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# **LOCKY NEWS**

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The Lockington & District Campdraft Club Inc. held its biggest and most successful ever annual event from 28 February to 2 March.

The 2025 competition was significant as it also marked the Club's 20th anniversary and the Committee was inundated with entries, a reflection of the great grounds and the beautiful selection of cattle that is kindly donated each year.

Around 1000 head of cattle was utilised over the course of the Campdraft, many of which were walked in by Committee members and volunteers on horseback from neighbouring farms.

The remainder were transported via trucks in and out of the grounds efficiently and safely thanks to Hannasky Livestock Carriers. A full report on the event is featured on Pages 5 & 6.

Pictured above are the successful competitors from the Feature Dry Work Challenge (from right): 1st Bruno Robinson riding An Acre Named Sue; 2nd Abbey Webb; 3rd Ryan Carman; 4th Sean Gray; 5th Bonnie Hiscock; equal 6th Brad Daunt & Sarah Martin. Photo Credit: Equine Promotions Australia.

# COMMUNITY CENTRE & TRAVELLER'S REST TO GET DEFIBRILLATORS

Lockington Community Centre is getting a Defibrillator.

The project is being paid for by Lockington Community House from funds raised over the course of 2024.

Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott explained that a portion of the money was raised via a raffle held in conjunction with last year's celebration of the International Day of Rural Women.

She said the remaining funds had been raised by members of the Youth Action Group through the Locky Blocks lego exhibition, and a Halloween Movie Night in conjunction with Campaspe Shire Council.

"We had a healthy donation sitting in our bank account, ready to hand over to the Lockington and District Bush Nursing Centre," Tanya said.

"When the Hall Committee mentioned that they felt the Community Centre should have a Defibrillator, we had a discussion with the Bush Nursing team and everyone agreed that it would be an appropriate use of the funds," she said.

"It's another great demonstration of the Lockington community's self-reliance and ability to make important projects a reality."

The Community Centre is one of two locations ear-marked to have a new Defibrillator installed in coming weeks; a second will be placed at the Traveller's Rest.

# **LOCKINGTON - LINES IN TIME**

### Hello again everyone.

We have reached January 1911, as we look back at the early newspapers to learn how the local farming communities were

The major developments that were planned to take place in 1910 had still to arrive; closer settlement and intensive irrigation farming would replace what had been dry land cropping and grazing enterprises, on thousands of acres of land across the region.

The land had been acquired by the Government, and there were plans for subdivision and re-allotment, but much preparatory work had yet to be done. It was stated that the Bamawm Irrigation Scheme - that which most concerned our district would not be ready for its new residents before March 1911.

Fire was the main news item in the district as 1911 began. On 7 January, the Elmore Standard reported on a fire which had started late in the evening on 1 January, at Blackmore's farm, Milloo, which was then being rented by Mr Andrew Slattery. Extensive damage was done, a standing crop of about 520 acres having been consumed; also 60 bags of wheat, 50 bags chaff, and 50 new bags. The stables were burnt, but a drill was saved. The fire was brought under control next day, but its origin was suspicious. (Several days later, Mr Slattery's brother was arrested, and appeared before a J P at Mitiamo, before being remanded to appear before the Police Court at Rochester, on 21 January.

In Court it was determined that the Slattery brothers were on friendly terms, and the accused admitted having walked through his brother's paddocks on New Year's night. When near the fence, he lit his pipe, throwing the match among the stubble. A fire broke out and, finding he could not extinguish it with his hat, he became alarmed and ran away. His defence lawyer stated that the accused man's behaviour was due to naivety rather than malicious intent and a term of imprisonment would not help him. However, he was sentenced to four months' imprisonment, and ordered to pay £10 costs.)

# **Lockington & District** Living Heritage Complex Inc.

2-10 Market Street, Lockington



# Open Sundays 1 - 4 pm

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

# Venue available for hire...

(weddings, parties, pretty much anything!) Hire of the main room plus the side room \$100 Hire of commercial kitchen \$100 plus refundable \$100 bond Phone Sandra 0427 030 804

As reported in the Age on 4 January 1911, the farm of Mr Patrick Doherty, at Diggora, caught fire in the evening on 2 January and, a traction engine having passed by a few minutes earlier, it was assumed that some sparks from it had been the cause. Fortunately, a main irrigation channel of the Campaspe system intersected the land to the leeward of the flames, and proved an admirable fire break. A dozen of Mr Doherty's employees, with the assistance of neighbours and a water cart, brought the fire under control, but not before 69 bags of wheat and a quantity of fencing were destroyed. The homestead narrowly escaped destruction. Reporting this fire on 7 January, the Editor of the Elmore Standard suggested that municipal by-laws should be introduced prohibiting the use of traction engines during the summer, unless they were provided with efficient spark arresters.

