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Locky News

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We are happy to continue with our 300 Words Challenge into 2019.

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MONDAY, March 18**Entries by 10am****(Earlier if possible please)**

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This week's Locky News

was prepared by...

Alison, Marilyn, Lorraine and Rhain

IT'S IN THE GENES

Locky local Jared Ireland recently addressed delegates at the Australian Dairy Conference in Canberra.

Jared provided his insight into picking a bull team that takes you places at an average \$16/straw, while John Perkin from the Western Districts shared his story of recent herd improvements and his business case for genomic testing.



RETURN HOME SAFELY

Members of the Bamawm Extension CFA have travelled to the South East of Victoria to support with the fires in that area.

Also there to assist is the Northern Campaspe Group's Fire Control Vehicle which is based in Lockington.

We congratulate you all on your dedicated service to protecting us, and we wish you a safe return home.

CFA District 20



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REVAMPING WELCOME TO LOCKY BAGS



Any business or organisation that would like to contribute info, flyers, vouchers etc... to the next production of this information pack about what is happening in Locky, services available or events they are planning to run in the next twelve months, could you please contact Wendy Sims on

0427868307 or leave info at the Business Centre.

New Locky bags will be distributed at the annual tractor rally and also be available from the business centre after this date

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Hello again Everyone,

I've been thinking about the issues that must have faced people in our district, and Australians generally, in the immediate aftermath of the 'Great War' of 1914-1918. Until that time, volunteer patriotic groups from within the community had accepted the duty of caring for former servicemen and their families but, by late 1914, it was realised by those in authority that, in this instance, the task would be too great and other more formal arrangements were needed. The Australian Government introduced a war pension system to compensate the wounded, and to help the families of those who had been injured in such a way that they were no longer able to work. Unfortunately, by 1917, there were so many sick and injured personnel returning to Australia from the battle front that the pension system as first devised was no longer adequate to cope with their needs, and in 1918, the Repatriation Department was created.

The role taken on by the Repatriation Department was massive and ongoing. The costs entailed in providing medical care, and welfare benefits where needed, was on a scale that was unprecedented. We read in the *National Archives* that "the Department managed pensions for the disabled and those no longer able to support themselves, and for the dependants of those who had died. It established employment bureaus and vocational and rehabilitation training for returned servicemen and women." For those who were totally and permanently incapacitated, it provided "free medical and hospital care, hostels and homes," and it also provided free artificial limbs for amputees. Though it could never be enough to replace what had been lost, the hope was to do everything possible to alleviate discomfort and distress.

By the end of the war, there was scarcely a town or district right across Australia that had not experienced some loss. Just how to best honour the memory of those who had fallen presented a challenge that all struggled to address. From the time the Anzacs first entered the field of battle, within local communities and districts like ours, those who waited at home developed a strong desire to do something to demonstrate their feelings of pride in, and indebtedness to those who fought on their behalf. From as early as 1916, Anzac Day was being commemorated with memorial services and marches, but in the absence of a grave at which to mourn a friend or family member who had died half-a-world away across the sea, a wide-spread need for local monuments or some tangible form of memorial was emerging.

Official attempts to address collective mourning on a national scale took the form of public commemorations, such as Armistice Day and Anzac Day ceremonies, in the State capitals. However, at national level, too, there was the urge to build monuments in each state and territory. Cities and towns began to construct their own war memorials, and history records that sixty had been completed 'even before 1918.' Prominently situated, they took many forms; a statue, or perhaps a gate or an arch, while Rolls of Honour, listing the names of those who served and those who died, were drawn up and placed with pride on the walls of many schools and public halls, and in places of employment.

As early as 14 February, 1916, the writer of a letter to the Editor of the *Bendigo Advertiser*, had a concrete suggestion to make and, with the benefit of hindsight, we know that his proposal for the siting of a Soldiers' Memorial in Bendigo was 'spot-on'. He wrote: -

"Sir.- May I ask for space in your widely-circulated paper to make a suggestion of public interest. There is being demolished in the heart of our city one of the oldest landmarks of Bendigo, viz., the Hustler's mine in Pall Mall. May I suggest turning it into a site for a soldiers' memorial to our fallen heroes at the Dardanelles? I presume the poppet heads will be removed, and the shaft filled in."

The writer went on to suggest that the mine chimney be retained as part of the memorial, which was envisaged as looking something like Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square in London. While that part of the suggestion came to nothing, the letter may well have influenced the decision to locate Bendigo's Memorial Hall in Pall Mall. Having described the plans for the chimney in some detail, the writer went on to say: -

"I think this would be an ornament to our city, and an everlasting monument to our noble men and boys who have given their all for their King and country. Perhaps someone will say it is too soon to talk about soldiers' memorials. The war is not over yet. Very true: would to God it was. But if something is not done in the matter soon the whole thing will be a blot. And then when the time comes it will cost considerably more to build. Trusting that the parks committee or some other responsible body will take the matter up before the mine is totally demolished.

