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MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

On Monday, 13 May Lockington Consolidated School held a Mother's Day/Special Persons Day celebration.

The event included egg and bacon rolls for breakfast and a special pamper session for prep parents.

We hope all the Locky mums had a very Happy Mother's Day.







AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

An estimated \$700 was raised to support cancer research at last Thursday's Australia's Biggest Morning Tea at Lockington Living Heritage Complex.

Guest speaker Marita Chappel encouraged attendees to be vigilant with their health checks as early detection is important in the fight against cancer.

Guests also enjoyed a beautiful display of handmade dolls and quilts and beautiful embroidered needlework items from Brigette.

Special thanks to those who contributed to the morning tea goodies which were varied and plentiful.

There were lots of raffles and prizes, talking and laughter and a lovely morning was enjoyed by all.







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LOCKINGTON - LINES IN TIME

Hello again everyone,

We have reached August 1904, as we look back at the early newspapers to learn how the people of this district were faring.

Across the region, it had taken some time to recover from the storm damage sustained in the late part of the 1903-4 season, and by August 1904, the new crops (which were late-sown) were considered backward. However, with good Spring rains they made rapid headway and, despite there being little rain later in the year, they were looking well in December.

In the meantime, it was encouraging to have the news, published in the Elmore Standard on 20 August, that the surveyors on the Goulburn-Mallee channel were now located at Pannoomilloo. Survey work on the project was very slow, as only about one mile a week could be completed, but it gave cause for optimism that the long-hoped-for irrigation scheme would become a reality.

In other district news, in that issue of the Standard, was the report of the death of Mr Patrick Murphy at Diggora. He was 83 years old and had lived in the district for many years. The following week, the Standard reported on the wedding of Mr Herbert Heeps of Pannoomilloo, and Miss Catherine Patullo of Tennyson, which had taken place at the Rochester Presbyterian Church

Then, in early September 1904, the Bamawm people were saddened by the death of a young former resident; Mrs Alice Sarah Robertson, the daughter of Mr Robert McDowall, had married and moved to Melbourne with her husband just three months earlier. Feeling unwell in recent weeks, she returned to Bamawm, hoping that the change would bring about her recovery but, despite medical care, her condition worsened and she passed away.

Not all of Bamawm's news was sad that month. This interesting item appeared in the Elmore Standard on 10 September 1904: -

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"Eleven months ago, Mr Cunnington sold a pair of buggy horses to a dealer in Bendigo. Last week they one evening galloped into their old paddock, bringing with them another beast of the same stamp. It is not yet known from whence they came, but apparently, they had travelled some considerable distance." [There did not appear to be a follow-up item, so we will have to go on wondering!!]

In other local news, several farmers in the Milloo district suffered considerable loss that season, due to increased mortality among brood mares. And, at Wanurp, concern was being expressed about boxthorn hedges. Their local correspondent wrote to the Elmore Standard on 24 September 1904: - "Some years ago, in this and other districts as much as 10s per hundred was paid for boxthorn hedge plants, which have grown when almost every shrub planted at the same time has died. Unfortunately, these have become harbours for sparrows, and this is not the worst evil. The birds carry the seeds and drop them all over the paddocks, where they are to be seen growing in hundreds. How to best eradicate them is a mystery."

On 27 September, an un-tenanted house on Mr James Cahill's property at Diggora West was destroyed by fire, but the major news in October 1904 concerned the Water Bill, then coming before Parliament. It seems that landholders east of the Campaspe, who were already enjoying the benefits of irrigation under existing Water Trust schemes, were opposed to the Bill because of the rating system involved and they were campaigning for the Bill to be waived.

This was considered highly unfair by those farming west of the Campaspe, though they too disagreed with the proposed rating system. However, having endured multiple droughts and dry seasons in the past, they were anxious for the Bill to go ahead, whilst asking that the land valuations, and the rating system consequent on those valuations, then be reviewed and reassessed. A resolution to this effect was formed at a well-attended and enthusiastic public meeting, held at Mrs O'Brien's Hall in Tennyson, on 8 October 1904.

In seconding the motion, Cr James Martin of the Rochester Shire, voiced the feelings of those present when he said that there was "need for united action. If the Bill was shelved now, it would probably be 20 years before they would have the same opportunity." Another equally well supported meeting was held at Torrumbarry South on 13 October, with the same sentiments being strongly expressed. On Monday 17 October 1904, the Melbourne Argus reported that the Bill had been approved. Coincidentally, the Closer Settlement Bill was being debated in Parliament at about the same time as the Water Bill, and was passed on 11 November 1904. It too, was of particular significance to our region.

Meanwhile, in our district, Mutual Improvement group activities continued to flourish, as did socials, and school and church concerts and picnics. However, late Spring and early Summer brought other less than happy news to the district. On 18 October 1904, Mrs Annie McAuliffe, wife of Mr John McAuliffe of Pannoobamawm, died aged 66 years. She and her husband were among the early selector settlers in the area.

On 22 October, 73-year-old Mr Thomas Haines, another early settler in the district, died instantly when he was thrown by a horse on the family farm at Diggora. Then, Mr Michael Reilly, aged 69 years, of Terricks, died early in November. As the weeks went by, the weather in the region became hot, dry and unpleasant, complicated by dust, wind and grasshoppers; and fires occurred in crops and grassland, in Bamawm on 17 November, and in Diggora on 16 December. Let's hope for a better year in 1905.

'Bye until next time,

- Marg O'Brien

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.

Sunday Duty Roster

26 May Jim & Therese

2 June Bev & Les 9 June Beryl & Garry 16 June Joe & Julie

23 June Gordon M & Peter B 30 June Sandra & Ian W

LOCKINGTON SWAP MEET





Organisers have declared last Sunday's Lockington Swap Meet an overwhelming success.

Co-ordinator Marg Dowie said the event was very well supported with lots of site holders, cars and motorcycles, and members of the general public attending.

She added that the outstanding support of local community radio EMFM, along with major sponsors Shannon's Insurance, Autobarn and Campaspe Shire, had set a brilliant foundation upon which to build a great day.

