



# ABOUT **Boort**

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## SERVING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

# SOUTHERN RIVERLANDS POULTRY

7 KM NORTH OF BOORT



Jarrod Trevanion with son Hudson



Southern Riverlands Poultry began its venture into free range chicken farming in 2019 about 7 kilometres north of Boort. Since that time construction of more sheds has continued on the farm with an expected population of 700,000 birds by March 2021. All of our birds are grown for Hazeldenes and sold as a free-range certified premium product labelled as The Bare Bird. This product can be purchased at the butcher in Boort as well as other select local suppliers.

All the birds that are grown at Southern Riverlands Poultry are coordinated off-site by Hazeldenes, a proud Bendigo born and bred company who supply premium chicken nationally and overseas.



*Ryley Verley*

Our farm in Boort receives the birds as day old hatchlings and they are grown for anywhere between five to seven weeks at which point Hazeldenes collects the birds to be processed in Lockwood.

Free-ranging begins when the birds are approximately three weeks old and birds continue ranging daily for the life of the birds. The free range areas are well maintained with mown grass, native trees and plentiful shade coverings.

The birds are fed a premium feed mixture that is vegetarian, anti-biotic free and hormone free.



Photo:  
**Hudson**

Southern Riverlands Poultry currently

has six onsite

employees including two from Boort in addition to contractors and local tradesman. The owner of our farm - Jarrod Trevanion - has relocated to Boort with his wife and two children to oversee the construction and operation of Southern Riverlands Poultry. Chicken farming is a novel experience and an exciting endeavour for our employees. With six batches of chickens per year the farm at its current capacity will grow over 4 million birds per year giving us all a great opportunity to constantly develop more innovative and effective farming practices. Australians currently are eating more chicken than ever before with an average of nearly 50kg consumed per capita per annum which is greater than beef, lamb and pork combined.

Employment positions for our farm are all advertised locally with locals given preference. With construction of our farm carrying on for a number of years it has also been a reliable source for local youth employment. The construction and farm operations has also included many local contractors over the years and will continue to in the future with ongoing earthworks, plumbing, engineering and mechanical work.

The Southern Riverlands Poultry owners appreciate all the support that the local community has given them and has further plans for more development in Boort and surrounding areas throughout the coming years. We have been welcomed into the community and we remain committed in creating strong relationships with businesses and local sporting clubs by offering our support. We look forward to further supporting the local community to ensure a long and enduring success for both the Farm and the community alike.



## Australia Day in Boort will be a little different this year.

Unless the weather is too extreme it will be conducted outdoors in Nolen's Park.

### PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR

The Ceremony will start at 9:15am

Cr Neil Beattie will present the Loddon Shire awards and guest speaker will be Mubarak Meera Sahib, Nurse Unit Manager at Boort District Health.

The Boort Babblers will lead us through the National Anthem and perform another item.

Loddon Shire will be providing sanitiser, sign in sheets and other items to make it a COVID safe event.

**If the event is moved indoors then masks will be required.**



# Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.



## Senior Citizens are back

Feb 10th Committee meeting 1pm

Feb 17th 2021

BBQ Lunch with musical entertainment to follow.

Registration is required prior to attending. Place your name on the IGA Noticeboard as of Mon 1st Feb

## ALL SENIORS WELCOME

## WHAT'S ON DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAM



FEBRUARY 2021

Make the most of life online with programs to connect, inspire and learn  
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### IT HELP

One-on-one assistance with laptops, tablets and phones. Learn how to use your eReader to make the most of the library's fantastic range of eResources.

### BY APPOINTMENT

Bendigo, Castlemaine, Eaglehawk, Gisborne, Heathcote, Kangaroo Flat, Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend libraries.

### DROP-IN

Avondale, Boort, Dinges, Elmore, Inglewood, Pyramid Hill, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn library agencies.

See [ncgrl.vic.gov.au/libraryagencies](http://ncgrl.vic.gov.au/libraryagencies) for details

### CREATING AWESOME RESUMES

Finding a job can be a daunting task but creating your resume doesn't need to be. Join Stef Cola from Doodson's Tuna as she goes through three steps to create an awesome resume for part-time and casual work.

THU 11 FEB, 7-8PM



## **Happy New Year**

Welcome to the first Mayoral Column for 2021. I hope all of our residents had a great Christmas and a happy New Year.

It was certainly a mixed holiday period – with the return of new restrictions on New Year’s Eve and the closure of the Victorian border to New South Wales from 11.59pm on New Year’s Day. At the time of writing, it was reported that the border closure would likely remain in place until the end of the month.

Although some local government areas are contained within a “border bubble” – including Loddon Shire, it has been disappointing to see this sudden border closure. Similar to when New South Wales closed its border to Victoria, this closure has a huge effect on rural border towns, including on local tourism, hospitality and other businesses.

Our communities and businesses need certainty – and while I understand concern regarding the emergence of COVID-19 cases, it seems once again our rural communities in border towns are bearing a huge burden when there are currently no cases in these rural areas.

## **Projects update**

Council continues to be busy with a number of projects either underway or scheduled for the New Year.

This includes the reconstruction and widening of two kilometres of Bridgewater Raywood Road (seven kilometres out of Bridgewater). Works have started on this project and are expected to be completed at the end of March.

The majority of upgrade works at the Wedderburn Pioneer Caravan Park are almost complete, while works at the Pyramid Hill Caravan Park have commenced. Works at the Boort Lakes Holiday Park will start after the holiday period.

