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BOORT ANGLING CLUB Inc No A 0051259 P 34 Ring Road Boort. Vic. 3537 PO Box 43 Boort. Vic. 3537 Email: boortanglingclub@yahoo.com



The BAC, 2022 Championship Points Board commenced with the January Comp, held at Pental Island. Seven members attended and all caught fish. A great catch by Junior member Bailey Page put 373 points on the board. Best of the Adults was Ron Hird, with 322 points.

Welcome to new member Steve Webster.

Bailey Page wins at Pental Island



Some of the BAC Members with MMNAAC Shield

Fifty anglers from St Arnaud, Boort, Donald, Charlton, Quambatook, and Lake Boga, fished for the Mid Northern Association of Angling Clubs Shields at the Barham Caravan Park, on 19th and 20th February. BAC had twelve members competing and brought home the MNAAC Shield. This was due to a great catch of a 56cm cod for Junior Member Courtney Page, and brother Bailey Page caught three Cod all of which were under size. Congratulations. Senior Competition was won by Snibs Ritchie from Quambatook with a 66cm Carp. On Sunday Shane Sullivan from Donald caught a 25cm Carp and Lee Malone caught a 44cm Carp to make her the winner of the Mid Northern Individual Shield. Everyone who caught a fish over the weekend was awarded a prize and all Juniors who competed received prizes, and eight lucky anglers won a raffle prize each. Thanks to the sponsors, Trend Toys n Outdoors Barham, Blue Skye, Anaconda and Micky Moo for making this possible.

Bailey and Courtney Page with trophies at Barham



Reports of redfin going in Little Lake Boort is great. Not much size on average, but some decent ones. Lots of good comments on the freshly painted clubrooms and the new doors on the Bar B Q area will soon be complete.

Next BAC Meeting 7.30pm 9th March 2022 Next Comp Saturday 19th March and Sunday 20th March Venue to be decided.

Tight lines BAC Committee.



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Healthy Heart of Victoria projects in Loddon

The Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative has announced a number of new projects to help increase levels of healthy eating and physical activity across the Loddon Campaspe Region, including Loddon Shire, over the next six months.

Projects in Loddon Shire include hydration stations in three locations, activation sessions at Boort, Pyramid Hill and Wedderburn outdoor fitness equipment, way-finding and instructional signage along Wedderburn's Nardoo Trail and installation of outdoor fitness equipment in Inglewood, as well as Jamie Oliver's Ministry of Food online cooking course, which will be held region-wide.

Further updates and information will be provided as projects are underway.

Healthy Heart of Victoria aims to improve health in the region by providing opportunities and creating spaces for residents to be more active and to eat well.

The initiative spans six Local Government Areas including Loddon Shire, as well as City of Greater Bendigo, Campaspe, Central Goldfields, Macedon Ranges and Mount Alexander shires.

Startup Central Victoria – online event

Startup Central Victoria will be hosting a free online conversation with entrepreneur Maryann Thexton who will share her journey of creating a new company and product.

Maryann is Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder of Bio-Az (a subsidiary of The Marl Group Corporation), winner of the 2021 Nutra Ingredients Asia Startup Award. The company's first product, Biotica water, has just entered commercial production phase.

As she prepares to launch their first product to the world, Maryann will share some of the learnings from her startup journey that has taken many twists and turns along the way.

The online event will take place from 7pm to 8pm on Wednesday 16 February 2022.

For more information and to register visit https://startupcv.com.au/events/opportunities-forum/

VFF Making Our Farms Safer project

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) recently launched a dedicated website to complement its Making Our Farms Safer project.

The website, www.makingourfarmssafer.org.au/ aims to be a one-stop information hub for farm safety information.

The Making Our Farms Safer project itself, which was launched in April 2020, provides dedicated safety specialists offering support, up-skilling and guidance to all Victorian Farmers.

It is delivered through the provision of farm visits, community meetings, a monthly newsletter and a toolkit of handbooks and resources to assist and educate farmers on implementing and maintaining safety on their farms.

