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# LOCKY NEWS

*Lockington's Priceless Paper - Published Fortnightly*

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**A collaboration between Lockington District Business Centre's vision, Community Bank - Elmore, Lockington & Rochester's financial support and artist Jimmy Dvate's extraordinary talent has brought Lockington's much anticipated mural to life.**

Thank you to everyone who played a part in the evolution of the design as well as the many locals who took the time to chat with Jimmy over the course of the project. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive and we think it will be a genuine asset to the town.



## LOCKINGTON RAISES \$5526 FOR THE KIDS

The Lockington community can once again stand tall after raising more than \$5000 for this year's Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

Our town's official tally was \$5226.16, thanks principally to the outstanding commitment of local Appeal Co-ordinator Nicole Cunnington whose raffle, Good Friday Easter Egg Hunt and family fun day raised more than \$3500 – a new record - and the Lockington Consolidated School community which contributed \$1200.

Eighty children enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt, which was generously supported in 2026 by Noumi. Sandra Chappel's scones were a huge hit, and raffle and prize winners included Jason Nichol, Jess Gibson, Margaret Barrington, Kate Curran, Nikki Shegog, Lillian Kittel, Hazel Anderson and Indi Hann.

A heart felt thank you to everyone who contributed to Lockington's fundraising efforts.



## LOCKINGTON - LINES IN TIME

Hello again Everyone,

**We have reached March 1913, as we look back at the early newspapers to learn what was happening in our district.**

On 4 January 1913, the Elmore Standard had reported that the Bill to provide for the construction of a railway from Cohuna to Elmore had been passed by Parliament in December 1912.

This news caused upset among the new residents at the Bamawm Irrigation Settlement, who had sought an alternate rail route from Cohuna to join the main line at Rochester.

After investigating both routes, the Railways Standing Committee recommended the route as originally surveyed, but allowed for a slight deviation to the east in order to better meet the new settlers' needs.

Nevertheless, vigorous protests were heard from the Bamawm settlers and, as March 1913 began, all was in disarray. Another inspection of the proposed routes had taken place on 28 February, and deputations from parties representing both points of view had waited on Government Ministers. Petitions to be put before Parliament in June 1913, were being circulated across the district.

At a meeting at Rochester on 4 March 1913, reported by the Ballarat Star on 6 March, the settlers of the various irrigation settlements aired their grievances before Mr W Dickson, Secretary of Mines. In Bamawm's case, these included their disappointment concerning the proposed rail service.

Then a deputation of landowners from Pannoobamawm and other localities west of the proposed Elmore-Cohuna railway line, was introduced to Mr A A Billson, Minister for Railways, on March 5, by Mr H Angus, M.L.A.

The Weekly Times on 8 March 1913, reported that the deputation protested against a deviation of the line eastwards, as asked for by settlers at Bamawm.

Mr Angus, "who spoke with warmth," said that the deputation had come to protest against irregular proceedings which were thought to be taking place regarding the construction of the line.

He said that Parliament had been misled in the matter and, after the line had been approved by Parliament, it was improper for the Cabinet to appoint a sub-committee to inquire as to the desirability of a deviation.

In reply, Mr Billson said that the Government had been actuated by a desire to do justice to all. He would take the request of the deputation to the Cabinet.

While they waited, the people of our district had other matters to think about. On 10 March, 1913, Mr Van Nooten, teacher at the Bamawm Township school, wrote to the Education Department to ask if the Bamawm Township's official name could be changed as the mail was sometimes sent to Barmah Township by mistake. He suggested Bamawm Central, or just Bamawm.

The Department agreed to Bamawm Central on the recommendation of Inspector Thorne. Across the region, good rains had fallen, which luckily, had not severely impacted on the attendance at the successful North Pannoobamawm Methodist Church concert held on 27 March, according to the Bendigo Advertiser on 29 March 1913.

An article in that same edition of the paper stated that the rains had put settlers and farmers alike "in good heart," and a fine dairying season could be expected. The growth of natural grasses, now assured, would not only add to the settlers' income, but the lessening of labour entailed in feeding with lucerne would be appreciated.

A lot of tree-planting would take place in the coming weeks, if the propitious weather conditions continued, and the progressive settlers were getting in all the winter feed that they could, so that milk returns might be assured.

Altogether the prospects were better than usual so early in the autumn, but settlers had already endured great difficulties and disappointments.

An item in the Bendigo Advertiser on 4 April 1913, said that Mr H R S Abbott, M.L.C., who visited the irrigation settlements at about that time, felt that any further harassment on the part of the authorities would be the last straw for some of the settlers, who had really tried to make a success of their holdings.

Fortunately, as reported in the Advertiser on 25 April, plans for a co-operative butter factory in Rochester were progressing satisfactorily. Nominations for appointment as provisional directors would be received up to 1 May 1913, and a public meeting would be held a week later to urge greater participation – "The more farmers able to render assistance, the more successful the project would be."

The matter of the Elmore-Cohuna railway line came to public notice again on 26 April 1913, when the Melbourne Argus announced that a final decision had been made. On 25 April 1913, the Minister of Railways (Mr A. A. Billson) stated that the route would be in accordance with the Railways Standing Committee's recommendations. Though requests for deviations had been made from various quarters, after due consideration of all the interests concerned, he had decided to follow the Committee's report.

The survey would be carried out as rapidly as possible, and afterwards the construction branch would begin the work of building the line. "Delay had been caused by the various proposals for deviations, but none of them could be entertained." The news was greeted "with much satisfaction," according to the report received from Cohuna on 28 April, by the Bendigo Advertiser. Progress at last!

**'Bye until next time,  
- Marg O'Brien**

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### Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.

Sunday Duty Roster

19 April	- Sandra & Ian W
26 April (Rally)	- All on duty
3 May	- Susan & Brett
10 May	- Andrew & Brigitte
17 May	- Tom & Les

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you spare some time and give us a hand?

Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex will host its Annual Rally on 25/26 April and the committee is seeking volunteer helpers - be it for an hour or two, or longer.

