

# Pyramid Progress



Mark Wilkinson, Terry Wood, Nev Miller, Bill Quinn, Mayor Dan Straub, CEO Lincoln Fitzgerald, Progress Secretary Penny Caspani, Progress Chair Drew Chislett, Cheryl McKinnon, Deputy Chair Trevor McIntyre, Michelle Miller, Jenny Emonson, Glen McKinnon

Drew Chislett took on the reins of Progress last night with a resounding positive speech about our future prospects in Pyramid Hill.

In his eyes, he says Progress is about

- supporting new and existing businesses
- supporting new and established events.
- celebrating and inspiring, and marketing our town, and making the most of our natural attractions
- working together with Council and other stakeholders to benefit our local community
- being advocates for local community members who need a conduit to Council
- being positive about what we can achieve,

Loddon Shire CEO Lincoln Fitzgerald and Mayor Dan Straub were in attendance at the meeting of Progress last night and gave an update on the main street developments- which are still a good few months away from completion - and the transition to new external providers for Home Care clients. Two staff remain in the department for Home Care to support any Council clients require

support or information about the new service with external providers.

Drew also reminded the people in the room that the pay for being on Progress is 'pretty awesome'. It's a volunteer role - but you get to work with people who want our town to go forward - and we can only be as strong as the sum of our people.

Lincoln Fitzgerald, at the completion of the meeting said he spends a lot of time going to community and business meetings, and said that our Progress was one of the best run he'd been to. Hopefully that means he will be back!



**DON'T FORGET...!!! PHFNC SERVICES AUCTION SATURDAY**

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# CO-ORDINATOR CATCH UP

Hi Neighbours

I've had a busy few days out in the world my friends.

One of the awesome things I have been up to is attending a Linocut Printmaking short course over at the Boort Neighbourhood House on a Monday night. It's so fun learning a new skill. I am also loving meeting new people *['HELLO' to my new linocutting friends who read the Press from Yando, Durham Ox and beyond..]*

What would you like to learn? I had a request for Ag Chemical Certificate training - and as of today there will have been 49 local farm workers and gardeners who have gone through that training since May.

I had a request from someone else two weeks ago about a food handlers course, and we have that coming on the 11th August.

What would you like to do? Maybe you would like to learn linocut printmaking like I am?!

The other wild thing that has happened to me this week is that I sold my house! Not *my house*.. I am talking about the house that I have had a tenant in for the last 18 months. I mention this because even though I am excited I was also terrified a little bit. Luckily today, our local Accountant Cheryl came into work, and I was able to ask her how Capital Gains works and what is depreciation - and what I could be up for financially over the year as far as the house sale goes.

Cheryl is back in again on Wednesday next week when she she will be chatting about Tax tips, tricks and legal loopholes. Whooooo! If you are after a bit of info about tax time.. or if you would like to meet Cheryl to schedule some one on one advice, do come on in.

Neighbours, have you seen our garden out the front remains half finished? I reckon we need a working bee in a few weeks when it hopefully gets a bit warmer so we can stop looking at these bare boxes! Let's get some green going?

What do you reckon? A weekend or a weekday? I need some KEEN GARDENERS to help it get to the next stage..

Stay tuned, Kim

## Justice of the Peace

### Mark Boyce

Tuesday 25th July  
Tuesday 8th August  
Tuesday 22nd August  
Tuesday 5th September

**12.30 - 2.30 pm**

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**Wednesday 26 July**

**1pm - 2pm**

**Tax Time - Tips and Tricks**  
with our local accountant  
Cheryl.

at Neighbourhood House





# WHAT'S ON

## **Mountaineering and Earthquake Survival techniques**

Sunday | Rear of the Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall

## **90 Years of the Australian Women's Weekly**

Until 27 August | Bendigo Art Gallery

## **Pyramid Hill FNC Goods & Services Auction**

Saturday 22nd July | Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall

## **BCG Farm Expansion Day**

Tuesday 25th July | 9.30 am - 3 pm | Birchip Leisure Centre

## **Ask an Accountant - Tax Tips and Tricks**

Wednesday 26th July | 1pm - 2pm | Neighbourhood House

## **Terricks Ridge Landcare Group AGM and General Meeting**

Wednesday 26 July | 8pm | Victoria Hotel

Speakers from Trust for Nature to discuss feral and native animal activity on farms and parklands. ALL WELCOME