You can visit the Making Our Farms Safer website at the address above, or if you would like to talk to a Farm Safety Advisor you can call 1300 882 833 or email mofs@vff.org.au

The Making Our Farms Safer team is also committed to improving child farm safety, and have established a Child Safety on Farm Steering Committee to lead the industry and address this issue.

As part of this, they are asking grandparents who are still active in farming to complete a short survey by 9 March.

The survey is available at www.surveymonkey.com/r/ VFFChildSafety

ABARES Outlook 2022 online conference

The Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) will be holding its Outlook 2022 conference online from Tuesday 1 March to Friday 4 March.

This free annual Outlook conference will explore *Growing agriculture through innovation and sustainability* and will include three, one-hour sessions over the four days, covering significant trends and issues for the agriculture sector. The event will feature speakers who are industry leaders and experts from across Australia and internationally.

Sessions will include Global and national context, Drought resilient farms, Benefits of water trade in the Murray-Darling Basin, the future of biosecurity, Diary – the future of milk pricing and marketing, and more.

For more information and to register visit www.awe.gov.au/abares/outlook

WHAT'S ON

We encourage community members to check directly with event organisers to see if listed events are proceeding. If events have been cancelled and the Loddon Shire has not received notice, they may still appear below.

2022 Loddon Valley Stud Merino Field Day

Friday, 25 February 2022 | 10:30 AM to 04:30 PM The annual Loddon Valley Stud Merino Field Day will be displaying stud sheep at the Serpentine Recreation Reserve. There will also be three studs exhibiting on property. Featured at the event will also be displays from some of our sponsors.

A list of the studs are on our website https://loddonvalleymerinos.org.au/

The field day offers the opportunity to view a range of merino types bred selectively by each stud breeder to suit their goals and environments.

Lunch is available at the Serpentine Recreation Reserve and at the stud properties.

Contact: Robyn 0429 368 270

E: robyn@mcgauchie.com

Serpentine Recreation Reserve, 20 Chapel St, Serpen-

tine 3517

Bendigo Triathlon Club - Bridgewater event

Sunday, 27 February 2022 | 08:15 AM

A triathlon event with the swim in the Bridgewater swimming hole, ride on quiet country roads and run along the banks of the Loddon River. Distances to suit all ages and abilities with long, short, enticer and a kids race. Come and try triathlon!

Registration opens at 7:15am, closes 7:45am sharp. Start time 8:15am.

For more information on the Bendigo triathlon Club visit www.bendigotriathlon.com

Contact: 425 757 458

Bridgewater Hotel, Eldon Street, Bridgewater on Lod-

don 3516

Boort Pacing Cup

Sunday, 06 March 2022 | 12:00 PM

Guaranteed to be plenty to please everyone, from the air conditioned sports bar to the free kids entertainment to the lovely umbrellas on the lawn right in front of the action. A perfect meeting place for a social gathering with your sporting club or community group with table reservations welcome.

Featuring the Hon. Peter Walsh Boort Trotters Cup and the Neil Beattie Family Boort Pacing Cup, Robert Coutts Tribute Trot as well as many other standout races, there is sure to be plenty of action.

Highlights of the day include:

Free entry, free race book and live music and vocals by Susan Foley & band

Fashions on the field include Hazel Whitmores Lady of the Day \$500 & Susan Hellsten's Local Lady of the Day Duncan McPherson OAM Ovarian Cancer Awareness Team Teal Lady Drivers competing

Kids entertainment & winning Toyworld vouchers, free face painting, yabby racing

Luncheon in the air conditioned Sports Bar \$30 per person

Great food including the kiosk, ice cream and coffee

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Bookmaker, tote, punters club and the pick 5 \$300 jackpot

Victorian Harness Racing Club bonuses every race Contact 0437 077 887 or 0427 552 468

E: boort@hrv.org.au

Boort Park, Malone St, Boort 3537

Minelab Wedderburn Detector Jamboree 2022

Saturday, 12 March to Sunday, 13 March 2022

Family friendly event run over 2 days. Participants and general public must provide proof of COVID-19 double vaccination upon entry.

