



Buchan Phoenix

Rising from the ashes...

A communication for the community by the community.

July 2017 Issue 13



Unusual visitor to Buchan

Generally seen along the coast such as the Gippsland Lakes area and only inland where there are large expanses of water such as lakes and large river systems where food supply is plentiful, this pelican was spotted last Friday on the Buchan River at The Bluff.

Photo courtesy of Rhonda Coates

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The newsletter will be delivered to every household in the District and is also available online at buchan.vic.au.

If you are not receiving the newsletter please contact us and we will ensure that a copy is mailed to your address.

Newsletters can be posted for an annual fee of \$16.50 incl GST per 12 editions to anyone outside the district.

Dates for submissions will be advertised in each edition and we welcome your contributions.

Submissions closing date for August will be Thursday 3rd

Submissions can be sent to buchanbnh@bigpond.com or drop them into the Neighbourhood House.

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The Buchan Phoenix would like to acknowledge the Gunaikurnai People, the Traditional Owners of the land on which we gather, and pay our respects to their Elders both past and present.

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-Open 10am to 4pm

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For more information, please phone

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Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow 2017

Forge Theatre & Arts Hub
 80 McKean Street, Bairnsdale Vic 3875
 Saturday 8th July 2017, 7.30 pm



Buckle up Australia, the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow is hitting the road to home deliver the freshest and funniest from Australia's largest comedy festival!

With an all-killer, no-filler cast of Australian stars, talented newcomers and international performers we've got all your comedy bases covered. Featuring everything from stand-up to sketch, slapstick to song, each individual line-up presents the best of the Festival in one hilarious show.

Every year our cast of intrepid entertainers board the bus and set their sights on over 80 destinations across this great Southern land. No road is left untraveled and no sides are left un-split, from Darwin to Devonport and everywhere in between!

Don't miss your chance to join the laughs at the Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow. Get on board, grab your mates and get giggling as the ultimate comedy roadtrip rolls into town!

And Bairnsdale's performance at the Forge Theatre and Arts Hub on Saturday 8 July 2017, 7.30pm is the last show in the Australian leg of the tour!

Warning: Performances often contain coarse language, sexual references and material that can offend. Recommended for people aged 15 years or older.

Times 2 hours 30 minutes (includes 20 minute interval)

Adults \$35
 Concession \$30 (seniors/pensioners)
 Group Booking \$30
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Bookings

Phone: 5152 1482

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The Buchan Craft Group

Meets every Wednesday from 10am to 4pm.

A great space to put together your quilts and share ideas.

All Welcome.

\$3 per session.

Buchan Flower Show News

Our Annual Flower, Arts n Crafts and Photography Show will be held on Melbourne Cup Weekend Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th November 2017.

The schedule for 2017 is now available.



During the cold weather and when people are confined to the house is an ideal time to make up dried arrangements.

Silk flower arrangements can also be done with only a few selected speciums together with twisted bamboo, raffia etc.

Neighbourhood House and member of this Committee have books on ideas which can be borrowed.

We have been advised by an expert Floral Artist that nearly all her containers have been sourced from op-shops.



Not too many of us are keen on frosts in the morning, except for rose growers—Roses need to get their roots very cold during their dormant period in winter to produce their best blooms in spring and summer, so we do need some heavy frosts over the next few weeks.

At the show on Saturday from 1pm Tea and Scones will be sold and a cake stall will be held by the Flower Show Steering Group.

On the Sunday there will be a Car Boot Sale from 10am to 2pm. Stallholder registrations for the car boot sale are available at the NH and online at <http://buchan.vic.au/car-boot-sale-melbourne-cup-weekend-saturday-4th-and-sunday-5th-november-2017/>. Places are limited. \$5 for early bird registrations. (payment before October 2nd, 2017) See advert in this edition.

The Wulgulmerang Team Penning and Sports Day will be held again at the Wulgulmerang Recreation Reserve over the Melbourne Cup weekend. More information to follow.



East Gippsland caves; 100 years of newspaper articles: 1854 - 1954

Thanks, explanations, and the fine print.

