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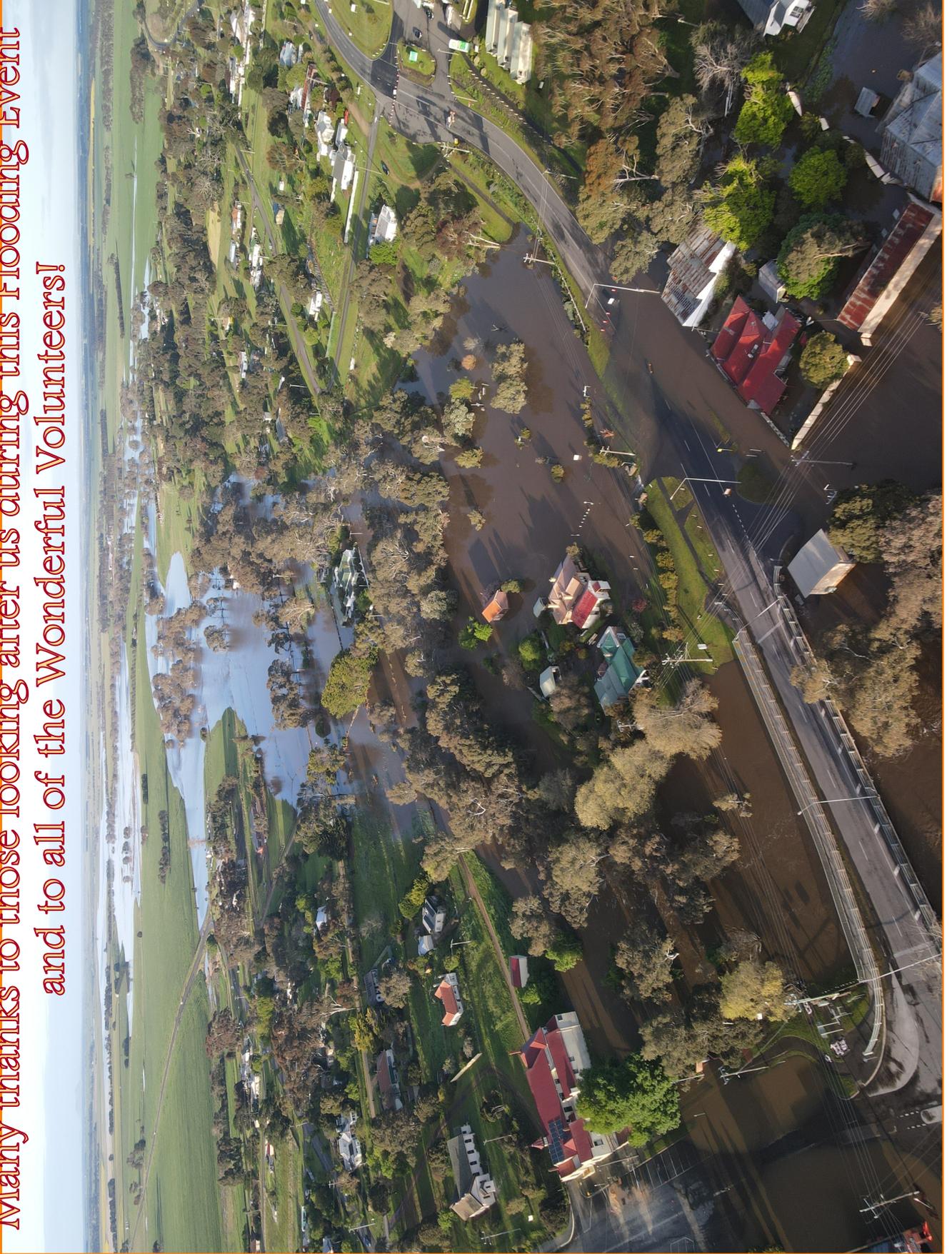
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This Week's Sponsor

Barbara Grist, Bradvale

Thank you very much

**Wow!! What a week it has been!!
So much water has gone under our bridge during the week.
Many thanks to those looking after us during this Flooding Event
and to all of the Wonderful Volunteers!**



Public Notices

Anglican Parish of Beaufort & Skipton

Christ Church Anglican Church

Service times: 9.00am on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month.

Contact: 5340 3515 for enquires



St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Contact Stewart or Belle 5349 5553 with enquiries.

Service Times:

Presbyterian Congregation Skipton / Lismore

- * Week One 10 am Skipton
- * Week Two 10 am Skipton
- * Week Three 10 am Skipton
- * Week Four 10 am Skipton
- * Week Five 11 am Lismore.



