

MODEINA ^{SPRING} 2024 MESSENGER



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ANOTHER DENNIS FAMILY COMMUNITY



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Across the estate, crews have been hard at work despite the cold weather to ensure progress on stages and an early unveiling of the KC5 Reserve.

In **Stage 32**, works are progressing on drainage works to enable early delivery of **KC4 reserve**, while water and electrical reticulation are now complete. Concrete and road pavement works are now progressing.

The detailed design for the **KC4 reserve** has been approved by Council and contractors have been approached to price the works. Construction on the Reserve is expected to begin in late **October 2024**.

A concept design is now underway for the proposed half-basketball court in the Montmarte/Dominion Reserve. Construction on the park is expected to commence in **early 2025** following a consultation with the community.

Excitingly, **Stages 33** and **34** are now complete and titles were issued in **2023** and **2024** respectively.

KC5 Reserve is Now Open

There's exciting news to celebrate in Modeina as another instalment of the **Kororoit Creek Reserve** is now open!

The **KC5 reserve** was completed in September, ahead of schedule, and is now available to be enjoyed by residents and the public.

Explore the grassed area and bench seating, ideal for picnics and as a space to relax.



The shared path links to **KC3** and extends the existing shared path that runs through **KC1** to **KC3**.

The latest Kororoit Creek Loop instalment starts at the bottom of Ornata Grove and finishes at the bottom of Mona Circuit. Once constructed, **KC4** will link all the shared paths together.

New garden beds provide colour and fresh planting to the area in keeping with the existing native vegetation and community aesthetics. Native ground covers and grasses maintain the estate's aesthetics.

"The Kororoit Creek is an understated feature of Modeina; the new section of the reserve continues to connect the community, encouraging outdoor activity through the walking and bike trails, fitness stations, public BBQ stations and parks and playgrounds," said Modeina Marketing Executive, Amy O'Neill.

"The **KC5 reserve** supports the natural setting of Modeina and gives residents even more green space on their doorstep to enjoy."

The **KC5 Reserve** can be accessed via Havana Circuit, Bardot Close, and Chanel Avenue in **Stages 33** and **34**, and Ornata Grove.



Invite your friend or family member to live within the Modeina community and you could both be eligible to receive a \$1000 debit card*!

Simply follow these steps:

1. Enter your details into the form on our website. Then, share the news with your friends and family.
2. Your friend and/or family member will be invited to enter their details to join our referral program.
3. A Modeina team member will contact your family and/or friend to updated them on the latest news and land releases.

4. If your friend and/or family member purchases a lot at Modeina, you could both be eligible to receive a \$1000 debit card*.

It's our way of saying thank you and welcoming you to the Modeina community!

Please note that the Family and Friends Referral Program finishes on **30 June 2025**. You and your friend or family member will need to have signed a contract for the purchase of land before the offer expires.

*Terms, conditions & exclusions apply.

COMMUNITY FUND PRESENTATION NIGHT

Congratulations to all the successful applicants who received a grant from the Modeina Community Fund in 2024.

The Modeina Land Sales Centre played host to around **40** people from **local community groups**.

Peter Ryan, Executive General Manager – Developments at Dennis Family Corporation, said it was great to be able to host the evening at the recently refurbished Sales Centre and to enjoy the space with everyone “It’s great to see familiar and new faces here tonight to receive their well-deserved grant”

“We’ve had overwhelming success for the grants that we do for the communities across all our projects”

The Community Fund gives money directly to grass-roots community organisations that make a huge difference in their immediate area.

This is the seventh year of the **Modeina Community Fund** which has distributed over **\$130k** since it began.

Thank you also to City of Melton Deputy Mayor Councillor Steve Abboushi for judging the 2024 entries and being present on the night to chat to all of the recipients.