Part one. Buchan Phoenix Feb 2017 (1854 to 1880)

Part two. Buchan Phoenix March 2017 (1882 to 1887)

Part three. Buchan Phoenix April 2017 (1889 to 1901)

Part four. Buchan Phoenix May 2017 (1901 to 1907)

Part five. Buchan Phoenix June 2017 (1907 to 1912)

1913

There is a description of a tour through the Fairy cave.

Mary S. Neve applies for and receives a 'colonial wine license' for her boarding house. (Now Homeleigh)

1914

The Royal cave is opened up for visitation.

Now the Fairy, Blackwood, Royal, Moon, Murrindal and Lillypilly caves are all open for tours.

Wilson has moved to Western Australia and states the Yallingup caves are the best in Australia.

'... but the Jenolan caves are monotonously white and the Fairy cave is cramped compared to...'

1915

Coach passengers complained about the poor, overcrowded, traveling conditions to Buchan.

A visitor describes his tour of the Royal cave.

1916

Damage was seen to have occurred to Murrindal and Lillypilly caves.

A detective was employed and the two culprits were found and prosecuted.

In a six week period 1,650 rabbits were caught on caves reserves. Moon left for war service.

1917

Federal cave is now opened to the public.

1918

The State Treasurer says caves will be lit by electricity.

1919

Tenders were called by the State Government for the supply of oil engine and dynamo to light the caves.

1920

The caves were being electrically lit.

Visitor numbers are given:- 1916-1,512; 1917-1,848; 1918-2,404; 1919-3,102

Contributor: Kim Van Dyk



Working on the Buchan Caves (Possibly Royal or Federal entrance) L-R Bill Bonwick, Frank Hansford and Frank Moon

OUR COMMUNITY, OUR FUTURE

Forum: Substance use prevention by strengthening community action

Wednesday 26 July | 5pm - 9pm

◆ Bellevue on the Lakes, Lakes Entrance
FREE | Dinner provided

www.ourcommunity-ourfuture.eventbrite.com.au

In early 2017, East Gippsland community champions worked with the East Gippsland Ice Prevention Working Group to develop a map that unpacks the factors that play a part in why people use drugs and alcohol.

We want to hear your ideas!

Please come along to identify local actions that support our young people and prevent substance misuse in our community.

Guest speakers will provide presentations on addiction, outline why people use drugs and alcohol, and how our community can work together to prevent drug use. See attached flyer for more information about our speakers.

This forum will focus on prevention rather than treatment. Prevention looks at how we can strengthen support for young people through education, sport, cultural and other activities.

Registrations for this event are essential. Please RSVP by 5pm, 18 July, 2017 via this link:
www.ourcommunity-ourfuture.eventbrite.com.au

For more information, please contact
East Gippsland Primary Care Partnership
connect@egpcp.org | 03 5153 0149

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Wednesday 26 July | 5pm - 9pm | Lakes Entrance

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Guest speakers

◆ Julie Rae, Australian Drug Foundation

Julie Rae is the National Program Manager of Knowledge and Information at the Alcohol and Drug Foundation, providing information on evidence based research in the area of alcohol and other drugs, community development and prevention. She has over 30 years' experience working in the information industry and is active in the alcohol and other drug sector, with presentations, writing, and building partnerships with agencies to ensure that people are informed about the harms and issues surrounding alcohol and other drugs.

◆ Dr David Jacka, Monash Health

Dr David Jacka is an Addiction Medicine Specialist at Monash Health. He has worked in the area of public health, alcohol and drug misuse and harm reduction for many years. In the past, David has worked with the World Health Organisation as a drug treatment specialist and adviser on HIV prevention programming in Asia. He has also assisted in developing guidelines for assessment and treatment of people who misuse drugs including heroin and methamphetamine.