Yours

AUSTRALIAN"

I found that quite interesting. 'Bye until next time,
 Marg O'Brien.

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Articles printed in this paper are printed in good faith and in no way reflect the views held by the 'Locky News' voluntary workers. We reserve the right to reject items deemed to be unsuitable. Any malicious information will be forwarded to the Police.

All news items will be put on website unless we're advised not to.

PHILL THRILLED WITH HIS 90TH

More than 100 family, relatives and friends gathered at the Lockington Bowling Club on Sunday, March 3 to congratulate Phill Collins and wish him well on the occasion of his 90th birthday. In response to speeches made by Graeme Collins and Ian Palmer, Phill thanked everyone for their attendance, and especially his five children, his son and daughters-in-law, and grandchildren for their support and great contribution in providing the delicious afternoon tea.

Photo – Phill cutting his birthday cake

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**JOURNEY
OF
Faith**

**MEALS ON
WHEELS**

To be collected 11.30 am

Mar 11 - Catholic Ladies
Mar 18 - Bush Nursing Centre
Mar 25 - Bamawm Uniting Church
April 1 - LBU Football Club
April 8 - St James Eve Fellowship
April 15 - Action Group



The Lockington Lions Club hosted the Region final of the Youth of the Year competition on Sunday 3rd of March 2019. The five young lady students, aged 15 to 18 spent the morning being interviewed in the Bill Jones meeting room at the Bush Nursing Centre in air conditioned comfort! The half hour interview by three Judges was to assess the citizenship, academic, leadership and sporting interests of the competitors. This accounted for 80 out of 110 points possible to score. The afternoon session, at the very warm Heritage Centre, attended by about forty people, was the public speaking competition. This began with two impromptu questions where the students were given two minutes to respond. The

questions were "What assistance would you offer to someone who was being bullied?" and "In NSW the driving licence age is 17 and in Victoria it is 18. Which age do you think is most appropriate?" The spontaneous responses to these two questions by the five girls revealed a strong understanding of the problem of bullying and support for anybody suffering from it. On the subject of driving age, there was a variable response! Some liked the independence and convenience of having a licence at 17 and the other view was that the maturity at 18 adds a safety margin. The rules governing the activity of young inexperienced drivers was mentioned also. The girls were composed and confident in their responses, with only the youngest showing slight signs of nervousness. Presentation of five minute prepared speeches followed with Emily Mitchell, our local Lockington girl, the first speaker. Emily chose to talk about student mental health and stress and how to cope in the later years of secondary school, an intense, stressful period in any students life. Lucia Rochford representing Numurkah Lions Club spoke about the importance of freedom of speech and the distinction between free speech and hate speech. Next up, Mia Oberin from Moama Lions Club spoke about the gender gap and equality of the sexes. A very big subject! Kiara Dean from Echuca Lions Club was next with her personal story about her hobby of clay target shooting and competing in A grade at the world championships and placing second! The final speech from Elizabeth Pangrazio from Stanhope Lions Club was also about sport and her love of playing netball, winning the grand final and the league best player award!

A very entertaining afternoon by a fine group of very capable, very practiced, high achievers. The winner of the day in a very even competition was Mia Oberin who will go on to the District final in Albury on March 24. The State final will be in Carisbrook on April 7 and the National final at the Convention in Geelong on 4-6 May.

The day was chaired by the two Zone Chairman, Bruce Major from Rochester and Helen Hastie from Tongala. The judges who had the demanding job of choosing a winner from an evenly matched group were Russel Beer, a retired teacher, Liz Haw also a teacher, and Kate O'Connor with a business background. Afternoon tea and then presentations concluded a very successful afternoon. The MC's thanked the contestants for their efforts, the families for their support, the teachers for their guidance and encouragement. Lockington Lions Club was thanked for hosting the day in the Heritage Centre.

David Hammond



SCHOOL NEWS

Echuca Swimming

Well done to the students who competed at the Interschool Swimming Carnival at Echuca last week. It was great to see our students giving it their all during their events, cheering each other on and representing themselves and LCS with pride. Congratulations to Charlie Byrne who has qualified to compete in the breaststroke event at the Regional Swimming Competition in Swan Hill next month. Good luck Charlie!

