



Dear All,

Before the summer period approaches we are going to begin the **Beyond Bushfires** study in **Darnum** and the suburb of **West Bendigo**. We are inviting everyone from these communities to be involved. If you live in Darnum or the suburb of West Bendigo and would like to be involved please register your interest by phoning 1800 020 727. We want to capture everyone that was living in these areas in February 2009. If you know someone who has moved away from the area – please pass this information onto them. We will also be sending some information about the study to all the households in these areas.

If you don't live in these communities – the following is a list of the other communities we are focusing on after summer - around March 2012 (more information on how to be involved will come early next year). These communities include:

Axedale	Bruarong	Buxton	Callignee
Dederang	Dixons Creek	Eildon	Glen Creek
Granton	Gundowring	Kancoona	Kinglake Central
Kinglake	Kinglake West	Koornalla	Marysville
Narbethong	Mudgegonga	Pheasant Creek	Rosewhite
Running Creek	Steels Creek	Taggerty	Tallarook

Community Visits late August & September:

Eildon – Lisa and Elyse had a lovely tour of the town and discussion with various members of the local community. Our visit was a great way to be introduced to the community.

Callignee and Koornalla – Lisa and Elyse attended the book launch of community members stories of the Black Saturday bushfires called “Beneath dark skies”. This is an amazing book of great quality. There was a great turnout at the Callignee Hall.

So far this year we have had over 100 emails and phone calls with community members, along with 19 visits to communities. We have been busy, so even if you haven't heard from us in a while, we are still thinking of you! Please feel free to email or call for a project update, or visit the Beyond Bushfires website for up to date information.

Kind regards,

The Beyond Bushfires team



Our website is now up and running:

www.beyondbushfires.org.au

Further, you can now find 'Beyond Bushfires' on Facebook and Twitter. Check out these pages for regular project updates and send us your thoughts/comments.

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