Congratulations to all the successful applicants:

Caroline Springs Cricket Club	Caroline Springs Rotary Club
Utsav Malayalee Samaj Inc.	Brookside P-9 College
Caroline Springs Lions	Burnside Springs United Netball Club
Caroline Springs Tennis Club	Burnside Heights Football Club
Socio-Cultural Syriac Inc. Association	Aintree Football Club
Caroline Springs RSL	Burnside Primary School
Caroline Springs Fire Brigade	Western (VIC) Tamil Seniors Club
INCommunity Care Services	Caroline Chisholm Society
Family Care Fellowship Incorporated	Caroline Springs Scout Group
INChurch Melbourne	Burnside Kindergarten
Anglican Church Caroline Springs (Red Door)	

GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT



INCommunity Care Services

Caroline Springs-based INCommunity Care is there for local people who need emergency relief, money mentoring, COACH mentoring, marriage support and more.

Support services are all free of charge, thanks to the community and businesses.

Managing director, Carly Alexander, said they're putting the Modeina Community Fund grant money towards a new community pantry.

"It will have regular services for food relief and a community cafe so people that are in need in our local community can come and get what they need," Carly said.

"We'll also have a dedicated office to meet with people who are seeking financial or family mentoring as well. So hopefully, we can help lift people out of situations as well as help them with the situations they're in."

The new pantry is scheduled to open in November just off Robinson's Road in Ravenhall, near Caroline Springs, among other services hosted by INChurch Melbourne.

"It's just a stone's throw from Caroline Springs and the first one in the area, you can spot it from the highway bypass as well – look for the bright red signage."

Carly said the biggest challenge for the people that help is ensuring they get the governance right.

"Policies and procedures are in place and protections for all the people that we expect to come in, while also thinking about the needs of the community and how best we can meet them or refer them to other services."

Learn more or contribute to INCommunity Care services by going to their website.

GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT



Caroline Chisholm Society Pregnancy and Family Support Service

In an area with so many young families, experienced local support services can make an outsized difference to those they serve.

The Caroline Chisholm Society puts an emphasis on building adult capacity over their 50-plus years of working with mothers and babies from offices in Caroline Springs, Essendon and Shepparton.

They were also a successful 2024 Modeina Community grant recipient this year.

Dinushka O'Neill is the Community Engagement Officer and lives in the local area. She said the funds will be used to hire a bus that will transport families to services.

"We had music therapy sessions running from June to September and a lot of families couldn't attend because they didn't have way of getting there," Dinushka said.

In December they run a Santa shop and invite all involved families to come in and pick gifts for their children.

"We want to be able to give those families the freedom to access the Santa Shop as well other services we offer."

Services in and around Caroline Springs currently focus on parents of children aged between zero and five.

"We have over 722 families impacting 1169 children who are supported through our Every Child Program, just one of the services currently offered," Dinushka said.

To learn more or contribute to Caroline Chisholm Society services, visit their website.



A NEW ERA OF HEALTHCARE IN MELBOURNE'S WEST:

THE MELTON HOSPITAL

A brand-new hospital is coming to Melton.

The Melton Hospital marks a milestone for Melbourne's western suburbs, including Caroline Springs, Rockbank, Melton, and Bacchus Marsh.

This state-of-the-art facility will provide essential services closer to home for one of Australia's fastest-growing regions.

Construction is set to commence in **2024** and be completed by **2029**.

As Victoria's **first fully electric hospital**, Melton Hospital will set a new sustainability standard, reducing its carbon footprint and aligning with environmental goals.

The new Melton Hospital will feature a 24-hour emergency department, **274** beds, an intensive care unit, maternity and neonatal services, mental health services, radiology, and ambulatory care.

With the capacity to treat **130,000** patients and handle nearly **60,000** emergency cases annually, it will greatly reduce pressure on existing hospitals.

Prior to planning and construction, the Victorian Health Building Authority (VHBA) and Western Health sought community input and engagement in the form of surveys, information sessions, workshops, and the New Melton Hospital Community Consultative Committee.

The consultation workshops sought engagement from hard-to-reach community members, including First Nations, seniors, and carers.

The new Melton Hospital boasts a commitment to accessible and inclusive healthcare for Melbourne's outer west communities that aims to create a healthier future for all.

The Melton Hospital will be located at 245A Ferris Road, Cobblebank, VIC 3338.

For more information, visit the Victorian Health Building Authority website.