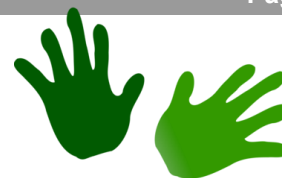
Clean Up Australia Day

Our students took part in Clean Up Australia Day. The students had a great time as they visited different areas of Lockington to pick up rubbish and recyclable materials. We really do live in a beautiful community and it was great for the students to be part of this initiative.





Lockington Family Wellbeing Day



WHEN: Sunday 24th March, 2019
TIME: 10.00am—2.00pm
WHERE: Lockington Recreation Reserve, Burns St, Lockington
 A range of information, support services, fun and activities available
 Enjoy a great day out with the family!

Multiple Exhibitors for health, wellbeing and support

Live music by "The Healers"

Rocco's Magic Show

Fun activities for the family

Jumping castle and Zorb Balls

Free BBQ

Enter your diabetic slice, cake or muffins to be judged on the day!
 Entry forms with rules can be obtained from Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre or Lockington Neighbourhood House.

For more information contact:
 Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre on: 5486 2544 or Lockington Neighbourhood House on 5486 2683

Come along with your family to find out about Mental Health, Dementia, how to support your loved ones, alternative health support and what assistance can be provided. Find out about what activities run in Lockington that you can join or assist in the community by becoming a volunteer.



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Monday 18 March

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Tuesday 19 March

Outside Kyabram Town Hall

207 Allan Street, Kyabram

Wednesday 20 March

Bookings are essential for the mentoring sessions available between 10am and 4pm, reserve your place now, call 132 215

Have you taken a photo or captured an image that you think highlights the communities of Rochester, Elmore, Lockington or Nanneella?

Then the Rochester and Elmore Local Drug Action Team want it to be a part of their new team branding!

This is a great opportunity to showcase your talents, build your portfolio and be a part of a community initiative.

Images can include local community events, iconic buildings/ infrastructure, landmarks or locations, whatever makes your community yours.

For more information or to submit a photo please contact Crystie Ballard on 5484 4465

All photos must be submitted by **Monday the 11th of March.**

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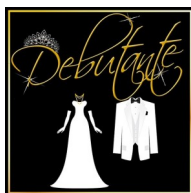
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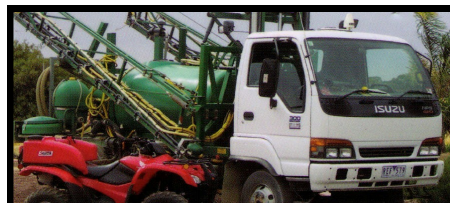
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BLUE-GREEN ALGAE IMPACTING RAW WATER QUALITY IN GOULBURN SYSTEM

Coliban Water has increased its water quality testing program and has started water carting to some towns following elevated levels of blue-green algae (or the treated water remains safe to use for all household purposes).

"We will continue our increased water quality monitoring for all townships supplied via the Goulburn system for as long as blue-green algae remains an issue in the raw water."

If customers have any questions or concerns (cyanobacteria) in the Goulburn water supply system.

Coliban Water Executive General Manager Water Quality David Sheehan said towns on the Goulburn system are largely supplied with untreated water via the Waranga Western Channel, which is managed by Goulburn-Murray Water.

"Water carting is currently underway for the towns of Dingee and Mitiamo, following poor raw water quality and the presence of low levels of blue-green algae in early February 2019.

"We have also experienced the same situation in regards to the raw water supply for the township of Mysia and, in response, commenced water carting to our customers there yesterday," Mr Sheehan said.

"We provide Dingee, Mitiamo and Mysia with a non-potable water supply, which means it is untreated and not deemed suitable for drinking or cooking purposes. The decision to cart water to these areas is a precautionary measure until raw water quality improves."

Blue-green algae is also impacting the quality of raw water supplies for the townships of Rochester and Lockington.

"These customers are provided with treated drinking water. The Rochester and Lockington water treatment plants are equipped with treatment processes that can manage blue-green algae in the raw water supply," Mr Sheehan said.

"Customers should not notice any difference to the taste or odour of their treated water supply, and the treated water remains safe to use for all household purposes.

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If customers have any questions or concerns, they can contact the Customer Support Team on 1300 363 200 or call 1300 COLIBAN. Coliban Water has increased its water quality testing program and has started water carting to some towns following elevated levels of blue-green algae (or cyanobacteria) in the Goulburn water supply system.

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CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL NEWS

The Campaspe Regional Library team are happy to let you know that we will be offering the opportunity for Community Groups across the Echuca Moama region to promote their organisations and activities at a New Residents Welcome Night on Wednesday April 3rd from 5pm-8pm. It will be held at the Echuca Library and we are encouraging as many groups and clubs in the Echuca Moama area to support the evening by sending one or two representatives along and bring any display/promotional material that they have. There will be no cost involved.

