

EDITION 232 MARCH 2024

Contact BRIC on 5455 2716 or email info@boortbric.net to submit articles or receive the 'About Boort' via email



SERVING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY



visit us at facebook.com/bricinfo and boortbric.net

Well done to all of our Loddon vendors, stallholders and the Date Clark band and our food businesses around town for creating such a wonderful event on Saturday 27 January 2024.

Thank you so very much to everyone that came along and supported the event.





















Boort Angling Club



98. February 2024 Fishing Report

Hi to all.

A great Summer for fishing with many reports of good size natives and redfin as well as many smaller ones and carp. These have come from Lakes, Rivers, etc. Lake Meran and others have been great and are still yielding good fish. Gather the family and get out there and teach the kids to fish and enjoy the surrounds.

Social Sunday, including a nice BBQ on 11th Feb 2024 was well attended and again a great success. Some new members attended and joined up. The breeze off the lake made it very pleasant and a few fish were caught. Xavier Junor landed a 31cm silver perch, Rod Stringer a 33cm redfin and there was also a variety of carp and smaller fish caught.

This was followed by a BAC General Meeting and as usual all are invited to attend.

All agreed that BAC needs a SECRETARY. We have different people working and helping, this will still happen, but we need a contact person. Someone with the ability to organise and document the workings of the club and help with club accountability.

BAC will hold another Raffle to be drawn in October 2024. Sponsors are to be approached and good prizes are assured.

Lake Boga Vs BAC Annual Challenge was held on Sat 17th and Sun 18th Feb at Lake Meran. The warm weather was tempered by a gentle breeze off the lake, making conditions good. Some good pan size (22cm to 35cm) redfin were caught and lots of smaller ones. The usual carp with some big (up to 67cm) ones offering anglers a great challenge. Prize for the best legal fish went to Sharon Thomas (Lake Boga) with a 35cm redfin. Second, was Shane Hamlyn-Harris (Boort) with a 31cm redfin. Third was Paul Webster (Boort) with a 27cm redfin and fourth was Alan Wilson (Boort) with a 26cm redfin. The Challenge Shield has been held for the last year by Lake Boga, but BAC has won the right to hold it this year. A great social weekend and good time had by all. The only losers were the ones who did not attend. Members from both clubs need to lift their game and make this comp even better.

Next BAC Fishing Comp will be on Sat 2nd and Sun 3rd March 2024. Further Info, Alan Wilson 0429 798 352

Next Social Sunday and General Meeting 10th March 2024. At BAC Clubrooms.

10am for fishing and fun.

12noon BBQ lunch. (Please RSVP to help with catering purposes Ph 0429 798 352). 1pm General meeting.

Boort Angling Club





Craig Thomas presenting Shield to Alan Wilson

Alan Wilson presenting trophy to Sharon Thomas

BOORT ANGLING CLUB INC Needs someone to help

- Deal with correspondence.
- Consult with Loddon Shire for Annual Tenant Agreement and help with Smarty Grants
- Communicate with Consumer Affairs and help with Incorporation Agreement.
- Advertise meetings and events by media, text, and posters.
- Take minutes of meetings and distribute to members.
- Register members and maintain contact list.

If you would be willing to take on all or most of these tasks, please contact Dave Skinner 0498 191 227 or Alan Wilson 0429 798 352



BOORT ANGLING CLUB INC A 0051259 P
34 Ring Road Boort VIC 3537 or P.O.Box 43 Boort VIC

boortanglingclub@yahoo.com

Victoria's bathing experiences are a short trip from home, but light years from the real world. Don't be alarmed by that strange feeling – that's just your stress melting away.

Unwind at revitalising places like Alba Thermal Springs & Spa.

VISITVICTORIA.COM

VICTORIA NETERI

Boort Bowls Club

The Boort Club held their Annual Australia Day Tournament changing the event from pairs to fours. Clubs came from Charlton, Daylesford, Cohuna, Echuca, Cohuna Golf, Wedderburn, Serpentine, Kerang, Wycheproof, Pyramid Hill and Boort.

Winners - Wayne Keenan (s) Mike Preston, Steve Perry, Richard Porter - 79 Points. (Charlton) **Runners-Up** - Jason Heard (s) Ian Coates, Pat Quinn, Yvonne Eckhardt - 77 Points (Cohuna Golf)



L-R. Richard Porter, Wayne Keenan (s), Adrian Touhey, Mike Preston, Steve Perry.



