

ABOUT BOORT

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*Congratulations to Marilyn and Ian Lanyon
RACV Victorian Tourism Silver Award Winners
For their Simply Tomatoes business.*



*Best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a safe
and happy New Year to our contributors and
readers.*

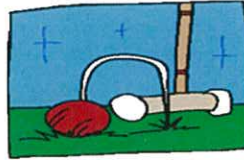
Local Business Festive Season Operating times

BRIC	Closed	25th December to 4th January
National Bank	Closed	25th December to 4th January
Boort Pharmacy	Closed	Christmas Day Boxing Day New Years Day Public Holidays
Home Hardware	Closed	Christmas Day Boxing Day New Years Day Public Holidays
CBA	Closed	Christmas Day Boxing Day New Years Day Public Holidays
Lakeside Café	Closed	Christmas Day
Boort Vet	Closed	Monday 21st December Reopen Tuesday 29th December
	Closed	New Years Day
Arnold Family	Closed	25th December Reopen Tuesday 29th December
Butchers	Closed	New Years Day
IGA	Closed	Christmas Day Open Public Holidays 10:00 am– 1:00pm

Boort Emporium

Opening times Monday 21st 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Tuesday 22nd 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Wednesday 23rd 7:30 am - 8:00 pm; Thursday 24th 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Christmas Day Closed; Saturday 26th 7:30 am - 2:00 pm; Sunday 27th 10:00 am - 1:00 pm; Monday 28th 7:30 am - 1:00 pm; Tuesday 29th 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Wednesday 30th 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Thursday 31st 7:30 am - 6:00 pm; Friday 1st January 7:30 am - 11:00 am; Saturday 2nd January 7:30 am - 2:00 pm; Sunday January 3 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

-Boort Lakeside Croquet Club -



Are these jockeys familiar?

Murray Valley Pennant Croquet Ladder scores to date:

Association Croquet: Boort White - 3 wins to Boort after round 8, position 3 on the ladder

Boort Blue - 6 wins to Boort after round 8, position 1 on the ladder

Golf Croquet - 8 wins to Boort after round 10, position 1 on the ladder

Come join the Social Friday evenings under lights; Juniors play at 5:30pm (play free) and Adults at 7.00pm. All new players welcome.

Members of the Boort Lakeside Croquet Club recently had a most entertaining CUP DAY when the Club hosted a social get together to celebrate the race that stops a nation. The day began with nibbles while Denise Rhook organised sweeps for the day. A scrumptious lunch followed. Everyone dressed up for the occasion and they all looked stunning. Fashions on the field attracted much interest with the following members saluting the judges. Colleen Coutts was judged as winner of fashions on the field, while Tammy Boyd won best hat/fascinador and the fashion couple for the day, with matching attire, were Robert and Gaye Sim. Betty and Barry Barnes won the best vintage outfit with Barry the standout wearing green corduroy flairs. The day's highlight was the arrival of 3 jockeys dressed in racing silks. The jockeys were cleverly disguised and rode in on their scooters with hobby horses attached. These were kindly loaned by Marilyn Lanyon. The disguises were so effective that a member asked where the jockeys had come from. Afternoon tea finished the day off beautifully.

Volunteer Grants

The latest round of Volunteer Grants between \$1000 and \$5000 is now open to help for not-for-profit organisations. These grants are available to voluntary incorporated organisations and can be used for such things as chairs and tables, computers, cameras, lawn mowers, heaters and coolers and so on. These grants can be used by organisations to help with costs incurred by their volunteers and could include the cost of fuel to take seniors to the doctor, first aid training, background security checks or transport for volunteers with disability who cannot drive.

More information on the 2015 Volunteer Grants program can be found at www.dss.gov.au/grants contact the Volunteer Grants 2015 Hotline on freecall 1800 183 374 or email vg2015@dss.gov.au

On line applications are preferred. Applications close at 2:00pm AEDT, Wednesday 9 December, 2015.

Boort District Health Murray—Moyne Cycle Relay 2016

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd of April 2016, sees the 30 year anniversary of the Murray—Moyne Cycle Relay. At present, we have a number of interested riders and support crew from previous years, however, we are in need of more support. If you feel you are up for the challenge of participating as a support crew member for this coming year, please contact

Dr Ashraf Takla at the Boort Medical Clinic on 5451 5220 or Kathryn Velleley on 5451 5200 we would love to see you as part of our team.