The upgrades to these caravan parks include road and drainage works, powerhead upgrades, solar lighting and new amenities blocks (construction of these amenities blocks for all three caravan parks has started off site).

The reconstruction and widening of 3.7 kilometres of the Echuca Serpentine Road, three kilometres west of Bendigo Pyramid Road has been completed.

Safety upgrade works on the Old Inglewood Reservoir are now complete, as is the Victoria Street drainage upgrade project in front of the Pyramid Hill Swimming Pool.

A number of townships signs have been replaced around the Shire. In total 54 township signs have been replaced.

Starting this month will be the Heales Street drainage project at Inglewood. Works will also start this month on new footpaths, kerb and channel, and some underground drainage at High Street in Wedderburn (from near the 24 Karat Café to the police station corner) will start this month.

Additionally, works will start this month on culvert replacement on the Seven Months Creek in Kelly Street, Pyramid Hill (near the secondary college). At this stage, it is anticipated there will be a detour around the works site, with traffic management in place, including traffic lights.

Works to upgrade the barrier rail on the Yorkshire Road bridge over Spring Creek will also get underway this month.

A number of projects are currently out to tender – including the Bailey’s Road Bridge replacement over Bullock Creek in Derby and Godfrey Street boardwalk in Wedderburn (connecting the footpaths on either side of Nardoo Creek).

Tenders are also out for new Female Friendly Changerooms to be built at the Bridgewater Recreation Reserve and culvert replacement on Prairie West Road (east of Jarklin).

The tender for the installation of kerb and channel and associated works at Lake View and Andrews Street in Boort closed last week, while Council’s reseal tender closed just before Christmas.

The tender to install footpaths in locations across the Shire has been awarded. These locations are Barber Street in Pyramid Hill, Sullivan Street, Southie Street, Houston Street and Belmont Street in Inglewood, Armstrong Street and McMillans Road in Boort, Nelson Street in Newbridge, and the lane behind High Street in Wedderburn (near the lawn bowls club).

## **MASH launch**

The MASH (More Australian Solar Homes) solar bulk-buy program was launched in Wedderburn in December. The program is part of Council’s ongoing partnership with the Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance.

MASH makes it easier and more affordable for Loddon Shire households and businesses to install a





solar power system in order to cut their electricity bills and CO<sup>2</sup> emissions.

Uptake of solar in Loddon Shire is currently at 31 per cent (this sits above the national average of 27 per cent). The MASH program aims to further increase this to 33 per cent.

This will raise \$5,000 to be donated to a not-for-profit organisation here in Loddon to cover the cost of a 4.29kW solar power system. MASH supports local communities by donating one percent of project revenues to community groups and schools in the form of free solar. So far, MASH has donated and installed 17 solar power systems across Central Victoria through the bulk-buy program.

### Loddon Youth Survey reminder

A reminder that the Loddon Youth Survey is still open. The survey invites young people aged 12 to 25 years in the Loddon Shire to share their thoughts and opinions about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on themselves and the community.

There is also a chance to win a \$50 voucher from either Google Play, Apple iTunes, Netflix, Catch, Kogan, E-Bay, Xbox or PlayStation.

All responses are anonymous and confidential. The survey is available at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/loddonyouth](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/loddonyouth)

## WHAT'S ON



### Old Tarnagulla In Colour Exhibition

**Sunday, 14 February and Sunday 14 March 2021**

**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

An exhibition of local historical photographs which have been scanned, digitally restored, 'coloured'

and reprinted in large format. Entry is free but a donation to the Tarnagulla History Archive is appreciated.

Email: [tarnagullahistoryarchive@gmail.com](mailto:tarnagullahistoryarchive@gmail.com)

Tarnagulla Public Hall, 69-71 Commercial Road, Tarnagulla 3551

### Tarnagulla Archive Open Day

**Open on the second Sunday of each month (except on Code Red days) | 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

The Tarnagulla History Archive is a repository for all things related to the local history of Tarnagulla and its surrounding district.

#### At Open Days visitors can:

- View temporary displays of local history images, footage and artefacts
- Have local and family history questions answered by a local historian
- Lodge research requests
- Order copies of historical images
- Buy local history books
- Register interest as a volunteer, a donor or for updates.

Email: [tarnagullahistoryarchive@gmail.com](mailto:tarnagullahistoryarchive@gmail.com)

Tarnagulla Public Hall, 69-71 Commercial Road, Tarnagulla 3551

### Minelab Wedderburn

#### Detector Jamboree 2021

**Saturday, 6 March to Sunday 7 March 2021**

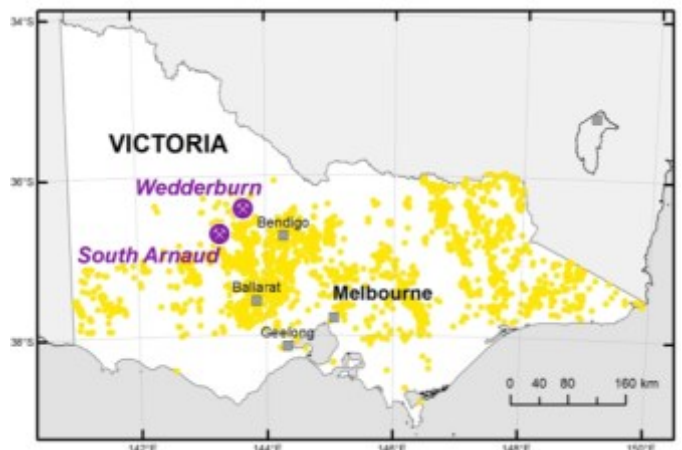
**6:45am to 3pm**

An annual two day event introducing gold panning and detector demonstrations on the Labour Day long weekend. Including:

- Senior token hunt Saturday and Sunday
- Senior gold panning knockout Saturday
- Monster town garage sales Saturday
- Saturday evening entertainment

#### Prizes this year are:

Senior token hunt - Minelab GPX 5000 valued at \$5999.00



## 2021 Australian Masters Water Ski Championships

Saturday, 23 January to Monday, 25 January 2021  
08:00 AM to 03:30 PM

Hosted over three days this event attracts the best 3 event skiers in the country and includes age groups from under 11 to over 65 as well as our top national open men's and women's skiers. Entry is free.

Contact Craig: 0409 182 050

Email: [craigsclc29@outlook.com](mailto:craigsclc29@outlook.com)

Bridgewater Public Caravan Park, Park St,  
Bridgewater on Loddon 3516

## 8th NHMA National Tractor Trek 2021

Thursday, 30 September to Sunday, 03 October 2021  
08:00 AM 03:00 PM

8th National Historical Machinery Association Tractor Trek in 2021 will be run in Wedderburn by the Webberburn Historical Engine and Machinery Society Inc. Spectators welcome and encouraged.

Email: [barry.bolwell1@gmail.com](mailto:barry.bolwell1@gmail.com)

Phone: 0498 877 330

## Australia Day 2021

On 26 January, Australia Day celebrations will be taking place across our Shire with towns and communities hosting events (in line with current COVID-19 restrictions).

Celebrations will be held at Boort, Bridgewater (to be confirmed), Calivil, Eddington, Inglewood, Newbridge, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn.

The day will also include the announcement of the Australia Day Awards for Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Services and Community Group/Event of the Year.

These awards celebrate the achievements and contributions made by outstanding members of our community who, through their efforts, make us feel proud to be Australian.

To find out more, including times and locations of Australia Day celebrations, visit:

[www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Ceremonies/Australia-Day](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Ceremonies/Australia-Day)

This year's Australia Day competitions, including literature, colouring and photography have been centred on the theme of the Olympics and sports.

## Draft Waste Management Strategy feedback open

Council's draft Waste Management Strategy 2020-2030 is now open for comment.

The strategy has been developed after consultation with various organisations and individuals.

There are three objectives in the strategy: deliver cost-effective, efficient, and continuously improved services; increase diversion at kerbside and at transfer stations, and promote the circular economy (including reducing waste generation) and drive up demand for recycled products.

Comments must be in writing and submitted by 4pm on 8 February 2021.

You can view the strategy and comment online via [www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Documents-for-public-comment](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Documents-for-public-comment)

A copy of the document for viewing is also available from Council's Wedderburn office.

Comments can be submitted by mail to: Chief Executive Officer, Loddon Shire Council, PO Box 21, Wedderburn VIC 3518.

You can also submit your comment via email to [loddon@loddon.vic.gov.au](mailto:loddon@loddon.vic.gov.au)

Submissions will be presented to Council before adoption of the strategy, and included within the Council agenda and minutes. These are made available to the public and on Council's website. If you do not wish to be identified in these public documents, please indicate this in your submission.



**October 1st 2020 to March 31st 2021**

**A new program supporting community leaders, organisations, and individuals to change their strategy without changing their vision.**

**Delivering inspiration, information, digital connectivity, adaptation ideas, and real time support to wherever you work best!**

Community and professional development will be delivered **FREE** of charge and entirely online

**A Resilience Response Program to Strengthen Community Efforts**

## Let's Pivot

### *Let's Pivot discussion series starting soon*

The next series of the Let's Pivot Zoom Discussions will get underway from Wednesday 3 February.

The series comprises of eight sessions running every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12pm, with the final session on 24 March.

These facilitated discussions are for not-for-profits, community groups, leaders, and anyone who wants to be more effective or make a positive impact.

To find out more and to register your attendance for the eight sessions, visit <https://makeachange.org.au/events>

## Nominations open for Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### *Nominations are now open for the 2021 Victorian Honour Roll of Women.*

Each year, the Victorian Honour Roll of Women recognises women who have demonstrated remarkable leadership and excellence in their field of expertise, interest, endeavour, or through their commitment to the community. Since 2001, more than 600 women have been recognised for their incredible efforts in Victoria, Australia and beyond.

Women are recognised for their achievements in a broad range of fields, including science, arts, environment, law, social justice, family violence prevention, research, health, media and education. Victorian women may be nominated for their achievements in either paid or voluntary work, across five categories: Trailblazer, Change Agent, Local Champion, Emerging Leader and Leading through Disaster.

Nominations close 31 January 2021.

### *For more information visit*

[www.vic.gov.au/victorian-honour-roll-women-program](http://www.vic.gov.au/victorian-honour-roll-women-program)



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**Travellers Aid Australia operates from our three service sites at Southern Cross and Flinders Street Stations in Melbourne and Seymour Railway Station, in regional Victoria. Our services are provided with care, respect and dignity.**

**Travellers Aid Southern Cross Station**  
Opening hours: 6:30am to 8.00pm,  
7 days a week

**Phone: (03) 9670 2072**

Email: [scs@travellersaid.org.au](mailto:scs@travellersaid.org.au)

### BOOK A SERVICE

**Buggy Service** - A free Buggy Service assisting people transiting through Southern Cross Station and Seymour Station.

**Companion Service** - for a volunteer to assist you travelling to/from your appointment around Melbourne and suburbs.

**Mobility Equipment** - for long or short term hire of a variety of mobility equipment.

### Regional Travel Voucher Scheme – Round 2

Registrations for Round 2 of the Victorian Government's Regional Travel Voucher Scheme open this Wednesday 20 January.