L-R. Jason Heard (s), Ian Coates, Adrian Touhey, Pat Quinn, Yvonne Eckhardt.

On February 12th the Club held their Annual Classic Triples and teams from Golden Square, Echuca, Stanhope, Wedderburn, St. Arnaud, St. Arnaud Country Club, Charlton, Cohuna Golf, Rushworth, Pyramid Hill, Kerang Golf, Donald Golf, Lockington, Wycheproof, Kangaroo Flat and Boort supported this tournament. **Winners** - Howard McClelland (s) Nick Jarman, Ken McClelland - 118 Points (Kerang Golf). **Runners-Up** - Bill Rodger (s) T. McDonald, Leon Lynch - 115 Points - (St. Arnaud Country Club). **Third** - Peter Bibby's Team - 113 Points - (Cohuna Golf)

Highest Winning Margin:

Game 1. - Kevin Walton - + 20 (Boort)

Game 2. - Lance Standfield - +19 (Wedderburn)

Game 3. - Norm Hodge - + 8 (Echuca) Game 4. - Craig Newsome - + 21 (Boort)



L-R. Ken McClelland, Howard McClelland (s), Nick Jarman.



L-R. Leon Lynch, Bill Rodger (s), T. McDonald.

As the season's pennant has finished members will be playing Club events and social bowls will also be held for those interested on Saturdays. Congratulations to Shayne Morris and Thelma Moresi on winning the Club Singles Championships.



Police are conducting drug tests across Victoria, which helps to keep our roads safe. Being caught with flicit drugs in your system could result in a minimum fine of \$577 and possible licence suspension.

Drug driving? Chances are you will be caught.

Anywhere. Anytime. Anyone.





Croquet Report

We are coming up to a busy and exciting period at the Boort Lakeside Croquet Club. Our Club Championships will be happening on Saturday 24th February, with all divisions set to have keen competition from members.

On 14th March we will have a visit from Hyde Park, a South Australian Croquet Club, who will arrive on 13th and play croquet with us in the morning of the 14th before visiting local attractions and then travelling on to Canberra.

At the same time, we will be preparing for our Annual Golf Croquet Tournament on the 16th and 17th March. The singles competition is full already with several people on the waiting list to fill any vacancies in the draw that may arise.

We will once again be setting up three croquet courts on the Tennis Courts to allow us to take more entries and we are very appreciative of the Tennis Club for their support.

We recently celebrated Bruce Malone's 80th birthday with a cake at morning tea. President Carmel Allison presented him with his veteran's badge.



Carmel Allison pinning a veteran's badge on Bruce Malone



MAYORAL COLUMN



20 FEBRUARY 2024

Small Business Bus coming to Wedderburn

The Victorian Government's Small Business Bus will be in Wedderburn on Tuesday 26 March. The bus will be located at the Council Office between 10am and 4pm on the corner of High and Kerr streets (adjacent to 41 High Street).

The Small Business Bus offers free 45-minute mentoring sessions to help you start or build your small business.

I recommend booking in advance to secure your session time. You can make an appointment by visiting the website: https://business.vic.gov.au/learning-and-advice/workshops-and-small-business-bus/view? id=E24923

For more information or any questions about the Small Business Bus, please call Business Victoria on 13 22 15.

BlazeAid camp established in Boort

I am proud to see the establishment of the BlazeAid base camp in Boort, in response to the December/ January storms and floods. This camp will provide much needed labour support to local primary producers in areas of need who have been unable to rebuild fences that were damaged during the floods.

BlazeAid are currently looking for anyone who has prior camp/fencing experience who would be able to support those with less experience.

To learn more about volunteering or to assist, please visit the website https://blazeaid.com.au/boort

Loddon Shire Council ward boundary review

The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is reviewing the ward boundaries of Loddon Shire Council at the request of the Minister for Local Government and is seeking your input. The preliminary report will be available and response submissions for the Loddon Shire Council review open on Wednesday 21 February. Submissions close at 5pm Wednesday 13 March 2024.

In your submission, you can also ask to speak at a public hearing.

At the end of the review, the VEC will make a final recommendation to the Minister for Local Government.

Any changes to the ward boundaries of Loddon Shire Council following this review are expected to apply at the next local council elections.

