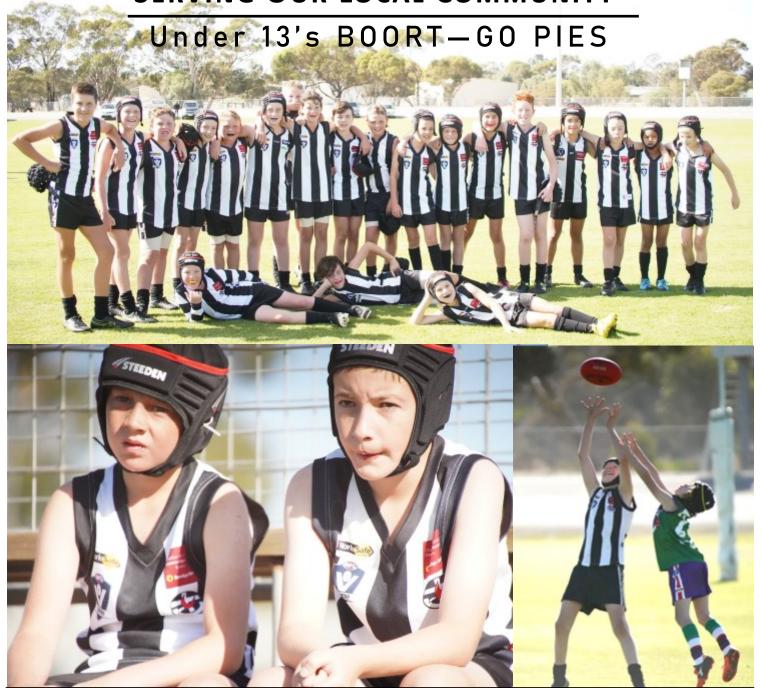




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# **SERVING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY**



# MAYORAL COLUMN



29 March 2021

### Vale Ron Vinnicombe

Together with the Australia Day Committee, I'd like to pass on my condolences to the family of Mr Ron Vinnicombe, who passed away recently.

Ron provided many years of service to Loddon Shire communities, including as a member of the Australia Day Committee from 2008 until 2019, where Ron's contribution was highly valued and appreciated, including by Loddon Shire Councillors and staff.

Following this year's Australia Day, Ron was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation, in recognition of the many years of service he provided to the Loddon Shire Council communities.

Our wider community benefited immeasurably from Ron's commitment and contribution.

### Grants for farmers to go solar

Victorian farmers have a great opportunity to apply for substantial grant funding to improve the energy efficiency of their on-farming activities through Agriculture Victoria.

The Agriculture Investment Plan has \$30 million to support farmers with initiatives like solar power, battery storage and equipment upgrades.

To be eligible, your farm needs to spend a minimum of \$8,000 (including GST) per annum on energy costs (electricity, diesel, gas).

Applications for on-farm energy assessments will close on 15 July 2021.

For more information about the Agriculture Victoria On-Farm Energy Grants go to https://bit.ly/3rihXul

The Mallee Sun and MASH (More Australian Solar Homes) bulk-buy team and solar suppliers have helped farms navigate the grant process and successfully install large solar PV systems with tens of thousands of dollars of grant funding through this program.

If you are interested in finding out how they can help, email <u>jo@cvga.org.au</u> or call 1300 466 274.

# - 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.

## **Tiny Towns Arts Trail**

Friday, 23 April 2021 to Monday, 26 April 2021

Wind your way through the Tiny Towns of Bridgewater and Tarnagulla to enjoy creative galleries, public spaces and more! Follow Tiny Towns Art Trail on Facebook and Instagram for information and a complete list of participating artists. For more information email tinytownsartstrail@gmail.com

#### LODDON COMMUNITY TRAVELLING DANCE

# **Loddon Community Travelling Dance – Boort**

Friday, 4 June 2021 | 7:30 PM to 11:30 PM

A good variety of all dance genres for all ages and skill levels from beginner to accomplished. The initiative is not-for-profit and will move around the Loddon Shire on a monthly basis.

