

EDITION 174 APRIL 2019

Dr David Thomas Guest Speaker on Sunday May 5th at Cafe Renu

All members of the public welcome to attend.

"I was the town's doctor between July 1954 and November 1960 during the last years of the Boort Bush Nursing Hospital and I will speak about the medical practice as it was during those years.

I expect to talk about my three very notable predecessors Kevin Lidgett, Henry Van den Brenk and Ian Leembruggan all of whom I knew personally. Then I will talk about Peter Smith who became Boort's doctor during 1965, almost five years after I had left the town, there is a story about why and how he came to Boort and about the relationship between Peter and me. Regards, David."

Boort Historical Society is hosting this visit in the conference room at Cafe Renufor a pleasant Sunday afternoon starting 2:00 to 4:00 on Sunday May 5th with Dr David Thomas as guest speaker.

\$10 per head includes a delicious afternoon tea.

Bookings are essential for catering purposes. Make your bookings and payment at Cafe Renu by Wednesday 1st May or at Court House Museum between 2:00 and 4:00 on 5th, 12th, or 16th April.

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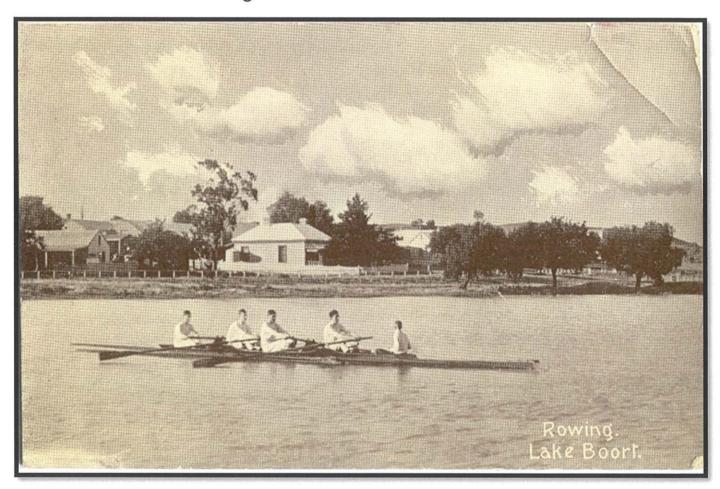
BOORT BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL, VIC



Boort Historical Society Inc. DID YOU KNOW?

Boort Standard, 6th July 1894 BOORT ROWING CLUB

A general meeting of those interested in the above club was held at the Terminus Hotel on Friday evening last. It was reported that the boats for sale were racing boats – the largest 42 feet in length, the second one 40 feet and the third one a pair-oared boat. A sub-committee was formed for the purpose of deciding on the class of boat-house to be erected. It was thought that it was not advisable to purchase the Bridgewater boats, but to obtain two suitable for sailing or rowing. It was moved that if the Bridgewater boats could be purchased for £15 cash, and the balance of £15 in 12 months, that they be purchased. Mr McAuley moved that a pleasure boat be obtained in addition to the other racing boats.



In the late 1800's Boort rowing club had 30 members some known names are, Dr Bird, S George, C Andrews, R Wingfield, J Clarke, Henry Wingfield, E Weaver Cameron, Fyfe, F Kerwish, A McLean, F Rust, R Coutts, Barger. In 1895 Captain Excell had made some improvements to the shed and pier. Their club rooms at this time were adjoining the Commercial Hotel owned by J G Peirce. In 1913 the rowing club sheds were sold which seems to mean the end of the Boort Rowing Club.

Boort Swimming Club

It has been another wonderful season for the Boort Swimming Club. We had 64 members this year and swimming lessons were held on Tuesday and Wednesday and ran after school.



Thank you to the committee who helped organise this year and for making the club run so smoothly.

To our amazing swimming teachers Kazzandra Ritchie, Loretta Beattie, Adrian Grogan, Brooke Chamberlain, Lily McClelland

and those who assisted them Geoff McClelland, Bella Grogan, Connor Grogan, Meredith Byrne, Ebony Chamberlain, Varlea

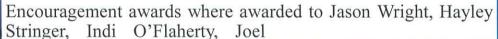
McClelland thank you for volunteering your time to our club.

The Boort Swimming Club very much appreciates the work of the Loddon Shire and Unified Community Sports and Leisure for providing a fabulous swimming pool to our club and our

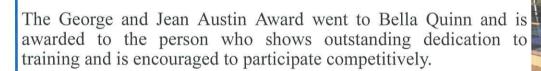
community.