Vouchers will be offered to Victorian residents to contribute to the costs of accommodation, tourism attractions or tours undertaken in regional Victoria, the Yarra Ranges and the Mornington Peninsula.

Victorians who receive a voucher and spend at least \$400 on accommodation, attractions or tours during their stay will be eligible to receive a reimbursement of \$200 on presentation of receipts.

The program works on a 'first-come-first-served' basis and each round will close once all places have been filled for that particular round.

To find out more and to register visit

[www.vic.gov.au/regional-travel-voucher-scheme](http://www.vic.gov.au/regional-travel-voucher-scheme)



### Important changes to your Victorian Seniors Card off-peak travel vouchers

From 2020, free travel vouchers will no longer be automatically sent to Victorian Seniors Card holders.

**From January 1**, both existing and new Victorian Seniors Card holders will need to opt-in to receive free travel vouchers in future by registering at the [au/vouchers](http://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/vouchers). You will only need to register once. If you are a new card holder please note that to receive your free off-peak travel vouchers you now need to opt in by registering at [www.ptv.vic.gov.au/vouchers](http://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/vouchers) and you'll receive vouchers in the mail each year.

#### You can redeem your free travel vouchers for:

- a day's unlimited travel in zones 1 and 2, this is a 1 Day Travel Pass, just go to a metropolitan premium station or PTV Hub
- two off-peak V/Line singles or day return, just go to a staffed V/Line station or ticket agent.

**For more information please contact Public Transport Victoria at or call 1800 800 007**



### COME AND PLAY!

#### Learn about our playgroup.

We would love to have you and your children join us. We meet together every Friday during school terms, between 9:30-11:30am. The venue is Boort Pre-School or Nolen's Park (COVID restriction-dependent). Please bring a piece of fruit, your water, and \$2 per child to cover our costs.

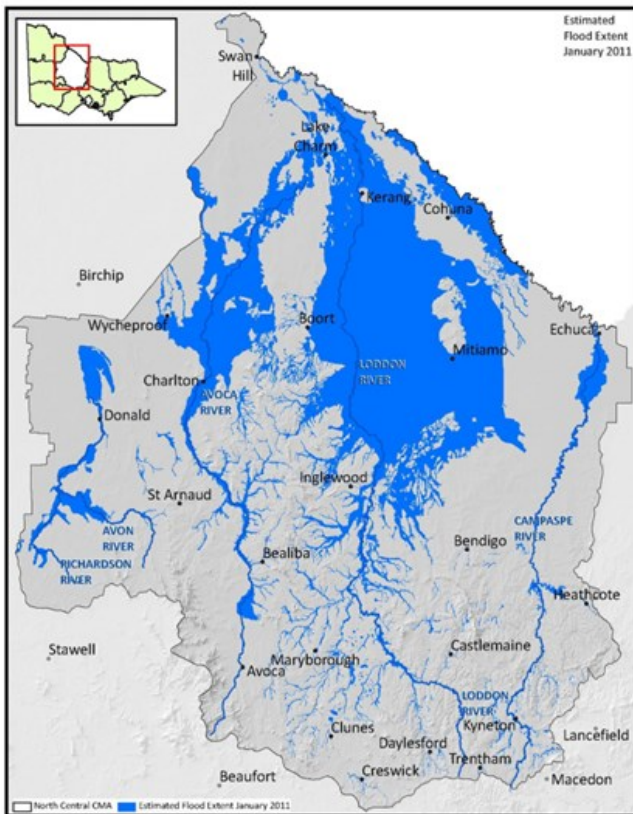
To learn more about Boort Playgroup, please call Nikki Lanyon on 0487 180 067.



## 2011 Floods – 10 Years on

This week marks the 10 year anniversary of the January 2011 flood event; the second largest in recorded history and significantly bigger than the September and December events in 2010. Written records indicate that its magnitude was exceeded only by the floods of 1909.

The fast flowing flood travelled north from the upper reaches of the Loddon River, the Bullock



Creek and Bendigo Creek, from outside the Shire. Newbridge was the first town affected, followed by Bridgewater. The flood waters then moved further north along the Loddon River dispersing into creeks and anabranches as it traversed the northern floodplains to eventually enter the Murray River system.

At the flood's peak, water volumes recorded at the Laanecoorie Reservoir spillway reached 194 gegalitres per day. To put this volume into context, Melbourne uses 460 gegalitres of water per year.

Over 30% (approx 2,200 sq km) of the Shire was impacted. At its peak, the flood was reported to be 90 km long and 50 km wide.

Many farms and towns were directly impacted. The flood progressively caused dislocation and isolation of many parts of the Shire with the flood waters cutting roads (including the Calder Highway and the Loddon Valley Highway for several days). Subsequent damage assessments confirmed approximately \$30 million damage was caused to Council managed infrastructure alone.

We join those members of our community who will take some time this week to reflect on the event, which delivered many challenges but also demonstrated the strength and resilience of our people and communities as they dealt with and then recovered from the impacts of the flood.