On 12 January 1911, the Pine Grove correspondent wrote to the Bendigo Advertiser that harvesting operations were drawing to a close in that district, with some crops having yielded well. The Elmore Standard reported on 14 January, that Diggora land had also given excellent returns for the season. Harvesting was nearly completed, and wheat was arriving at the Elmore railway station in large quantities. However, on 16 and 17 January 1911, heavy though patchy - rain fell, delaying the completion of the harvest a little.

The campaign to obtain a railway line to service our district had been a particularly long-running one, being conducted – on and off – for more than thirty years. Agitation recommenced in 1910, when moves were afoot to introduce Irrigation and Closer Settlement in the region, and the matter was brought up in the Legislative Assembly on 26 July 1910. On 19 November 1910, the Elmore Standard reported that Mr A T Randall, general secretary of the combined Railway Leagues campaigning for the Elmore-Cohuna line, had been advised by Mr John Cullen, M.L.A. for Gunbower, that the members of the Railways Standing Committee would be in the district in the near future to gather evidence regarding the proposed line. A committee of local representatives was appointed to prepare evidence to place before the Standing Committee. On 28 January 1911, the Elmore Standard reported that the Parliamentary Railway Standing Committee would visit Cohuna in February, and take evidence. Dates when the Committee would visit other localities involved were: — Kerang, Friday 24 February; Cohuna, Saturday 25 February; Pyramid Hill, Monday 27 February; Gunbower, Tuesday 28 February; Echuca, Wednesday 1 March. Evidence would be taken at Elmore, Rochester, and Pine Grove in March.

With large acreages of land throughout the district having been acquired by the Closer Settlement Board, there were ongoing clearance sales and farewell functions. Among the former, on 15 February 1911, at Tennyson, auctioneers under instructions from Johnstone Steen Esq., would sell horses, brood mares, dairy cows, cattle, hay and farm wagons, tip-drays, buggies and bags, as well as farming implements of all descriptions and dairy and farm appurtenances. Mr Steen, having disposed of his property to the Closer Settlement Board, intended to take up a farm near Melbourne. On 1 March 1911, at Warragamba, auctioneers would sell horses, sheep, cattle, and farming implements, on account of Mr W Woodburn.

February 1911, brought thunderstorms and heavy rain to parts of the Northern Plains and, on 13 February, the Pine Grove correspondent wrote to the Bendigo Advertiser that, owing to the bank of the Waranga channel giving way, a heavy flood came down the Picanniny Creek, reaching Mitiamo about 7 o'clock on 12 February. All the surrounding country was submerged. Roads were damaged, and nearly all the bridges were undermined, and rendered dangerous. The Elmore Standard reported that, at Warragamba, 630 points [approx 158 mms] of rain fell that week, producing a nice carpet of grass, but dampening wheat and haystacks.

We've scarcely begun 1911. There will be more next time,

'Bye until then, - Marg O'Brien

# Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.

Sunday Duty Roster

30 March

- Des & Tom

13 April

- Jim & Therese - Bev & Les

20 April

27 April

- Beryl & Garry - HERITAGE RALLY

# ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION

The Lockington community will commemorate Anzac Day on 25 April with a March and Remembrance Service.

The March will commence from Lions Apex Park at 8.45am.

Participants will include flag bearers, Veterans and RSL members, family representatives of passed veterans, school children and community groups.

The March will head east along Pannoo Road to cross Lockington Road, east along Singer Road then left into Hopetoun St, right into Barton Street and on to Shakespeare Court concluding at the front of the Community Hall.

A formal service will take place from 9am where wreaths and floral tributes will be laid.

All are welcome to attend. For all inquiries, contact Kristin Munro.

# **DEATH NOTICE**

BACON (nee Sims) Beryl
06.12.1935 ~ 10.03.2025
Loved sister of Dawn.
Fond Aunt of Carol (dec), Rhonda & Max.
Sister of June (dec), Gordon (dec) & Gwen (dec).
Beryl's funeral was held at Pannoo Bamawm (Pine Grove)
Cemetery on March 20.



STALLHOLDER APPLICATIONS

NOW OPEN SUNDAY 18 MAY 2025

Please email nhldbc@gmail.com or Ph 0499 170 329 for further information or to confirm your participation

This market will run from 9.30am to 12 noon in parallel with the 2025 Lockington Swap Meet

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HERITAGE RALLY WEEKEND

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex will be holding its Annual Vintage Rally on 26 & 27 April.