## **Pyramid Hill Playgroup Storytime**

Friday 28th July | 10.30 - 11 am | Pyramid Hill Kinder

## **Johnny Cruze Zammit appearing at Victoria Hotel**

Saturday 29th July | 8 pm | Victoria Hotel, Pyramid Hill

## **Food Handlers [Follow Workplace Hygiene] course**

Friday 11 August | Bookings Essential | \$130

Pyramid Hill Neighbourhood House

# WHAT'S ON *regular activities*

## **CLEO Community Car**

Call the Neighbourhood House to book | 54557129

### **TUESDAYS**

**Moderate Movers exercise group** | 1 PM | Seniors Centre

Mackay St | BYO exercise mat or towel

**Morning Coffee** | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House

**Goldfields Library visit** | 10:15 AM | Neighbourhood House

### **WEDNESDAYS**

**Social Bowls** | 7:00 PM | 98 Victoria St

**Book Club** | 4:30 PM | last Wed of each month

**Ask an Accountant** | 1:00 - 2:00 PM | Neighbourhood House

### **FRIDAYS**

**Rhyme Time** | 9:30 AM every Friday during term |

Neighbourhood House

**Playgroup** | 10:00 AM | Preschool, 67 Kelly St

**Scrabble Fever** | 2:00 PM - stumps | Neighbourhood House

## **VLINE TRAIN AND COACH**

### **Monday – Friday**

Train dep Melbourne | 07:39 AM and 06:08 PM

Departs Bendigo | 10:00 AM and 08.26 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 11:09 AM and 09:34 PM

### **Tuesday and Thursday**

(Need to book on Thursdays)

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Coach dep Bendigo | Tuesday 03:09 PM

Thursday | 3.10 PM

Arrive Pyramid | 04:29 PM

### **Friday Only**

Train dep Melbourne | 07:08 PM

Arrives Bendigo | 09:00 PM

Coach departs Bendigo | 09:10 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 10:25 PM

### **Saturday & Sunday only**

Train dep Melbourne | 07:40 AM and 06:43 PM

Arrives Bendigo | 10:00 AM and 08:57 PM

Arrives Pyramid | 11:09 AM and 10:05 PM

## **V/LINE TO MELBOURNE**

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Arrives Melbourne | 11:28 AM and 06:11 PM

### **Tuesday and Thursday**

Coach dep Pyramid | 10:51 AM

Train dep Bendigo | 12:26 PM

Train Arrives Melbourne | 02:25 PM

### **Friday only**

Coach dep Pyramid | 05:30 PM

Train dep Bendigo | 07:01 PM

Train Arrives Melbourne | 09:09 PM

### **Saturday only**

Train dep Pyramid | 08:05 AM and 02:46 PM

Departs Bendigo | 09:20 AM and 04:01 PM

Arrives Melbourne | 11:30 AM and 06:09 PM

### **Sunday only**

Train dep Pyramid | 08:05 AM and 05:47 PM

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Arrives Melbourne | 11:30 AM and 09:12 PM

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Last Wednesday of the Month

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

## CHURCH SERVICES

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**1st and 3rd Sun** | 10:00 AM

Tyndale Church

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**2nd Sun** | 9:00 AM

**4th Sun** | 11:00 AM

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**30th July | 11.00 AM**

**Bishop Matt/Rev Sue**

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Rev Sue Allen | 0417 365 386

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### Church of Christ

Sun | 11:00 AM

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### Catholic

Sat Mass | 6:30 PM

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Church

Victoria St

*Thank You, Mark.*

*The Pyramid Hill Bowling Club wishes to publicly recognize the highly valued work of Mark Lacey as the Manager of the Bendigo Bank Branch in Pyramid Hill. Mark, we sincerely thank you for the kind, caring, considered and professional service you have provided to our Club over many years. Your cheerful, friendly countenance and your obliging attention to our financial matters has truly been appreciated. Often you knew what we needed to be doing before we were aware of it ourselves.*

*Thank you for your diligence and guidance. Thank you for making yourself available. Thank you for looking after our money and our accounting business. Thank you just for being a great person to do business with. We wish that you were not leaving and that those in higher authority, who think they know best, would listen to the needs of little insignificant groups like ours who value so highly the personal and face-to-face service and convenience of someone with local knowledge and understanding. The closure of the Bendigo Bank Branch at Pyramid Hill is a tragedy for the town, but more specifically a heartbreak for those who valued you as a competent and approachable professional. We wish you well in the future – whatever that holds for you. Thank you so much.*

