

Locky News

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"Lockington Lillies" - Helen O'Donoghue

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THE SMALL TOWN WITH BIG IDEAS

Of recent months I've been reminded how special the greater Community of Lockington is. Everyone by now knows that my bald head is no fashion statement, and that I've been fighting my own battle with breast cancer. I felt very humbled by the local support of my head shave fundraiser in November, especially when our little community helped me to raise over \$7,000 for the National Breast Cancer Foundation! I'm happy to say that my involvement in all things local has been increasing of recent weeks though, which is especially pleasing, with some old and new activities in coming months.

There has been a dedicated team, who have been very busy, both publicly and behind the scenes, making a lot of locals' dreams of owning a pub come true, with "Our Pub" Lockington Community Hotel Co-Operative Ltd opening it's doors late last year.

The locals' fulfilment of dreams doesn't stop there...

The Bamawm Recreation Reserve is having a return of their Community Auction on Monday 9th March (Labour Day). Even I, as a relative newcomer to the district, have heard about the annual Auction that used to be held at Bamawm, and it's great to see it returning to our local calendar.



Then on the 28th March, we will be

holding our Inaugural Kotta to Lockington "Rail Trail Fun Run". I'm so proud of the team who have organised this brand new event for our district, the committee of which was only formed 12 months ago! This is yet another event to put Lockington well and truly "on the map".

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MONDAY, February 24 Entries by 10am (Earlier if possible please)

See page 2 for details This week's Locky News was prepared by... Alison, Marilyn Then on Anzac weekend, it's Lockington Vintage Rally time again. What a great annual event that brings both exhibitors and visitors to town. The Rally supports our town as a whole, and even contributes to funding for

contributes to funding for community groups that

25 & 26 April, 2020

SAVE THE DATE Monday March 9th

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provide helpers for set up and catering for the weekend.

Even as the tight community we are, we are not without our challenges, recent dry times have reminded us of that. Lockington is a great little community of big thinking ideas and actions, self initiatives, community comradery and good old fashioned hard work. It's nice though, especially in such tough times for our farming locals, to receive a little help.

Lockington's inclusion in Rural Aid's "Ten Town Rescue" is great recognition of the challenges our farming district have been facing, and will give us even more reason to celebrate our community.

In the lead up to Rural Aid's visit (July 5 to 11) we have our three yearly major Planning Meeting to be held on Monday 16th March at the Community Centre. It is crucial that all local Businesses, Sporting Groups, Community Groups and Organisations have a delegate attend this meeting, as we will be discussing the priorities of projects for the "Town Rescue".

I urge you to please make your ideas and opinions heard, to get on board as a volunteer, and to ultimately help get even more achieved in our own back yard.

Alison Stewart (Editor)

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Hello again Everyone,

In this issue of the Locky News, we're continuing with the story of the Victorian Railways. The contractors, Messrs Cornish & Bruce, were making good progress in the construction of Victoria's major trunk rail link between Melbourne and the Bendigo goldfield at Sandhurst, when we last looked in on the work. However, by late 1858, only the portion between Melbourne and Sunbury had actually been opened to traffic. It was not anticipated that that the railway extension to Woodend, forty-eight miles from Melbourne, would be completed before mid-1861, and the perceived delay in proceedings encouraged the mining communities west of the Melbourne- Sandhurst line, to agitate. They began to actively pursue their quest for an adjustment to the State's railway plans, seeking that an alternative rail service be provided to meet their needs.

On 6 August, 1860, the Mount Alexander Mail published an article taken from The Colonial Mining recommending that the proposal to provide a line between Sandhurst and the Murray River should be abandoned, as "it would be a shameful waste of public credit to spend any sum on the line beyond Sandhurst through a wilderness." brought an answering response, particularly through the pages of the Bendigo Advertiser, and a war of words continued through the remainder of 1860. On 26 October, 1860, the Argus reported that "a numerous deputation from parties advocating an extension of the railway to the Northwestern District" was received by Mr V Pyke, the president of the Board of Works. The main argument of the deputation, once again, was that the population and district north of Sandhurst were "too insignificant" to warrant the provision of a rail service. Furthermore, it was the opinion of their spokesman, a Mr Ramsay, that the owners of any cattle to be moved south of Echuca "would by far prefer driving them through the bush the 60 miles, where they could pick up food, than move them by rail." Mr Pyke did not commit himself, stating that he would need to hear actual figures of the amount of potential traffic involved, and that the engineer-in-chief must assess any possible engineering difficulties that might be encountered in providing the proposed extension.