DAY TRIP RECOMMENDATION
MACEDON

The town of Macedon is at the foot of the Macedon Ranges, about 40 minutes north of Modeina by car.

The area has been mythologised by the book and film *Picnic at Hanging Rock*, a fictional story about a class of boarding school students who vanish there.

It's also home to notable English-style houses and private gardens.

Scenes from *Where the Wild Things Are* were filmed in the surrounding forest.

Macedon is worth more than one day trip. Here's an itinerary to get you acquainted.

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EAT: Mr Macedon

Recommended by a Macedon local, Mr Macedon has a seasonal menu of beautiful breakfast and lunch options. A great brunch spot before heading up the hill to explore.

Address: 23 Victoria Street, Macedon **Open:** Sat – Sun 8:00am – 3:00pm
www.mrmacedon.com.au

VISIT: Forest Glade Gardens

The gardens were developed in 1941 and 1971 with the ambition to be Mount Macedon's most stunning gardens. After the devastating Ash Wednesday bushfires in 1983, the gardens were reborn and are now cared for by a registered charitable organisation.

Discover many statues, fountains, pergolas and ponds throughout the garden. Rhododendrons, Azaleas and Peonies can often be seen flowering in springtime.

Address: 816 Mount Macedon Rd, Mount Macedon (Google Maps)

Open: from 10:00am, 7 days a week.

Adult entry: \$15.

Free for children 16 and under, and disabled visitors and carers.

www.forestgladegardens.com.au

VIEW: Major Mitchell Lookout

A few minutes by car from Forest Glade Gardens, or a bit over an hour hiking, is the top of Mount Macedon, 1000m above sea level.

Top of the Range tea rooms are open between **11am** and **4pm** all weekend for a pit stop at the summit.

[Google Maps](#)

LOCAL KNOWLEDGE: Anti-Gravity Hill

This is an unmarked point near Hanging Rock that only locals know about.

If you stand near the bottom of a hill and pour water onto the road while facing uphill, the water appears to flow 'upwards'.

It's a strange phenomenon that has been popularised in several online videos.

www.mountmacedon.org.au/places/anti-gravity-hill

NEARBY: Woodend Children's Park

A great playground to visit on the way home, while also taking in the beautiful nearby town.

Location: 12 Nicholson St, Woodend

LOCAL SPORTS LEAGUES

Spring is the beginning of new sporting seasons for young and old.



Find sporting clubs around Modeina looking for new members.

Soccer/Football

Albion Rovers Football Club

Kevin Flint Memorial Reserve

142A Furlong Road, Cairnlea

albionroversfc.com.au

Westside Strikers Football Club

Taylor's Hill Recreation Reserve

121 Calder Park Drive, Taylor's Hill

westsidestrikers.com.au

Spring Hills FC

Springside Recreation Reserve

Lancefield Drive, Caroline Springs

Directory Listing

Netball

Jaguars Netball Club

Copperfield College Kings Park & Sydenham
(age dependent)

jaguarsnetball.com.au

Burnside Springs United Netball Club

Contact now for Autumn 2025 season registrations and expressions of interest.

Caroline Springs Leisure Centre

The Parade, Caroline Springs

bsunc.teamapp.com

Tennis

Caroline Springs Tennis Club

carolinespringstc.com.au

Brookside Tennis Club

Cricket

Burnside Springs Cricket Club

Burnside Heights Recreation Reserve

Tenterfield Drive, Burnside Heights

burnsidespringsunitedcricketclub.com.au

Caroline Springs Cricket Club

2024/25 season starts Saturday, October 5 for Seniors and Friday, October 11 for juniors.

The club is looking to grow their female participation numbers across all ages

Free playing kit available to all new girls who join us this summer, contact the club for more information.