Cost \$20 per couple and a supper plate.
Contact Dede Williams and Greg Deimos on
0407 871 327, 0418 108 644 or
danceloddon@gmail.com
Boort Memorial Hall, Godfrey St, Boort 3537

#### **Loddon Community Travelling Dance – Newbridge**

Friday, 2 July 2021 | 7:30 PM to 11:30 PM
Newbridge Public Hall, Newbridge 3551
Loddon Community Travelling Dance – Pyramid Hill
Friday, 6 August 2021 | 7:30 PM to 11:30 PM
Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall, 30-32 Kelly St, Pyramid Hill
3575

#### 8th NHMA National Tractor Trek 2021

Thursday, 30 September to Sunday, 03 October 2021 | 8:00 AM 3:00 PM

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

Email: barry.bolwell1@gmail.com

Phone: 0498 877 330

# **2021 Boort Show**

Saturday, 9 October 2021 | 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM Presented by the Boort Agricultural and Pastoral Society Inc. The Boort Show is the longest running community event, beginning 133 years ago, and promises many of the popular, traditional attractions that keep the crowds coming back.

For the latest information visit https:// www.facebook.com/boortshow/ or email boortshowsecretary@yahoo.com. Boort Park, 35 Malone St, Boort 3537

#### **GBD Productions present: Don Pasquale**

Saturday, 22 May 2021 | 02:00 PM to 05:30 PM Donizetti's celebrated comedy!

Mr Lyster's Touring Colonial Opera returns to its

artistic home, Tarnagulla's Victoria Theatre in this rollicking production of Donizetti's famous comedy. Featuring Helen Koehne, Hew Wagner, Adam Jon, Jamie Moffat, Trevor Mills, Adelaide Soccio - Greenaway, Jessica Joan Graham and Thomas Saar, with musical direction by Pam Christie, and a special appearance by Madame Carandini, this is laugh filled entertainment set to great music!

Cost \$30. Book on line at <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=708043">https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=708043</a>

Phone: 0410 890 388

Victoria Theatre Tarnagulla, 69-71 Commercial Road, Tarnagulla 3551

## **Korong Vale Golf Club Annual Tournament**

Friday, 20 August to Saturday, 21 August 2021 | 10:30 AM to 6:00 PM

64th annual tournament with afternoon tea on Friday and lunch on Saturday. Ladies and men four ball on Friday. Ladies and men 27 holes on Saturday.

For more information contact Laurie on 5494 7401 Korong Vale Golf Club, Kinypanial Road, Korong Vale 3520

### 2021 Inglewood Womens on Farms Gathering

Friday, 12 November 2021 | 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM A weekend full of guest speakers, markets and women sharing their stories around the theme 'revitalised'. The highlight of the weekend is the 'Boots 'n' Babes' dinner at Newbridge Rec Reserve, where you can dance and view a fashion parade. For more information contact Jenny on 5437 3198 or email hoskinggj@bigpond.com.

#### **Celebrating Country starring Courtney Conway**

Tuesday, 27 April 2021 | 08:00 PM to 11:00 PM
This exciting and highly entertaining new show produced by HIT Productions and starring the talented Courtney Conway, will tell the stories of the greatest country music artists of all time, through song. Courtney will perform some of her favourite country songs including Tennessee Waltz, Take Me Home Country Roads, Crazy, I Fall to Pieces and some originals from her award winning album.

\$10 tickets available on the door or book online <a href="https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Events-directory/">https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Events-directory/</a>
Celebrating-Country-starring-Courtney-Conway pyramidhall9@gmail.com

Memorial Hall, Kelly Street, Pyramid Hill 3575

# **The Inglewood Lions Country Market**

Saturday, 8 May | 9:00AM to 2:00PM Friendly country market that is held on the second Saturday of the month from 9am-2pm. Managed by the Lions Club of Inglewood.

Phone: Eddie 0472 539 874

Outside the RSL Hall, Brooke St, Inglewood 3517

## **Tarnagulla Archive Open Day**

Sunday, 09 May 2021 | 10:00 AM to 03:00 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 email updates.

Email: <u>tarnagullahistoryarchive@gmail.com</u>
Tarnagulla Public Hall, 69-71 Commercial Road,
Tarnagulla 3551

# BOORT WALKING GROUP

# Meets Every Tuesday 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. Some complete a short walk and rest along the way and others choose to walk the full lap of the lake, at the end we all meet up for a coffee and chat.

Maree Stringer: Social Support Co-ordinator
Boort District Health
Sophia Herrington: BRIC Manager





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# **Volunteer with the Loddon Visitor Information Centre**

The Loddon Visitor Information Centre is inviting volunteers to become part of an enthusiastic team that enjoys helping visitors and sharing knowledge of the region.

