



Locky News

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Alone,
we can do
so little;
Together,
we can do
so much

Helen Keller

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MONDAY, March 1

(Entries by 10am)

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This week's Locky News was prepared by...
Alison

LOCKINGTON PLANNING GROUP

Monday 1st March 2021

7:30 pm at Lockington Community Hall



Aim :

Working together to promote and develop our community facilities.

It is important that ALL COMMUNITY GROUPS and ORGANISATIONS are represented at this meeting. Thanks to those groups who have contacted me so far with the names of their reps.

Overview: This coming meeting is where each group/organisation or member from the community, puts forward projects or ideas to help Lockington develop for community members and encourage tourism to the area. There is no set criteria for the projects that we propose, but it will depend on what skills that the volunteers who come have, as to whether every project proposed can be achieved.

On the weekend of 12th March, one or two reps from each of the above groups will meet with the overall Rural Aid co-ordinator to discuss the pros and cons of the proposed ideas. I will be present at all interviews to assist with consistency.

From there the Lockington Planning group will be given a strategic plan, produced by Rural Aid, that incorporates these ideas and will be the basis for the 50 or so volunteers from all over Australia that come to our town for a week in September from the 19th to 24th. These volunteers are 'hands on' workers. The town will be responsible for providing the evening meal during this week. Four organisations will be asked to provide a meal on one night, this will be a fund raising opportunity for each organisation. The fifth meal will be at the Lockington Community Hotel.

We are given funding of \$90,000 towards materials to be used on the projects etc. We get approx \$25,000 the first year and the remainder over the next four years to ensure that projects have future funding to enable them to be completed.

WEBSITE: www.ruralaid.org.au/our-towns

Could all community groups and organisations nominate at least one representative and email or text me that they will be in attendance.

Wendy Sims 0427868307 or wendys1904@gmail.com



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Hello again Everyone,

We've been following the development of our district from the time our selector forebears arrived here in the early 1870s. Initially, these new settlers to the area were lucky enough to experience some quite favourable seasons which fuelled their enthusiasm. They made headway in establishing their farms; built dwellings, fenced, cleared and ploughed the land and, in some cases, made provision for water for stock and domestic use. By 1876, most settlers were realising the importance of providing some means of conserving water on their farms. An article written by a correspondent from Mitiamo was published in the *Bendigo Advertiser* on 9 March that year. The item reads as follows: -

"The continued dry weather is now beginning to have a considerable effect on the pastures, which are becoming bare of grass; the water in the tanks and waterholes is also rapidly disappearing, and in many instances does not promise to hold out beyond the end of March, unless a break-up in the weather should take place before that time. Stock generally is in good condition, and where good water is obtainable, will not fall away for some time. Many, whose water storage has not been sufficient for the requirements of their stock, have had to resort to wells, which are generally to be found anywhere between Mitiamo and Echuca, and in some places more than one thousand sheep, besides cattle and horses, are watered daily from one of these wells without making any perceptible difference in the level of the water; the best water is generally found at depths varying from 10 to 25 feet. Some people state that these wells will not stand a drought, but so far as our experience here for the last two summers goes, the water level at the beginning and end of summer does not vary much. About ten years ago water had to be carted from Runnymede, a distance of nearly thirty miles, for the use of the surveyors who were at work here, but none thought then of obtaining water from these shallow wells."

While the settlers hoped for rain to ease the water shortage, they also missed other benefits they had enjoyed in the longer-established, and more closely-settled, areas that they had left behind. There was still no ready access to medical attention, and there was still no cemetery in close proximity, but some progress was being made in other respects. Pleas for the provision of greater police protection were addressed to some extent by mid-March, 1876, when it was announced in the current *Police Gazette*, that new stations had been established at Terrick Terrick and Torrumbarry. Post Offices were still wanting, but there was some satisfaction in an increased number of mail deliveries being made from Runnymede to Mitiamo each week. An outbreak of scarlet fever in Autumn that year, saw schools at Millewa, Diggara and Rochester, forced to close for a time but, for

most of the children of the Terricks plains, there were still no schools available. On 20 June, the *Riverine Herald* announced that a 5-acre site had been set aside for a school at Milloo, though it was not until September that tenders were called for the construction of a school there, and one each at Wharparilla and Runnymede. By then, a school had already been built and opened at Bamawm and on 23 September, the *Riverine Herald* reported that a Miss McKenzie had recently arrived from Melbourne to teach there. In the meantime, the residents of Terrick Terrick East had "determined to erect a common school at their own expense ... knowing the crippled state of the Education Department's funds". On 30 June, the *Bendigo Advertiser* advertised the Ball which was to be held at Terrick Terrick East on 7 July 1876, as the first of the district's ventures to raise building funds for their proposed school.

