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LOCKY NEWS

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EOI'S OPEN FOR PLACE BASED PLAN COMMITTEE

Campaspe Shire Council is asking community-minded locals to nominate for the Lockington Place Based Plan Committee.

The Committee will play a key role in helping Council determine how the town should look now and into the future by assessing Lockington's big picture needs and aspirations.

Participants will have a voice in determining the future of important assets such as the Lockington Pool as well as planning new infrastructure but please note YOU MUST be willing to commit to regular meetings.

Place Based Planning is designed to make places better.

It recognises that those who live, work and play locally are best placed to understand their community's unique challenges and identify practical and achievable goals.

If you are interested in joining the Lockington Place Based Plan Committee, complete an online Expression of Interest form by visiting www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/Lockington no later than 23 February, 2024.

You can also contact Campaspe Shire Council for further information (or scan the QR code on Pg 10 of Locky News).



CUTENESS PERSONIFIED! Heidi & Ivy Francis show their style at Locky Barefoot Bowls. Read the full story on Page 3.

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LOCKINGTON - LINES IN TIME

Hello again everyone,

We have reached the year 1900, as we look back at the early newspapers, and in September that year the matter of the long-sought rail service through the district came to light once again. On 5 September, according to an item published in the Elmore Standard on the 7th, a deputation from Cohuna waited on the Minister of Railways to speak in favour of a line from Cohuna to Rochester! The matter was then addressed to the Premier who said that, depending on the strength of supporting evidence, the case would be referred to the Railway Committee.

Weather conditions across the district that Spring were ideal and there were high hopes for an excellent harvest. Residents were able to relax a little and socialise. In that same issue of the Standard, the Pannoomilloo correspondent wrote of the marriage of Miss E G Maude Harrison, eldest daughter of Mr George Harrison of Pannoomilloo, to Mr John Y Anderson of "Calder Park." The ceremony took place at the Harrison family home on 5 September 1900. The correspondent also described the successful celebration of the Warragamba Sunday School anniversary, which had taken place in the Wesleyan Church on the previous Sunday. On the last Saturday in September, the annual Pinegrove Sports were held in "delightful weather, with good entries and large attendances." A full list of all the results appeared in the Bendigo Independent on 4 October.

On 20 October 1900, there came a report from the Independent's travelling reporter, who said that Summer seemed "to have come with a jump" and the crops, which had seemed so promising a fortnight ago, had "begun to weaken a little." He noted that storekeepers, like the farmers, were feeling the strain but all still hoped for a plentiful harvest. (In the ensuing weeks, correspondents from Diggora West and Tennyson were to record similar observations.) On 26 October, the Elmore Standard reported that "a large picnic party from Diggora" intended visiting the Campaspe Weir on the following Sunday afternoon and a local amateur photographer would be taking snapshots of the picnickers. (*I wonder if anyone has a copy of one of those snapshots now!! M.O'B*)

On 8 November 1900, the Tennyson correspondent to the Bendigo Advertiser advised that Mr Archibald Yeaman, one of the earliest settlers in this district, died on 31 October at Williamstown, where he has been living for some years. "He was very highly respected, and was in every way a model farmer." And, on 28 November, the Bendigo Independent advised that Mr Joseph Sims, of Tennyson, had died very suddenly at his home on the previous Monday. His death was thought to have been caused by "heat apoplexy."

So the end of the year arrived. On 1 December, the Leader described the crops between Tennyson and Rochester as being patchy, probably owing to want of moisture in the subsoil. However, the Tennyson correspondent writing to the Bendigo Advertiser on the 11th, felt that a good average yield would be obtained. The New Year presented with its own set of problems – There was typhoid in the district; water in the dams was becoming low; rabbits and foxes were becoming numerous; and farmers, anxious to burn-off stubble were being urged to exercise caution. There was good news and sad news – Mr George Ham and Miss Flora East, both of Diggora were married in Rochester on 7 February 1901; and, on 18 February, Diggora lost an old and esteemed resident with the death of Mr John O'Brien. He had come to Victoria from Tipperary in 1864 and had lived in Diggora since 1879. Reporting his death, the Elmore Standard of 21 February 1901, recorded that he would be remembered by many as "Johnny O'Brien, the ploughing judge," by reason of his having been Judge at the ploughing matches held at Diggora in earlier years. He was 66 years of age.