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THE POET & THE HARPIST

7.30pm Friday 21st July 2017 at Kings Cove Club,
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Admission \$25

No booking required. Enquiries 5155 9529

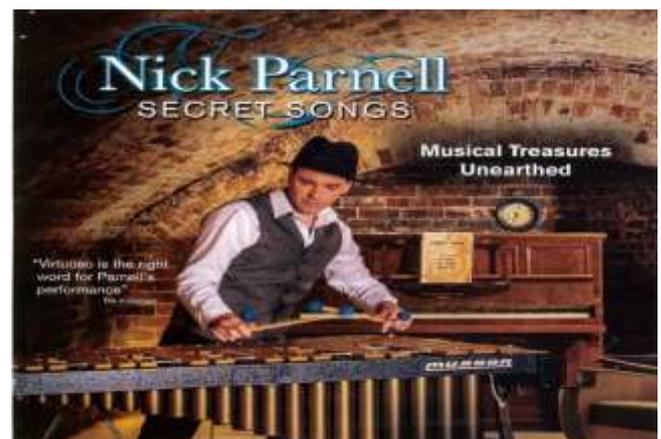
'THE POET AND THE HARPIST' is a fun, fast moving,
highly entertaining and eclectic mix of Storytelling, Song,
Yarns and Fantastic Music.... No topic is untouched -
Horses, Dogs, Droughts, Floods, Shearing, Childhood
Memories & Great Yarns (true and questionable)...

An Event to Remember!!

Our next **Forge Theatre and Arts Hub** show will be held
in Buchan on **Friday 27th October** at the Buchan Pub.

Nick Parnell, a Vibraphonist

Parnell's magical mallets lovingly caress his vibraphone
keys, seamlessly braiding jazz, world and classical
music into one living twist of musical enjoyment.



News from your Tambo District



This Autumn has been a busy one for staff and crews working in our forests. Here is the latest update on what Forest Fire Management (FFMV) has been up to.

We've been having planned burn walk-throughs with some communities, including Bruthen, Wuk Wuk, Glenaladale and Nowa Nowa. Burn walk-throughs provide an opportunity to discuss individual burns and the wider burn program with interested members of the community.

For some burns, like at Nowa Nowa-Nelsons Road, the walk-through provided valuable insight into concerns the community had about the burn. We are now considering different delivery options that will still achieve burn objectives while reducing bushfire risk to people and property.

We hope the walk-throughs also benefited local residents, as we plan to do more next season. We'll keep you posted!



Catherine Burton, Senior Community Partnerships Officer – Catherine organises district engagement relating to bushfire and forest management.

Forest management and roads

In the Bairnsdale area, a new Trail Bike Visitor Area has opened at Mt Taylor – with an unloading ramp, car park, BBQ and map for three great riding routes. Riders can head off on three sign-posted trips of 77km, 84km or 101km from the carpark on Howitt Spur Road at the intersection with Jones Road.



Hazardous tree management is in place at the Mt Taylor picnic area, and the Log Crossing picnic area near Lakes Entrance. Exclusion fencing has been set up in the drop zone of where the large tree will naturally fall, which is why the picnic table has been removed. An arborist will soon be removing some of the bigger limbs to extend the tree's longevity. Works have recently been carried out on Scriveners Road as part of a staged program on identified strategic fire access roads within the Colquhoun State Forest to the north of Lakes Entrance. FFMV has planned and conducted the works with biodiversity specialists.

These works are primarily designed to improve the safety of fire agency staff and the public during times of bushfire or fuel management operations. Specifically, the works will improve the ability of fire agencies to respond to bushfires, protect human life and the significant built assets to the south.

With the assistance and request of locals prior to the works commencing, significant trees were marked for protection and specific machinery engaged to reduce vegetation impact.

Near Ensay, volunteers are working on maintenance of the Turntable Huts – with repairs to fireplaces, windows and doors. The Glenmore Huts north of **Buchan** are being restumped and having missing exterior planks replaced.

In the Nowa Nowa area, the old bridge at Humbug Road, Tostaree, has been replaced with a ford crossing, to enable the road to be reopened – after being closed since 2011!