2015 BDH team



Boort Angling Club Report

Now that summer is approaching, we should be able to get out more — except for the flies! I took a short afternoon to Murrabit, caught a couple of Brim and Carp and a million flies.

Didn't take long to pack up and head home. Heard of another member that had a different story, down Portland way, that found the swell was a little more than the river, and was spoilt by an overwhelming feeling in his tummy.

Enough of that. Up coming fishing days are as follows:-

Two member are attending the Cod Classic at Lake Mulwala 4th, 5th & 6th of December.

This event attracts over 3000 anglers for the chance to catch a million dollar tagged cod and share in \$150,000 worth of prizes.

Our club is running a Family Carp Day on Lake Boort, Sunday 13th Dec. Start when ever you like, and finish at 6:00 pm for BBQ tea and prizes. Entry is free and open to all.

Note: The cod season starts on Tuesday 1st December.

Our next meeting is at the clubrooms on Wednesday 9th Dec at 8:00 pm. There will be no meeting in January.

Our meeting on the 10th of February will be the Annual General Meeting

Fees for the coming year will be due after this date.

Plans are in progress for new club uniforms, that should be available early next year. Orders can be placed with the secretary, (after the AGM) and if any one would like to be part sponsors so as to have their business printed on the shirts, please make your self known.

See you at our Family Carp Day.

Ian Lanyon

Lake Boort Wildlife Reserve Management Plan – Have Your Say

A big thank you from Parks Victoria to everyone who attended the Open House drop-in consultation at BRIC on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November. It was very valuable for the planning team to hear the different ideas and issues for the future management of the reserve from a wide range of people. The insights from people who have known Lake Boort over many years helped to provide a longer term perspective for the planning.

A survey is available at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LakeBoort>. The survey invites you to comment on the draft vision for the lake; what the priorities for management should be; and what activities should be allowed or restricted. The survey is open until 4 December 2015. Copies of the survey, as well as some discussion papers, are available from BRIC. The Parks Victoria website (<http://parkweb.vic.gov.au>) has a page on the **Lake Boort Management Plan**. Type "Lake Boort Management Plan" into Search. Here you can get copies of the Fact Sheets and Discussions Papers and contribute your views and ideas through the **on-line survey**.

In addition to the survey, Parks Victoria encourages everyone interested in the future of this reserve to email any comments to the planning team: parkplan@parks.vic.gov.au

The Battle of Long Tan Anniversary – student study tour

Leader of The Nationals and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh has encouraged students of the Murray Plains electorate who will study Year 10 or 11 in 2016 to enter the Vietnam War *History Competition*. "As the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan approaches, it is timely to encourage local students to learn more about the Vietnam war and reflect upon the spirit of those brave young Australian men conscripted to fight," Mr Walsh said.

The Vietnam War History Competition encourages young people to explore the topic of the Vietnam War and the issues that prompted debate amongst a nation. "Students can make written submissions, or enter craft or audio visual projects," Mr Walsh said. The winning entrants will take part in a study tour to Vietnam to visit Australia's key battle fields, as well as places of historical significance in Ho Chi Minh, Saigon and Hanoi.

Entries close on March 27 2016 and travel will take place in September 2016.

Teachers wishing to secure a chaperone position are also encouraged to apply.

For more information visit www.vvaavic.org.au

CAROLS BY THE LAKE

The annual Boort Community Carols by
Candlelight event will be on
SUNDAY 20th DECEMBER
at 8:00pm
Held at Nolens Park

At the soundshell between the Tennis Courts
and the Caravan Park

All are welcome to come along and join in this
celebration of Christmas through music and song.



CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

ANGLICAN
7:30pm Christmas Eve

BAPTIST
7:00pm Christmas Eve

CATHOLIC
5:00pm Christmas Eve

UNITING & CHURCHES OF CHRIST
9:00am Christmas Day



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 19th March 2016

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Members of the Boort & District Community are
invited to help Boort Fire Brigade celebrate 125
years of community service with a evening dinner.
Further details will be sent in late January 2016.

