

# ABOUT BOORT

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## BADGER WINS STATE AWARD

Sunday evening of 22nd October saw Ian ‘Badger’ Mercer awarded Harness Racing Victoria’s Volunteer of the Year 2016/2017. In front of a crowd of over 400 hundred guests at the Paladium Room at the Crown Casino Badger received a bohemian crystal vase from Barry James, President of Country Harness Racing Club in recognition of his 55 years of service. This has included being racing secretary, bar and track manager and general all round volunteer. Congratulations, thank you and well done for all your years of service to the club and community.



Badger Mercer and Barry James



## 131st Boort Agricultural and Pastoral Show





## Talking Health....

Now that we are heading into the spring/summer season, it is time to think about your Asthma or Hayfever management.

This year is predicted to be a bad year for Asthma and Hayfever due to the amount of canola and other grasses being cropped in the area.

If you suffer from Asthma it is time to talk with your GP about the most effective medications for your condition. Keep these medications on you at all times.

Your GP can create an Asthma Action Plan so that you can be confident with your treatment. Note: All schools require students to have an updated Asthma Action plan.

### Asthma Action Plan:

#### Mild/moderate

Minor difficulty breathing  
Able to talk in full sentences  
Able to walk/move around  
May have cough or wheeze

Commence Asthma First Aid

#### Severe

Obvious difficulty breathing  
Cannot speak a full sentence in one breath  
Tugging in of the skin between ribs or at base of neck  
May have cough or wheeze  
Reliever medication not lasting as long as usual

Call Ambulance on 000  
Commence Asthma First Aid

#### Life threatening

Gasping for breath  
Unable to speak or 1-2 words per breath  
Confused or exhausted  
Turning blue  
Collapsing  
May no longer have wheeze or cough  
Not responding to reliever medication

Call Ambulance on 000  
Commence Asthma **First Aid**

Effective Hayfever medications change each year, so have a talk with Kughan at the Pharmacy and he will advise you on the best available treatment.

For more information regarding your health needs please contact the team at  
The Boort Medical Practice.

## **Remembrance Day**

**Saturday 11th November 2017  
at 10:45am**

**Between BRIC and RSL  
Clubrooms at**

**Memorial Honour Roll**



Remembrance Day marks the anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914-18). Each Year Australians observe one minute of silence at 11:00 am on 11th November, in memory of those who died or suffered in all war and armed conflicts.

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE

### Official Opening of Boort District Health and Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday 22nd November, 2017**

to be held at **Boort District Health**  
commencing at **3:00pm** then **Boort Memorial**  
**Hall, Supper Room**  
with dinner commencing at **6:30 pm**



### Boort & District Probus Club November Meeting



**Melva Matthews** will tell us all about Bee  
keeping.

What is a bee? The life & work of a bee.  
Apiary and equipment.  
and most important of all - **HONEY**  
**TASTING !!!**

**10:00am Friday 3rd November at BRIC**

**Come along and hear about the  
fascinating life of bees.**

## Department of Health and Human Services



### Appointments to the board of Boort District Health

#### Expressions of interest

The Minister for Health, the Hon Jill Hennessy MP, is pleased to invite applications for part time board positions of Boort District Health with terms of office commencing from 1 July 2018.

The Victorian Government is committed to ensuring every Victorian receives safe and high quality healthcare. Applicants must be able to demonstrate and provide evidence in support of the skills they identify in their applications.

These positions provide an exciting opportunity for suitably qualified and experienced persons to contribute and provide high level advice on the delivery of public health care to the Victorian community.

The Victorian Government has also committed to ensuring government boards and committees broadly mirror the diversity present in Victoria's communities. This includes appropriate representation of women, regional Victorians, Aboriginal people, young Victorians, Victoria's culturally diverse community, the LGBTI community and Victorians living with a disability.

