

Orchard Seasons

Welcome to Orchard Seasons,
our quarterly community newsletter.

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE DEVELOPER

Summer at Orchard!

So here we are, summer 2021! What a roller coaster the year has been. We hope that you and your family are well and have managed to get through the challenges of home schooling while working from home. Discovering unique places within 5 kilometres of your home and spending quality time with family or found a hobby that turned into a passion.

Being able to video call family and friends was essential to get by, and no doubt a skill that many of us have acquired. We all found challenges along the way. Orchard adjusted, and with strong online demand continued to welcome new residents to our growing community.

We completed several stages during the lockdowns and maintained our central Orchard Park so it would be ready for your enjoyment and get togethers.

We have also now completed the authority reserve, which features a series of exercise stations and meandering pathways for you to enjoy or ride along with your neighbours. You will be pleased to know that ultimately the footpath network will extend beyond the Orchard community, allowing you to explore Tarneit as it continues to grow.

We hope to hold a resident's event at Orchard in the new year, and once again invite you to meet and greet your neighbours, make new friends, and join the many community groups that operate nearby. Enjoy your summer at Orchard!

Piotr Rutkowski

Senior Development Manager at Dahua Group



DAHUA GROUP



Meet our team

In each edition of Orchard Seasons, we'll introduce you to one of the Dahua team members responsible for creating our wonderful Orchard community. In this issue we meet **Johnathon Driessen**, Sales Director at Orchard.

"It's been amazing watching Orchard grow over the last three years. I've absolutely loved being involved in the planning stages, working with some incredibly talented people who all came together to deliver a thriving estate.

"The location, in particular its proximity to future amenities, is a huge part of the appeal. We all want to spend as much time as possible with our families, and being able to walk to key amenities will be a real blessing. It's what makes Orchard stand out from other communities.

"Dahua cares about those things because they care about families. They want to provide as much amenity as possible at a competitive price, so every family has the opportunity to find a wonderful home.

"For me, there's nothing more rewarding than driving through Orchard and seeing families enjoying the parks, playgrounds and all the estate has to offer. Seeing all those years of planning come to fruition is an absolute thrill."



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Watching out for each other

Our Orchard community is a tight-knit group, and although we all look out for each other it's comforting to know that we're also part of the local Neighbourhood Watch program in Tarneit.



Neighbourhood Watch began in 1983 as a way for the public to support local police in their fight against crime, particularly burglary and theft. Today more than half of all the 79 metropolitan and rural Local Government Areas enjoy this important service.

Neighbourhood Watch is only as strong as the community members who volunteer their time and energy to make it a success, and there are several things you can do to help.

The easiest way to be part of the program is to follow the [Neighbourhood Watch Tarneit](#) Facebook page. Here you will find information about recent crimes in the area and other community notices that affect everyone here at Orchard.

You can also [subscribe to the regular newsletter](#) which is sent out by email, and attend [free webinars](#) to learn how to better protect yourself and your family against crime.

COVID put a temporary halt on face-to-face events, but as restrictions ease there's sure to be a range of things you can do to get involved in other meaningful ways. Keep an eye on the Facebook page – and on [the website](#).

If you're interested in learning more about preventing crime in Tarneit, or maybe getting involved in a more serious way, send an email to Rishi Prabhakar at tarneitnhw@gmail.com.

Brand New Bus Routes in Tarneit

Commuting is set to get even easier at Orchard, with two new bus routes on the way for Tarneit!

The State government announced the service upgrades in May, allocating \$12.06 million in their 2021-22 State Budget for the two new routes, already up and running, with another two on the way!

BRAND NEW BUS ROUTES IN TARNEIT

- Route 152 Tarneit to Williams Landing
- Route 182 Werribee to Tarneit via Tarneit West

NEW ROUTES TO COME

- Route 155: This route will be great for the residents of Orchard, expected to cater for new and developing estates in Tarneit's North.
- Route 154: The new route is expected to cater for estates on Doherty's Road in Truganina.