Gail Penfold, Senior Forest Management and Roding Officer – Gail oversees the maintenance program for the forest road network (all dirt roads excluding park and reserve roads, which are managed by Parks Victoria), manages recreation and historic sites, and provides approval for activities like bee sites, grazing, timber harvesting and mining. Gail coordinates firewood and weed spraying and deals with rubbish dumping and illegal tree felling.

If you see something, say something and report details on irresponsible or illegal behaviour at our recreation sites to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or to DELWP on 136 186.

That information could include details on what, when and where it happened, the number of people and vehicles involved, registration numbers and photos if it's safe to take them.

Planned burning

Between hot temperatures, high winds and the odd drop of rain, ensuring ideal conditions for the Autumn burn program has proved challenging at times. We had a late start due to varying weather in early March, which saw smaller burns taking place within narrow weather windows.

Bruthen area – burns included a 1470ha burn near Pound Yard Road and later a 510ha burn along Wards Road. The overall strategy for Bruthen is to develop a corridor of frequently fuel reduced areas around the town to slow the speed and intensity of bushfires that may head towards Wiseleigh and Bruthen, from the north and north-west.

Some areas around Bruthen and Wiseleigh have not had fuel reduced since the 2006/07 bushfires, so it is important we continue to reintroduce controlled fire into these areas. Next year and beyond will see planned burning continuing closer to the State forest-private interface, with burns planned near Nicholson Creek Road, Rowley Creek and Brooks Road, and further to the north near Dave Hall Creek, Ramrod Creek and Boys Camp Road.

Nowa Nowa area – significant works have occurred in the last two years in areas like Lambournes Break, Gorge Road and Mt Nowa Nowa. This year several smaller high priority burns were carried out along the Princes Highway near Burnt Bridge Road.

We will continue to reduce fuels around the Nowa Nowa township next year, with burns planned near the Old Buchan Road, Bruthen-Buchan Road and further to the north-west near Radar Hill. The intent is to continue building a corridor of fuel reduced areas to the west, north-west and north of the township to slow the speed and reduce the intensity of bushfires that may come from that direction.

Buchan area – a key burn was at Mt McLeod (440ha) to the east of the Buchan Valley, and favourable late season conditions allowed a start on the 3100ha burn at Butchers Creek near Murrindal.

Additional burns are planned next year to the west of the valley including 265ha near Rankins Road, 675ha near Davidsons Lane and a large 2353ha burn near Sunny Point. This will be further supported by burning further to the south-west and west, to continue building a fuel reduced corridor to slow the speed and reduce the intensity of potential bushfires.



Mick Beckers, Senior Forest Fire Management Officer – Mick manages the District's three-year fuel management plan outlining where planned burns and other works such as slashing, fire tower and water point maintenance, will happen. Contact Mick to talk about burns you'd like to nominate or current proposed burns, by calling the Bairnsdale office on (03) 5152 0400.

Forest Fire Management Victoria represents specialist staff from the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (DELWP), Parks Victoria, Melbourne Water and Vic Forests. These staff work alongside CFA, other emergency services and communities across Victoria to protect people, property and the environment from forest fires.

Firewood Collection

The 2017 Autumn firewood collection season is now closed. Firewood collection on public land is prohibited until Spring firewood season opens on 1 September 2017.

Under the Forest Act 1958, people who collect firewood outside designated firewood collection areas or a firewood collection season, take more than the maximum allowable amounts or sell firewood they have collected can face on the spot fines of \$622, or a maximum penalty in court of one year imprisonment or a \$7,750 fine or both.

DELWP and Parks Victoria officers patrol forests and take a zero-tolerance approach to those who are violating firewood collection laws.