Applications close at **5:00 pm Monday 6 November 2017.**

Further information including how to apply, please visit [www.health.vic.gov.au/governance](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/governance)



## Only 1 in 10 Australians survive cardiac arrest. We can beat that!

At the Boort Agricultural & Pastoral Show on Saturday 14th October, 2017 Boort Ambulance Community Officers and one off-duty Charlton & District Paramedic joined forces to provide a live demonstration of a resuscitation attempt to coincide with Restart A Heart Day. In front of a gathering of approximately 50 people they demonstrated with a Resusci-Anne and AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) trainer. A handful of community members then enthusiastically stepped-up seeking guidance to actively perform CPR with AED defibrillation.

Together we can improve cardiac arrest survival rates by knowing what to do in a health emergency.

If someone is non-responsive and not breathing normally, helping is as simple as three steps:



Don't wait until the ambulance arrives. Starting CPR immediately is one of the most critical factors in whether someone survives a cardiac arrest.

For every minute that CPR is delayed, survival decreases by 10%.



There are AED's now available at various Boort sporting/community groups. AV doesn't recommend any one particular AED. Community members should research what devices are available and what sort of training, upkeep and replacement of pads/batteries before making their purchase.

### AMBULANCE VICTORIA

The majority of the Boort community are aware that we no longer have CERT. The CERT responders have upgraded their skills and are now known as Ambulance Community Officers. There is no longer a CERT vehicle, instead a fully equipped ambulance.

If the 000 number is called for an emergency, an ambulance will be dispatched and our local ACO's will be alerted also (if there is a rostered crew), just like when we had CERT.

### BOORT BOWLS CLUB.

The opening day for the Boort Bowls Club 2017-2018 season was held on September 24th. with 32 players from Boort and neighbouring towns playing.

The day commenced with the Club's Greenkeeper Ian Allison rolling the first Jack followed by the Club's current Men's Singles Champion Tony Cooper delivering the first bowl for the season.

The days event commenced with a roll to the ditch –  
Ladies Winner - Lynette Cameron  
Men's Winner - Ashley Bramley.

The winning team for the day was –  
Russell Round (Skip), Ian Allison, Lynette Cameron, Alan Gould. Runners Up –  
Tony Cooper (Skip), Ashley Bramley, Robert Rigney, Glenn Hudson.

Players are also busy playing in Tournaments, State Events and Pennant. Congratulations to Dave Rawlins, Peter Waters and Bruce Reed on having a win at the Charlton Triples Tournament, and also to Thelma Moresi on winning the N.C.B.D. 60+ State Singles and also winning the 60+ State Pairs with Amy Roberts (Korong Vale). Thelma and Amy will now play at Horsham at Regional Level this month as the N.C.B.D. representatives.



## Did you know that BDH has a 2 bed Urgent Care Centre (UCC)?

However, a UCC is not an Emergency Department (ED).

It is different to an ED because:

It is not staffed with a doctor on site.

It does not offer the full suite of emergency equipment/facilities that larger organisations such as Bendigo Health has.

The BDH UCC is staffed with qualified Registered Nurses 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

It is supported by St Anthony's and the Boort Medical Clinic by ON CALL visiting medical officers (VMO's) on a roster basis either in person or over the phone.

### What does this mean?

There is a qualified nurse on duty every single day, every single shift, every day of the year, who can see you and assess you if you present to BDH UCC feeling unwell or injured.

There are VMO's on call at all times who will be consulted over the phone regarding your care and will either give advice and medical orders over the phone to the nurse treating you OR they will assess you and consult with you via Telehealth OR they will come in and see you face to face in our UCC.

### What is Telehealth?

Telehealth is a mobile unit that staff can use to connect with the VMO. You will see them in real time on the monitor and they will see you on their device (either phone or iPad). They can chat with you, ask you questions, see your concerns and make assessments and plan for your care via this method.

If you phone BDH for advice and are advised to present to UCC or if you present to UCC in person by your own means or you are brought to UCC by Ambulance Victoria, our nurses on duty will triage you.