In the meantime, work on the railway line was proceeding. A fine blue-stone viaduct of five arches, each of sixty-foot span, and upwards of seventy foot in height, was constructed to cross the Coliban River at Malmsbury. This was the largest viaduct built entirely of bluestone yet constructed in the colony, and had "an air of lightness and elegance presented by few structures built of the same materials." foundation-stone was laid by Mr. G. S. W. Horne, the

Commissioner of Public Works of one government administration shortly before he left office, and the keying in of the last arch was accomplished on 25 October, 1860, by the hands of Mr. Greeves, the Commissioner of Lands and Survey, a member of the succeeding Ministry, as reported by the Argus that day.

The Argus of 25 October, 1860, also reported that the Hon. Mr V Pyke had on that day, laid the foundation stone for the great viaduct near Taradale. The railway line was intended to reach the valley of the Back Creek at Taradale through a series of rock cuttings, varying from twenty to thirty feet in The valley was quite deep, with a main road descending into it by a long and steep incline. When this particular structure was completed, the railway would sweep across the valley, over a stunning viaduct to be composed of five spans of 130 feet each, at a height of 120 feet. The piers and abutments were to be built of solid bluestone masonry, the greater part of the stone for which would be brought from Malmsbury, and the iron work was to be erected by Mr. Enoch Chambers, under a sub-contract.

Unfortunately, by the end of 1860, the Melbourne to Sandhurst rail project had encountered an industrial problem. Much of the work to be carried out between Sunbury and Woodend had been substantially completed and, because so much progress had been made beyond Woodend, the contractors decided to reduce the rate of wages to be paid to the masons. It seems that the masons' union could insist on a particular rate of pay for a day's work of eight hours, but there was no detailed measurement by which a worker's standard of work, good or bad, could be assessed. The union had sufficient power to insist on arbitrary regulations insofar as British masons were concerned, and did so, but they were unable to influence the German masons who had been brought from Europe by Messrs Cornish & Bruce. The German masons had, according to the report in the Argus on 24 December, 1860, laboured on, "contentedly, at a wage not much more than half that obtained by their English brethren." The report went on to state that "Messrs. Cornish and Bruce have dismissed all their masons, with the exception of the Germans." With some effort, further industrial action in this instance was forestalled, and 'tolerably equable" progress was then made so that, on 10 July, 1861, the extension to Woodend, forty-eight miles from Melbourne, could be formally opened.

That's it for this issue. 'Bye until next time,

Marg O'Brien

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



Bamawm Recreation Reserve Auction Monday 9th March 10am Start

•\$20 site fee, \$10 refund if all items sold

- ·Cash, credit card or Cheque on day of sale
- •20% commission on all sale items up to \$1000
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 - •All items accepted apart from general waste
- •For item bookings please email: bamawmreserve@gmail.com

Sale day Process

- Gold coin donation upon buyers registration
- Items can be delivered from Sunday 8th at 4pm
- Last item will be accepted at 9am on sale day
- Items will be auctioned, and payment will be required before items can be removed from the grounds.
- All items will need to be removed by 6pm sale day.
 - This will be an unreserved auction unless otherwise organised

with Auction committee before sale day

 This auction will be held by the Bamawm Recreation Reserve in conjunction with the Bamawm Lockington United Cricket Club and the auctioning agents will be Maddison's Livestock and Real Estate.

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Bamawm Recreation Reserve

All questions about the sale please call Jo: 0400 950 046 or Nigel: 0438 862 280

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February 16 – 9.00am February 23 – 9.00am

Contacts:

Ray Wakefield 5486 2592 Graeme Haines 5486 2284



Luke 3 v 21

When all the people were baptised, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptised; and while He prayed the heaven was opened..

MEALS ON WHEELS



To be collected 11.30 am

February 17 - Action Group February 24 - St Mary's

March 2 - St James Lockington

March 9 - Lions Club - Public Holiday

March 16 - Catholic Ladies

March 23 - Bush Nursing Centre

Lockington Consolidated School



We have had a terrific start to the year with 147 enrolments. We have welcomed 17 prep students, all who have settled in wonderfully.



We elected our School Captains and Sports House Captains at the end 2019. Our School Captains (pictured left) are Kasey S and Nicholas M, with Sakuyra V and Harrison K as Vice Captains. Our Sports House Captains (pictured right) are Gold House, James B and Addison I. Green House Captains are Will H and Jessie H.





LOCKINGTON DISTRICT PLANNING GROUP

Summary of meeting held on 20th January 2020

Road name - have spoken to Shire and requested that the road north of the intersection with Pannoo and Singer road be renamed Kotta Road to avoid confusion with the doubling up of numbers along Lockington Road

Food bank: - to be further looked at with the School and Have approached the ABC to do a story on Australian Story Bush Nursing Centre.