Further information please contact;

Secretary Russel Talbot –
russel.talbot@gmwater.com.au 0429 333 242 (PO
Box 10, Boort, Vic, 3537)
Captain Glenn Mercer
glenn.mercer@members.cfa.vic.gov.au
0409 119 477

Thank you

On behalf of myself, my mother (Evelyn Bollard)
and my sister (Diane Cross) I would like to take this
opportunity to say a BIG THANK-YOU to all
members of staff at the Boort Hostel and Boort
Hospital for the care and kindness they have given
my Aunt (Gladys Keating) over the past 8 years.
A special thank you to Ashraf & June for being with
us at the end.
My heartfelt thanks
Kathy Lowrie.

Hello!

**You are invited to The
Boort Parents Group!**

**Date: Thursday 3rd December
2015**

Time: 10:00am – 11:30am

**An informal time of play and catch
up**

come for Morning Tea!

**Location: BRIC, Godfrey Street,
Boort**

For more information contact

Anthea MCHN 0409 166 891

Hoping that you can come!

*Please feel free to invite anyone who
you think may enjoy coming too...
everyone is most welcome!*

**Anthea Ryan | Maternal & Child Health
Nurse | Loddon Shire Council
Postal | PO Box 62 Serpentine VIC 3517
Street | 37 Peppercorn Way Serpentine VIC
3517**

BOORT NETBALL CLUB

Boort Netball Club is seeking coaches for the upcoming season-

SENIORS

U16's

U13's

Net Set Go



Expressions of interest to

boortnc@gmail.com or K.Gooding-0407857894 by 30th November

Local Phone Book

A new local phone book will come out in January 2016.

If you have any alterations or inclusions they can be made at BRIC or contact Jean Henderson on 54554265

Christmas Lights Competition

Time to get those Christmas lights out of storage, the Amity Christmas Lights competition is on again.

Judging will be the week commencing 13th December.

\$50.00 prize to the winner



DESPERATELY SEEKING information and particularly pictures of the hospital in Lakeview St., called Morella.

It appears there may have been other 'hospitals' in Boort. Any information or pictures you may have I would love to see and have copied.

Thank you.....Honie Twedde



Can anyone please identify the building in this picture? Was it the old hospital in Lakeview St? Please ring me on 54552542 if you can identify it for me. Thanks Honie Twedde

Seeking Information

Can anyone identify the family or old stone house around Catumnal?

This photo is on the Historic Pillar outside Tyrone Flats.

It appears to be a mother and four children.

If you can help, please phone Boort Historical Society Secretary

Jennie Weaver 0428133381 as this has come as an enquiry from the public.



Loddon Shire Council

Ordinary Council Meetings of the Loddon Shire Council for 2016 will be held on the following dates:

Wednesday 27 January
Tuesday 23 February
Tuesday 22 March
Tuesday 26 April
Tuesday 24 May
Tuesday 28 June
Tuesday 26 July
Tuesday 23 August
Tuesday 27 September
Tuesday 11 October
Tuesday 22 November
Tuesday 13 December

The meetings will be held at the Serpentine Council Chambers, Peppercorn Way, Serpentine, commencing at 3:00 pm. Interested members of the public are very welcome to attend.

John McLinden

Loddon Shire Closures:

The Council offices in Wedderburn and Serpentine will close at noon on Wednesday 23 December for the afternoon. The offices will then be closed from noon Thursday 24 December 2015 and reopen at 8:15am on Monday 4 January 2016.

The Community Services Department will also be closed from noon Thursday 24 December 2015 and reopen at 8:15am on Monday 4 January 2016. Limited personal care will be provided and clients will be advised of their personal care services for this period. There will be limited Meals on Wheels provided and clients will be contacted to arrange meals for this period. No home care, respite care or property maintenance services will be offered over this time.

For any client service requirement emergencies during this period, phone 0427 804 736.

Kerbside garbage and recycling collections scheduled for Friday 25 December will move to Sunday 27 December, and collections scheduled for Friday 1 January will move to Sunday 3 January.

Landfills and Transfer Stations will be closed on Friday 25, Saturday 26 and Monday 28 December 2015, Friday 1 January 2016, and Tuesday 26 January 2016.