Donated by Minelab, the 2022 major Senior Detector Token Hunt prize is the GPX 6000 valued at \$7999.00. Senior Detector Token Hunt \$50.00 for the weekend including breakfast and entertainment. \$40.00 for one day.

6.45 am - Breakfast & registration on Saturday & Sunday

7.45 am - Competitors briefing on Saturday & Sunday Token Hunt: Saturday 8am to 3pm & Sunday 8am to 1pm. Rules and regulations must be adhered to and coils must not exceed 14 inch.

Saturday & Sunday - The Coach House Gallery and Museum will be open from 10am to 2pm

Saturday 12 March

9am to 4pm - Monster Town Garage Sales (Saturday only)

10am - Green & Gold Prospecting - Detector demonstrations. These demonstrations are to introduce beginners to prospecting. Run every 2 hours

4pm to 6pm - Seniors Gold Panning Knockout (Victorian Gold Panning Association assisting with this activity). \$10.00 per participant

Saturday evening - 6pm tea followed by 8pm entertainment

Sunday 13 March

8am - Registration

8.30 to 1pm - Green & Gold Prospecting Junior Detector Token Hunt. Cost \$10 per child (8-16 years)

9.30am - Registration for Junior Gold Panning Competition. \$5.00 per participant

10am Green & Gold Prospecting - Detector demonstrations. These demonstrations are to introduce beginners to prospecting. Run every 2 hours

2pm - Minelab Wedderburn Detector Jamboree Token Draws - Mayor draws for senior token hunt sponsored by Minelab. Coiltek major prizes.

For further information contact the Loddon Visitor Information Centre 03 5494 3489

E: loddonvisitorinformation@loddon.vic.gov.au

Hard Hill Tourist Reserve, Hard Hill Crt, Wedderburn 3518

Wedderburn Country Market

Saturday, 12 March 2022 | 09:00 AM to 01:00 PM The Wedderburn Country Market will be held on Saturday 12th March from 9am - 1pm to coincide with the Detector Jamboree and the Monster Garage Sale. Set in the beautiful Soldiers Memorial Park, our market is small and friendly with many items for sale including homemade sauce and relish, pick up a few plants; then head off to the Jamboree or go bargain hunting at the numerous garage sales located around the town and surrounding area. The Garage sale maps are available at the market or from the Wedderburn Community House at 24 Wilson St, Wedderburn from 9am - 1pm.

For an extra bonus on the day Wedderburn Community House Op shop will be open from 10am to 2pm at 24 Wilson St, Wedderburn.

Contact: 03 5494 3489

E: admin@wedderburnch.org.au

Soldiers Memorial Park, High Street, Wedderburn 3518

Serpentine Air Race 2022

Sunday, 20 March 2022 | 09:00 AM to 05:00 PM Commemoration of the Serpentine Aerial Derby Centenary is scheduled for 20 March 2022.

In 1920, Serpentine was chosen as the starting point of Australia's first official air race in which four airmen all of whom had served in the Australian Flying Corps in the First World War competed to promote the 'Second Peace Loan'.

As part of the celebrations, the skies over the Serpentine Airfield will roar into life with heart-stopping Aerobatic & historical warbirds presented by Paul Bennet Airshows.

Contact: Elizabeth 0427 840 139 or https://serpentineairrace.com.au/

E: elhs@bigpond.com

Serpentine Airfield (6kms south of Serpentine), Loddon Valley Highway, Serpentine 3517

2022 Inglewood Women on Farms Gathering

Friday, 25 March 2022 | 01:00 PM - 06:00 PM Saturday, 26 March 2022 | 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM Sunday, 27 March 2022 | 08:00 AM - 02:00 PM

The weekend begins on Friday from 1.00pm with a market showcasing local Loddon producers. Tea at St Mary's Primary School with women sharing their stories around the theme 'revitalised'. Saturday morning features workshops, guest speakers and tours around the local areas in the afternoon.

The highlight of the weekend is the Boots 'n' Babes dinner at the Inglewood Town Hall, where you can dance and view a fashion parade. Sunday includes an Ecumenical church service at St Augustines in Inglewood fol-

lowed by a meeting at the Inglewood Town Hall for the final main inspirational speakers.

