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Fire in Warrandyte – What would you do? Warrandyte Bushfire Scenario Workshop

What will you do when a fire breaks out in Warrandyte?
If your plan is to go will you *actually* leave early or wait and see?
Have all the family talked it through? What if something unexpected happens? Have you a plan B, C ...?

These and other possible situations and questions will be posed to residents at the next 'Bushfire Scenario Planning Workshop'.

The Warrandyte Community Association's 'Be Ready Warrandyte' project held a successful pilot workshop earlier in May involving all local emergency services - all three local CFA fire captains and other CFA officers, council emergency management officers, local police, Parks Victoria and Department of Environment and Primary Industries officers.

"Ninety per cent of participants in the pilot said that their plan helped them through the simulation and advised that, if they couldn't leave early, they now have, or plan to have, a B, C, D ...contingency plan," said WCA President Dick Davies.

"Most participants said that they would recommend this exercise to friends and neighbours.

"Based on the pilot, we have refined the program to address real issues that may arise in Warrandyte.

"We encourage all residents to attend to gain a better understanding of their fire plan and how it may be challenged in reality."

The Workshop will be held at Anderson's Creek Primary School on Thursday 28th November, 7.00-9.00pm.

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For further information see www.warrandyte.org.au/fire or phone 'Be Ready Warrandyte' on 9844 5855.

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