The Spring Collection Season is: 1 September to 30 November



BUCHAN VALLEY GOLF NEWS

Contributor: Marny Cummings Ladies Captain

Annual Tournament

Mixed Day 3/6/17

A Grade Winners -	Ian Ferguson	
	Marny Cummings	46 pts
Runners Up -	Peter Eaton	
	Di Gray	41 pts
B Grade Winners -	Peter Ferguson	41pts
	Francie Ferguson	on countback
Runners Up -	Alan Waack	
	Helen Hume	

Trophies donated by Riviera Golf

Mens & Ladies Day 4/6/17

Men's A Grade Winners -	Peter Whillance	40 pts
Runners Up -	Al. McArthur	37 pts
Men's B Grade Winners -	Peter Ferguson	37 pts
Runners Up -	Geoff Preston	35 pts
Best 9 Holes -	Terry Littlejohn	20 pts
Ladies Winner -	Kerryn Clemm	36 pts
Runners Up -	Julie Whillance	36 pts
Best 9 In -	Helen Hume	19 pts
Best 9 Out -	Elaine Johnson	14 pts

Trophies donated by Elders and Stephen Baggs

Men's Golf

LA Cameron 4BBB Par 11/6/17

Winners -	Peter Schmetzer	
	Ray Murphy	+8
Runners Up -	Lucien Barker	
	Geoff Preston	+7

Stableford 18/6/17

Winner -	Peter Schmetzer	34 pts
Runner Up -	Geoff Preston	33 pts

Men's

Monthly Medal 25/6/17

Winner—	Dave Pedley	70 Nett
Runners Up -	Ken Hanley	71 Nett on c/bk

Ladies

Stroke—3rd Silver Spoon 8/6/17

Winner—	Helen Hume	83 Nett
Runner Up -	Jill Sandy	83 Nett on c/bk

Par 15/6/17

Winner -	Phyl Sutton	-3
Runner Up -	Helen Hume	-3 on c/bk

Mobil Foursomes 22/6/17

Winners -	Phyl Sutton	
	Marny Cummings	
Runners Up -	Shirley Waack	
	Julie Whillance	

Stroke—3rd Medal 29/6/17

Winner -	Julie Whillance	72 Nett
Runner Up -	Francie Ferguson	73 Nett

Men's Vets

7/6/17	Winner -	Alan Waack
	Runner Up -	Peter Ferguson
14/6/17	Winner -	Peter Ferguson
	Runner Up -	Dave Pedley
21/6/17	Winner -	Dave Pedley
	Runner Up -	Ken Hanley
28/6/17	Winner -	Trevor Sandy
	Runner Up -	John Hills

Slow-cooker chicken and chickpea curry

Pop a few ingredients in your slow cooker and come back later to a no-fuss chicken curry meal. Easy!



0:10 Prep 6:35 Cook 6 Servings Capable cooks

Ingredients

1 tablespoon olive oil
1 kg chicken thigh fillets, trimmed, quartered
1 medium brown onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, crushed
2cm piece fresh ginger, finely grated
1/4 cup korma curry paste
400g can diced tomatoes
1/4 cup Massel chicken style liquid stock
1/2 cup plain yoghurt
1/3 cup chopped roasted cashew nuts
400g can chickpeas, drained, rinsed
1/4 cup fresh coriander leaves
Steamed Basmati rice, to serve
Lime halves, to serve

Method

Step 1

Heat oil in a saucepan over medium-high heat. Cook chicken, in batches, stirring, for 5 minutes or until browned. Transfer to a bowl. Add onion, garlic and ginger. Cook, stirring, for 4 minutes or until onion has softened. Add curry paste. Cook, stirring, for 1 minute. Return chicken to pan with tomato and stock.

Step 2

Transfer mixture to the bowl of a 5 litre slow-cooker. Cover. Turn slow-cooker to low. Cook for 6 hours or until chicken is tender. Stir in yoghurt, nuts and chickpeas. Cook, covered, for 15 minutes or until heated through.

Step 3

Serve curry with coriander, rice and lime halves.

In the Garden

The morning air has been super-brisk lately, so while that means we get to wear some super-warm jackets and scarves, our frost-sensitive plants have no such luck... So if you've got sensitive plants either get them into a warmer climate or get some shade-cloth over them. They'll be thankful for it!

It's bare root season! If you've got room in your garden, now is the best time to get a fruit tree in there.

Of course, if you've got enough trees, you can always get perennials – if you already have these, now is the perfect time to divide them. Pruning is also important around now.