Swimming Pool: Aqua aerobics on Tuesday nights been stabilised by Pergola Senior Citizens: Carpet bowls 10.30 Mondays, starting 3rd Feb Cards 10.15 Mondays, starting 3rd Feb. Happy to play any card game.

Bowling Club: Sportsmen and women's night starting on the 28th Jan for 3 weeks Women's Country Carnival is in the MONDAY 16th March 2020 at 7.30 pm Campaspe Assoc at the end of March with people from all over Aust coming. Bowling at Lockington on the 31st March, with a trading table at the Club on the day.

Heritage Centre: Car Talk. web site on Lockington. www.cartalk.com.au/museums-in-northern-victoria.html

Channel/Traveller's Rest: Both of the portable toilet/ shower blocks here now. (1 shower 1 toilet per block) Can be hired for \$50 per day. \$1,000 used from the Coliban Water grant - put towards cementing in the new tables and chairs along the channel. A huge thank you to Helen's Takeaway for donating these items to the township. Waterwheels have been found, once collected can be stored at the Heritage Centre until final home found.

Rail Trail: Fun Run to be held on 28th March this year. Starting at 10 am at Kotta and finishing at Lockington. Running along the road (which will be closed for this period of time)

Action: Fishing comp in Lockington on Australia Day between 1 – 3 pm

Landcare: 13,000 dung beetles were released across 16 colonies in the district prior to Christmas. Basket Ball: Walking basketball at the end of Feb. May change it to walking netball.

Business Centre: Drive way half cemented, Men's shed new members Planning on corner block has started with the pump track being ordered. Scarecrow comp again in April

Hotel: Leo Frankie has started. Keen to increase meals to Thurs/Fri/Sat and Sun lunch. Accommodation being quickly looked at for 10 rooms. Thanks to the Action club and Eades Forages for cleaning up the yard and beer garden. Giddings: Opening soon a café area inside the shop

Rural Aid: Peter Kenyon (Community Development) will hold workshops over two days. April 28th and 29th Key Coordinator will be Wendy Sims, details to follow. This is prior planning before the Ten Town rescue scheduled for the first week in July. Based at the Hotel for the two days, with a community barby on the 28th at night.

General Business:

Stubby Holder for Lockington to purchase 5 lots of stubby holders with five different views of Lockington

Old police station needs to be demolished. Looking for suggestions or a good wind storm!!

Local radio station is happy for Lockington to transmit from township. Looking for an interested local to co-ordinate this.

about Lockington. Suggested also approaching "Back Roads" as this program also could highlight Lockington. Shire Promotional video of Lockington to be discussed at March meeting. We have footage from when the Town Criers were here to be included in this video.

Next Meeting: This is our three yearly major meeting in the Community Centre

Please ensure all your groups, organisations, businesses, clubs etc are represented.

LOCKINGTON PLANNING GROUP Your town ~ Your voice



Next Meeting: Monday 16th March 7.30 pm at the Community Hall

(This is our three yearly major planning meeting)

All businesses, sporting group and community organisation are encouraged to send a representative.

This is prior to our first planning meeting with Rural Aid 10 Town rescue so please let me know who you would like to represent you at the planning meeting in April with the Rural Aid reps.

> All gueries to Wendy Sims 0427 868307 or email reports to wendys1904@gmail.com



LOCKINGTON LANDCARE AND DUNG BEETLES

At our February meeting we decided to again try for a grant to introduce more dung beetles into our district. Dung beetles are nature's own recycling specialists and make our farming soils more productive and sustainable. They are capable of burrowing through very compacted soils. This enables grass and other plant root systems to penetrate more deeply into zones which could not otherwise be accessed. These new excavations allow grass roots and water deeper into the soil structure. 13,000 summer variety dung beetles were released around the district in December 2019 and we believe are working well!

If you would like to be part of the next purchase and release of dung beetles please contact Wendy Sims 0427868307 or email wendys1904@gmail.com Winter varieties cost around \$340 a colony (800 beetles) If our grant is successful part of

this cost will be covered.





CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL

Dear Community Group Members

Local community groups are invited to the second 'Welcome to Echuca Moama' evening at Campaspe Regional Library, Echuca.

Library Services Manager, Jenny Mustey, said this is a great chance for community group representatives to promote their group to people who have recently moved here, retired or those looking to be more involved with their community.

"The last event, held in April 2019, was an overwhelming success with 586 people browsing and engaging with 56 community groups and clubs," Mrs Mustey said.

"This is a rare opportunity for groups to have such a large volume of potential new members in one location."

"The evening offers the public the chance to have an informal chat with group members and receive some information about their meetings, activities and events."