*From the PHBC Board and Members*

*(Marie Noelker, President).*

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Denise McLennan



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decisions  
Ben White, Kondinin  
Group



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Carmen Quade

AND

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how one could benefit  
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perspectives  
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### ***Poetry and Collage Workshops***

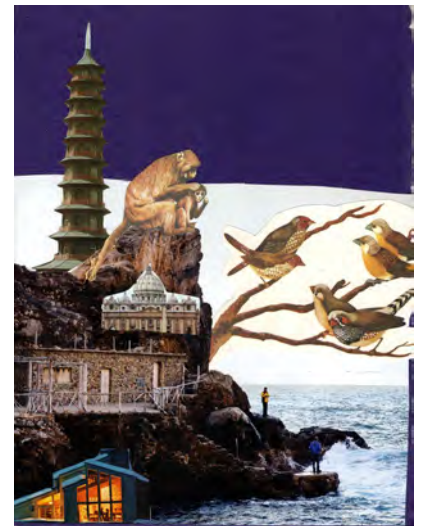


Respect Learn Community

The College students have had some wonderful opportunities thanks to funding and support from Josie McKinnon and the Loddon Flood Recovery team.

Last Tuesday our Year 7/8 students were lucky enough to participate in a writer's workshop with well known author Lorraine Marwood. Lorraine inspired our budding poets with their published poems based on the theme of 'Where I come from.'

The art room was abuzz on Wednesday as the Year 8 students learnt some pretty cool and creative collage skills working with Max and Zoe from 'The Paper Joint'. The workshop introduced students to techniques which created depth, contrast, creativity and detail to their collage and there was fun to be had along the way. Our students really enjoyed the afternoon and created some stunning pieces of work.



*I am from ....*

*I am from the hill and creek, the frogs croak, a cricket chirping.*

*I am from a sliding door, green and floral with a lab laying on the door step.*

*I am from vegemite and toast.*

*I am from Nana and Mikayla, an old lady with lots of knowledge and a big sister like a mother.*

*I am barbie dolls and princess, I daydream of a beautiful queen.*

*I am from fairy bread and party pies.*

*From a lake and speed boats roaring in the background, with a BBQ sizzling sausages and a cute little dog laying on my lap.*

*This is who I am.*



Jamison Walters





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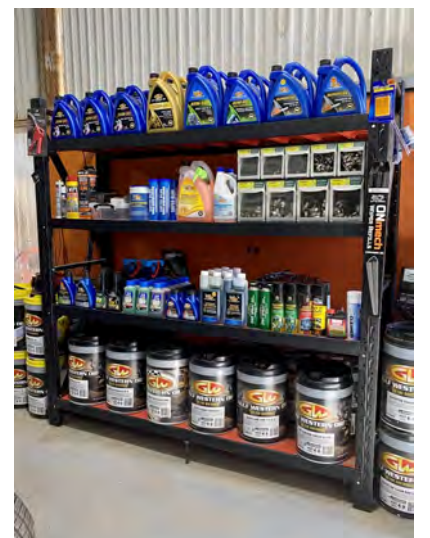
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# PYRAMID PRESS

## MARG'S A CHAMP!

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Marg Dixon may have created history by being Pyramid Hill's first identity to win a major squash title. Marg won the Ladies' Open Squash Championship at the Swan Hill Tournament held last weekend.

Players from many parts of the state, including Mildura, Geelong Bendigo, Shepparton, Echuca and Swan Hill competed

Marg had easy 3-0 victories to reach the semi-final, where she met the no. 1 seed, Angela Johnson of Mildura. Marg outclassed and showed her experience to defeat Angela 3-1. Marg then went on to play the no. 2 seed, Jenny Murphy of Echuca in the final. Marg defeated Jenny 3-0, allowing her opponent only 8 points.

For her effort, Marg won prizes totalling over \$150, which inclu-

ded a pewter trophy and a pottery dinner set.

Congratulations Marg for putting Pyramid Hill on the squash map!



Marg Dixon, Pyramid Hill Sports Star '81 and now Country Womens Open Squash Champion.

Well Done.

## Confused?

Confused? You aren't the only ones!

Once again we have had to change our format, this time back to the old style. Why? Well, it seems that Northern Offset, the printing firm that held our custom is now defunct. Kaput. Out of business.

So, in order to keep the Press rolling we had to search for another printer to do the job. Intrepid to the end, we found one. Express Printers.

