

Recovery Wrap

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Welcome to the
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Livingstone.

Useful Contacts

Community Recovery	1800 17 33 49
Lifeline's crisis support	13 11 14
13HEALTH	13 43 25 84

For information [about disaster recovery funds](#) for affected communities.
[Additional information for disaster affected areas.](#)

Support Groups

Australian Red Cross	1800 733 276
Salvation Army	13 72 58

Volunteering Queensland
<https://www.volunteeringqld.org.au/>

At. Vincent de Paul Assistance	1800 846 643
RSPCA	
General enquires	0734 269 999
Blue Care	1300 849 513
St. John Ambulance	1300 785 646

What's coming up?

Watch this space.... Locality Specific Cuppa and Chat : drop-in bushfire recovery gathering's within the Cobraball fire scar area will commence soon. These will be both informative and an opportunity to catchup with neighbours.

What's been on?

Maryvale Community Gathering, 3rd December: Maryvale Rural Fire Brigade hosted a membership drive as an end of year gathering. It was a great opportunity for new residents to meet their neighbours and share information about the

rural fire brigade. Council attended to listen to residents and collect information to guide their recovery work moving forwards into 2023.

Local Disaster Coordination Centre (LDCC) Weather Briefing.

Livingstone's skilled LDCC staff attended a weather briefing during December to ensure all were up to date with the upcoming seasonal outlook and conditions. It was great to see all these staff members who have trained throughout the year to be prepared to assist during times of disaster.

How can you be better Prepared?

Can emergency services access your property? Is the property number visible?

Numbers must be easily read from the roadway to enable a property to be identified by emergency service vehicles.

In areas of kerb and channelling: The number is to be painted or fixed to the kerb or erected on the road frontage boundary of the property. In areas of non-kerbed roadways: The rural addressing sign will be erected at the far side of the access drive approximately 1.0m outside the line of guideposts/shoulder of the road/or property side of the piped crossing or adjacent to the mailbox in a visible location. Do you need a replacement rural addressing sign?



Contact Council's customer service centre on 1300 790 919 or Council's [Online Services](#) to inquire about a replacement sign.

Also, you should ensure there is adequate space for fire trucks to access your home. You should have at least four metres wide and high with a turnaround area.

How to prepare for an emergency event where you may lose connectivity?

NBN have developed the following tips to help you prepare for an emergency event where you may lose connectivity.

Tip 1 - Stay mobile

Put together an emergency kit with a charged mobile phone and a portable mobile battery pack on hand. This can help if you experience a power outage, or if your nbn network connection is disrupted in an emergency. Consider turning off your mobile data on unnecessary apps to save battery.

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Tip 2 - Stay updated

Local radio is a good source of information during an emergency, so include a battery powered radio in your emergency communications kit. It's also worth following emergency services on social and news channels. These may include your State Fire and Rescue, Police Services and utilities like nbn (@NBN_Australia).

Tip 3 - Back-up

Make sure you can access important information and essential documents from anywhere – this could mean creating a digital back-up on a USB, or in the cloud. These key pieces of information may include insurance policies and/or financial documents.

Tip 4 - Alternative/back-up options

For businesses or other community groups, you might want to consider investing in alternative communication and power options to keep your business or community group operating. It's also important that you regularly test these back-up options to ensure they work when an emergency actually arises.

For more information in regards to emergency events where you may lose connectivity, visit:

nbn.com.au/Emergency

Travelling the road to recovery.

Last edition we introduced Dr Rob Gordon, disaster psychologist. Access the video series [here](#).



The six videos in the series are:

- Coping with Stress after an emergency
- Building trust and confidence in your community post-emergency
- Tackling Uncertainty and anxiety ahead of the next fire season
- Summer strategies to manage feelings and reduce stress
- Accepting the risk of Bushfire and creating a new future
- Learn to trust your own thinking and actions

What's the season look like?

With the monsoon very active now, it's time to check if you know about cyclone warnings. The Bureau of Meteorology produces tropical cyclone warnings as well as [related information about tropical cyclones](#) and the tropical cyclone season. These products include Tropical Cyclone Advices and Forecast Track Maps, as well as seasonal outlooks and information bulletins.

Tropical Cyclone Advices are issued whenever a tropical cyclone is likely to cause winds in excess of 62 km/h (gale force) over Australian communities within the next 48 hours. The Tropical Cyclone Advice lets people know when they might be affected by issuing either a Watch or Warning for each community in the path of the cyclone.