On 14 February, the Elmore Railway League met to discuss the proposed new rail link to Cohuna, in light of a suggestion being made that the junction with the Bendigo-Echuca line be made at Rochester rather than at Elmore. As reported in the Elmore Standard on 21 February 1901, the matter of a proposed Wandong-Heathcote-Elmore line, which could result in a shorter trip to Melbourne, was also discussed. There was no shortage of ideas being put forward, as indicated by an article that was published in the Kerang Times on 22 February. Goornong, Rochester and Elmore were all three putting in claims for the starting point of the Cohuna railway and, on 27 February, Mr Trenwith, Minister of Railways, would be in Cohuna to meet with the local railway league. According to the Bendigo Advertiser on 23 February, it was hoped that members of the railway leagues in Elmore and Pannoomilloo would also have the opportunity of meeting with Mr Trenwith while he was in the district.

On the local scene, a disastrous fire had occurred on the property of Mr George Singer at Bamawm, on 23 February 1900. Sheds and outbuildings were burned, and only the family dwelling was saved. Mr Singer was the owner-operator of a chaffcutter, and was well-known and well thought-of by the local farming community. He lost two valuable threshing machines in the fire, and the report in the Bendigo Advertiser on 26 February, stated that it was not known if the equipment was insured.

More next time -
Marg O'Brien

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.

2-10 Market Street, Lockington



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other times by appointment
Phone "Jack" Oliver 0428 862 566

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Hire of the main room plus the side room \$100
Hire of commercial kitchen \$100
plus refundable \$100 bond
Phone Sandra 0427 030 804

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.

Sunday Duty Roster

28 January	Beryl & Garry
4 February	Joe & Julie
11 February	Gordon M & Peter B
18 February	Sandra & Ian W

LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

Christmas Raffle Winners

1st Prize	(side of lamb)	Alison Stewart
2nd Prize	(hamper)	Graeme Carnie
3rd Prize	(hamper)	Dorothy Pentreath
4th Prize	(hamper)	Jim Harris
5th Prize	(picnic set)	Kalvan Stout
6th Prize	(bag of dog food)	Steve Pavone

Thanks to all who purchased tickets to support the Club.

Happy Birthday



RALPH NICHOL
turns 90
on 31 January

*Congratulations & best wishes
from your family -*

*Dorothy, Brian & Glenda, Debbie &
Mark, Russell & Nikala, Darren &
Trish, your seven grandchildren &
seven great grandchildren.*

Have a great day!!

Lockington Place Based Plan Committee

**Support the development
of your community!**

Nominate Now

**Closes
Friday, 23 February**

Scan the QR code or visit
www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/lockington



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Shire Council



FUN AT BAREFOOT BOWLS

From Page 1: Here it is, proof that bowls is a game for all ages!

When Davin and Sam Francis decided to join Lockington Bowls Club's Barefoot Bowls fun, they brought along their three children - Heidi (aged four), Ivy (three) and seven-month-old Josie.

Just as the invitation states, "Barefoot Bowls is for everyone" and there are a number of families who participate with children in tow.

It was a delight for all to see baby Josie carried from end to end, and Heidi and Ivy running up and down the green as each end was played, even helping to kick the bowls back.

The older girls also enjoy having a roll off their own mat to the kitty (pictured above).

If you've been thinking about Barefoot Bowls, please come along to the Lockington Bowls Club on Tuesday night (6.30pm for a 7pm start) & enjoy the fun & friendship - bowls available for those needing them.

2nd Annual Pyramid Hill Art Competition and Sales



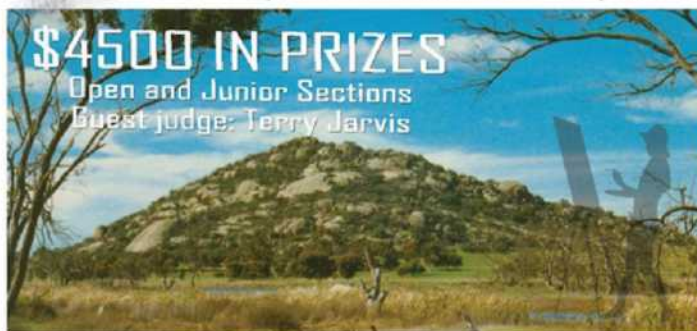
A Major's Vision

16th-22nd February 2024

Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall - Kelly Street

\$4500 IN PRIZES

Open and Junior Sections
Guest judge: Terry Jarvis



Official opening Function 16th February 7pm till 10 pm. Entry \$15 includes, program, supper and music
Art show admission \$10 including light morning or afternoon tea

Entries close 31st January 2024

Entry Forms and Information available from -
Pyramid Hill Art Show Facebook page

Phone Anne on 0458524163 or aegrogen16@gmail.com
or Terry Wood tp.wood@bigpond.com

Exhibition of Indigenous Art by
Internationally renowned artist Kevin Williams
Exhibit Indigenous artefacts by Paul Haw

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Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

What's On In Lockington!