### What does TRIAGE mean?

The Australasian Triage Scale is used universally across ALL public UCC's and ED's in Victoria.

It is a system whereby you are assessed according to the severity of the illness that you present with and the urgency of medical intervention that you require.

Based on what you tell the nurse and how they assess things about you such as your heart rate, your blood pressure, your level of consciousness, your ease of breathing etc., you will be assigned a TRIAGE CATEGORY SCALE ranging between 1 and 5.

BDH is classified as a Level 0-1 public health care facility. What this means in our UCC is that if you are Triage'd as a Cat 1 or 2, you will only stay at BDH long enough to be stabilised and appropriate transport will be arranged for you to go to a larger health facility such as Bendigo Health.

Australasian Triage Scale	Acuity (time to be seen by nurse)	Code	Examples
Resuscitation	Immediately	1	Unconsciousness, shock, multi-trauma
Emergency	Within 10 minutes	2	Severe pain, dyspnoea, altered consciousness
Urgent	Within 30 minutes	3	Abdominal pain, minor fracture, infections
Semi-urgent	Within 1 hour	4	Minor trauma
Non-urgent	Within 2 hours	5	Chronic conditions

### **LODDON SHIRE SEEKING CUSTOMER SERVICE FEEDBACK**

Loddon Shire Council is asking the community to provide feedback regarding its customer service and areas for improvement, via a short survey which is open now.

Loddon Shire Chief Executive Officer Phil Pinyon said feedback from the survey, which is open until 13 November 2017, will help Council to develop its Customer Service Strategy and Customer Service Charter.

"We're asking our community members and visitors to fill in a short, five-minute survey and provide their thoughts on our current levels of customer service, and how it may be improved," Mr Pinyon said.

"All responses are confidential and I ask people to please take the time to fill out the survey. We would like to receive feedback from as many community members as possible, from right across the Shire. The survey is available online from [www.loddon.vic.gov.au](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au). Hard copies of the survey are available from Loddon Shire Council offices, community centres and post offices throughout the Shire. Hard copies can also be mailed to residents.



## 131<sup>st</sup> A&P Society Boort Show

Another Boort Show has come & gone and we would like to take this opportunity to thank the local community for helping make our show a great success. As you are aware, we rely heavily on your generosity and good faith to “make the show happen”. It is a reflection of our community as a whole – a place where we can create and celebrate life in Boort from an agricultural, business, cultural and a social point of view. We have so much to be proud of and by supporting us, it helps make the Boort Show a fantastic community event for all to enjoy. Whether you’ve sponsored an event, entered some scones, grown vegetables, worked in the pavilion, shorn a sheep, donated your time or simply just visited our show, we’d like to thank-you! The list certainly doesn’t stop there. It takes a community to keep our show alive.

We are lucky enough to have the richest Blade Shear Competition in the country, which wouldn’t be possible without our generous sponsors; the Sculpture Competition; horse events of a superior standard; dog trials and who could forget the fireworks. We are also proud of the quantity & quality of items entered into the pavilion this year. It was brimming with baking, craft, artwork, creations & collections of a high standard & we have had some fantastic feedback from the judges.

Planning for the next Boort Show, as always, will begin early next year and we are always open to any suggestions for ways to help make our Boort Show even better. Our Annual General Meeting will be held in March and there will be some key executive positions that need to be filled, so please consider coming along and putting up your hand to help.

Boort A&P Society

## **Boort Development Committee Notice of AGM**

**Monday 13 November 2017  
From 7:00pm at BRIC**

This is an open meeting - people interested in helping shape the future of Boort are most welcome to attend

## **Boort Netball Club Annual General Meeting**

November 1st at 7:30pm  
At Boort Sports Club

Apologies to secretary- K. Gooding  
[boortnc@gmail.com](mailto:boortnc@gmail.com) or 0407857894

All players and members encouraged to attend.