The new school building at Runnymede, for which tenders were called in September 1876, was to be of brick, and it was not to be constructed at the long-established village of Runnymede on the east side of the Campaspe River. This school was to be built in the newer settlement that had grown since the completion of the Sandhurst to Echuca railway line in 1864. A township had developed around the railway station located adjacent to Runnymede on the Sandhurst-Echuca line, and it was now to be known as Elmore. The *Bendigo Advertiser* of 27 May 1876, carries this description: -

"The town site of Elmore (legal title) looks pleasant from every quarter, and level as a bowling green, bounded on the north by rail, and south by the beautiful Campaspe River. Trade must be improving there, if large business establishments is a criterion. The most important one, lately erected, is being extended by Messrs. Farrell and Sons. Besides their large timberyard, there has been lately added ironmongery, grocery, and general store-keeping premises. A large butcher's shop is also being erected on the "Pall Mall" of Runnymede by Mr. Fick, for an old resident of Sandhurst, and rumour says it will be one of the finest establishments of the kind in the colony. The Bank of Victoria has taken premises in the "Mall," built by Mr. Cox. The Bank of New South Wales, erected by Mr. Catlin, is a perfect model building. An old beniface of Sandhurst, Mr. Long, is in attendance at the Victoria Hotel. Near the river is Mr. Jones's flour mill, and lately a monster storeroom has been added to the already extensive buildings. The high banks on the north side of the river secures the town from floods; therefore, it has an advantage over Rochester and Echuca for the establishment of woollen mills, independent of its central position and terminus of a large agricultural and squatting district."

That's it for this time. 'Bye for now,
 Marg O'Brien.

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Tel/Fax: 5486 2515 Leave a message on answering machine if office is unattended.

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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.

Congratulations to Don and Bev Muhleisen, celebrating 60 years of marriage on 4/2/2021.

Love and best wishes from Julie and Donna and families



DEATH

BINGHAM — (Nee Clare)

"Millie" Millicent Margaret.

30.07.1925 - 01.02.2021

Loving wife of Ted (dec). Much loved mother of Kevin. Loving stepmother to Robert, Bev, Ken, Ray, Carol & Helen. Adored by all their families.

Thanks to the caring and beautiful staff at Estia Health, Wattle Glen Vic.

(Millie and Ted lived at Mitiamo and after Ted's death Millie moved to Waterwheel Court in Lockington)

Please make the most
of the last breaths
of Summer.

The pool is still open,
the playground
is shady,
and beside the channel is a
peaceful place
for a walk
or to read a book



NORTHERN RIVERS UNITING CHURCH CLUSTER

Northern Rivers Uniting Church Cluster extends to you a warm welcome to:

February 21 – 10.00am -

Combined Cluster service in Elmore Uniting Church.

February 28 – 10.00am -

Combined Cluster service in Tongala Uniting Church.

Churches will be open when there isn't a Lock down relative to this area.

The services will be 'Zoomed' for those who physically cannot attend. Connection is the same as during the virus, but details can be obtained from Graeme Haines 0427 862 355, or Beryl Marshall 0428 862 353. Bamawm Church will be open, when there isn't a lock down, for those who wish to attend, and will be Zoomed to there.



Pray for Vanuatu

World Day of Prayer 2021



Date: Friday, 6th March

Time: 8.00 p.m.

Location: Bamawm Uniting Church

Contact person:

Beryl Marshall, 0428 862 353

COVID19 AND CHURCHES

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with your church,
as to service times
and structures

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8:00am Mass

St Joseph's, Rochester

Every Sunday - 10:00am Mass

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Every Saturday - Vigil 5.30 pm
Every Sunday - 12 noon Latin Mass



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Contacts:
Ray Wakefield 5486 2592
Graeme Haines 5486 2284

JOURNEY OF Faith

John c3 v 17.

For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved

MEALS ON WHEELS



Currently being delivered by
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CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL NEWS



Campaspe: Thriving Together

You can help shape the future of Campaspe!

Council has started an extensive community consultation program, where you can provide your feedback about what you think Council needs to focus on and prioritise.

