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We'll Open After Clean And Lunch

GOOD NEWS! Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex will be open to the public from Sunday, December 6. BUT first we have to have a clean-up of the dust and cobwebs that has accumulated during the lockdown. A working bee will be held on Wednesday, November 25 from 9.30am, and we invite members of the community to come along and give a hand, for an hour or longer if you can. You will be provided with refreshments, and lunch. For lunch catering, please phone Julie 5486 2226, or Beryl 0428 862 353. Any help will be greatly appreciated, thank you.

More good news. Lockmore Financial Services provided us with funds to purchase a poster rack on which we will be able to display long stored and forgotten maps, newspaper items, calendars of local traders of decades ago, etc. Their grant enabled us to make the purchase without delving into savings during the pandemic and no income. A big thank you to our Community Bank.

The Heritage Complex Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, November 23 at 7.30pm, to which all who are keen to keep our Complex ticking are invited.

Apologies to Beryl 0428 862 353.

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This week's Locky News was prepared by... Alison, Marilyn, and Rhain

PLEASE PICK UP **WHAT YOUR DOG LEAVES BEHIND**

A person in charge of a dog on a road or in a municipal place must:

- (a) Not permit the excrement of the dog to remain on that road or in that municipal place
- (b) (b) Carry a device suitable for the removal of any excrement that may be deposited by the
- (c) Produce the device on the request of an Authorised Officer.

Extract from "Campaspe Shire Council Local Law No. 8 2015 General Local Law"

The Locky News recently received a generous donation

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Thank you

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LOCKINGTON & DISTRICT LIVING HERITAGE COMPLEX

Complex: 5486 2515 - Open Sunday's 1pm to 4pm or by appointment President: Kevin "Jack" Oliver - Secretary: Beryl Marshall 5486 2353 Website: http://www.lockingtonvic.com.au

Hello again Everyone,

We've been reviewing the story of European settlement in our part of Victoria, particularly following the passing of the 1869 Land Act. The movement of selector settlers to take up allotments on the plains country west of Echuca – the Terricks Plains as they were called – had not taken place as flocking northward.

To quote an article which appeared in the Bendigo Advertiser on 10 September 1874, the settlers had "broken in upon" the Reports of the harvest that year, as stated by the Riverine sheep runs that had occupied the country until then and "[t]o use a boundary rider's phrase 'the eyes have been picked out of the stations'...Some six to seven hundred families have recently settled upon lands which till lately were deemed unfit for cultivation...I [the writer] found tents and houses newly erected, or in course of erection, whilst waggons with women and children and farming implements selectors were busy building dwellings, or making dams to store water, or fencing and ploughing. Most of them have come from the older agricultural districts; a great many from the neighbourhood of Geelong, Barrabool, Winchelsea, and Ballarat. As a rule, they are all in high hopes as respects the future of their new farms. Many of them have worked on farms in the old country."

It was not very long before shortcomings became obvious and, by mid-1874, there was agitation for the formation of a new Shire with the town of Rochester at its centre. The and were not being helpful. The article from the Advertiser went on to state that "There is already an outcry for schools, and this appears the only regret they have in leaving older the objects contemplated are worthy of being followed." settled districts," and another item published by that newspaper on 9 October that year, read: - "We are informed In the meantime, the Echuca Lands district was receiving that there is a good opening for a medical practitioner at the Terricks, there being none resident within a distance of thirty miles. Settlement is rapidly increasing in that district, and the want of medical assistance is greatly felt."

This latter need was probably borne out in numerous instances, but there was at least one sad occurrence involving people from our part of the district. The following notice had appeared in the Bendigo Advertiser on 14 July

1874: - "An inquest was held yesterday by Dr. Pounds, at Scott's Hotel, Runnymede, on the body of Eliza Penrose. 38 years of age, and wife of Paul Stephen Penrose, farmer, at Milloo. The evidence showed that deceased died in childbirth, at her own home, on the 10th instant, from hemorrhage. [Neighbours] Maria Ellen Mitchell and Christina Bray were present at the birth, and Johanna Ikin, a nurse, early as it had been expected but, by 1873, a rush to the arrived half an hour afterwards. They appeared to have done area was underway. It seemed that all who saw the all they could for the deceased. Dr. H. L. Atkinson, who countryside considered it full of promise and, as the seasons made a post-mortem examination of the body, gave in the early 1870s were kind, hundreds of people were evidence that had a skilled medical attendant been present, deceased's life might have been saved. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence.