Marg gave a huge shout out and thank you to the Lions Club of Lockington members who put in the hard yards before, during and after the event.

All funds raised from the Swap Meet will be distributed to the Lockington district community in the year ahead.

Keep an eye out for more photos in the next edition of Locky News.



Jonno's Annual PIG ON A SPIT

Monday 10 June 2024 From 12pm

Bowling @ 12.30pm (10 ends) (Bowling is Optional)

Lunch @ 2pm(ish)

Pork and Lamb Rolls with Gravy

Drinks at Bar Prices



All Welcome - \$10 per head

(primary school-aged children free)

3G NETWORK CHANGES

Lockington residents are urged to check their devices will still work once Telstra shuts down its 3G network in August this year.

Telstra initially planned to close its 3G network and migrate across to 4G coverage at the end of next month. However, the telco has extended the network closure by two months to allow the community more time to prepare for the transition.

"If you currently have 3G only devices, they simply will no longer work after the August deadline," Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh explained.

"This could impact your phone, tablet, medical devices, security systems, and more, so it is important to be prepared.

"It may also impact your ability to make emergency calls on older mobile phones, so I cannot overstate the necessity to ensure devices are compatible before the migration occurs."

Residents are also encouraged to check on elderly family members and neighbours who may need assistance.

If you are a Telstra customer, or if you have a device which uses Telstra's mobile network, you can find out if your mobile phone is impacted by texting '3' to 3498.

Telstra will immediately advise the status of the device from which you're messaging, and whether you need to take any action.

"If you're using a device to monitor health conditions such as medical alarms, security, or other remote safety situations, and they're currently using the 3G 2100 MHz layer, they will also stop working as the network is closed," Walsh warned.

Lockington Neighbourhood House can assist residents in need of information or assistance - the office is open from 8.30am to 5pm every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.













POSTCARD PROJECT - LOCKY LAUNCH

Five million mailboxes, including every regional and rural home across Australia, will receive a special prepaid postcard this May, thanks to an expanded campaign between Australia Post and Beyond Blue.

This year the partnership will reach over one million households in Victoria alone. The 2024 project was officially launched at an event in Lockington last week (see right for photos).

In response to the pressing need for mental health support, Australia Post and Beyond Blue have significantly increased distribution of their annual campaign, adding an extra one million postcards to the Connection Postcard program, now in its fourth year.

The postcards carry important mental health messages to encourage greater community connection and support mental wellbeing across the country.

With research* indicating that nearly one in three Australians grapple with loneliness, especially in remote or regional areas, this initiative offers a simple way for people to connect. Millions of Australians will open their mailbox this May to discover a newly designed two-part 'Connection Postcard'.

One part includes important mental health information and Beyond Blue contact details; while the detachable second part includes a pre-paid postcard for recipients to pen a personalised note to send to a friend or loved one.

Journalist, TV presenter, mental health advocate and Beyond Blue ambassador of 13 years, Brad McEwan, has joined the campaign to encourage more people to send a connection postcard this year.

"Having experienced loss through mental health issues and also having grown up in a regional town myself, I know the power of checking in with friends and family to increase social connection. It might not seem like a lot, but these Postcards pack a powerful message, beyond just the words on the paper."







COMMUNITY CALENDAR

May

20-26 National Volunteers Week

27 Flu Shots @ Locky Bush Nursing

30 Dr Rob Gordon Presentation in Rochester

31 LBU Debutante Ball

June

3 NEXT TYPING DAY - LOCKY NEWS

5 Men's Shed - Ladies Night Launch

6 LBU Club Ball

8 Lockington Pony Club Rally

10 King's Birthday Public Holiday Locky Bowls Pig On A Spit Lunch

13 Community Cuppa Connection

30 2025 Kinder registrations close

WOODWORKING - FOR LADIES

Lockington Neighbourhood House is preparing to open the doors of its Mens Shed to ladies.

While women have always been welcome to join the Men's Shed and participate in its regular weekly activities, this will be the first time the facilities have been made available exclusively for girls.

Echuca woodworking enthusiast Yvonne Stansfield will head up the program and is excited to have the opportunity to share her experience and skills with others.

There is absolutely no prior woodworking knowledge required to participate.

The program will run along similar lines to Neighbourhood House's Casual Art Group, with flexibility around attendance and the nature of the projects completed.

"We want to create an inclusive, warm and welcoming opportunity for ladies who would like to learn more about woodwork," Lockington Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott explained.

"The Men's Shed will be open from 6pm on a Wednesday evening and anyone who would like to pop in is most welcome, for half an hour or a couple of hours.

"Whether you have an interest in upcycling timber, restoring a wooden item or would just like to explore a new creative outlet, we'd love you to come along," she said.

The first Men's Shed - Ladies Night will be held on 5 June.

For all inquiries or further information, contact Tanya at Lockington Neighbourhood House.



It's National Volunteer Week, Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteering.

The theme for this year's event is 'Something for Everyone'

To mark the occasion, Locky News is shining a spotlight on just a handful of the many, many devoted people who help to make our town amazing.

National Volunteer Week recognises the diverse passions and talents everyone brings to the act of volunteering.

It's also an invitation to explore the myriad of opportunities available, emphasising that there's a place for everyone in the world of volunteering.



Anne Shawcross says it's the people who make her time volunteering at the St Mary's Anglican Op Shop so enjoyable.

Anne has supported the Op Shop, which operates four days per week out of the Lockington Business Centre, for almost a decade and absolutely loves it.

She dedicates four hours in the shop and another two to three hours each week in her role as co-ordinator.

"The people who come in are just amazing and I've made wonderful friendships too," she said.

"Our church congregation is not many these days and the money raised by the op shop helps to keep things running," Anne added.

"Volunteering is a great reason to get out and meet people. Everyone should look at opportunities to put back into their community, and especially if it's helping to generate income for a good cause."



For two decades, Graeme Haines has devoted up to 20 hours a week to the voluntary role of Fuel Manager for Lockington and District Business Centre.

As he winds down towards retiring from the position at the end of the month and celebrating his 80th birthday, Graeme admits he had entirely no idea what he was getting into when he accepted the position.