In 2015, Council in conjunction with its communities set a vision for the future, 'We want to be strong, supportive, vibrant and sustainable'.

Now five years later it's time to ask the community again what it aspires to and what are the issues that Council must address with and for its communities.

Across the next two months, Council will seek feedback from the community to check if the issues identified back in 2015 are still relevant and what we can do together to address them. All this hard work will help Council prepare a new community vision and Council Plan, and other key documents.

The feedback session for **Lockington** is as follows:

Date: Thursday, 18 March

Time: 7pm

Venue: Lockington Community Centre

Other sessions are being held across the shire and are open to all residents.

An online survey is also now open, closing Friday, 2 April. By completing the survey, you have the chance to win an iPad.

[For more information and to access to the survey, visit our webpage:](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/futurecampaspe)

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Creative Active Recovery Grant

This one-off grant program is now open, providing a maximum of \$5,000 to support businesses, community groups or individuals deliver activities or projects before Wednesday, 30 June to support COVID-19 recovery.

Full details at webpage

www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/covidgrant

Youth Advisory Group (YAG)

People aged 12 to 25 in Campaspe Shire are invited to apply to join the YAG. Work closely with staff and councillors, advocate for youth affairs, and input into projects and developments. Applications are available on Council's website and close Friday, 26 February. For further information, contact Community Programs Officer, Ben Hearn on 5481 2200 or yag@campaspe.vic.gov.au.

Street tree planting

Council's Street Tree Planting Program will see a number of new trees planted in nature strips, parks and gardens across the shire. Expressions of interest are now open and will close at the end of February. To request a new street tree, or to replace an existing tree, lodge an online application through Council's website, visit a customer service centre or call 1300 666 535.

Immunisations:

Campaspe Shire Council

Immunisation Session

By appointment only

Ph: 1300 666 535

Monday, 22 March

11.30am – 12noon

Lockington Bush Nursing Centre

Vaccines for children & adults

Refer to Council website

for more info.

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

AUSTRALIA DAY - LIONS STYLE

The Lockington Lions Club held their annual Breakfast in the Park with about 100 people coming along to enjoy the cooler morning and celebrating Aust. Day in the Park. After a meal and cuppa the crowd headed across to the cenotaph to watch 2 YAGers, Lincoln and Christy raise the Australian and Federation flags with the crowd singing the National Anthem. Moving into the hall we then listened to the guest speaker James Dullard, Assistant Chief Fire Officer talk about his time in his current role and previous positions



The Lions Club wish to thank Noel at Helen's Takeaway for his generous donation on the day and for the community to come out and join in the activities.



CHANNEL FISHING

Young and old and everything inbetween enjoyed Australia Day, relaxing by the channel and throwing a line in. Fish were caught and plenty of yabbies too for the annual Yabbie Race. As usual, the Action Club had sourced plenty of prizes, enough for all the kids.





Trust for Nature is one of Australia's oldest conservation organisations, working to protect and restore places in Victoria where wildlife and native plants can thrive.

In one of Australia's most heavily cleared states, the Victorian Northern Plains has retained areas of grasslands, grassy woodlands and wetlands that are of significant conservation value. The Victorian Northern Plains extends from the Murray River in the north to Charlton, Boort and Lockington in the south; from the Campaspe River in the east encompassing the alluvial plains to the west of the Avoca River.

The Victorian Northern Plains supports and provides refuge for many species. In particular, the landscape is a haven for grassland species that are under serious threat and decline and the region comprises some of the most significant habitat in the world for the critically endangered Plains-wanderer.

Trust for Nature, through support from the Helen Macpherson Smith Trust has recently published a Victorian Northern Plains Landscape Plan. This plan provides direction for the collaboration of Trust for Nature and others to significantly increase the area of protected grasslands, grassy woodlands and wetlands and to manage them to achieve the goals identified in the plan.

If you are interested in receiving a copy of the plan please email: deannam@tfn.org.au

Leadership is based on inspiration, not domination;
on cooperation, not intimidation.

William Arthur Wood

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Left - Billy has been growing his hair for over 12months for the shave. He's all set for the chop on the 12th March.

Please donate via
www.leukaemiafoundation.org.au
And donate to William Forster

DISCOVER LOCKINGTON PLAY GROUP

Parents, guardians and grandparents of under school aged children.
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When: Wednesday morning

Time: 9.30 am to 11.30

Cost: \$1 per child

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What a hidden gem Lockington provides.