We are seeking two outcomes for the event

That Community Groups including social, sporting, educational, recreational, environmental and service clubs come along to promote what they do, and encourage new people to join. Their aim would be to gain more members.

That newcomers to the Echuca Moama area take the opportunity of coming along and learning what is on offer in the towns that they have recently moved to

and obtain information and contacts from what interests them. We hope that the newcomers that come along feel welcome and part of their new home.

As the Library is a community hub where many groups and people visit each week we think it is time to bring back the Newcomers night, that for previous years was run either by Service Clubs or the Campaspe Shire. The library is a central meeting space, is accessible and has the facilities to offer this type of event and of course the opportunity for our service to showcase what we provide too.

We are seeking your assistance to either attend on the night if you would like to promote your own Council Service and/or send the attached media release through to your networks asap. The word needs to get out there over the next couple of weeks, we are asking that groups register their interest asap. Once we are aware of how many and what types of groups are coming along we will then promote it to the wider community and invite the public to attend.

We hope you can support us with this event and promote it to the groups and organisations you have contact with or are involved in. People can register by emailing us on libraries@campaspe.vic.gov.au or phoning 54812400.

MEDIA RELEASE

PETER WALSH MPMEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS
Leader of The Nationals / Deputy Leader of the Coalition**THE NATIONALS**
*for Regional Victoria***LOCAL IRRIGATORS WIN MORE TIME TO HAVE A SAY**

Local irrigators will have an extra two weeks to provide feedback on a draft plan to manage Northern Victoria's water resources, despite the Andrews Government's attempts to rush consultation.

The Nationals supported irrigators' calls for proper consultation on the 1000-page draft Water Resource Plan, a vital plank of the Murray Darling Basin Plan, securing an extension until March 18.

Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh said the extension was needed, after Labor botched the consultation process.

"The Water Resource Plan sets out how Victoria plans to meet its obligations under the Murray Darling Basin Plan," Mr Walsh said.

"It's critical our local irrigators and communities can have a genuine say on this Plan so we can have confidence in how the Basin Plan will be implemented.

"Irrigators had clear concerns with the Andrews Government's attempt to rush consultation. Now we've successfully secured more time for people to get across the Water Resource Plan I urge everyone to have their say."

The Water Resource Plan is a roadmap for the state's implementation of the Basin Plan.

It sets out how much water can be taken from farms, towns and industry, what water is available to the environment and how that water can be used, the rules for ground water change and strategies to manage risks.

Deputy Nationals leader and Shadow Minister for Water Steph Ryan supported the community campaign to secure an extension.

"Irrigators and communities, who have already faced massive change and whose livelihood depends on getting the balance right under the Basin Plan, will now have a proper opportunity to have their say," Ms Ryan said.

The deadline for community consultation on the draft Water Resource Plan has been extended from March 4 to March 18.

LABOR TO AXE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Andrews Labor Government look set to axe Victoria's dedicated Regional Development Fund.

Established by the previous Liberal Nationals government, the successful fund has invested \$1 billion over eight year into regional Victorian communities.

Funding for the program expires on June 30 this year but the new Regional Development Minister Jaclyn Symes clammed up about the program's future when questioned by The Nationals in Parliament this week.

Leader of The Nationals and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh said that Daniel Andrews must reconsider his plans to axe a successful program that has just delivered a \$1 billion boost to our regional communities.

"The Nationals set up the Regional Growth Fund as a priority program when we were in government and it has gone on to support local jobs, businesses, councils, community improvements and more," Mr Walsh said.

"Before the 2018 Election, The Nationals pledged a fresh \$1 billion injection for the program if we were elected to government, but Labor failed to commit.

"Minister Jaclyn Symes had the chance to allay fears but instead she's set alarm bells ringing across rural and regional communities with her weasel words.

"Daniel Andrews must change his mind before it is too late and ensure we have a dedicated fund for regional development initiatives in the upcoming State Budget."

The fund was established as the Regional Growth Fund by the Liberal Nationals Government in 2011 and was set up to invest \$1 billion into Regional Victoria over eight years.

Labor renamed it the Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund after 2015 but followed the Liberal Nationals' lead and continued to invest the program's funds into projects that supported rural and regional economies.

Mr Walsh said The Nationals will keep the pressure on the Andrews Government to continue the program.

"We want a better deal for our communities, and that includes a dedicated Regional Development Fund that will help us continue to drive investment in our communities and decentralise the state.

"It's not good enough for Labor to pour billions of dollars into Melbourne while ripping valued funding away from regional communities that are working hard to develop and diversify."