"I remember suggesting to the Committee of Management in a planning meeting that we should consider paying a Fuel Manager for one or two hours a day so I obviously didn't have a clue what the job entailed," he laughed.

"In the beginning we had to read the fuel pump and record the litres and dollars after every customer; there were many times the two became transposed and it could take two or three hours just to reconcile the books at the end of the day."

Graeme considered it a compliment that others saw him as capable of filling the important position and reflects fondly on the Business Centre's subsequent growth and development.

He also marvels at the many and varied tasks that have fallen under the Fuel Manager's umbrella - car wash maintenance and washing machine repairs to name just two.

"I'd come from a farming background and had no fuel knowledge whatsoever, but I still said yes when I was asked to do the job – probably because I'm a sucker!

"I'm very pleased with the way volunteers came forward to help run the business, and the benefits that have been provided for the town and the Lockington community – it would be much less without the facilities here," he said.

He made special mention of Volunteer Co-ordinator Monica Windridge's contribution, and support in his position, describing her as a gem.

Graeme's wife Fay has also been an enormous contributor to the Business Centre and personal supporter – "I couldn't do it without Fay's input", he acknowledged.

Graeme's involvement in volunteering extends well beyond the Business Centre, however.

He is the current President and has been involved with Lockington's Community Care Committee since the mid 1990's and is a passionate member of the Gideons International – Echuca Group.

The Community Care Committee has overseen the development of Lockington's Waterwheel Court Retirement Complex which will shortly expand to comprise 16 units.

"Volunteering brings people together, and the community needs those who are willing to put their hand up and provide input. It's also incredibly satisfying to be able to help others," Graeme said.

Sandra Chappel proudly describes Lockington as a great little town with lots of support and admits she is very happy living here.

And that's why she volunteers with Lockington and District Living Heritage Complex.

Sandra has been Catering Secretary for the past three years, and has served on the Committee for 15 years after being invited by a former member to become involved with the iconic local attraction.

"My main role is being involved with the kitchen," Sandra admitted. "That said, I know that inside the Complex is full of past treasures and I've never had a person come through without saying we or parents or grandparents had one of those; the building is filled with memories."

Outside is a retired farmers dream with treasures of past farming and ways of life, reflecting farming has changed over the years.

"If this sounds like something you could be interested in, new members and volunteers are always made most welcome," she said.





If you Google 'volunteer', there's a good chance Bev Brereton's image will appear.

Eighty-year-old Bev is a beacon within the Lockington community, giving generously of her time and boundless energy to support her town.

Bev has been a Fuel Operator at Lockington District Business Centre since the building's inception 20 years ago, giving at least three hours per week to the essential role.

She is Treasurer and Bookings Co-ordinator for the Lockington Community Centre and despite being involved for more than a decade, says it is not an onerous responsibility.

Bev is also a long-time member of Lockington Senior Citizens, has served for five years as President and works passionately to ensure the success of a busy schedule of annual functions hosted by the Club.

Then there's the Bowls Club – Bev has served as President, Secretary and worked in catering over the year – as well as almost 30 years supporting the canteen at the Locky Footy Club.

"It's just about giving service to the Lockington community," she said matter-offactly. It's so important that we keep fuel sales in Locky, as well as all working to keep the community together.

"So many of our organisations rely on volunteers to keep them going and I truly hope that others will recognise the need and step up when needed to carry on the commitment and legacy," Bev said.

A NOTE TO THE COMMUNITY

On behalf of the Lockington Vintage Rally Committee

Thankyou to the community for once again volunteering to help at our annual Lockington Vintage Rally.



What a great town we have we put out the call for help and you all put yours hands up and 'say what can we do'.

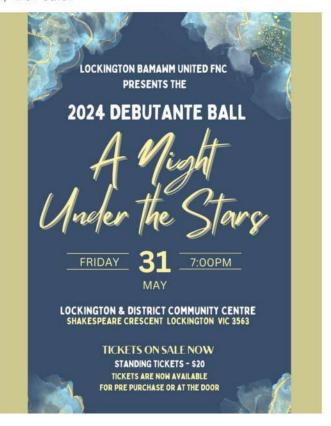
We had a very successful rally with beautiful weather and great crowds.

Thanks to the Lions Club for running the barbecue across both days. The food donations were appreciated.

New members of the town came to our rally to help, and want to be involved in our community.

This is how we are able to have a rally, with community involvement. So thank you.

We look forward to your help again next year to make the 2025 rally another great success.



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Appointments now available at Lockington Bush Nursing Centre on Mondays Call LDBC to book

HELP AVAILABLE TO MEET NEW NOT FOR PROFIT OBLIGATIONS

Do you volunteer for an Incorporated community organisation? Are you confused by the new ATO & Consumer Affairs requirements around Model Rules & Constitutions?

New regulations for Incorporated Associations were introduced last year that aligned tiers and revenue thresholds with the Australian Charities and Not-forprofits Commission.

The new financial reporting tiers come into effect from 1 July 2024 and may affect an association's reporting requirements.

Kaz Williams from the Regional Association of Neighbourhood and Community Houses will be at Lockington District Business Centre on Monday 27 May from 6pm to discuss the changes and provide guidance for anyone who may be struggling to understand their obligations.

Kaz is very knowledgeable about the changes, and while her focus is the neighbourhood and community house sector, she will provide a presentation and answer questions which will be relevant to a wide range of community organisations.

Kaz is also up to speed with the newly introduced Child Safe Standards.

If you would like to provide specific questions in advance, please email Lockington Neighbourhood House on nhldbc@gmail.com.

Locky News was very humbled to receive a donation of \$500 from the Lockington District Heritage Complex.



The donation was made in recognition of Bruce Hutchinson and his many years of providing security at the Lockington Vintage Rally.

Bruce has always given his time and refused to be paid; 2024 was his last year in the role and he insisted once again that he would only complete the task on the proviso that no payment was made.

Instead, he suggested a donation be made to Locky News and the Heritage Complex Committee was only too pleased to follow his wishes, as a way of expressing a sincere and heartfelt thank you for his dedicated service over such a long period of time.

You're a gem Bruce!