Rewards for volunteering are free familiarisation tours that are fully catered, a Christmas function, team building and friendship, knowledge of the area, free internet access when volunteering, and meeting new residents or visitors from around Australia and overseas.

Volunteers are required on Sundays or public holidays and your commitment can be limited to as little as three hours a year. Shifts are from 10am to 1pm and 1pm to 4pm. Volunteers can nominate their preferred month and shift.

The Loddon Visitor Information Centre is coordinated by the Loddon Shire, including Tourism and Marketing Officer Robyn Vella, Tourism Assistant Shelby Hutchinson and Loddon Visitor Information Centre Officer Pauline Brown, all of whom are passionate about the growth of tourism in our region.

To get an information pack and learn more about this fantastic service please contact the Loddon Visitor Information Centre on (03) 5494 1257.

New residents are more than welcome to volunteer – the tourism team will teach you the knowledge of our region.

#### **Loddon Healthy Minds Network art competition**

Continuing to raise awareness of mental health within the Loddon community, the Loddon Healthy Minds Art Competition is on again in 2021.

Categories include an open section for those aged over 18 years (or under 18 if no longer attending secondary school), upper secondary students in years 9 to 12 and middle school students in years/grades 5 to 8. There are also two junior students' categories – grades 3 and 4 and grades Prep to 2.

The competition also includes literary entries between 500 to 1000 words.

There are two themes for the open section and upper secondary students' categories: Community Connection is Critical or It's OK not to be OK – Stay Connected.

Themes for the middle school students' category are: Be Your Own Definition of Amazing or Be Kind.

The junior students' categories will be a colouring competition (poster provided), with the theme *I Am Awesome* (grades 3 and 4) and *Bee Kind* (grades Prep to 2).

To find out more about the competition and to download an entry form, visit the Loddon Healthy Minds Network website: https://bit.ly/3wNhODb

If you would like to receive an entry form via mail please contact Council's Community Wellbeing Officer on (03) 5494 1230. Entry forms are also available for students via participating schools.

All entries are to be completed and delivered to the Loddon Shire office at Wedderburn or Serpentine by the first Monday in August 2021.

Please note: the ability to deliver entries to Council offices will depend on COVID-19 restrictions at that time. If these restrictions do not permit delivery of items, alternative arrangements can be made by contacting Council's Community Wellbeing Officer on the number above.

You can also call the Community Wellbeing Officer for any other enquiries about the competition or by emailing: <a href="mailto:healthyminds@loddon.vic.gov.au">healthyminds@loddon.vic.gov.au</a>

# Webinar for rural and regional not-for-profits

Social enterprise Our Community has teamed up with the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) for a special webinar focusing on the issues important to rural and regional not-for-profit organisations.

The free webinar titled *Good Governance in Regional* and *Rural Areas* will focus on finding funding, recruiting new members and volunteers, getting help from peak bodies and community leaders, and conflicts of interest – and how to approach them.

The webinar will take place on Thursday 29 April from 1pm to 2pm. To register go to https://bit.ly/3d9ehHB

# Tidy Towns Awards Program entries now open

Entries are now open for the 2021 Keep Victoria Beautiful Sustainable Communities – Tidy Towns Awards Program for rural and regional areas of Victoria.



The Sustainable

Communities — Tidy Towns Awards recognise, celebrate and share grassroots initiatives and positive actions taken by community groups, educational institutions, businesses and councils in rural and regional areas in Victoria.

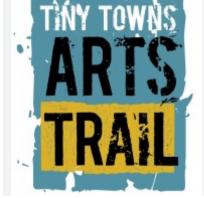
Entries close 14 May 2021. To find out more visit https://awardsonline.net.au/2021/tidytowns/



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# Tiny Towns Arts Trail this weekend

Bridgewater on Loddon and Tarnagulla will be part of more than 20 locations for the fifth annual Tiny Towns Arts Trail to be held this weekend from 23 to 26 April.



Bridgewater on Loddon will feature

three locations on the arts trail – Mulwarrie Studios and Gardens, Arts of Olde and Secret Platypus.

At Tarnagulla, the Community Centre and Country Café, a studio at 87 Commercial Road (Mel Young and Mathew Bishop) and garden art space Octopus and Queen will all be featuring works.

All spaces are open throughout the arts trail weekend (Friday to Monday).

