



## Walk your way to BETTER HEALTH

With the weather warming up, now is the time to join the free Heart Foundation Walking Group.

The walking group meets every Tuesday at 7.15pm in Arena Park. They walk for an hour through Arena and in particular, around the wetlands. The group is family-orientated and encourages parents to bring along their kids on scooters or bikes.

This is a great chance to meet other residents in Arena as well as to get some exercise at the same time. If you'd like to join in, contact Margie on 1300 787 624.

## SANCTUARY BURSTING WITH LIFE

Recent rains have helped the Arena wetlands sanctuary to flourish. Ducks and Swans have adopted the lake while the Growling Grass Frogs are a common sound in the frog pond sanctuary.

Just one of the natural precincts within Arena, the sanctuary was created to provide a haven for wildlife while providing residents with tranquil views and immediate access to nature.

Why not enjoy a walk around the thriving wetlands today?

## TAKE A LOOK AT OUR TOWNHOMES



Artist's impression only

Our next release of townhomes at Arena will be the Aquavista Collection, featuring eight townhomes overlooking the Arena Wetlands Sanctuary. A premium collection, it has a long list of inclusions as well as unique design elements to the area.

Larger than previous floor plans, the Aquavista Collection also has upgraded specifications including stone benchtops, timber Venetian blinds to front and back windows, heating, cooling and a large private timbered deck.

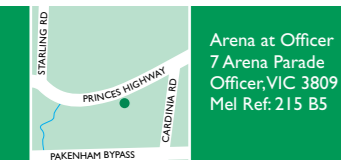
Don't miss out on these beautiful, low maintenance homes. Register your interest today.

Our townhome display is open for inspection between 3.30pm and 4pm on Saturdays or by appointment. Call Chee-ky Dunlop 0422 910 881 for more information and to take a look at these stunning homes.

### DEVELOPMENT SNAPSHOT

As Arena continues to develop, here is an update on some of most recent stages:

- Construction: 41 display homes are now open
- Stage 8 is now titled
- Stage 4 is now titled
- Stage 9 is now titled
- Construction has begun on Stage 10
- Construction on stage 5 about to start
- 210 homes now complete
- Earthworks to form district sports reserve to start in the new year



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[www.arena-at-officer.com.au](http://www.arena-at-officer.com.au) or call 131 878

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## THE Forum

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### A word from our Editor

More playgrounds and parks are complete. More homes are either built or under way and more residents are moving in.

Yes, Arena is thriving on so many levels.

Recent rains have brought out the best in our lush neighbourhood, which is home to more than 400 residents.

Wildlife abounds at the wetlands sanctuary and with the warmer weather now upon us, families are making the most of the terrific community and outstanding living environment we set out to create.

And speaking of community, there's no better time to meet some of your neighbours than over the festive season. We'll be delighted to welcome Father Christmas at Arena on December 21. Details of his visit are included in this edition of The Forum.

For those of you with dogs, read on to find out how you can receive a discount on grooming your dog simply by reading The Forum.

On behalf of AVJennings, I'd like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and a safe new year.



I look forward to talking to you in our next edition of The Forum.

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# SANTA'S COMING TO ARENA

We're thrilled to announce that Father Christmas is making his first trip to Arena.

He'll be touring the neighbourhood on Tuesday, December 21, and will stop at Arena Park at 6.30pm to hand out lollies and spread the Christmas cheer.

Christmas is such a wonderful time of the year, so why not come on down and celebrate with your Arena neighbours.



# DISTRICT PLAYGROUND SHINES



While Arena's district playground narrowly missed out on winning a KidSafe National Play Place Design Award, it continues to win rave reviews from local families.

Located just off Arena Parade at the estates entry, the park encourages exploration and promotes imagination in a natural setting. Its interactive features include a forest clearing maze, rock and garden slides, timber log obstacles and an explorative garden.

Landarche Landscape Architects joined with local artist Karl Russo to design and create the natural playground.

"The playspace reflects a move away from static fixed structured playgrounds and offers an alternative play experience," Architect Dimitri Dimakopolous from Landarche Landscape Architects, said.

"The playground was founded on the principles of exploration, social play and a reconnection to the living environment."

At AVJennings, we're delighted with the playground and we encourage everyone at Arena to showcase this delightful community space to their family and friends.

## ANOTHER PARK TAKES SHAPE

The stage four reserve 'Panorama' is now under construction. Situated on the highest point of Arena, it features a viewing platform which looks across the estate and to the wetlands.

The main viewing platform will be surrounded by the art sculpture 'Aperture' meaning the opening which light travels through. The artwork was created by Landarche Landscape Architects and manufactured by Orchard Design.

"The sculpture is designed to frame and encourage the view from the platform," Karl Russo from Orchard Design said.

"Blades of steel unfold to unveil the view across Arena. We want residents to appreciate the amazing view."

The reserve is expected to be unveiled in January 2011.

## New house and land packages released

Demand for new homes in Melbourne continues to grow ... as does the number of new home designs on the market.

And with a host of social and environmental initiatives in a master-planned community, Arena is one of the best places to build your dream home

Arena showcases a great range of house and land packages from some of Melbourne's best builders including AVJennings Contract Homes, Rawdon Hill, Porter Davis, Metricon and Boutique.

Homes are designed and built to suit the blocks at Arena, saving you time and money. All the hard work is done well in advance.

The current release of home and land packages is close to the proposed neighbourhood activity centre and wetlands. Meanwhile, a new display home from Rawdon Hill is now open, bringing the total number of homes to 41 across 15 of Australia's top builders.



## A BIG STEP FOR OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTIVITY CENTRE

Plans for the future neighbourhood activity centre are underway with the latest drawings being submitted to council. To be located on the north east corner of the Princes Highway and Cardinia Rd, the centre will provide residents with a host of community services and retail outlets in one location.

Planned amenities include a supermarket, specialty retailers, restaurant, office spaces and a medical centre.

Keep your eye on future editions of The Forum for further updates.

## DOG GROOMING BUSINESS TAKES OFF

Arena's dog owners now have access to a local dog grooming service.

Woof 'n' Wash offers a range of services from hydro baths, grooming and pet styling to holiday and doggy day care.

Resident Tahlia Brighton created a room in her new home from which she runs her dog grooming business, while also enjoying the terrific lifestyle at Arena. "We wanted to live somewhere that had a country feel but was not too isolated. Arena offered this as well as a decent size block of land at an affordable price," Tahlia said.

When mentioning this newsletter you will receive 10 per cent off any service. For more information, call Tahlia on 0421 427 947 or email [doggrooming@bigpond.com](mailto:doggrooming@bigpond.com)



## CARDINIA FOUNDATION support recognised



AVJennings has been recognised for the company's ongoing support for the Cardinia Foundation. The Cardinia Foundation is a not-for-profit foundation that raises money for community groups throughout the Shire of Cardinia. Since 2004, the foundation has provided more than \$174,000 in community grants.

AVJennings donated a Richmond Football Club jumper and a Sherrin football both signed by retired star Matthew Richardson for the foundation's charity auction. The two items raised much needed funding that will go towards community projects. The foundation has been operating for more than four years and is funded through donations and annual events.

For more information about the foundation and their grants for community projects visit [www.cardiniafoundation.com.au](http://www.cardiniafoundation.com.au).