The Heritage Complex Committee is asking the Lockington community for some help, whether it be for an hour or two, or longer.

Volunteers have been the backbone of the Heritage Rally's success over many years.

The event is enormously important for our town drawing visitors from far and wide; it is also a great way for locals to give back.

There are a number of roles which need to be filled, both in the kitchen and inside the complex as well as outside on the grounds.

Anyone who is willing to donate some time to assist on either or both days will be warmly and enthusiastically welcomed.

If you would like to offer to help, or require further information, the following people will be happy to assist:-

Beryl Marshall Ph 0428 862 353, email lbmarshall@bigpond.com

Sandra Chappel Ph 0427 030 804, email sanchap.1@bigpond.com

Jack Oliver Ph 0428 862 566.

# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

# MARCH

29 Rochester Mural Festival LBU Season Launch

# APRIL

- LDBNC Carer's Lunch Lockington FoodShare
- 6 Lockington Golf Club Opening Day Lockington Bowls Club Presentation Evening
- 7 School Holidays Commence
- 10 Community Cuppa Connection
- 15 Bunnings School Holiday Activity
- 17 Lockington Golf Club Ladies Opening Day
- 18 Good Friday Easter Commences
- 21 Lockington Town Planning Meeting
- 25 ANZAC DAY
- 26 Whole Town Garage Sale
- 26-27 Lockington Heritage Rally
- 30 First Aid Training

#### MAY

18 Swap Meet / Show N Shine, Market, Locky Blocks

# LOCKINGTON WHOLE TOWN





# SATURDAY **26 APRIL**

Contact Lockington Neighbourhood House to register

P 0499 170 329

E nhldbc@gmail.com

Registrations close 15 April

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 2025** LOCKINGTON VINTAGE RALLY

# LOCKINGTON CAMPDRAFT BIGGEST AND BEST YET



The Lockington & District Campdraft Club Inc. held its annual event from 28 February to 2 March, 2025.

This year marked the Club's 20th anniversary and to commemorate a new feature event was added to the program.

The Dry Work Challenge was held on the Friday morning; perfect weather and a beautifully prepped arena ensured an incredible display of horsemanship and the 23 competitors and their horses were presented immaculately.

Bruno Robinson on his stallion, An Acre Named Sue took top honours. Congratulations to the other place getters.

At the completion of the feature dry work challenge, the Campdrafting events got underway with the Lyn Barrat Memorial Encouragement.

The winner was Amy Crampton riding her horse 'Tracrossy Marvel', congratulations to the other place getters.

On Friday night the competitors and sponsors enjoyed a free barbeque dinner supplied by the Steelwool Tavern.

Saturday's program commenced at 7am with the Maiden A & B; there were 221 entries in the Maiden's all up.

Maiden A winner was Sebastian Steenhuis riding a horse called 'Frankie'. The winning Maiden B combination was Jack Shanahan riding 'KJA Senorita Moon'.

Everyone's favourite event is the Juniors where participants may be small in stature but they make up for it in their competitive riding. Darcy Cummins was the overall winner riding 'Ally'. Congratulations to the placegetters of the Junior event. ..... continues

Pictured (top): Brett Thomas riding 'Banimboola Time To Shine'

Pictured (above right): Junior winner & placegetters - 1st Darcy Cummins, 2nd Ellie Kennedy, 3rd Ellie Kennedy, 4th Ryder Moran, 5th Ruby Le Cerf & 6th Holly Walsh.

Pictured (right): Novice A winning combination, Jack Shanahan riding Smith Family Conjessman.



#### .... continued

The Juvenile competitors rode at a level far beyond their years and showed incredible horsemanship.

The winning combination was Hope Job riding 'Borambola Dance', congratulations to the other placegetters who all rode incredibly well.

It was late afternoon when the Open division got underway - a competition for horse and rider combinations that have previously won an event so it made for great spectating. The winner was Zac Svetlik riding his gelding 'Alvin' who really put on a show with a winning score of 177.

On Saturday night the good vibes rolled on with a delicious two course meal catered by the Lockington & District Campdraft Committee and live entertainment provided by Catch 22.

By 7.15am on Sunday the Committee and competitors were ready to roll again, commencing with the Novice A which was won by Jack Shanahan and 'Smith Family Conjessman'. This combination is fast becoming a must see in the sport.

The Novice B was won by Bruce O'Dell riding 'Metallic Silver'. Both Jack and Bruce took home lovely trophy buckles donated by returning sponsors and integral supporters of the event - Hannasky Livestock Carriers & Northern Victoria Livestock & Real Estate.