This year's arts trail will also include the inaugural Tiny Towns Arts Trail Portrait Prize, which will be shown at the Dunolly Historic Courthouse, with finalists selected from the submitted entries. The winner will then be selected by People's Choice with a cash prize awarded to the artist whose work receives the most votes.

To find out more about the Tiny Towns Arts Trail – including a complete list of the trail's locations and participating artists, go to <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Tiny-Towns-Arts-Trail-100301948482944">www.facebook.com/Tiny-Towns-Arts-Trail-100301948482944</a> or <a href="https://www.instagram.com/tinytownsartstrail">www.instagram.com/tinytownsartstrail</a>

Maps and a list of locations on the Tiny Towns Arts Trail are also available at information centres, cafés and all arts trail venues.

# Initiative to support Aboriginal businesses and economic development

Loddon Shire is part of a new initiative to support Aboriginal businesses and economic development across central Victoria.

Led by the City of Greater Bendigo, the Aboriginal Business Capability Building Initiative is funded through Regional Development Victoria, and also includes Mount Alexander and Central Goldfields shires.

The initiative seeks to strengthen local, social and economic outcomes by maximising local spend in the

region and focusing on creating local jobs, including jobs for Aboriginal people.

Local businesses and Council contractors are invited to attend a series of industry briefings to hear about local, social and Aboriginal economic development and discover how their business can engage and support regional opportunities. Businesses will also learn about the Aboriginal business sector landscape and respond to local, social and Aboriginal tender clauses.

The first industry briefing will be held next Tuesday 27 April at the Fosterville Gold Bendigo Tennis Centre, Nolan Street, Bendigo from 6pm to 8pm. You can register at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aboriginal-business-capability-building-initiative-industry-briefing-tickets-148542072337">www.eventbrite.com/e/aboriginal-business-capability-building-initiative-industry-briefing-tickets-148542072337</a>

The second industry briefing will be held Tuesday 25 May at the same venue from 6pm to 8pm. You can register at www.eventbrite.com/e/aboriginal-business -capability-building-initiative-industry-briefing-tickets-149638439601

### Securing your future water needs - webinar

Agriculture Victoria will be holding the next in its irrigation webinar series on Thursday 29 April from 1pm to 2pm.

The title of the webinar is Securing your future water needs. Harnessing carryover and other water products. The webinar will discuss the current allocation outlook, different options for carrying over water into next season as well as other options to secure water for the 2021-22 season and into the future.

To register for this webinar, go to https://bit.ly/AgVicWMW5

# Boort MASH meeting success



The More Australian Solar Homes (MASH)

solar and battery storage bulk-buy program meeting in Boort last Tuesday went very well, with around 13 people attending the meeting. There were also a number of follow-up enquiries, including requests for quotes around solar power for homes, farms or businesses.

I'd also like to thank the Boort Resource and Information Centre (BRIC) staff, who MASH said were extremely helpful. MASH also complimented BRIC on being a great venue to host the event.

The MASH solar bulk-buy program is part of Council's ongoing partnership with the Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance. The program 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.

To find out more visit <a href="https://mash.org.au/loddon/">https://mash.org.au/loddon/</a> or call 1300 466 274.

**LEST WE FORGET** 



This Sunday we will pause to honour the service and sacrifice of all our veterans who have fought in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Anzac Day commemorations this year will again be different due to the uncertainty of how COVID-19 will impact the community in future months, however the public are most welcome to be present at local services. Please ensure you arrive in plenty of time so CovidSafe protocols can be followed.

Alternatively, if you are not able to be present at a service, consider participating in "Light up the Dawn" – by standing at your front gate or on the verandah at 6am with a candle to honour and remember the Anzacs.

For more information on services in the Loddon Shire, visit <a href="https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Ceremonies/ANZAC-Day">www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Ceremonies/ANZAC-Day</a>



# The RSL Service will be held at the Monument near the Post Office on Sunday.

There will be a fly-over right on 10am which will be the signal to start the ANZAC Service. The duration of the Service is expected to be 40 minutes. Any one in the Community who desires to lay a wreath is welcome to do so at the Ceremony. The Babblers will be singing a couple of songs.

Please attend if you are able as it is important to remember those who sacrificed their lives during Australian conflicts.

After the service the RSL Club Rooms will be open to the Public for viewing their large collection of Memorabilia.

