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- ⚡ **When:**
Thursday 18 April 2024
- ⚡ **Location:**
9.30a.m. - midday
Bluestone Bubbles & Banter
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- ⚡ **Location:**
1p.m. - 3p.m.
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- * Week Five 11am Lismore.



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- * Week Two Sunday Mass 8:30 am
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Thursday 9.30am Friday 9.30am

Saturday 5.00pm from April 13th Sunday 10.30am

Sunday 9.00am

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Media Release



Tuesday 2 April 2024

Skipton residents called to help plan town's future

Skipton locals are invited to meet Council's planning team and discuss the draft structure plan for the town.

There will be a drop-in session at the Mechanics Hall on Wednesday 24 April.

North Ward Councillor Nick Cole encouraged people to come along and talk about their hopes and aspirations for the town's future.

"It's your town so come and tell us what's important to you," he said.

"Last year Council reached out to the community with face-to-face meetings and an online survey. That gave us insights into the issues and opportunities facing the town, which have gone into this draft plan.

"Now we're asking for feedback before we finalise the plan for use in future planning decisions and investments. If you can't make the drop-in session, you can download the plan and leave your comments on the Council website."

The main issues raised by the community of Skipton included:

- Skipton's commercial sector is declining.
- The threat of major flooding is discouraging commercial and residential investment.
- The lack of public transport creates a barrier for resident mobility.
- Lack of tourist opportunities.
- Lack of employment opportunities.
- Lack of housing supply and availability.

Manager Planning and Building Services Aaron Moyne said Council was committed to supporting Skipton's future by creating development opportunities and providing clear direction on sustainable change.

"The key aim of the Skipton Structure Plan is to plan for and develop a shared vision for the town, including identifying the type and amount of land use change projected over the next 15-20 years. It aims to direct and promote residential growth, protect the Mt Emu creek environs, and plan for the growth of commercial, industrial and tourism opportunities."

Feedback closes Monday 6 May at 5 pm.

For more information, go to corangamite.vic.gov.au/SkiptonPlan or call Strategic Planner Kristen Wilkes or Manager Planning and Building Services Aaron Moyne on 5593 7100.

Drop-in session

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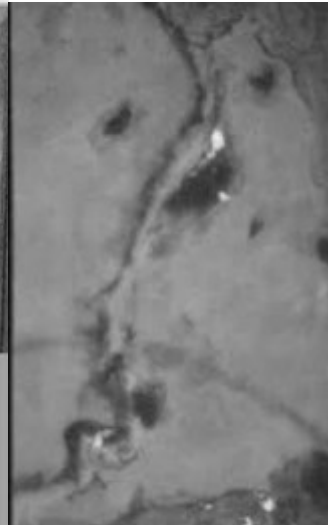
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Veterans catch-up at Skipton

Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch held it's annual luncheon at the Skipton Golf and Bowls Club last Sunday for veterans of all wars.

Skipton RSL president Graham Layley welcomed everyone and was happy to mention that we now have a Dawn Service as well as the 11am service on Anzac Day with a great attendance at both events. Graham went on to say "We stand for three things, "Remember, Honour, Educate."

Visitors arrived from Beaufort, Ballarat and Mortlake and places in between to enjoy a happy social day out catching up with old mates.

With a tasty lunch, an open bar and a host of lucky door prizes kindly donated by most generous local businesses handed out by RSL secretary Gael Ward there was lots of fun and laughter around the tables.

The day ended with some lively games of fake 2-Up where sadly the big winners of those most authentic looking notes had to go home empty handed.

Same time next year.



ANZAC DAY

This year Skipton has achieved a long held ambition – The RSL has for many years been supporting the idea that each War Memorial should be provided with two flagpoles, one to fly the Australian flag throughout the year, the other to fly, on ANZAC Day only, the flag of New Zealand. The valiant New Zealand forces were our partners and mates in the First World War, and onwards, we can now formally honour them on ANZAC Day as we honour Our Australian men and women. Thank you to Corangamite Council who funded and installed the second flagpole at the Skipton War Memorial in 2024.

SKIPTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC

Skipton Progress Association will hold a Special General Meeting on Thursday 2nd May at 7pm

at The Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson Street, Skipton.

The objective of the Special meeting is to consider and vote

-for the Skipton Progress Association Inc. to change its Statement of Rules by adopting Consumer Affairs Victoria's Model Rules for an Incorporated Association.

All members of Skipton Progress Association are cordially requested to attend this meeting in order to meet the current constitution quorum requirements.

If you wish to discuss the proposed change to the model rules or wish a draft of the proposed model rules to be emailed to you please contact the Model rules working group SPA members Jessica Lang, Malcolm Sanders, Angela Gowans or Lisa Wills.