There's not a lot of things that will take off in the cold soil right now, but you can definitely give the following plants a go:

Things you can plant in July include:

Beetroot, Radish, Lettuce, Shallots, Mustard Greens, Peas, Snow Peas, Onions and Strawberries (seeds and runners)

Remember: some seeds do better starting off in punnets, some in pots and some in the ground. To get the best from your seedlings be sure to check the best methods first!

New road rule -



Passing stopped enforcement, emergency and escort vehicles with flashing lights

From **1 July 2017** a new road rule has been introduced to improve safety for our emergency and enforcement workers.

What is the new rule?

Motorists must slow down to a speed that would enable them to stop safely if necessary when approaching and passing enforcement, emergency or escort vehicles that are stationary or moving slowly (less than 10km/h)*, and have either:

- red and blue flashing lights
- magenta (purple) flashing lights - [Transport Safety Services](#)
- an alarm sounding

You must not exceed 40km/h when passing the vehicle and not increase your speed until a safe distance from the scene.

* A fire truck extinguishing roadside spot fires is an example of a slow-moving emergency vehicle.

What is considered a 'safe distance' from the scene before I can increase my speed?

A 'safe distance' has not been explicitly defined in the road rule because every incident will differ in some way. For example, a fire truck may be stationed by the roadside with flashing lights but the fire fighters may be managing a fire further up the road. In this instance, drivers should not increase their speed until they are fully past all emergency personnel.

Why is this new rule being introduced?

Incidents on our roads place first responders and others involved at a high risk of being struck by passing vehicles or debris.

The new rule means improved safety for emergency and enforcement workers who are performing work on the road or roadside, as well as others who are present at the scene.

Does the new rule apply on all road types?

Yes, it applies to all roads, including freeways.

It doesn't apply to vehicles on the other side of a divided carriageway from an emergency or enforcement vehicle scene.

What type of emergency or enforcement vehicles are covered by the new rule?

- Police vehicles
- Ambulance Victoria vehicles
- Metropolitan Fire Brigade vehicles
- Country Fire Authority vehicles
- Forest Fire Management Victoria vehicles
- State Emergency Service vehicles
- VicRoads Transport Safety Service vehicles (magenta, purple flashing lights)
- Enforcement vehicles (magenta, purple flashing lights) under the control of a state transport body including Fisheries and Taxi enforcement vehicles
- Other emergency patient transport vehicles with red and blue flashing lights.



Why are other special purpose vehicles with different coloured lights not covered?

The new rule has been kept to emergency and enforcement vehicles to avoid confusion. Limiting the rule to vehicles with blue and red, or magenta flashing lights makes it easier for motorists to understand and comply with the new rule's requirements. The rule is consistent with existing road rules 78 and 79 that require drivers to move out of the way of an emergency or enforcement vehicle with flashing lights or sounding an alarm. The rule doesn't apply to vehicles with yellow flashing lights as these lights are present on a wide range of vehicles performing diverse tasks.

Can I be fined for not obeying the new road rule?

Yes, you can be fined.

The infringement penalty for breaching the new road rule is 1.75 penalty units (\$272.05), with the maximum court penalty of 5 penalty units (\$777.30).

No demerit points will apply.

Don't motorists already slow down if they see an emergency vehicle ahead?

We know that most people already slow down when they see an emergency vehicle ahead with red and blue flashing lights, or their alarm sounding.

The new rule establishes a required standard for safe behaviour and further ensures emergency workers can get on with their important work without worrying about being struck by a passing vehicle or debris.

The rule has been designed to provide maximum safety benefits to emergency and enforcement workers while keeping it simple for the Victorian community to understand.

The new 40km/h limit is the maximum speed at which pedestrians are likely to survive vehicle impact.

How common are incidents involving emergency and enforcement vehicles, or workers?

Near misses are common. A recent survey of more than 1,600 emergency service and enforcement workers revealed that in the past three years:

- 17 per cent had a 'near miss' involving a passing vehicle on four or more occasions
- 3 per cent had been injured while evading a passing vehicle
- 8 per cent had their vehicle struck by a passing vehicle
- 23 per cent of those involved in an incident had consequential mental health issues

Is the new rule consistent with other safety speed restrictions?