This will be followed by a Free BBQ, Face Painter and Jumping Castle/Slide for the Community supplied by Coliban Water, The Loddon Shire. and BRIC at Nolen's Park. BBQ starts at 12.30pm

Paul Haw



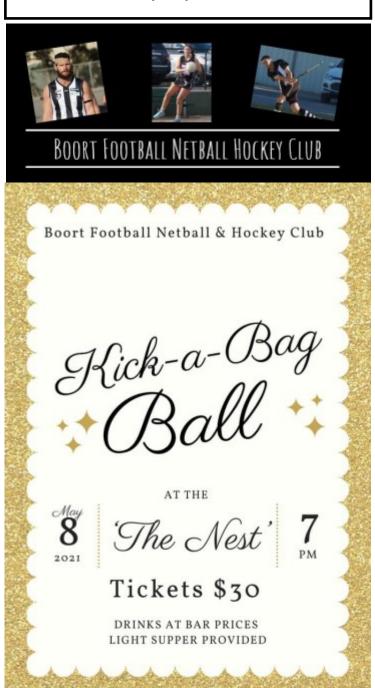
# LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

# Guest speaker at BRIC at 11:00 on Friday 7th May

will be Mayor of the Shire of Loddon, Cr. Neil Beattie.

Members of the public are warmly invited to attend and hear of future plans for our community and to pose questions to Cr. Beattie about any matters within the Shire which are of interest or concern to you.

**Everybody welcome** 





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



The BAC Club Comp on and 18<sup>th</sup> April at Lake Tchum was held in rather windy conditions. Eleven competitors, including some more NEW members, caught a variety of fish. McKenzie won Darryl Longest Redfin. Chris Denton won Longest Trout,

Craig Thomas won longest Yellow Belly and Longest Catfish and Chris Denton won the overall, Championship points for this comp. These points are added up each year for the Annual Trophy. Boort Angling Club thanks all who attended for the great weekend.

# Next BAC Comp, will be held within the Mid Northern Association of Anglers Clubs Comp.

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> May 7.30am till 5.30pm. and Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7.30am till 11.30am. (Changed from 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>) will be held at the, **Pental Island Caravan Park**. Camping fees will apply. Good fishing, plenty of space, lawns etc, and FAMILY FRIENDLY atmosphere. Big campfire, and BBQ available to cook on. A great chance to catch some fish, meet people from other clubs and also some new members to BAC. **Entry fees** Adult or Family \$10-- / Day, Juniors **Free, Every Junior Wins a Prize**.

The BAC Sub Committee for our BAC ANNUAL CARP COMPETITION AND FAMILY WEEKEND has already had some people stepping up with new ideas and skills and they will welcome input from others.

Again, Please send suggestions to;

boortanglinclub@yahoo.com or talk to our members.

Next Sub Comm Meeting Wed 28<sup>th</sup> April 7pm at

BAC Clubrooms.

Next BAC Meeting will be the <u>ANNUAL AND</u>
<u>GENERAL MEETING</u> Thursday 13th May 2021
At the Railway Hotel Boort 6.30pm for a meal and 7.30pm Meeting starts.

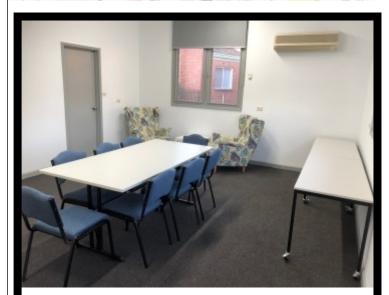
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# Community Oributes

This space is available for free community tributes.

Please call BRIC to have your message displayed.

5455 2716





The Boort Resource and Information Centre is excited to now offer a small meeting room for hire.

The space is very private and can accommodate approx. nine people with COVID restrictions in place. The room is available for casual or semi permanent bookings.

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

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# **Croquet News**

The Boort Lakeside Croquet Club recently held their Club Championship presentations. All levels were keenly contested and played in good spirit. In Golf Croquet Level 1 was won Ian Potter, Level 2 by Robert Coutts and Level 3 by Wendy Mills.

In Association Croquet Level 1 was won by Ian Potter, Level 2 by Gaye Sim and Level 4 by Daryl Henderson (no players in Level 3).

These players plus a few more from Boort played off against the Champions from other clubs in the Murray Valley Region championships which were played in Boort this year.

In Golf Croquet all the Boort Champions went on to win the Murray Valley Championship as well and now



Golf Croquet Club Champions and Murray Valley
Champions- Ian Potter, Wendy Mills and Robert Coutts

go on to play at the VCA Regional Championships at the Victorian Croquet Centre in Melbourne on the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  and  $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$  of May.