Contact numbers are available in the community phone book. Kind regards Jessica Lang Secretary Skipton Progress Association 0409542186 secretaryskiptonpa@gmail.com

The regular monthly Skipton Progress Association meeting will follow the special general meeting. All welcome.



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Barefoot bowls night at Skipton

The Skipton Bowls Club recently held one of its barefoot bowls nights, to give would be players the opportunity to see if this was the game for them and a good number took up the offer.

For first time bowlers quite a lot of talent was displayed so maybe the club will be gaining a few new members in the future.

Quite a few spectators also enjoyed what was a great fun night ending with a BBQ tea with lots of lucky door prizes also being handed out.



SKIPTON FRIENDS OF VISION AUSTRALIA

We are early with our Mother`s Day Raffle – it is now in the Op shop – Gift Voucher, Wine, Chocolates & more goodies – enjoy a visit – tickets for sale!

Members if you require tickets, Bev Grist has them on hand for you. We appreciate the community support with helping all with low vision so are looking forward to a successful Raffle again with tickets selling well. Thank you..

Yvonne Shady—President Ph:53 402113

Marg Fraser—Secretary Ph: 53 403576

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In order to accurately weigh semi-trailers, concrete strips were provided for the approaches in 1946.

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Friends of the RSL

Tuesday 16th April. **Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch** will meet for a **final planning meeting for ANZAC Day at 6.00 p.m.** in the Small Meeting Room of the **Mechanics Hall**. All urged to attend, and any volunteers very welcome, input from the community is always to important. For further information please contact President Graham on 0407 278 120, or Assnt Secretary Lilla on 0437 455 049 or just come along.



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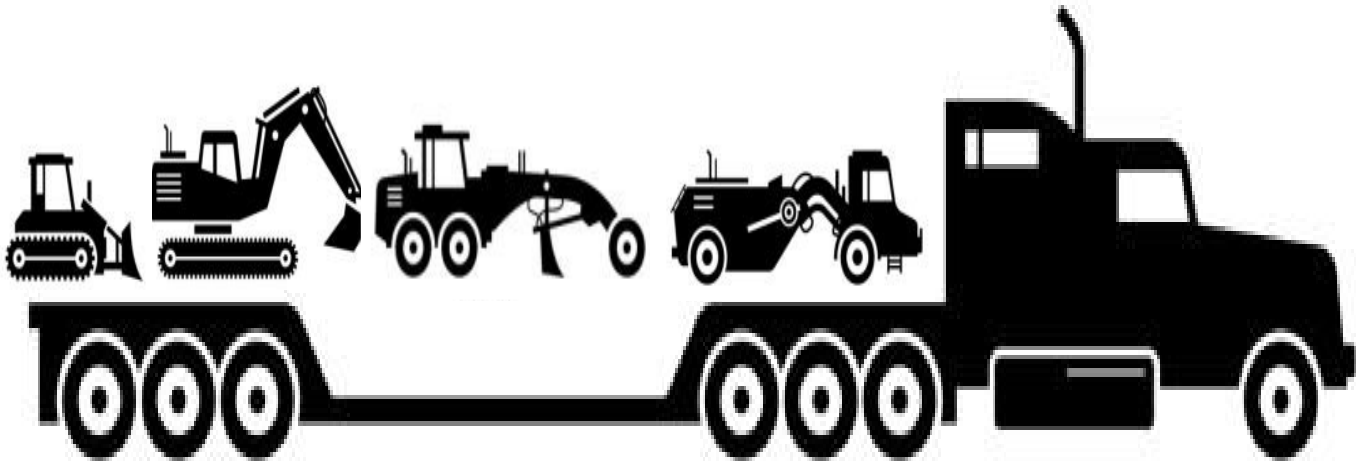
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ANZAC DAY

On Thursday 25th April 2024

Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch will hold a



Dawn Service of Commemoration

At 6.00 a.m. at the Skipton War Memorial.

All are Welcome to attend this Brief Service and to join Together after the Service for Breakfast at the Skipton Mechanics Hall .



Veterans, Serving Members of the Armed Forces, their Families, and Members of the Community are invited to join

The March, starting from the **Skipton Primary School at 10.45 a.m.** ending at the Skipton War Memorial for



The ANZAC Day Service and Wreath Laying Ceremony

To be held at the Skipton War Memorial at 11.00 a.m.

All those Wishing to Attend are asked to Assemble by 10.45 a.m. to await those Marching to the War Memorial. Anyone who wants to lay a Personal Tribute in Memory of those who served in all Theatres of War and Peacekeeping are



Invited to do so after the Formal Wreath Laying Ceremony. At the

At the conclusion of the Service we will ask all to join with us for an **Informal Lunch-eon BBQ** in the grounds of the Skipton Mechanics Hall .

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For further information please contact Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch

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Skipton Progress Association Inc

The next Skipton Spring Festival is booked in for Saturday 9th November 2024 and we hope to have the blade shearer demonstrations, modern shearing demos and free children's entertainment etc.