A free sausage sizzle with tea and coffee will be available on the night.

"The library is the perfect location for the event, as it is an essential community hub and we are keen to show new residents the many programs and services we offer," Mrs Mustey said. "Groups and clubs based in Echuca Moama are encouraged to bring one or two representatives along with any promotional or informative material they have.

The evening will be held on Wednesday, 18 March from 5pm to 8pm at the Campaspe Regional Library, Echuca, located at 310 Hare Street.

Community groups wanting to register need to fill in an application form.



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LOCKINGTON NTAGE RALLY



25 <u>& 26</u> **APRIL**, 2020

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ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS HOLDING INSURANCE ARE INVITED.

Rally Contacts:

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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Seasonal Updates

Commodity outlooks and cropping options

These free, cross-industry sessions will assist irrigators with upcoming sowing, irrigation and stock feeding decisions. The latest information will be provided on climate and commodity outlooks, along with cropping options and management tips for limited water availability.

TOPICS 1

Situation and outlook

- Short and long-term climate outlook, climate drivers and levels of certainty
- Key drivers of hay and grain prices including the drought, fires and international issues
- The current irrigation water resource position and outlook for 2020-21

Farm decision making

- Irrigated and dryland cropping and forage options and management
- What to do with your water
- Feed buying tips

EXPERT SPEAKERS

- Damian Jones, Irrigated Cropping Council
- Colin Peace, Jumbuk Ag
- Graeme Anderson, Agriculture Victoria
- Andrew Shields, Goulburn Murray Water



DATES AND TIMES

All sessions: 10.45 am for an 11 am start

1 pm finish, followed by lunch

Calivil Tuesday 18 February

Recreation Reserve rooms

Prairie West Road

Rochester Wednesday 19 February

Campaspe Golf Club Northern Highway

Stanhope Thursday 20 February

Football Netball Club Midland Highway

Kerang Friday 21 February

Agriculture Victoria Office

26 Wellington St



For catering purposes please RSVP to Darren on (03) 5482 1922 or email darren.carnie@agriculture.vic.gov.au



Wednesday 5 February 2020

NLIS management workshops for livestock producers

Agriculture Victoria is holding practical, hands-on workshops in February and March for sheep, goat and cattle producers on how to use the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) database.

The workshops will walk producers through their NLIS requirements and navigation, completion of movement transactions and reporting functions on the NLIS database. Participants will also learn how to update their Property Identification Code (PIC) details.

All sheep, goats and cattle tagged with an electronic NLIS tag must be transferred on the NLIS database when they are moved between two different Victorian Property Identification Codes (PIC).

Agriculture Victoria Technical Specialist Kirstie Anderson said the aim was for producers to understand their livestock traceability requirements and how to manage their NLIS database account.

The recent bushfire events across Victoria has demonstrated just how important it is to keep PIC details up-to-date.

Echuca Workshop - Wednesday 25 March at Agriculture Victoria, Corner Ogilivie Ave/Annesley Street, Echuca (all sessions run from 10 am to 3pm, with lunch provided).

• Webinar - Monday 16 and 23 March

For further information on NLIS requirements and PICS is available at agriculture.vic.gov.au/agriculture/livestock/national-livestock-identification-system.

Numbers are limited so please register early at agriculturevictoriaevents.eventbrite.com.au

For more information on the workshops, or to register over the phone, please contact Kirstie Anderson at Agriculture Victoria on (03) 5761 1647.

Friday, 7 February 2020

Promising fruit fly trap to be tested on grapes

Agriculture Victoria scientists are set to trial a new trapping strategy in Victorian vineyards, in a bid to control a major horticulture pest.

The two-year research project, funded by Agriculture Victoria and Hort Innovation, will test the effectiveness of an attract-and-kill trapping strategy for managing Queensland fruit fly in table grape vineyards.

The project builds on current research that has developed a new trap targeting mating females Queensland fruit fly, and is showing considerable promise in stone fruit, pome fruit and citrus orchards.

Queensland fruit fly populations have escalated in recent years in Sunraysia – Victoria's major table grape-growing region – presenting a major and growing challenge to the industry in terms of productivity and maintaining access to export markets.

The insect causes significant damage to fruit crops by stinging fruit (laying eggs) and infecting them with larvae.

The trap, developed by Agriculture Victoria scientists, looks and smells like ripe fruit, tricking the female flies into landing on a sticky surface.

Agriculture Victoria research project lead, Dr Paul Cunningham, said the project aims to help growers develop a strategy to effectively manage Queensland fruit fly in table grapes.

"We see this trap as a valuable tool in an integrated pest management strategy to help reduce Queensland fruit fly populations across all Victoria's fruit industries," Dr Cunningham said.