OUR COMMUNITY THANKS LOCKINGTON COMMUNITY BANK

In July 2023 the Lockington Community Bank via Lockmore Financial Services generously gifted \$100,000 to the Lockington community via the Lockington & District Planning Group.

It was decided to allocate these funds to a collective of projects being undertaken over the following 12 months with the aim of delivering benefit to a broad cross section of local residents.

Lockington District Business Centre Inc has administered the funds.

Completed projects have included:-

Lockington Recreation Reserve

Soundproofing of the ceiling, purchase and installation of a reverse cycle air conditioner and lighting and painting of the social room. The ceiling speakers and the TV were also paired.

Lockington Community Hall

Installation of a new bench with storage at the hall entrance. A reverse cycle air-conditioner will also be installed in the foyer area.

Lockington Golf Club

Purchase and installation of new carpet and purchase of a stick vacuum cleaner.

Lockington Swimming Pool

Assistance with catering for a community pool party to celebrate the festive season.

Lockington Bowls Club

Part subsidy to support the purchase and installation of a new roof, and extension of concrete work for pathways and power to the barbeque area

Scurrah Reserve

Installation of a new fence along Strathallan Road

Projects still to be completed include:-

Lockington Consolidated School

Repairs to seating and bridges near the channel.

Lockington Pony Club

Purchase of a storage trailer.

Lockington Tennis Club

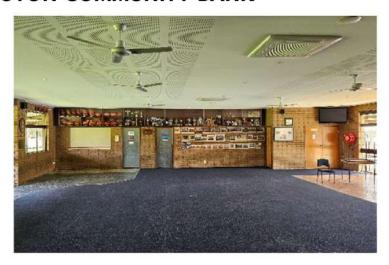
Installation of seating.

More pictures will follow once these much needed initiatives have been finalised.

Community Bank

Elmore, Lockington and Rochester











LOCKINGTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL NEWS







Everyone had such a great time at the Lockington Consolidated School Fun Run / Cross-Country.

All of the participants should be very proud of their efforts and achievements. As the pictures above show, a lot of fun and laughter was had on the day, and there was a large crowd to cheer the students on.

In other LCS news, the Junior Department recently went on a community walk to view the supermarket and community garden to consolidate their Inquiry Learning about where food comes from (photos below). A special thank you to the community members who gave up their time to chat to the students.







MILLOO CWA REPORT

There was a small attendance at Milloo CWA's May meeting.



It was reported that catering for the Senior Citizens Birthday Party went well and was enjoyed by all – as this is the branch's main fundraiser for the year it is pleasing when everything falls into place.

International Officer Norma gave an interesting report on the country of study for this year – Romania – which is a small south-east European country with an area of approximately 91,699 square miles. The central area is dominated by mountains and the river Danube runs along the southern border.

As the State Conference will be held on 31 May and 1 June, the meeting discussed the resolutions to be debated; unfortunately no-one is able to attend the conference so Milloo branch will not have a vote.

However, a vote was taken on the Thanksgiving Fund for 2025.

There will be no meeting at Milloo in June as members are planning a lunch outing.

May Competition Results:-

Craft - A baby's bib: 1st Betty Mustey, 2nd Julie Chappel.

Cookery – Three pieces of hedgehog slice: 1st Val Read, 2nd Betty Mustey.

A flower from your garden: Equal 1st Elaine Mitchell & Val Read.

Horticulture - Mother's Day: 1st Julie Chappel, 2nd Val Read.

Miscellaneous - A Royal souvenier: 1st Val Read, 2nd Norma Whinchcombe.

Milloo CWA's next meeting will be held on 11 July at 10am at the Milloo Hall.

July Competition: A flower from your garden; Cookery - Chocolate cake; Craft - A small gift, any medium; Horticulture - An artificial posy; Miscellaneous - A postcard from a holiday.

- Julie Chappel 54 862 226

MEDIA RELEASE

Peter WALSH

A better deal for Murray Plains NATIONALS or Regional Victoria MEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS | LEADER OF THE NATIONALS



AGRICULTURE OVERLOOKED IN STATE BUDGET

The Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains, Peter Walsh, says agriculture - regional Victoria's economic powerhouse - has been betrayed by the Allan Labor government budget.

Mr Walsh says Jacinta Allan has slashed agriculture spending; it is now down a whopping 30 per cent on funding just two years ago.

He says this Budget's \$496.6 million for agriculture does not even compare with the \$687.3 million allocated in 2022-23 - "and that was way too little even then".

"Agriculture is the lifeblood of so much of regional and rural Victoria – government investment in this sector must be rising, not shrinking," Mr Walsh says.

"Agriculture doesn't just feed Victoria, it keeps regional Victoria afloat, it supports the many small and large towns scattered across the state, it drives innovation in food and fibre production, and it helps secure the long-term future of the state," he says.

"And the message from Spring St is that it is more important Melbourne commuters can cut 10- or 15-minutes driving time on their way to work - at a cost of billions and billions of dollars.

"The logic is irrefutable - Victoria's farmers supply all Victorians with the finest, freshest, and safest food in the world and without them we will be forced to rely on questionably unreliable imports.

"This is the message Ms Allan is ending rural and regional Victoria - a hole in the ground in Melbourne is worth much more than the people on the frontline feeding us all."

At the same time, Mr Walsh says the 2024 Allan budget has also condemned regional Victorian to more "road roulette" with even more massive spending cuts.

He says 16 per cent "has been ripped out of an already inadequate road maintenance fund" ensuring our roads will continue to not just get worse but get more dangerous.

He says regional Victoria is littered with black spots in urgent need of safety upgrades as well as repairs "and now that just isn't going to happen".

"Our regional road network is crumbling in front of our eyes - across northern Victoria that collapse has been accelerated by two, in some places three, massive flood events in the past decade," Mr Walsh says.

"A network that is also crucial to our agricultural industries, for moving farm machinery and equipment and for getting harvests to silos, trains and ports," he says.

The Nationals leader and Member for Murray Plains, Peter Wash, says Victorian regional residents will no longer be driven spare by the forceful sales tactics of door-to-door sales people and telemarketers working for energy companies.

