

COMMUNITY GARDEN 3231*Aireys Inlet, Fairhaven, Moggs Creek, Eastern View***JOIN THE GARDEN NOW**

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News about the community garden soon to be established at 2 Fraser Drive in Aireys Inlet.

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News in brief**Fence****Shire gives \$1,500**

Surf Coast Shire has allocated \$1,500 towards the cost of a rabbit-proof fence. Thanks to Rachel Brown from SCC.

Water**Shire pays for connection**

The garden will have water from the start with only the usage being paid for by members.

Shed**Anglesea Bowling Club shed dismantled and on site.**

The shed was transported to the site by John Hamilton from JBH Demolition. Thanks to John for his sponsorship and help.

Bendigo Bank**BB aka Anglesea & District Community Bank Grant**

We received \$500 and the pledge of another \$500 on 1 October. Thanks to Manager Shane Madden for the great support

Membership**Membership hits 27**

Paid up members total 27 prior to this weeks stall at the Sunday Market. Hopes are high for 30+ members by the official opening

NEWS FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Planning Committee comprises Daryl and Peggy Love, Rod and Jan Crellin, Graham and Tania Teague, Alex Leknius, Terrence Hoffmann, Laurie Mason, Kim Neubecker and Susan Reilly. All are local residents from Aireys Inlet, Fairhaven and Moggs Creek. We have been meeting on a monthly basis since September 2009 and have achieved a lot so far. There is still much to do.



We have some structure to the Committee with Daryl as Coordinator, Alex Secretary, Terrence as Treasurer and Membership, and some team leaders organising important functions.

Kim leads the Gardening Team and will organise compost, new planting and garden bed demonstrations. Daryl leads the Construction Team building the fence, erecting the shed and making the paths and other infrastructure.

Terrence leads the Administration Team writing a safety manual, training booklets, and developing rules and procedures to conform to legal requirements.

Peggy leads the Networking Team who meet visitors, train new members and generally help keep the social life running smoothly.



We're off to a good start thanks to our sponsors. But there is much to do.

Finances for the garden are in a fairly healthy state with A Surf Coast Shire grant of \$1,000, another \$1,500 from the Shire towards the cost of a rabbit-proof fence. On top of this the Anglesea and District Community Bank have granted the garden \$500 immediately with a further \$500 when money becomes available in October. The Anglesea and District Community House also generously gave us \$1,000.



What does it cost to set up the garden? Without detailing everything, let's look at our wish list. A fence costs about \$2,000 in materials - we have quotes. Men's Shed workers have offered to provide their labour. Thank you one and all. A propagation shed will cost around \$1,000 if we can find the labour. Garden beds that are raised and built from railway sleepers may cost around \$360 each in materials. We plan to have six, so there is almost another \$2,000. Gravel for paths, edging for garden beds, trellises for vertical gardens,



Daryl and Peggy Love recruiting new members at the February Sunday market

materials to build three compost bins, seats and some sort of basic cooking installation will all cost something too. The biggest cost item that the committee is currently researching is a toilet. We feel that many people will not be comfortable making the trip to the nearest public conveniences, nor to the Hall. A self composting waterless loo costs up to \$22,000 with

everything. A basic kit costs \$8,000 for just the toilet itself. We would then need to find the money for the building to house it.

There's a bit of money left to raise. However we will use re-cycled materials wherever we can. There is a lot to learn from each other as we work together to build our community garden.

The 2 Fraser Drive site for Community Garden 3231 is almost ready to go.

With the boundaries pegged out, the old water tanks ready to be cut down for garden beds, and the materials for the shed on site, the time is ripe to get started.

Phone 0438 533 346 to obtain a membership application and be part of the team.