Night Network

Night Network, a one year trial of all-night public transport, was announced by the Minister for Public Transport Jacinta Allan recently.

The trial includes 24-hour public transport in Melbourne on Friday and Saturday nights, and a **2:00 am V/Line coach service to major regional towns starting on 1 January 2016.**

The V/Line service will be called "Night Coach" and will provide a new late-night service to the major regional centres of Ballarat, Bendigo, Traralgon and Geelong. The services will depart Southern Cross Station at around 2:00 am.

Coaches will pick up and drop off at major stations, and drop off at smaller stations on request.

Timetables and more information about the V/Line services will be available in the coming weeks.

Public transport in Melbourne will run all night on the weekends and will be serviced by Night Train, Night Bus and Night Tram.

Night Network will provide options for people travelling to and from work during the night, and provide better access to the city and nightlife.

Patronage and demand will be closely monitored during the trial and the initiative will be reviewed after the 12 months. Customers can provide feedback by calling 1800 800 007 or at ptv.vic.gov.au/get-involved

For staff questions or concerns about the trial, please email the comms team at comms@vline.com.au



Presents for Catholic Care

Boort District Health will once again support St Luke's and CatholicCare from Bendigo this Christmas. Presents can be left under the BDH Christmas tree in reception. All gifts will be donated to CatholicCare for distribution. Gifts range from 0-16 years and there is no limit on what you can spend.

All gifts must be delivered by the morning of **8th December** so they can be delivered to CatholicCare in Bendigo.

St Luke's Christmas shop will no longer run in its current form. They will be working alongside their friends at Catholic Care and ensure continuation of this valuable service of bridging the gap between the generosity of community members and those that are marginalized or who are financially struggling to provide a fair go for their children at Christmas.

When gifts are received at CatholicCare from the community there will be a focus on supporting parents to choose gifts themselves that they know their own child will love.

SHADE GRANTS NOW OPEN

Leader of The Nationals and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh is encouraging sports clubs and community groups to take advantage of the Community Shade Grants Program which is now open.

The program provides grants of up to \$50,000 to construct a new shade, purchase a portable shade, plant a natural shade, repair an existing shade, or any combination of the three. A portion of the grant may also be used to purchase hats and sunscreen.

"Outdoor sport and active recreation have such an important role to play in the everyday lives of Victorians and we know now that adequate shade and sun protection is crucial to offering a safe and enjoyable environment for participants.

Applications for the first round of the Community Shade Grants Program close on Sunday 13 December 2015.

To apply, visit <http://health.vic.gov.au/community-shade-grants/>





Community Access and Inclusion Plan 2016 - 2021

Community Engagement

A second round of community engagement will be held at local supermarkets.

You are welcome to drop by and see what has come out of the community engagement to date and let us know your views on the access and inclusion barriers in Loddon Shire.

For dates, times and locations see the below table:

Date	Time	Location
Thursday 26 November	2:00pm to 4:00pm	Boort IGA 96 Godfrey St, Boort
Friday 27 November	3:00pm to 5:00pm	Champions IGA & Mitre 10 Inglewood 36 Brooke St, Inglewood
Monday 30 November	2:00pm to 4:00pm	Randall's Foodworks 15 Kerr St, Wedderburn
Wednesday 2 December	3:30pm to 5:30pm	Pyramid Hill IGA 2 Kelly St, Pyramid Hill

Other ways to have your say

If you are unable to attend a community listening post there are others way for you to have your say:

Give us a call:

We are more than happy to speak with you about access and inclusion issues over the phone. To do this call 5494 1239 (National Relay Service 133677 then quote +61 3 54941239) between 10.00am and 4.00pm. If no -one is available please leave a message and we will return your call. An alternative time can be arranged by appointment.

Is your group or organisation having a meeting?

If your group or organisation is having a meeting in November and access and inclusion is important to you, then please give us a call and let us know as we may be able to attend and have a chat about the Plan.

Survey:

A short survey is available at www.surveymonkey.com/in/LoddonCAIP. This survey is open until Friday November 27, 2015 and asks you to answer a few simple questions about your experiences of access and inclusion.

If you would like a hard copy, an alternative format or support to complete the survey please contact Jolie Middleton on the number below.