Last but certainly not least, the Open 4 was held. This event is for horses which have won Open events previously so these combinations were the best of the best.

The overall winner after a nail biting final was Paige Nancarrow riding her horse 'Constantly Stylish'. Paige took home some great prizes including a trophy belt buckle sponsored kindly by Hannasky Livestock Carriers as well as a breeding cycle voucher donated by Goulburn Valley Equine Hospital.

On behalf of the Lockington & District Campdraft Club we want to thank each and every volunteer, sponsor, cattle & equipment donor who made the weekend possible. It was the biggest and best event yet and we couldn't have done it without all your help.

A huge thank you to the following generous cattle and equipment donors, without our donors there simply would not be an event to run: the Portwine family; Shane Felmingham; Corey Mitchell; Phil Wilson; Adam Sims; Julian Pearce; Mark & Tam Collins – Collins Cartage; Brian & Michelle Haw; Greg Hocking.

Sponsors: Johnsons Natural Formula; Titanium Caravans; Baxter Boots; 4CYTE; Collins Cartage – Bamawm; Mitre 10 - Rochester; Travla; Drovers Saddlery; Goulburn Valley Equine Hospital; C & W Hide; Fitzgeralds Butchers – Kyabram; Northern Victoria Livestock & Real Estate; Agnico Eagle - Fosterville gold mine; Dunstalls Superstore; Nioka Creations; Wyuna Ropes; Tallawong Stud; Youngers Mechanical Group; WB Hunters – Echuca; Hannasky Livestock Carriers; Smooth Blues; Moama Bakery; Bunnings Echuca; Novella Park Equine; Steelwool Tavern; Shanahan's Livestock Transport; Ky Valley Farms; GTS Farm Supplies – Tongala; Miller Park Stock horses & Quarter horses; Fire Pits R US; Equine Promotions Australia; Cantech Engineering; Nanneella General Store; Tony Gibbs Contracting; Spackman Electrical; Ell's Rural Reins; Holsarma Park. - Kayla Walker





Pictured (left): Riley Shanahan riding 'Bunco'

Pictured (below): Mathew Browne riding 'Montarna Lets Deal'

Photo Credit: Equine Promotions Australia





Prison Fellowship is inviting the Lockington community to join a challenge to bake 61,000 homemade biscuits, to share love with every Victorian prison inmate this Easter.

Biscuits must be: homemade; crisp, not moist or crumbly; nut free (no peanut butter, almond meal etc), in sealed disposable containers clearly labelled with ingredients and number of biscuits. NB Gluten Free Biscuits needed!

Please call 0428 862 353 before delivering to Beryl Marshall, 2 Burns Street, Lockington by 4 April.

Beryl also has suitable recipes if needed.



Lockington Lions Club Presents

Brian Letton & Rodney Vincent

together on stage

WED 11 JUNE @ 7PM

**Lockington Community Centre** 

More details Phone John 0417 999 144

# LBU Season launch Saturday March 29th LBU Clubrooms Spm start after Lancefield practice match Pizza \$20 Nuggests and chips \$5 Music by Simbolikly Rogue Junior football and netball games starting at 5pm There will be jumping castle and kids activities

# **NEWS FROM SAM BIRRELL**



An innovative collaboration between Kagome and Native Extracts has seen a range of new cosmetic products including 'Red Velvet Oil' made from the waste of processed tomatoes.

It was an honour to speak at the launch of these products and it's exciting to see Kagome leading the way in sustainability by ensuring as many products can come from a crop as possible.

The product will be launched at the In-Cosmetics Global conference in Europe next month and as I told the audience at the launch:-

"It is amazing to see something that started its life in a dusty paddock in Lockington on the shelves as a luxury item in Amsterdam!"

I have spoken in Parliament about Lockington's contribution to our nation and this is once again another example of the small town of Lockington growing amazing produce for Australia and the world to enjoy.



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# Tesselaar Fundraising with Bulbs







Lockington Consolidated School is encouraging keen local gardeners to support its latest fundraising project.

experience in propagating and growing flowers, to undertake the project.

Tesselaar catalogues are available at the Lockington Business Centre and Lockington Bush Nursing Centre to assist with deciding on purchases.

The range includes tulips, iris, freesias, hyacinths and daffodils.

Orders are made on line via the following link - https://bulbfundraiser.com.au/LOCKINGTON

For assistance with orders contact Melissa on 0409 934 322 and leave a message, or pop in to Lockington Neighbourhood House.

Orders are due by 10 April but can be made at any time and will be dispatched upon receipt of payment.