## **BOORT NATIONAL PARTY BRANCH**

In acknowledging the retirement of Jennie Weaver as Secretary of The Nationals Boort Branch for the past eleven years, President Bruce Malone expressed his appreciation for her dedication and work during that time. The Hon Peter Walsh congratulated Jennie on her assistance to The Nationals over the years, and presented her with a bouquet of native flowers.

Our incoming Secretary Ryley Verley brings youthful enthusiasm to our Branch which is very welcome. Ryley is currently studying International Relations at Monash University which gives him a knowledgeable insight into politics. We wish him well.





## Boort Show Results 2017

**Show Girls** Baby Section 6-18 months – Keira Henderson 19-36 months-Jordyn Larcombe **Tiny Tots** – Victoria Lanyon **Miss Midi** – Bella Quinn **Miss Junior**- Eliza Perryman **Boort Teenager**- Molly Meadows **Boort Showgirl**- Charlotte Vernon

**Blade Shear** **Open**- Allan Oldfield **Cleanest**- Allan Oldfield **Encouragement**- Stuart Coutts

### Pavilion

**Farm Produce** **Aggregate** – Ann Naughton **Best Entry**- Eddie Moresi, Lance Slatter

**Cereals** **Aggregate** –Gawne Family **Best Entry**- Tyler Nelson

**Poultry** **Best Bird of Show** – Norm Huxtable **Champion Junior Bird**- Chloe Brown

**Wool** **Most Stylish Fleece**- Alan Wilson **Most Valuable Fleece**- Jacob Malone **Guess the Micron** –Mark Perryman

**Sculpture** **Open**-Victor Sewell “Binky” Runner up- Mick Shepard “Shepo’s swine” **Local**- Jen Round “Daisy” **Under 18** – Kendall Ash “Machine Cog” Runner up- Jack Bartel “Natures Beauty” **People’s Choice** – Tiarna Shepard “Silverware”

**Cookery** **Best Entry** – Merryn Rees **Aggregate** – Tanya Buchanan **VAS Carrot Cake** – Cleo Lanyon **VAS Rich Fruit Cake** – Lisa Pickersgill **VAS Junior Fruit Cake**- Ella Lanyon

**Jams, Jellies and Sauces** **Best Exhibit**- Vikki Couper **Aggregate**- Ann Naughton

**Needlework** **Aggregate**-Gaye Sim **NDASSA Comp Crochet Article fine cotton**-Gaye Sim **NDASSA Comp Crochet Article any other yarn** –Gaye Sim **VAS Comp Hand Embroidery** – Surekha Nagabathulu **VAS Comp Crochet Article** - Surekha Nagabathulu

**Flowers** **Aggregate Sec 1-39** Catherine Rosewall **Best Exhibit Sec 1-23**- Jacqui Pay **Best Exhibit Sec 24-34**-Catherine Rosewall **Best Exhibit Sec 35-40** Surekha Nagabathulu **Aggregate Sec 40-53**- Sandra Poyner

**Patchwork** **Aggregate**- Michelle Henderson **Best Entry**-Michelle Henderson

**Creative Craft** **Aggregate** –Janine Harvey & Catherine Rosewall **Outstanding exhibit**- Michelle Espagne

**School** **Pre School Best entry**-Amanda Barsdell **Junior Aggregate**- Emily Henderson **NAB Craft Article Junior** – Emily Henderson **NAB Craft Article Middle**-Emma Gawne **Simply Tomatoes Junior**- Bella Quinn **Simply Tomatoes Middle**- Emma Gawne **Healthy Lunch Box** – Findlay Arnold **Senior Aggregate** – Olivia Pickersgill **VAS Carrot and Date Muffins** – Esther Keith **NDAS Chocolate Cake** – Olivia Pickersgill