Register your Interest

If you are interested in keeping up to date with the plan, register your details by one of the following methods:

Website: www.loddon.vic.gov.au/CAIP
Email: jmiddleton@loddon.vic.gov.au
Phone: 5494 1239
Text: 0408 445 947

Further information:

If you would like further information please contact Jolie Middleton, Disability Inclusion Officer on 5494 1239 (Monday & Tuesday) or 0408 445 947, or via email at jmiddleton@loddon.vic.gov.au

Can you pick the travelling con man?



They all could be.

You can't tell if a tradesperson is dodgy just by how they look, but there are some things you can look out for.

Be suspicious of people who:

- knock on your door unexpectedly
- offer cheap deals for 'today only'
- ask for cash up front
- offer to drive you to the bank to get money for payment
- pressure you to accept their offer.

For updates, visit the Travelling Con Men Facebook page at: [facebook.com/stoptravellingconmen](https://www.facebook.com/stoptravellingconmen) or search #stopconmen on Twitter.

Report suspicious tradespeople:
1300 133 408

Who are travelling con men?

Travelling con men are dodgy tradesmen who knock on doors of homes and small businesses, offering to do maintenance work.

They appear more frequently during warmer weather and after natural disasters, such as floods, fires and storms, when vulnerable people are cleaning up or repairing their properties.

Travelling con men offer to do jobs such as drive way resurfacing, painting, roof repairs and carpet cleaning at a cheap rate. Often they pressure people offering "today only" specials

Why Should you avoid them?

Travelling con men ask for cash before starting work and frequently disappear as soon as you pay them. If they do any work it is often unfinished or of a poor standard. They move quickly and usually only give a first name and mobile number—so contacting them afterwards is difficult.

About Boort is compiled by volunteers Jean Henderson and Helen McDougal and printed using the facilities at BRIC. Funding is provided by the Shire of Loddon.

HEATWAVE HELP WEBSITE

A practical website has been developed to help central Victorian residents prepare themselves and their homes to beat extreme heat during the summer months.

Loddon Shire Council Mayor Gavan Holt said heatwaves which were increasing in frequency and severity throughout Australia, presented a serious health threat and in the most extreme cases could be fatal.

“While all people can be affected by heatwaves, without a doubt the most vulnerable group is the elderly,” Cr Holt said.

Loddon Shire Council Mayor Gavan Holt said he would also encourage family, friends and neighbours to help those most at risk to access or action information contained on the new website, which contained a host of useful tips about keeping cool during the summer months.



Suggestions for keeping cool

- ◆ drinking water
- ◆ dressing for the weather
- ◆ going somewhere cool
- ◆ staying in the shade
- ◆ reducing physical activity
- ◆ looking after your pets,
- ◆ going shopping before it gets too hot
- ◆ calling 000 when you're not feeling well



Better managing the home environment also plays an important part in maintaining health during heatwaves. Homes heat up for a number of reasons and these reasons may vary according to the direction your home faces

Keeping your home cooler ideas

- ◆ keeping windows and blinds closed until it cools down outside,
- ◆ reducing drafts and zoning off areas
- ◆ putting external blinds on your sunniest windows,
- ◆ ensuring there are thick curtains on windows,
- ◆ taking the time to draught seal gaps and cracks
- ◆ looking ahead to shade windows by planting trees



“The Heatwave Action website gives great advice on how to beat the heat through simple home improvements and managing our health and living spaces.”

“If we focus on just one action associated with each general piece of advice it can help make a difference in ensuring we are comfortable during the hot summer months.”

Cr Holt said residents living within Loddon Shire Council often experienced very hot weather and Council's health and wellbeing teams wanted to ensure everyone, especially our elderly and vulnerable, survive the harsh conditions.

“If you are not able to log onto the internet, find someone who can assist you and then make the changes you can,” he said.

The new Heatwave Help Website can be found at www.heatwavehelp.com.au.

Articles for the newsletter need to arrive by 9:00 am on the 20th of December for inclusion in the January newsletter, preferably by email to bric.boort@bigpond.com

**Boort & District
Probus Club
December Christmas Function**



Friday 4th December

Guests and visitors welcome.

BOORT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Our key achievements during the past year: The Boort Development Committee (BDC) is creating a metal sculpture trail around the lake.