The rally's success over the years has only been made possible by the generosity of its volunteers; a successful rally is both good for the Heritage Complex and good for our town, bringing people into the community.

So, if you have some spare time on either day and could assist, either inside or outside, it would be appreciated. Please contact either:-

**Beryl Marshall - Ph 0428 862 353 Email lbmarshall@bigpond.com, or**

**Sandra Chappel - Ph 0427 030 804 Email sandrachappel23@gmail.com**



## 2026 LOCKINGTON'S 28th VINTAGE RALLY

### ANZAC WEEKEND APRIL 25 & 26

**CELEBRATING 100th birthdays of Nash Ajax Tourer & John Deere tractor. Any other 1926 vehicles will be most welcome, plus your pride and joy.**

EXHIBITORS FREE ENTRY

Saturday 11am to 4pm

After ANZAC services.



Sunday 9am to 4pm.

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CONTACT: Andrew McDonald 0404 846 068 or Beryl Marshall 0428 862 353. Email: lockyhtg@outlook.com

This year we took up a 'portrait' challenge ! You can vote for your favorite portrait 👍



Making Art in the Plumber's Shed

Visit our exhibition by local creatives over the Vintage Rally weekend. 25-26 April 11am-3pm @ 'The Plumber's Shed', community space across from the Locky supermarket.

## The Locky Ukers

### Vintage Rally Concert

Old faves & new faves !!



Sat 25th April

Lockington Heritage Centre

7.30 pm

gold coin donation

Supported by Lockington Neighborhood House & Lockington Heritage Committee

# COMMUNITY EVENING UNDER THE STARS

As the sun sets, settle in and enjoy an evening of visual entertainment on the big screen

**Cost: \$5 single, \$10 family**  
**BBQ tea provided!**

**Location: Tennyson Recreation Reserve**

**Date: 18th April 2026**

**Time: BBQ Tea at 6:00pm**

**Movie starts @ 07:30pm**

Movie Snacks and  
Soft Drinks available  
for purchase!

BYO blanket or chair  
BYO drinks



## SERVICES AUSTRALIA/CENTRELINK OFFICER TO VISIT LOCKINGTON



Services Australia (Centrelink) will provide an outreach service for face-to-face meetings in Lockington on Wednesday, 22 April.

An Outreach Officer will be available to answer questions and assist with problems between 11am and 3pm at the Lockington District Business Centre.

In addition to Centrelink/My Gov inquiries, they can help with basic Medicare issues, and provide general child support information.

Although not working in the My Aged Care space, the officer will be able to guide residents in the right direction for assistance or support.

The outreach service is being co-ordinated by Lockington Neighbourhood House; it is designed for those who have difficulty travelling to Echuca or Bendigo to attend a Centrelink Office.

Equally, the service enables customers to speak directly with a real person, rather than having to navigate online or telephone systems which can be difficult and time consuming.

"It's important that locals take full advantage of this opportunity," Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott said.

"We have been fortunate to secure an outreach service but it will only continue if there is a demand."

A second outreach visit has been scheduled for Wednesday, 24 June this year.

Formal appointments are not necessary but can be made if preferred by contacting Lockington Neighbourhood House on 0499 170 329 or email [nhldbc@gmail.com](mailto:nhldbc@gmail.com)



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**YOUR VOICE IN PARLIAMENT**

Peter Walsh MP MEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS

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](mailto:peter.walsh@parliament.vic.gov.au)



### CAN YOU NAME THESE LADIES?

The photo pictured above appears on Page 47 of the book "Bamawm the Changing Scene".

A lady has identified three ladies; can you name any more?

The identified are: Back row 3rd from left is Lorna Hare. 6th from left is Winnie Hann nee Nicholson. Front 1st left is Mary Park nee Gartside.

For records at our Heritage Complex, please let Beryl Marshall (0428 862 353) know if you can help.



# Community Sponsorship Program

We've shared over **\$4 million** in profits locally - and there's plenty more to come.

To celebrate, we're inviting community organisations to apply for funding to bring local projects, events or ideas to life.

If it's going to make Elmore, Lockington, Rochester and surrounds a better place, then we want to hear about it.



**Apply Now**

*Applications open 1 - 30 April*

<https://communitybankelmorelockingtonrochester.smartygrants.com.au/>



Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester

# LOCKINGTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## APRIL

- 18 Lockington Pony Club Rally  
Tennyson Community Get-Together
- 20 First Aid Training @ LDBC
- 21 Term 2 - YOGA commences @ LDBNC
- 22 Services Aust/Centrelink in Lockington
- 25 ANZAC Day
- 25-26 Lockington Vintage Rally

## MAY

- 3 Lockington Auskick Season Commences
- 4 Lockington FoodShare Open Pantry
- 6 Locky School 2027 Prep Information Day
- 9 Lockington Golf Club Centenary
- 10 Mother's Day
- 14 Lockington Community Cuppa Connection
- 17 Swap Meet & Show N Shine  
Locky Blocks Lego Exhibition



## LANDCARE AGM TRIP TO ELMORE

**Lockington and District Family Landcare Group members visited Elmore Compost and Organics for their AGM.**

Host Frank introduced guests to the art and science of making compost from food waste.

Lockington Landcare welcomes new President Drew Gailey, Secretary/Treasurer Dan Walker and acknowledge John Wright and Wendy Sims for their dedication to the local Landcare community for the past 26+ years!

Landcare meets bi-monthly (Feb, April, June, August, October and December) on the first Thursday at 7pm at the Lockington Business Centre or a local farm or project site nearby.

Lockington residents are warmly invited to get involved in local grass roots Landcare in your community today by emailing [lockingtonlandcare@gmail.com](mailto:lockingtonlandcare@gmail.com).