Mr Walsh says The Nationals have been successful in advocating for a ban on aggressive and high-pressure telemarketing and door knocking.

He says from this month providers and participants in the Victorian Energy Upgrades program - an initiative delivering state government incentives for households which install certain energy-efficient products and services - will not be allowed to cold call a person to promote products and services.

That success will extend to a ban on door knocking as well, which will come into effect on August 1.

"These welcome changes also mean providers and participants cannot purchase a person's contact details from a third party; or arrange a contractor or other agent to call or door knock on their behalf," Mr Walsh added.

"For some time now my office in Murray Plains has had a regular stream of residents contacting me to protest the aggressive tactics used by some companies involved in the VEU program," he says.

Mr Walsh says people can report anyone in breach of the new laws by calling the commission on (03) 9032 1310 or by emailing veu@esc.vic.gov.au.

Residents can also lodge a complaint with Consumer Affairs Victoria online at https://forms.consumer.vic.gov.au/gef or by calling 131 450.



LOCKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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







COMMUNITY CUPPA CONNECTION

Second Thursday of each month 10am - 11.30am



UKERS CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

The fabulous Locky Ukers have been invited to play a set at the Winter Blues Festival in Echuca in July.

It's the latest exciting development in an incredible success story.

Locky Ukers recently celebrated their first anniversary with a get together at the Plumber's Shed where they were joined by friends and visitors.

Leader Su Taylor thanked the greater Locky community for embracing the group's music and supporting its endeavours.

"It's so inspiring having local folks interested in our adventures," she said.

Lockington Neighbourhood House will host another ukulele beginners class in the near future.

It's likely the classes will run on a Thursday evening over four weeks before merging with the existing Tuesday evening group.

"The Locky Ukers are a fun, supportive bunch of strummers, always ready to help out newer players, so it won't be hard to join in after the initial four weeks," Su predicted.

Stay tuned for dates and further details!

CREATIVITY IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH!

A University study in Western Australia has found that two hours of engaging with art (seeing it, experiencing it, making it) a week improves your overall health.

And in New South Wales there is a GP who routinely prescribes ocean swimming and nature connection to his patients.

Everyone can support the inclusion of art and creativity engagement in their life and Lockington Neighbourhood House offers lots of opportunities.

Our weekly programs include Casual Art Group on Monday, Men's Shed every Tuesday morning, Ukulele Group on Tuesday nights and the Community Garden each Wednesday.

We welcome suggestions from the community for workshops and other activities; never hesitate to reach out if you have an idea.



Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc.

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Flu Vaccinations- The centre still has some Under 65 stock. Ring the Centre on 54862544 if you would like to book an appointment.

If you are Over 65 and require a flu vaccination you can make a booking with Rochester Pharmacy by ringing 54841025. Alternatively, the Shire of Campaspe will be attending the Bush Nursing Centre on Monday 27th May 11.30-12noon and you can book by phoning 1300 666 535.



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New Interim CEO



This week we welcome our new Interim CEO, Darren Clark

Darren will be known to many in our community as he has been our Director Clinical Services for a number of years, and has been actively involved in supporting the community through the October 2022 flood and keeping the community updated on our rebuild progress and service reinstatement at various community events throughout our flood recovery.

Darren brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to REDHS, having been the Nursing Director of Aged Care Services at Echuca Regional Health since 2008 prior to accepting the Director Clinical Services role with REDHS.

Darren holds tertiary qualifications in Business Management, Gerontology and Forensic Nursing and commenced his healthcare career as a Registered Psychiatric Nurse in 1990. Darren also worked in Forensic Psychiatry for seven years and managed a regional Aged Care Facility for eight years prior to a six-year stint as Coordinator of Central Grampians Palliative Care Services.

Darren will be focusing on continuing our health service delivery to the Rochester, Elmore and surrounding communities, supporting our staff through this transition, and ensuring the rebuild of our facility remains on track for completion by Christmas 2024, whilst the Board works through the recruitment process for a new CEO.

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CAMPASPE SHIRE COUNCIL NEWS

Coming Up

Tuesday, 18 June Council meeting, 6pm Echuca Civic Centre

Meetings can be viewed via live streaming a www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming

Now Open

For all projects and applications open, visit www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen or call Council on 1300 666 535 for more information.

Annual WickED Survey

Council is calling on the community to provide feedback to improve the delivery of waste and environment education and activities.

Survey participants will go in the draw to win one of five \$100 Visa gift cards with a Keep Cup.

The online survey closes 5pm, Monday, 3 June. Visit the Now Open section of Council's website to complete the survey.

Expressions of Interest -Echuca District War Memorial Artwork

Council is seeking Expression of Interests (EOIs) from suitably qualified and experienced creative professionals/artists to design, develop and install a 3-dimensional creative piece/sculpture, to be located within the Echuca District War Memorial precinct (Hare Street, Echuca).

Expressions of Interest close Friday, 14 June 2024. Late EOIs will not be considered. Please direct any questions relating to the EOI to Kris Tito, Arts and Culture Coordinator on 03 5481 2818 or email k.tito@campaspe.vic.gov.au. Visit the Now Open section of Council's for more information.

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Offers will be emailed to families in mid-July and will be made subject to Department of Education and local priority of access criteria. For more information and to register your child for kinder in 2025, visit Council's website or call the Kindergarten Central Registration team.

Reconciliation Week Walk

Monday 27 May from 10am - 11:30am starting at Alton Reserve - Hare Street, Echuca



Reconciliation Week is from 27 May – 3 June annually and aims to strengthen respectful relationships between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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The Campaspe Immunisation team is delivering flu shots throughout May, to protect the community.

Flu shots can be administered at any of the public sessions and flu shot only session listed below.

Bookings are required and can be made through Council's website.

Monday, 27 May

9am - 9.45am: Tongala Service Centre

11.30am - 12 noon: Lockington Bush Nursing Centre

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Dr Rob Gordon Events

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LOCKINGTON PONY CLUB

Lockington Pony Club members enjoyed a busy program of activities for their May Rally.