To find out more about the review process and how you can have your say, visit www.vec.vic.gov.au/loddon

Telstra switching off their 3G network on 30 June 2024

Back in 2019, Telstra announced they would be closing their 3G network, which you might also know as the Telstra Next G network. Doing so will allow Telstra to repurpose the 3G spectrum to offer better coverage and reliability on their 4G and 5G mobile network.

On 30 June 2024, Telstra will be switching off their 3G network. The 4G and 5G networks will be available instead and will offer an improved experience. This means if you have a 3G-compatible device, it will not work from 1 July 2024.

Please note: If you're using a medical device to monitor health such as medical alarms, security or other remote safety situations, and they're currently using the 3G 2100 MHz layer, please check for compatibility on accompanying paperwork from the manufacturer, and/or contact the provider of these devices to upgrade now.

For more information, including frequently asked questions visit: https://www.telstra.com.au/support/mobiles-devices/3g-closure

WHAT'S ON

BBAC Theatre Productions

The BBAC Theatre Productions presents The Traveller's Table, a one act comedy. BBAC productions (Boort, Buckrabanyule and Community) are a group of crazy amateur actors who, together with some local community groups, will aspire to entertain the locals with a comedic play.

Venue: Boort Senior Citizens.

Date: Saturday 2nd March 2pm matinee and

7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Contact: Bradley 0488 752 687

Container Deposit Scheme

Over-the-counter refund point locations:

- Lakeside Café (BP) Boort
- Wedderburn Hardware
- Inglewood Motel and Caravan Park
- Charlton Newsagency





BRIC NEWS

2024 BRIC Memberships:

Please be advised that all BRIC memberships are due for renewal for the Jan '24 - Dec '24 period Fees are:

\$5 individual or \$20 business/club

Come in to BRIC and fill out a new membership form ASAP

VACANCY

Administration Officer 19.5 hours per week

If you are interested in working in an admin position, please call Louise at BRIC on 5455 2716.



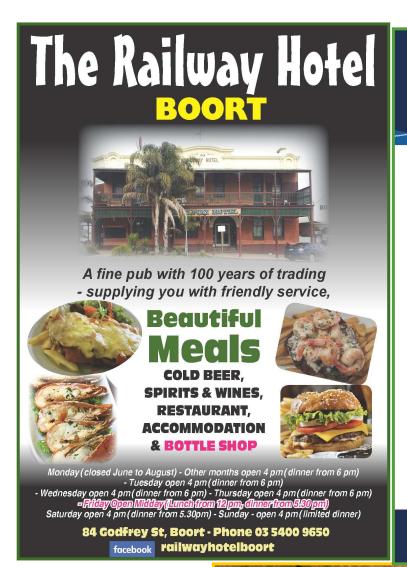
Boort Amity Club

Come and join our friendly local ladies community group

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

For more information call Kathy Lowrie

0427 409 079





Your Local Water Broker

Achieve the best price with your local Ruralco Water Broker.

Temporary Allocation Trades
Permanent Entitlement Sales
Lease | Forwards | Carryover Options
Water Market Advice and Strategy

Cohuna Office **03 5456 4142**

Tatura Office **03 5824 3958**





Large Broker Network

Online Trading

Online Trading / Subscribe ruralcowater.com.au

Local Service, National Strength



Chatty Cafe is running at BRIC!

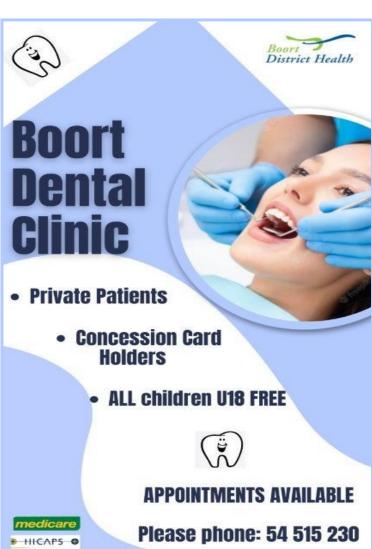
Come and have a chat and a FREE coffee every

Monday from 10am











NOTICE FROM BOORT MEN'S SHED **CO-ORDINATOR**

Due to certain requirements related to the running of the merry-go-round in Nolens Park, Boort Men's Shed has no alternative but to close it until matters are resolved.

Hoping to have it running in the near future.





Find the help & support you need

The Orange Door is a free service

for adults, children and young people who are experiencing or have experienced family violence

Flying Doctor Wellbeing can help when times are tough.