*On Easter Saturday while the "Coffee Club" was enjoying a relaxing get together in our Supermarket, this big Bunny surprised us with a visit and treated us with some Easter eggs. Thank you Foodworks - Beryl Marshall.*



# YOGA

**Tuesday Chair 10 - 11am**

Chair April 21 - May 26 *NB: changed time*

**Wednesday General 5 - 6:15pm**

General runs Apr 22 - June 17 @ LDBNC

**Echuca & Elmore classes also available**

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**Lea Holmberg 0429 978 310**

## LOCKY NEWS UPCOMING PUBLICATION DATES

### Edition 1036

- 27 April - Copy deadline (10am)
- 1 May - Publication Day
- Duty Volunteer - Melissa Gowler

### Edition 1037

- 11 May - Copy deadline (10am)
- 15 May - Publication Day
- Duty Volunteer - Janelle Mancer

# Battery Drive



**Help ENERGISE the Lockington Kindergarten.**

#### LOOKING TO RECYCLE

- Automotive Batteries
- RV Batteries
- Construction Batteries

#### DROP OFF LOCATION

- Lockington Kindergarten  
8 Burns St, Lockington

#### FUNDS RAISED

- Funds raised will go toward our new cubby houses



**AGNICO EAGLE**  
FOSTERVILLE

# Notification to landholders:

## Aerial survey in Rochester, Lockington and Elmore

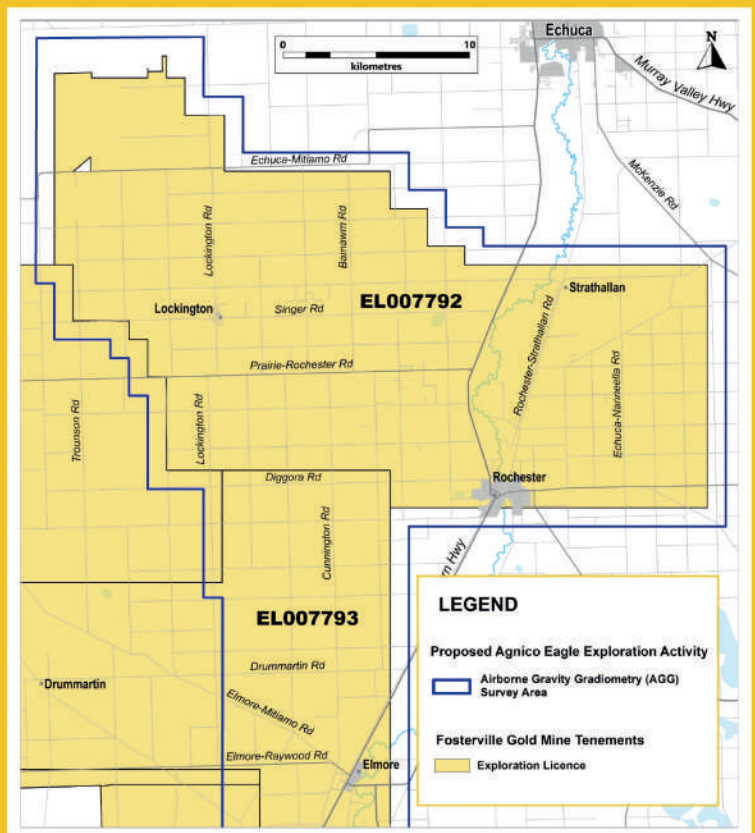
**FGM will undertake an Airborne Gravity Gradiometry Survey (AGG) over newly granted exploration licences EL07792, EL007793, EL007794 and part of EL007795, in April 2026.**



The survey will be completed using a fixed wing aircraft flying at a height of between 80 and 150 metres. The survey measures extremely small natural variations in the Earth's gravity field.

- The gravity instruments are passive and do not emit any signals.
- The aircraft will fly in an east-west direction across 200m intervals, at speeds of up to 220km/h.
- Flying will only occur during favourable weather conditions.

This community notification is being provided to ensure transparency and minimise disruption.



Scan for more details  
about Airborne Gravity  
Gradiometry Surveys (AGG)

### Do you need to know more?

Please contact the Fosterville Gold Mine Community Team via phone or email.  
Tel: 03 5439 9300 Email: fgm.community@agnicoeagle.com

## **EULOGY - MADGE CUNNINGTON**

### **22.03.1923 - 04.03.2026**

Madge Leonie was born 22nd March 1923 in a small private hospital in Preston. Her mother Pansy (Edith Leonie) Slaughter came from Melbourne and had met her father Hubert (James Robert) Rintoul in the department store where he worked as a salesman. Madge had a brother Alexander (James) who was 5 years older, and they lived in a cottage in Carrum near the beach.

When Madge was 15 months old her mother succumbed to an infection following the birth of another baby girl, who also died a short time later. She and her brother Alex went to live with her mother's sister, Daisy, her grandmother (Emily) and Uncle Herbie in South Yarra. Her father visited often and would spend his days off taking his children on outings or shopping.

Madge and Alex lived there until her grandmother died when Madge was 4 years old. Uncle Herbie had sustained a shoulder injury in World War 1, and her Aunt Daisy married Uncle Jack and they all moved to Surrey Hills. Madge attended Canterbury State School and then East Camberwell Girls School.

After leaving school at 15 she worked at New Port and Howel as a machinist making aprons and nurses veils. Madge became great friends with 5 ladies "the gang", who she kept in touch with for the remainder of their lives. We, the family, continue to keep in touch with their children.

Her brother Alex was in the Scottish Regiment Militia and when World War 2 broke out he enlisted into the Army making and installing wirelesses and communications with the Army. He was posted to Singapore but was captured on landing and died as a prisoner of war.

Madge moved to Bamawm to live with her dad's cousin Bert Keele and his wife Florence on their farm to assist with the farm work and care for their children. Florry was Gilbert's (better known as Gib), sister and a romance with Madge soon flourished when the families visited each other.

Madge and Gib married in July 1949, and she moved into the dairy farmhouse at 'Frogmore' Bamawm. They milked Jersey cows and later added Friesians to their herd. They originally milked in stalls then built a herringbone dairy. Gib's sister, Grace also worked on the farm with them and became very close friends with Madge.

With their 3 children, Phillip, Fay and Stephen, the family lived with Grace while their new home was being built. They later established the Frogmore Murray Grey stud and became known for their quality beef cattle.