A good leader takes a little more than their share of the blame,
And a little less than their share of the credit.
Arnold H. Glasow

HERITAGE COMPLEX RECEIVES SUPPORT

Wendy Wright of Lockington Bendigo Bank branch presented Beryl Marshall with a certificate acknowledge their sponsorship to purchase a mobile display rack and sleeves.

The display will hold memorabilia of historic interest, i.e. calendars, posters, photos, news items, maps etc. Work has started on placing items no doubt of interest to visitors.

As items are uncovered, which have been 'hidden away' for too long, they will be added to the display.

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex committee are very grateful to the Bank for their support, especially during these difficult times when income has been almost non-existent.



COMMUNITY**ACTION CLUB OF
LOCKINGTON***MONTHLY MEETINGS:***1st Wednesday** - Dinner at Clubrooms**3rd Wednesday** - Activity

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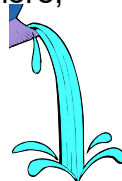
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Re: Covid19 updates

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Immunisation Session**

By appointment only



Ph: 1300 666 535

**Monday, 22 March
11.30am – 12noon**

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

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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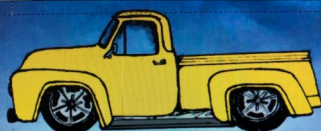


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4 February 2021

Dan does the dirty and abandons
regional Victoria's small businesses

Many regional Victorian businesses still haven't received desperately-needed grants funding more than six months since Andrews Government-imposed shutdowns forced regional economies to their knees, The Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains, Peter Walsh, said.

Mr Walsh said analysis of the grants revealed a total lack of accountability or transparency on 14 of the 20 business support programs put up by the Andrews Labor Government to assist with COVID recovery.

"Half of the six packages reported on by the Government had distributed 12 per cent or less of the total funds at December 4 last year," he said.

"In Parliament in October The Nationals asked the Victorian Labor Government to explain to local businesses why their coronavirus economic support grant applications had been denied, despite meeting the criteria.

"The Minister for Jobs, Precincts and Regions was asked to respond to the many local applicants who were denied business support grants and were awaiting an explanation.

"Many, many small businesses, not just in my seat of Murray Plains but right across regional Victoria, have contacted our offices with the same question: 'Are these business support grants a con? They don't seem to be real'."

Mr Walsh said the grants were an urgently needed lifeline for struggling small businesses, but Daniel Andrews was sitting on this money.

"Daniel Andrews has dismally let down mum and dad businesses, failing to support them in a timely and fair way," he said.

"During Victoria's harsh second wave lockdown we were inundated with complaints from business owners unable to access support.

"Critical financial support was too little, too late, for tens of thousands of family business and sole traders, many who were destroyed by Daniel Andrews and his inaction.

"Small businesses are the backbone of our country communities; but Andrews' focus remains on the protecting the unions – his major political donors."

Of the more than 600,000 small businesses in Victoria, the Andrews Labor Government claims to have supported around 129,000 businesses of all sizes in Victoria – less than 22 per cent.

Background

The analysis to Victoria's Parliamentary Accounts and Estimates Committee shows:

Of the 20 business support programs presented by the Government, 14 (70 per cent) of them were unable to provide any details of their efficacy or how much money was actually given out to support businesses.

Of the six packages reported on by the government, less than half the promoted value of the package was actually distributed by 4 December 2020. That's over six months past the introduction of restrictions and forced business closure. Half of the six packages had distributed 12 per cent or less of the value of the packages.

Only 4000 of the approximately 400,000 Victorian sole traders were eligible for support, and only \$12 million of the Government's \$100 million allocated to sole traders was allocated by 4 December 2020.

The hospitality industry suffered the longest and most severe lockdown restrictions imposed by the Andrews Labor Government. Less than 50 per cent of the specialised support available was distributed by 4 December 2020.

8 February 2021

Stop disadvantaged discrimination
against the online ostracised: Walsh

The Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains, Peter Walsh, has slammed the Andrews government for its "ongoing discrimination" against Victorians who cannot actually apply for government services or grants online.

Mr Walsh said he would like to remind the Andrews government that not everyone has a computer and not everyone actually has access to the internet.

He said if the Premier and his Ministers spent any serious time north of Melbourne's tram tracks; they would discover a world where too many services are second-hand – and the internet and access to reliable 24-hour internet coverage is more a dream than reality.