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Bring along your creative projects to work on while you enjoy the company of other people doing the same, under the guidance of an experienced artist and teacher.

Community Art Sessions will run on Saturday afternoons between 3pm– 6pm

Please bring along a gold coin donation, a plate to share and your own art supplies. All ages, ability levels and types of art are welcome.

Skipton Studioz is also seeking donations of art and craft supplies to be used during these Community Art Sessions.

Donations can be left at the Community Shop, please label them clearly for Studioz.

Watch this space for more information on upcoming art classes! Is there something in particular you have been wanting to learn? Or a skill you have yet to master? Let Penny know on the number below.

Skipton Studioz is also open by appointment, please contact Penny on 0487 110 457 to arrange. See a selection of Penny's work on Instagram@ skiptonstudioz

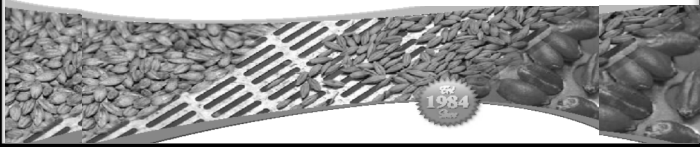


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Got an Event Coming Up? Need a Venue? To make BOOKINGS

FOR SKIPTON'S MECHANICS HALL
Contact: Shayley Grigsby on 0447 050 095

SKIPTON SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB MEETS EVERY MONDAY AT SKIPTON MECHANICS INSTITUTE HALL

From 2pm till 4pm on Monday, and on the fourth Monday have an earlier start of 12 noon for Lunch. Committee Meeting follows at 2pm. "Seniors" is a fantastic way to enjoy a weekly outing and to make new friends. Play Cards, Bingo, Carpet Bowls, and "Lots of Other Stuff"!!

- * Seniors also have trips and outings throughout the year.
- * Just come along, you will be happy you did.

SKIPTON LIBRARY IN MECHANIC'S HALL

Opening Times: Tuesday 10.00am to 12.00pm, Friday 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Fiction, non-fiction, LARGE PRINT, DVD's, E-Books, Children books & DVDs, Biographies. Free membership, all welcome. Come and check us out

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Phone: Heather: 0427 492 082

Monday 15th April SKIPTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH will meet at 7pm in the Mechanics Hall all welcome.

Tuesday 16th April. Volunteers very welcome to join **STEWART PARK CoM** members for our regular monthly Working Bee. Meet 10am in Stewart Park, off Montgomery Street. There's always something to do and lots to learn in our lovely park. Please wear sensible clothes, hat, and closed toe shoes. Please contact Victoria on 437 565 404 for further information or drop into our meeting on April 8th.

Tuesday 16th April. Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch will meet for a **final planning meeting for ANZAC Day at 6.00 p.m.** in the Small Meeting Room of the **Mechanics Hall**. All urged to attend, and any volunteers very welcome, input from the community is always important. For further information please contact President Graham on 0407 278 120, or Asst Secretary Lilla on 0437 455 049 or just come along.

Saturday 20th April Skipton Football & Netball Club Round 2 Playing away to Clunes

Thursday 18th April Moreton Hill Wind Farm—Invitation for drop in session to view plans 9.30 am till midday at the Bluestone Bubbles & Banter Montgomery Street Skipton.

Sunday 21st April: FIREWORLD DISCOVERY CENTRE & MUSEUM (Streatham) open from 11:30am until 4:30pm
Contact Bruce McKenna, Secretary/Treasurer 0466 286 011

Sunday April 21st. Visitors very welcome to the **Skipton Historical Society Open Day**. The Old Police House and the Court House Museum will be **open to all from 2.00 pm to 4.00pm**. Please contact the Secretary (ph 0407 310 990) or via email skipton.history.au@gmail.com with your questions about our Skipton history, or drop in to see our collections for yourself.

Wednesday April 24th SKIPTON STRUCTURE PLAN DRAFT PLAN
This drop in section is for you to view the draft plan, put in your ideas and wishes, and have your say, being the last chance before this is presented to council. The time has been chosen to allow most people to be able to attend. So why not come and see what is planned for your town.
Times: 3pm to 7pm at the Skipton Mechanics Hall.

Thursday April 25th. ANZAC DAY will be observed in Skipton by Friends of the RSL Skipton Branch with a **DAWN SERVICE at 6am** at the Skipton War Memorial on Anderson Street Skipton, which will be followed by an informal breakfast for all those participating. The **ANZAC DAY SERVICE and Wreath Laying Ceremony** will be held at the War Memorial at 12 noon. For further information please contact Secretary of the Friends of the RSL on 0403 530 293.

Saturday 27th April Skipton Football & Netball Club Round 3 Playing at Home to Newlyn