WALSH ISSUES INVITATION TO PARLIAMENT HOUSE OPEN DAY

Leader of The Nationals and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh has issued an invitation to the people of Murray Plains Electorate to visit Parliament House on Sunday 17th March 2019.

"The Victorian Parliament is celebrating Cultural Diversity Week with an open day filled with music, dancing and food from around the world," Mr Walsh said

"Entry is free and everyone is welcome."

A self-guided tour will be available in a number of languages and community guides will be on hand to answer questions in each of those languages.

There will also be cultural performances taking place on the iconic steps of Parliament House throughout the day, and a diverse lineup of musicians will entertain in Queen's Hall.

Mr Walsh said visitors can sit in the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council Chambers, and visit the magnificent Parliamentary Library.

"The architecture of Parliament House, especially the Legislative Council Chamber is quite remarkable.

"Over the years there have been refurbishments to Parliament House, but the Council Chamber remains one of the best examples of the style of building of its time and is well worth a visit."

"This is a great opportunity for Victorians to see their Parliament and to gain an appreciation of the grandeur of the building and the diversity of cultures it represents."





FOX AND WILD DOG BOUNTY RESUMES FOR 2019

The Victorian Government's fox and wild dog bounty will resume in March 2019.

Agriculture Victoria Biosecurity Officers will be at designated collection centres from 4 March, beginning in the North East.

Agriculture Victoria Leading Biosecurity Officer, Nigel Roberts, said the fox and wild dog bounty had been running in Victoria since 2011.

"In that time, we have collected more than 722,000 fox scalps and 3,000 wild dog skin pieces through the bounty," Mr Roberts said.

"We will be collecting from March until the end of October, which is consistent with previous years."

Eligible participants can submit entire fox scalps for a \$10 reward and entire wild dog skin pieces for a \$120 reward during scheduled collection times.

Mr Roberts urges hunters to refresh their knowledge with the terms and conditions of the bounty to ensure the pieces they submit are acceptable, and to check the collection centre open times as there have been scheduling changes for 2019 due to public holidays.

"It's important that everyone participating knows the requirements, so they can benefit from the bounty."

He also reminds hunters that the collection of entire wild dog skin pieces for the North West Wild Dog Control Area is by appointment only. Appointments should be made by calling the Agriculture Victoria Customer Service Centre on **136 186**.

"We expect larger numbers of scalps and wild dog skin pieces to be submitted in the first few months as farmers and hunters usually stockpile while the bounty shuts down over summer."

"There is also a peak in fox hunting activity as young, vulnerable juvenile foxes are displaced around the landscape at the end of summer and beginning of autumn."

Foxes and wild dogs require ongoing management from all private and public land managers. Agriculture Victoria supports an integrated approach, utilising a range of management practices to manage fox numbers, of which the bounty is a part.

For full details on bounty collection times and locations, terms and conditions, and frequently asked questions, visit www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/bounty or call the Customer Service Centre on **136 186**.

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Monday, 13 May 2019

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Monday, 30 September 2019

Monday, 28 October 2019

TIME TO BE VIGILANT AND AVOID PINK-EYE

Dr Jeff Cave

District Veterinary Officer

Pink-eye is a highly contagious, painful and debilitating disease that can severely affect animal productivity.

In summer, increased sunlight and dust make the eye more vulnerable to the disease. Long grass and flies help to spread the infection.

Pink-eye usually occurs in young cattle in their first summer. After this initial infection, cattle develop immunity to the disease but may remain carriers of the bacteria, *Moraxella bovis*, which potentially can lead to future outbreaks in following years.

The clinical signs of pink-eye include clear and watery tears, signs of irritation, an aversion to sunlight, reddening and swelling of the eyelids and cloudiness of the eye.

In a small percentage of cases, an affected eye may form an abscess and rupture, leading to permanent blindness.

While most affected eyes completely recover after three to five weeks, a number may be left with scarring on the surface.

Pink-eye can be treated with sprays, ointments, injections and patches or a combination of these treatments. Extra care should be taken when mustering cattle for the purposes of treatment for pink-eye, as factors such as dust and flies may enhance the spread of the disease.

Attention should also be taken not to confuse pink-eye with other conditions of the eye, such as a grass seed in the eye, eye cancer and other eye infections.

In many cases, an outbreak of pinkeye can be prevented through vaccination three to six weeks before the onset of the pink-eye season.

Other control measures include controlling fly numbers to limit the spread of bacteria from animal to animal, prompt segregation and treatment of pink-eye in affected stock and avoiding unnecessary yarding of cattle during periods where the risk of outbreak is higher.

