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## Thursday 28 May 2020

**Council awards close to $90,000 in grants**

The Council awarded grants worth $89,367 to 45 community groups and event organisers at a Council meeting on Wednesday 20 May 2020.

Grants were awarded to 35 not-for-profit community-based organisations for funding of up to $2,500 under the Community Grants Program for projects and activities that enable participation in social, cultural and economic life in Benalla Rural City.

Nine event organisers received funding of up to $1,500 under the Major Event Funding program for events that provide measurable economic benefit and enhance the image and liveability of Benalla Rural City. One grant of $1,000 was also awarded as a Youth Participation Grant.

### 2020 Community Grants Program

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| **Recipient** | **Funding** |
| Albert Heaney Reserve Committee of Management  Generator and First Aid kit | $2,500 |
| Aviation Museum  Purchase of mannequins for museum display (Youth Participation Grant) | $1,000 |
| Benalla and District Pre-School Partnership - Bernard Briggs Campus  Equipment for Kindergarten | $1,000 |
| Benalla Camera Club  Hire of exhibition space | $1,650 |
| Benalla Family Research Group  Computer upgrade | $1,730 |
| Benalla Gardens Tennis Club  Resurface of courts | $2,500 |
| Benalla Girl Guides  Purchase of 2 reverse cycle air conditioning units | $2,500 |
| Benalla Hockey Club  Purchase of hockey sticks, pads and other equipment | $775 |
| Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre  Replacement of steel poles with aluminium for basketball and netball | $1,000 |
| Benalla Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club  Plumbing upgrade | $2,500 |
| Benalla Little Athletics  Line marking of athletic field | $2,500 |
| Benalla Netball Association Inc.  Purchase of balls, bibs and vests | $2,000 |
| Benalla Pistol Club  Defibrillator, disable car park and window installation | $2,500 |
| Benalla Saints Sports Club Inc.  Bain-marie for canteen | $2,200 |
| Benalla Senior Citizens Club Inc.  Bowling mats | $2,500 |
| Benalla Table Tennis Association  Lighting for tables tennis at Benalla Indoor Recreation Centre | $1,865 |
| Benalla Young Sportspersons Trust  Supporting young Benalla Athletes | $1,000 |
| Cooinda Village Inc.  Let’s Find Our Voice Project | $2,500 |
| Devenish Public Hall Committee of Management  Replacement of stumps and bearers | $1,048 |
| Goorambat and District Community Group Inc.  Directional signage Goorambat Silo Art | $1,600 |
| Goorambat Football Netball Club  Upgrade of umpires’ facility | $2,500 |
| Lima School Community Centre Committee  Building repairs | $2,500 |
| Lima South Community Hall  Purchase pie warmer, microwave and ceiling fan | $1,439 |
| Lima South Rural Fire Brigade  Purchase of training material and high powered torch | $1,000 |
| Moira Benalla Club Inc.  Building maintenance work | $1,000 |
| Molyullah Recreation and Public Hall Reserve  Marquee hire | $1,000 |
| Molyullah Upper Ryan’s Creek Heritage  Signage for heritage sites | $1,500 |
| Moorngag Cemetery Trust  Cemetery entrance upgrade | $2,500 |
| North East Art Trail Inc.  Art trail signage | $2,500 |
| North Eastern Muzzleloaders and Colonial Firearms  Purchase and planting of shade trees | $1,500 |
| Ride Avenue Pre-School  Awning for front entrance | $2,431 |
| Rose City Country Music Club Inc.  Contribution to venue hire cost | $1,800 |
| Samaria Suns Sports Club  Reversible jumpers for community engagement games | $2,079 |
| Swanpool and District Community Development Association Inc.  Production of tourist maps | $1,000 |
| Thoona Memorial Hall Committee Inc.  Interiror/exterior painting | $2,500 |
| Warrenbayne Hall & Recreation Reserve  Hot water service and kitchen bench | $2,500 |

**2020 Major Event Funding**

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| **Recipient** | **Funding** |
| Benalla Basketball Association  Junior Regional BasketballTournament | $1,500 |
| Benalla Garden Club  Garden Expo | $1,500 |
| FCJ College  120 Year Reunion | $1,500 |
| For the Good of Devenish Inc.  Remembrance Day Service at Devenish Silos | $1,250 |
| Goorambat & District Community Group  Outback Dunny Day | $1,500 |
| Moorngag Hall & Recreation Reserve Moorngag Mower Mania | $1,500 |
| Rose City Band Annual Concert | $1,000 |
| Society of Automotive Engineers Australia Formula SAE-Australiasia event at Winton Motor Raceway | $1,500 |
| Swanpool & District Community Development Association Swanpool Creative Recycled Art Prize (SCRAP) | $1,500 |

Mayor, Cr Danny Claridge, said that he was impressed with the volume and quality of applications this year.

“The number of applications from community groups looking to strengthen the community demonstrates the drive to help strengthen our community through projects and events,’ said Cr Claridge.

“Thank you to everyone who took the initiative to plan their projects, apply to the Council for support and be willing to help build a vibrant, healthy and sustainable community through these programs.”

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