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Fee structure: \$70 per treatment

Session lengths will vary depending on treatment on the day and detail of treatment plans developed with the client however will typically be less than 1 hour in duration

For more information or to make an appointment, please call, text or email:

Jon Watson 0481 718 824

Jon.watson@rochesterbowen.com.au

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



Peter Walsh MP MEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS . LEAVEN UP THE NATIONALS

If you need advice or assistance with anything related to state government, please contact my office on the details below and we will do our best to help you.

# Peter Walsh MP

496 High Street, Echuca 3564 Tel: 5482 2039 or 1300 467 906 E: peter.walsh@parliament.vic.gov.au



# Your Council News

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- (i) #campaspeshire
- P: 1300 666 535 | 03 5481 2200
- E: shire@campaspe.vic.gov.au www.campaspe.vic.gov.au

Coming Up Council meeting | 6pm Tuesday, 15 April 2025 | Echuca Civic Centre Meetings can be streamed live: www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming

# Autumn Vibes coming to a venue near you!

Campaspe Shire Council is excited to announce its Autumn Vibes program, a series of free events happening across the shire from 29 March to 17 April. Autumn is the perfect time for enjoying outdoor entertainment – and Autumn Vibes has a variety of activities for people of all ages looking to make the most of the season.

The program includes an array of outdoor movie screenings: *If*, at Rochester Skate Park on 29 March from 6-8pm; *Wicked*, at Gargarro Botanic Garden, Girgarre on 5 April from 6-8pm;

# Despicable Me 4, at

Edis Park, Kyabram on 11 April from 6-8pm; and *Wonka*, at Apex Park, Echuca on 17 April from 6-8pm. Music lovers can enjoy a free performance featuring local acts Jessica Lorraine, The Wildings, and Kane Vincent who will headline an evening at Echuca's Hopwood Gardens on 4 April from 5-9pm, with the first hour of the event will be devoted to up-and-coming young performers.

Autumn Vibes also offers two free bike skills clinics, complete

with a live DJ to set the tone. These will be held at Rochester Skate Park on 9 April, and Echuca East Recreation Reserve on 17 April, with both sessions to be held from 2-5pm.

For more details, search for "Autumn Vibes" on Council's website.

# Immunisation Sessions

# By appointment only.

Register at

campaspe.vic.gov.au/ immunisations

If you are feeling unwell or have any cold or flulike symptoms, you must cancel or reschedule your appointment.

# Tuesday, 1 April

• 5.40 – 6:30pm | Rochester Service Centre

# Thursday, 15 May

 11.30am – 12:30pm | Lockington Bush Nursing Centre

Need help making an appointment? Please call Council on 1300 666 535.

# Now Open For all open projects and applications, visit: <a href="mailto:campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen">campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen</a>

#### **Community Grants Program**

Council's Community Grants
Program offers financial
support to not-for-profit
community organisations,
groups and associations for
projects, exhibitions and/or
performances that contribute
to the municipality and
support Council's vision:
"We are strong, supportive,
vibrant and sustainable."
Further information, including

the guidelines and eligibility criteria for the Community Grants Program, is available on Council's website.



Round One is open now; it will close at 5pm on Thursday, 24 April.

# Ripple Fest volunteers sought

Want to be part of upcoming arts festival Ripple Fest? Council is looking for volunteers to help bring this

exciting arts festival to life in

Rochester and Echuca in May.

You can register to volunteer by completing the Expression of Interest in the Now Open section on Council's website.

# Tourism Awards Mentoring Program

Council is offering local tourism businesses the chance to apply for its Tourism Awards Mentoring Program, which will be launched at an information session on 1 April. The program aims to help businesses prepare their entries for the Victorian Tourism Awards 2025.

# Business workshop opportunities to assist small business owners:

Are you looking to enhance your business skills and network with other local entrepreneurs?
Campaspe Shire Council offers a variety of business workshops designed to support and grow your business. Our workshops cover a range of topics, including marketing, social media and digital content.
Upcoming workshops include:

#### **Canva for Business**

Canva can be a valuable tool for creating marketing and branding assets for small business owners. Join Briana from Mingle Media for a workshop that will introduce you to Canva and how to use it to help your business achieve results,,When: Thursday, 8 May from 12:30-2pm.
Where: Echuca Library. Cost: \$20 per business

# **Social Media for Business**

Join Briana from Mingle Media for an advanced workshop during which you will gain insights and skills to elevate your social media game.

Learn to conquer algorithms and stand out in your customers' news feeds.

When: Thursday, 5 June from 6:30-8pm.

Where: Kyabram Club. Cost: \$20 per business.