Contact: Jenny 5437 3198 E: hoskinggj@bigpond.com

Inglewood Town Hall, 25 Verdon St Inglewood, Inglewood 3517

Eddington Vintage Sports Car Club Sprints 2022

Saturday, 26 March 2022 | 08:00 AM to 05:00 PM

The annual Eddington Vintage Sports Car Club Sprints event is a traditional quarter mile single car sprint. It is held on Playfair Street Eddington in central Victoria, with many different types of historic, touring sports and racing cars.

Cars compete individually against the clock to set the fastest time they can.

Historic motorcycles in conjunction with the Historic Motorcycle Racing Association of Victoria are also run on the day.

For more information contact Roger 0409 434 905.

E: rogerboehme42@gmail.com

Playfair Street, Eddington 3473

Logan Car Show

Saturday, 26 March 2022 | 12:00 PM to 10:00 PM Calling all car enthusiasts and clubs! The date is set again for the Annual Logan Car Show with many visitors keen to show off their vehicles.

Open to all hot rods, cars and bikes

Food and icy cold drinks

Live music

No BYO alcohol

No fires

Trophy awards

Sunday morning breakfast

Free camping Saturday night

Raffle

Saturday entertainment \$5.00 per head from 5pm to 10pm. All raffle proceeds to go to prostate cancer research

COVID-19 rules apply with a COVID check-in Marshal stationed at the entrance.

Contact: Keith 03 5496 2220 or Cliff 0412 463 289.

Logan Pub 6742 Wimmera Hwy, Logan 3475

Bridgewater Celtic Festival

Sunday, 24 April 2022 | 10:00 AM to 04:00 PM

Have a great time catching up with friends, enjoy an Irish jig, go for a stroll amongst the stalls, grab a blanket or a chair and sit on the oval and watch the Scots play those magic bagpipes.

Gold coin donation.

Contact: Jenny 5437 3198 E: hoskinggj.@bigpond.com

Bridgewater Railway Station, Erskine St, Bridgewater on Loddon 3516

Golf News

Boort Golf:

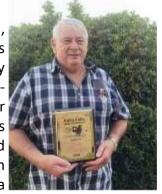
To all Golfers and intending golfers, dust off the golf sticks and get any spiders out of the golf bag to beready we hope for a normal year of golfing events on the Boort Golf course. Hopefully this will include our Ladies' and Men's golfing days plus all the other Special days and Tournaments that happen during a good golfing season.

The Club Opening day is yet to be decided and the Ladies' Opening day will be around that time in April. The Ladies Pennant has already been organised to commence on Monday 2nd May and continue for 4 weeks in May.

The Working Bees have already commenced with some members starting with cleaning up the golf course. This happens on Saturday mornings starting at 8.30 am and is in the hands of Damien Lanyon, so if you are willing to help maybe bring a shovel or rake along to help tidy around the trees.

Life Membership

At the K.K.G.A's 2022 AGM, Barry Kennedy from Boort was nominated for a very worthy Life Membership. It was an absolute pleasure for Bill Rodger to present this very prestigious Life Membership award and give the Committee a rundown of Barry's years with the Kara Kara Golf Association. The



Presentation of the Plaque and Life Membership

Badge was made by Vice-President Julie McLennan.

Barry Kennedy has been an invaluable, long-serving member of the KKGA for over 40 years. He has dedicated an incredible amount of his time and effort to benefit the District in administrative roles on Committees, particularly in organising Men's Pennant and Shield Day draws and rules, as well as the District events calendar. He has voluntarily attended information sessions to changes in rules and course rating systems. Along with all the administration work that he has attended to, Barry has also accompanied the Men's Country Week Team most years in support roles since his playing days in the early 80's. Barry was a player at Country Teams from 1982 -1985, then Kara Kara's Liaison Officer/Manager and Selector as well as taking a time as President of the Association

During the recent amalgamation process, he was meticulous in going through the Model Constitution and making the necessary modifications to meet the unique structure of the Kara Kara Golf Association.