Yes, the new rule is consistent with existing speed restrictions through:

- school zones
- work zones
- environments with vulnerable and unprotected road users

Penalties

If drivers are caught breaking these rules they may be given fines and demerit points.

Singing practice sessions will be organised prior to this event.
Keep watch on future Newsletters for dates.

Hallelujah – words and music by Leonard Cohen

Now I've heard there was a secret chord
That David played, and it pleased the Lord
But you don't really care for music, do you?

It goes like this

The fourth, the fifth

The minor fall, the major lift

The baffled king composing "Hallelujah"

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Your faith was strong but you needed proof
You saw her bathing on the roof

Her beauty and the moonlight overthrew you
She tied you to a kitchen chair

She broke your throne, and she cut your hair
And from your lips she drew the Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Baby I have been here before
I know this room, I've walked this floor
I used to live alone before I knew you
I've seen your flag on the marble arch

Love is not a victory march
It's a cold and it's a broken Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

There was a time you let me know
What's really going on below
But now you never show it to me, do you?
And remember when I moved in you

The holy dove was moving too

And every single breath that we drew was Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

You say I took the name in vain
I don't even know the name
But if I did, well really, what's it to you?
There's a blaze of light

In every word

It doesn't matter which you heard

The holy or the broken Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Maybe there's a God above
But all I've ever learned from love
Was how to shoot somebody who outdrew you
And it's not a cry that you hear at night
It's not somebody who's seen the light
It's a cold and it's a broken Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

I did my best, it wasn't much
I couldn't feel, so I tried to touch
I've told the truth, I didn't come to fool you
And even though
It all went wrong

I'll stand before the Lord of Song
With nothing on my tongue but Hallelujah

[Chorus] Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah



LEONARD COHEN 1934 – 2016

In memory of this legendary poet, author, songwriter and singer, at the same time all over the world, there will be a mass singing of perhaps his most covered song Hallelujah.

Unfortunately for us in Victoria this is 5 o'clock in the morning on the day before the Melbourne Cup but we will be joining with the world to pay tribute to this wonderful, amazing man.

Please come and join us whether to join in the singing or just to listen.

Venue:- Buchan Neighbourhood House

When:- Monday 6th November 2017 at 5 o'clock

Musicians:- Tony Crisp and Steve Baxter

Words will be provided as he changed the verses a few times.

Egg and bacon sandwiches will be provided free although a gold coin donation would be appreciated.

After our singing, while we eat and drink we will be playing a DVD of the man himself singing live in Dublin in 2013.

ALL WELCOME

Contributor: Kim Van Dyk

Don't fall for a scammer's phishing bait

The ACCC is warning people to stay alert to 'phishing' scammers pretending to be from well-known businesses and government departments trying to con unsuspecting victims out of their personal information and money. So far in 2017, the ACCC's Scamwatch has received more than 11,000 reports of this scam, with nearly \$260,000 lost. Phishing scams are the most common scam reported to Scamwatch—reports are 63 per cent higher than the next most popular category. Statistics also show that older Australians (those aged 65+) are particularly vulnerable to this scam and that email or the phone are the scammers' preferred tool of the trade for contacting potential victims.

Phishing scams are attempts by scammers to trick you into giving out your personal information such as your bank account numbers, passwords and credit card numbers.



Church Services

Catholic Church

St Dymphna's
Woodgates Road, Buchan
Meets 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month
For service details contact Mary Wheeler 51 559 330

Uniting Church

The Andrew Davidson Memorial Uniting Church
Main Street, Buchan
See services for Anglican Church
For service details contact Leona Lavell 51 559 395

Anglican Church

St Marys
Main Street, Buchan
Meets 3rd Sunday of each month at 2.30 pm
For service details contact Rhonda Coates 51 559 373

East Gippsland Shire Community Grants Program

Listed below are some current grant opportunities:-

Grant: East Gippsland Shire Community Grants

Closes: 2nd August

What can be funded: The Shire Grants programs aims to support local community based groups, organisations and in some categories,

individuals across eight categories.