In Association Croquet we have two representatives playing off in the VCA Country Regional Championships in Portland on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April, Ian Potter in Level 1 and Colleen Coutts in Level 2. Level 3 was won by Lois Munro (Swan Hill) and Level 4 by Lindsay Patullo (Charlton).

We are proud to have such good representation from our Club and wish them all the best in their matches.



Association Croquet Club Champions - Ian Potter and Daryl Henderson. (absent Gaye Sim)

# New gastronomy guide celebrates region's culture and traditions



# **FURTHER INFORMATION: (03) 5494 1200**

The Loddon Valley features in a new gastronomy guide that showcases the region's culture and traditions around food and drink.

Launched on Monday, the informative and easy to use Bendigo and Region Gastronomy Guide features five categories: eat, drink, buy, experience and explore.

The explore section, for example, details trails, itineraries and local produce to suit every taste, budget and timeframe. It is designed for day trips, a long weekend and for stays longer than three days. The experience section has cooking classes, tours and workshops.

Loddon Shire Mayor Neil Beattie welcomed the launch of the guide, which promotes the region's rich culture and traditions around food and drink, creativity and sustainability.

"It's fantastic that the Loddon Valley is part of this guide, which provides an opportunity for both residents and tourists to explore the wonderful food and drink experiences," Cr Beattie said.

The guide enables people to customise their own experience, including building their own trails and exploring current trails, creating their own favourites list and sharing experiences on social media.

"The guide is a fantastic showcase of our region that appeals to everyone, including tourists and residents."

The guide was produced by the City of Greater Bendigo in partnership with Bendigo Regional Tourism with input from the Loddon Shire.

A Local Producers Directory was also launched, enabling people to search for innovative producers.

The Directory also gives producers in the broader region the opportunity to connect with more customers – including businesses and individuals, and create a comprehensive listing of food and drink that is made and grown in the region.

"This Directory is another great opportunity to highlight the amazing range of local producers we have here in the Loddon Valley – such as breads, meats, olives and olive oil, tomatoes, fruit and salt," Cr Beattie added.

To access the digital Gastronomy Guide, visit www.bendigogastronomy.com.au/guide

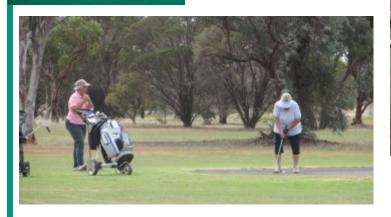
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# **BOORT GOLF NEWS**

# Dates:

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April Club Opening Day

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April Ladies Opening Day



The Club Opening Day was Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April, names were to be in by 12.30pm.

The Ladies commenced their season on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April, hit off was at 10.30 pm. and Di had the event organized.

The Kara Kara Ladies Pennant commenced at Boort, Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April following the format of 2 matches being played on that day, that being two 9 hole matches to be played with Boort having a bye in the morning and then playing Wedderburn in the afternoon. The other Pennant days are to be played at Donald, Wycheproof and Charlton.

The Saturday competition will commence on the 17<sup>th</sup> April with a Stableford event and the following weekend will be rather hectic for some people as on



Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> will be a Stroke round followed by the Golf Club Diggers Day on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April. A team event will be played so that non golfers can join in and we encourage anyone that would like an afternoon out to come and play. The Club House will be open at mid-day.

The Kara Kara opening event was held at Barham on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March with 34 players enjoying a stableford event and 8 of those from Boort with all other clubs represented.

Winners – Craig Burn, Geoff Weston, Laurie Barby, Doug Couper (Boort)

R.Up — Ron Thoulis, Geoff Smith, Will Perryman (Boort), Damien Lanyon (Boort)

For Information about Golf Events the following can be contacted:

Captain – Andrew Kane 0428 378 738 or Di Johnston – 0427 434 625



# **Expressions of Interest are open**

Keen to have your say on some of the big issues affecting our water future? We want to hear from you as we consider our Urban Water Strategy 2022.

The Strategy is a long-term planning tool which will inform our actions and help secure our water future over the next 50 years.

We review this Strategy every five years, which involves assessing our plans against a number of factors such as climate change and population growth. It identifies better ways to service our customers while maintaining a sustainable future.