"This will help protect Victoria's table grape industry by maintaining production and access to domestic and international markets."

The project will improve grower and industry knowledge of Queensland fruit fly management in table grapes through the delivery of best practice guidelines, workshops and on-farm trials. "This trial will fill a crucial knowledge gap in the control of Queensland fruit fly in table grapes," he said.

"If successful, adoption and integration of a mass trapping strategy using this trap could be seen within three to five years."

Australian Table Grape Association CEO Jeff Scott welcomed the trial.

"Any new technology in mitigating fruit fly would be welcomed by all horticulture industries, but particularly in Sunraysia where numbers are so high," Mr Scott said.

The trap was developed by Agriculture Victoria in collaboration with Hort Innovation and the Plant Biosecurity CRC.

Thursday 30 January 2020

Seasonal update sessions to be delivered

A series of seasonal updates will be held at Calivil, Rochester, Stanhope and Kerang in late February focussing on commodity outlooks and cropping options.

These free cross-industry sessions are designed to assist farmers with upcoming sowing, irrigation and stock feeding decisions.

At these sessions, the latest 'situation and outlook' information will be provided for the climate, irrigation water availability and for hay and grain.

Irrigated and dryland cropping and forage options will be discussed and management tips will be given for optimal use of limited irrigation water.

Agriculture Victoria Senior Irrigation Officer Rob O'Connor said the sessions were about assisting irrigators make informed and early decisions, given the tough season.

"The short and long-term climate outlook for the irrigation districts and for the catchments that feed our dams will be presented, along with the levels of certainty of these outlooks," Mr O'Connor said.

"Recent climate trends will also be discussed with an explanation of why they have occurred. Information will be provided on the effects of recent bush fires, the drought and international issues on hay and grain prices.

"Alternative feeds will also be considered. Plus, there will be general tips on buying feed for your stock to ensure you get bang for buck."

The sessions will feature expert speakers; Damian Jones, Agronomist, Irrigated Cropping Council, Colin Peace, Director, Jumbuck Ag, Graeme Anderson, Climate Specialist, Agriculture Victoria and Andrew Shields, Manager River Operations Planning, Goulburn-Murray Water.

The four workshops will run from 10.45 am (for an 11am start) to 1 pm, followed by lunch at:

- Calivil on Tuesday 18 February. Recreation Reserve rooms. Prairie West Road
- Rochester on Wednesday 19 February. Campaspe Golf Club rooms. Northern Highway
- Stanhope on Thursday 20 February. Football Netball Club rooms. Midland Highway

The update sessions are funded under the Plan2Farm program, a collaborative project between the North Central, Goulburn Broken and North East Catchment Management Authorities, Goulburn Murray Water, Department of Environment Land Water and Planning, Regional Development Victoria, Murray Dairy and Agriculture Victoria. To book, contact...

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Lockington **BOWLS CLUB REPORT**

February 3

The club held a successful "Cunnington Cup" Mixed Pairs tournament on Sunday, attracting 24 teams from City of Elmore, Mathoura, Moama, Rich River, and Tongala plus several Lockington Rochester members. Club President Russell Shawcross welcomed all bowlers and thanked them for their support. Shawcross also acknowledged the support from the Cunnington family over the past twenty-two years of the event. On the green the competition was at a strong level with many close heads evident. At the completion of the three games of ten ends (2x4x2), there were three teams undefeated. Based on a Points system, the City of Echuca pair in Ann Vanderkley and Ivan Hicks were declared the winners scoring 80 points and having their names engraved on the perpetual trophy. The Runners Up were the Moama combination of Kelly Norris and Roy Jackson 79 points plus 30 shots and 16 shots against on a count-back from Rhonda Gallagher and Steve Cunnington 79 points plus 30 shots and 18 shots against. Phillip Cunnington assisted with presentation of the trophies and spoke on behalf of the family. The special competition winners included Pam Limbrick (Mathoura), Mary Atkins (Lockington), Ivan Hicks (City of Echuca) and Les (Lockington). Tournament Secretary Chris Stewart thanked the Cunnington family for their on-going support of such a great day of bowls. Stewart also congratulated Kath Palmer and her committee on another fine afternoon tea and thanked Pauline Humbert for organizing the special competition. The green-keepers Kevin Humbert and Les Brereton received applause for their effort in producing the immaculate playing conditions.

CVBD Pennant was a bit of 'no-no' with the women cancelled due to the predicted heat.

Last Tuesday the women played Pairs with Ann Lowrie and Betty Mustey reigning supreme.