***We know that many members of our community were impacted by the 2011 Floods. If reflecting on the event at this time causes you to experience an emotional or physical reaction, we encourage you to contact your doctor, mental health professional or Lifeline on 13 11 14.***



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**Account name:** Boort Resource and Info Centre

**Bendigo Bank - BSB:** 633 000

**Account number:** 1170 41830



## ADVERTISING in the *About Boort Newsletter* from November 2020

Advertising is to support our local businesses and to serve our community.

Private ads also available for garage sales, selling goods, birth notices, obituaries.

### Prices Per Month (artwork ready)

Price includes GST and payment is required prior to publication. *The digital version is produced as full colour.*

197w x 284h	Full page	\$200
197w x 140h	Half Page	\$100
96w x 140h	Quarter Page	\$50
96w x 70h	Eighth	\$25
96w x 35h	Sixteenth	\$12.50

**Design Service is available - (prices will vary depending on requirements)**

## BOORT BOWLS



On Thursday night

7th January the Club put on a special night providing a barbecue tea and social bowls for all young and old from the caravan park. This proved to be a very good and successful fun night for our visitors and bowling club members.

On Thursday night the 21st January the Club is starting up their very popular night pennant competition. Anybody interested in playing in this competition can get in touch with President John Nelson for further information.

On January 26th the Club is holding their Annual Any Combination Pairs Tournament, with the entries for this tournament already filled.

On February 8th the Boort Club are holding their very prestigious Classic Triples Tournament. Entries are still welcome for any bowling members to enter this event.

The Boort team of Kevin De Piazza (s), Peter Waters, Ken Birt and Tania Noles supported the recent Korong Vale Tournament and finished Runners-Up for the day.

Thelma Moresi (Boort) played in a composite team in the N.C.B.D. State Fours event and her team had a win. The team will now compete at Regional Level over the Labour Day Week-End.

Pennant bowls has started up again after the Christmas Break. Bowlers are back enjoying the game and will possibly be attending a few tournaments around the district as well.



## Rip and Dip Weekend

**Northern District Community Health (NDCH) have partnered with Gannawarra Shire Council to present Rip and Dip Weekend on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> of February.**

The weekend will consist of four youth events for young people aged 12-25 years of age. The events include Paint the Park, a spray painting workshop at the Kerang Skate Park, a movie night at the Kerang Pool, skateboarding workshops and a Beach Party in Cohuna. On the Saturday morning, young people can take part in Paint the Park alongside Melbourne artist RusKidd and Bendigo-based collaborative Nacho Station. Participants will learn new skills in street art and aerosol control, perfecting their skills and making their mark on some of the previously painted sections. Places are very limited and participants can sign up at [ndch.org.au/events](http://ndch.org.au/events).

On the Saturday afternoon, young people are invited to attend an outdoor movie night at the Kerang Pool. *Pirates of the Caribbean – Curse of the Black Pearl* will start at sunset, around 8:30pm, with other activities including the water slide, pool games and the inflatable running from 5pm. DJ Tamara will be performing from 7pm including her viral cover of the Pirates of the Caribbean theme song. Hold My Buns will be selling burgers for people to enjoy as they watch. *Pirates of the Caribbean* is rated M and recommended for persons 15 years and older.

Skateboarding workshops will be run on the Sunday morning by Shreadability. Young people can learn how to skate or further develop their skills in skateboarding with Melbourne Pro-Skater, Renton Millar. There will be a mini competition at the end of the event with prizes from Element Australia.

Rip and Dip Weekend continues over in Cohuna on the Sunday with a Beach Party at the Cohuna Beach. There will be games and competitions to win prizes. There will also be live music performed by Colour Court.

NDCH Youth Worker Matt Allan said these events will be a highlight for many young people at the start of a new year. "It's great to get our events going so early on, especially with 4 in one weekend". NDCH CEO, Mandy Hutchinson also supported the plans. "It's fantastic to bring such a jam packed weekend of activities to our area," Ms. Hutchinson said. "It will be awesome to see so many young people out enjoying themselves."

**For more information about all things Rip and Dip Weekend, head to the NDCH Youth Events Facebook page, or call NDCH on 5451 0200.**



- TENNIS COMMITTEE -

President - Damien Lanyon Vice - Stuart Gould Secretary - Kristen Gooding

Asst. Secretary - Maree Stringer Treasurer - Alister McDougal

General Committee - Greg Boyd, Adam Potter, Kim Potter, Greg Bear, Kellie Hare, Lee Lanyon



# Easter Tennis Tournament



The tournament commences on Friday 2nd April to Monday 5th April.

**The event consists of:**

- Men's & Ladies' singles championships
- Men's, Ladies', Junior boys and girls singles (graded)
- Men's, Ladies', Junior boys and girls doubles (graded)
- +40 years Veteran mixed doubles (graded)
- +60 years Veteran mixed doubles (graded)
- Family female doubles (graded)
- Family male doubles (graded)
- Family mixed doubles (graded)
- Mixed doubles (graded)
- Fast - 4 tennis Ladies' doubles (graded)
- Fast - 4 tennis Men's doubles (graded)
- Fast - 4 tennis RR Mixed doubles (graded)

**Entries close  
Friday 12 March 2021  
at 8pm or when filled.**

For more information and entry forms call Alister: 0427221098

The committee would appreciate it if entries can be sent in as early as possible.