On Wednesday the 6th of March

it was the Swimming Clubs break up and presentation evening. A fantastic turn out and lots of fun was had by all the families that attended with a BBQ.



Holland, Lauren Gawne, Milly Scott and Camilla Moresi.



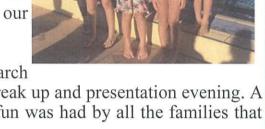
The Mellott Trophy is awarded to a club person who contributes above and beyond to the Club, and the very worthy recipient was Varlea McClelland.

We are looking forward to the 2019/20 season and hope to see you all there!!











BOORT GOLF CLUB NEWS

Saturday 6th April Club Opening Wednesday 10th April Ladies Opening

The Kara Kara Opening Day was at the Barham Golf Club on Monday 11th March when a gathering of 40 people from the Kara Kara Association met at 9.30 am for a meet and greet. This was followed by a meeting when Dean Dixon (Regional Officer) who

went through the role of KKGA and explaining the New Golf Rules and golfing procedures. After a light lunch the Match Committee organized those present into teams to play a 4 Person Ambrose event which was won by Andrew Kane, Stuart Tweddle, Damian Lanyon and Peter Barraclough with a score of 10 under. An enjoyable day for all present.

The Opening Day at Boort will be on Saturday 6th April, with a BBQ lunch at 12.30 pm and at 1.30 pm a 14 hole Ambrose event will played, lunch and golf \$15. There will be a short TV Presentation to explain the new golf rules that we will be playing too this year. The Ladies will commence their competition on the following Wednesday 10th April, 10.30 am with a nice easy social day of 9 holes followed by a meeting and afternoon tea at Café Renu. It will be interesting for the Ladies Pennant this year as a new format will be tried, starting on the 29th April. Two Matches, Round 1 and 2 will be played at Donald, each match a 9 hole event.

Thanks to those men who have been working at the Working Bees carrying out repair work around the course, which has been slashed and repair work carried out around the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 6th sandscrapes to make these areas more attractive, may need to look for a dropping areas to allow the grass to finish growing. The watering of the Tee areas has commenced, but this is only the start of what is required to have the golf course in great condition all year round so please put your hand up and offer to assist.

Our big event for the year will be our 90th Annual Tournament, July 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st. We are hoping to make this into a Reunion of Past Players and Members of the Boort Club, so if anyone has the names and addresses, phone No's or emails could you please forward them to Margaret Nelson 54552255.

For more information about the Golf Club events the following can be contacted:

President - Stuart Tweddle 0413 482 385 Lady President - Dot Beattie 0427 552 461

Margaret Nelson

PRE-SCHOOL EASTER HAT PARADE

The annual Pre-School Easter Hat Parade may catch a few by surprise this year, being on $\bf Thursday\,April\,4^{th}$, two weeks before Easter! (Due to the school holidays)

The children will once again have some fabulous Easter hats to show off and wish everyone we see a "Happy Easter" as we parade down the street.

The last few years however have seen the generous chocolate collection along the way reach "teeth shattering" heights! We would love the focus of the day to be back on the children's Easter hats rather than the chocolate.

If businesses still would like to give the children an Easter trinket, maybe some stickers or stamps etc could be an alternative to chocolate? Thanks everyone.

an Easter trinket, an alternative to

Wishing a safe and Happy Easter to all Regards Vikki & Sally

BOORT AUSKICK NINE WEEKS - TERM TWO

Boort Auskick 2019 is beginning on Thursday the 2nd of May the program will run for 9 weeks and finish on the 27th of June.

Kids aged from Prep onwards are welcome to come and enjoy learning to play AFL.

Start: Thursday the 2nd of May run for 9 weeks of Term 2, weather permitting.

Time: Thursdays 3.45pm till 4.45pm Venue: Boort Park, Malone Street

Parents keen to help out are more than welcome. Participants are reminded to please register on the Auskick website prior to the first session, via the following link: www.aflauskick.com.au
If you have any further questions please contact the coordinators on the numbers below and we will endeavour to help. Meredith Thompson 0419 011 812 or Timothy Byrne 0428 929 002



Call (03) 8412 0480 or email

wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au to find out about the service or make an appointment.

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Royal Flying Doctor Service

Self-referral is encouraged, no diagnosis is needed. You simply call the number on the brochure and make an appointment.

The service offers a visiting mental health social worker and/or psychologist from the Royal Flying Doctors.

Up to 6 visits are available.

Telehealth can be arranged in between the weekly onsite consultations.