On the Tuesday evening the first round of the Sports people Night of bowls was played with some exciting bowling from all involved. The winning team comprised Denise Gilmore, Neil Haines and Pat Millard (s) two wins plus 12 shots ahead of Terry Malone, Mark Weiher and Leon Laffy (s) 2 wins plus 10 shots in second place. The Night of bowls will continue over the next two weeks on a Tuesday evening starting at 7.00pm. Names to be listed prior to 6.45pm. Barefoot or suitable footwear are required and bowls are available.

During the week, members played in the Rochester Up at Deniliguin, the Division Two teams lost a thriller by Twilight Mixed Fours event. A team of Margaret Davis, just two shots going down 66-64 with one winning rink. Tom Davis, Leanne Mc Innes and Russell Shawcross (s) (Russell Shawcross I.t L Ritchie 21-22; Graham Turner d. won all three games, but apparently missed out on the L Harris 27-22; Ken Main I.t. S O'Brien 16-22). Division chocolates - no mention!!

On Wednesday members travelled to Kyabram for the weekly Sixty & Over competition. The star-studded rink comprising Ian Johnson, Ray Hanson, Kevin Humbert and Graham Turner (s) collected the "chooks" for Runners Up with five in the yardstick.

and salad/practice session. The winner of the lucky last two rounds. members draw was the absent Margaret Davis.

The Club will hold the annual Twilight Mixed Fours on Tuesday 18th February commencing at 5.00pm. Contact Annie Haines 5486-8220 or Kath Palmer 5486 2314 for details.



Winners of Alys Humbert Pairs: L to R: Phyllis MacFarlane & Trish Jones



Runners Up of Alys Humbert Pairs: L to R: Lois Chugg & Anne Lowry

February 10

The women played for the coveted Alys Humbert Club Pairs title on Tuesday in fine conditions. After the scheduled games were completed, the winning pair were Trish Jones and Phylis MacFarlane (s) in a superb display completing just three ends before the temperature of bowling from both bowlers. In second place was the reached the maximum, while the Week-end pennant was combination of Anne Lowrie and Lois Chugg (s). This event has been held to honor the enormous contribution of Alys Humbert towards the Lockington Bowls Club over several years.

> On the the CVBD Pennant scene the club almost had a 100% success rate with the women defeating Elmore, the division four squad accounting for Ky Valley View but, the sad story was of division two suffering a two shot loss to Deniliquin.

> The women had the just the one winning rink in the mammoth one shot victory over Elmore at home scoring a 65-64 win. (Kath Palmer defeated E Burke 29-11; Phylis MacFarlane lost to A Williams 19-25; Margaret Davis I.t. E Locke 17-28).

Four travelled to Ky Valley View to do battle. Two rinks won and the other was very unfortunate to play against some spirited bowlers in the comfortable 82-51 victory. (David Blackburn I.t. B Brown 19-21; Steve Peter d. P Lyon 25-20; Bill Musgrove d. D Savino 38-10). This victory has elevated the team into the final four with a two shot buffer over Mathoura. However there is more work to A fine gathering attended the Friday evening cold meat do as we challenge Moama and Rich River in the



LOCKINGTON **BOWLS CLUB REPORT** (CONTINUED)

On Tuesday evening the second round of the three night series "Sports people" bowls was held with an increased field of thirty players. After a night of fun and thrills plus a fair amount of banter, the winning team comprised Momme Weiher, Jacob Haines and Ian Haines (s) scoring 2 wins plus 12 shots ahead of John Alexander, Jeff Carnie and Ray Brereton (s) 2 wins plus 8 shots. The final evening will be played this week. The club thanks Joy organizing this event.

Several teams played the Sixty & Over competition at Rochester on Wednesday. The team comprising lan Johnson, Kevin Humbert, Ray Hanson and Graham Turner (s) once again featured in the overall results in collecting another "chook" each.

prize-money stakes.

The club will hold the popular Twilight Mixed Fours on Tuesday 18th February, starting at 5.00pm. Contact Annie Haines 5486 8220 or Kath Palmer 5486 2314 for details.

At the Friday evening Cold meat and salad/practice session, the lucky members draw favored Annette Brereton. However Annette was unable to attend and the draw jackpots.