**Post entries to:**  
PO Box 29, Boort, 3537 or  
email [ahvmcd@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ahvmcd@bigpond.net.au)



**1 CALL**

CALL TRIPLE ZERO (000)



**2 PUSH**

PUSH HARD AND FAST ON THE CHEST



**3 SHOCK**

SHOCK WITH AN AED

**As we ease out of COVID restrictions, Ambulance Victoria is pleased to announce the resumption of community education activities in an endeavour to make Boort a Heart Safe Community!**

Every year thousands of people in Victoria suffer a cardiac arrest, tragically, only one in ten people currently survive. A cardiac arrest occurs when the heart suddenly stops. Immediate action is critical to save a life.

When a bystander performs Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) a person is twice as likely to survive. If an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is also used, this survival rate dramatically increases. That's why it is vital that bystanders act quickly in the first critical minutes of a cardiac arrest.

Community education sessions will be conducted throughout February by Boort's very own Ambulance Officers to teach the important steps of saving a life.

As we enter a new year it's also a great to check your First Aid Kits and AEDs. Are all your first aid kits contents in your home, workplace or vehicle in date? Is your AED operational, are the pads in date, and is the AED registered with Ambulance Victoria?

For more information come along to a FREE community education session or visit [ambulance.vic.gov.au](http://ambulance.vic.gov.au).

Follow Loddon PCSC on Facebook  
[facebook.com/pscsloddon](https://facebook.com/pscsloddon)

Saving lives is a team effort and the community is a vital part of the team.



## Don't travel to high risk areas on Extreme Fire Danger Rating days.

If you plan to travel through Victoria during fire season, it's important to check the Fire Danger Rating every day. If the rating is Extreme or above, avoid travelling to high risk bush or grassfire areas. It's safer to travel to cities or towns for the day.

**How well do you know fire?**



Plan. Act. Survive. Go to [emergency.vic.gov.au](http://emergency.vic.gov.au)

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**BOORT ANGLING CLUB**

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34 Ring Road, Boort, Vic. 3537 or P.O Box 43Boort, Vic. 3537

The BAC wish everyone a Happy Aust Day and encourage you to get out fishing over summer.

*Email: [boortanglingclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boortanglingclub@yahoo.com)*



Take some time for yourself in this free, fun and friendly 12 week online drawing-based program. Art materials supplied.

All in the comfort of your own home. No prior skills needed.

Program starts Wednesday 24 February 2021

**Registrations close: 10 February 2021**

For more information and to register:

<https://www.artlytherapy.com/online-courses>

**Just add the Loddon program to the Cart and Checkout for FREE**

**Registrations open to Loddon Shire Residents**



### MYSIA CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

We enjoyed sharing our Christmas light/display with you all. We would like to thank everyone for visiting and for your donations. We were pleased to donate a staggering \$300 to the Uncle Bobs Club. We look forward to seeing you next Christmas with some new items already added to our display.

*Thanks Alison and Julie*



This project was made possible through the Victorian Government's Let's Stay Connected Fund



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## Boort Hapkido Group

👉 *With our COVID hibernation behind us, Hapkido returns for 2021* 👉

To accommodate our youngsters with their swimming, our first term will be on a Tuesday evening. We shall return to our normal Wednesday night from Term 2 onwards.

**With restrictions easing,  
the format will be:**

Juniors: 5.30 to 6.00pm

Adults: 6.15 to 7.35pm

We will cap our class numbers at 20. So get in quick; places in our Junior Class with Cindy Brown will be



keenly sought. Adult classes with myself less so 😞 !

Please contact Cindy or me to reserve a spot for yourself or your offspring. Our tech expert is working on our QR code entry system, which will allow

members to check in on their phone. All other questions can be directed to either of us.

## BOORT Men's Shed

**is BACK OPEN**

**and welcomes new members.**

**Contact Wayne Pappin for  
more information: 0488 710 254**



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# Coaching & Event Weekend



## Saturday the 13th of Feb – Free Coaching Day

Don't have a Boat? Frustrated with teaching your own kids? We can help!

- This is a learn to ski day, whether you want to learn to get up on double skis, single ski, trick ski, barefoot or learn to jump the wake on a wake board this day is for you.
- **7:30am – Barefoot coaching** - Weather conditions permitting.
- **9:00am onwards – Ski coaching**, please bring you ski gear (ski club can provide equipment on the day if you don't have your own).
- **12pm – BBQ Lunch.**
- Please register your interest via email or the Facebook/Instagram page.

## Sunday the 14th of Feb – Club Tournament day

- **8am start – Barefoot then mini & slalom course from 9am** - All age groups welcome, very social, easy going competition.

Membership required for both days for insurance purposes. The ski club will have the back half of the lake closed for these events, and the tournament day will be held from the fishing club.

**Not a Member?** We would love you and your family to be part of the Boort ski Club! Memberships available from the club on the 13th of Feb. Family \$50 / Single \$25

 Boortskiclub@hotmail.com

  BoortSkiClub on Facebook/Instagram



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Providing Hearing Services - Hearing Assessments, Hearing Aids, Alternative Listening Devices, Batteries & Accessories - to you, without the need to travel.

*Visiting Boort Medical Clinic - Ph (03) 4418 2820 for more information or to book an appointment.*

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### BDH COVID SCREENING

BDH continues to swab for COVID at the daily drive through clinic. Monday to Friday 12:30.

**Community members needing a COVID swab should ring BDH reception on 54515200.**

### RFDS WELLBEING

RFDS wellbeing services are back onsite at BDH. If you or someone you know is feeling worried or overwhelmed please ring 03 84120480.