KIDS FISHING COMPETITION

Proudly brought to you by Lockington Action Club

Lockington Channel

Friday 26 January

10.30am - 12.30pm

Bring the family for a relaxing day out
Lots of prizes & giveaways including fishing rods
for the biggest fish caught & a mystery prize
for the yabbie weight competition.
Also featuring yabbie races

Everyone welcome - BYO Picnic Lunch



BREAKY IN THE PARK

The Lockington Lions Club
warmly invites the community to attend

**Australia Day
Breakfast in the Park
Friday 26 January**

Breakfast from 8am (gold coin donation)
Flag Raising Ceremony at 10am

Guest Speaker - Barb Walker

LIONS CLUB SERVICE RECOGNISED



On Sunday 7 January an inter-Club get together involving members of the Elmore, Lockington, Rochester, Echuca and Moama Lions was held in Rochester.

It was a very informal evening with a two- course meal, lots of banter and a quiz.

With Lions District Governor John Houghton also present, it made for a great night.

DG John presented some much deserving members with Chevrons including Neil Haines (pictured above left) who received a badge for 25 years of Lions' service.

Marg Dowie (pictured above right) also received a 10-year service; congratulations to both on a wonderful achievement.



Inflatable Fun

At Outdoor Pools



Month of January
4.30 - 6.30pm

Rushworth	2 & 3	Stanhope	16 & 17
Colbinabbin	4 & 5	Rushworth	18 & 19
Tongala	9 & 10	Colbinabbin	23 & 24
Kyabram	11 & 12	Lockington	25 & 26

Keep up to date on our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/CampaspeAquatics

Great school holiday entertainment in Locky
on 25 & 26 January. Always free entry.

RABBIT CONTROL EVENING



Thursday 1 February
7pm - 8.30pm
Lockington Community Hall

RSVP via text to 0411 214 751

Join us for an evening presentation on Rabbit control programs with Industry experts. Learn about control programs running in our local area and how you can plan a control project on your property. Contribute to mapping our local rabbit populations for future control.

FREE FARMER WORKSHOP

Agriculture Victoria and the City of Greater Bendigo are inviting small scale livestock owners to a free workshop on managing heat stress in sheep and cattle.

The workshop will cover:-

- Identifying heat stress in sheep and cattle during summer
- Shearing responsibilities and animal health
- Managing flies and livestock
- Heat stress management within a biosecurity management plan
- How to check the condition of your animals

Presenters:-

Dr Hayden Morrow, Agriculture Victoria District Veterinary Officer
Erica Schelfhorst, Agriculture Victoria Livestock Extension Officer

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, 6 February from 6pm to 8.30pm at the Quality Hotel Lakeside, 286 Napier St, Bendigo.

To book your free ticket, visit:

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1163413?mc_cid=67df22683f&mc_eid=212a1257be

Farmers who recently experienced impacts from heavy rains across the state can contact Agriculture Victoria on 0427 694 185 or recovery@agriculture.vic.gov.au (BH) for agriculture recovery assistance or advice, including technical support.

Helpful information is also available via the website <https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/farm-management/emergency-management/floods>

CALENDAR DATES



January

- 26 Australia Day Events - Lions Breakfast, Fishing Comp, inflatables @ Locky Pool
- 30 First day - Term 1 Vic Government students
- 30 COVID Vaccination Clinic - LDBNC

February

- 5 NEXT LOCKY NEWS TYPING DAY
- 9 Southern 80 Ski Race
- 16-18 Riverboats Music Festival in Echuca
- 16-22 Pyramid Hill Art Competition
- 20 Campaspe Shire Council Meeting
- 23 EOI's close - Lockington Place Based Plan Committee
- 23 Great Northern Show @ Rochester



FARM BUSINESS RESILIENCE WORKSHOP SERIES: ROCHESTER/ELMORE

WANT TO BUILD A STRONGER, MORE PRODUCTIVE FARM BUSINESS?

Agriculture Victoria has the workshop series to help you build more resilience in your farm business.

You will leave each workshop with new skills and an action plan to achieve your business goals.