The Bendigo/Campaspe Regional finals in the respective Mens and Ladies State Triples and State Fours was held at Rochester on Sunday. Bowls enthusiasts were treated to some excellent bowling from all concerned as the

bowlers enjoyed a true running green. In the overall results the Bendigo and Campaspe Divisions shared the spoils with a victory each in the Triples and the Fours. For the women, the Campaspe Triples team of Jayde Campbell, Merrilyn Rehe and Melissa Roberts (s) were dominant in their victory over the Golden Square team to score a mammoth 24-5 win to earn a position in the forthcoming BowlsVic State Championships to be held at Bendigo East Bowling Club in April. The other victory for the Campaspe Division was in the State Fours where the Moama rink comprising Alan Buzza, Richard Blain, Alan Jones and Merv Harvey (s) were pitted against the Bendigo rink skipped by Ian Ross along with Bruce Morley, Mick manning and Torie Babitsch. The Harvey Weller and Bev Brereton for their effort in rink was able to open up a slender lead in the early stanza with a 10-5 margin. However, the strong Bendigo team began to make in-roads to trail 10-11 after 14 ends of the 18 end final. With Buzza leading well, the team regained composure to pick up five shots over the final ends to win the game 16-10. In the State triples for the men, the Campaspe trio of Greg Pettigrove, Mark "Bluey" Chaplin and Glenn Dorward (s) came up against the South Members have travelled extensively to local district Bendigo team of Liam Crapper, Greg Page and Bradley tournaments at Tongala, Elmore, Rich River and Cohuna Holland (s). The game include some fine bowling with the Golf. Plenty of great bowling, but not much return in the scores locked together at 13-all after 16 ends. It was the South Bendigo trio to pick up two shots on the second last end to lead by two before winning the final end to register a 18-13 victory. The State Fours for the women was another closely fought out game between the composite team of Ros Neil, Jenny Tonta, Chris Taylor, Joan Moss (s) from City of Ehuca, Deniliquin RSL and Mathoura pitted against the Kangaroo Flat rink of B Davies, J Palmer, G Waegli and Susan Howes (s). With the scores level at 11-all after 16 ends the Bendigo representatives were able to win the remaining ends to win the match 13-11. Congratulations to all bowlers on a brilliant display Lawn Bowls. Interesting to note that the Bendigo teams included a couple of former Echuca/Moama bowlers in Greg Page and Jan Palmer.

Lockington Bawawm Football Netball Club Inc.



Season Launch

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Upcoming Practice Matches:

Football & Netball:

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March 14th v South Bendigo

March 21st v Tongala

Club Membership Fees

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Membership amounts & option details will be listed in our next newsletter.

All players must pay their membership before the start of the season.

Auskick & Net Set Go:

After much success from last year, Jared Ireland will be taking control of Auskick again for the year and Anita Livsey taking on Net Set Go again helping the future of our club rise to be superstars.

These two have done a wonderful job but obviously the more hands on deck makes lighter work for all so if you would be keen to help out please get in touch.

More details of when both of these will be kicking off will be coming shortly.



WELCOME To Season 2020!

Our President:

For those of you who are new to our club, I'd like to introduce you to our 'Top Cat' Colin Bacon. Col lives and breathes Locky blood and has been the club President for four years now, previously being our Vice President for five years and Junior Vice President for one year. If you ask me, he can't get enough!

A message from Col;

Welcome to season 2020. I hope everyone had a great break and are ready for an exciting upcoming season.

We are super happy to welcome back to the club more LBU local boys along with their partners and families. All the guys have had a long preseason with plenty of numbers on the track so should be rearing to go come our first practice match on the 14th of March.

The netballers have also been busy with plenty of new and old faces hitting the court. They have been training solidly in preparation for their first practice match. It's looking very positive for a big season ahead.

I would like to congratulate all coaches on your appointment and wish you well for the year ahead.

I welcome all new netball & football players and their families to our club. I hope you have a long and enjoyable stay.

There's plenty of work being done off field to keep the club moving forward. We still have a few positions to fill if anyone is keen to get more involved in the running of the club. You would be surprised how you could help our wonderful club behind the scenes to run smoothly. Please get in contact, Our Under 14's will be taken we would appreciate your help.



I encourage all members & sponsors to renew your support and get back onboard as 2020 promises to be a ripper. I would also like to get past members to check out our memberships. There is one for past members, player & supporters. This is an easy way to continue your support to the cats.

> I'll see you at the Footy. Go Cats! Col. (pictured left)

Our Club Executives:

(the brains behind the scenes)

Any questions please feel free to have a chat with any of these smiling faces, you will always find one of them floating about who will be happy to help.



L - R: Junior Vice President: Andrew Cochrane, Secretary: Shellyn Hobbs, President: Colin Bacon, Vice President: Paul 'Roo' Byrne, Netball Operations Manager: Beck Crawford, Football Operations Manager: Jared Ireland, Treasurer: Chrissy Weller & Sponsorship Coordinator: Maggie Johnson

Meet our coaches:

Football:

Head of our seniors football see's Kahl Oliver jump back on board after a very successful 2019 season. He will be accompanied by returning Locky local Brodie Collins taking up the Co-Coach role with Kahl and Bart Phillips continuing on his Assistant coaching role as we look to go bigger and better in season 2020.