Herald on 25 November, were "most favourable." Though grasshoppers made their appearance, and the weather was not "altogether propitious", according to the *Bendigo Advertiser* of 24 December, "we hear of few complaints, except with respect to the scarcity of labour." However, the New Year brought more concerns regarding the unpropitious weather. Water was becoming scarce and travellers were posting onwards to their new and untried homes....The between Raywood and Mitiamo were having difficulty procuring any for their horses. In an effort to find ways of dealing with the labour shortage, the roads, the scarcity of water and the many other problems they encountered, a general meeting of farmers and selectors was held at Mount Hope on 6 January, 1875. "It was resolved to form an association with the title, 'The Terrick Terrick and Mount Hope Free Selectors and Farmers' Association.' The rules were adopted, and officers and a committee appointed. It was decided to hold the meetings on the first Saturday in each month, at four o'clock, at the following places alternately, viz.: — Boyle's Hotel; Wm. Davis's Post-office recently settled residents of the Terricks were in desperate Store, Terrick Terrick; Walter's Pyramid Hotel, and A G. need of roads and they felt that the existing Shires, based at Love's residence at Mount Hope." Reporting on the meeting, Echuca and Rushworth were too far removed from the scene in its 14 January edition, the Bendigo Advertiser journalist added, "It is to be hoped now that the association is fairly started, it will be carried on in such an energetic manner as

> some adverse publicity surrounding the topic of "dummyism," but that is quite a large topic and we might leave tackling it until next time.

'Bve until then. Marq O'Brien

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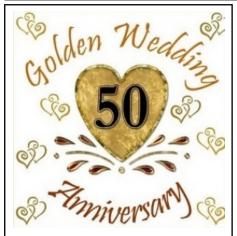
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Articles printed in this paper are printed in good faith and in no way reflect the views held by the 'Locky News' voluntary workers. We reserve the right to reject items deemed to be unsuitable. Any malicious information will be forwarded to the Police.

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



Golden Wedding celebrated Lorraine Mitchell Robert and celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary 50 years from the day they were married, 14 November, 1970. The couple were married at St. David's Presbyterian Church, Kyabram and were attended by bridesmaids Leonie Hall, Heather and Vicki Mitchell, best man Brian Mitchell, and groomsman Greg Shilling. Their honey moon was touring NSW including Canberra. Sydney and Forster. The couple were blessed with three children. Scott. Fiona and Katrina. and now three grandchildren, Mitchell, Jack and Hannah.

Northern Rivers Uniting Church Cluster

You are invited to join our On-line services at 11.00am during COVID -19 using your computer or phone. To join our meeting via Zoom: Google Chrome: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/826-6681-8761. Password is **22.**

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Anglican Parishes of Elmore and Rochester/Lockington

Limited Sunday and midweek services being <u>held outside</u> have now commenced throughout the Parishes adhering to Covid safe practices.

RSVP's are needed as numbers are limited due to restrictions but all are welcome.

Recorded audio services are also available via email weblink or CD's.

Please ring Rev. Anthony Stones on 0437 696 561 for service times and any info.



Spring is certainly here because the roses look magnificent. President John, Dave Thomas and Jack Oliver spent time on Friday morning fixing them all up. Well done Lion members.





COVID19 AND CHURCHES

All normal public services are suspended until further notice.

Some ministry may continue in less formal ways and settings, adhering to the governments ever changing guidelines on people meeting together.

Please check with your church.

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Rev. Anthony Stones on 0437 696 561

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Psalm 6 v 3&4.

Whenever I am afraid I will trust in You. In God I will praise His word. In God I have put my trust. I will not fear. What can flesh do to me?

MEALS ON WHEELS



Currently being delivered by Campaspe Shire

LOCKINGTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL NEWS

Indigenous Garden

The Grade 5/6's have begun constructing a dreamtime garden in the school grounds. They have dug out the garden beds, the path, painted their pavers to go along the path and are currently painting their totem poles that share their story through indigenous paintings and symbols. This is the fun creative part of our Indigenous studies, where we studied and researched a range of topics to help us with our garden. The

kids are loving getting outside, working together and leaving their mark on 2020. We will keep you up to date

on our progress.











Junior Excursion

Our Prep-Gr 2 students headed off to Kyabram on Thursday to visit the Kyabram Fauna Park. For a lot of students it was their first time attending an excursion and the excitement was contagious. Upon their return to school, the Prep and Grade 1 students were picked up and the Grade 2 students stayed at school for a sleepover. What a fun time we are

having at LCS!

















REMOTE READER'S RECOLLECTION

On Saturday morning 31st October I was listening to Libby Gore on ABC radio and heard Terry Malone and Brad Mc Ewan extolling the virtues of Lockington and the wonderful community spirit that has kept the town thriving for such a long time. The resilience of the entire community not to let the town and surrounding district to lose so many of the assets that we in the city take for granted, such as banking, fuel and of course the pub.

So thank you to all the community leaders and volunteers for their continuing hard work.