For more information contact your private veterinarian or your Agriculture Victoria animal health staff through our Customer Service Centre on **136 186** or go to <http://go.vic.gov.au/9zysMX>.



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LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

REPORT FEBRUARY 25, 2019

The club held a successful Twilight Mixed Pairs tournament last Tuesday evening attracting bowlers from Calivil, Dingee, Elmore, Moama, Rochester, Tongala, Rich River, City of Echuca plus several local members. In all, seventy-two players competed for the attractive spoils. At the completion of the scheduled three games of nine ends, there were three teams undefeated. The winners following a three-way count-back was the Lockington rink comprising Anne Lowrie, Alan Kauffman, Lorraine Appleby, Phillip Cunnington (s) scoring 80 points ahead of the Rochester team of Yvonne Smolemaars, Bert Smolemaars, Trish Costello, Mal MacRaild (s) 78 points and third place going to the City of Echuca / Moama rink of Rhonda Gallagher, Philip Thorn, Leoca Roney, Brian Davie (s) 77 points. Special competition winners; Alan Leech, Denise Gilmore, Ann Williams, Greg Watkins, Leica Roney and David Lupton. Lady President Kath Palmer thanked all bowlers for their support and acknowledged the sponsors - Moama R.S.L, Rochester Veterinary Practice, Nichol Trading (Rochester) for their continued generosity. Tournament Secretary Annie Haines received special praise for the work in organizing the field while Ian Johnson was thanked for the work in preparing the greens.

On the CVBD Pennant scene the club is stoked to have the division four team in the finals. After defeating City of Echuca on Saturday, the team finished in second place on the ladder and will play Mathoura at Rich River this Saturday. The club will host the semi-finals between Moama and Rich River (Division four) and the semi-finals of division five. Moama Red .v. Deniliquin RSL and Moama Green .v. Elmore. Best of bowling to all players. Details of pennant last round: Division Four. Lockington defeated City of Echuca 85-59. (S Peter lost to M Bennett 19-22; B Musgrove d. J Hollowood 29-20; N Haines d. R Payne 37-17). In the clash between Division two and City of Echuca, the host club proved too strong and inflicted a 59-71 loss upon us. (J Harris d. N West 29-17; K Main l.t. J Brown 12-32; G Turner l.t. J Ferrier 18-22). The teams recovered well after trailing 14-42 at the tea break.

Results of the Midweek Pennant preliminary finals played on Friday were - Division 1. City of Echuca d. Deniliquin 106-44; Division 2. Rich River d. Elmore 77-69; Division 3. City of Echuca d. Rich River 56-37. The grand finals will be played at Rochester.

Congratulations to the CVBD players on the success in the Bendigo/Campaspe Regional finals in the State Singles, Pairs and Mixed Pairs played at White Hills Bowling Club. The CVBD Players won the State Mens' Singles, Mens' Pairs and Mixed Pairs. Rob Wastell from Moama defeated Ken Rusbridge in the Singles 25-20. In the Pairs, Cameron Keenan and Ashley Vesty (s) from Rochester defeated W Noughton and K Rusbridge (Eaglehawk) 21-17. City of Echuca bowlers Pat Schram and Philip Thorn (s) were successful in winning the Mixed Pairs event against Susan Howes and Andrew Brown (s) Kangaroo Flat/Eaglehawk 19-17 in an absorbing game of bowls. Schram and Thorn were leading by two shots on the final end and were two down at the head. Thorn drove the head (with both feet off the ground) to kill the end and the pair were able control the final end to proceed to the State championships in April. The story had a sad ending for the CVBD as the Moama Pairs team of Mia Young and Mary-Ann Spizer (s) lost the match against C Carling - A Boorham (Bendigo East) 20-15 in a hard fought

encounter. Losing two fours in consecutive ends did not help the cause. Jill Grimshaw (Deniliquin) lined up against Julie Ross (Golden Square) in the State Singles and lost the game 21-25 after some extraordinary bowling from both players. Best of bowling to all players in the State Championships to be played at Bendigo East in April.

In the club competitions, Calvin Stout defeated Don Isgro in a round of the 100 Up championship after the pair were level at 60-all and later at 80-all before Stout won the clash by two shots. Russell Shawcross defeated Bill Musgrove in the Presidents trophy 21 Up championship and will proceed to the next round.

The women have the draw for their 100 Up championship on display and request all games to be played as soon as possible.

The Friday evening meal and practice once again attracted good numbers with Pauline Humbert really excited to win the lucky members jackpot draw. It was pleasing to have Roy Perks in attendance following his recent battle with health problems.