St John The Baptist Catholic Church, Beaufort

- Sunday 16th October: Mass 8:30 am
- Sunday 23rd October: LLA 10:00am
- Sunday 30th October: Mass 8:30 am
- Sunday 6th November: LLA 10:00am
- Sunday 13th November: Mass 10:00am
- Sunday 20th November: LLA 10:00am

St Peter's Catholic Parish of Linton

Communities of Linton, Skipton, Smythesdale & Snake Valley

All Linton Parish Enquiries Contact Parish Priest: Fr. Eugene McKinnon, Presbytery: 508 Leith St, Redan Phone: 5331 4981,

Mobile: 0402 804 104 E: eugene.mckinnon@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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Email: redan@ballarat.catholic.org.au;

– Sebastopol: Pauline White 0428 699 624.
Email: Sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au



Sunday Masses throughout the Catholic Parishes of Linton, Redan and Sebastopol:

St John's, Skipton	Sunday 10.30am
St Brigid's, Snake Valley	Saturday 6.30pm
St Peter's, Linton	Sunday 9.00am
St. Aloysius, Redan	Thursday 9.30am
St. James, Sebastopol	Friday 9.30am
	Saturday 6.00pm
	Sunday 10.30am
	Sunday 9.00am

SKIPTON TRANSFER STATION

Beaufort Road, Skipton.

Transfer Station opens next

Wed 19th Oct 2022, Sun 30th Oct 2022,
Wed 2nd Nov 2022, Sun 13th Nov 2022,
Wed 16th Nov 2022, Sun 27th Nov 2022,
Opening Hours: from 1 pm to 5 pm.



BIBLE THOUGHT

Put all your trust in God alone;
do not rely entirely on your own understanding..
Proverbs chapter 3, verse 5



Public Notices

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Kingston Old School Open Garden

Come and explore the magnificent

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Saturday, October 22nd 2022

From 10.00 a.m to 4.00 p.m.

\$10.00 tickets at the gate on the day.

- * Garden Tours 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.
- * Entertainment from the Roundabout Folk Band and local artists;
- * Coffee, Cakes and Sausage Sizzle;
- * Plant Sales;
- * Hamper Raffle, great prizes;
- * Proceeds to "Stop Ausnet's Towers".

Kingston is off the Midland Highway,
north of Creswick,

Contact Sue Scott 0418 675 196

Information forwarded to Skipton's Garden Group, we'll be going if possible (if not flooded). Ring Lilla on 0437 455 049 if you are interested in going with us.



WE ARE HIRING! OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

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Plea to drivers

Mayor Ruth Gstrein has echoed a plea by the State Emergency Service for people not to drive through floodwaters.



She said there were more than 30 flood-related rescues for people entering floodwater across the state last Thursday.

“Locally we’ve seen examples of people choosing to ignore signage and warnings and continue to drive through floodwaters.

Research has found that just 15 centimetres of slow-flowing floodwater was powerful enough to move a small car.

“The risk is also below the surface and the damage that has been done to the road – you don’t know what you’re driving across,” she said.

“The SES needs to spend time and resources helping those most at risk, not people driving into floodwater.

“It’s not worth the risk. Just please turn around.”

As at 4 pm on Friday, there were 12 road closures and 23 cases with water over the road in Corangamite Shire.

Cr Gstrein said there was still rain and windy weather across the region, with water travelling down to the south of the Shire from upstream.

“Our works teams are flat out responding to trees over roads and reaching priority areas across our road network.

“We expect this to continue over the coming days,” she said.

For latest road closures and information, please visit www.facebook.com.au/CorangamiteShire.

From The Editor

In Skipton the Town was divided into segments with road closures and traffic not able to cross the Montgomery Street Bridge.

Park Lane was also closed as was the Lismore Road and there were other roads closed.

Beaufort Road was closed for a longer period due to severe flooding at Lake Goldsmith, with the Lake Goldsmith Rally site inundated with at least a metre of water across the site.

Listeners of ABC Radio will have heard Trevor Oliver’s interview describing the situation he found when he arrived at Lake Goldsmith and sadly Mr Oliver thinks that the upcoming Lake Goldsmith Steam Rally will be cancelled.

Obviously there will be more information on their website and in the media publications for those seeking further details.

Make sure you keep your radio on or watch the news bulletins or ask the local SES or the Corangamite Shire Place of Last Resort Skipton Recreation Reserve for updates on latest information on Skipton’s flooding situation, because we still have the water from north of us to flow through Skipton before the flooding event is over. I have included a photo with some funny shaped debris, for a bit of fun, what do you think?