**Creative Writing** 1-2 – Anna Lanyon 3-4-Emma Malone 5-6-Clarissa Haw 7-8-Macey Holland

**Photography** **Best Photo** – Carleena Hughes **Loddon Shire Comp**-Nicki Barraclough **VAS Senior Comp** -Kevin Walton **NDAS Comp Junior**-Ella Lanyon **NDAS Comp Senior**-Jess Pink **Enlargement** – Nicki Barraclough

**Antiques and Collectables** **Aggregate** – Peter Forster **Best Exhibit** – Peter Forster

**Collections** **Section 1** – Bella Quinn **Section 2** - Lauren Gawne **Section 3**-Will Toose **Section 4**- Peter Forster **Section 5** – Sachi Chawla **Best Exhibit**-Sachi Chawla

**Best Trade Display**-Simply Tomatoes, Aussie Wool Quilts

**Yard Dogs** **Novice 1<sup>st</sup>** Josh Latty “Chloe” **2<sup>nd</sup>** Kate Reynolds “Ellie” **3<sup>rd</sup>** Kate Reynolds “Rita” **Local 1<sup>st</sup>** Nick Stoginnas “Roxy” **2<sup>nd</sup>** Gavin Saint “Roy” **3<sup>rd</sup>** Greg Boyd “Roxy” **Open 1<sup>st</sup>** Vin Gedye “Turbine” **2<sup>nd</sup>** Josh Latty “Chloe” **3<sup>rd</sup>** Paul Pierce “Emma”

**Dog Jump** **Large**-Ellie Perryman “Ozzie” **Small**- Chloe Brown “Nelly”

**Vintage Machinery & Cars** **Best Restored Tractor** – Gordon Smith **Best Vintage Implement**- Graeme Moresi **Best Vintage Car** – Andrew Piccoli **Best Unrestored Tractor** – Alan Gould

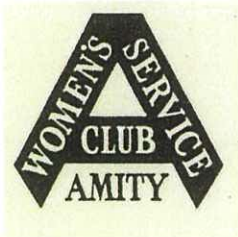
**Horses** **Lackmann Memorial Challenge**- “Ashleigh Waltztime” M Poyner, Maiden Gully **Manuel**



**Trophy** Madelon McDonald, Murrabit **Pay Trophy** Gracie Humphreys, Nullawill **Penmarric Led**- “Elmdale Park Flash Dants” Greystock Stud, Stanhope **Penmarric Supreme Ridden** – All Breeds “Kalana Spring Chatter” G Humphries, Nullawill







**BOORT AMITY AUCTION**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017**  
**at Boort Park**  
**12 noon start**

- Drop Auction items off from 8:00am
- Yummy food available
- Items left at own risk
- 10% Commission charged
- All items sold for \$5.00 & under become a donation.
- Money from Auction comes back into our town.
- Auction will be in the horse stalls in bad weather!

**“NO DOGS PLEASE”**

**Ph: Sandra 54552156 or 0428552156**

Vision Australia



Annual General Meeting

6th November at 10:00am

At BRIC

All Members Welcome  
G Parker Sec

Tillow Fashion Boutique

Fashion Parade  
Boort Senior Citizens

Monday 30th October

1:30pm

Entry \$5.00

Spring Summer Collection

Please invite your friends and families to  
join us at this event

Credit card/eft/cash/  
cheque accepted



**Pink Night a Success**

On Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> October the Boort Amity Club ran another successful Pink Night to raise funds for Breast Cancer research. The night was attended by around 70 women who enjoyed the delicious food and fun atmosphere.

Guest speaker Tanya Maher-Toose reminded those present of the need to have regular health checks and how to access them.

Jenny Allison also told the crowd about her trip to Alice Springs, together with other Solo Rollers members, which raised money for women's cancers.



The Pink Night raised over \$1,700.00 for the cause thanks to the generous donations the club received from many local businesses and generous sponsors.