Caroline Springs Town Centre Recreation Reserve

The Parade, Caroline Springs

Facebook page

St Albans Cricket Club

Kings Park Reserve

Gillespie Road, St Albans

5 October 2024 – Round 1 of cricket begins

1 December 2024 – 1st Annual Western Car/Bike Show and Shine

Facebook page

Hockey

Caroline Springs Hockey

Bridge Road Sports Precinct, Melton South

carolinespringshockey.com

Running

Brimbank Parkrun

parkrun.com.au/brimbank

TOP SPRING 2024 DECOR IDEAS FOR A STYLISH REFRESH

As Spring arrives, so do new and exciting interior trends. The latest trends include warm and cool colour palettes that maintain the freshness of spring. Incorporate any of these palettes into your home for bold and balanced interiors.





Earth Toned Naturals

The Earth Toned Naturals trend draws inspiration from raw and handcrafted materials.

Key colours for this trend include rust, terracotta, and pops of mustard and apricot pink. These hues sit perfectly alongside finishes of warm-toned woods, textured fabrics in earthy colours, and natural stone.

Introduce earth tones into your interiors with paint colours of off-white or light taupe. Ensure there are elements of natural timber and timber laminates in your joinery. Add freestanding furnishings and small décor items to your rooms for a less permanent option.

Nothing but Neutral

The Nothing but Neutral trend primarily focuses on built-in and freestanding furnishings in your home, elevating them to luxury long-term investment pieces.

A neutral colour palette of warm cream, taupe, and brown allows standout pieces to shine while maintaining a calming and cosy environment.

Prevent your interiors from becoming too lacklustre by adding visual interest; add textured floor rugs, freestanding furniture covered in velvet, boucle, or chunky weaves, and opt for higher contrast items like a light occasional chair against dark walls.

Playful Minimalism

Moving away from traditional palettes, the Playful Minimalism trend leans towards clean lines, curved edges, and whimsy.

The Playful Minimalism palette is perfect for a master suite, where a calming neutral base can add to the relaxation.

The base of this trend is minimal with clean lines and neutral tones. Layer in playful colours and elements through bed linen, bathroom towels, and cushion covers.

Classic Chrome

The polished chrome finish is back in a new modern way.

Resurfacing with glamour, the Classic Chrome trend influences freestanding furnishings, like chairs, lighting, and accessories. Chrome surfaces act as mirrored finishes that enhance light and make spaces feel larger.

Soften the appearance of chrome with textured surfaces, like plush rugs and sherpa fabric chairs. Pairing modern chrome against natural walnut woods also creates a colour and texture contrast.

As you refresh your space for the season, these interior design trends offer an array of styles to explore, each bringing a unique flair to your home.

Embrace any of these trends to infuse your home with life and create a sanctuary that reflects your interior style.



CARAMELISED PEAR SALAD

SALAD INGREDIENTS:

- 2 large pears, ripe
- 1 tbsp unsalted butter
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 fennel bulb, thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 100g fresh figs, quartered
- 100g rocket or mixed leaves
- 50g walnuts, toasted
- 50g blue cheese, crumbled

DRESSING INGREDIENTS:

- 3 tbsp Greek yoghurt
- 1 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- 1 tbsp honey
- 1 tbsp Dijon mustard
- Salt and pepper, to taste

METHOD:

1. Preheat your oven to 200°C (180°C fan-forced). Toss the fennel slices with olive oil, salt, and pepper, and spread them on a baking tray lined with paper. Roast for 25 minutes, turning once halfway through, until the fennel is tender and lightly caramelised. Set aside to cool.
2. While the fennel is roasting, halve and core the pears, then slice them into 1cm thick slices. Melt the butter in a large frying pan over medium heat, add the brown sugar, and stir until dissolved. Add the pear slices to the pan and cook for about 4 minutes until golden and caramelised. Remove from the pan and let them cool slightly.
3. In a small bowl, whisk together the Greek yoghurt, extra virgin olive oil, lemon juice, honey, Dijon mustard, salt, and pepper until smooth and well combined.
4. On a large serving platter, arrange the arugula as the base. Scatter the roasted fennel, caramelised pear slices, and quartered figs over the arugula. Sprinkle the toasted walnuts and crumbled blue cheese on top. Drizzle the yoghurt dressing over the salad just before serving.
5. **Serve immediately.**



Modeina Land Sales Centre

Open from Saturday - Wednesday, 10am - 5pm

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