# **Creating Live Video for Business**

Join Briana from Mingle Media and learn the techniques, camera angles, equipment, and themes to engage your audience.

When: Tuesday, 17 June from 12:30-2pm. Where: Echuca Library. Cost: \$20 per business.

Bookings: www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/businessworkshops

# This Week's Specials



# **Lockington FoodWorks**

**Proudly Serving the Local Community** 

Open 7.30am - 7.30pm 7 days a week



# LOCKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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

# FIRST AID TRAINING

Lockington Neighbourhood House will host a First Aid Training Course on Wednesday evening, 30 April from 6.30pm.

Provided sufficient numbers are received, we will provide both full First Aid Training and First Aid Refresher Courses.

000Training will deliver the program.

Expressions of Interest are now open. Contact Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott if you would like to participate.







# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

Tuesday 15 April from 10.30am in the Plumbers Shed

Contact Neighbourhood House for more information or to book a place

Presented with thanks to Melany Curtis **Bunnings Warehouse Echuca** 



# CUPPA CONNECTION VISITORS

On 13 March we were absolutely thrilled to welcome a group from Wharparilla Aged Care in Echuca who joined us for Cuppa Connection.

The visitors (pictured left) included a number of former Locky locals who are now residing at the facility. The guests had a lovely time and plan to visit again for the next Cuppa Connection on 10 April.

If you would like to catch up with the crew, we're sure they'd love to see some familiar faces and reminisce about good times.

Cuppa Connection is a free community morning tea held on the second Thursday of each month from 10am to 11.30am in the Plumbers Shed.

# HAVE YOU NOTICED?

Eagle-eyed locals may have noticed that there are some changes happening in the Lockington Neighbourhood House precinct.

In addition to ongoing improvements to the Community Garden watering system, the space in front of the Plumber's Shed is getting a facelift.

Our Monday Casual Art Group girls are leading this project - stay tuned for updates!



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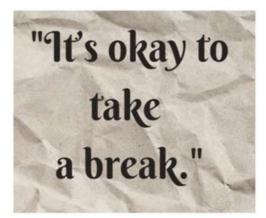


Featuring a guest speaker from Carers Victoria.

We invite our local Carers to join us for a free light lunch

on Tuesday 1st of April
at the Lockington Living Heritage Complex
In partnership with the
Locky Community Kitchen

Please contact the Lockington Bush Nursing Centre for bookings as places will be limited.



This even is brought to you by the Lockington Bush Nursing Centre and is proudly sponsored by the Campaspe Shire Council.







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Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc.

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# What's on at LDBNC

# Chair Yoga - with Leanne Holmberg

Tuesday mornings 9:00am - 10:00 am

Last date for this term: Tuesday 25th March 2025

New 6 week term to commence Tues 29th April

Held in the Marg Knight Activity room at the Bush Nursing Centre \$8 per head.



# Come along and enjoy this relaxing activity

**BYO:** water bottle and perhaps a small pillow for back support. (Chairs and foot blocks supplied)

(Cost subsidised by funding from Violet Vines Marshman Centre for Rural Health)

# Carer's Survey

We acknowledge the challenges and demands of being a carer. Navigating services and finding the right support can feel overwhelming. Caring for other's can be both physically and emotionally demanding. We are circulating a survey exploring the ways we can better support our carer's. If you have not received a survey but would like to complete one, copies are available at the Bush Nursing Centre.

# Foodshare Tues 1st April 2pm-4pm

Our next open pantry day will be Tuesday the 1st of April, 2 - 4pm following the carers luncheon. If you have any produce from your garden you would like to share please bring it along. Everyone is welcome to come and have a browse, fill a bag and enjoy a cuppa and a chat. For frozen meals and food relief at other times please contact the Bush Nursing Centre Mon - Fri 9:00 to 4:30.

# Flu Vaccines

Please register your interest with our reception team if you would like to receive your 2025 seasonal flu vaccine through the Bush Nursing Centre. This will assist us with stock ordering and planning.



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





Photo by... Vin Jarrod, Noomlight Media

Corner Pannoo Road & Market Street, Lockington, Victoria

# ANZAC Weekend

# Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 April

9am to 4pm daily Entry \$10 \*

\* Free entry to Exhibitors & Primary School aged children when accompanied by an adult

# **Special Features:**

All things Ronaldson Tippet, including 100 year old Tractor on display







Vintage & Steam Engines

Tractors & Farm Machinery

Trucks, Cars &

Motorcycles

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**Grand Parade** 

10am and 2pm daily

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Food





# Drinks Market Stalls

# **Enquiries to:**

Jack 0428 862 566 Beryl 0428 862 353

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**Bendigo Bank** 

# **Rochester and Elmore District Health Service**

# ELMORE SERVICES

# Weekly Services:

- Physiotherapy
- · Supervised Gym Classes

#### Services by appointment:

- Dietician
- · Exercise Physiology
- · Occupational Therapy
- Podiatry
- · Social Work



LOCATION Jeffrey Street, Elmore entry via Elmore Medical Clinic

# **Group Exercise Classes** Return to REDHS **Rochester Campus**

REDHS group exercise classes have resumed at our Rochester campus, with our Cardiac Rehabilitation Group being the first to use the new equipment last week.