For the next three weeks (at least) we will appear as a tabloid newspaper. By then, Northern Offset hopes to rise, like the phoenix from the ashes and re-incorporate as a new printing firm. Until that happens (or perhaps the odd miracle or two) we are back to this. A pity because public reaction to the new size (er, is that old size?) was quite favorable.

Stand by for further developments!

Scotty & Stu.

## School Council

A meeting of parents will be held in the School Library at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 12th July for the purpose of electing four members to the School Council.

Unfortunately Mr Doug Weir, the new Regional Director, is unable to attend, however Mrs Helen Green, the assistant Regional Director of Bendigo Region will attend and address the meeting on the new directions, role and responsibilities of the Regional Office and the increasing role and responsibilities of the School Council.

Five nominations have been received for the four vacancies necessitating an election.

Those nominating are::

Mr. Eddie Ballis  
Mr. Ross Kelly  
Mr. Hedley Moon  
Mr. Ron Pickles  
Mr. Tom Smith

Please attend this important meeting and have the opportunity to elect the members of your choice to your School Council.

## RAINFALL

There hasn't been much. Let's hope it comes soon!

## Edwards' Thought For The Week

Admiration is the polite recognition of a great persons resemblance to oneself.



## New Zealand Bound

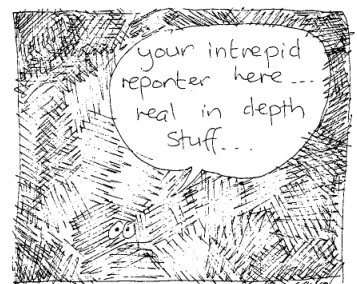


Pictured above is local girl Christine McKinnon who is to travel to New Zealand under the sponsorship of the Pyramid Hill Lions Club.

## IN THE DARK

As you are aware, Pyramid Press often relies on the contribution of articles to fill its pages and keep you informed. Unfortunately sometimes we don't get to hear everything that goes on in town, and when we don't find out, we can't keep you informed.

So, if there is something of interest, whether a street stall or a politician checking up on local services, we want to hear about it. Don't forget, this is your paper, so don't keep us in the dark (and let us keep you in the dark). Let us know what's on the go.





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# NETBALL NOTES

## Round 14 Pyramid Hill vs Bridgewater

### A Grade

The girls had a solid start in very cold conditions. Opponents were highly competitive and were always not too far behind. Defenders Abbey and Imogen got hands on everything and goalers worked well together. We were able to keep the pressure up and extend out lead in the end, winning 53-44

Final Score: Pyramid Hill 53 Bridgewater 44

Award: Imogen Broad and Jess Holdstock

### B Grade

The Pyramid girls started out strongly in the first quarter taking the lead at quarter time. Bridgewater picked up the intensity in the second quarter tightening the margin at half time. Pyramid made some changes for the second half but this unfortunately did not stop Bridgewater's accurate goaling. Pyramid maintained pressure but it was Bridgewater that finished with the win.

Final Score Bridgewater 39 Pyramid Hill 32

Award: Taylah Woodward and Karly Mitchell

### C Grade

It was a hard-fought game against Bridgewater and very strong defensive pressure by Bridgewater however the Pyramid Hill continued to keep strong pressure down the court. Pyramid Hill defence was remarkable!

Final Score: Pyramid Hill 32 Bridgewater 29

Award: Shannon Taylor and Nic Campbell

### C Reserve

On a lovely Saturday in Bridgewater, the doggies showed up to play. Bridgewater came out with a great start which proved too hard for the doggies to climb back from. The fight from team was led by Bib's amazing want for the ball and Liv's amazing running. Great fight girls!

Final Score Bridgewater 35 Pyramid Hill 23

Award: Georgia Bibby and Olivia Turvey

### Under 17

The girls started very strong in the first quarter against a top side and at quarter time there was not a big margin. Team changes by Bridgewater saw the margin significantly change, both their goals and defence improving. At three quarter time, Coach Kel flipped the court entirely making the last quarter more entertaining! Throughout the game the girls never dropped their heads holding their very best even when the score didn't reflect their effort.

Final Score: Bridgewater 61 Pyramid Hill 22

Glenn Atkins Award: Isabelle Caspani & Kaitlin Broad

### Under 15

Today the girls played a fantastic game despite Bridgewater's height advantage. The girls trailed for 3 quarters but found a last bit of energy in the last quarter and managed to reduce the margin at the fourth quarter but not enough to win the game. The scores didn't reflect how well they played. Awesome effort!