This is a terrific opportunity for anyone in our community, your club, your organisation, your family or friends who might be struggling at the moment with relationship, financial, work, other issues and need someone to talk to for advice.

The RFDS and BDH are working together in providing this service to the Boort and wider community.



The BIGGS

A comedy wine masterclass with Damian Callinan & Paul Calleja

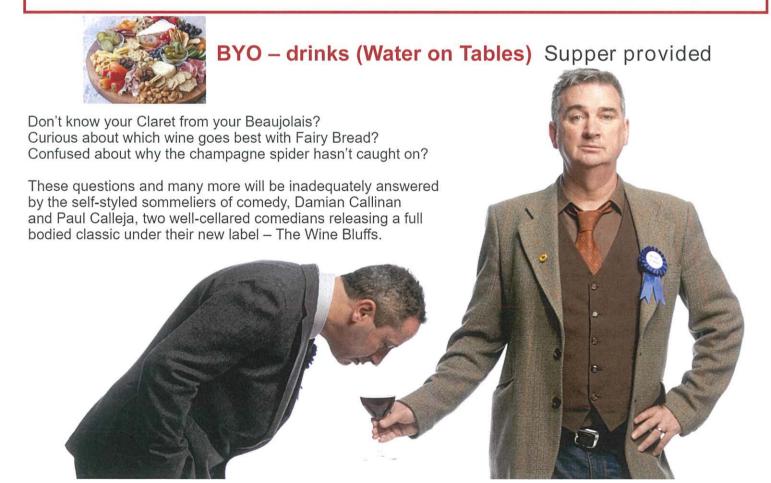


Come along to this Comic evening of Fun and support BRIC & the Engine Room

\$10 Ticket Book or purchase your Tickets at BRIC (54552 716)

Tuesday 21st May 2019, 8 pm

Venue: Boort Memorial Hall (Rating 18+)



BOORT A & P SOCIETY—ALAN WILSON

Alan Wilson has been a part of the Boort Agricultural & Pastoral Society for last 40 or so years, most of his life really, the last 11 as president. But this year heralds a change as he steps back from the President's role, handing over to Maddy Scott and a younger group of people coming on to the committee. It's something he's really happy to do having worked tremendously hard, particularly on the Boort Show, for so long.

"You've got to make way for the younger ones and new ideas" Mr Wilson said: "Over the years there have been a great many changes, some forced upon us by unforeseen circumstances like when we had to deal with the consequences of the Horse Flu epidemic. Quarantine on horse travel and competition meant we had a huge hole in our program without any horse events. We were really worried about the effect that would have on the Show. Sherry (Lanyon) Nutall suggested we have fireworks in the evening as an attraction that would keep families there. I was sceptical, it seemed like a lot of money to find, but Sherry organised it, found a sponsor and we gave it a go. It has turned out to be a huge success and one of the great highlights of the Show each year now as people stay around for tea, have a few drinks and watch the fireworks. The gate actually went up about 30% each year for the first couple of years."

As a kid, Alan remembers the Show being huge. "There used to be all sorts of displays by local businesses like Les Saunders Machinery, Jaron Motors, HM Whittaker, Tom Neighbour, Cables and Keith Cockle to name a few. They brought the latest model cars and machinery, it was brilliant. Plus, there was the Grand Parade; All the day's winners doing a lap around the oval like the Sun Showgirl going around in a car and the sashed Grand Champion Bull being led around, along with tractors, winners of dressage and the like. It was great. But unfortunately OH&S killed that off. We used to have a proper Trots meet that ran on Show Day, horse events running all day and into the dark: it was big. Dad would say, Here's your money, don't spend it before lunch!"

One thing Alan is dirty about though, is missing out on being on the front page of the Weekly Times with his family and their cattle when the Show was featured in the paper in 1970. "I was in my Cubs gear, off getting ready for the official opening with the Governor General Sir Rohan Delacombe, it was all very important, and I missed out on being in the family shot that ended up on the front cover. Not happy about that!"

This year, apart from looking forward to having less responsibility, Alan is really pleased to have more time to concentrate on the shearing comp. With great support from Bob and Christine Rollinson, Troy Perryman and Jacqui Challis, they're excited to be putting on a Blade Shear with great prize money. "I wasn't really a fan of the Quick Shear. With the sheep already bellied, flanked and wigged, it was over too quick. The Blade Shear will be much better. We've already secured sponsors and it's all happening."

"One thing I would like to see, is an overall increase in prize money for entries. In 1977 prize money was a dollar and for most of the sections today, it's still a dollar! Grandpa won 100 pound in a live bird shoot at the Show in 1926 – that was a lot of money. It would be great if we could find the resources to up the ante a bit now, but that's not that easy."