Madge was involved in many organisations in the district. She attended Bamawm Uniting Church every Sunday, became a Sunday school teacher for many years, a member of the church choir, and a member of the Uniting Church Adult Fellowship.

She was a member and president of the local Red Cross organisation and involved in supporting the community during disasters. She was invited to Parliament House in this role when the knitted blanket was displayed and donated to those in need, and again when she was nominated to attend the Senior Citizen of the Year awards for the Rochester Shire in recognition of her services to the area. Lockington Bush Nursing Centre Auxiliary was another organisation she worked hard for.

Madge enjoyed playing bowls at Lockington for 40 years and held the positions of President and Secretary during some of that time. She could be found on many other days in the kitchen assisting to cater for other bowlers.

Madge enjoyed attending Lockington PAG and Senior Citizens, playing carpet bowls with them on Mondays. She was quite the actress and enjoyed writing and putting on skits in concerts with many of the local groups. She had a great sense of humour and was always ready for a good laugh.

Grace passed away in 2015, and Madge moved to Bendigo the year after to live with Fay, where friends and family were always welcome to call for a cuppa and a chat. Madge had 12 Grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grandchildren.

A beautiful lady passing away 18 days before turning 103, has lived life well, and now rests with her dear Gib.

## IAN STEPS DOWN



The Lockmore Financial Services Board recently farewelled Ian Maddison after almost eight years as a Volunteer Director.

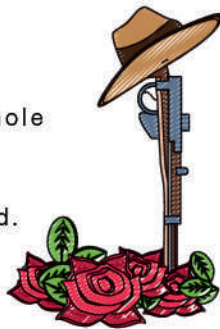
A proud Lockington local, Ian has always brought genuine passion and commitment to everything he's done for our community.

He will undoubtedly make the most of his new-found leisure, enjoying time with his family and ticking off some exciting travel plans.

### THE LETTER

By Jenny Healey

A soldier sat in his foxhole  
Writing a letter home  
It's the kind of letter  
A mother dreads to read.



It spoke of home  
And loved ones  
He'd never see again

Of Friday after working  
Meeting his mates at the pub  
For a beer or two  
Before 6 o'clock closing  
And why a read head is called Bluey

And what makes an Australian  
An Aussie  
He's a friend, a brother, a mate, a  
cobber  
Someone who is always there

He'll walk beside you  
When times are good  
Or when times are hard  
He's the first one to lend a hand  
He'll always see you through

On This ANZAC Day  
We remember those  
Who are buried in foreign lands  
And those who returned home

**2027  
PREP  
INFORMATION  
SESSION**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
9:00am**

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## ANZAC DAY SERVICES

**Lockington March & Commemoration Service** - Assembly at Lions Apex Park at 8.30am, march commences at 8.45am. Service at Lockington Community Hall commences at 9am.

**Rochester Dawn Service & Gunfire Breakfast** - Rochester Cemetery 5.45am-7.30am. Rochester Lions Club will provide a Gunfire Breakfast.

**Rochester Commemorative March & Service** - Assembly point for march is opposite Rochester Shire Hall at 10.30am. March commences at 10.45am. Service to be held at Rochester RSL Memorial Garden at 11am.



## The Inquisitive Mind of a Child

*Why are they selling poppies, mummy?*

Selling poppies in town today

The poppies, child are flowers of love

For the men who marched away

*But, why have they chosen a poppy, mummy?*

*Why not a beautiful rose?*

Because, my child, men fought and died

in the fields where the poppies grow

*But why are the poppies so red, mummy?*

*Why are the poppies so red?*

Red is the colour of blood, my child

The blood our soldiers shed

*The heart of the poppy is black, mummy*

*Why does it have to be black?*

Black my child, is the symbol of grief

For the men who never came back

*But, why mummy, are you crying so?*

*Your tears are giving you pain*

My tears are my fears for you my child

For the world is - FORGETTING AGAIN



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If you value Locky News & its vital role in keeping the Lockington community informed & connected, you can make a direct deposit donation into our account:-

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# LOCKINGTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL NEWS - END OF TERM 1

The Lockington Consolidated School community had an exciting end to Term 1, commencing with an Easter Hat Parade.

Students designed and made their own hats and proudly showcased the work undertaken as part of the STEM and Visual Arts Programs.

At the conclusion of the parade, the Student Action Team weighed a money tub from each classroom; students had been asked to bring along coins as a fundraising effort for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

Two Easter baskets were given away - one for the heaviest tub and one for the class that raised the most money. The LCS efforts contributed over \$1200 to the Appeal.

Prep to Grade Two students participated in an Easter Egg hunt followed by a special lunch of a cheeseburger and chips.

The celebrations concluded with a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny, who chose a Lockington CFA Truck to make his grand entrance and threw treats to the eager crowd.

Lockington Foodworks Supermarket had organised an Easter Colouring In Competition and provided gift baskets for each Grade winner.

A special thank you to the LCS Student Action Team, Lockington Foodworks and the CFA for ensuring that the students had a wonderful end of term celebration.



**Lockington Golf Club**

# CENTENARY

**4 PERSON AMBROSE**  
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2026

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**Every other Tues of the month**

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# LOCKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

**20 April**

000 First Aid Training

**7 May**

Beginners Ukulele Classes Commence

**11-17 May**

Neighbourhood House Week

**17 May**

Locky Blocks Lego Exhibition

**18-24 May**

National Volunteers Week

**3 June**

Cheese Making Workshop

**8 July**

Bunnings School Holiday Program

**TBC September**

Lockington Mural Competition

**10 September**

Cuppa Connect RU Ok? Day

**30 September**

Bunnings School Holiday Program

**15 October**

International Day of Rural Women lunch

## Community Engagement Officers



Services Australia delivers government payments and services.

### In the community

We provide support to customers through collaboration in the community. We make our services more accessible by working with community and third-party organisations.

### Community engagement officers

Our Community Engagement Officers:

- collaborate with community and third-party organisations to support people experiencing vulnerability and complex issues, increasing awareness of agency services
- support customer self-sufficiency by promoting and demonstrating the agency's digital services.