As a bonus, if you attend 3 or more workshops you will secure a one-on-one business planning session with Senior Agribusiness Consultant Jane Foster at the end of the workshop series.

The workshops are free and include lunch.

LOCATION

All 4 workshops will be held at:
Pine Grove Fire Station,
2691 Whinfield Road, Lockington

WORKSHOPS

Workshop 1 – Planning for Success

Time: 9.30 am – 12 pm Date: Friday 8 March

Join Senior Agribusiness Consultant Jane Foster, ORM Pty Ltd, for a face-to-face workshop on identifying and managing risks, strategic planning and setting business goals.

Workshop 2 – Business Success

Time: 9 am – 12.30 pm Date: Thursday 14 March

Join Farm Business Economist Sam Henty for a face-to-face workshop on financial management, budgeting and profitable decision making.



Workshop 3 – People Success

Time: 9 am – 12.30 pm Date: Thursday 21 March

Dairy Biosecurity and Business Resilience Officer, Helen Chenoweth, will deliver a face-to-face workshop on managing people on farm, succession planning and farm safety.

Workshop 4 – Climate Risk and Natural Resource Management

Time: 9 am – 12.30 pm Date: Tuesday 26 March

Seasonal Risk Agronomist, Dale Grey and Land Management Extension Officer Martin Hamilton, will deliver a face-to-face workshop on understanding and identifying climate risk and natural resource management on farm.

MORE INFO AND REGISTER

To secure your place, complete the registration form by clicking on the link:
<https://forms.office.com/r/m0VJl8426m>

or scanning the QR code:

Please register for catering purposes.

For more information about the workshop series, contact Elizabeth Alsop on 0457 838 537 or email Elizabeth.alsop@deeca.vic.gov.au



The Farm Business Resilience Program is supporting farmers to build stronger, more productive agricultural businesses.
Visit: agriculture.vic.gov.au/FBRP

The Farm Business Resilience Program is jointly funded through the Australian Government's Farm Profit Fund and the Victorian Government's Future Agriculture Skills Capacity Fund.



Stop kidding yourself. If you drink, don't drive.

Thinking about driving after a couple of drinks? Think again.
If you blow .05 or over, you could face serious penalties,
including fines, losing your licence, getting an interlock installed
in your car and having to blow zero for three years.

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LOCKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

Office staffed 8.30am to 5.00pm Tues/Wed/Thurs
Ph 0499 170 329 Email nhldbc@gmail.com

TERM 1, 2024

There's nothing better than a cuppa & a chat
Join us at the Plumber's Shed
(opposite the Supermarket) for

Morning Tea
10am - 11.30am

A community wellbeing initiative proudly presented
in partnership by Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre
& Lockington Neighbourhood House

Cuppa Connection is held on the Second Thursday
of every month - all welcome

FREE

LOCKY YOUTH ACTION GROUP
(AKA YAGERS)

Held Wednesday during School Terms
4pm to 5.30pm in the Plumber's Shed
Open to high school students aged 12-16 years

FREE

New participants always welcome

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Join our green thumbs
for friendship, fresh air,
frivolity & knowledge sharing
EVERY WEDNESDAY
morning from 9am

Lockington Community Garden is located behind the Plumber's Shed



Men's Shed meets every Tuesday from 10am

A gold coin donation for morning tea is appreciated

Promoting camaraderie & friendship & providing an outlet
for members with an interest to explore woodworking



CASUAL ART GROUP

Meets In The
Plumber's Shed

MONDAYS
from 10am

BYO Project
Painting - Sewing - Craft



LOCKY UKERS

Ukulele Group practices
TUESDAY EVENINGS
from 6.30pm
in the Plumber's Shed

Keep an eye out for new
beginner ukulele workshops

CALLING ALL CREATIVES & SEWING ENTHUSIASTS

Would you be interested in participating in an Upcycled Clothing
Workshop, learning how to sew new items from second hand men's shirts?

**Please contact Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya
McDermott if you would like to attend and we will look at suitable
times and dates.**



Lockington Neighbourhood House is here if you need assistance with printing, grant or letter writing, your phone or email, paying accounts or dealing with utility and other service providers. Please don't hesitate to ask.



Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc.

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Apply mosquito repellent evenly to exposed skin. Pack repellent when going for walks, camping, fishing, or travelling



Wear long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing, and closed shoes



Empty buckets of water around home to stop mosquitoes breeding

Pfizer Covid Vaccination Clinic

10am — 12.30pm

Tuesday,
30th January, 2024

Need to update your
Covid Vaccination
status?

