



Spring Outdoors

Spring Outdoors is a regional program of environmental events brought to you by Banyule City Council, Manningham Council and Nillumbik Shire Council.


Residents from these areas are welcome to attend any of the events. Bookings are essential for most events, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Sustainable Gardening session locations

Manningham sessions (in person)

Manningham Function Centre
699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster

To register for Manningham events, visit:

 manningham.vic.gov.au/spring-outdoors

Nillumbik sessions (online)


To register for Nillumbik events, visit:

 nilumbik.vic.gov.au/spring-outdoors

Banyule sessions (in person)

Macleod Community Hall
7 Birdwood Avenue, Macleod

To register for Banyule events, visit:

 banyule.vic.gov.au/Events-activities/Major-events/Spring-Outdoors-Festival

For a full list of Spring Outdoor events visit

 spring-outdoors.squarespace.com

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 environment@nillumbik.vic.gov.au

Green Wrap

 environment@banyule.vic.gov.au

What's On Environment

 environment@manningham.vic.gov.au

Food and seed swaps

Bring along your own home grown food including vegetables, fruit, nuts herbs, spices, and exchange it with someone else.

The Home Harvest food and seed swap takes place 15 minutes before each seminar begins.



Sustainable Gardening Australia Seminar Series

2022 Program Guide

Explore gardening practices for food and health, wildlife and climate change.

A program delivered by Banyule City Council, Manningham Council and Nillumbik Shire Council in partnership with Sustainable Gardening Australia.



2022 program guide

Manningham Council **Gardening for Food and Health**

Tuesday 11 October, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Getting Started with Veggie Gardening

The first step is to want to grow organically, but where do you start? This workshop will set you up to start your veggie gardening journey so you can enjoy the benefits of growing your own fresh, healthy and nutritious food.



Tuesday 18 October, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Building Healthy Soils for produce gardening

Healthy soil is full of life and fundamental to the health of our gardens, providing plants with all the nutrients and water they need to grow. Good soil is essential for growing produce.

Tuesday 8 November, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Dealing with Garden Pests

Garden pests can be managed using nature and its resources to strengthen the balance within your garden, avoiding unnecessary chemical use.

Tuesday 15 November, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Composting and Worm Farming

Using compost, worms, bokashi or chooks to turn kitchen and garden waste into black gold for your garden.

Tuesday 22 November, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Prep for Summer Planting

Everything you need to know to grow fresh produce at home during summer.



Banyule City Council **Gardening for Biodiversity**

Wednesday 7 September, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Soil care in indigenous/wildlife gardening

In this workshop we will dive into the world of soil and how to care for it, so your indigenous or wildlife garden flourishes and becomes a welcome home for wildlife.

Wednesday 28 September, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Native Bees and Butterflies

Native bees and butterflies are great pollinators and beautiful additions to any garden. There are many things you can do to attract them. Maybe they'll even set up residency in your garden.

Wednesday 12 October, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Balconies and small gardens for wildlife

Our built up urban environment balconies and small courtyard gardens can play an important role in providing habitat for wildlife.

Wednesday 19 October, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Indigenous food, fibre, medicine plants

Before white settlement, the Australian bush provided First Nations People with food and medicine needed to thrive in this unique country. This workshop will introduce the gardener to some of the plants used by First Nations People and inspire gardeners to grow them in their gardens.

Tuesday 26 October, 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Weeds – Dancing with nature in the garden

Weeds are the bane of the home gardener but also a serious threat to local native flora and fauna.



Nillumbik Shire Council **Gardening for Climate Change**

Tuesday 6 September, 12.30pm to 1.30pm
Healthy soil, healthy planet

Soil is the building block to your garden and your local environment. It also plays an important role in climate action. Healthy soil also stores lots of carbon!

Friday 16 September, 12.30pm to 1.30pm
Water smart gardening

Gardens are important to us, our health, our community, the environment and biodiversity. With some water smart techniques we can keep them beautiful and productive, even when water is scarce.

Thursday 17 November, 7.00pm to 8.30pm
Climate action through gardening

The garden is more than just an outdoor room. It can be a place of climate action< where you can connect with the environment and implement changes to reduce your contribution to climate change, helping build climate resilience.

Wednesday 23 November, 7.00pm to 8.30pm
Cooling our patch – urban greening and cooling

This session discusses the importance of urban greening and how trees, shrubs, grasses and flowers create an urban forest in our built environments. Learn about climate change mitigation and climate adaption in an urban environment.