Young, mobile voters urged to check their enrolment details

Many Victorians may be unaware that they have been directly enrolled to vote in the upcoming November State election. Direct enrolment occurs when the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) uses information provided by other government bodies such as the Department of Transport or the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority to add people to the electoral roll. Deputy Electoral Commissioner, Dana Fleming, says that although the VEC writes to everyone who the VEC proposes to directly enrol, research indicated that people were often not aware they had been directly enrolled.

‘The process is that we write to people and advise that unless they are not eligible and tell us within 21 days, we will automatically update their enrolment with the address details we have been provided,’ Ms Fleming says.

‘At the last State election, voter turnout for directly-enrolled voters was close to 78% compared to the overall voter turnout rate of 90%, accounting for a significant proportion of the drop in voter turnout at the 2018 election,’ Ms Fleming adds. Data shows that this group of voters tend to be younger, more likely to have moved since the last election and less likely to vote. Accordingly, the VEC will use mobile numbers and email addresses (where provided) to send VoterAlert messaging to directly-enrolled voters ahead of the election reminding them to check their enrolment details.

Ms Fleming recommends all young people who are eligible to vote in the upcoming election go to the VEC’s website before 8 pm on Tuesday 8 November to confirm that they are on the electoral roll and update their address details.

‘If you’ve recently moved home, you may not be aware that you’ve been directly enrolled to vote. As everyone on the electoral roll must vote, I certainly don’t want a situation where a person first realises that they should have voted when they receive our ‘please explain’ letter after the election,’ Ms Fleming says.

Further details on updating your enrolment details can be found on the website at vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment/update-my-enrolment

Democracy ambassadors help community voices ‘Be Heard’

More communities can take advantage of election information sessions as a result of the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) expanding its Be Heard Democracy Ambassador program for the November State election.

‘Democracy ambassadors are ready to travel all over Victoria to engage under-represented communities on the basics of enrolling and voting – to ensure they have their say at the 2022 Victorian State election,’ Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately said.

Democracy ambassadors have been recruited from communities who are typically less well represented in the electoral process:

- culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- people experiencing homelessness
- people with disabilities
- young, potentially first-time voters.

Session delivery can take place face-to-face or online and, between them, the democracy ambassadors speak over 30 languages. The VEC aims to reach more than 8,000 members of the community through these outreach sessions.

‘Participants in our Be Heard Democracy Ambassador sessions are given a safe space to learn about enrolling and voting,’ Mr Gately said. ‘They are supported by interpreters, translated information, and Easy English resources to take home.’

Communities are encouraged to book a Be Heard voter education session and can do so via the VEC website

www.vec.vic.gov.au/voting/learn-to-vote/book-an-information-session

BEAUFORT AND SKIPTON HEALTH SERVICE INVITE YOU TO OUR

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

High Tea

GUEST SPEAKER

Joylene Fletcher

MCGRATH BREAST CANCER NURSE

Skipton Activities Room

Tuesday 25 October 2022

10:30am



RSVP BY 21 OCTOBER

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(Enhance to Empower Inc)! What a Night

room, there were tears of joy, witnessing this future star perform. Seeking for the room to be there for a friend in need.

Bek Smith then entered the stage, Bek Smith a self-titled wellbeing geek. With three degrees in health-related areas, she has always been fascinated in what makes humans tick. She has worked as a psychology researcher, a physiotherapist, and a group fitness instructor, and spends most of her time these days working as a corporate mental health consultant.

As the subject matter expert behind Enhance to Empower, Bek brings not only scientific knowledge but also passion and enthusiasm for building mental fitness in our communities. Her lived experience of mental illness informs and inspires the work she does, and she believes that with the right insights and the right conditions, we can all build mentally fitter brains. Bek, will be creating the first E2E pilot in the coming months.

Local performer, Liam Kelly then entered the stage, taking on the mighty challenge of Michael Jackson, no mean feat, performing "Man in the Mirror" – asking the room to start with them to look within, look into the mirror to make a change – Liam was outstanding!

Jason Wasley then returned to the stage with his amazing partner, the highly decorated Sarah Landy, first performing He Lives in You, from the Lion King, further asking the room to look within, followed Sarah with "This is Me" from the Greatest Show – incredible.

Next to the stage, was Olympic Gold Medalist, Dr Lauren Burns, speaking of her story to achieve her Gold Medal, Lauren had the room silent throughout her presentation, she was truly captivating. Further

highlighting the need and story being created by E2E. Those in the room will no doubt have taken much from what was a memorable presentation.

Following Lauren's presentation, Jason Wasley and Sarah returned to perform an show stopping rendition of the Prayer, then followed by Ashleigh Dalton's incredible performance of Whitney Houston's "Greatest Love of All".

The night being concluded with the heartfelt connection that emcees Jody & Jeremy had felt from the night, the concluding with co-founders David & Stacey's acknowledgement of those that have created E2E.