I still continue to receive The Locky News, the priceless paper and continue to read of the news and people of my country home town.

Heather Tate. (Robins).



THE POOL IS OPEN!



The Lockington pool season has begun, being open 3-7pm daily (Christmas it is closed).

As the temperature warms up, the numbers do to. So our first swim day had quite a few kids taking the plunge, with a brave parent or two as well!

Over the winter period, the pool floor was fixed in the shallow end, and three new shade sails have been installed. The fence between the toddler and swim pool has been removed. At this stage not sure if it is being replaced, so just be aware!

The pool kiosk now has eftpos facilities. Below is the current fees for entry and membership. Please speak to a lifeguard or ring EWMAC on 5483 9698 if you have any questions.

A few things, when not swimming, people over 12 are required to wear masks (if able).

The pool equipment & toys are not in use at the moment, so feel free to bring your own to the pool. Also, until further notice, the kiosk is not selling any items, due to COVID regulations.

Lets make this season a great one, to make the tail end of

2020 a much better one! So hopefully see you at the pool and making your own fun!

Eftpos is available at all outdoor pools and offers a contactless payment option.

Season ticket fees

Family	\$150.00
Adult	\$86.00
Concession / child	\$65.00

Casual fees

Family	\$17.20
Adult	\$5.30
Concession / child	\$4.30



CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL NEWS

Coming Up

Tuesday, 8 December

Council meeting, 5pm

Council meetings are currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 restrictions. The meeting can be viewed via live streaming on council's website,

www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming

Lockington Pool

The Lockington outdoor pool is now open. All outdoor pools operate on the existing opening hours and the minimum temperature requirements for opening remains in place. For more information on Council's outdoor pool venues, times and admission costs, visit the Campaspe Aquatics website www.campaspeaquatics.com.au

Australia Day Awards

Nominations for the 2021 Australia Day Awards are now open. Details and nomination forms can be downloaded

from Council's website. Nominations close Friday, December 4 and must be submitted to local Australia Day committees.

Second rate instalment due soon

Ratepayers, who pay their rates in instalments, are reminded the second instalment for 2020/21 is due by Monday, 30 November. Any ratepayer experiencing financial hardship in paying their rates is encouraged to contact Council as soon as possible to discuss their individual circumstances.

<u>Immunisations</u>

Campaspe Shire Council Immunisation Session

By appointment only

Ph: 1300 666 535 Monday, 23 November 11.30am – 12noon

Lockington Bush Nursing Centre Vaccines for children & adults, including flu vaccine Refer to Council website for more info.



Lockington Neighbourhood House

Ph: 0499 170 329 E: nhldbc@gmail.com Terri Hateley, Coordinator



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Wednesday

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SOCIAL DISTANCING AND FACE MASKS APPLY



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Lockington Library



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Wednesday: 10am - 5.00 pm

> Thursday: 10am - 2pm



Lockington Men's Shed



Morning tea and activities every Tuesday morning from 10.00am—12.00pm.

SOCIAL DISTANCING TO BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES

FACE MASKS APPLY

My Mum Is Crazy

We think home schooling us has driven her made because last week on Monday while she was taking the bins up she returned with a kitten. It was such a surprise as she hates cats. We know this because she thinks it's funny when there is a dead one on the road. When we come up the drive she speeds up to chase Phil's cats. That Monday morning when the bins went out Phil forgot his red bin so Mum stopped at his house to check if he needed help and the kitten was on the door step. Normally the stray cats run for miles when they see Mum but not "FRIDAY" it sat on the door mat. I still don't know what stopped Mum from kicking it and instead picking it up. Phil told Mum that the kittens brothers and sisters had died so he brought it inside on Sunday night. That still doesn't explain why Mum brought the kitten home. Dad said we should check Mum's temperature because she must be unwell.

We named the kitten Friday because it's black, we also don't know what gender it is yet. Friday has been here one week now and loves its new home.

P.S. I caught Mum talking to it yesterday and I think she patted it.



Aaron Harbour 3/4B Home schooling - Creative Writing

Congratulations Aaron on winning \$10 Locky Dollars!

"300 Words" CHALLENGE

Please send us your articles and photos for inclusion in the paper, and receive a \$10 Locky Dollars Voucher.

Email your word document and photo to ...