You will need to book
in to secure your spot
as limited stock
available.

CUPPA CONNECTION

Nothing better than a cuppa & a chat

Join us at the Plumber's Shed for morning tea

Thursday, 8th February

10am—11.30am

ALL welcome.



Dr Patrick will be available at Elmore
Medical Centre from 18th Jan.
Please make your appts with Elmore
until further notice.

Appointments with the nurse

We encourage
everyone to book
ahead to reduce
waiting times.

Lunch Break

12.30-1.30pm

Please avoid
interruptions unless
it is an emergency



Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc. 31 Pannoo Road Lockington Vic 3563

Ph: 03 5486 2544 Fax: 03 5486 2662 email: admin@ldbnc.org.au



REDHS News

Hospital Rebuild

Revised stages of our re-build are:

→ Stage 1

**anticipated completion date June 2024*

- **Aged Care Stage 1**
30 beds
- **Acute Hospital & Urgent Care**
- **Support Services**
Kitchen, Stores, Laundry

→ Stage 2

**anticipated completion date October 2024*

- **Community Care**
Home Care, Allied Health, GP Clinic, SSG Function Room, Administration, Reception

→ Stage 3

**anticipated completion date December 2024*

- **Aged Care Stage 2**

*(*assuming no major delays/interruptions)*

Exercise Classes Update

Fitness for Older Persons and Strength and Balance exercises classes are returning to Rochester from Wednesday, 31 January.

Class timetable:

- Fitness for Older Persons - 9:00am -10:00am
- Strength and Balance - 10:30am - 11:30am

Classes will be held at the 4R's (Rochester Racecourse Recreation Reserve), corner Diggora Road and Northern Highway, Rochester.

Cardiac Rehabilitation

classes are also available at the Rochy Gym, Wednesdays, 1:00pm -2:30pm.

Classes are held weekly.

To register and find out more please call 03 5484 4400.



Look after your Mental Health

If you are feeling overwhelmed or concerned about your mental health, or that of someone close to you, please reach out for support.

REDHS Social Worker, Maree, can offer support for individuals, families & carers by calling 03 5484 4400.

Rochester Recovery Hub, can also assist with accessing support and resources, 48 Mackay Street, Monday to Friday or call 1300 666 535 and press 2.

ERH Mental Health and Wellbeing Support Program is also available, you can call them on 03 5485 5800.



Tips for surviving the heat

Extreme heat can be dangerous
Know the risks. Get prepared. Stay safe.



Keep hydrated, drink plenty of water throughout the day. Visit Rochester Community House for a free Zupa Dooper and a cold drink during open hours



Use air conditioning and fans, wear light, loose fitting clothing



Block heat with blinds or curtains. Open windows and doors if it's hotter indoors than outside



Splash or spray cool water onto skin. Wrap ice cubes in a damp towel and drape around your neck



Check in with family, friends & neighbours



Watch the forecast, plan activities for cooler times of the day, visit an airconditioned public space e.g. library, look out for Campaspe Shire Heat Respite Centres open during days declared as Extreme Heat Days

Urgent Care

located at 40-44 Moore Street
Rochester, 8:30am - 5:00pm
Monday to Friday
Call 0428 358 892



Rochester & Elmore District Health Service

03 5484 4400

www.redhs.com.au

FROM OUR CHURCHES

Anglican Parish of Rochester & Lockington

St. Mary's Lockington. Enquiries – Jeff Millard Ph 0493 170 250

28 January 10am – Glenis Trail combined with Rochester
4 February – To be advised.

St James Community Church

10am Sundays. Pastor Bill Cochrane Ph 0427 865 474

Catholic Church

St Canice's Lockington - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 8am Mass.

St Joseph's Rochester - Every Sunday 10am Mass.

Sacred Heart Elmore - Every Saturday Vigil 5.00pm.