# Message from Boort Development Committee and Boort Business & Tourism Committee

Dear Valued Members of the Boort Community,

We wish to inform you of the plans for Boort Business and Tourism Council Committee of Management (BBT) to merge with Boort Development Council Committee of Management (BDC). The merger will take place on Monday November 13<sup>th</sup> at the combined

- AGM for BDC and
- General Meeting for the newly combined committee.

At this AGM a new committee will be elected to lead Boort into a new era with a single executive committee and sub-committees or project focus groups that will operate events and/or work towards specific goals and outcomes for Boort. If you have a passion, ideas or a vision for....

- further developing our tourism sector
- stimulating our local economy
- strengthening and growing our community
- ensuring that we retain our essential services
- protecting our heritage and environment

Please consider attending the meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>, there are many ways you can help...

- as a member of the executive committee (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer),
- as a general committee member,
- as a member or leader of a newly proposed 'sub-committee' or 'focus group' (ie. Development, Business, Tourism, Environment, Arts Culture & Events, Youth Engagement), or
- as someone who would like to register their interest in assisting with specific event/s or project/s (ie. Strategic plan/ vision for Boort, Christmas Festival, Markets or anything else that gets you fired up!)

As a united body with enough members, good planning and a focused vision we can achieve many great things for Boort.

If you'd like to discuss any of this further or ask any questions please don't hesitate to contact:

Suzi Kirkham 0407 282 513  
Barry Barnes 03 5455 2093  
Michele Ashton 0413 962 991  
Cindy Brown 0408 172 090

## Harvest roaduse feedback

Loddon Shire Council is asking producers from across the municipality to **provide information regarding what gravel roads they plan to use for this season's harvest.** This is to help Council prepare its gravel road network for the expected increase in heavy vehicles and traffic during the coming months. Loddon Shire Mayor Neil Beattie said by providing information now, producers would be able to assist Council in planning for grading and maintenance works to the gravel roads.



“By getting the information now regarding what producers are planning for this year's harvest, Council will be helped enormously in planning its grading and maintenance works beforehand. This will make sure specific roads that are expected to be heavily trafficked during harvest are ready for use.”

Council is asking producers what gravel roads will need to be used, how many truck movements and tonnes are expected, and roughly what dates they will be transporting for harvest. “I understand that the use of certain roads, time periods and how many truck movements required during harvest season can change from year-to-year,” Cr Beattie added.

Cr Beattie said that Council recognised that some flood impacted roads required maintenance before they were fully restored.

“Council will be appointing contractors to undertake maintenance works on roads seriously impacted by the 2016 flooding, with the view to making these roads safe for the upcoming harvest season before full restoration works are completed,” he said. “Contractors are expected to be on board by the end of the month.”

In addition, Council has put out for tender the major contract for flood damage restoration works for sealed and unsealed road repairs; this tender was advertised from the end of last month.

Feedback can be sent via email to [loddon@loddon.vic.gov.au](mailto:loddon@loddon.vic.gov.au)



## Boort Golf Club



The season has been a rather difficult season for the ladies as our numbers have been down, but we have managed to have some fun especially our “Coffee Times”. Instead of making the kitchen untidy after golf we have adjourned to either “Godfrey & Bear” or “Café Renu” for coffee and goodies. This brought about the suggestion that we have a tea at Café Renu for our final gathering and that the AGM meeting be held on this night. The Presentations and meeting went very well with the meal and fun for everyone. Dot Beattie is our President, Sally Keeble the Secretary and Di Johnston has taken on Captain. Dot thanked everyone for their assistance during the year, but would like to see a few more ladies out on the golf course. Let’s see how many of you who have had a golf stick in your hands can come along and join us, even if it is for 9 holes and enjoy the fun.

The Club AGM was held in October and our new President is Shayne Morris, V. President Stuart Twedde, Secretary Karen Allison and the Captain Andrew Kane while most other positions remained the same. Our exciting event for the year was the purchase of a new Trimax Mower, this has made a great difference to the presentation of the course. Thanks to Kevin and Robert for all their work, it would be nice to hear of some more volunteers to help with this task.