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IT'S BEEN A LONG ROAD

The pandemic has meant many things to many people. For some it has meant loneliness, boredom and isolation and for others, normal everyday living... only a little quieter. For some, this has meant only phone calls or Facetime with loved ones that you are unable to hug or experience the important milestones of grandchildren. Families have experienced loss of loved ones where they were not able to have the in-person support of others during funerals and weddings have been postponed or went ahead with no attendees. For working or stay at home parents, it has meant juggling work or home commitments while trying to help children with division, fractions or reading. It has been a difficult time for many not having access to meaningful activities that offer social inclusion or visiting family and friends. When talking to people, one of the biggest issues has been that they usually smile at others on the street or in shops but due to wearing masks, smiles are not seen. It is the little things one takes for granted that become difficult to deal with. On the upside, many have utilised the time for renovations, projects or having the time to finally clear out that spare room or the clutter in the shed.

Coming out on the other side of the pandemic, it is a good time to reflect on the positives. This includes community resilience, health of loved ones and new skills learnt during an isolating time. It has been great to see people learning how to use their computers or phones to contact loved ones or taking up new hobbies to pass the time, surprising themselves with the outcome. Some

businesses have adapted and changed to service communities while others have struggled to maintain financial viability to continue operating but look forward to becoming fully operational again.

Through the rollercoaster ride of the Coronavirus, we are finally coming out the other side and starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel. These include visiting loved ones, being able to cross over the border, businesses reopening and activities resuming. Parents are also relieved to see their children back at school learning with their teachers and not having to support their children through difficult math problems that they themselves forget the formulas to.

Now the steel ring around Melbourne has lifted allowing family visits, trips and tourism in and out of the area. It has been a personal experience and journey for everyone that we have not seen during our time. On reflection of this experience, although 2020 has been difficult for many, we are very fortunate that we do have computers, phones, televisions and devices to assist in communication and offer valuable distraction.

Moving forward, it gives one a further appreciation of family, friends and the wider community for the support, friendship and assistance during this pandemic. With the many changes back to COVID normal, hopefully by the end of the year we will be able to remove the masks and smile at one another down the street again.

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COMMUNITY

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Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc. Board of Management,

invite you to attend the
Annual General Meeting,
on Thursday November 26th 2020 at 2pm.

* Venue to be advised, pending COVID restrictions.

This is an opportunity for you to learn more about this year's achievements and the future of YOUR Bush Nursing Centre.

RSVP by 19th November, to 5486 2544 or email admin@ldbnc.org.au as limited numbers may apply.





A Spring in your Onion



Spring onions are part of the same family as garlic, leeks and chives. They are low in sodium, saturated fat and cholesterol which is of great health benefit. They also contain Vitamins A, C and K, and are high in folate, calcium, iron, potassium and manganese. Both the leaves and bulbs can be used in salads, as a garnish and are great in Asian dishes. They can be used in soups and add great flavour to dips. They are also nice in quiches.



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ONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR

LIONS

Our local and district youth are encouraged to enter this quest.

If you are currently in years 10, 11 or 12 and are under 19 years of age as

at 30th June 2021, you are eligible

It is a great opportunity to improve your general status and skills base.

Local level club judging will be conducted in February 2021 on a date yet to be fixed.

Please give it a go, and express your intention to compete ASAP.

Contacts: Margaret Dowie 0427 795 576

David Hammond 0438 868 216 Bill Roberts Co-ordinator

Well Womens Clinic

Next visit date Friday 4th December 2020



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All applications will be considered however the board would particularly welcome applicants with expertise in the competency areas of:

- · Human resource management
- · Patient (user) experience and consumer engagement

The Victorian Government is committed to ensuring boards and committees broadly reflect the diversity of the Victorian community. We welcome applications from women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people of all ages, people with disabilities, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender diverse and intersex people. For further information including how to apply, visit www.health.vic.gov.au/governance or contact Karen Laing, Chief Executive Officer, at kelaing@redhs.com.au or on 03 5484 4451. Applications close 5.00pm Monday 2 December 2020.

WATER CARTING TO START FOR MITIAMO 16 November 2020

Coliban Water will commence carting water to Mitiamo today after increased levels of Blue Green Algae (BGA) were detected in the town's raw water supply late last week.

Urban Services Manager Carl Oliver said the algae bloom was detected through routine sampling of the raw water supply which had resulted in poor raw water quality.

The Mitiamo township is supplied with untreated water (non-potable). It is deemed not suitable for drinking or cooking purposes. Customers are being advised of the water quality issue.

"We're carting water to Mitiamo during this time, until the quality of the usual raw water supply improves again. This means the raw water supplied to customers in the interim will be free from BGA.

"However, it's important to remember that this remains a non-potable source of water, and therefore still not suitable for drinking or cooking purposes," he said.

We have increased our water quality testing program to monitor the situation closely.

"The occurrence of BGA is a seasonal issue and has the potential to be ongoing throughout the warmer months, so customers should be aware of this, and that carting may continue for a period of time.

"We will continue to keep customers updated on the water quality and carting arrangements of the town water supply," Mr Oliver said.