### Working with the community

We organise and participate in community events, sometimes virtually, including:

- local network meetings with community and third-party organisations
- local forums to support mutual customers
- deliver information to customers at community forums and special events
- provide education sessions about accessing our payments and services online.

### Community news

For the latest community updates and news, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/community](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/community). Here you can find resources, information for community groups and subscribe to community news.

## Your local Community Engagement Officer is:

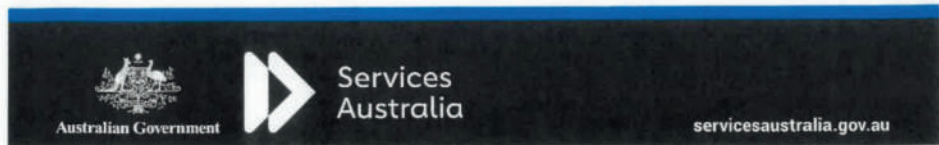
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They provide a service at:

**Lockington Neighbourhood House**

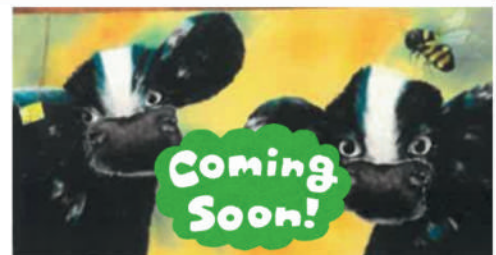
When:

**Wednesday  
22 April - 11am to 3pm**



Keep an eye out for details of the Locky Mural Competition which is returning in 2026 with an exciting cash prize for the winner.

It's time to replace the murals in the Skate Park which have deteriorated over time due to weather exposure; full details soon.





# Your Council News

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## Project Update

Work to install accessible parking in front of the Post Office in Pakenham Street, Echuca, has been completed. This space is available for people with a current accessible parking permit. Eligible people can apply for a permit through Council's website.



## Coming Up

Council meeting | 6pm Tuesday, 21 April 2026 | Echuca Civic Centre  
 Meetings can be streamed live: [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming)

## Immunisation sessions

**By appointment only.** Appointments can be booked online at: <https://kernow.book.vitavo.com.au/available-appointments>.

## Careers #campaspecareers

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

- Childcare workers, various positions
- Project Manager – TechnologyOne Transition Project (closes 19 April)
- Strategic Planning Coordinator (closes 26 April)

## Protect yourself against mosquito bites

Mosquitoes can carry serious diseases – but you can take simple steps to protect yourself:



- Maintain fly screens on windows, doors, vents and chimneys.
- Use insect surface sprays both inside and outside the house.
- Use an effective mosquito repellent, containing either picaridin or diethyltoluamide (DEET) on all exposed skin.
- Remove stagnant water around the house so mosquitoes cannot breed.
- Check and maintain rainwater tanks and water storage vessels to ensure screens are intact and limit mosquito entry.
- Wear long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing when out and about.

## Promote your community group or event for free!

Involvement in a community group or event you'd like to promote? You can add your listing to our website for FREE! The Community Directory lists community organisations, special-interest groups and clubs. The Events Directory lists upcoming events across Campaspe Shire. There is a helpful video on each page to show you how to create a login and upload your listing. Visit [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/communitydirectory](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/communitydirectory) and [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/eventsdirectory](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/eventsdirectory)

## Now Open

For open projects and applications, visit: [campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen](http://campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen)



### Jazz Supper Club

Step back into the age of the jazz speakeasy for a sparkling evening of live music and refreshments at Rushworth Shire Hall on Friday, 1 May.

The Jazz Supper Club will transform the historic hall into a lively yet intimate nightspot, featuring an unforgettable performance by acclaimed jazz artist Fem Belling, along with Picola-based band Broken Creek. Each table seats four, with a maximum of four tickets per booking. Tickets \$20 per person, includes finger food. Drinks at bar prices.

### Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review

The Murray-Darling Basin Authority's 2026 Basin Plan Review is open for feedback until Friday, 1 May. Help inform recommendations to governments on future water management by completing the online survey or making a submission through the MDBA's consultation website.



### Social Media Workshop for Business

Join local expert Briana Cowan from Mingle Media for a practical workshop designed to help businesses make the most of social media.

**When:** Thursday 7 May, 10:30am–12 noon.

**Where:** Tongala Community and Activities Centre (Meeting Room 1), 92–94 Mangan Street.

**Cost:** \$20 per business or organisation.

### 2026-27 Budget Fees & Charges

Community members are invited to provide feedback on the proposed non-statutory Fees & Charges for the 2026-27 Council budget, available to view now on Council's website. You can complete your submission online, or visit our Service Centres or call our Customer Service Team on 1300 666 535 for a hard copy of the submission form. Submissions close Thursday 30 April.



## Rushworth Services Expo

Council, along with Goulburn Valley Health and Rushworth Community House, will host the Rushworth Services Expo on Thursday, 30 April from 10am to 1pm.

This free event at Rushworth Shire Hall will showcase the range of services available to people living in the Rushworth area, including health organisations, community groups, support services and other agencies dedicated to improving wellbeing and quality of life. Free blood pressure checks, along with complimentary tea and coffee, will be available.



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### **2026 FLU VACCINES**

**Time to prepare for flu season.**

The flu vaccine is strongly recommended and free under the National Immunisation Program for the following people most at risk of complications from influenza:

- Children aged 6 months to less than 5 years
- Pregnant women for every pregnancy and at any stage of pregnancy
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and over
- People aged 65 years and over
- People aged 6 months and over with certain medical conditions.

**Vaccine Clinics are being held at the Bush Nursing Centre on:**

- **Wednesday 22nd April**
- **Tuesday 28th April for Elmore Primary Health Patients**

Bookings required please call the centre on 54 862544. If these dates do not suit please ring and express your interest to secure your dose as further dates will be made available.