Final Score Bridgewater 47 Pyramid Hill 31

Pyramid Hill Bakery Award: Matilda Kervin

### Under 13

We had fight in our girls today. Fantastic effort to keep Bridgewater on their toes in the first half. Strong passes down the court made for a 3 goal lead at half time. We kept our defence strong and made some great intercepts. There was great team work in our goals however Bridgewater played well and were strong in the last half taking the win by 9.

Final Score Bridgewater 23 Pyramid Hill 14

Coffee Bank Award: Rian Pantig

### Minis

Both teams braced the cold for a wonderful game of netball. Everyone moved well and did some great passing, and some wonderful goals were scored by both sides. The minis team has come so far this season and should be very proud of their efforts!

PHFNC Canteen Award Bella Lobb

# GOLF NEWS

## Sunday 16 July

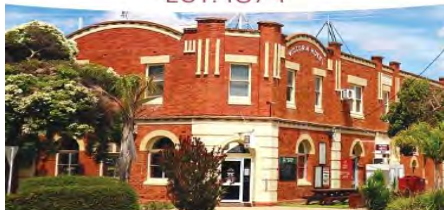
We had spectacular weather and a large crowd for the annual Jim Hoban Memorial Day. Jed Stewart continued his excellent form from the championships and won the day with 37 points; runner up with 36 points was Maree Ring. The Jim Hoban Memorial Day (count your putts) winner was Sue Marshall with an excellent score of just 22 putts.

Sue is pictured with the memorial trophy (alongside President Steve). Our tournament (August 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>) is rapidly approaching, any assistance with catering and maintenance around the course would be greatly appreciated.



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# FOOTY HIGHLIGHTS

Two big wins from the three games was a good way to bounce back after a tough day at the office in Round 13. The trip to “Bridgey” is usually a hard-fought encounter, and in all games, this was the case.

The Under 18s, though beaten on the scoreboard, were able to match it with their opponents in effort, endeavour and perseverance. Clearly, Bryden and Luke’s efforts on the training track are starting to pay off. Players are continually developing their understanding of the game, and the team unity on the field



is evident. The older players continue to have confidence in all teammates further afield and are happy to utilise them as they move the ball forward.

In the Under 18s, the squad was well led by Connor McCoy. He consistently was able to impact on his direct opponent and then win his own ball. This was evident in a great individual effort that saw a centre clearance won, two effective line-breaking bounces taken and a long, pin-point delivery that resulted in 6-points. Connor took home the “Pyramid Hill Butcher’s Award” for his efforts. Blake Gibson (2 goals) won the “Ant Free Shearing” award. In a team of “goers” all over the field others to perform well were Toby Peter (Good Sports), Jacob Clough-Fidler (President’s Award), James Correa (“Wizartry” beanie), and Jack Gould and Toby Fernandez.

The Reserves bounced back in the best way possible. After conceding an early goal they then “went on the march”. Thirty-one scoring shots reflected the control they were able to assert from midway through the opening term. Dave Mann, fresh from his weekend of golf, appeared to have his own “Sherrin” as he owned the opening term. His efforts helped set up what was a big win, and he claimed the “Victoria Hotel” award. Thanks to him and his partner-in-crime Rylan Delamere (Pony Award), the ‘Dogs power-forwards were able to take over thanks to continuous delivery from the corridor. Nick Skinner (4 goals and “National Hotel” award), Rohan Pollock (6 goals), Greg Quinn (3 goals and Good Sports) and Nathan Moon (2 goals), marked everything that came their way. When the ball did find its way into the opposition forward zone Matt Moon and Stephen Donat were there to repel. Tyler Aitken was another to operate at a high level over all four quarters.

A massive effort was required by the Seniors after a forgettable Round 13 encounter with Marong. It took a while for the Bulldogs to hit their straps, with some early errant goal kicking negating

positive heavy work from the midfield. A narrow first term lead had been extended to almost four goals at the main break, and then a 12-goals to one second half, including 50 points in the final stanza, saw a comfortable victory achieved. After the previous week the bench would have been pleased to see an away game rewarded with a triple figure total, thirty-two scoring shots, a fifty-point final term and ten individual goalkickers. It was a top whole-team effort. Over four quarters Zac Alford (National Hotel) was busy, and with continual high-pressure acts, helped keep the ball in the forward arc. Billy Micevski (Victoria Hotel) was happy to be in and under the packs

and was also damaging over four terms.

