Emergency Numbers
Police, Ambulance, Fire 000
Powercor Service difficulties 132 412
Southern Grampians Shire Council
Shire Council After hours 0418 528 538
Customer Service emergency contact 1300 926 666
Warmon Water Customer Service After Hours/Emergency 1300 926 668
Southern Grampians Shire Council Services
Council Business 111 Brown St Hamilton 3300 5573 0444
Centre
Home & Community Care Services 5551 8480 or 5551 8481
Family Day Care 5551 8464
Maternal & Child-Health Services 5551 8480
School
Tarrington Lutheran School 7901 Hamilton Hwy 5572 3897
Businesses
Best Environmental Technologies 7955 Hamilton Hwy 5571 9574
Café Catalpa 7921 Hamilton Hwy 5572 1888
Hamilton Kitty Karo Cattery 204 Walkenhorst Rd 5572 4280
Noel’s Machinery 8021 Hamilton Hwy 5572 2477
One Day Collective 95 Picnic Rd 0438 803 422
Roth Trucking 7893 Hamilton Hwy 0419 388 007
Terra Firma Diagnostics 8030 Hamilton Hwy 5572 4959
Western District Carpet Overlocking 204 Walkenhorst Rd 5572 3965
Churches
Lutheran Church Hamilton Hwy 5572 3840
Tabor Lutheran Church 235 Tabor Rd 5572 3840
Warrayure Lutheran Church Glenstig Hwy 5572 3840
Community Groups
Laternenfest Planning Team 0417 503 265
Tarrington Brass Band 5572 4959
Tarrington Community Park 0417 685 911
Tarrington Fire Brigade 5572 5283
Tarrington Progress Association 0417 503 265
Tarrington Senior Citizens 5572 4924
Sporting Clubs
Southern Grampians Cricket Club 0457 504 158
Tarrington Tennis Club 0417 503 265
Tarrington Women’s Cricket Team 0427 750 599
Community Services
Tarrington Rural Fire Brigade 5572 3296
V/Line Hamilton Hwy Tickets available onboard
Accommodation
Gatekeeper’s Cottage 25 Picnic Rd 0423 126 745
Pierpoint B&B 271 Pierpoint Rd 5572 5658
Wineries
Hermann Wines 595 Yatchaw Rd Sales by appointment 5573 3255
Hochkirch Wines & Tarrington Vineyard 5573 3200
Mount Napier Wines 452 Picnic Rd Mail and phone orders 5571 9850
Pierpoint Wines 271 Pierpoint Road Cellar door sales 5572 5653
Places of Interest
Bike Riding 10km designated cycling track between Hamilton and Tarrington
Bloomfield Cottage 7920 Hamilton Hwy 5572 2550
German Historical Sites Tours by appointment 5572 4959
Historical Sights walking trail Map located at Tarrington Reserve
Tarrington Lutheran Church Tours Tours by appointment 5572 3840
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Tarrington

Named as Hochkirch by its German founders in 1853, this small town and surrounds has now made a significant mark for two very distinct and different reasons; pinot noir and singing.

Having had its name changed to Tarrington in 1918 due to world events at the time, Tarrington has maintained a strong and proud German heritage.

**LUTHERAN HERITAGE**

St Michael’s Lutheran Church, the current church building was opened in 1928. The very large church is a prominent feature of the main street giving you a sense of how strong the faith was in the early days, a faith that continues today. The name “Hochkirch” means “high Church” and is a fitting description as the floodlit spire can be seen at night from many kilometres away.

The local Lutheran School, St Michaels is the longest continuing school of its kind in the country, having celebrated its 150th Anniversary in 2003.

At nearby Tabor, a bluestone church was built by the early German pioneers and the sounds of the famous Tabor male choir continues today, although most singers do not down tools from the nearby paddocks at the sound of the booming church bells as they did many years ago.

**HERRNHUT RUINS**

A significant historical German site in the area is the remains of the Herrnhutt religious commune established in 1853 (Days Rd, Penshurst). This was Australia’s first utopian commune which lasted 37 years. Established by Johann Friedrict Krumnow, born 1811, he practiced an unusual blend of millenarianism, communism and Moravian Christianity (they believed the second coming was imminent).

The inhabitants of Herrnhutt withstood internal friction, bizarre incidents and controversy for more than 25 years. After Krumnow’s death in 1880, the commune finally ceased to function in 1889 when the property was sold to repay creditors.

The sheer size of the construction of these places of worship stagger visitors. The fact they exist in relative isolation in their rural settings stands as a great legacy to those who built them and those who continue to worship there.

**PROUD COMMUNITY LIFESTYLE**

The Tarrington community may be small but is very strong and within cycling distance of Hamilton, it has very much remained a separate entity with a proud population.

An easy walking trail within the community of Tarrington with markers of historic sites is a must when visiting Tarrington.

Many new residents have moved to the town as a lifestyle choice, and with the opportunity to see the renowned pinot grapes growing over the fence, you can’t blame them.

**CYCLING TRAIL**

For those staying in nearby Hamilton, Tarrington offers the opportunity to cycle 10 kilometres on a designated track, enjoying the pastoral and geographic views along the way and stopping for a cappuccino or pinot noir at the café before returning. Nearby you will find Pierrepoint Winery offering cellar door sales with cheese platters. This is a trip that will be healthy, interesting and rewarding.

Sample premium quality local wines

Cycle the 10km trail between Tarrington and Hamilton

Enjoy the Sunday service at St. Michael’s Lutheran Church