The club will hold the annual "Toyota" Open Fours on Sunday 24th March starting at 9.30am. Contact Chris Stewart 5486 2607 for details.

Photographs from the Alys Humbert Pairs held on February 19.



Winners:
L to R:
Anne Lowrie
&
Kath Palmer



Runners Up:

L to R:
Joy Weller
&
Phyllis
Macfarlane

LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

REPORT MARCH 4, 2019

The women played Triples at their weekly Social bowls on Tuesday in ideal conditions. The winning trio included Mary Thomas, Lorraine Appleby and Pauline Humbert (s) in a fine display of bowls from all concerned.

In the CVBD Week-end Pennant semi-finals on Saturday our club Division four finished second to the stronger Mathoura combination losing 52-81 with only one rink win. Neil Haines (s), John van den Bosch, Dave Thomas and Andrew Harris defeated T Starkey 25-22 after surrendering a 15-6 lead in the early stages of play, but held their mettle to win. The Steve Peter and Bill Musgrove rinks were under the pump most of the day but managed to improve the scoring late in the day. Next week the division four team will play Moama in the preliminary final to be held at Rich River. Moama just outlasted Rich River by two shots in the semi-final played at Lockington. Best of luck to division four. The club hosted the semi-finals of Division four and the Division five. The club thanks the members involved in the catering and bar duties on the day.

Last Tuesday evening the club held the first of the three-night series of Sports Bowls which attracted 24 bowlers and non-bowlers. Everyone enjoyed the occasion and one could witness some untapped talent. The winning team comprised Rob Fraser, Neville Sims, Andrew Harris (s) on two wins plus 17 shots ahead of Peter Eade, Amy Eade, Brian Kinnane (s) 2 wins +16 shots. The night is one of enjoyment and good fun and roll up at 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start.

During the week members traveled to Elmore, Gunbower and Tongala to play bowls and returned home all the better for the experience gained.

In club competitions played last week, Roly Head defeated a gallant Ken Main in an absorbing game in the Presidents trophy 21 Up championship and will proceed to the next round. Don Isgro proved too consistent for Chris Stewart in a round of the 21 Up competition.

Congratulations to the Premier teams in the CVBD Midweek Pennant competition. Division one to City of Echuca over Moama; division two to Moama over Rich River and division three to City of Echuca over Moama.

The Lockington Bowls Club was the venue for a special ninetieth birthday of club member Phil Collins on Sunday. A large gathering of family, friends and

associates assembled to celebrate the occasion. Congratulations to Phil.

On Sunday the Bendigo/Campaspe Regional finals of the Champion of Champions was held at the Bendigo East Bowling Club. Linda Harris (Deniliquin) represented the CVBD and was pitted against Kay Rowe (Eaglehawk). As the game unfolded Harris was having trouble finding the right line and pace of the green, as her opponent gained an early advantage to set up a 17-2 lead. Gradually, Harris found the green and began to make inroads to reduce the deficit. Winning four ends in a row, the scoreboard changed to read 14-22. However, Rowe was able to pick up singles to win the match 25-16 with an all round consistent effort. On rink three, Brent Reiner (City of Echuca) competed in a memorable game of bowls against Andrew Brown (Bendigo). Little separated the two players as they went end-for-end, shot-for-shot in a great spectacle. Reiner was drawing to the jack with regular monotony and gained a slight two shot break only for Brown to pick up a double to level the scores. Brown was able to gain a crucial advantage when he moved a Reiner shot bowl to make up four shots on the one end to lead 20-14. Reiner was not going to surrender and managed to win further ends before Brown clinched the title 25-18.

On Friday evening the club held an enjoyable meal and practice session. The winning name called in the lucky members draw was a jubilant Ian Palmer.



Winners of the Twilight Mixed Tournament
held on February 19, 2019.

L to R: Alan Kauffman, Anne Lowrie, Lorraine Appleby, Kath Palmer (Ladies President), Philip Cunnington (Skipper) and Annie Haines (Tournament Secretary)

RBA JUNIOR SEASON 2019

RBA Junior Basketball Registrations are now open and the season will be commencing the week of April 1st 2019. All Registrations are due 22nd of March 2019 via rego link on team app.