Our Reserves Co-Coaches for Season 2020 sees Simon Stewart up for the challenge for yet another year with the help of Andrew Cochrane.



Pictured L - R: Bart Phillips, Brodie Collins, Kahl Oliver, Simon Stewart, Andrew Cochrane.

Our U17's will see a young local face take to the coaching role for his first year with Joe Wolfe stepping up to the challenge with the help of Jo 'Spadge' Holloway who are looking to build on an eager young side.

Pictured right...

Joe Wolfe & Jo Holloway

care of by a familiar face in Corey Mitchell with the help of Gary Milligan.



And lastly our Under 12's will again have Greg Brentnall take charge with Steve 'Small' McIntyre & Grant Sims helping out.

**Photo to come in next addition.

Netball:



- R Back: Stacy & Narelle Bacon (U/15), Karen Turner (A Squad), Emma Clark, Kerryn Giorgianni (B Squad) L - R Front: Hannah & Maddie Egglestone (U/17) Absent - Shelby Stone (D Primary)

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all our coaches for a very successful and fun season.



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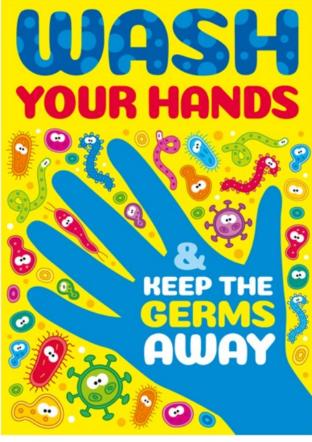
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FEBRUARY

Friday 14

Social Indoor Bowls 7:30pm Bamawm Extension Hall

Saturday 15

Pick-a-Box with Kagome

9am to 12 noon at Parncutt's Farm, access via Echuca West School Road, Echuca West

Cricket A Grade Rnd 14: BLU v Rochester

B Grade Rnd 16: Echuca v BLU

C Grade Rnd 15: BLU v Stanhope

D Grade Rnd 14: BLU v Echuca South

Lockington Poly Club Rally 10:00am Scurrah Reserve (Contact Christine Buckley 0400 576 767)

Sunday 16

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

Monday 17

Meals on Wheels: Action Group

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 10:00am followed by meeting

Tuesday 18

Seasonal Update Session (Ag Vic) 10:45 to 1pm followed by lunch Calivil Rec Reserve

Wednesday 19

Seasonal Update Session (Ag Vic) 10:45 to 1pm followed by lunch Campaspe Golf Club Rooms, Rochester

Action Club Activity Night at Club Rooms

Thursday 20

Seasonal Update Session (Ag Vic) 10:45 to 1pm followed by lunch Stanhope Football Netball Rooms

Saturday 22

Cricket A Grade Rnd 14: BLU v Rochester B Grade Rnd 17: Fire Brigade v BLU C Grade Rnd 16: Rushworth v BLU D Grade Rnd 15: BLU v Cooma

Sunday 23

Pancake Morning Tea 10am at Bamawm Uniting Church

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

Monday 24

Meals on Wheels: St. Mary's

Bamawm CWA 10:00am Bamawm Community Social Centre

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 10:00am

Heritage Complex Meeting 7:30pm At the Complex

Wednesday 26

Lockington Lions Club Business Meeting 7:30pm Heritage Centre

Saturday 29

Cricket A Grade Semi Finals B Grade Semi Finals

MARCH

Sunday 1

Pine Grove Gun Club Simulated Field & Game

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

Cricket B Grade Preliminary Final

Monday 2

Meals on Wheels: St James Lockington

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls 1:15pm

Wednesday 4

Action Club Dinner 7:30pm Club Rooms

Friday 6

World Day of Prayer 8pm at St James Community Church

Saturday 7

Cricket A & B Grade Finals

Sunday 8

LBUFNC Season Launch 11am at Echuca Races

Monday :

Bamawm Rec Reserve Auction 10am at Bamawm Rec Reserve

Heritage Complex Meeting 7:30pm At the Complex

Wednesday 11

Lions Club Dinner Meeting 7:30pm Heritage Centre

Thursday 12

Milloo CWA 10:00 am Milloo Hall

Friday 13

Social Indoor Bowls 7:30pm

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



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)
- Senior Citizens Games 10:00 am Bowls and Cards

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 Bowls names by 9:45am start 10:00 am

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
- Ladies Social Badminton
 9:30am Bamawm Sports Centre.
 Enquiries: 0458 548 622

FRIDAYS

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

Saturdays 5 4 1

 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