Congratulations to all the players who won events and were presented with trophies at the end of the season. Thanks go to all members who assisted in any way with our very successful tournament and a special thanks to all our sponsors — we appreciate your generosity. See you all on the golf course next April and bring a friend.

Margaret Nelson

## BOORT TENNIS CLUB JUNIOR TENNIS

Junior Tennis will commence this Saturday (28 October 2017).

Players to be at courts at 12:30 p.m. for coaching and match-play sessions.

Any enquiries to Stephen Field (0425 756 067) or Alister McDougal (0427 22 10 98).




## SOCIAL TENNIS

I have a couple of ladies who have approached me with the desire to have a “social hit and giggle of tennis” one day during the week.

Is there anyone else who is interested in doing this?

If so, please make contact with Alister McDougal (0427 22 10 98)






### Local Phone Book

Most clubs have now had their Annual General Meeting, so could their new office bearers please check that the contact person for their organization is still correct in the local phone book. Unless we are notified of changes we cannot update your clubs 😊

“About Boort” is compiled by volunteers Jean Henderson and Helen McDougal and printed using the facilities at BRIC.

Funding is provided by the Loddon Shire.

Donations from Amity and Neil Beattie have allowed us to access a funding grant for 2017/2018.



Would you like to have your copy of “About Boort” posted to you each month?

“About Boort” subscriptions of \$14.00 are payable to BRIC at P.O. Box 152, Boort 3537.

Those who have access to email can have the “About Boort” Newsletter emailed to you each month for no charge. Submit your email address to

**Articles for the newsletter need to arrive by 9:00 am on the 20th of November for inclusion in December About Boort email to: [bric.boort@bigpond.com](mailto:bric.boort@bigpond.com)**





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:

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January and  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

Groups are as follows:

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


Cost is \$60 per child for the swimming program. Pool entry must be paid each day too.

Registration forms are available from BRIC and **MUST** be returned before Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017.



For further information please contact myself.

Brooke Chamberlain



**Walk to School 2017**  
Join hundreds of thousands of Victorian primary school kids this October!

WALK TO SCHOOL | an initiative of VicHealth

### WALK TO SCHOOL

Schools from Loddon Shire have joined hundreds of primary schools from across Victoria for a fun month of walking, riding and scooting to and from school as part of this year's VicHealth Walk to School initiative.

As well as promoting physical activity for families, the month will include activity days for schools across the Shire.

Aimed at encouraging children to engage in more physical activity, the days include either a tabloid games activity event by Kelly Sports or a visit from Victorian Institute of Sport athletes. Information about healthy eating and physical activity will also be provided by Inglewood and Districts Health Service and Northern District Community Health Service.

To further inspire ongoing physical activity among families, a photo competition will be run during the month. With great prizes up for grabs, to be a part of the competition, parents/guardians are asked to submit a photo of their primary-school-aged child (or children) walking, riding or scooting to school (or to their bus stop). First prize is a scooter, second prize a Garmin fitness tracker watch and third prize is a SportsPower voucher.



Members of the Boort Mens' Shed have welcomed the completion of the Shed's new extension which was generously funded by the Victorian State Government. To celebrate the completion, the members are planning an official opening for Thursday, November 16, 2017 between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon. All are welcome to come along and join in the celebrations and take a look at the Mens' Shed and its new extension.

The formalities are to be followed by a morning tea and will give the local community the opportunity to meet the members and discuss the various activities and projects they undertake.

The Mens' Shed is a health and well being centre where the men of the district come together in an atmosphere of conviviality and mutual support.