Kassidy Jewell, then returned to the stage, supported by Ashleigh Dalton to perform the Miley Cyrus "Climb" in what can only be described as a highly impactful, beyond words performance.

Where the audience had felt that they had seen it all, the night concluded with John Farnham's You're the Voice, performed by Sarah Landy, supported also by all of the performers, with the added special addition of Aram Haroutunian, a local Bagpiper, on bagpipes, making for an incredible way to end, what was an amazing experience for all that attended.

Special thanks from the E2E team to their major partners, Ballarat Community Health, Haymes Paint, Austage Events, 3BA/ Power FM, Resolve Financial, The Western Hotel, Vitality First Aid, the Raven Collective and the DV Collective. To emcee's Jody Dontje and Jeremy Forbes, Key Note Speaker, Lauren Burns and to the new E2E team, Ash Playstead, Kirsty Wakefield, Fiona Ryan, Jody Tucker, Paul Major and Brooke Brown – subject expert, Bek Smith and Co-Founders, David Sproules and the incredible visionary, Stacey Berlund.

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WOW!! How Proud Can a Mother Be??

I just love to see how my my three sons have become such caring men and how they work for the Community in which they belong. I am the happiest Mother that could possible exist to simply be their Mum. I feel I have done my job well!!! K

David Sproules is the Chair of E2W and along with Stacey and this exceptional group of professionals has stepped up to the plate and seen a need in the small part of the world and are doing something about it.

We have all had a fairly rocky couple of years with issues well documented and now have our flooding event as well.

Remember to ask your neighbours "R U OK" because sometimes when they go quiet they are simply not ok and may be struggling. Our wonderful individuals in Skipton CFA and SES Volunteer helpers step forward, and cook for the workers and prepare meals behind the scenes, but just take a minute to have a chat and check they are all right while you nibble on the burger and sit for a while to catch up.



What an amazing night was had to launch E2E (Enhance to Empower Inc)!

Close to 150 people came together to connect for a Mental Health Gala Ball at the brand new GoodsShed in Ballarat, Saturday, October 15, hosted by E2E.

E2E a brand new organisation, which has a vision of enabling sporting clubs to positively impact on the psychological wellbeing of their players, staff, volunteers and community. To connect and collaborate with existing mental health and sporting groups to fill a gap to provide education and ongoing support.

The night kicked off with Scott Fraser, singer, guitar performer who welcomed the audience with his music, concluding with a song he'd written to remember his son, Tom, lost too soon to suicide.

The incredible co-emcee, Jody Dontje then set the scene for what would be a night of emotion. She welcomed co-founders, Stacey Berlund & David Sproules to further set the scene.

Stacey acknowledging the amazing E2E team, David highlighting the concept and background of E2E, commenting, 'Sean Duffy, of Ballarat Community Health has advised that 75% of mental illness is preventable', E2E seeks to play that role of prevention through sport.

Local performer, Ashleigh Dalton then performed, Please Remember, a Leann Rimes number, backed with a presentation of celebrities sadly lost to suicide. A moving experience for the room, to highlight the impact suicide, also the further need for prevention of mental illness.



Following Ashleigh, the second co emcee, Jeremy Forbes, founder of HALT (Hope Assistance Local Tradies) spoke of the need to talk, to open up, to support, that mental illness and suicide does not discriminate, that we can all be impacted.

Jody returned for welcomed. Ballarat Community Health, CEO Sean Duffy, Sean spoke of the gravity of mental illness in our local community, he also launched their impressive new platform, which has been created to better navigate existing mental health resources and to better support those seeking support.

Local performer, owner of Ballarat Vocal Studio, the internationally renowned, Jason Wasley changed the emotion of the room, performing Elvis Presley's 'if I can dream', blowing the socks off the room, creating that hope that we need.

The audience was then presented 14 year old, Cassidy Jewell, who has recently released her first country single. She performed, 'Be a Light' a Thomas Rhett track, the room was truly moved the

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Fresh North Queensland Mangoes

Direct from the farm to you!

Skipton Primary School are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest. We anticipate delivery will be in November or December. Orders will be distributed from the school upon delivery.

Cost \$30 per 7kg tray

Order forms available at the Skipton Primary School or you can message/call the number below
Place your order by: Thursday 20th October 2022

For Further information contact:
Megan Read: 0407272933

Order Forms

*Are available for you to fill out in this edition of SCN on page 4
Please return to the School.
by Thursday 20th October 2022*

TODDLER SLEEP SESSIONS

1-3 PM, WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER

7-9 PM, WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER

Both sessions will be held at Camperdown MCH Centre. Bookings are required, call 1800 552 902.