The day's schedule included grid work with Mel Davies, a fun game of musical chairs and dressage test practice.

After lunch the focus turned to Mother's Day, with junior members making a special gift for their mum while the adults held a Committee Meeting.

Lockington Pony Club's next rally on Saturday, 8 June will provide an opportunity for members to try something very different - archery on horseback.

Zoe McKinlay from Intrinsic Equine will also be instructing and newcomers are always welcome to participate.















Lockington Pony Club is very excited to announce its June Rally will be open to visiting Pony Clubs.

All PCA members are invited to join in the day's activities; newcomers or potential members are encouraged to come and try; and open day riders who would like to participate with the exciting instructors will be made most welcome.

The program will include instruction in equine archery and the opportunity to join Zoe McKinlay from Intrinsic Equine whose speciality is improving the relationship between horse and rider.

Archery - Horse mounted archery is a thrilling sport that dates back to ancient times when horseback archers played crucial roles in warfare and hunting. Today, it has evolved into a competitive sport and a fascinating display of skills and agility. Riders must combine their archery skills with the ability to control their horse. Participating in horse mounted archery at Lockington Pony Club offers a unique opportunity to experience this ancient art in a safe and structured learning environment.

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The Club has set up an event through JustGo for registrations - you can use the below link to enter or alternatively for further information please don't hesitate to contact DC Mands on 0418 694 777.

LBU NEWS

Round 7 Results & Awards

FOOTBALL

Seniors: LBU 8.10.58 def by Colbinabbin 18.11.119

Goal Kickers: T. Butler, T. McMahon (2); E. Bruns, K. Baker, T. Leech, R. Wissell (1).

Awards: T. Leech, T. Butler, B. Stone, K. Baker, E. Bruns, B. Coutts.

Reserves: LBU 23.12.150 def Colbinabbin 4.2.26

Goal Kickers: J. Reiter, D. Kelly (6); J. Butler (5); L. Thompson (3); N. Condliffe, J. Griggs, C. Shaw (1).

Awards: J. Butler, D. Kelly, K. Bambling, N. Condliffe, J. Felmingham, S. Wolfe.

18 & Under: NO GAME

16 & Under: LBU 9.9.63 def Strath Storm 8.7.55

Goal Kickers: H. Condliffe, R. Sims (2); B. Read, P. Keele, J. Brentnall, A. Dixon, C. Roberts (1).

Awards: P. Keele, A. Dixon, C. Isherwood, J. Brentnall, R. Serpell, C. Rowlands.

12 & Under: LBU 1.1.7 def by Echuca United 5.9.39

Goal Kickers: H. Christian (1)

Awards: H. Keele, D. Knowles-Mulhollan, R. Nichol, W. Christian, H. Christian.



NETBALL

A Grade: LBU: 34 def by Colbinabbin: 77 Best On: G. Crowe. Coaches: K. Pearson

A Reserve: LBU: 57 def Colbinabbin: 55 Best On: D. Laffy. Coaches: E. Walsh

B Grade: LBU: 63 def Colbinabbin: 24 Best On: K. Smith. Coaches: G. Crawford

B Reserve: LBU: 51 def Colbinabbin: 31 Best On: M. Haxby. Coaches: K. Biggs

17 & Under: LBU: 61 def Colbinabbin: 37 Best On: E. Ritchie. Coaches: A. Giorgianni

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Round 8:

LBU vs North Bendigo @Home

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BAMAWM GOLF CLUB

5 MAY

With quite a few players representing the Club at Mitiamo for the annual Kelly Shield, a small but quality field competed in a 2 Person Ambrose at Bamawm Golf Club



Winners on the day on 63.75 were Kieran McAsey and Neville Vicary, from runners up Steve Holt and David Winchcomb on 66.

Neartest to the Pin: Noah Broucek (7), Kieran McAsey (16), Francis Lee (2nd shot 4), Noah Broucek (2nd shot 13). Longest Drive: Neville Vicary

12 MAY

It was a beautiful day for a Sunday hit to celebrate all the mums.

The day's winner with 34 Stableford points was Captain Frank Coonerty, from runner up Neville Vicary on a 3 way countback from Lee Hicks and Jeff Carnie.

Nearest to the Pin: Ben Newth (2nd shot 4), Darcy Taylor (2nd shot 13 - Eagle). Longest Drive: Darcy Taylor



19 MAY

Bamawm Golf Club's annual Ladies Day (see photo above) was a great success.

The Club was particularly thrilled to see some enthusiastic young ladies come along for a hit, and some more ladies join us at the Clubhouse for a lovely afternoon tea and a few drinks.

Both the men and the ladies played Ambrose events.

Winners of the Ladies 9-hole Ambrose competition were Donna Carnegie, Kathy Connors, Lynsey Dobson and Sharelle Riordan with a great score of 40- 20.25- 19.75, from runners up Nikita Frawley, Kim Dingwall and Shannyn Stone.

Longest Drive: Nikita Frawley. Nearest to the Pin: Kathy Connors (7), Kim Dingwall (3rd shot 5).

Winners of the Men's 2-Person Ambrose were Leon Laffy and Greg Reynoldson with 67- 6.75- 60.25, from runners up Ben Newth and Darcy Taylor with 70-8-62.

Longest Drive: Greg Reynoldson. Nearest to the Pin: Kieran McAsey (7), Neville Vicary (8), Leon Laffy (2nd shot 4), Jesse Cuttriss (16), Kieran McAsey (17), Graeme Leys (2nd shot 13).

Our next event will be a stroke round and Privilege Cup.

LOCKINGTON GOLF CLUB



10 MAY - Stableford

Pauline Humbert enjoyed her first win for the 2024 season with a rock-solid 33 points. With a score of 32, Annette Brereton was runner-up for the second week in a row.

In-form golfer Helen Hayes won the 9 hole event with a good score of 16 points. Nearest the pin: Jenny Holt.

11 MAY - Stableford

The welcome rain made for different playing conditions compared to previous weeks.

Ash Portwine scrambled well to finish with 35 and win A Grade, ahead of Trav Mancer and Grant Humbert, both on 34.