"I'm glad to be handing over to the next generation because I think it's necessary to grow and make progress. You've got to let people have a go and I'm confident the new committee have not only the skills but the best interest of the community at heart."

"My favourite and probably proudest thing during my time as President and working on the Show has been when people have come up to me afterwards, shaken my hand and said good job, it was a great Show. That makes me happy."

written by Annie Meadows

Giant Pumpkin Challenge 2019 SUNDAY 31st MARCH

Family fun day raising funds for Cystic Fibrosis.

The giant pumpkin weigh-in will be conducted at Simply Tomatoes from midday.

Categories

- Pumpkin decorated by kids
- Pumpkin decorated by an adult
- Best conditioned pumpkin
- Open giant category fruit, vegetable, flower

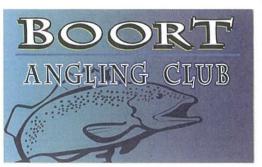


Simply Tomatoes, 479 Parkers Rd, Yando

Contact Name: Marilyn Lanyon, Contact Number: 03 5455 4237

Email: marilyn@simplytomatoes.com.au

Website: https://www.trybooking.com/WQJE



Next Fishing Comp will be held on 6th and 7th April 2019 on the Gunbower Creek. See notice boards around Boort for directions.

Next meeting, Thursday 11th April 2019. 8pm at Club Rooms.

Annual General Meeting, Thursday 9th May 2019. 8pm at Club Rooms.

Memberships run from AGM to AGM.

BAC, are looking for suitable materials for building fish habitat in Little Lake Boort. Most likely poly pipe, black brute pipe or clay pipes. These can be a mix of sizes from 25mm to say 300mm and lengths from say 1metre to as long as available. If you have some lying around please contact BAC. Not tyres, concrete or PVC.

This habitat has to meet all criteria set by Fisheries, EPA and others and be placed where it will not disadvantage any other users of the lake. It is however very much needed because it seems that nearly all the fish stocks put in by Fisheries are being eaten before they can grow up.

Many thanks to people who have supported our working bees or helped in any way. BAC now has an Email: boortanglingclub@yahoo.com

If you are interested in fishing or just want to help the lake and the town, come along to our meetings or events.

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 PO 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 bric.boort@bigpond.com attention: About Boort

Contact Centrelink Farm Household Assistance

Phone 132 316



Centrelink Bendigo have 2 staff members ready to assist anyone who needs help. Drop in and see them or phone the above number.



BOORT AMITY AUCTION

Sunday 28th April 2019 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 & 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

BRIC Membership Renewal 2019

Fees are now due

BRIC membership benefits include reduced fees and charges on photocopying, laminating, typing and secretarial services.

Membership Cost:

Single membership **Business/Organisation \$20**

BRIC membership starts 1st January 2019 and ends 31st December 2019

BOORT LIBRARY OPEN LATE on THURSDAYS

The Goldfields Library Corporation ~ Boort Agency ~ will be open until



5.00pm on Thursdays during March & April 2019

Spoken English evening classes for adults



If you know someone who may like to attend English as an Additional Language (EAL) classes, please let them know about these classes.

The classes are subsidised by the Victorian Government, so are very low cost.

at B.R.I.C. in 2019

All welcome 5455 2716







FIREARMS SAFETY COURSE

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

Tuesday 26th March 2019 Date Times 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

Venue

BRIC

Tutor

Firearms Officer, Victoria Police, Bendigo

Cost

Free

Requirements

Participants must be 12 years or older Please bring along photo ID for adults.

Birth Certificate will suffice for Juniors.

If you have any questions or would like to book in for this course, call BRIC on 5455 2716 or Facebook us!

BOORT TENNIS CLUB EASTER TOURNAMENT

Date: Friday 19 April 2019 to Monday 22 April 2019

Boort Tennis Club is holding their 66th annual Easter Tennis Tournament on the picturesque grass courts adjacent to Little Lake Boort. The tournament commences on Good Friday 19 April through to Easter Monday 22 April.

There are events for:
Juniors—Singles & Doubles
Seniors—Singles, Doubles & Mixed
Veterans—Mixed
Families—Doubles & Mixed

Entries close Friday 29 March 2019 at 8 pm or when filled. For more information and entry forms please email ahvmcd@bigpond.net.au or contact Alister McDougal on 0427 221 098

Boort Indoor Bias Bowls Club

Has commenced its Winter Season.