Northern Rivers Uniting Church Cluster

Worship at Bamawn UCA from 10am zoomed to and from the following churches:-

28 Jan - Respect Tongala

4 Feb - Bamawn

Zoom connection is available every week via

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/826-6681-8761> (Password 22)

Via Phone 03 7018 2005 Meeting ID 826 6681 8761 Password 22#

Ray Wakefield Ph 5486 2592 / 0491 340 427



From the Scriptures #981

Luke ch 3 v 21 When all the people were baptised, it came to pass that Jesus was also baptised; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened v 22 And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him and a voice from heaven which said: You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased

CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL NEWS

Coming Up

Tuesday, 20 February
Council meeting, 6pm
Echuca Civic Centre

Now Open

For all projects and applications open, visit www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen

Youth Action Group (YAG)

Young people are invited to join Council's Youth Action Group (YAG). YAG members will provide a youth perspective on our key plans and strategies, direct youth funding towards desired programs, activities and events, and brief community groups, businesses and Council on issues that significantly impact young people in Campaspe. To be eligible for Youth Action Group membership, you must be a resident of Campaspe Shire aged between 12 and 25 years old. If you are under 18 years, you will require parent/guardian permission.

Free Business Victoria Marketing Workshop

Are you looking to boost your marketing skills to better understand customers, competitors, branding, and your unique selling proposition? The come along to this FREE marketing workshop. Whether you're a small business owner, community group leader, or just interested in upskilling then this workshop is for you. Reserve your spot today by visiting the Now Open page or calling our Economic Development Team on 1300 666 535.

Stage Two - Echuca Moama Torrumbarry Flood Study and Risk Management Plan

Stage Two is starting with a series of community meetings to gain a better understanding of the types of mitigation measures the community would like investigated. The community can offer any further observations on past events and what could be done to reduce exposure to, and impacts of, future floods such as levees, temporary works, individual property protection and development controls.

You are invited to attend any of these meetings, noting that each time-slot has a particular area of focus:

Tuesday, 30 January at the Murray River Council Offices, Perricoota Road, Moama:

- 9.30 – 11.30am: SES and other responders to the flood event,
- 12.30 – 2.30pm: Moama and NSW side of Murray River,
- 4.00 – 6.00pm: Echuca East and Echuca Village
- 7.30 – 9.30pm: Echuca Central and West (Focus on Campaspe and Murray downstream of Wharf to Victoria Park).

Wednesday, 31 January at the Campaspe Shire Offices (Old Town Hall), corner High and Heygarth Streets, Echuca (diagonally opposite McDonalds).

- 9.30 – 11.00am: downstream of the Campaspe junction through Torrumbarry.

For further information, please visit our website or contact Project Manager John McCartney on 1300 666 535 to discuss your comments directly.



Draft Roadside Weeds & Pests Control Plan 2023-26

We are seeking input into our draft Roadside Weed and Pest Control Plan (2023-2026) to ensure it reflects community priorities for weed and pest animal management. Visit the Now Open page to complete a short online survey. If you require assistance visit any Customer Service Centre or call 1300 666 535.

Expressions of Interest for Lockington Place Based Plan Committee

Place Based Plans focus on making places better. The process involves looking at, listening to, and engaging with community members who live, work and play in a particular place to understand their needs and aspirations. Ultimately, what do you want your town to look like, to feel like? In 2024, Council will start working with the Lockington community on their first Place Based Plan.

Nominations for the Lockington Place Based Plan committee originally opened in 2022, but due to the flooding event the formation of the committee was delayed. Now, in January 2024, nominations for the committee and the subsequent community consultation to draft a Place Based Plan for Lockington is recommencing.

If you are interested in being involved in the Place Based Plan committee, you will need to complete an online Expressions of Interest form.

Expressions of Interest are open until 23 February.

Scan the QR code or visit <https://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/Lockington>



Employment #campaspecareers

- Early Childhood Educator Co Worker – Casual
- Early Childhood Educator Room Leader – Casual
- Environmental Projects Officer – Conservation
- Environmental Projects Officer – Education
- Group Fitness Instructor
- Maternal & Child Health Nurse – Casual
- Planning Compliance Officer
- Planning Coordinator
- Supported Playgroup Facilitator – Casual
- Waste Services Coordinator

For all positions currently open and application details, visit Council's website or call 1300 666 535.

Active Stadiums Pilot Program

Campaspe Stadiums will begin a pilot program in February, trialling five months of daytime activities to revitalise the stadiums in Echuca, Kyabram and Tongala.

Activity sessions include:

- Pickleball for seniors
- Strength conditioning for seniors
- Bubs physical activity session
- Dodgeball for people with a disability
- Indoor soccer for people with a disability

For more information, visit Council's website



12 January 2024

WALSH'S URGENT CALL TO HELP SAVE OUR BACON FROM INQUIRY

The Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains, Peter Walsh, says submissions to the Inquiry into pig welfare in Victoria have officially closed but late submissions are just as important.

Because he says it's time to save the local pork industry's bacon — and there's no time to be wasted.

