

Orchard Seasons

Welcome to Orchard Seasons,
our quarterly community newsletter.

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - WINTER 2021

Fun and games at Orchard Parkfest!

Neighbours and friends turned up in their droves to enjoy our exclusive residents-only Orchard Park Festival on Sunday 11th April. Not even the wintery weather could dampen the spirits of our fun-loving and close-knit Orchard community!



There were heaps of fun activities for the whole family, but especially for the kiddies. The jumping castle and face painting were big hits, but the longest queues were unsurprisingly for the free gelato and ice cream (and free coffee and cake for mum and dad), while the Easter Egg Hunt had everyone bobbing like ducks!

United Tarneit Cricket Club put on a clinic and looked like they might've found a few new recruits. Judging from the skills on display from our community, they'll be the team to beat next summer!

It was a great opportunity for residents to meet their neighbours and enjoy the amenity of Orchard Park. And to make sure our residents didn't go home empty handed, we gave away more than 300 fig trees to all our attendees, plus surprise gift boxes with some goodies for all to enjoy in their new Orchard homes.

We can't wait for our next Orchard community event! Watch this space!

Meet our team

In each edition of Orchard Seasons we'll introduce you to one of the team members responsible for creating our wonderful Orchard community. In this issue we meet **Piotr Rutkowski**, Dahua's Senior Development Manager.

"Working with Dahua is extremely rewarding. I love watching our communities grow as people build their homes and become residents. Talking with them and hearing about their journeys, how they came to Orchard, and their plans for the future is the most rewarding part. Community events like Orchard Parkfest are a great way to learn about those stories. They really help bring the community together."

"I think Orchard stands out from other developments because of its location within Tarneit. It's central to all the amenities a growing community needs, which means that ultimately our residents can enjoy the lifestyle of their choice. That's the outcome we're always striving to achieve at Dahua, and it's why we always position our communities in or around amenities such as those found here in Tarneit."



DAHUA GROUP

Get to know your neighbours

Our community is full of interesting and friendly people, each with their own reasons for choosing to call Orchard home.



Today we find out why **Maryanne Decleva** loves living here.

Why did you choose to build your home at Orchard?

"There were so many things that drew us to Orchard. The land fell in our budget, and we were able to find a place that was close to a proposed train station, schools and parks."

What's the best thing about living in the Orchard community?

"Everyone that we have met has been so warm and welcoming. Everyone is willing to stop and chat."

What makes Orchard different to other estates in the area?

"Orchard feels much more open than other estates. The streets feel wider and we have parks extremely close to our home."

Have you had a chance to get to know your neighbours?

"We were among the first to move in, but we have been able to catch up with our neighbours to be. Orchard Parkfest gave us the opportunity to meet others that aren't as close by."

What's your favourite thing about Orchard Park?

"The size and open feel, the gathering spaces and the fantastic playground. I look forward to seeing the trees grow and develop!"

Orchard business directory

We're a resourceful and hardworking bunch here at Orchard. Many of our residents run their own business, and we'd like to support them by featuring those businesses here in the Orchard Seasons newsletter.

If you or someone you know in our community runs a business that deserves our support, please let us know by emailing a few details to orchard@rpmrealestate.com.au so we can promote them in our Spring edition.

ORCHARD NEWS

More active open space to enjoy

Hot on the heels of our wonderful Orchard Park, the strip of open space that runs through the north of our estate is now a beautiful place to exercise, relax, or just walk the dog and enjoy some fresh air.

Created by Flemings Landscapes the reserve is gorgeous, as you would expect. You can enjoy the gardens from a path that meanders through the park, or from the comfort of the rustic bench seats thoughtfully positioned at convenient intervals along the way.

If fitness is your thing (or if you'd like it to be) check out the built-in fitness stations. With moving balance beams, push-up bars, sit-up benches and double height hurdles, you can add a proper workout to your morning run.

Construction has recently been completed, so check it out soon!



Western United score big!

Our local A-League team, Western United Football Club is one step closer to being the first professional football club in Australia to own its own stadium.



Construction of the new 15,000-seat stadium on Sayers Road is due to begin midyear and should be completed in time for the Women's World Cup in 2023.

The stadium will form part of a huge sporting, entertainment, commercial, residential and community precinct that will spread over some 70 hectares, creating jobs and providing our Orchard community with many economic and social benefits.

In total the economic benefits have been calculated to be \$147 million. Apart from the jobs created by the construction, there will be 125 ongoing full-time employment opportunities.

Tarneit MP Sarah Connolly said: "We are proud to have Western United Football Club based here and the development of the Wyndham Football Stadium will encourage the local community to come and see games and to get involved in sport."

Now there's more reason than ever to buy a Western United Football Club membership and support your local team!

New shared paths for Tarneit

2.5km of recently completed shared pathways will make it easier for Orchard residents to get to Tarneit train station, the Tarneit Community Centre and Penrose Community Centre, as well as nearby shops and schools, without the need to drive.

The project was completed as part of the Wyndham Active Transport Strategy, and included several important upgrades along the walking and cycling networks along the Melbourne Water pipe track reserve.

This included a new shared path link through Goddard Street Reserve, new section of path on Thwaites Road and improved road crossings at Toucan Road, Thwaites Road, Tableland Road, Penrose Promenade, Brinbrook Street, Crossway Avenue and Wilandra Drive.

Our community can now enjoy many more cycling and walking paths. It's also hoped the improvements will help take cars off our roads and give the growing Tarneit community more travel options.



CULTIVATE SOMETHING SPECIAL

Refer a friend or family member and earn a reward!

We're inviting you to spread the word to your family and friends about the lifestyle they can enjoy here at Orchard.

Refer someone you know – it's easy! Not only will you be helping us grow our community at a grassroots level, you'll also receive a reward to show our appreciation.

For more details, drop in to the Orchard Sales Suite or call Aydin on 1300 672 427.



Your new Community Hub

Coming soon, your very own Orchard Community Online Hub will be the place to go to find useful and interesting news and updates about life here at Orchard.

- Find out about:
- The latest community news
- Past and upcoming events at Orchard
- Construction progress updates
- New amenities or infrastructure nearby
- Your neighbours at Orchard
- Answers to frequently asked questions

We'll let you know when the hub is up and running, so stay tuned!

See you in Spring!

If you would like to contribute to the next edition of our newsletter, please email your submission to:

orchard@rpmrealestate.com.au

Answers to your questions

In each edition of Orchard Seasons we'll answer some of the important questions we're hearing from our residents and community. You can submit questions to orchard@rpmrealestate.com.au.

Who should I contact if rubbish has been dumped on my property?

The dumping of rubbish in any part of the estate is inexcusable, but especially frustrating when this occurs on private property. If residents witness dumping or littering, we encourage you to submit details along with any evidence to council directly. We also recommend purchasers install temporary fencing while they are waiting for construction to commence on their home. This is the best way to deter those who would try to do the wrong thing and dump rubbish on vacant lots.

How can I keep up to date with construction progress at Orchard?

For all the latest construction progress news on your Stage at Orchard, including a step-by-step guide to understanding our construction phases, visit orchardtarneit.com.au/your-orchard.

How do I claim my landscaping rebate?

Please fill out the referral form and submit your 4 photos to drp@orchardtarneit.com.au. Once approved, you'll receive an approval letter via email and your rebate will be processed.