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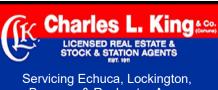
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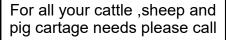
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LOCKY NEWS - HERE TO SUPPORT

AGM/General Meeting Report

Throughout our recent meetings it was noted that The Locky News isn't just here to produce a paper, we are here to support and encourage all aspects of our local community, and to help it thrive into the future.

A total of 9 were at our AGM and following general meeting on Tuesday 27th October. All office bearers remain in the same positions as last year...

President/Editor: Alison Stewart

Vice President/Assistant Editor: Richard (Rhain) Bedwyr

Secretary/Public Officer: Lorraine Appleby

Treasurer: Alicia Weaver

We once again moved to reincorporate, left bank initially. signatories as per last year, and have the same committee members as last year, with the exception of Marilyn Baker asking to be removed. We therefore have one vacancy on the committee. If you're interested in joinging the committee please contact Alison on 0417 177 807 or via email to lockynews@bigpond.com

Current Committee consists of the office bearers plus...

Beryl Marshall, Val Cook, Deb Taylor and Darren Carnie.

A lot of business had to covered in our general meeting, major items as follows...

Our printing costs are reviewed every two years, the last Print and Design, being the preferred option. It was new year. decided to stay with EMPD for the next two years.

Advertising costs was another major item to discuss. Many of you would know that this year we delayed our usual April issuing of Annual Advertisers Invoices, to June, and provided those three months advertising free, that COVID19 brought. Our advertising charges however, need to be brought into line with actual sizing. It was decided to increase charges as of 1st July 2021. Publication of the price changes will follow in future editons, and all advertisers will be advised directly of the proposed changes.

The Committee again chose to offer the Lockington Bush Nursing Centre and Lockington Neighbourhood House advertising at cost of \$22.50 per page, a slight increase in cost from last year.

On-line activity (including Facebook) was noted to have increased again this past twelve months.

We will continue to try and get new contributors to the paper, by way of our 300 Words Challenge and possibly some new incentives.

Our Print numbers, even through COVID19 have remained fairly stable at 450 copies, and will continue to be monitored.

Some discussion was had with respect to trying to allow for some payment to the Editor and Treasurer for all the work they put into the paper, there were no objections to this, and it is to be investigated by means of grants

We recently applied for a grant to produce a Lockington Community Directory. Our plan is to correlate and print 1,000 copies, of a 20 page A5 color booklet, including over 100 advert spots. We were partly successful, receiving \$1,500 from Fosterville Gold's Community We decided to seek the remainder from the Campaspe Shire's Responsive Grants. (We have since been unsuccessful with the Shire's Grants, but we will still go ahead with creating a Community Directory, however it seems that there could be a small cost involved \$10 per advert space, that may be passed on to advertisers) There is also an opportunity to have a photo competition time was in 2018. Quotes were sought from three local for the front page. We would like to have this directory (Echuca) printers, with our current printer, Echuca Moama completed and printed and available to the public in the

The last item of business was Alison's application to the Loddon Murray Community Leadership Program for 2021. Alison is attempting to gain a sponsored spot in this program, but if unsuccessful in that, and has to pay the \$1,815 fee, the meeting decided the The Locky News so as to help our local businesses during the challenges would be prepared to pay 50% of that fee, since it will ultimately benefit the community at large.

> Many thanks to those who attended the meetings, and contributed to discussion about how the paper is run, and what we do in and for the community. We would love to see some new faces at meetings and to help produce the paper. If you are at all interested, please contact Alison on 0417 177 807 or email lockynews@bigponmd.com

Photo Competition!

Would you like to have your photo on the front of our **New Community Directory?**

> We want local photos, taken by local amateur photographers.

Start snapping, and send us your best, by 31st December 2020.

A prize will be made available...

More details next issue.



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Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc.

ISSUE 158 NOVEMBER 2020

LOCKINGTON BUSH NURSING CENTRE COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT ...see who makes up your Bush Nursing Centre.

Tricia Jones

What is your Role at the Centre? Ladies Auxiliary Treasurer

Nickname: Trish

What was your first job? Trainee buyer at David Jones Brisbane Qld

If you could pick up a new skill in an instant, what would it be? Play the

piano

What is your favourite team/s? Storm and The Cowboys

Do you have a favourite saying? I'm just middling

What music were you listening to, 10years ago? Rock & Roll, & Country Have you met anyone famous? John Farnham & John Paul Young in New

Zealand

Favourite places that you have travelled? New Zealand

What shop would you max your credit card? Any good Plant Nursery

How do you like your eggs? Anyhow, anyway

What is your favourite season of the year? Spring

What is your favourite way to unwind? Gardening or craft

What is your spirit animal? Elephant

If you were a wrestler, what would your name & song be? Lightning ... and Thunderstruck

Anything else you'd like to share? I love living in the Locky community.