Mr Walsh says the industry, which is strong across his electorate, is again under attack by "ideological fantasists" in the Allan Labor government and its Greens puppet masters and the Liberals Nationals are calling on the wider community to urgently get on board.

He says it is crucial industry and regional voices are not drowned out by extreme views clouding a sector contributing \$488 million to the Victorian economy and supporting almost 2700 full-time jobs.

"If you enjoyed your traditional Christmas lunch, the bad news is Premier Jacinta Allan is now coming after your ham," Mr Walsh says.

"Labor has launched its ham-fisted Inquiry into pig welfare in Victoria and we are taking a stand against this attack on an industry backed by peer-reviewed, global scientific research into animal welfare.

"The launch of the 'Save Our Bacon' website — a key platform in the fight for an industry that already has the support of independent, audited quality assurance programs and is now live," he says.

"Even if you didn't get your submission in on time, I urge you to make a late one as soon as possible."

The Liberals and Nationals are making it easy to provide submissions simply by following the link to the website at www.saveourbacon.com.au

Mr Walsh says Labor is simply selling out Victorian pork producers.

"This is just another way Premier Allan is punishing food producers who put food on our tables and contribute to community economies — and the hypocrisy of their attack is almost laughable. The Victorian appetite for pork products won't change because Labor and its Green allies say so," he added.

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Advertising

Casual advertisements will only be published if a contact name, address and phone number are provided. Advertisements 5.5cm x 5.5cm are \$10.80 inc GST for locals and \$13.00 for non locals. Please inquire about costings for larger advertisements.

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LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB



14 January

The major highlight of the bowls week was the Women's Club Championship Final for 2023-24 between Leanne McInnes and Cindy Felmingham.

The display was a credit to both bowlers as they continually attacked the kitty throughout the match.

Felmingham struck the first blow to pick up two shots on the first end. However the four times club champion McInnes hit back immediately, stringing together ten shots over the following four ends to lead 10-2.

Both bowlers traded ends before McInnes grabbed another full complement of four shots on the 10th end with the lead ballooning out to 16-4.

Felmingham was trying desperately to stay in the match and collected a couple of singles but McInnes was able to score multiple shots which allowed her to lead 23-8.

The closing ends saw Felmingham grab three shots and holding four shots on the 19th end before the inevitable champions flex - McInnes delivered the final bowl and trailed the kitty to gain the required shots to win her fifth club championship title 25-11 - making it four on end.

Congratulations to both competitors for their fine bowling and sportsmanship.

The result did not indicate the closeness of the heads during the game. Cindy Felmingham is a relatively new bowler and will certainly gain from the experience, while McInnes will now tackle another Champion of Champions series. Best of luck.

The club competitions continued with Leanne McInnes defeating a gallant Kim Ray in the second round of the 21 Up Presidents trophy championship in a real dour display - the game was completed after 34 ends with McInnes winning 21-18.

In the men's section the club championship is nearing completion with Phillip Cunningham to meet Ray Hanson in a semi-final while Bill Musgrove defeated Neil Haines 25-16 to make the other semi-final. Andrew Harris will play the winner of the Ian Staig - John Fisher game.

Barefoot Bowls returned after recent inclement weather with a record number of 36 bowlers gracing the green. At the completion of the two games of eight ends - 2 bowl Triples, there were three undefeated teams to face the judges.

The winning trio was John Andrea, Lorraine Appleby, Andrew Sparkles (s) 2 wins plus 8 shots ahead of Peter Egan, Keiffer Haines, Denise Gilmore (s) 2 wins +6 shots.

The other team involved in the scrutiny of cards was the star studded threesome of Terrill Westwood, Leanne McInnes and Cindy Felmingham (s) who scored well, only to be penalised for a series of foot faults, running down the green and a comedy of errors!

The spider was won by Steve Pavone while the daddy-long-legs spider went to Poss Andrea.

The Sixty and Over competition has recommenced with our local talent being to the fore.



Meanwhile, birthday congratulations to our hard working Ladies Secretary Bev Brereton, who celebrated her special 80th birthday recently.

It is pleasing to have John Alexander (the great) back at the club after recovering from a lengthy illness. Get well wishes are extended to Brian Kinnane who is undergoing treatment.

21 January

Lucky ladies held a successful 3 bowl triples tournament under clear skies and on a true running 16 second green.

Lady President Denise Gilmore and Tournament Secretary Kathi Maddison welcomed all bowlers and wished them all the best for the New Year.