Both new routes will run every 40 minutes, seven days a week, with higher frequencies during peak hours.

To keep updated with the build of these new routes or if you just want to plan your journey, check out the [Public Transport Victoria website](#).



The Best Grazing Boxes in the West

We all need to treat ourselves every now and then, and if you ask us you can never go wrong with a good grazing board. Whether you're planning an upcoming birthday or just a quiet Saturday afternoon with the family, these local businesses have got you covered in the snack department. And the best part is, many will deliver right to your door!



Little Growling Café

Open from 8am to 3pm daily for breakfast and lunch, this local Tarneit favourite is the self-proclaimed 'Home of incredible coffee'. But they can also hook you up with seriously scrumptious [grazing boards](#) stacked with a perfect blend of sweet and savoury treats. Visit the [Little Growling Café website](#) for more info.



Grazed 2 You

For the sweet toothed out there, grazing boxes from Grazed 2 You will be right up your street! Their sweet boxes are jam packed with goodies like doughnuts, lollies, chocolate and more! Based in Tarneit, this local business has a fantastic assortment of savoury grazing boxes too. Orders are able to be delivered for free within 30km of Tarneit and can be placed via email or DM over on the Grazed 2 You socials. Check them out [here](#).



Brie & Me

Could a grazing box be more beautiful?! Creator and founder of [Brie & Me](#), Meagan, knows her stuff when it comes to making beautiful boards and boxes filled with the finest quality hand selected foods for every occasion. From date night to brunch and gifts for mum, there's bound to be a beautiful grazing box to suit your needs. Orders are available via the [Brie & Me Instagram page](#), with contactless delivery available seven days a week.



Graze with Michelle

There's really no better way to bring people together than with beautiful food. Whether you're looking for something to treat your own family or sending a gift, [Graze with Michelle](#) has a beautiful array of premium grazing platters, boxes, hampers and gifts to choose from. All options are crafted with love, using only the freshest seasonal ingredients so you know you will be getting something seriously scrumptious! Delivery to Tarneit for \$15 is available between 9am - 2pm on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Orders can be placed online over on the [Graze with Michelle website](#).

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. Here we find out why **Sharif and Tanjin** decided that Orchard was the place to be.

What are you most looking forward to about your new home?

"We're looking forward to joining a vibrant and multicultural community, making new friends and starting our new life in a wonderful place."

What have you learned on your home buying journey?

"We thought the sales process would be quite complicated, but the Sales team were so helpful, they made everything much easier than we thought it would be."

Why did you choose to build your new home at Orchard?

"Really, it was our belief that Orchard has great potential to grow in value and grow as a community that helped us to decide."

What attracted you to the Tarneit area?

"We studied the masterplan and explored the area to see what was here. Tarneit has everything we need. Once Orchard is complete, we think it will be a great place for families."

How do you feel about your future at Orchard Tarneit?

"With so many amenities nearby, including a potential new train station, we're hoping that the convenience of everything will make life less stressful, easier, and ultimately more enjoyable."



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@rpmgrp.com.au

Who is responsible for fencing and who pays for it?

The purchaser is responsible for fencing and any costs associated with it. The cost is normally shared between landowners sharing the fence. Please refer to the contract of sale for further information and contact council for details.

How long do I have to build my house?

Construction of the house must commence within 18 months of the settlement date and must be completed no later than 12 months from construction start date.

Who is responsible for the general maintenance of nature strip?

The general rule is that you are responsible for maintenance of the nature strip at the front and side of your property if your lot is a corner.



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 Autumn edition.

Your new Community Hub

Your very own Orchard Community Online Hub is up and running! It's 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

[Check it out and see what's happening here at Orchard!](#)

See you in Autumn!

If you would like to contribute to the next edition of our newsletter, please email your submission to: orchard@rpmgrp.com.au