Jesse Sheahan (5 goals) was at his damaging best after missing the previous week, and Seb Relouw (3 goals) showed his characteristic bullocking prowess in winning the hard ball and feeding the forward zone. The backline was under plenty of early pressure from Bridgewater, but Tom McGregor (first game back since round 1), Dylan Morison, Gav James and Zac Dingwall were the usual reliable back-half team. Great link up work from Declan Slingo and Ed Caburnay, thanks



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to continual feeding from “Dutchy” Holland, meant that eventually the ‘Dogs were able to kick clear and win well.

This week at the “Kennel” we ask all members and supporters to acknowledge the fantastic efforts of Billy Micevski. Now in his 8th year at our Club, Billy is the ultimate team member and looks forward to the weekly trek from the “big smoke”. We are very happy to have Billy as a member of our “100 Club”.

Members and supporters are reminded that tonight is our “Goods and Services” auction, and we hope to see as many of you there as possible. If you are a “late participant” see Bruce Moon or David James for the latest information.

Today the “Kennel” throws its’ collective support behind the annual TAC / AFL Vic “Road Safety Round”. Remember to take care on the roads, and if we get home safely then everyone wins.

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**Business Networking Dinner** – Inglewood Last Monday (10 July), saw the Loddon Shire tourism team host its first Tourism Business Networking event for 2023 at the Inglewood Town Hall. Over 50 guests attended from across the Loddon Shire. These networking events provide an opportunity to discuss strategic tourism and economic development work, gather the latest tourism insights from the tourism industry, hear from guest presenters, and provide a space to network and collaborate together. In addition to tourism updates from David Stretch (Manager of Tourism and Economic Development) and Bradd Worrell (Tourism and Marketing Coordinator), Susan Fayad the World Heritage and Regional Development Lead at City of Ballarat provided a keynote presentation on the Goldfields World Heritage project and its importance for the Loddon Shire (and broader Goldfields Region). The tourism team is excited to welcome the return of regular business networking events this year, which will be hosted in different locations across the Shire.

**Yarrawalla Bonfire Night** I had the great pleasure of attending the Yarrawalla Bonfire Night last Friday (14 July). Conceived by the Yarrawalla Community as a way to come back together and reconnect after a long, hard and disruptive period of flood recovery, the Bonfire Night had something for everyone. From bush poetry and live music to 'campfire' themed collages and damper making over coals, the Bonfire Night had it all. The East Loddon Lion's Club put on a delicious spit roast dinner plus piping hot desserts while new local coffee van vendor, Coffee to Di For, ensured the hot chocolates, teas and coffees were flowing. Culminating in an all-in-group-spoon-playing-jamboree, the night was a terrific success and a testament to the strength and spirit of Yarrawalla and its residents. Well done to all involved and especially Sue Bennet, Brian Smith and Tom Smith and all those who have since signed up to volunteer in future activities in the community.

**Loddon Valley Arts Trail** returns Council is thrilled to announce The Loddon Valley Arts Trail is going ahead in 2023 and will be led by local creatives and the Inglewood Community Neighbourhood House. After cancellations in previous years due to the COVID pandemic then flooding, the event has been revamped and invigorated by the Inglewood Community Neighbourhood House, supported by Loddon Shire's Tourism and Economic Development team. Participation in the Loddon Valley Arts Trail is open to all Loddon residents and will be a fantastic way to showcase the creative talents of our region, attract many visitors to the Shire and therefore support to local businesses across the Shire. You can participate as an individual open studio, or set up a pop-up exhibition with other artists if you prefer. All Loddon businesses are invited to participate on the Trail as well, not 2 of 6 only arts-based or creative business, but tourism, accommodation or hospitality businesses are encouraged to connect and learn about the event and opportunities for the local economy. For more information and to for registration forms for participants, email [info@icnh.org.au](mailto:info@icnh.org.au) or phone 5438 3562 before August 31. The Loddon Valley Arts

Trail will run from 10am-4pm on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 October 2023.