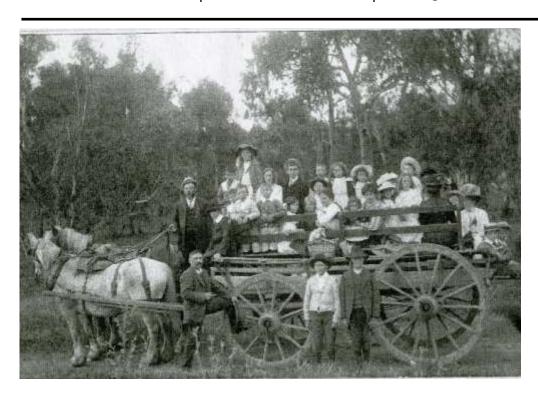
He has always acted professionally in his roles and carried them out with the highest of integrity and Barry's name is a very deserving addition to the list of Life Members.

Congratulations Barry from all Golf Members locally and from K.K.G.A.

For information regarding Golf Events the following can be contacted:

President – Stuart Tweddle 0413 482385, Captain – Andrew Kane 0428 378738 Lady Captain – Diane Johnston 0427 434625

Margaret Nelson



Mysia School Centenary Planning

Next Meeting MONDAY 4th April, 2pm

All Welcome





Waves

Waves follows the story of Alice, a hospice care worker who meets Elizabeth Moncello, the unofficial inventor of the butterfly stroke. Over many cups of tea, Alice learns how Liz, during her youth, taught herself how to swim by watching the aquatic life surrounding her small Victorian island home in the 1930s. With her incredible skill and determination, she makes it to the Berlin Olympics where she introduces the new stroke to the world and wins Gold.

A delightful tale of historical fiction, Waves is an intimate theatrical event that combines highly expressive storytelling, delicate movement and splashes of humour to tell the story of a life fully lived

Recommended ages 8+

Saturday 26 March Boort Memorial Hall

Commencing at 8pm Tickets \$10



WANTED SCHOOL BUS DRIVER

Interested in driving a school bus route Boort – Durham Ox

Can be Casual or Part Time or Full Time position (flexible as to what might suit)
Can be up to 20 hrs a week
Right candidate: will be supported with obtaining licences/checks, specific for driving a school bus

For more info -Anthony 0428 550 611 Emily 0429 379 253



What is the Mindarma app?

- Evidence-based online learning program
- Available on smartphones, computers and tablets
- Developed by leading researchers and supported by the Black Dog Institute
- Proven to enhance psychological resilience and protect mental health
- Includes ten short, interactive sessions (each around 15 minutes) and additional articles, mindfulness exercises, videos and podcasts
- Tools for small businesses to gain fascinating insights about the brain, discover all about mindfulness and learn practical strategies to help manage difficult thoughts, uncomfortable emotions and times of high stress

How to register

https://business.vic.gov.au/business-information/workplacewellbeing/mindarma

Once you have registered, you will receive an email with your login details.

BOORT BOWLS

Bowlers have been extremely active during the past month playing Pennant, Club Events, State Events and Tournaments.

The Club held their Annual Australia Day Tournament of Any Combination Pairs and had Clubs from Wedderburn, Wycheproof, Pyramid Hill, Daylesford, Barham, Cohuna, Charlton, Kerang, St. Arnaud, Korong Vale and Boort represented.

Winners - Rodney Poxon (s)Tim Dorsan. 85 Points. (Daylesford)

Runners - **Up** - Tania Noles (s) Peter Waters. 84 Points. (Boort)

On Monday 14th. February the Club held their very popular Classic 2 Bowl Triples Event. Clubs from Echuca, Wedderburn, Stanhope, Wycheproof, Donald Golf, Golden Square, Korong Vale, Cohuna Golf, Rich River, St. Arnaud Country Club, Kerang, Kangaroo Flat, Lockington and Boort all supported this event.

Winners - W. Rodger (s) K. Meade. L. Lynch. 106 Points. (St. Arnaud Country Club)

Runners - **Up** I. Hall (s) R. Hall. B. Green. 90 Points. (Wedderburn)

Third - S. Morris (s) L. Maxted. M. Carmody. 87 points. (Boort & Cohuna Golf)

Best Winning Margins.