REDHS offers a variety of supported exercise programs for community members wanting to improve their quality of life through regular and supervised exercise including:

- · Strength and Balance
- · Fitness for Older Adults
- · Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
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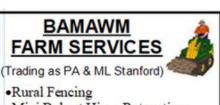












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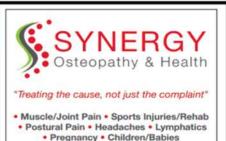
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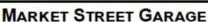
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Hit off is from 11am - 12pm, and social golfers are welcome. Enquiries to Club Captains Grant Humbert (0428 106 132) or Pauline Humbert (0409 038 554).

Thanks to all Club members for their mighty efforts in cleaning up the fallen trees and limbs around the course, it was surprising how much timber came down over the past 6 months.

Office bearers for the 2025 season are: President – Trav Mancer; Captain – Grant Humbert; Secretary-Treasurer – Darren Carnie; Handicapper – Grant Humbert; Ladies' President - Jenny Holt; Captain – Pauline Humbert; Secretary-Treasurer – Sue Harris; Handicapper – Annette Brereton.

# LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

#### 16 MARCH

Good bowlers play good bowls!

Over the past week at Lockington Bowls

Club there was a fine display with the quality bowlers coming to the fore.

The Annual Caledonian Hotel - Echuca Mixed Pairs attracted 22 teams from 11 local district clubs.

At the completion of the three games of 10 ends there was only one three game winner while we had two teams on two and a half wins. The winners were the Lorraine Ritchie and Frank Ritchie (s) pairing from Kerang Golf on three wins and 80 points (pictured below, left).

In the battle for Runners Up trophies Ann Vanderkay and Russell Kell (s) from Moama 2.5 wins - 70 points (pictured below right) ahead of third placed Bernie Johns and Ivan Hicks (s) (Echuca) 2.5 wins - 68 points.

Club President John van den Bosch thanked all bowlers for their support along with the Caledonian Hotel for their sponsorship.

The greens staff, bar staff and the ladies in the kitchen were acknowledged and Pauline Humbert was thanked for the effort in running the special competition. Winners included Lorraine Appleby, Dora Bacic, Poss Andrea, Ann van Dekay and Cindy Felmingham.

Tuesday evening's Barefoot Bowls saw some quality play from the 18 competitors.

Only one two game winner with Emily Rousmillan, Marie Frencham and Cindy Felmingham (s) saluting on plus 19 shots.

Second place went to Terrill Westwood, John Andrea, Keifer Haines (s) loss/win +10 on a countback from Jayden Wright, Steve McKee, Mel Freeman (s) loss/win +2 shots.

Raffle winners - 1st: lan Haines; 2nd: John Andrea; 3rd: Emily Rousmillan who has now left the district for work and enjoyed the friendship and happy times at Barefoot Bowls.

Locals had little success at the weekly Sixty & Over competition Kyabram but at the previous week's competition the "fab" four in Ray Hanson, Leon Laffy, Phillip Cunnington, Kevin Humbert (s) scored an upset win with four in the Yardstick.

At Rochester Bowls Club's annual "Crackerjack" evening local members Lorraine Appleby, lan Haines, Phylis MacFarlane, Neil Haines (s) (pictured top right) returned home with the spoils in a giant all-team effort.



The annual C.M.S. Refrigeration & Electric (Elmore), event attracted a small field of quality bowlers from Boort, Echuca, Moama, Rochester, Serpentine, Lockington, Tongala, Stanhope and Elmore.

At the end of the four games of 10 ends, there were two undefeated rinks to contend for the spoils. The Boort rink including Tony Matley, John Gibson, Laurie Maxted, Kelvin Ritchie (s) scored 108 points to take home the major trophies. Runners Up to the composite team of Francis Keech, Frank Maher, Bryan Gladman, Ken Wills (s) 102 points. The team hailed from Elmore, Rochester and Serpentine.