Age groups and nights are played as follows;

U10 Mixed play Thursday night, year born 2009, 2010, 2011

U14 Boys play Tuesday night & Girls play Wednesday night, year born 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005

U18 Boys play Wednesday night & Girls play Tuesday night, year born 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001

Fees to be paid;

Basketball Victoria Insurance (1/4/19 to 31/3/20) \$40.58 inclusive of online processing fee of \$1.58

RBA Playing Fee; \$80 for 1 child \$160 for 2 children \$210 for 3 or more

Please note Mini Hoops will commence in Term 2

For more information or any questions please contact

rochesterbasketballassociation@gmail.com

or alternatively Meagan Keating on 0428132031 or Jane Reid on 0447530618



**MARCH****Thursday 7**

Applications close for Youth Parliament

Friday 8

Social Indoor Bowls - 7:30 pm
Bamawm Extension Hall

Locky Bowls Men's practice
4:30pm followed by family BBQ

Saturday 9

Cricket Final:
Grade A B C D

Sunday 10

Heritage Complex Open
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
On Duty: Gordon M & Beryl

Cricket Final:
Grade A

Monday 11

Meals on Wheels:
Catholic Ladies
Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 10:00 am
Heritage Complex Meeting 7:30 pm
At the Complex

Wednesday 13

Lions Club Dinner Meeting 7:30 pm
Heritage Centre

Thursday 14

Bendigo Bank Community Sponsorship
Applications Close
Milloo CWA 10:00 am Milloo Hall

Friday 15

Locky Bowls Men's practice
4:30pm followed by family BBQ

Saturday 16

Kids Art Bash 10-11:30am
At Heritage Complex
Adults Watercolour and High Tea 1-4pm
At Heritage Complex

Sunday 17

Lockington Pony Club Rally 10:00 am
Scurrah Reserve (contact Sherrin Harbour
0412 112 292)

Heritage Complex Open
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
On Duty: Giles & Philippa

Monday 18

Meals on Wheels:
Bush Nursing Centre

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 10:00 am
Followed by meeting

Small Business Bus 10-4pm
Lockington District Business Centre

Wednesday 20

Action Club Activity Night at Club Rooms
Ph: 0428 844 489 or 0409 259 723 for details

Friday 22

Locky Bowls Men's practice
4:30pm followed by family BBQ

Sunday 24

Lockington Pony Club Rally 10:00am
Scurrah Reserve (Contact Sherrin Harbour
0418 112 292)

Heritage Complex Open
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
On Duty: Jack & Sandra

Lockington Family Well-Being Day
10:00am—2:00pm
Lockington Recreation Reserve

Monday 25

Meals on Wheels:
Bamawm Uniting Church

Bamawm CWA 10:00 am Bamawm
Community Social Centre

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 10:00 am

Immunisation Session
Bush Nursing Centre
11:30am - 12noon

Heritage Complex Meeting 7:30 pm
At the Complex

Wednesday 27

Lockington Lions Club Business Meeting
7:30pm Heritage Centre

Friday 29

Locky Bowls Men's practice
4:30pm followed by family BBQ

Sunday 31

Heritage Complex Open
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
On Duty: Gordon & Joy

Weekly Activities**MONDAYS**

- Strength & Balance Class
9.00 am - Bush Nursing Centre
- Nicole Hocking Podiatrist
9.30 - 4.30. - Bush Nursing Centre.
Phone: 5486 2544.
- Lockington & District T.O.W.N Club
6.30 pm - Bush Nursing Centre
(Activities Room)

TUESDAYS

- Men's Shed
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Phone 0499 170 329
- Dr. Patrick Nzegwu
9.30 am - 5.00 pm
Bush Nursing Centre
Phone: 5486 2544.
- Lockington Playgroup
10.00am - 9:30 to 11:30am
St. James Church Hall.
Enquiries: Tammy Norman 0411 056 765
- Ladies Social Badminton
10.00am - Bamawm Sports Centre.
Enquiries: 5486 2272.
- Ladies Social Bowls
10:00 am start.

WEDNESDAYS

- Strength & Balance Class
9.00 am - Bush Nursing Centre.
- Massage with Anita.
Phone 5486 2544 for appointment.
- Tai Chi
5:30- 6:30 pm Bush Nursing Centre
\$8 per session, with Fay Sizeland

THURSDAYS

- Social Activity Day
10am - Bush Nursing Centre
Phone: 5480 6701
- Men's Shed
By appointment
Phone: 0499 170 329

SATURDAYS

- Bingo
7:15 pm - St. Joseph's Hall
Campaspe St, Rochester.

LOCKINGTON LIBRARY HOURS:

Tuesday 10.00 am – 2.00 pm
Wednesday 10.00 am – 2.00 pm
and 3 pm – 5 pm
Thursday 10.00 am – 2.00 pm

ST. MARY'S OP SHOP

Mon, Wed, 10am to 2pm
Thurs Fri, 10am to 2:30pm

BANK TRADING HOURS

Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays - 10.00 am - 2.00 pm
Thursdays & Fridays - 9.30 am to 12 noon, 12.45 pm to 4.00 pm