This is your chance to be involved in these discussions. Register your Expression of Interest to be involved in the consultation events:

https://bit.ly/3cwqhl1

More information: <a href="https://coliban.com.au/.../">https://coliban.com.au/.../</a>
<a href="policies.../urban-water-strategy">policies.../urban-water-strategy</a>

A representative will be at BRIC on Thursday 22nd April for discussions.



# SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021 (Boort Show weekend)

# Mysia War Memorial School -Centenary Celebration

More details closer to the date

- We are currently looking for any memorabilia, photos, schoolwork etc
- contact details of ex-students or people with Mysia connections
- Please contact:
  Susan Gould 0429 927534
  susantgould@gmail.com or

Wendy Mills 0403 020715 loddonwjm@gmail.com

The next meeting to continue preparations for <u>Mysia School Centenary</u> is to be held Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 3pm at Mysia. All welcome. Julie Dean (Sec) 0427 602 516



Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal
Amity of Boort Collected \$4054.00
The Raffle Winners: 1st Richelle Knight
2nd Ian Potter, 3rd Alister Lee
Thank you to the Boort Community and visitors to the town for their generous donations.



# 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   |
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| 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)



# GCS-G4G



# GOOD FOR GROWING

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# **G4G Book Exchange RULES**

Please Respect the Books Free to take with you to enjoy Return to any Book Exchange anywhere in the World

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Email: shop@gcs-g4g.com.au

93 Godfrey Street, Boort Vic 3537

BOORT RESOURCE AND INFORMATION CENTRE

# PHOTO GRAPHIC COMP

THREE CATEGORIES
OVER THREE EDITIONS
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APRIL - 'BOOTS'

First Prize: Voucher for Boots to the value of \$100 from North West Ag Second Prize: Voucher Valued at \$50

MAY - 'DOG'

First Prize: Two Bags of Dog Food from Nutrien Ag Solutions Boort

Second Prize: Voucher Valued at \$50

# JUNE - 'BUSH KIDS'

First Prize: Voucher from The Boort Post Office Second Prize: Voucher from the Boort Newsagency

Judging by

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AND COLIBAN WATER

# **BOORT BOWLS**

The Boort Bowls Club held their Club Championship Triples on Saturday 10th. April then followed this with a barbecue tea to wind up the season and present the year's winners of all the Club Events with their trophies for season 2020-2021.

# The Club Championship winners for 2020-2021 were as follows

Ladies Club Championship Fours -Lynette Cameron, Margaret Nelson, Phyl. Baker, Thelma Moresi (s)



Ladies Club Championship Pairs and also N.C.B.D. C of C Pairs—Tania Noles, Thelma Moresi (s)

Ladies 100 - Up Singles and N.C.B.D.
State Singles Championship Thelma Moresi





Ladies Club Singles Championship -Gillian Tweddle



Men's Club Championship Fours -Ray Taylor, Glenn Hudson, Peter Waters, Laurie Maxted (s)



Men's Club Championship Triples -Glenn Hudson, Peter Waters, Jim Nolan (s) Men's Club Championship Pairs -Jim Nolan, Kevin Walton (s)



Men's Club Championship Pairs -Jim Nolan, Kevin Walton (s)



Men's "B"
Grade Singles
Championship—
Glenn Hudson

Men's Club Singles Championship -Kevin Walton



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Men's N.C.B.D. State Singles Championship -Shayne Morris



# life memberskip

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a life Membership to Ken Birt by the President John Nelson. Ken has spent

countless hours over the years serving the



Club and the Life Membership was a very deserving honour. A summary of Ken's activities over the years was read out by President John.

He joined the Boort Bowls Club in 1985-86 season and attended his 1st. Annual Meeting in 1986.

- **1.** Joined the General Committee in 1990 and is still there with exception of one year when his nomination was over looked.
- 2. 2 terms as Junior Vice President.
  - 1 term as Senior President.
  - President 2 years 1997-1999, 4 years 2012 2016 six years in total.
- **3.** Delegate to the North Central Bowls Division 1997 2018 (21 years)
  - President North Central Bowls Division 2005
  - Match committee North Central Bowls Division
- **4.** Selection and Match Committees 1997 onwards
- Responsible for the required Administration work when working with the Bowls Division attending to "Dodgers", being the "Go To Man" for Pennant Changes etc.
- **5.** Boort Bowls Social Committee 2000 onwards, and Bar Manager 2010 until the present day.
- 6. National Bowls Umpire.
- **7.**Ken has represented the Boort Club at all levels of Pennant, Div 11, Div 1 and Midweek. Div.11 win in 1988-89. Div 1 win 2015
- -16, Midweek 2016 2017.
- **8.**Ken has represented the Boort Club at many Tournaments.
- **9**.Boort Club Champion 4 times , Champion of Champions 2005 06.

