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**the Maribyrnong
Valley Inc.**



As our year of no volunteering is at the end, we hope that everyone reading this can have a lovely holiday no matter how you spend it with family and friends. All our projects and sites for this year are still waiting for us to go back next year for planting and much needed maintenance. Follow us on our webpage and our Facebook pages in the summer and as we are informed by councils and government, we will let you know.

2021 EVENTS AND WORKING BEES.

We are hoping that by February we will be in some sort of normal weekly events and been able to plan our community events.

If you wish to be kept in the loop just email Maelor on the email here and he will advise as soon as we know.

Dates	Function	Location
Every Tuesday from Feb 2021	Working bees with the Maribyrnong City Council at assorted sites Maelor to confirm for each week 9.30am till 12 noon	e-mail Maelor maelor@melbpc.org.au if you require details please
Every Wednesday From Feb 2021	Working Bees and planting days for 2020 Assorted sites Brimbank and Moonee Valley Councils Maelor to confirm for each week 9.30am till 12 noon	e-mail Maelor maelor@melbpc.org.au if you require details please
Wednesday 3 rd Feb 2021	FMV monthly meeting starting at 7.30pm This meeting will schedule the calendar of events for 2020	Zoom meeting Details next year.
Wednesday 3 rd March 2021	FMV monthly meeting starting at 7.30pm Deputy Director – Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Melbourne Airport Rail will update us on this link and how will effect grasslands and other areas.	Zoom meeting for this date. Details next year.

On-ground Volunteering with FMV under Covid-19 rules that are in place now

We will update at the February meeting all new rules for 2021.

The distance rules of 1.5 meters will be enforced on all sites.

No car-pooling is allowed.

Each site will have signs to indicate that volunteering is happening.

There can be no sharing of tools.

FMV will provide metal buckets with the necessary tools for our regular working bee crew to take home and bring each time. You will be told each time what tools you will need to bring.

You must register with Maelor before the day and numbers will be updated each time to say how many are able to volunteer for that day. We hope by February numbers will be suitable for us to continue as we have in the past.

To volunteer on days, we are working with Parks Victoria you will need to be registered on Park Connect. More details later and Maelor may have to help people who have no computer to do this.

Volunteers wearing a mask will be decided on the days. We will have extras if you require a new one during the day.

Hand sanitisers must be carried by all volunteers and used when required. (We have ones you can take home.)

Volunteers must bring their own gardening gloves, be wearing sturdy shoes, and have long trousers and a long sleeve top.

Please carry your own bottle of water and wear a hat and sunscreen as we are now volunteering in the warmer weather.

You will need to bring your own pen for signing in, your cup for morning tea and whatever food you wish to have at morning tea. FMV will still allowed to provide tea, coffee, milk, sugar, and hot water.

Morning tea will involve sitting on portable stools placed 1.5 meters apart.

For the comfort of all, please leave your pets at home.

Children under 16 years of age must be supervised by a responsible adult.

Sites vary due to weather conditions and what maintenance is required.