**PLEASE COLLECT A CONSENT FORM PRIOR TO THE DAY OR ARRIVE 10 MINS BEFOREHAND TO REDUCE WAITING TIMES**

If you are not eligible for a free flu vaccine there will be a small charge of \$20

### **Spot Yoga with Lea**

**Term 2 Chair Yoga**

**Tues 10am-11am \***

**note time change**

6 sessions : **April** 21st, 28th, May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Cost: **Free** Thanks to VVM Community Rural Health & Wellness Funds

**Term 2 General Yoga**

**Wed 5.00pm - 6.15pm**

9 sessions : **April** 22nd, 29th, **May** 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th **June** 3rd, 10th & 17th .

Cost \$10 per (usually \$15 subsidised \$5)

Thanks to VVM Community Rural Health & Wellness Funds



### **Congratulations**

to our  
**Raffle Winners**

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Geoff Shawcross

**Port of Echuca Pack** Anne

Shawcross

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**Thank you to all that supported this fundraiser.**



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### Locky FoodShare is Experiencing Overwhelming Local Support

This support comes at a critical time with the pressures of fuel prices and increasing cost of living impacting rural communities. Please reach out to FoodShare if you are finding it harder to cover your weekly expenses. Sometimes a bag of groceries can make a difference.



Lockington Bowling Club's Barefoot Bowls ran a fundraiser for our local FoodShare on their last evening for the session, raising an amazing \$620.

Thank you for your ongoing support and efforts in breaking down barriers for locals to participate in activities within our community.



Echuca Apex Club have been actively supporting the Lockington Community recently presenting Lockington Foodshare with a voucher for \$500 from Lockington Foodworks.

Brigitte McDonald one of our FoodShare Volunteer was delighted to accept this donation. Photo from Beryl Marshall

### Locky Tractor Rally - Bush Nursing Market Goods Stall

Come and browse our market stall at the Lockington Tractor Rally ANZAC Day weekend for some great buys including beautifully made items by the our sewing group.

### Colouring Competition Winners

There was lots of beautiful, colouring - and judges had a difficult decision choosing the winning entries. All winners have been contacted and collected their prizes.

Thank you to all who took the time to enter - we hope you enjoyed your Easter.



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# REDHS News

## Welcome our new Director Community Care



Rochester and Elmore District Health Service (REDHS) is pleased to announce the appointment of **Mitchell Schwenke**, as the new Director of Community Care. Mitch joins REDHS from Yarram District Health as their former Director of Primary Health Care. He worked in Executive Director roles for the past 6 years in the Gippsland region, previously also as the Director Community Health at Orbost Regional Health.

As a trained physiotherapist, Mitch brings a sound understanding of the role of frontline health practitioners in the provision of primary healthcare services. Having spent much of his career in regional and rural healthcare settings, he understands the challenges and opportunities associated with providing accessible and high-quality healthcare services outside metropolitan centres. He is looking forward to relocating to our region and start working with REDHS from July. Welcome Mitch!

**REDHS AGED CARE SERVICES SURVEY**

Help us understand what respectful aged care services looks like to you

✓ Aged Care ✓ Care at Home

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## Thank you for your feedback

Following your feedback to REDHS Aged Care Services survey, we made a number of improvements to support you better including:

- development of a communication and engagement strategy
- updated the way we notify clients about timelines and what to expect after referrals have been received
- commitment to another Positive Ageing Session helping with access and aged care system navigation more broadly
- updated our methods of receiving and addressing feedback
- relocation of the outreach GP clinic on the hospital site, providing better integration with our allied health team and other service needs.

Your feedback made a meaningful contribution to the quality of the services we deliver. Thank you.



Rochester & Elmore District Health Service

03 5484 4400

www.redhs.com.au

## FROM OUR CHURCHES

### Anglican Parish of Rochester & Lockington

St. Mary's Lockington

Enquiries – Jeff Millard Ph 0493 170 250, Samuel Kelly (Minister) Ph 0427 507 595

19 April - 11am Lockington  
26 April - 10am Rochester to Lockington

### St James Community Church

10am Sundays. Pastor Bill Cochrane Ph 0427 865 474

### Catholic Church

St Canice's Lockington - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 8am Mass  
St Joseph's Rochester - Every Sunday 10am Mass  
Sacred Heart Elmore - Every Saturday Vigil 5pm

### Northern Rivers Uniting Church Cluster

Worship begins at 10am, zoomed from the following churches:-

19 April - Dingee  
26 April - Tongala Respect

Zoom connection is available every week via  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/826-6681-8761> (Password 22)  
Via Phone 03 7018 2005 Meeting ID 826 6681 8761 Password 22# Ray Wakefield Ph 5486 2592 / 0491 340 427



### From The Scriptures 1035


*1 John 4 v 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear*



**First Tuesday of the month – 10.00am Combined Churches prayer meeting at St James Community Church**

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## LBU TENNIS CLUB END OF SEASON WRAP

Lockington Bamawm United Tennis Club had two teams in the Campaspe Tennis Association Finals which wrapped up on 21 March.

LBU 1 Seniors lost to a classy Echuca 1 team in the semi-final while the LBU 4 Juniors won their way into the Grand Final by defeating Echuca.

Cooper Hearn, Logan Portwine, Jack Woodland and Malachi Flett (pictured with their runner-up medals) played their hearts out in the season decider against another Echuca combination but fell short by three games despite producing excellent tennis.

Cooper was awarded the CTA Junior C Grade Aggregate Medal for the 2025/26 season (inset).

The LBU Committee would like to thank all the parents and volunteers who help to keep the Club alive and support the future of our local kids.

*A reminder that tennis lessons are available through the winter months with Milo (Ph 0427 348 756).*

## LOCKINGTON GOLF CLUB NEWS

### 4 APRIL - STABLEFORD

JD Wright was best on course at Lockington Golf Club (on a countback from Grant Humbert) with a fine score of 34 points; JD's round was highlighted by some super shots with his driver (including off the fairway) and overall consistent play.

Next best was Jason Wakefield (32), followed by Neil Maddison (31); great to have a Bendigo visitor in Ethan Wright (JD's nephew) having his first ever hit on a sand-scraper course.