Steve Holt won B Grade with 33, while Brad Wakefield won C Grade with 35 (despite leaving a few points out there), on a countback from Mark Lyons.

Nearest the pins: 3rd - Ian Maddison; 2nd shot 9th - Grant Humbert (A), Ron Dixon (B), Brad Wakefield (C); 2nd shot 18th for the 6-pack smack - Ian Maddison.

Spike's Longest Drive on the 11th, sponsored by Hot 'n' Cold Plumbing – Grant Humbert (A), Steve Holt (B), Tom Scurrah (C).

Handicap Matchplay 1st round result: Darren Carnie defeated Ian Haines 2-up, thanks to winning the last 3 holes (chip in birdie on the 16th helped).

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

Lockington Golf Club's 2024 Annual Tournament concluded on Sunday after four days of good golf, good weather and good company.

The event was generously supported by visitors who travelled from near and far, with players from 20 clubs – Bamawm, Belvoir Park, Bendigo, Charlton, Elmore, Goonawarra, Ky Valley View, Lakeside Lake Boga, Marong, Mitiamo, Murray Downs, Neangar Park, Pyramid Hill, Quarry Hill, Raywood, Rich River, Rochester, Rushworth, Stanhope and Wedderburn.

It was especially pleasing to have increased player numbers on each day of the event, with the total entries up 17 percent on 2023. The Club is really grateful for the generous and essential support of so many sponsors.

Players were super impressed by the condition of the course, a tribute to the hard work, time and effort put in by all those who have played a role.

Special thanks to all the members for the delicious food provided, as well as all those who worked in the kitchen, the office, the bar and the clubhouse to make it such a successful event.

Tournament highlights included multiple wins/runner up prizes to Joy Drummond (Marong), Kahl Oliver (Bamawm), Noah Condliffe (Mitiamo) and Ian Maddison.

Steve Jones won the 36 Holes Stroke Open Championship for the 8th time, the first time was all the way back in 1991 as an 18-year-old.

Please see the following page for full Tournament results and more photos.



Lockington Golf Club Annual Tournament - Stroke Championship winners: Ian Maddison (left) & Steven Jones



Lockington Golf Club Annual Tournament - Ladies Fourball winners: Phyll Macfarlane (left) & Mavis Kiel



Ladies Fourball runners up: Joy Drummond (left) & Helen Hayes



Mixed American nett winners: Ian Maddison (left) & Cath Kelly



Mixed American scratch winners: Mark Newlan (left) & Joy Drummond

LOCKINGTON GOLF CLUB ANNUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Thursday 16 May - Ladies' 4BBB (36 players, visitors from nine clubs)

Winners: M Kiel (Marong) & P Macfarlane 44. Runners-up: J Drummond (Marong) & H Hayes 42, c/b. Third: S Pedersen & T Niven (Elmore) 42. Fourth:J Penny & M Fleiner (Neangar Park) 41, c/b. Fifth: J Rasmussen & D Pappin 41.

Ball comp: 40 - J Wiltshire (Mitiamo) & P Humbert 40, C Ward & J Major (Rochester); 39 - J Youl & T Whitney (Lakeside Lake Boga), J Leahy (Rochester) & J Clymo.



Mens Fourball Division 2 winners: Greg Holmberg (left) & Max Williams



Mens Fourball Division 1 winners: Jeff Carnie (left) & Gordon McKay

Nearest the pins: 3rd - G Barker (Marong) 1.21m - winner of the Drummonds voucher for best over the tournament; 7th - J Penny; 16th - C Kelly (Rich River); 17th - L Kingston (Rich River).

Friday 17 May - Men's 4BBB (98 players, visitors from 15 clubs)

Division 1 winners: G McKay (Ky Valley View) & J Carnie 46, c/b; runners-up: A Cochrane & K Oliver (Bamawm) 46. Division 2 winners: G Holmberg & M Williams 47; runners-up: D Anderson & N Condliffe (Mitiamo) 46.

Ball comp: 45 – J & B Wakefield; 44 – T McGurk & A Hargreaves (Charlton), P Mangan & G Armstrong (Ky Valley View); 43 – S Bubb & L Radley (Rochester), J Wright (Rochester) & H Grogan (Elmore), A Campbell & T Carboon (Elmore).

Nearest the pins: 3rd - G Harrison (Ky Valley View), 2.73m; 7th - P Kuiper (Ky Valley View); 16th - A Portwine; 17th - B Bryant (Rochester); 2nd shot 18th - J Wright (Rochester).Long Drive - J Wright (A Grade), D Anderson (B Grade), W Hardess (C Grade).

Saturday 18 May - Mixed American (32 players, visitors from six clubs)

Scratch winners: J Drummond & M Newlan (Marong) – 78. Nett winners: C Kelly (Rich River) & I Maddison 81-18.5-62.5. Nett runners-up: P & K Humbert 84-20-64.

Ball comp: Nett 66.5 - L Kingston (Rich River) & N Maddison; E & A Kuiper (Ky Valley View); 67 - J Clymo & I Haines.

Nearest the pins: Ladies - 3rd; J Holt; 7th - P Humbert; 16th - J Drummond; 17th - C Kelly.Men - 3rd A Kuiper 1.88m; 7th - T Mancer; 16th - S Jones (Rich River); 17th - S Jones (Rich River). 2nd shot 18th - P & K Humbert.

Sunday 19 May - Men's 36 Holes Stroke Open Championship (45 players, visitors from 8 clubs)

A Grade 36 Holes Scratch & SJ Windridge Perpetual Trophy: S Jones (Rich River) 73-72=145; 36 Holes Nett: A Kuiper (Ky Valley View) 68-71=139; 18 holes nett (am): A Kuiper 72-4-68; 18 holes nett (pm): S Mancer (Rich River) 73-5-68. B Grade 36 Scratch: K Oliver (Bamawm) 83-84=167; 36 Nett: N Condliffe (Mitiamo) 66-66=132, c/b W Hardess; 18 holes nett (am): N Condliffe 87-21-66; 18 holes nett (pm): I Maddison 79-17-62. Veterans Event: I Maddison 72-62=134. LGC Members Best 18 nett: I Maddison 79-17-62 (10 years since he won it the first time).