Moz Moresi's wonderful metal sculpture "The Dragon Fly" was installed on a large log beside the board walk, becoming the first installation of the trail. The Sculpture Workshops sponsored by BDC and directed by Moz Moresi created "Rusty the Redfin". "Rusty" has been placed by the lake near the Boort Tennis Clubhouse and is much admired by locals and tourists alike.

John and Sonia Piccoli have donated a towering spanner seat structure which has been installed at the eastern end of the Federation Walk. A large granite rock which has been shipped from Switzerland will be placed nearby with a plaque telling the story of the Piccoli migration to Australia during the Gold Rush era. A much smaller spanner seat also donated by John and Sonia will be placed around a nearby tree in Nolens Park.

The 2015 Sculpture Workshops produced a large Cormorant which is not quite complete. It will stand on a big rock as the next part of the sculpture trail. This trail will become a major tourist attraction, complementing the unique Piccoli Star Spanner Sculpture Gardens. John and Sonia's gardens attracted 7,000 visitors last financial year; an amazing achievement!

The Metal Sculpture competition at the 2015 Boort Show was again a great crowd pleaser with \$4,000 in prize money attracting a widespread response. Thanks to Moz Moresi for judging the competition.

The redevelopment of Nolens Park is a work in progress. The cement path and some gardens have been completed and the shelters at the playground are almost complete. The next stage will be installation of furniture into the shelters, new playground equipment, and tree planting.

Loddon Shire has agreed to upgrade Federation Walk including new light towers; the project value is \$26,000. The Shire will also rebuild the steep gutters on the north side of Godfrey Street to make it more user-friendly. Pedestrian crossings will be constructed around the intersections of Godfrey and Lakeview Streets, improving disabled access.

Boort has become an RV Friendly Town with the installation of a dump site at Boort Park. BDC assisted with site works. This is a very important advance as many more caravans now visit Boort and spend time and money here. From 24th April to 13th May, Paul Haw exhibited his unique Vietnam War photo collection in the Atrium at St John of God Hospital in Bendigo. The exhibition was a great success with donations going to the BDC.

BDC (with Paul Haw's advice) built a small tower at the entrance to The Patch at Boort District School. The bricks were taken from the gateway to the old Primary School. The tower is being used as a site to mount various plaques explaining past and present school history. Honie Tweddle and Jennie Weaver, via the Boort Historical Society, have secured the last two Historic Towers which have been installed by BDC. The nine Towers along Godfrey Street now provide a permanent record of Boort's entire history.

BDC has become concerned about wave erosion to the shores of Little Lake Boort. So a retaining wall has been built at the end of the boardwalk and hay bales placed on the edge beyond that. Reeds have been planted to further protect that edge. The Committee is working with the Shire to allow the lawn grass to grow over the lake edge and reduce wave erosion.

Congratulations to Kathryn Lanyon and the Boort Business and Tourism Council for their hard work and achievements during the year. My personal thanks and congratulations to the members of BDC. The group possesses many extraordinary skills enabling all sorts of projects to be tackled. Special thanks to Secretary Rod and Treasurer Alister.

BARRY BARNES - President

**Merry
Christmas**  **mas**

Boort Business and Tourism Council

Shop Locally Campaign

We are half way through the 2015 Shop Locally Campaign, and it is fantastic to see so many completed coupons at our participating businesses. Congratulations to the winners of the mini draw prizes which were drawn on Saturday 31st October:

FIONA COCKERELL - \$125 goods from AL & NF Stringer, NOEMI DUSSIN - \$75 goods from Chef's Toolbox (Leanne Streader), TAM BOYD - \$50 voucher from Arnold Family Butchers, KAREN MITROVIC - \$150 voucher from Boort IGA supermarket, LAURIE MALCOLM - \$130 voucher from Banyandah Retreat
KERRY WILLIS - \$50 voucher from Lakeside Café .

We encourage everyone to continue shopping locally. These prizes can be collected from Boort Emporium, with 23 local businesses involved and enter for your chance to win over \$6000 worth of vouchers and goods.

The shop locally campaign will finish at 5:00pm on Friday the 11th December 2015 with the major prizes drawn at the Christmas street festival at 6:30pm outside the Courthouse.