Venue to be advised - Please RSVP names to the Centre by Thursday 19th November - so that you can be advised of the venue pending covid restriction limitations.

<u>Campaspe Shire Immunisations</u> Monday 23rd November - please book an appointment with the Immunisation Team by calling 1300 666 535

Elmore Medical Practice - Xmas closure 25th December -1st January

Please note that Dr Patricks last Tuesday before Christmas in Lockington will be Tuesday 22nd December.

Please check your scripts and plan accordingly to avoid running out of medication over the Xmas / New Year .

Thank you to all who supported the Lockington Hotel raffle.

Proceeds will be put towards a new piece of equipment at the Centre.

Bush Nursing Centre Cookbooks now available - \$20 - great Christmas gift!







LOCKINGTON LANDCARE DECLARES WAR ON PATTERSON'S CURSE

This weed is starting to spread throughout our district. In an effort to stop it Landcare would like all community members to report any

sightings of the weed along the roadside to the Shire of Campaspe or alternatively text Wendy Sims on 0427 868307.



You will need to state the road it is on and the intersecting roads either side of the weed. The Shire have a weed program that allows them to spray out weeds along roadsides – so report what you see.



Landcare ask all farmers to spray any infestations of Patterson's curse on your property. Although it is now in flower and will have seeds - better late than never - and hopefully this will let you identify problem areas so that you can spray earlier next year.

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COLF CLUB

BAMAWM GOLF CLUB NOTES

Well it was great to finally be able to get together for our annual presentation night. Thanks to captains Ben and Anita for organising the night and all of their hard work throughout the year. Thanks

also to President Shane Dyson, in what has been a very difficult year, he worked extremely hard to keep the club going and keep our members safe. As always thanks to all of the members who work tirelessly throughout the year to keep the course and the club running, and all of the sponsors who generously donated to the club, we really do appreciate it.

Ladies winners 2020 Season

Captain's Day- Mel Warren Presidents Day- Mel Warren Ladies Champion- Louise Williams

Men's winners 2020 Season

Captain's Day- Shane Dyson Presidents Day- Jono McAsey A Grade Champion- Todd Loutitt B Grade Champion- Paul Evans C Grade Champion- Spencer Broom



Mel Warren and Louise Williams



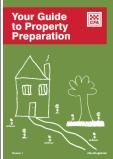
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Keep grass short, cut to less than 10cm. Fire can ignite and travel quickly through long grass.

Woodpiles, keep woodpiles away from the house. Stray fire embers can easily ignite woodpiles.

Store Flammable liquids away from house, in

flame proof containers if possible.

Leaves and Twigs, get rid of dry grass, leaves, twigs and loose bark. **Prune shrubs**, prune lower branches of shrubs to separate from surface fuels underneath. Prune shrubs well away from branches of mature trees

Cut back branches, and overhanging tree branches close to property. **Garden beds**, do not have large shrubs next to or under windows.

Pebbles and rocks, use pebbles and rocks in your garden (not flammable mulch).

Roof gutters, keep gutters and roof areas clear of leaf litter.

ESSENTIAL STEPS FOR FARMS

Vehicles, equipment and hay

Double check that spark arrestors on machinery are working and efficient. Make sure chainsaws are free from faults.

Have water fire extinguishers or knapsack spray pumps (minimum 9 litres) available that can be carried by any person using farm equipment or machinery.

Have a safety strategy in place for storing and monitoring hay - purchase a moisture metre if necessary.

Make sure hay is fully cured before baling.

If you have private firefighting equipment, conduct a 'refresher' session with family and employees to make sure everyone can use it.

Make sure that there are no gaps between the cladding and the ground or slab of your sheds to prevent embers getting inside.

Protect hay from rain, leaking roofs and spouts, cover stacks with tarps or hay caps **Fuel loads and stock**

Reduce fuel loads around assets (house blocks, sheds and fences) and create strategic fuel breaks.

Apply to the relevant authority if you need to remove native vegetation or manage fuel on roadsides.

Create a heavily grazed area where stock can be moved during a bushfire situation. Conduct a stocktake of feed, animals and fencing before the fire season and keep a copy of records off your property.

Permits and laws

Make a list of local restrictions (Fire Danger Period and Total Fire Ban) relevant to your property. Display it/keep it handy so you can refer to it often and easily.

Check with your council if local laws are in place for lighting fires, burning off or using incinerators.

Apply for a Schedule 13 permit from your local council if you intend to burn off weeds, stubble or vegetation during the FDP, or a schedule 14 permit if you intend to use fire for other purposes (e.g. machinery).