**No referral is needed and it is a free and confidential service.**

### BDH URGENT CARE CENTRE

**BDH UCC is open 24hours per day, 7 days per week.**

Our experienced nursing staff are onsite to triage anyone presenting who requires urgent medical care.

## Boort Library Agency Storytimes 2021

Nurture your child's listening and learning skills in these fun-filled sessions of stories, songs and rhymes.

FEB-JUN

DAY	TIME
THU 4 FEB	10.30-11am
THU 18 FEB	10.30-11am
THU 4 MAR	10.30-11am
THU 18 MAR	10.30-11am
THU 22 APR	10.30-11am
THU 6 MAY	10.30-11am
THU 20 MAY	10.30-11am
THU 3 JUN	10.30-11am
THU 17 JUN	10.30-11am

**NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME**  
WED 19 MAY, 11-11.30am  
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Boort Resource and Information Centre  
119-121 Godfrey St

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### TO OUR LOYAL FOLLOWERS

We are very hopeful to welcome you all back for a full season of football for 2021.

It gives me great please to announce our coaches for the season ahead.

- SENIOR COACH Andrew Hawker
- RESERVES COACH Sam Griffiths
- RESERVES ASSISTANT COACH Matt Hodoras
- U16S COACH Harry Weaver
- U13S COACH Greg Boyd

We are looking forward to a fantastic season ahead with some great recruiting, the return of some familiar faces and the return of past players. The early signing of coaches has got us of to a great start with senior training having started this week.

Last Sunday a great day was had at our annual season launch. The day saw Football, Netball and Hockey combine for a training session which was run and kindly donated by Chris and Sherryn O'Flaherty. Everyone enjoyed a BBQ lunch and a great catch up.

Look out for the starting dates of junior training. See you at the nest

**Kind Regards Kane Arnold / BFC President**

## **Boort Historical Society Inc.**

### ***A Piece of History***

Boort Railway Terminus Hotel was built in 1887 the proprietor being T. B. Durham. The Railway Terminus Hotel was destroyed by fire on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1914 and was rebuilt in a few months. The new Hotel had 20 bedrooms, 2 sitting rooms, 2 dining rooms, 2 parlours, 2 bathrooms, a kitchen, servery and scullery, sample room, lounge and large hall, billiard room and balcony. The cost of the building was in the vicinity of £4,500. The licensee not seeing it finished as he died suddenly a week before it was finished, his widow selling the property to Mr J. W. Clement's of Boort in 1915, who applied to the Licensing Courts to have the hotel name changed from the Railway Terminus Hotel to Railway Hotel. 1977 found big renovations with John and Judith Selleck opening the bistro which included the dismantling of the cedar staircase which was built in 1914, with the job being done by "Dickie the Brickie" Charlton. Michelle McGrath opened Totti's restaurant in 1981 in the

Victorian Dining Room of the Railway Hotel, opening on Friday and Saturday nights and special functions. Michelle would do prep work but cooking was left to Graham Pattison. 1991 was when a new door was formed at the front of the Hotel by Russell and Robyn Hayes, for an entry to the new TAB facility, part of the bar was transformed for access to computers for customers placing bets with the new system. Video Jungle was opened in a room at the Hotel in 1993, having over 400 titles and Kane Leeds was on hand to help you make a choice.

*(Information taken from Boort Standard)*



## **Boort/ Yando Cricket**

A recently discovered photo of the 1985/86 B Grade Premiership 12. The very season Boort/Yando was formed from the Boort and Yando teams that played in the old Pyramid Hill comp. In a tense high scoring Grand Final Boort/Yando downed the more favoured Mystic Park. Featured in this great photo taken after the



game is club patriarch Sir Ken Hockey who celebrated his 90th birthday recently. Ken is going along quietly now adays but still enjoys a laugh and watching and talking his beloved cricket.

**David Rees**





## North Central - 2021 Fixture

### **RD 1 - APRIL 10**

Charlton v Wychthe-NFC  
 Birchip-Watchem v St Arnaud  
 Donald v W'burn Redbacks  
 Boort v Sea Lake NT

### **RD 2 - APRIL 17**

Sea Lake NT v Charlton  
 Boort v Birchip-Watchem  
 Wychthe-NFC v Donald  
 W'burn Redbacks v St Arnaud

### **RD 3 - APRIL 24**

Charlton v W'burn Redbacks  
 Birchip-Watchem v Sea Lake NT  
 Donald v Boort  
 St Arnaud v Wychthe-NFC

### **RD 4 - MAY 1**

St Arnaud v Charlton  
 W'burn Redbacks v Birchip-Watchem  
 Sea Lake NT v Donald  
 Wychthe-NFC v Boort

### **RD 5 - MAY 8**

Charlton v Boort  
 Birchip-Watchem v Donald  
 W'burn Redbacks v Wychthe-NFC  
 St Arnaud v Sea Lake NT

### **MAY 15**

Inter-league OR  
 General BYE

### **RD 6 - MAY 22**

Donald v Charlton  
 Birchip-Watchem v Wychthe-NFC  
 Boort v St Arnaud  
 Sea Lake NT v W'burn Redbacks

### **RD 7 - MAY 29**

Charlton v Birchip-Watchem  
 St Arnaud v Donald  
 W'burn Redbacks v Boort  
 Wychthe-NFC v Sea Lake NT