Wayne Pappin  
Co-ordinator  
Boort Mens' Shed





## COMING EVENTS

Wednesday 25/10	Tennis coaching starts
Saturday 28/10	Junior Tennis starts
Monday 30/10	Senior Citizens Fashion Parade
Wednesday 1/11	Netball Club AGM
Friday 3/11	Probus
Monday 6/11	Vision Australia AGM
Monday 6/11	Board applications close for BDH
Tuesday 7/11	Melbourne Cup holiday
Thursday 9/11	Story time at BRIC
Thursday 9/11	Infant Immunisations
Friday 10/11	Boat Safety Course
Saturday 11/11	Remembrance Day Service
Sunday 12/11	Amity Auction
Monday 13/11	Boort Development AGM
Monday 13/11	Customer Feedback Surveys for Loddon Shire close
Tuesday 14/11	Firearms Safety Course
Thursday 16/11	Men's Shed Opening
Wednesday 22/11	Boort District Health Opening and AGM
Friday 8/12	Christmas Festival
Tuesday 19/12	BDS Presentation Night
Friday 22/12	Registrations for Aquatic Education close
<b>2018</b>	
Tuesday 2/1-	Aquatic Education
Friday 5/1	
Tuesday 9/1-	Aquatic Education
Friday 12/1	
Monday 15/1	Boort Trots Summer Holiday Meeting
Sunday 11/3	Giant Pumpkin Challenge

## BOAT SAFETY COURSE

At the completion of this 4-hour course, participants receive a certificate to present to Vic Roads, where a licence can be issued. No further testing is required.

<b>Date</b>	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2017
<b>Time</b>	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
<b>Venue</b>	BRIC
<b>Cost</b>	\$120.00 (boat only) \$150.00 (includes the jetski component)
<b>Tutor</b>	Australian Volunteer Coastguard, Eppalock

**Requirements:** Participants must be aged 12 or older. Must supply proof of identity - enquire at BRIC regarding proof of ID requirements

Call BRIC on 5455 2716 to enrol or if you have any queries.



**'Bought from Boort'**

2017 Shop Locally Campaign



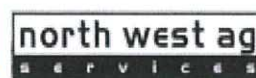
Shop in any of these participating businesses, for your chance to win these fabulous prizes!!

**OVER \$6000 IN VOUCHERS AND GOODS**

**TO BE WON**

**PLATINUM PARTNERS**

Boort IGA, George Tallis Hardware, North West Ag, Simply Tomatoes & Aussie Wool Quilts, Boort Emporium and Boort Business and Tourism Council Committee of Management.



COLLECT YOUR COUPON CARD TODAY!!

You could win some fantastic prizes from local Boort businesses!!

**THINK LOCAL - BUY LOCAL - SHOP IN BOORT!!**

### GOLD SPONSORS

Godfrey & Bear	Boort Post Office
Rodwells	Boort Tyre Centre
Boort Vet Services	Rawlins Car Care Centre
Lakeside Café	Arnold Family Butchers

### SILVER SPONSORS

Salute Oliva	Banyandah Retreat
Karen Allison Massage	A Nourish'd Life
Brojays Patches	Oasis Gallery
DA Electrics	Café Renu
Teased Hair Boutique	AL & NF Stringer
Railway Hotel	Boort Community Pharmacy

This program has been made possible with the support of the Boort Business & Tourism Council.

The campaign will start on Monday 2nd October 2017. A mini prize draw will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017 where prizes and vouchers will be awarded. The major draw and conclusion of the campaign will occur at 5pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at the Boort Christmas Festival.



## FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE

This short course is required to obtain a Victorian Firearms Licence.

<b>Date</b>	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2017
<b>Times</b>	Please arrive around 6:15pm to allow paperwork to be completed

**Start 6.30 pm SHARP - no latecomers will be allowed to participate. To finish around 9:00 pm**

<b>Venue</b>	BRIC
<b>Tutor</b>	Len Igoe, Firearms Officer, Victoria Police, Bendigo
<b>Cost</b>	Free

**Requirements:** Participants must be 12 years or older. Please bring along photo ID for adults; Birth Certificate will suffice for Juniors.

**Bookings for this course must be made by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.**