**Upcoming Council Meeting** Council's July meeting will be held next Tuesday (25 July) at 3pm in the Loddon Shire Council Chambers, located behind the Wedderburn Council Office, off Peters Street. You can also watch the Council meeting live via Council's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/LoddonShire](https://www.facebook.com/LoddonShire) To view the July Council Meeting agenda visit <https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/OurCouncil/Agendas-and-minutes/Agendas-and-minutes-2023>

**Rural Councils Victoria Forum** Last Friday (14 July), I attended the Rural Councils Victoria (RCV) forum, alongside my fellow Councillors and Loddon Shire Chief Executive Officer. We had the privilege of hearing from a number of speakers. We had the valued presence of The Hon Melissa Horne, who holds key positions as Minister for Local Government, Minister for Roads and Road Safety, Minister for Ports and Freight, Minister for Casino, Gaming and Liquor Regulation. Minister Horne discussed her perspective on importance matters that directly impact our municipalities. Cr Mary-Ann Brown, Chair of RCV, provided a valuable

insight into the advocacy efforts and outcomes achieved by the RCV. Cr Brown reinforced the significance of building strong partnerships with other councils across Victoria to achieve collective goals. By collaborating, we can amplify our voices and work towards common outcomes that benefit the residents in Loddon Shire. The forum also shed light on the pressing issue of housing in rural Victoria. We heard from Darren Fuzzard, CEO Mount Alexander Shire and Brett David, CEO Moyne Shire.

One of the highlights of the forum was the "Doing Things Differently" session ran by Malcolm Lazenby and Gayle Hardie – Global Leadership Foundation Co-Founders. This segment encouraged us to think innovatively and explore new approaches to address the unique issues faced by rural communities. Another crucial topic discussed was the need to promote and support active farming in our region. We had the pleasure of hearing from Claire Harrison and Marliese Heffernan, who are advocates of the "Active Farmers" initiative. Their presentation highlighted the significance of a healthy and resilient agricultural sector, fostering a sense of community and wellbeing among our farming families.

We also heard from Liz Ritchie, CEO of the Regional Australia Institute, who presented on the "National Regionalisation Alliance". Her talk emphasised the power of collaboration 3 of 6 between regional areas across the nation, showcasing how we can learn from and support each other to achieve common goals. Leader of The Nationals and Shadow Minister for Local Government, The Hon Peter Walsh, provided a presentation on the Parliament of Victoria Inquiry into Local Government funding and services.

**Whole Loddon Love – Live Music For Flood Recovery** Whole Loddon Love is bringing live music back to pubs and halls in flood-affected areas along the Loddon River this October. The series of live music events on beautiful Dja Dja Wurrung and Barapa Barapa Country are supporting venues, musicians, event





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producers and crew, draw heavily from people with live music experience who reside and work in flood-affected areas, and will showcase regionally-based musicians. The shows are free for locals, super-affordable for those travelling from outside the Loddon Valley and feature live music from a minimum of three acts each night, including artists from the local community. Money raised at the events will be donated to local organisations chosen by the local community, to help support flood recovery.

**Friday 6 October - Victoria Hotel, Pyramid Hill Queenie, Dan Kelly + more**

**Saturday 7 October - Railway Hotel, Boort Queenie, Dan Kelly, Jess Parker Band + more**

**Sunday 8 October - Newbridge Hotel (daytime) Jess Parker Band, Dan Kelly + more**

**Saturday 14 October - Bridgewater Hotel Jess Parker Band, Valley Road + more Sunday 15 October - Baringhup Hall (daytime) The Maes, Felicity Cripps Band, Jess Parker Band + more**

The Live Music for Flood Recovery Program is supported by Music Victoria and the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria. The program has supported many events throughout 2023, from small gigs in pubs featuring local musicians, to large-scale festivals and community events, with passionate artists supporting communities and sharing music to provide a space for impacted communities to revive, recover and gather together after a tumultuous year.

Whole Loddon Love is supported by Loddon Shire Council and Mount Alexander Shire Council, and is produced by regionally-based Fionna Allan (Lady Adventurer Creative Projects) with support from Theatre Royal Castlemaine. Tickets on sale 12 July 4 of 6 [www.wholeloddonlove.com](http://www.wholeloddonlove.com) For further details, contact Fionna Allan: [wholeloddonlove@ladyadventurer.com.au](mailto:wholeloddonlove@ladyadventurer.com.au)

### **WHAT'S ON AROUND THE SHIRE**

**Seventy Plus 4 Jazz Band** Tuesday, 25 July 2023 | 11.00 AM – 12.00 PM Cost: Free Whilst mature in years, Kev Harvey and his band are young at heart and excellent musicians! They will play a variety of familiar tunes from the 1920s to 1950s along with some Latin-American music on their instruments of choice - clarinet, banjo, tuba and trombone. Mobile eTicket to reserve your seat is recommended from Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/seventy-plus-4-jazz-band-tickets-633119556637> Proudly supported by Inglewood Library Agency Inglewood Town Hall Hub, 20 Verdon Street, Inglewood 3517