Access for firefighters

Make sure your property name or number is clearly visible so emergency services can identify it easily when approaching the entrance.

Check access tracks around your property. Consider if access for fire trucks can be improved by clearing vegetation, signposting dead ends or creating turning circles.

Make sure water supplies around your property are clearly marked in case emergency services need to access them.

Planning

Have a plan for horses and livestock. A large well-grazed area where they can move freely, with a supply of water, is the safest. Remove all gear from horses and always keep them contained on your property, they are at serious risk on roads where visibility will be poor.

Have a routine in place for fire risk days (moving stock and limiting or postponing machinery use, switching off electric fences). Make sure everyone on your property is aware of it.

Fire Danger Ratings are a good way to decide when to leave. They are not a weather forecast – they tell you how dangerous a fire would be if one started. As the ratings increase, so does the risk of a fast moving and uncontrollable fire.

If you plan to stay and defend a building during a bushfire, take steps to establish a water supply of at least 10,000 litres (independent of the mains supply)



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How well do you know fire:

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LOCKINGTON BOWLS REPORT

November 8

Last Tuesday on Melbourne Cup day, members and visitors attended the Scrounge event. Best performed on the day included Brian Kinnane, Andy Harris and Annie Haines. There were a few "champers" and barbeque later, which added to the enjoyment.

On Friday the club Pennant was played with Waratahs and Grevillias doing battle while Blue Bottles and Banksia clashed on the next door rink. No details to hand but apparently both games experienced some promising bowling.

In the CVBD Week-end Pennant our division three and division four travelled interstate to Moama and Rich River respectively. The final result was one up and one down. Division three carried on the good work from the previous week to defeat a strong Moama combination 56-50 with two rinks up and find themselves in second position on the CVBD Pennant ladder. (Jim Harris d. S Sutton 20-16; lan Johnson d. IC Smith 19-17; Ray Hanson lost to D Blackburn 16-17). Division four lost to Rich River 60-67 R Ritchie 17-19; Ken Main I.t. K Robertson 24-26).

In the CVBD Midweek pennant competition the game results were: Moama Red d. City of Echuca Blue 59-48; Moama Green d. Mathoura Blue 66-55; Mathoura Red d. Echuca White d. Rich River 78-47.

Last Sunday several members attended the Tongala Bowling Club game of Scrounge. Russell Shawcross and Denise Gilmore were successful on the day and most of all, enjoyed the wonderful hospitality and greens.

On Wednesday members played in the Sixty and Over competition held at the Moama Bowling Club. With intermittent showers for most of the day, all games were completed. No prizes collected on the day. With current COVID-19 virus hopefully being eventually eradicated, some of our members may be able to set up a regular routine in relation to the 60 & Over play days. Over the past two weeks, we have noted a few minor Transgressions. (a) two players entering the one team twice! (b) a team turning up to play and not being entered!. (c) a team running late due to taking a wrong turn and getting caught out on the bridge delay!. However, in due process, the bridge will be open shortly and make a lot of people Happy.

On Friday evening the usual pennant practice and barbeque was held with Bill Musgrove winning the lucky members draw.

November 16

There has been action aplenty at the club this past week. Social bowls, Scrounge, Pennant and culminating with the Quarter-finals and Semi-finals of the CVBD State Mixed Pairs event played on Sunday.

At the Social bowls on Tuesday the women had a quality field in action. At the end of the day the star-studded rink of Sue Harris, Denise Gilmore, Anne Lowrie, Lois Chugg (s) reigned supreme.

The Srounge event attracted a small field with the winners being Frank Chugg, Don Smith and Rochester visitor Anton Gusak and sharing the spoils.

On Wednesday members played in the Sixty and Over competition at Rochester Bowls Club. The rink comprising

Don Isgro, Tom Davis, Alan Kauffman, Russell Shawcross (s) finished up as one of two/ three Game winners. In the roll-off to the Yardstick, the team scored four within, however the opposition had five shots, so they had to settle with Runners Up trophies. A point was proven that if a team is entered they have a better chance of winning!!.

The Friday morning round of Inter club pennant resulted in Banksia - Pauline Humbert (s) defeated Waratahs Annette Brereton (s), while the Grevillias - Lois Chugg (s) defeated Bottlebrush - Phylis MacFarlane (s) in a close affair. Banksia head the ladder ahead of Grevillias.

In the week-end round of CVBD Pennant the club had a one win - one loss ratio. Division Three suffered a 17 shot loss to top of the table Mathoura 50-67 with all three rinks down. (Ian Johnson lost to Chris Taylor 18-20; Jim Harris I.t. S Limbrick 15-25; Ray Hanson I.t. R Murphy 17-22). Division Four returned to form defeating Ky Valley View 68-50 with two rinks up. (Ken Main d. P Lyon 30-13; Kalvin Stout I.t. G Topp 13-16; Frank Chugg d. B Brown 25-21). Both division Three and Four are placed in fourth position in their respective divisions.