Game 1. P. Bibby. (Cohuna Golf)

Game 2. J. Frost. (Golden Square)

Game 3. W. Keenan. (Korong Vale)

Game 4. K. De Piazza. (Boort)

Congratulations to Thelma Moresi on winning the North Central Playing Area Champion of Champion Singles. She will represent the Playing Area at Regional Level at St. Arnaud Country Club on Labour Day weekend.



L-R. Rodney Poxon (s) Tim Dorsan Daylesford. Winners Australia Day Pairs Tournament.



L-R. W. Rodger (s) K. Meade. L. Lynch. (St. Arnaud Country Club) Winners Classic Triples Tournament.



L-R. R. Hall. I. Hall (s) B. Green. (Wedderburn) Runners - Up Classic Triples Tournament.

SEIZURES

Seizures can occur due to many reasons; the most common reason is EPILEPSY. Epilepsy is a condition where electrical impulses in the brain can become erratic.

FIRST AID FOR SEIZURES

TONIC CLONIC SEIZURE

Seizurus where the body stiffens (tonic phase) followed by general muscle jerking (clonic phase).



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- Stay with the person
- Time seizure
- Keep them safe: protect from injury especially the head
- Roll onto side after jerking stops [immediately if food/fluid/vomit in mouth]
- Observe and monitor breathing.
- Gently reassure until recovered

DO NOT

- Put anything in the person's mouth
- * Restrain the person
- · Move person unless in danger

FOCAL SEIZURE

Non-convulsive seizures with possible outward signs of confusion, inappropriate responses or behaviour.

- . Stay with the person
- Time seizure
- Gently guide away from harm
- · Reassure until recovered
- DO NOT restrain the person unless in depoer

CALL 000 FOR AN AMBULANCE IF:

- You are in any doubt
- Injury has occurred
- There is food/fluid/vornit in mouth
 Seizure occurs in water
- · Person has breathing difficulties after jerking steps
- Another seizure quickly follows
- Seizure lasts longer than 5 mins
- The person is non-responsive for more than 5 mins after the seizure ends

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For more information ambulance.vic.gov.au. Follow the Loddon Paramedic Community Support Coordinator (PCSC) on Facebook (facebook.com/pcscloddon) Saving lives is a team effort and the community is a vital part of the team.



ambulance.vic.gov.au

Paramedic Community Support Coordinator



Attention Seniors and Pensioners
Free Travel Vouchers - new procedure
Customers now need to REGISTER to receive free
travel youchers.

The way eligible customers receive Free Travel Vouchers changed in 2020.

Eligible customers are **no longer** automatically sent free travel vouchers. If you are eligible, you must register before 31st July to receive your allocation for that year – vouchers are mailed out in October.

You only need to register once and will continue to receive your Free Travel Vouchers each year (provided you remain eligible).

You're eligible* for free travel vouchers if you're a Victorian resident and a:

Pensioner Concession Card holder issued by Centrelink or the Department of Veterans' Affairs (all codes, including Disability Support Pension or Carer Payment recipients)

Victorian Seniors Card holder
Victorian Carer Card ('We Care') holder
If eligible, you'll receive four off-peak travel vouchers each year if you live in regional Victoria.

*Customers are entitled to vouchers under one category only.

You can register:

ONLINE – https://www.ptv.vic.gov.au/tickets/myki/concessions-and-free-travel/free-travel-vouchers/free-travel-vouchers-registration-form/

In person at a <u>PTV Hub</u> - you'll need to bring your proof of eligibility card with you. By calling PTV on 1800 800 007.

If you have any questions or would like assistance to register, please ask at BRIC - 5455 2716.



World Day of Prayer 2022 England, Wales and Northern Ireland

Date and time: Friday, March 3rd 10am **Location:** Boort Uniting Church

- ALL WELCOME —

Guest Speaker: Honie Tweddle **Contact Person:** Margaret Allison

Phone: 5455 2153

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Covernment payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account, myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Tuesday, 8 March 2022

10 am to 4 pm

Opposite the Information Centre, Godfrey Street

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For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice





Services Australia

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Are you looking for work?