Nearest the pins: 3<sup>rd</sup> – Grant Humbert; 2<sup>nd</sup> shot 11<sup>th</sup> – Grant Humbert (A), Neil Maddison (B); 2<sup>nd</sup> shot 18<sup>th</sup> for the 6-pack smack – Simon Portwine.

Spike's Longest Drive on the 15<sup>th</sup>, sponsored by Hot 'n' Cold Plumbing was a clean sweep for the Portwines, won by Ash (A), Simon (B) and Ben (C).

### 10 APRIL - 9 HOLE AMBROSE DROP-OFF

There was a good turn out of ladies for their first Friday hit of the season, with visitors from Rochester and Mitiamo also enjoying a delicious bring and share lunch.

Winners were Elizabeth McGauchie (Mitiamo) and Locky locals Jenny Holt and Sue Harris who combined really well to score 42-13.5-28.5 for a clear-cut winning margin.

The Rochester pair of Natalie Dinardi-Peixoto and Louise Williams teamed up with Locky's Fiona Newton to finish runner-up with 44-13-31. Nearest the pins: 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sue Harris; 7<sup>th</sup> – Louise Williams.

### 11 APRIL - FOUR PERSON AMBROSE

Saturday's official 2026 Opening Day was boosted with visitors from Mitiamo and Valley View, plus some social golfers enjoying a hit.

On a day of super scores, the winning team of Ash Portwine, Neil Maddison, JD Wright and Jason Wakefield took home the Lockington Foodworks Supermarket Player of the Day vouchers with a great score of 63-8.75-54.25 by just 1/8 of a shot.

Runners-up were Mitiamo visitor Paul Condliffe alongside Locky golfers Simon Portwine, Daryl Squires and Grant Humbert with a 9-under par 61-6.625-54.375.

Next best were Will Hardess, Terry Thomas, Trav Mancer and Nick Jones on 65-8.375-56.625.

Nearest the pins: 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sue Harris, Trav Mancer; 16<sup>th</sup> – Sue Harris (3 in 2 days!), Neil Maddison; 2<sup>nd</sup> shot 18<sup>th</sup> for the 6-pack smack – Terry Thomas. Long Drive 1<sup>st</sup>: Stuart Newton (0-18); Will Hardess (19-47); Fiona Newton (ladies).

Upcoming events: Saturday 18 April – Stableford – Privilege Cup – 11am assembly, 11.30 shotgun start. Duty: Grant Humbert, Darren Carnie.

Saturday 9 May – Centenary Celebration – 4-person ambrose, shotgun hit off 11am; special afternoon tea 2.30pm – all members and past members warmly invited.

**Entries, enquiries and RSVPs to Darren Carnie 0428 862 292.**

## LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB NEWS

### 29 MARCH

#### **The Lockington Bowls Club ladies held a successful Annual Medley Fours Tournament.**

Lockington members were joined by teams from surrounding clubs including Calivil, Elmore, Rich River, Rochester, Kyabram, Cohuna, Bendigo, Tongala, Deniliquin, Moama, Mathoura and Pyramid Hill.

At the completion of the day's play, there were four undefeated teams and the result was decided on a points system and shots up basis.

The Echuca/Deniliquin rink comprising Rhonda Gallagher, Erica Mostert, Chris Taylor and Pam Lewis (s) scored a match winning 85 points to take home the major trophies.

A composite Lockington/Calivil team comprising Terrill Westwood, Coral Maxted, Pos Andrea and Cindy Felmingham (s) was runner-up on 80 points, just ahead of a Moama rink and a Bendigo team locked together on 79 points apiece.

The Bendigo team lifted their spirits in the final game after scoring an incredible 8 shots on the third end.

Lucky raffle winners included included E Van der Burgt, D Kaye, R Keech, D Gilmore, K Kortum, P MacFarlane and Mary Cox.

Tournament Secretary Kathi Maddison along with Lady Secretary Sue Harris thanked all bowlers for their support, the greens staff, Steve Peter (umpire & bar), the catering staff, Chris Stewart (scoreboard) and the generous sponsors Ray White (Rochester), Paul Evans Welding - Rochester, Davin Francis Cartage and Simplot who supplied all the raffle prizes.

In Club competitions Ashley Dobell defeated Cindy Felmingham 22-18 in a classic battle in the Presidents 21-Up Championship quarter final and will play the winner of the Kim Ray - Neil Haines match in the semi-final.

The local rink of Jim Harris, John Andrea, Owen McPhee and Calvin Stout (s) were Runners Up in the recent Sixty & Over competition after winning three games and rolling five bowls within the area.

Cindy Felmingham played in the Victorian Open Championships at Traralgon, partnering Tyler Hillier in the Mixed Pairs event.

They had minimal success but enjoyed an invaluable experience.

Hillier was Runner Up in the recent BCG Novice Singles for the men; Felmingham won the women's section in the same event.



**ABOVE: Lockington Bowls Club Medley Fours Championship winners - Echuca/Deniliquin (Rhonda Gallagher, Erica Mostert, Chris Taylor & Pam Lewis).**

**BELOW: Runners-Up - Combined Lockington/Calivil team (Cindy Felmingham, Pos Andrea, Coral Maxted & Terril Westwood).**



The Club will begin a three round series of 2 - Bowl Triples on Wednesday 22 April after the conclusion of the Sixty & Over competition.

The 2 - bowl Triples will be held on the following two Wednesdays (29 April and 6 May). Teams to be entered one week prior to the play day.

Great sponsorship and the Pie & Soup Day will be an attraction. Contact Brian Kinnane 0418 590 389 or Shane Felmingham 0429 862 663 for details.

### 5 APRIL

**What an Easter weekend at Lockington Bowls Club; we were blessed with ideal weather and spectators and members were treated to a flurry of championship titles up for grabs.**

On Saturday Ashley Dobell and Rod Fiedler had a great battle for the 100 Up Championship sharing the initial ends with scores 38-37 in favour of Fiedler on the eighth end.

Dobell replied with some excellent bowls, winning the following five ends to establish a 61-54 lead.