Results of the CVBD Midweek pennant. Tongala d. with no rink wins. A couple of close matches though. Ky Valley View 76-45; Mathoura Red d. Moama (Frank Chugg I.t. G Edgar 19-24; Kalvin Stout I.t. Green 61-39; Mathoura Blue d. City of Echuca Blue 65-48; Moama Red d. Rich River 85-45; City of Echuca White d. Elmore 90-32).

The CVBD State Mixed Pairs was held at the club on Sunday. Bowlers enjoyed the true running green but had Ky Valley View 107-48; Elmore d. Tongala 99-47; City of to withstand some blustery wind conditions. At times it was "hold on to your hats", however, this did not deter the bowlers from displaying some extraordinary bowling.

> Results on the day: Quarter finals: Mia Young - Rob Young (s) Moama d. Marrilyn Stephenson - Wayne Stephenson (s) Moama 25-20; Kelly Norris - Roy Jackson (s) Moama d. Leica Roney (City of Echuca) - George Thornley (s) Moama 19-15. In the semi-finals the Young combination played another Moama pair in Kath and Rob Wastell (s). In a game that produced several highlights, eventually resulted in a victory to the Wastells' 15-13. The other semi-final between the Norris – Jackson pairing and the Mathoura representatives Pam Lewis and Les Bates (s). This game was also action packed with the display from the two leaders Lewis and Norris, the most entertaining bowls that one may experience. Both teams picked up triples in the early stages, but then the scoring was restricted to singles and the occasional double. Norris and Jackson prevailed to win the match 17-14 and will now meet the Wastell pair in the final to be held in the New Year. The women were thanked for their excellent service during the day.

> The club championships are under-way with Brian Kinnane and Phillip Cunnington first round winners.

> The Friday evening practice / barbeque was well attended with Phillip Cunnington winning the lucky members draw.

> Birthday wishes to Neil Haines on reaching the eighty year mark (O.B.E.) and also to Bill Musgrove, just a couple years behind Haines.





The Annual General Meeting of the Lockington Community Care Committee Inc. will be held on November 24th at 7.00 PM at the Business Centre.

The re-scheduled Annual General Meeting of the **Lockington and District Business Centre Inc.** will be held on

November 30th at 7.30

at a venue to be advised. Due to current Covid 19 restrictions. we request that any members of the public or LDBC Inc members wanting to attend RSVP to the LDBC on 54862683 by Thursday 26th November and register. We will then be able to select an appropriate venue and advise attendees.

Landcare December Meeting:

Guest Speaker: Shane Weller, five years into growing walnuts Two course meal

7pm Thursday 3rd December

at the Lockington Hotel Bookings: Wendy Sims 0427 868307 (essential due to Covid)



Lockington & District Community Centre Annual General Meeting **Tuesday 8th December**

7.30pm at the meeting room, at the Hall. We would like to encourage interested members of the community to come along.

Enquiries to Secretary, Judy Sims 0427 868 254

Organisers...

please let us know when your group starts regularly meeting again, so that we can start advertising for you again.

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

- Cancelled Strength & Balance Class I further notice
 9.00 am - Bush Nursing Centre
- Nicole Hocking Podiatrist 9.30 - 4.30. - Bush Nursing Centre. Phone: 5486 2544.
- Lockington & District T.O.V. A Cubiled 6.30 pm - Bush Nursing Centre ther notice (Activities Room)
- Senior Citizens Games 10:00 amelled Bowls and Cards until further notice

- Cancelled Men's Shed 9:00 am - 3:00 pm until further notice
 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 - - -(not during school holidays Cancelled St. James Church Hallntil further notice Enquiries: Tammy Norman 0411 056 765

WEDNESDAYS

- Cancelled Strength & Balance Classil further notice 9.00 am - Bush Nursing Centre = = = = = =
- Cancelled Massage with Anita. Phone 5486 2544 ionappointment.
- Social Rollup Bowls 2:00pm

5:30-6:30 pm Bush Nursing Centrelled \$8 per session, with Fay Sizelander notice 1_____

- Social Activity Day
 Cancelled 10am - Bush Nursing Centreurther notice Phone: 5480 6701
- Men's Shed By appointment (

Cancelled Phone: 0499 170 until further notice

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

SATURDAYS

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

LOCKINGTON LIBRARY HOURS:

Tuesday **Closed until** 10.00 am further notice 2.00 pm Wednesday

St. Mary's Op Shop

Closed until Mon. further notice 10am

Wed. to 2pm