Join us for a free session with a Maternal and Child Health Nurse

- This session will cover
- What's 'normal sleep' for toddlers?
 - How can I help my toddler sleep better?
 - Get help for my toddlers sleep problems



CORANGAMITE SHIRE

SKIPTON TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE

PLUS CAR BOOT SALE IN MAIN STREET!

STARTS 8AM SUN 13TH NOV
\$10 PER STALL/GARAGE SALE FOR ADVERTISING AND TO BE PUT ON MAP.
ANY PROCEEDS GO TO THE SKIPTON COMMUNITY SHOP

TO REGISTER PLEASE POP INTO THE COMMUNITY SHOP OR EMAIL SKIPTONCOMMUNITYSHOP@GMAIL.COM



MAPS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY FROM ROADHOUSE & COMMUNITY SHOP FOR GOLD COIN DONATION

Sleep sessions for tricky toddlers now available

If your toddler is keeping you up all night, Corangamite Shire is running free community sessions to help them—and you—get a good night's sleep.

Toddlers' bodies and minds growing at an incredible rate and it can be exhausting. Most need up to 14 hours of sleep every day, including overnight and a nap during the day.

Council Maternal and Child Health Coordinator Chris Towers said children aged 1-2 years often had sleep issues.

"This can include not wanting to go to bed, getting up and calling out frequently, nightmares and night terrors," she said.

"All this can be challenging for families.

"The sessions focus on what's normal at this age and how to help your toddler to get into a good sleep routine.

"During Term 4 our Maternal and Child Health Nurses are offering an afternoon and an evening session for families at the Camperdown MCH centre."

"Bookings are required so please call us on 1800 552 902 to save your place."

When:

Wednesday 19 October, 1-3 pm
Wednesday 26 October, 7-9pm

Where:

Camperdown Maternal and Child Health Centre,
50 Campbell Street, Camperdown

The Camperdown Theatre Company is proud to present
our second 2022 production:

“AWAY”

by Michael Gow



**This Australian drama follows three families
as they embark on life-changing vacations,**

Our productions are a great opportunity for you
to enjoy some social time together and to support live, local theatre
in Camperdown and the South West district.

Proceeds from our shows go directly into the continuation and progression
of the performing arts in our local area,
including supporting the Theatre Royal refurbishment.

Our local production will be staged at

- **Theatre Royal, Camperdown**
- **Thursday, November 3 @ 7.30pm**
- **Friday, November 4 @ 7.30pm**
- **Saturday, November 5 @ 7.30pm**

**Featuring a local cast, crew and production team from
Camperdown, Cobden, Timboon and Colac.**

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!!

at **Laffs** 163 Manifold St Camperdown, Ph **5593 1469** (cash, cheque, card),
or online at www.camperdowntheatrecompany.com.au/current_show (card only).

Admission: **\$25pp including light supper**
Drinks at bar prices.

Running time: Approx 120 mins

To find out more, you can find us on Facebook,
visit our website www.camperdowntheatrecompany.com.au/current_show
or call Kim at Laffs on 5593 1469.

Please note: This production contains mature themes.

DIRECTOR: Graeme Bennett

PRODUCER: Jenny O'Neil

CAST:

Tom – Charlie Tickner
Vic – Joanne Van Leerdam
Harry – Mart Donlan
Meg – Louise Rothman
Gwen – Robyn Vale
Jim – Joel Rothman
Coral – Pauline Van Dijk
Roy – Jamie Rothman
Leonie – Kat Bryan
Rick – Lachie Bennett

Campers/Fairies – Stacey James, Anna Whiting,
Jenny O'Neil, Sue Place, Millie Kempton

Kitchen Competition Winner Karen Bradshaw



Kitchen Competition Runner-Up Karen Bradshaw



Kitchen Competition Winner

Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting dead?

Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money?

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?

Why do they use sterilized needles for death by lethal injection?

Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?

Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?

Competition Fences: Winner Jenni Stewart



Competition Fences: Second Prize Jenni Stewart



Competition Fences: Second Prize Karen Bradshaw



How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?

Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?

Skipton Photographic Club

On the 26th September the Skipton & District Photographic Club held their AGM. All out going office bearers were thanked for their hard work over the last 12 months.