Christmas Street Festival:

Our annual Christmas Street Festival will be held Friday 11th December 2015 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Local businesses will offer late night trading, as well as stall holders, music, BBQ, children's entertainment and the major shop locally winners will be announced at 6:30pm

This will be a great night to shop locally for all your Christmas needs!

Please note Godfrey Street will be closed for this event.

Movie Night by the Lake:

Spread the word to family and friends that may be in Boort for the Christmas period, we will be running a dinner and movie night by the lake on Sunday 27th December 2015. Dinner will be available from 6:00pm and the family movie will start at dusk. Children's entertainment will run until the movie starts.

Gold Coin entry and bring your own chair, bean bag or picnic rug to enjoy this relaxing night surrounded by family and friends.

Boort Business & Tourism Council COM Calendar of Events:

Friday 11th December 2015 – Christmas Street Festival

Sunday 27th December 2015 – Movie Night by the Lake

Saturday 2nd January 2016 – Twilight Music & Market by the Lake

Saturday 26th March 2016 – Easter Market by the Lake

Party & Event Hire

Don't look any further for your party or event needs:

The BBTC have 23 cream market umbrellas & stands available for hire. Each umbrella & stand can be hired for \$20. Please contact Brooke at tourism.boort@gmail.com or drop in at Boort Emporium.



The Boort Swimming Club, will be conducting their annual Aquatic Education Program in the summer school holidays.

The program will be held at the Boort Swimming Pool on the following dates:

Monday 28th December to Thursday 31st December and Monday 4th to Thursday 7th January.

Groups are as follows:

Water Familiarization:	3 years
Water Confidence:	4 - 5 years (all pre-school kids)
Prep / Grade 1 Beginner	

Cost is \$40 per child Registration forms are available from BRIC and MUST be returned before Friday 18th December 2015. For further information please contact myself.

Brooke Chamberlain

Aquatic Education Program Co-ordinator Ph. 0418 577226.



COMING EVENTS 2015

Wed 25/11	Boort Pre-school AGM
Thursday 26/11	Community Access Plan consultation
Tuesday 1/12	Cod season starts
Thursday 3/12	Boort Parents Group
Thursday 3/12	Small Towns: Big Ideas
Friday 4/12	Lake Boort wildlife draft closes
Friday 4/12	Probus Christmas function
Tuesday 8/12	Gifts to be left at BDH Christmas tree
Wed 9/12	Angling Club meeting
Friday 11/12	Christmas Street Festival
Sunday 13/12	Family Carp Day
Sunday 13/12	Shade grant applications close
Sunday 13/12-	Judging of Christmas Lights
Sunday 20/12	Competition
Tuesday 15/12	BDS Presentation night
Friday 18/12	Registration for Aquatic Education due
Sunday 20/12	Carols by the Lake
Thursday 24/12	Shire Offices close
Sunday 27/12	Garbage collection
Sunday 27/12	Movie by the Lake
Monday 28/12	Aquatic Education program commences

2016

Saturday 2/1	Twilight Music and Market by the Lake
Sunday 3/1	Garbage collection
Monday 4/1	Shire offices open
Saturday 19/3	CFA 125th Anniversary Dinner
Sunday 20/3	Boort Cup Day
Saturday 26/3	Easter Market by the Lake
Sunday 27/3	Vietnam History Competition closes
Saturday 16/4	NDASSA Regional Finals in Boort

See inside for more details

SMALL TOWNS: BIG IDEAS

Come and join us to find out all about Small Town Transformations, ask all the questions you have so far and continue to develop your town's Big Ideas.

Small Town Transformations once again offers \$350,000 for collaborative projects that will leave a lasting legacy of creativity and artistic passion. Six small towns, \$350,000 each, over two years for a project that realises a big idea.

Each session starts with a half hour presentation of all the information required to apply followed by questions and answers and informal chat time.

The sessions are free and open to all.

Thursday 3rd December
12:30 pm
BRIC
119-121 Godfrey St, Boort

Boort Business &
Tourism Council Present



CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Friday 11th December

5:00pm - 8:00pm

Godfrey Street

Market Stalls Late Night Trading Children's Entertainment
Food Stalls Shop Local Major Prize Draw Santa

For more information contact tourism.boort@gmail.com