### **RD 8 - JUNE 5**

Wychthe-NFC v Charlton  
 St Arnaud v Birchip-Watchem  
 W'burn Redbacks v Donald  
 Sea Lake NT v Boort

### **JUNE 12**

General BYE  
 Queens Birthday Long  
 Weekend

### **RD 9 - JUNE 19**

Charlton v St Arnaud  
 Birchip-Watchem v W'burn Redbacks  
 Donald v Sea Lake NT  
 Boort v Wychthe-NFC

### **RD 10 - JUNE 26**

W'burn Redbacks v Charlton  
 Sea Lake NT v Birchip-Watchem  
 Boort v Donald  
 Wychthe-NFC v St Arnaud

### **JULY 3**

General BYE  
 School Holiday Break

### **RD 11 - JULY 10**

Charlton v Sea Lake NT  
 Birchip-Watchem v Boort  
 Donald v Wychthe-NFC  
 St Arnaud v W'burn Redbacks

### **RD 12 - JULY 17**

Boort v Charlton  
 Donald v Birchip-Watchem  
 Wychthe-NFC v W'burn Redbacks  
 Sea Lake NT v St Arnaud

### **RD 13 - JULY 24**

Charlton v Donald  
 Wychthe-NFC v Birchip-Watchem  
 St Arnaud v Boort  
 W'burn Redbacks v Sea Lake NT

### **RD 14 - JULY 31**

Birchip-Watchem v Charlton  
 Donald v St Arnaud  
 Boort v W'burn Redbacks  
 Sea Lake NT v Wychthe-NFC

### **RD 15 - AUGUST 7**

Charlton v Wychthe-NFC  
 Birchip-Watchem v St Arnaud  
 Donald v W'burn Redbacks  
 Boort v Sea Lake NT

### **RD 16 - AUGUST 14**

St Arnaud v Charlton  
 W'burn Redbacks v Birchip-Watchem  
 Sea Lake NT v Donald  
 Wychthe-NFC v Boort

### **FIRST SEMI FINAL**

August 21

### **SECOND SEMI FINAL**

August 28

### **PRELIMINARY FINAL**

September 4

### **GRAND FINAL**

September 11

### **FEENY MEDAL**

August 25  
 @ Charlton



## **Rotary Club of Kerang Inc.**

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# **ANNUAL ART SHOW**

**Easter April 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 2021.**

**At the Kerang Basketball Stadium,  
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**Prizes totaling \$5,800**

### **Official Opening, Judging & Sales**

Friday April 2nd, 7 pm - 10 pm  
Entry \$25.00 includes program, supper,  
complimentary wine, judging announcements &  
entry for Saturday and Sunday  
All Welcome.

### **Display, Sales & Demonstrations**

Saturday April 3rd, 10 am - 6 pm  
Sunday April 4th, 10 am - 3 pm  
Refreshments available.  
Entry \$7 includes program.  
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Best Mixed Medium - \$300

Best Any Other Medium - \$300

Best Photographic Print - \$300

Regional Encouragement Award - 50 km radius - \$300

Best Easter Themed Art work - "Sacrifice" - \$400

Peoples Choice Award - 50 km radius - \$250

Yvette Brimacombe Memorial Youth Encouragement Award (16-25 years) - 50km radius - \$200

Raffle prizes — 121 pce Lokaway Tool Kit & Double Bed Quilt

***Judge: Kain White. (Award Winning Practising Artist & Tutor)***

**Entries close Friday 19th March 2021.**

Enquiries

**Email [rotarykerangartshow@gmail.com](mailto:rotarykerangartshow@gmail.com)**

Art Show Coordinator

Jenny Kelly

0400 571 266

Annette Kelly

0409 183 354

# POSITIONS VACANT



## BOORT RESOURCE AND INFORMATION CENTRE

### Traineeship—Office Administration

#### OUR VISION

Working together to build and strengthen our community.

#### OUR MISSION

BRIC is a dynamic community organisation – owned by the community for the community. We are a meeting place, providing activities and services which are accessible and responsive. We encourage personal development and life-long learning. We work to build and strengthen connections, fostering links and networks across the community and providing information to educate and strengthen individual self-esteem.

We work in partnership with our community and other providers to provide flexible services and information for a range of community supports.

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

Available at BRIC

#### LEVEL OF RESPONSIBILITY

The trainee reports to and works under the oversight of the Centre Manager. On a day to day basis, the Trainee works with a significant degree of autonomy, authority and responsibility as delegated by the Centre Manager.

3 days a week, 9am - 4pm  
*Applications Close 29/01/2021*

For more information and a detailed job description please contact  
**BRIC on 5455 2716**

Please forward your resume to  
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## COMING EVENTS

### January

Sat 30th Boort Tennis Comp Commences

### February

Sat 6th NDCH Rip & Dip Event  
Sun 7th NDCH Rip & Dip Event  
Mon 8th Boort Classic Bowls Triples  
Feb 10th **Senior Citz/Committee** meeting 1pm  
Feb 17th **Senior Citz/BBQ** Lunch with musical entertainment to follow.  
Sun 28th Cups Day Boort Trotting Club

### March

Nothing to report for this month

### April

Fri 2nd to Mon 5th Boort Easter Tournament

### CORRECTION FROM LAST MONTH

The Serpentine Airshow will be held in March 20th 2022

# BOORT



# CUPS DAY

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**SUN**

**28TH FEB**

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## HIGHLIGHTS

CELEBRATING HALL OF FAME CHAMPION TROTTER  
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