The new Office Bearers are:

President: Terry Gosling
Vice President: Amr Rasheed
Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Bradshaw
Points Secretary: Heather Rasheed

After the AGM we held our General Meeting. At this meeting we decided on the monthly competition categories for the coming year, which are:

- * **October:** Toys;
- * **November:** Graffiti;
- * **December:** Clouds;
- * **February:** An Empty Road;
- * **March:** Slow Exposure;
- * **April:** A Reflection;
- * **May:** Cities/Towns;
- * **June:** Fungi/Mushrooms;
- * **July:** Deserted Buildings;

The End of Year Awards were also presented (1st July 2021 - 30th June 2022) with the winners being:

- * **Over All Hi Point Winner:** Karen Crosbie
- * **Runner Up:** Karen Bradshaw
- * **Hi Point Compact Camera Photographer:** Karen Crosbie
- * **Hi Point DSLR Photographer:** Karen Bradshaw
- * **Runner up:** Terry Gosling
- * **Most points in a single night:** Karen Crosbie

Winners for the August competition

“Fences”, which was held over were:
 First: Jenny Stuart x1
 Second: Karen Bradshaw x 3,
 Jenny Stuart x1

Winners for the September Competition-

“Something from the Kitchen” were:
 First: Karen Bradshaw x 2
 Second: Jenny Stuart

At our October meeting we have David Bailey from David Bailey Photography coming to talk to us and instruct us on aperture/shutter speed controls.

We will also be outside for instruction in slow motion photography.

Everyone is welcome to attend, you will need a **Karen Bradshaw DSLR Winner**

camera preferably a DSLR, charged up batteries & tripod.

Meeting starts at 7.30pm at the Skipton Mechanics Hall Supper Room.

New members are welcome at any time:
 Single Membership is \$30 and Family Membership \$40.

If you would like any more information regarding Skipton Photographic Club, please contact Secretary/Treasurer Karen Bradshaw on 0439 630 884.



Overall Winner for 202-2022 Karen Grosby was awarded with a Medallion and the Perpetual Skipton Photographic Club Shield at the Presentation Evening from Vice President Amr Rasheed.

Karen was awarded the “Hi Point Compact Camera Winner”.

Congratulations Karen “Happy Snapping for the coming year” K



Mental health support for expectant and new parents



Left To Right: Matilda and baby Finn, Georgie and baby Adelaide and Amie and baby Kyah with Maternal and Child Health Nurse Sarah Robertson.

Pregnant women and new mothers have a more comfortable and private way to share their feelings in Corangamite Shire.

Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Nurses in Corangamite Shire now use iCOPE—a digital tool that helps in the early diagnosis

of postnatal depression and anxiety.

The Perinatal period runs from the start of pregnancy to the end of the first year of parenthood.

challenging times in a woman's life and anxiety and depression can start or resur-

Ms Towers said that there were many barriers to getting up to a health professional about how they felt during pregnancy and after having their baby.

There was a lot of pressure to talk about what's going on, and it's really challenging for them," Ms Towers said.

Her experience of having a baby often varies from their expectations seen in the media and on social media."

Ms Towers received an SMS from their MCH Nurse before their appointment.

The mother answers a series of questions to

help for the mother and nurse with what the results mean to access help.

Ms Towers said that many women will already be familiar with the iCOPE tool as both Camperdown and Warrnambool Hospitals are using it too," Ms Towers said.

She said iCOPE will soon roll out to the rest of Victoria via GPs, obstetricians, hospitals and maternal child health centres through a federally funded program.

"Having consistency in perinatal mental health screening will result in less suffering for women and more prompt access to support and services."

Community encouraged to attend information sessions on in-home support

If you receive in home support or know somebody who does, Corangamite Shire invites you to an information session. Council has engaged INCITE consulting to undertake a review of its services.

"We are reviewing our role in Home Support Services in response to the Commonwealth Government reforms and welcome community feedback." Council Coordinator Positive Ageing and Inclusion Chloe McGowan said.

"The reforms are complex in nature, so the information sessions will be a good start in understanding the proposed changes".

Community members are welcome to come along and hear about the changes being planned for by the Commonwealth in response to the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety.

Ms McGowan said a new Commonwealth Government program called Support at Home will replace current services funded by the Federal Government on 1 July 2024.

"The new program will replace the Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP), Home Care Packages and Short Term Restorative Care," she said.

"Council currently delivers CHSP services in Camperdown, Terang, Lismore, Derrinallum, Skipton and surrounds on behalf of the Government.

"We will ensure clients and the community are kept informed as we learn more and progress through the review. Services won't be disrupted during the review."

Ms McGowan encouraged interested residents to come along to an information session.

"Registration is essential for catering purposes so please contact me on 5593 7100 or

chloe.mcgowan@corangamite.vic.gov.au."

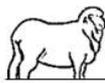
WHERE AND WHEN

Camperdown: Tuesday 18 October 2022 1–2:30 pm Killara Centre

* **Terang:** Tuesday 18 October, 3:30–5 pm Terang Civic Centre

* **Skipton:** Wednesday 19 October, 10.00am to 11.30am Skipton Mechanics Institute Hall

Derrinallum/Lismore: Wednesday 19 October 2022 1.00pm – 2.30pm Lismore Community Centre.