Member of winning Pairs team twice

Member of winning Triples team 6 times

Member of winning Fours team 4 times

Achievement Board - State Events - Pairs Once, 50 + Triples twice, Fours twice, Group P 3 Triples Once

**10.** Regular attendee at Working Bees, etc.

At the conclusion of the summary John then presented Ken with a Life Membership Badge. Ken suitably responded saying he enjoyed volunteering and doing everything he possibly could to help the Club.

The last month some members have also been successful at tournaments with Pam Gould, Tania Noles and Gill Tweddle (s) winning at the Donald Ladies Invitation Tournament and Laurie Maxted having a win and Shayne Morris being runner - up at the N.C.B.D. closing day at St. Arnaud Country Club. The Club will be holding their Annual General

meeting on Monday 17th. May at 7-30 p.m. Could all members keep this date free as a good attendance would be appreciated to discuss and plan for the coming 2021 - 2022 season.

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# Disability Group Celebrates Achievements

After a year of covid-enforced social isolation, the Gannawarra Disability Reference Group has started meeting again. Almost two years after being formed across the Gannawarra Shire through partnership between Northern District Community Health (NDCH), Cohuna District Hospital, Gannawarra Shire Council and Kerang District Health, the group has celebrated its successes so far.

The group was set up to advise service providers, community members and community leaders on improving services and community life for people in Gannawarra with disabilities.

Already, over twenty people with disability and their carers are involved in meetings in Kerang and Cohuna with new members always encouraged to join.

"The Gannawarra Disability Reference Group thrives on community involvement," NDCH CEO Mandy Hutchinson said. "Nobody knows more about living with disability than people actually living with disability. Health and community services cannot ensure safe, quality services for everybody every time without listening to what it's like for people with disability."

Ms. Hutchinson said the role of the reference group was equally about making change in the community. The reference group has provided feedback to NDCH on promotional and information materials, intake forms, car and scooter parking, NDIS systems, and entry/reception and waiting areas. "This isn't about services ticking boxes or accreditation," Ms. Hutchinson said. "This is about making sure we make information, services and buildings as accessible as possible to people living with disability."

The Cohuna meetings of the Gannawarra Disability Reference Group have helped Cohuna District Hospital with feedback on their parking spaces, scooter parking and their new Disability Action Plan. The voices of people attending meetings feed into the Gannawarra Working Group, made up of NDIS

providers throughout the Shire. Through those meetings, services have been able to advocate community concerns to the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), which runs the NDIS.

NDCH have proposed many solutions on behalf of the reference group to other organisations, including an all -inclusive, fenced park in Kerang, group activities and disability parking. The Gannawarra Disability Reference Group shares information with people who attend the meetings. This has included information from organisations such as WDEA Works regarding Schools Leavers Employment Supports; Anglicare regarding respite opportunities; and the Rights Information and Advocacy Centre (RIAC) regarding rights, information & advocacy.

"While we're only just getting started, we're so excited by what we've already been able to achieve through this group," Ms. Hutchinson said. "We are proud of the people who take time out of their busy days to take part. Even with a year of not being able to meet, there's so much great work already done."

"I appreciate the opportunity to discuss issues in a positive environment and work through possible solutions," Gannawarra Disability Reference Group member Sheryl Russell said. "Discussing different approaches will keep the wider community interested and more aware of some of the issues faced by the disabled." Mrs Russell said many of the community solutions from the reference group would benefit parents with prams who also have to deal with some of the access issues faced every day by people living with disability.

# The Gannawarra Disability Reference Group's goals are to:

- a) Provide a platform and voice for people with disabilities and carers
- b) Advocate for the wellbeing of people with disabilities and carers
- c) Listen to and understand the needs and expectations of people with disabilities
- d) Find or propose solutions to local issues
- e) Monitor progress with local Disability Action Plans
- f) Share information and support group members

Anyone wishing to be involved in the reference group are invited to contact NDCH Health Promotion Worker Kelsey Poole on 5451 0200 or kelsey.poole@ndch.org.au.







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