"The most recent example of this government's marginalising is the \$250 power-saving bonus," Mr Walsh said.

"Pensioners are one cohort who would benefit greatly from this particular power-saving bonus – \$250 is a lot of money to a pensioner," he said.

"But if they do not actually have a computer, they cannot apply for that particular bonus – and with more than a little irony, if you have any problems, the website offers you an email to lodge your questions/complaints.

"And, I might say, even if they did have a computer, most of these people would find the website absolutely complex to try to navigate their way through to make an application.

"So yes, they are disadvantaged because they do not have a computer."

Mr Walsh said the failures did not stop there.

He cited the annual pensioner free rail travel bonus as another example.

He told Parliament where pensioners once were posted a travel ticket for these free trips; that has also shifted into cyberspace as well.

"No-one told them it was changed to online but – and here's the irony back again – my office was told everyone had been sent an email," Mr Walsh laughed.

"Except, of course, the many people who don't have one, because they don't have internet and/or a computer," he said.

"But as the news filtered through the system, and friends heard about it from friends, then the technically ostracised were told they were too late; and would have to reapply the next year.

"What a brilliant way to save on the cost of a few free tickets, one of the scant rewards this government tosses to its more vulnerable citizens. but it has changed to online.

"And the same issue applied to cross-border permits, and I commend the Koondrook post office, which did a lot of applications for people who do not have a computer.

"To stop discrimination against people without a computer, I would urge the government to actually bring back face-to-face business services; or paper applications so people are not discriminated against."



Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc.

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Staff lunchbreak - 12.30 to 1.30 daily

The centre will be closed from 12.30 to 1.30 each trading day for Staff to have a lunchbreak. Unless you have an emergency or a prearranged appointment, please schedule your visit or phone call either side of this time. Many thanks.

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Do you have any favourite quotes? "We can't help everyone but everyone can help someone" -Ronald Reagan.

What music were you listening to, 10years ago? Probably a mixture of pop, classic rock and jazz.

Favourite places that you have travelled? So many...Italy-particularly Rome, Barcelona, London, New York.

At what shop would you like to max out your credit card? Dan Murphy's.

How do you like your eggs? Poached, always with bacon!

What is your favourite season of the year? Summer- hands down. I hate winter.

What is your favourite way to unwind? Yoga, reading, baking.

What animal would you consider as your spirit animal? Panda- cute, cuddly & lazy- just kidding Peace, tranquil, determined.



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The Lockington Youth Action Group enjoyed participated in learning about all aspects of vehicle maintenance during the latest Life Skills session.

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The group also took turns in checking the oil and learnt about the best times to check the water and coolant levels in the radiator.

By the end of the session, all participants learnt all of the basics in maintaining their own cars and changing their tyres to be able to get home safely.





LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

8th February

A big weekend of bowls at the Club with both Pennant divisions at home on the Saturday and the huge roll up for the popular Cunningham Cup 2x4x2 Mixed Pairs on Sunday.

In the round of CVBD Weekend Pennant both Division Three and Division Four recorded victories over their respective opponents Rochester Red and Mathoura. In the division Three victory 66-47, all rinks were successful. (Ian Johnson d. A Gusak 20-16; Ray Hanson d. G Chambers 21-14; Russell Shawcross d. F Keech 25-17). Division Four defeated Mathoura 62-39 with 2 rink wins and a tie. (Frank Chugg drew W Cowley 13-all; Ken Main d. J Dean 18-13; Calvin Stout d. J Toomey 31-13). On the pennant ladder both division Three and division Four are holding down fourth position.

In then CVBD Midweek Pennant the results were Moama Red d. Mathoura Red 75-41; Moama Green d. City of Echuca White 57-53; Rich River d. Elmore 59-38; Tongala d. City of Echuca Blue 57-50; Mathoura Blue d. Ky Valley View 80-47.