The tournament attracted players from Echuca, Elmore, Tongala, Rochester, Pyramid Hill, Golden Square, Stanhope, Rich River, Moama and Lockington (a sample are pictured above).

We continue to be enormously grateful to our annual event sponsor Nichol Trading - Rochester for their continued support.

On the green the competition was very keen with four teams winning the first two games out of three scheduled for the day. Interesting to note that the four teams battled out the final game against one another.

In the final analysis, the Elmore trio comprising Anne Williams, Lorna Wilson and Evelyn Locke (s) won the major trophies on 77 points ahead of the Moama team of Pam Mc Cloy, Carmel Simpson, Terri Thomson (s) close by with 76 points.

Two Lockington teams were defeated in the final game after winning the first two games in spectacular fashion.

The Kym Ray skipped trio of Jenny Fisher and Cindy Felmingham fell short on the final two ends after leading 9-5 and the Poss Andrea team comprising Mary Thomas and Natalie McLaughlan just missed out in the match against the eventual winners.

The spider winner was Serena Scholl (Rochester) and the roll to the ditch was collected by Terri Thomson. Special competition winners included Bev Brereton, Kym Ray, Mary Thomas, Cindy Felmingham, Mia Young (Moama) and Rita Moresco (Rich River).

Tournament Secretary Kathi Maddison thanked the members for the kitchen duties, the Bar staff, Board Attendant and the fabulous Green staff.

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3 BOWLS TRIPLES WINNERS



Pictured (Top): Lockington 3 bowls triples winners Elmore (Anne Williams, Lorna Wilson and Evelyn Locke).

Pictured (Above): Tournament runners-up Moama (Pam McCloy, Carmel Simpson & Terri Thomson)

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On Tuesday there were 24 budding bowlers on the green for Barefoot bowls. The name of the game was 2 bowl Triples and at the end of the two games of eight ends, there were three undefeated teams.

The winning team included Phillip Cunnington, John "Lefty" Wright, Jeff Carnie (s) 2 wins plus 22 shots.

Second place went to Clinton McKee, Leon Laffy, Steve McKee (s) 2 wins+17 shots with John Andrea, Steve Pavone, Ian Scurrah (s) 2 wins+8 shots third. Spider: Jeff Carnie. Ditch: Clinton McKee.

It was pleasing to have Steve McKee, a major club sponsor, attend with his family to enjoy the night.

The Campaspe Area Midweek and Weekend pennant resumed with a round devoted to supporting the Cancer Awareness fund.

On Friday evening the club held a special barbeque and fundraising effort. Approximately \$200.00 was raised on the night to aid Prostate Cancer.

The bowls results included the winning team of Sue Harris, Tiah Harris, Neil Haines (s) on 16 points.

The Spider went to Bayley Whyte and Andy Harris was Nearest the Ditch.

On the greens, our pennant teams had a round of mixed results and some very close games.

In the Midweek pennant our women travelled to Mathoura and returned home in happy spirits with a win by three shots 39-36 and sharing the rinks. (Denise Gilmore d. G Kerr 21-16; Phyllis MacFarlane lost to R Dunwoodie 18/20).

On Saturday the Division Three teams journeyed up to Deniliquin and suffered a two shot loss 64 - 66. (Lloyd Buchanan l.t. T Danckert 18-23; Phillip Cunnington l.t. R Hay 19-28; Jim Harris d. L Pattison 27-15).

Division Four played Rich River at home and enjoyed a nine shot victory 58 - 49. (Kalvin Stout d. F Ross 25-6; Denise Gilmore l.t. S McCallig 8-25; Dave Thomas d. G Clarence 25-18).

Division Five had a close encounter against Echuca White at home and lost the contest by three shots 35-38. (Neil Haines l.t. B Johns 12-28; Les Brereton d. G Johnston 23-10).

On Monday 5 February the club is holding a Twilight Legends 2 bowl Triples (any combination) tournament. Starting time is 5.30pm. Sausage in a Roll between 4.30pm - 5.15pm. Entries to Ray Hanson 0435 991865 or Lloyd Buchanan 0427 542311.

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Wednesday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

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Saturday

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Wednesday

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Thursday

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SECOND WEEK

Monday

Heritage Complex Meeting - 7.30pm at the Complex (not January)

Wednesday

Lions Club Dinner Meeting - 7.30pm Lockington Hotel

Thursday

Milloo CWA - 10am - Milloo Hall (not December or January)

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