The Job Victoria Advocates are partnering with Services Australia to provide you with information and support. Whether you are looking for work, to study or upskill, the Job Victoria Advocates can help!

TUESDAY 8TH MARCH 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM



Opposite the Information Centre, Godfrey Street

How we can help you

- Refer you to a local Jobs Victoria Partner who can help you update your resume, prepare for job interviews, and connect you with local employers
- Connect you to local skills and training opportunities
- Help you apply for jobs in your local area
- Offer support if you are looking to change



Pictured: Antoinette Sampson B. Maria Sgarioto - City of Greater Bendigo jobs Victoria Advecates



Contact us for more information

jvapeBendigo.vic.gov.au



BENDIGO

Stay connected in the digital age

with the Loddon Digital Device Loan Scheme



Goldfields Libraries have partnered with Loddon Shire Council and are excited to offer a small number of internet-connected Apple iPad tablets available for FREE 6-month loan.

This scheme is for socially isolated residents of the Loddon Shire who wish to improve their digital connectivity. Recipients will be empowered with digital skills training to improve their connection to family, friends and the community during this challenging time. After the initial training we will provide ongoing support and advice to assist with learning.

The iPads will come with an in-built internet connection, useful apps installed, and links to handy websites.

If you, a family member, or a friend would benefit from a loan of one of these devices we would love to hear from you.

Please contact the Community Based Services team at Goldfields Libraries for more information and to register your interest:

helpdesk@ncgrl.vic.gov.au

(03) 5449 2790

This scheme is proudly sponsored by the CASI initiative (DHHS) and Loddon Shire Council









The Boort Tourism Development group are seeking interested Boort community members to provide input with regards to the

Boort Community Plan.

Community Planning

Community planning encourages people to work together in their communities to consider and document the social inclusion, capacity building and community participation needs of their community. The information gleaned from the community and provided to Council through the community plan document is used to inform planning, funding, advocacy and community development activities of Council.

Community planning in Loddon

Local Community Planning Groups volunteer their time to coordinate the development and implementation of a community plan for their particular community. To develop a community plan, Community Planning Groups seek the ideas and opinions of the community as a whole via a thorough and inclusive consultation process. Once the community plan is developed, Community Planning Groups present their plans to Council Community Plans Council determine what projects and activities to prioritise and what involvement Council will have as communities work to deliver the actions identified in their community plans.

Getting involved

Community planning is open to everyone in the community, the commitment and input required is flexible. Residents can volunteer to be a member of the local Community Planning group, contribute to implementing one specific project you are particularly passionate about or just like to input your ideas and comments into the Community Plan.

There are many benefits to being involved in community planning. These include;

- Helping improve your community such as establishing more social events, develop new infrastructure, facilitates or help to 'beautifying' the town
- Meet new people
- Gain satisfaction and a sense of achievement from contributing to the community
- Learn new skills

Achievements

Community Planning in Loddon Shire has has a strong and proud history and has produced some excellent outcomes that improve the overall lifestyle of residents and visitors.

Some examples of Community Planning achievements include;

- Boort Eastern Entry Project.
- The Inglewood and Bridgewater Community Building Initiative.
- Bendigo/Loddon Transport Connections Program.
- Bridgewater Foreshore Redevelopment (Stage 1).
- Various Public/Town Hall Upgrade Projects.
- Inglewood Community Hub Project.
- Janiember Park Upgrade (Serpentine Recreation Reserve).
- Tarnagulla Community Centre.
- Wedderburn Streetscape Project.

There will be a questionnaire available early this year for community members to contribute their ideas and thoughts to the plan.

If you have questions please email: boorttourismdevelopment@gmail.com Or speak to Sophia Herrington, Wendy James or Barry Kennedy



ADVERTISING in the About Boort Newsletter

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)



Office now in Boort!

Every Wednesday, commencing 12th January 2022 from 1pm to 3pm Room 8, BRIC, 119-121 Godfrey Street, Boort.