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Meetings & Coming Events



Help Raise Funds and Awareness for Breast Cancer during October OCTOBER IS "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

Wednesday 19th October: **WESLEY CRAFT GROUP, BEAUFORT.** Will Meet from 10am at the Wesley Room, Uniting Church, behind the Beaufort Hospital. All Welcome. Phone: 0417316497 or 0409449330.

Friday 21st October 2022 **DARLINGTON FILM NIGHT 8pm DARLINGTON HALL "DREAM HORSE" \$5 including supper. Drinks for Sale**

Saturday 22nd October: **SKIPTON GARDEN GROUP** will visit and explore the magnificent Gardens of the former Kingston Primary School, "KINGSTON OLD SCHOOL OPEN GARDEN" OPEN from 10.00 a.m to 4.00 p.m. \$10.00 tx at the gate on the day. (See details page 5).



Kingston is off the Midland Highway, north of Creswick, Contact Sue Scott 0418 675 196.
Garden Tours 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.
Entertainment from the Roundabout Folk Band and local artists, Coffee, Cakes and Sausage Sizzle, Plant Sales . Hamper Raffle, great prizes. Proceeds to "Stop Ausnet's Towers"

Monday 24th October: **THE SKIPTON & DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB** meet at 7:30 pm, in the Supper Room Mechanics Hall, Skipton. **Theme for October: "Toys"**. Everyone welcome, young, old, amateur, professional or just interested in learning more about your new camera. Enquires phone Secretary Karen Bradshaw on 0439 630 884

Tuesday 25th October: **BSHS "HIGH TEA" for "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"** Guest Speaker: Joylene Fletcher, McGrath Breast Cancer Nurse. Beaufort & Skipton Health Service, Skipton Hospital Activities Room, 10:30 am. RSVP by 21st October Lindy 5340 1101, or Tahlia on 5349 1601, E: bshs@bshs.org.au



Thursday 27th October: **RED CROSS ZONE 4 ANNUAL MEETING RED CROSS** will be held at Ararat RSL from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm followed by Lunch.

Sunday 6th November: **SKIPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING** in the **OLD POLICE HOUSE** commencing at 2 pm.



Monday 7th November: **WESTMERE RED CROSS MEETING** will be held at the home of Hazel Robson, "The Bolte Hole" 40 Wright Street West, commencing at 12 noon with "Shared Lunch" Bring along Lunch to Share. Meeting will commence at 2:00 pm.



Monday 7th November: **STEWART PARK COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETING** will be held at 6:00 pm in the Skipton Mechanics Hall in the Small Meeting Room.



Wednesday 9th November: **LIONS CLUB OF SKIPTON LIONS CLUB MEETING** will be held at Skipton Golf Club at 6:30 p.m. **Meetings are Free and Open to The Public. Drinks at Bar Prices.**

Friday 11th November: **REMEMBRANCE DAY at the Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month.** Feel free to lay a floral tribute on the Skipton War Memorial in memory of a Family Member or Special Loved One.

Rest We Forget.

Saturday 12th November. **SKIPTON MARKET** will be held from **9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.** in the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson Street, Skipton For stall bookings and more information **ring Jan on 5340 2204**, or check on **facebook** Skipton Community Market. **All current COVID regulations in place.**



Saturday 19th November: 12-6pm **DARLINGTON ART GROUP (DAG) AND DARLINGTON HALL COMMUNITY OPEN STUDIO 2022 - FREE ENTRY** with good car parking behind the Hall.

Sunday 20th November: **FIREWORLD DISCOVERY CENTRE & MUSEUM (Streatham) open from 11:30am until 4:30pm** (Compliance with appropriate COVID regulations is required).



Contact Bruce McKenna, Secretary/Treasurer, 0466 286 011.

Sunday 20th November: **SKIPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPEN DAY** in the **SKIPTON COURT HOUSE MUSEUM & OLD POLICE HOUSE 2 pm—4 pm.**

Wednesday 23rd November: **TRAUMA TEDDIES BIRTHDAY**

Monday 13th December: **STEWART PARK COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETING** at 6:00 pm in the Skipton Mechanics Hall Small Meeting Room.



On behalf of "All of the Skiptonites" not quite fit enough to help out in the crisis situation during the Flooding Event, I would like to say "Thank You" To Everyone who has assisted in any way at all and "Best of Wishes" to those affected as you get back to normal again!! Kathy.



