

HOME HARVEST PICNIC 2020



Edendale Farm, 30 Gastons Road, Eltham.

Sunday 1 March 3.30pm – 7pm

Grower produce drop off points

There's a few options for delivering your produce for the Picnic. If you are unable to deliver to any of these locations at the times specified, contact Richard.rowe@nillumbik.vic.gov.au

As this is a waste free event, bring your produce in a basket or reusable container that you can take home.

Complete and bring the attached document to drop off. This will help us measure the size of the donations people are providing.

As you will likely know, the Queensland Fruit Fly has reached our suburbs. Please do a visual check of any fruit or fruiting veggies for Queensland Fruit Fly before you drop off.

- Eltham High School, 30 Withers Way, Eltham – Thursday 27, 3:30pm to 5:30pm and all day Friday 28 (Enter via the main reception for directions to the school kitchen)
- Edendale Farm, 30 Gastons Road, Eltham - Thursday 27 and Friday 28 – 9:30am to 4pm (Deliver to reception)
- Shop 48, 46/48 Bell Street Mall, Heidelberg West. Thursday 27, 4pm-6.30pm

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What to bring

This year, we're aiming for a zero waste picnic. That means that whether you're a grower or a purchaser your picnic will be served to you on your own plates. If you're BYO picnic you will also need to bring everything listed below.

You'll need to bring for each person:

- A dinner plate
- A bowl for desert
- Cutlery
- Cup and / or glass
- Tea towel
- Picnic blanket or chairs

As a waste free event we will not be providing landfill or recycling bins for rubbish collection at the end of the event.

Food

Chef, Gareth Davies from [Social Food Project](#) will be working with the VCAL students from Eltham High and a team of dedicated volunteers to produce a delicious vegetarian feast. With Social Project at the helm you can expect a celebration of home grown and local food as they are passionate about eating local, with purpose and for the planet.

Entertainment & Activities

- [Charlie Mgee](#) (Formidable Vegetable) is coming to entertain and inspire us on the Ukulele with his repertoire permaculture funk songs! Charlie has played Glastonbury (UK), Secret Garden Party (UK), BOOM (Portugal), Shambhala (Canada), Symbiosis (USA), Woodford (QLD) and Rainbow Serpent (VIC) and now Charlie is playing at the Home Harvest Picnic (Edendale) on the 1st March.

- The Eltham East Primary School Yukele Ensemble will be bringing their fun tunes to the picnic
- [Roving Refills](#) will be attending till 5pm, so bring along some recycled bottles so you can buy Roving Refill's environmentally sensitive household detergents and body care products
- Enter the Silly Veg competition! Bring along that carrot with legs, tomato with a nose or a cheeky peach that looks like a bottom to be in the running for a prize. Photos will also be considered.
- Hot pickling activity. Bring along a small clean jar with a lid so you can take home some home grown pickles!
- Are you a preserves perfectionist? Enter the home-made preserve competition on the day. Bring along your best preserve to be judged by a panel of experts!

Stalls

- Local winemakers, [Kings of Kangaroo Ground](#) will be on hand for you to sample and purchase a drop of their finest to enjoy with your picnic. Remember to BYO your own glass. No single use plastic glasses will be provided
- [PowerHouse Cheese](#) are a small family run business operating from Blackburn that uses un-homogenised milk from a Friesian herd of cows in Gippsland to make beautiful soft cheeses. They will be selling small wheels of cheese so make sure you bring along a plate and knife for serving. Freshly baked focaccia will be available from the grazing tables.
- Coffee – Café Eden will be selling coffee on the night. BYO your cups if you want a coffee as paper cups will not be available on the night.
- [NERP](#) will be running a seed bomb activity for kids
- [Macleod Community Gardens](#)

- [Thrive Community Garden](#) will be running a food swap
- [Monty Boomerang Bags](#) will be here making bags
- [Bulleen Art and Garden](#) will be running some activities for the kids and the silly vegetable competition
- A photo booth will be set up to take family / farming / veggie growing photos on your own phones

Getting there

You're encouraged to use public transport, bicycle or come on foot to the Picnic. Edendale is located on the Diamond Creek Trail, a 10 minute walk from Eltham Train Station. The Hurstbridge line runs from the city to Eltham.

If you are driving, there is limited parking available at the Eltham North adventure playground on Wattletree Road, and enter Edendale at via the back gate

Home Harvest partners

The Home Harvest Picnic is a partnership between Nillumbik Shire Council, Banyule City Council, Edendale Farm, Local Food Connect, Bulleen Art & Garden and The Veggie Empire

