (funded May 2016, ongoing initiative)

Other projects based on your feedback

A number of other projects were completed as a result of consultation with the Brown Hill Community - here's a taste of what else has happened!



Lighting of Brown Hill Tunnel (April 2015)



Uplifting of trees on Scott Parade (November 2017)



New garden beds on Scott Parade (November 2017)

More
to come!



Improved path and distance markers around Russell Square (August 2017)



For any further information about the projects, contact City of Ballarat on 03 5320 5746