**31st Annual Wedderburn Vintage Machinery Rally** Saturday, 9 September 2023 to Sunday, 10 September 2023 | 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM The Wedderburn Historical Engine and Machinery Society brings you a great day out for the whole family. Relive the past exploring old engines, vehicles, farm machinery, tools and many items of yesteryear. Browse the range of market trade stalls and exhibits on show. A unique collection of Patchwork quilting will be on display in the old school building. Food and refreshments available all weekend. Entry \$5.00 adults, children free. (cash only) Exhibitors free. Contact: Trevor 0427 583 341 or Lois 0438 915 278 E: [admin@wedderburnengineclub.com.au](mailto:admin@wedderburnengineclub.com.au) Supported by the Loddon Shire Council. Engine Park, Racecourse Road, Wedderburn 3518

**Tarnagulla Strictly Vintage Fair** Sunday, 10 September 2023 | 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM A celebration of things vintage in the vintage and fabulous town of Tarnagulla at the southern tip of Loddon

Shire. Showcasing all things vintage in a town that was made for a vintage fair! Vintage cars, vintage caravans, vintage clothing, extensive range of vintage stalls and a huge local history display curated by our town historian, David Gordon. Including local wines and food and a myriad of entertainment for all ages. Sumptuous high tea presided over by HM Queen Victoria in her very own Victoria Theatre. The atmosphere and vibe is second to none at this wonderful event designed for the entire family. Contact: Event Coordinator 0457 326 743 E: [tarnagullastrictlyvintage@gmail.com](mailto:tarnagullastrictlyvintage@gmail.com) Hosted by Southern Loddon Tourism Inc. Soldier's Memorial Park and Victoria Theatre, Commercial Road, Tarnagulla 3551

**Bendigo Bush 15** – Mt Kooyoora Saturday, 16 September 2023 | 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM Five bush courses are available of differing lengths with easy, medium and hard navigation. All welcome. Newcomers are catered for with instruction. Event location, information & entry: <https://eventor.orienteeing.asn.au/Events/Show/18401> Contact: Ross Slater 03 5443 9884 or email [secretary@bendigo-orienteeers.com.au](mailto:secretary@bendigo-orienteeers.com.au) Hosted by Bendigo Orienteers Inc. <http://bendigo-orienteeers.com.au/> 6 of 6 Kooyoora State Park, Inglewood 3517

**Bendigo Bush 16** – Korong Spur Saturday, 23 September 2023 | 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM Five bush courses are available of differing lengths with easy, medium and hard navigation. All welcome. Newcomers are catered for with instruction. Event location, information & entry: <https://eventor.orienteeing.asn.au/Events/Show/18402> Contact: Ross Slater 03 5443 9884 or email [secretary@bendigo-orienteeers.com.au](mailto:secretary@bendigo-orienteeers.com.au) Hosted by Bendigo Orienteers Inc. <http://bendigo-orienteeers.com.au/> Mt Korong, Wedderburn-Serpentine Road, Glenalbyn 3517

**Laanecoorie Gold Bash 2023** Friday, 6 October 2023 to Sunday 8 October 2023 | Friday 1.00 PM to Sunday 2.00 PM Cost: Free entry The gold bash is a two and a half day event with gold related stalls, trivia night, auction, token hunts for kids and adults, gold tours and raffles. All proceeds raised goes to Peter Mac Cancer Research. 58 Brownbills Road, Laanecoorie 3463

**Loddon Valley Arts Trail 2023** Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 October 2023 Discover the abundance of talented artists in the Loddon Valley through the Loddon Valley Arts Trail. Exciting details about this year's event will be revealed soon. Stay tuned!

**Boort Annual Show 2023** Saturday, 14 October 2023 | Friday 7.00 AM - 10.00 PM Presented by Boort Agricultural and Pastoral Society Inc. The Boort Show is the longest running community event, beginning 135 years ago, and promises many of the popular, traditional attractions that keep the crowds coming back. All our favourites will be there with a mix of family entertainment, horse events, blade and machine shearing competition, dog trials, animal farm, show bags, baking competitions, market stalls, vintage cars, plus so much more. Cost: Membership Admission Family Ticket \$30 (18 & under) Adult Ticket \$15 Pensioner \$10 General Public Gate Admission Family Ticket \$40 Student \$7 (18 & under) Adult \$15 Pensioner \$10 EFTPOS available Contact: Madeleine Scott 0425 791 869, or check latest information on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/boortshow>

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