Providing personalised service and products to make managing your water easier

Call in and speak with local Client Specialist

Lawrence Cameron

or to arrange an appointment call:

0439 207 107

Lawrence is also available for on-farm visits Monday to Friday



BOORT OP SHOP

Opening Hours: Tuesdays and Fridays 9am - 3pm Saturdays 9am - 12 Midday





AMITY AUCTION

10TH APRIL BOORT PARK

- Auction starts at 12 noon
- Drop items off from 8.00am
- · Yummy food available
- . Items left at own risk
- 10% commission charged
- All items sold \$5.00 and under become a donation
- Auction will be in the horse stalls in bad weather
- No dogs please

For more information contact Sandra on 03 5455 2156 or 0428 552 156

Boort Library Agency Storytimes 2022

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





Storytimes are back and we can't wait to see you! We've picked our stories, practiced our songs and the bubble machine is full! All we need is YOU.

Please join us every second Thursday 10.30 am at the Boort Library Agency.

Storytime cards will be available for you to pop on the fridge. Nurture your child's listening and learning skills in funfilled sessions of stories, songs and rhymes.

Robotics for Seniors

Spend a fun morning building and then coding a LEGO Mindstorm Robot using our fantastic kits!

Thursday 17 March 10.30am-12pm. Book Now spaces are limited.

https://goldfieldslibraries.com/



Available through Bendigo Bank

BOORT WALKING GROUP - all ages welcome

Meets every THURSDAY 8.30am meet at Nolen's Park fitness equipment area.

Walking is at your own pace and there is no expectation to walk the full lap of the lake.

Maree Stringer: Social Support Co-ordinator

Boort District Health: 0438 827 882 **Sophia Herrington:** BRIC Manager

0493 400 559





The Boort Resource and Information Centre have meeting rooms for hire.

Please call BRIC if you would like to make enquiries or a booking.

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Peter Walsh MP MEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS . LEADER OF THE NATIONALS

Support our local businesses

Small businesses need our help and support in what continues to be tough times.

If we spend locally then our small businesses do too, keeping our communities strong. Every little bit helps.

For the latest Coronavirus information go to peterwalsh.org.au or follow us on
We are in this together, and together we will get through.

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Event Calendar 2021/2022

All events tentative and will follow current COVID restrictions and the Boort Ski Club COVID safe plan.

Strict Guidelines will apply and be shared prior to each event.



Sat 5th Mar 2022 7am-1pm



2nd Coaching Day

Want to start or improve your skiing? Don't have a boat and your children want to learn? We can help!

Sun 6th Mar 2022 7am-1pm



2nd Club Tournament

OK you now realise after the 1st round that none of us are that good, second change compete or improve your score

Sat 12th Mar 2022 11am



Family Day

BBQ, new members drive, members raffle, beginners coaching and Tournament presentations

BOORTING CLUB

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CUPS DAY

RACES FEATURING

FREE ADMITTANCE & FREE RACE BOOK

NEIL BEATTIE FAMILY PACERS CUP \$14,500 HON. PETER WALSH TROTTERS CUP \$14,500 ROBERT COUTTS TRIBUTE TROT \$10,000



Vocalist - Susan Foley

HIGHLIGHTS

LADY OF THE DAY \$500

David & Susan Hellsten's LOCAL LADY OF THE DAY \$100

GENT OF THE DAY - Voucher MILLINERS DELIGHT - Vouchers

JUNIOR GIRL JUNIOR BOY - Vouchers

Fashions on the field include WHITMORES BUSLINES

BOOKMAKER, TOTE, PUNTERS CLUB, PICK 5 \$500 JACKPOT.

KIDS ACTIVITIES: Kelly Sports, Toyworld Vouchers, Yabbie Racing, Free Face Painting, Pony Trots

BLAST AFTER THE LAST IN THE SPORTS BAR

FREE - Umbrella, Table and Chairs on Lawn
Kiosk, Icecream Van, S.Streader Coffee Van, Sports Bar
OTHER MAJOR SPONSORS: HRVic. Boort Lakes Holiday Park,
Victorian Olive Groves, Nutrien Ag Solutions, VicGov, Simply Tomatoes,
Boort Grain Co.op, Loddon Shire, Drysdale Chaff

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