On Sunday the club held the popular Cunningham Cup 2x4x2x Mixed Pairs attracting a field of 64 bowlers quality bowlers. Visitors from Bendigo, City of Echuca, Colbinabbin, Elmore, Mathoura, Moama, Rich River, Rochester, Stanhope and several local members. The winners were decided on a Points system and there were seven three game winners. There was plenty of excitement when the local pairing of Denise "Happy" Gilmore and Owen "Smiley" McPhee were announced the winners on 80 points plus 30 shots ahead of the Stanhope pair of Jenny Crilly and Barry Fletcher with 80 points plus 23 shots. Down the line were Pam - Stan Limbrick (Mathoura) 78 pts, Lorna Wilson - Greg Chandler (Colbinabbin - Elmore) 78, Annette Brereton - Les Brereton 77, Sandra & Merv Harvey 76, Anne Lowrie - Bill Musgrove 74. Special competition winners included Ron Jones (Moama), Phillip Cunningham and Annette Brereton. Both Gilmore and McPhee will have their names etched on the magnificent Shield. Tournament Secretary Chris Stewart thanked the Cunningham Family for their continued support. Phillip Cunningham responded on behalf of the family. Club President Ray Hanson thanked the women for the delightful afternoon tea and manning the raffle ticket sales. The green staff, Kevin Humbert and Les Brereton were acknowledged for the effort in preparing the excellent greens. A very successful day of bowls.

The third round of "Barefoot Bowls" was contested by 34 players on Tuesday evening. The winning trio were Jeff Carnie, Ian Scurrah, Steve "Knockers" Nolan (s) on plus 17 shots. Next in line was the team of Jacob Haines, Ian Haines, Dean Cook (s) +16 with Andy Harris, Sue Harris, Josh DiAngri (s) in third place on +15 shorts. The next round of "Barefoot Bowls" will be held on Thursday 18th February at 7.00pm. Names to be listed by 6.45pm.

During the week members competed in the Sixty & Over competition at Moama plus the annual Elmore tournaments on Tuesday and Thursday. Overall not much success, but two wins out of three games sounded the "norm".

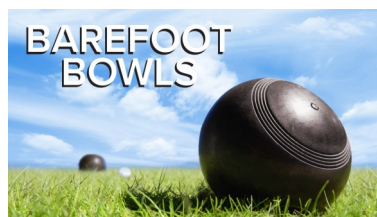
The previous Sunday, Denise Gilmore competed in the CVBD State Novice Singles held at Rochester. Gilmore played brilliantly to qualify for the CVBD play-off against Louisa Dean (City of Echuca) to be held at the Moama Bowling Club on this coming Sunday along with all State disciplines starting at 9.00am. This day will provide an excellent display from our CVBD bowlers.

In the club championship competitions, Dave Thomas was in fine form to defeat club champion Russell Shawcross in the first round of the Presidents trophy 21 Up with a score of 21-16 while Tom Davis proved too experienced for Leon Laffy 21-15. Bill Musgrove d. Steve Peter.

The club held the weekly barbeque and practice session on Friday evening. The lucky members draw favoured Owen McPhee.

The club will hold the annual Twilight Mixed Fours on Tuesday 16th February starting at 5.00pm. Contact Lorraine Appleby 0427 802569 or Annie Haines 5486 8220 for details.

The enormously popular Annual Waterwheel Classic Fours will be held on Sunday 21st March commencing at 9.30am. This is a gold-letter event. Contact Chris Stewart 5486 2607 for entries.



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LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

Photos from the Cunnington Cup held last Sunday 7th February, 2021. Philip Cunnington presented the prizes on behalf of the Family.



Left - Runner-up to event: I to r. Barry Fletcher, Jenny Crilly of Stanhope with Philip Cunnington.



Right - Winners of event: I to r. Owen McPhee and Denise Gilmore of Lockington with Philip.

14th February

The women enjoyed the game of Scrounge at their weekly Social bowls on Tuesday. The winners on the day included Phyllis MacFarlane, Mary Thomas and Ann Lowrie.

On the Tuesday evening the third round of the popular Barefoot Bowls was held and attracted 36 players. Three two game winners with a solid performance from the team comprising Phillip Cunnington, Duane Cunnington and Peter Eade (s) taking out the trophies on plus 13 shots and 10 ends on a countback from Warren Jones, Dean Cook, Ian Maddison (s) +13 shots 8 ends. IN third place was John van den Bosch, Martin and Jodie Martin (s) +12 shots. The next Barefoot bowls will be held on Tuesday 23rd February at 7.00pm.

With the snap decision to put the State of Victoria under lock-down late Friday due to OVID outbreaks, the CVBD Week-end Pennant was cancelled and a decision will be reached on further dates as it was supposedly the final round of pennant. This does create unnecessary duress on clubs and divisions in re-scheduling events and tournaments that have received total entries, plus the

CVBD Champions day has been re-scheduled for this coming Sunday 21st February at Rich River Bowls Club.