Noticeboard

COMMUNICATING WITH YOU



Notice of meeting

The next meeting of Council will be held on:

Tuesday 25 October at 7 pm
Killara Centre, Manifold Street Camperdown

The meeting is open to the public, however, residents are encouraged to watch a livestream of the meeting on Council's Facebook page facebook.com/CorangamiteShire. The meeting will include an Open Forum, during which you may ask questions or make a statement.

Questions and statements for the Open Forum by anyone not attending the meeting in person can be sent via email to governance@corangamite.vic.gov.au by no later than 12 pm on Tuesday 25 October.

2023 award nominations

Nominations are open for the 2023 Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year awards. Help us celebrate the people who make amazing contributions to our community. Nomination forms are available at the Civic Centre and corangamite.vic.gov.au/AustraliaDayAwards. Nominations close Friday 28 October at 5 pm.

2023 Corangamite Calendar

Is your community group running an event in 2023? Make sure it's listed in the 2023 Corangamite Calendar by emailing details to editor@corangamite.vic.gov.au or register your event at corangamite.vic.gov.au/2023Calendar by Monday 31 October.

Subscribe to e-News

Stay informed and keep up-to-date with what's happening around Corangamite Shire by subscribing to our monthly e-news at corangamite.vic.gov.au/e-news

Message to the community

We have been overwhelmed by the spirit of the Skipton community throughout this flooding event.

Community updates will be provided through Corangamite Shire Facebook page (facebook.com/CorangamiteShire).

Volunteers are needed to help in the immediate clean up this week. There will be a major flood clean up in Skipton on Saturday 22 October that you can volunteer for as well.

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Join our team

Western Plains Mobile Childcare

We have multiple permanent part-time Early Childhood Educator positions available in Derrinallum and Lismore.

- Positions for both Diploma and Certificate III qualified applicants

We offer competitive salary, flexibility, professional development and a supportive work environment.

To find out more visit corangamite.vic.gov.au/employment or give us a call on 5593 7100.

ALL ABOARD SKATEBOARDING SESSIONS

SKIPTON SKATE PARK

Saturday October 22

11am - 12pm

12pm - 1pm

Jubilee Park, Skipton VIC 3361

FREE sessions, equipment provided | All ages and abilities welcome

Book Here



Register using the QR code or at skatepark.ymca.org.au/all-aboard

10 2022 Skipton Flood from over the old railway site looking north.



10 2022 Another angle looking north east.





What do you think?

Whilst I realise the two shapes seen floating in the Mount Emu Creek yesterday are simply two large pieces broken from trees making their way through the flood water to wherever they may end up down stream, I couldn't help thinking how like a whale and her calf they appeared to look, when I first spotted them in this photograph as I looked at them quickly.

There is one near the post and the larger one nearer to the house further down.

Thank you everybody for your fantastic photos. K

Aerial Photography taken by Clive Fairbairn-Clavert

10 2022 This shot is from over Skipton looking south west. The cemetery middle right salient, Baangal middle top.





Water Rising in Montgomery Street on Friday Afternoon 3:16pm

Three Hours before the peak of the Flooding Event in Skipton

8:19 am Saturday Morning the water starting to recede.

The rail above now evident again.

Thank You

There are not enough words to express my thanks and gratitude to everyone who has helped me in the last few days.

I have met so many amazing people whose names and faces I have forgotten in the surreal blur, but your kindness, professionalism, generosity, and support will forever hold a special place in my heart.

The experience has been very overwhelming and humbling. I would have been lost without all the help and support from the SES, CFA, Corangamite Council, BP Roadhouse, Victoria Police and all the volunteers who gave up their time to help.

Special thank you and squishy hugs to Fiona, Russell, Anthony, Laura, and Tash.

Skipton – There is no place on earth I'd rather be

Maree xx



FLOOD UPDATE FROM CORANGAMITE SHIRE

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*Sunday 16th October 2022
Community Meeting at Skipton Recreation Reserve Sunday at Noon*



At Skipton Market residents had the opportunity to meet their Emergency Services Personnel and learn how to prepare themselves and their properties for the risk of Flooding Events.

From the Editor: Having had a busy week in Skipton, there are a number of photographs I have received from people for this edition to share with readers to mark the Flood Event that has occurred across Victoria inundating so many houses as the water has flowed down the river systems. (To avoid too big a newsletter, I will hold back the advertisements this week.)

Fully aware of the importance of water to our lives I am just hoping that it doesn't impact too greatly on the crops across the State many of which have been promising such record yields to their farming communities after so many dry years.

I hear Hanrahan's words in the back of my mind with the words learned in my childhood making so much more clearer meaning: "We'll all be rooooned" with so very much emotion I never understood as a child!! Best of luck Fellow Farmers! K