Mental health and wellbeing services are now available in your community.

Flying Doctor Wellbeing provides FREE and confidential mental health appointments with no need for a GP referral.

Call (03) 8412 0480 or email wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au to find out about the service or make an appointment.





CHELSEA MANUEL Business Development Manager 0403 242 171

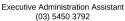


AMY STEEL Property Manager 0432 700 533



SHARRON WOOD







CHARLY DELMENICO

Administration Assistant 0434 449 259



TRAVIS HIPWORTH Water Trading / Licensed Real Estate Agent



0435 591 985



STEPHANIE HAMILTON



MANDY ALDERSON

Property Manager 0434 544 757

COLIN BALCAM

Sales Agent 0419 203 908



Property Manager 0432 700 151



Property Manager 0432 700 520

BULOKE LODDON TAC LE

SERVICING KERANG, SWAN HILL, AND SURROUNDING AREAS

GRAEME HAYES

Principal / Licensed Real Estate Agent

0411 338 649

WWW.GHREALESTATE.COM.AU



Mentors Wanted

Would you like to help young people learn to drive? Do you have at least two hours per fortnight to spare

on a regular basis? Are you over 21 years old?

Do you hold a full current driver's licence?

The Buloke Loddon L2P program matches volunteer

driver mentors to young learner drivers to assist them

in gaining on the road driving experience in a vehicle

that is provided through the program - all we need is

your time (and interest). Training and support

will be provided.

NATHAN HIPWORTH

Licensed Real Estate Agent VIC & NSW

0458 428 201



Need help getting your P's?

Struggling to get your 120 hours of learner driving experience?

Don't have the money for professional lessons?

The TAC L2P program helps young learner drivers living in the Buloke and Loddon Shires (16-21 years of age) with limited access to a supervising driver or vehicle to get on the road with trained mentors available to help them obtain the 120 hours necessary to get their licence.



If you are interested, please email l2p@ncllen.org.au or contact the North Central LLEN on 5491 1144.

Creating opportunities for children and young people to thrive in education, work and life

Central

For more information about this FREE program contact the North Central LLEN on 03 5491 1144 or email l2p@ncllen.org.au



including fines, losing your licence, getting an interlock installed in your car and having to blow zero for three years.















DUNE PART II M 166 mins | Adventure | Sci-fi Sat 23 Mar 8pm | Sun 24 Mar 2pm Tue 26 Mar 8pm

M 139 mins | Action / Thriller Sat 16 Mar 8pm | Sun 17 Mar 2pm Tue 19 Mar 8pm

ARGYLLE

SUNDAY COFFEE @THE REX 10am -12 midday each Sunday

MONDAY COFFEE FLO students cafe 10:30am - 12 pm during school terms





Volunteers wanted!

Are you interested in the Boort community?

Would you like to undertake interviews with locals? BRIC is looking for a volunteer to undertake a series of interviews to showcase the wonderful people we have in our community.

Open to all ages.

Who knows! This could be the start of your budding career as a journalist!

Also looking for volunteers to distribute editions around town

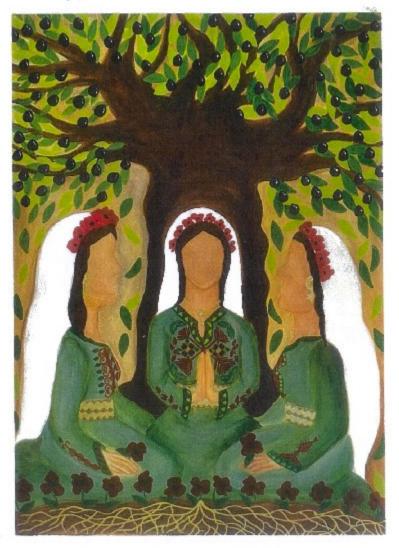
Contact Louise on 5455 2716 for more information.



World Day of Prayer 2024

Palestine

'I beg you ... bear with one another in love'



www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

1

Date & Time: | March 10am

Location:

St. Patrick's Church.

Contact person:

Carmel All 1801-0499553635

AMMOUNCING IAM BADGER MERUTE



SUNDAY

CR. NEIL BEATTIE FAMILY

BOORT

HON. PETER WALSH BOORT TROTTERS CUP



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR BOOKING

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

CONTACT 0427 346 312

"MARY BEVERLEY" C.V.C. TROTTERS HEAT