Friday morning the women played the final round of the intra-club Pennant. Results were – Bottle Brush defeated Waratah and Grevillia defeated Banksia. The final four is Bottle Brush, Grevillea, Waratah & Banksia. The finals will commence on Friday.

The results in the CVBD Midweek Pennant competition included some close games. City of Echuca White d. Moama Red 58-56; Mathoura Red d. Moama Green 66-56; Rich River d. Mathoura Blue 69-59; City of Echuca Blue d. Ky Valley View 54-51; Elmore d. Tongala 74-42.

During the week members travelled far and wide to attend tournaments. Russell Shawcross, Denise Gilmore and Brian Kinnane played at the Boort Triples and came home level with par – winning two games by one and two shots and reversing the trend by losing two Games by one and two shots. The weekly Sixty & Over was played at Ky Valley View and the locals failed to appear on the winners listing.

In the club competitions, the club President and club Secretary have featured in both 21 Up and the 100 Up competition. Playing each other in each event, the score-line is level pegging. Haines gained the nod in the Presidents trophy 21 Up before Hanson displayed impressive form to win the round of the 100 Up. Other results were John van den Bosch accounted for Don Isgro. Andy Harris is to play Calvin Stout in the bottom half of the 21 Up draw. In the 100 Up round Alan Kauffman bowled well to upset our club champion Russell Shawcross. The women have released the draw for the 100 Up Presidents trophy. Sue Harris .v. Margaret Dowie, Leanne McInnes .v. Annette Brereton, Mary Thomas .v. Annie Haines, Pauline Humbert .v. Denise Gilmore.

The Friday evening barbeque was well attended to hear the news of “no-pennant”, but enjoyed a wonderful meal and sweets. The lucky members draw favoured a missing bowler.

On Thursday evening, club members are invited to attend a Sponsors night of Bowls commencing at 6.30pm. Casual wear and names to be listed and to show our appreciation for their generosity.

Due to the State Lockdown the scheduled Annual Twilight Mixed Fours tournament for Tuesday evening has been put on hold.

The club will hold the annual Waterwheel Classic Fours on Sunday 21st March starting at 9.30am. Entries to Chris Stewart 5486 2607 or Tom Davis 0428 865477.

A change of date for the Toyota Fours in April, will now be held on Sunday 11th April starting at 9.30am.

Good bowling to Denise Gilmore who will represent the club in the CVBD State Novice Singles on Sunday at Rich River. Gilmore will meet Louisa Dean (City of Echuca) on rink one (T.V. rink) at 9.30am.



FEBRUARY

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Wednesday 24

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7:30pm Heritage Centre

Sunday 28

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MARCH

Monday 1

LOCKY NEWS TYPING DAY

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Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls
1:15pm at Community Centre

Community Planning Meeting

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Wednesday 3

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7:30pm at Club Rooms

Sunday 7

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Monday 8

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Heritage Complex Meeting
7:30pm at the Complex

Wednesday 10

Lockington Lions Club Business Meeting
7:30pm Heritage Centre

THURSDAY 11

Milloo CWA
10:00am at Milloo Hall

FRIDAY 12

"Billy" Forster's Head Shave
Details to follow...

Social Indoor Bowls
7:30pm at Bamawm Extension Hall

SATURDAY 13

Lockington Pony Club AGM
2pm at the Scurrah Recreation
Reserve (Pony Club Grounds) cnr
Dullard and Strathallan Roads,
Lockington. All welcome

Sunday 14

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

Wednesday 17

Action Club Activity Night
At Clubrooms

**We have reverted
to pre-COVID
calendar details
for all groups.
Please check
that details are correct
and advise us of any changes.**

Email lockynews@bigpond.com

**Thank you
Alison (Editor)**

LOCKINGTON LIBRARY HOURS:

Tuesday 10.00 am – 2.00 pm
Wednesday 10.00 am – 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



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
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Phone 0499 170 329
- Dr. Patrick Nzegwu
9.30 am - 5.00 pm
Bush Nursing Centre
Phone: 5486 2544.
- Ladies Social Bowls
Names by 9.45 am - start 10.00 am
- Men's Social Scrounge 1pm

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
- Lockington Playgroup
9:30am - 11:30am
(not during school holidays)
St. James Church Hall.
Enquiries: Tammy Norman 0411 056 765

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

- Men's Bowls practice 4:30pm
BBQ Tea to follow

SATURDAYS

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