Ball comp: 133 - J Price (Elmore); 143 - B Wakefield; 144 - A Cochrane (Bamawm); 145 - J Wright (Elmore); 146 - J Carnie, K Humbert.

Nearest the pins: 3rd – M Scholes (Rich River); 7th & 16th – S Mancer; 17th – S Newth (Bamawm); 2nd shot 18th – S Jones. Long Drive: Division 1 – J Wright; Division 2 – H Grogan (Elmore); Division 3 – JD Wright.

LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB



12 MAY

The broad appeal of Lockington Bowls Club's Barefoot Bowls was to the fore when the LBU netballers were invited for a night on the green.

Almost 20 netballers joined a couple of seasoned bowlers for two games of 3-bowl Rinks; it was a delight to see and hear the banter and laughter as they pursued their quest for victory.

Three teams finished undefeated with bragging rights going to Peter Standl, Ellie Walsh, Bridie Baker, Jeff Carnie (s) 2 wins plus 15 shots.

In second place was Peter "Eggsy" Egan, Cindy Portwine, Amy Cook, Phillip Cunnington (s) 2 wins +11 while Ian Staig, Lizzie Halloran, Maddy Cambridge, Terrill Westwood (s) on 2 wins +4 shots filled third place.

Players were treated to a fine supper - special thanks to Secretary Leanne McInnes, Cindy Felmingham, Jenny Fisher, Lloyd Buchanan and the revolving bar staff for their contribution to a successful evening.

On Wednesday afternoon, bowlers enjoyed the wonderful weather and greens for Scrounge.

The individual winners on the day included a game high score of 56 points from Echuca visitor Bruce Haines.

Next best was the B grade champion John Dowie 54 points with Kathi Maddison 51 and Sue Harris 46 points. Denise Gilmore finished on 42 points and did a fine job organising the field.

On the social front, the Club is looking forward to "Jonno's Annual Pig On A Spit" on Monday, 10 June from 12 noon.

The event comprises a game of bowls over 10-ends at 12.30pm followed by lunch at 2pm.

Bowling is optional and all are welcome - \$10 per head with primary school-aged children free.

19 MAY

Barefoot bowls was well attended on 14 May with 20 bowlers on the green.

At the completion of the second game there were three undefeated teams. As the cream rose to the top, it was the formidable talent of Mel Pearce and Ashley Dobell (s) scoring 2 wins plus 15 shots to take home the major prizes ahead of Steve Pavone and Luke Ryan (s) 2 wins +7 while lan Staig and Rod Fiedler (s) managed 2 wins +4 to finish third.

It was an interesting night with Pos Andrea and Terrill Westwood both joining the W.B. (wrong bias) club and on next door rinks too!

The club acknowledged the input from Leanne McInnes, Cindy Felmingham, Jenny Fisher, Lloyd Buchanan, Chris Stewart and Sponges from Pos Andrea.

Wednesday's Scrounge drew a smaller crowd. The leading scores on the day were returned by Bruce Haines 56 points closely followed by John Dowie 54 and Andy Harris 44. Denise Gilmore finished on her favorite 42 points.

Saturday's sunshine attracted a healthy group of bowlers to enjoy the excellent conditions.

Lorraine Appleby won the day on 54 points ahead of Cindy Felmingham 49. On rink two Sue Harris was on top of her game to register a very fine 57 points to annex the trophy from Allan Kauffman on 53.

On rink three, the wily John Dowie struck again with a devastating 62 points to finish well ahead of Annie Haines on 39.

The final rink belonged to Past President Neil Haines with a lighter load on his shoulders, produced some stunning bowls to amass 53 points to win narrowly from Denise Gilmore on 49 points.

Scrounge will continue on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 1pm.

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WHAT'S ON

Weekly

Monday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

10am: Casual Art Class @ The Plumber's Shed

9.30am - 4.30pm: Podiatrist Nicole Hocking @ Bush Nursing Centre Ph 54 86 2544 to book.

4.30pm - 5.30pm: Tai Chi @ Bush Nursing Centre

Tuesday

10am - 12 noon: Men's Shed @ Business Centre Complex

9.30am – 11.30am: Lockington Play Group @ St James Church Hall (school terms). Ph Tegan 0400 754 116

9.30am – 4.30pm: Dr Patrick Nzegwu @ Bush Nursing Centre. Ph 54 86 2544 for availability & dates.

6.30 for 7pm start: Barefoot Bowls @ Locky Bowls Club

6.30pm – 8.30pm: Ukulele Group @ The Plumbers Shed

Wednesday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

9.30am - 12 noon: Community Garden Group

1.00pm - Men's & Ladies Social Scrounge @ Lockington Bowls Club

4pm - 5.30pm: Youth Action Group @ The Plumbers Shed

Thursday

10am: Social Activity Day @ Bush Nursing Centre

9.30am: Ladies Social Badminton @ Bamawm Sports Centre. Ph 0458 548 622.

Saturday

1.30pm Men's & Ladies Social Casual Bowls @ Lockington Bowls Club

7.15pm: Bingo @ St Joseph's Hall, Rochester

Sunday

1pm - 4pm: Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex open

WHAT'S ON

Monthly

FIRST WEEK

Sunday

Pine Grove Gun Club - Simulated Field & Game

Wednesday

Action Club Dinner - 7.30pm at Club Rooms

Thursday

Landcare Meeting - 7pm Locky Business Centre (even months)

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)

Cuppa Connection at The Plumber's Shed - 10am to 11.30am.

Friday

Social Indoor Bowls - 7.30pm Bamawm Extension Hall.

Saturday

Lockington Pony Club Rally - 10am - Scurrah Reserve (Mands Scurrah ph 0418 694 777)

THIRD WEEK

Monday

Lockington Senior Citizens (3rd Monday of the month) - 10.15am at Club Rooms.

Wednesday

Action Club Activity Night at Club Rooms - Ph 0417 899 806 or 0409 259 723 for details.

FOURTH WEEK

Monday

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

Wednesday

Lockington Lions Club Business Meeting - 7.30pm Heritage Centre.