Bowls is conducted in the Function Room of the Memorial Hall on Thursday nights at 7.30 pm. For further information contact:
Allen Stringer, President 54552375 or Ian Potter, Secretary 0427 554 252





INFANT IMMUNISATION PROGRAM 2019

Boort Senior Citizens Centre 30-44 Godfrey Street

Thursday May 9 9.15am Serpentine 11.15am Boort

Thursday July 11 9.15am Serpentine 11.15am Boort

Thursday September 12 9.15am Serpentine 11.15am Boort

To make an appointment telephone Loddon Shire – Serpentine Office on 5494 1201. For information regarding immunisation, or to contact immunisation staff during sessions, telephone 0488 095 205

> Please bring your Medicare Card and Child Record Book to each Immunisation Session Please allow 15 minutes waiting time following immunisation

Community Projects moving ahead

Shade sails are scheduled to be installed over the playground at Korong Vale's Borella Park and also at the Boort Swimming Pool during March.

Wedderburn Swap Meet & Market Date: Saturday 18 May 2019 | 7:00AM to 5:00PM

The Wedderburn Historical Engine & Machinery Society annual Swap Meet & Market. Bring along your unwanted engine parts or anything else you don't need any longer. Your old spare parts may be wanted by someone else! Food and refreshments available on site.



Entry \$2.00, stallholders \$10.00 Contact Trevor Bailey on 03 5494 3152 Engine Park, Racecourse Road, Wedderburn

Did you know?

The flood recovery program began following a major flood event in October 2016. The flood resulted in 2,237 damages recorded across the Shire.

A Call To Prayer The Eternity Centre Church Boort

Extends an invitation to ALL local churches and interested persons everywhere in the wider Boort and surrounding communities to attend a Special service held at the BRIC centre on 31st March at 3pm for one hour of combined intercessory prayer, song, scripture followed with afternoon tea. We have much to be thankful for here in the Boort community already, however there is still much prayer needed both in our regions and nationally. If you are like minded as we are and want to help make a difference in your churches, communities and nation please join with us you will be most welcome!

> Enquiries- Ps Maxine Tonkin - Eternity Centre Ph 0428 947 344 evenings

Please note: Sorry no child-minding facilities available

Sunday Family Worship Service Eternity Centre Boort (BRIC) From Sunday 7th April

3.00pm Winter 6.00pm Summer

Pastor Maxine Tonkin

Ph 0428 947 344

Website: www.eternitycentre.org

THE QUAMBATOOK DISTRICT SHARE SHOP INC.

Homewares, Retro, Vintage, Old Wares, Honey, Jams, Books, Soaps, Quambatook Souvenirs, Photography and much, much more.

> Opening Hours: Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10am - 3pm.

> * 55-57 Guthrie Street *

For more info please check out our Facebook page or phone Jodie on 0417 306 214



COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 26/3 Firearms Safety Course @ BRIC

Sunday 31/3 Giant Pumpkin Challenge

Call to Prayer @ BRIC

Saturday 6/4 Boort Vs St Arnaud

Boort Golf Club Opening

Sunday 7/4 Daylight Saving Time Ends

Tuesday 9/4 WePublish Little Books @ BRIC

Wednesday 10/4 Boort Golf Club-Ladies Opening

Saturday 13/4 Wedderburn Vs Boort

Friday 19/4 - Monday 22/4 EASTER W/END

Boort Tennis Tournament

Thursday 25/4 Anzac Day

Saturday 27/4 Boort Vs SLNT (Night Game)

Sunday 28/4 Amity Auction

Thursday 2/5 Auskick commences

Sunday 5/5 Dr Thomas @ Café Renu

Tuesday 21/5 The Wine Bluffs - Comedy

Thursday 30/5 Small Business Bus @ BRIC

Thursday 18/7 - Sunday 21/7

Boort Golf Club Tournament

See inside for more details





Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday 7 April 2019

On Sunday 7 April 2019, Daylight Saving Time (EDST) will cease in Victoria when at 03:00 clocks will be put back to show 02:00.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



Goldfields Libraries

WePublish Little Books



Using our iPads and WePublish app create your own special little book. Bring along your favourite toy and create a story with them as the hero...or villain. We'll then print the book and mail to you.

Ages 5-10 years

TUE 9 APR, 11AM-12PM & 1-2PM Boort Library Agency

BOORT

Boort Resource and Information Centre Join us for fun and free activities in a selection of our library spaces,



Articles for "About Boort" newsletter need to arrive by 9.00am on the 20th of the month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Email to : bric.boort@bigpond.com