The Club acknowledged the strong support from all who had contributed to the presentation of the surrounds and the clubhouse. The green staff, Mary Thomas (bar) and the wonderful ladies for the excellent meals on the day (the sponges were unreal!)

# 23 MARCH

Another fine week of bowls along with a slight drizzle of rain that may auger well for the forthcoming future.

On the greens there has been plenty of action including Barefoot Bowls and several Club Competition contests.

Barefoot Bowls attracted a quality field and the competition was a treat to watch. Three bowl Pairs was the order of the night resulting in just the one two game winner.

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Luke Ryan and Shane Felmingham (s) scored two wins plus 6 shots to take home the chocolates ahead of Pat Duffy and Jeff Carnie (s) loss/win +12 shots while Matteo Rightio - Ian Haines (s) win/loss +3. Special competition winners - 1st Chris Stewart, 2nd Luke Ryan, 3rd Arthur Boitteuk.

Not much glory from the Sixty & Over competition held at Tongala on Wednesday. Our local members tried valiantly with one team winning all games but left the draw to the yardstick in a sorrowful situation.

During the past week, members have played several Club matches. In the women's 100 Up Championship second round - S Harris d. M Thomas, N MacLaughlin w/o P Andrea. Games to be played P Humbert v. M Dowie, L McInnes v. C Felmingham.

The B Grade Championship 2nd Round: P Andrea d. P MacFarlane, S Harris d. P Humbert, M Dowie d. M Thomas, C Felmingham to play the winner of the Maddison - McLaughlin game.

In the Men's section - the President's 21 Up championship: Second round: S Pavone w/o, P Cunnington d. K Ray, N Haines d. D Thomas, M Thomas d. R Fiedler, C Felmingham w/o K Stout, M Freeman w/o, J van den Bosch d. S Felmingham. Quarter final: Haines d. M Thomas, McInnes d. C Felmingham, Pavone d. Cunnington.

In a major upset M Freeman d. Club President J van den Bosch in a brilliant display of bowling. Semi-finalists are Pavone v. Haines, Freeman v. McInnes.

100 Up Championship 2nd Round: B Musgrove d. Van den Bosch, S Nolan d. S Felmingham, S McKee d.R Fiedler, Pavone d. Haines, P Andrea d. R Hanson, D Thomas w/o. To be played: K Stout v. I Staig, G Wood v. L Buchanan. Quarter final Pavone d. McKee, P Andrea d. D Thomas.

Social bowls on Saturday resulted in the Talls (J van den Bosch) skipper defeating the Smalls (Jim Harris) skipper in a real cliff hanger by one shot.

The Friday evening highlight was the inaugural Club Best Bowler on the Green vote count. The votes (4-3-2-1) were cast by the opposition skipper across all Divisions and the result was a single vote to the winner.

With the final round votes to be counted, Cindy Felmingham was leading on 41 votes ahead of Steve Pavone sitting on 39 votes. At the completion of the voting Pavone gained maximum votes to win the award on 43 votes from Felmingham who finished Runner Up on 42 votes.

The Club Presentation evening will be held on Sunday 6 April (6.30pm for a 7pm meal). Names to be listed on a sheet at the Clubhouse for Catering purposes please.

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# Weekly

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

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

9.30am: Social Pickle Ball @ Bamawm Sports Centre. Ph 0458 548 622.

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# Tuesday

10am: Men's Shed @ Business Centre Complex

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

7pm: Ukulele Group @ Business Centre

6.30pm for 7pm start: Lockington Bowls Club Social Barefoot Bowls

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# Wednesday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

9.30am - 12 noon: Community Garden Group

9.30am - 11.30am: Lockington Playgroup @ St James Church Hall. Ph Tegan 0400 754 116 (NB Playgroup runs every second week during school terms in 2025)

4pm - 5.30pm: Youth Action Group @ The Plumbers Shed (School Terms)

5.30pm - 7.30pm - Ladies Woodwork @ The Men's Shed

# Thursday

10am: Social Activity Day @ Bush Nursing Centre

# Friday

4.30pm: Lockington Bowls Club practice roll up. Meal to follow @ 7pm.

# Saturday

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

# Tuesday

Combined Churches prayer meeting - 10am St James Community Church

FoodShare - 2pm to 4pm at Heritage Complex

# 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 Jan)

# Wednesday

Lions Club Dinner Meeting - 7pm Heritage Complex

# Thursday

Milloo CWA - 10am - Milloo Hall (not Dec or Jan)

Cuppa Connection (Plumbers Shed) - 10 to 11.30am.

# Friday

Social Indoor Bowls - 7.30pm Bamawm Ext 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.

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# Wednesday

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

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# Monday

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# Wednesday

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