Then it was Fiedler's turn to grab a couple of eight scores to again lead 70-65. Game was on.

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Steady bowling from Dobell shone through however to claim the title 100-89.

On Sunday the crowd returned to watch Jeff Carnie and Ashley Dobell lock horns in the B Grade Championship Final.

Carnie, a product of the Club's Barefoot Bowls evenings, had played well to account for Steve McKee in the semi-final after trailing 7-16 early in the match.

In the decider the finalists traded ends before Carnie opened up a lead 12-9 at 13 ends.

Dobell suddenly started bowling within the range to win five ends straight to race to a 14-12 advantage. Scores were level at 15-all before Carnie again dug deep to take the lead at 20-15 and the game was up for grabs.

Slowly Dobell fought back to trail 19-21 before claiming six shots over the two following ends to collect the B Grade Championship.

On the adjacent rink Kim Ray and Neil Haines went to head-to-head in a quarter final of the Presidents Trophy 21 Up Championship.

Scores were locked together at 8-all before Ray displayed her true drawing class and picked up ends; she went on to win 21-11.

A splendid display of bowling from both players.

Kim Ray and Ashley Dobell then lined up after a break to play a semi-final of the 21 Up Club Championship, a clash that again had spectators enthralled.

After six ends Dobell had jumped out to an 8-2 advantage before Ray found some consistency in her bowling.

After trailing 12-4, she produced some immaculate bowling to level the scores at 12-all on 13 ends and a five-shot haul on the final two ends saw victory go her way 21-16.

Kim Ray will now meet Ray Hanson in the 21-Up Club Championship Final.



**12 APRIL**

The Club held the popular CMS Open Fours on Saturday with 80 bowlers in attendance.

Clubs represented included Cohuna Golf, Echuca, Elmore, Pyramid Hill, Kerang Golf, Gunbower, Rochester, Rich River, Tongala, Rushworth plus several Lockington members.

At the end of the three games of ten ends there were only two undefeated teams.

The Cohuna Golf rink comprising Kaye Holmes, Ian Howard, Rhonda Ballard and Frank Ton (s) (above top) amassed 82 points to defeat the Stanhope four of John Patterson, Peter Myers, Barry "Wopper" Williams, Greg Fitzpatrick (s) on 78 points (above bottom).

The Best Last Game winning team was Brooke Coghill, Ros Keech, Robert Clayton, Francis Keech (s) plus 21 shots.

John van den Bosch thanked the sponsors, kitchen staff, Greens staff, Barman Steve Peter and all other members involved, especially Cindy Felmingham on the exceptional effort in organising the field. Umpires Phillip Cunnington and Steve Peter.

During the past week the club held the weekly Sixty & Over competition attracting 88 bowlers.

The final week of Sixty & Over will be played at Stanhope this week.

Local members enjoyed success at various District clubs.

A team comprising Terrill Westwood, Lorraine Appleby, Margaret Dowie and skipper Pos Andrea won the Elmore Harvest Fours (pictured left).

The next day Andrea, Westwood and Cindy Felmingham (s) were Runners Up in the Hilltop Bowling Clubs 2 bowl Triples event. Congratulations to all bowlers.

Best of bowling to all local bowlers playing in the State Championships at Bendigo East Bowling Club later in April.



# LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB 2025/26 PRESENTATION NIGHT

Lockington Bowls Club celebrated its Annual Presentation Evening on Sunday, 12 April.

The event attracted a large crowd of members and supporters.

Club President John van den Bosch and Lady President Margaret Dowie welcomed all present and thanked both members and sponsors for their very generous support during the 2025/26 season.

Margaret then presented the Ladies Awards:-

- 1 - Club Champion Leanne McInnes & Runner-Up Sue Harris
- 2 - B Grade Champion Kym Ray & Runner-Up Terrill Westwood
- 3 - 100 Up Champion Terrill Westwood & Runner-Up Leanne McInnes.

John van den Bosch presented the trophies for the Men's Section:-

- 4 - Club Champion Dave Thomas & Runner-Up Lloyd Buchanan
- 5 - B Grade Champion Ashley Dobell & Runner-Up Jeff Carnie
- 6 - 100 Up Champion Ashley Dobell & Runner-Up Rod Fiedler;
- 7 - Presidents Trophy 21 Up Champion Kym Ray & R-Up Ray Hanson.
- 8 - The award for the Best Pennant Player of the Year (voted by the opposition) was won by Cindy Felmingham.

Kym Ray was second and Steve Peter third.





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Congratulations to everyone who was recognised across both the senior and junior competitions, including the Club's newest Life Member Steve Palling, Senior Cricket of the Year Prateer Mehta and Women's Cricker of the Year Amy Fitzgerald (pictured above).

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# Weekly

### Monday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

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

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

5.30pm – 6.30pm: Tai Chi @ Bush Nursing Centre

### Tuesday

**10 - 11 am FREE Chair Yoga @ Bush Nursing Centre (Term 2: 21 April - 26 May). NEW TIME**

10am: Men's Shed @ Business Centre Complex

7pm: Ukulele Group @ Business Centre

7pm: Barefoot Bowls

### Wednesday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

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

9.30am – 12 noon: Community Garden Group

9.30am – 11.30am: Lockington Playgroup @ St James Church Hall. Ph Tegan 0400 754 116.

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

5 - 6.15pm - Yoga @ Bush Nursing Centre (Term 2: 22 April - 17 June)

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

7.30pm: Ladies Social Badminton @ Bamawm Sports Centre. Ph 0458 548 622.

### Thursday

10am: Social Activity Day @ Bush Nursing Centre

1pm: Bingo at the Rochester Senior Citizens Club Rooms. All welcome.

Physio with Nick @ Bush Nursing Centre - bookings essential Ph 54 800 860

### 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 - 1pm to 3pm 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 (no January or July meeting)

#### 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.

Town Planning Meeting - Every 2nd month, 7.30pm Business Centre

#### Wednesday

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

### FOURTH WEEK

#### Wednesday

Lockington Lions Club Business Meeting - 7.30pm Heritage Complex