Community Projects - up to \$5,000

Community Festival and Events - up to \$5,000

Community Facilities - up to \$5,000

Community Environment and Sustainability projects - up to \$5,000

Arts Grants - up to \$5,000

Major Arts Grants - up to \$10,000

Heritage Grants - up to \$5,000

Quick Response Arts Grants - up to \$500

Regional and District Events Sponsorship - up to \$10,000

Grant: Sporting Clubs Grants Program

Closes: 29th July

What can be funded: Category 1: Uniforms or Equipment Grants up to \$1000 to purchase uniforms or other equipment essential for participation.

Category 2: Skill Development

Grants up to \$2000 to improve the skills of club members by providing training for coaches, officials, administration staff and management committees.

Category 3: Club Operational Capacity

Grants up to \$5000 to improve the operational effectiveness and efficiency of clubs through strategic planning or, to increase community participation through accessible sport and active recreation opportunities.

Grant: CommBank Cricket Club sponsorships

Closes: 7th August

What can be funded: Offer local clubs the chance to apply for one of our two-year sponsorships. If successful, you'll receive a two-year helping hand of \$2,000 per year, brand new cricket equipment and CommBank gear like marquees for game days.

Grant: Emergency Grant: Sporting and Recreational Equipment

Closes: Ongoing

What can be funded: Up to \$2000

These grants provide assistance to grassroots sport and active recreation clubs and organisations to replace essential sporting or first aid equipment that has been lost or destroyed as a consequence of fire, flood, significant storm event, theft or criminal damage.

http://www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/Community/Council_Grants/Program_overview or come into the

Neighbourhood House to pick up the grant guidelines or if you need some help with your application.

All Shire grant applications are now online.

Frozen water meter or pipes??



With winter now set in, some customers are finding they have a frozen water meter on particularly cold mornings.

Below are some handy hints that may help you out;

- If a frost is predicted or even on a really cold night, cover your water meter and any exposed above ground pipes with a large bucket, cardboard or a plastic box or tub. The important thing is to make sure the meter and pipes are fully covered to trap the warmer air inside the box.
- Fill up the kettle, a bucket or jug with water and keep it for the morning. This way you will have some water to warm up for defrosting your meter and pipes.

Following a frosty night, if you find there is no water flowing from your taps when you turn them on, your water meter and any pipes above the ground may be frozen. Try pouring some luke warm water over the meter and any above ground pipes. This should unfreeze them. Sometimes it may take several attempts.

Do not use boiling water as this may cause your water meter to crack



“Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.”

— *Edith Sitwell*

East Gippsland Shire

Outreach Services

Library Books can be reserved, collected or returned at the Neighbourhood House. Mobile Library Bus days are held fortnightly on a Tuesday.

Future visits 18th July & 1st August, 2017

EAST GIPPSLAND
Naturally Magic



Mid-Week Sports Night

Every Wednesday



5 p m at the
Buchan Hall

\$5 per person



Includes free
sausage sizzle



Brought to you by the

Buchan Hall and Recreation Committee

Wanted: Does anyone have any pool cues they would like to donate as we have a table but no cues.

Further details contact Steve Jeffery 0412 575 232

Car Boot Sale!

Melbourne Cup Weekend together with the Buchan Art and Craft, Flower and Photography Show.

Sunday 5th November 2017

At the Buchan Mechanics Hall, Main Street.

Commencing at 9.30am for sellers and 10am for buyers

Finishing at 2pm

We have room for sellers of

- Pre loved goods
- Produce
- Bric-a-Brac
- Fruit and Vegetables
- Plants
- Art and Craft Displays
- Toys
- Clothes
- Household Goods and more.



Community Groups welcome to have a stall for fund raising opportunities.

It is essential to book so that everyone has a fair go. Car boot spaces are 1st in best dressed.

Approved stallholders must have their own table and own shelter for the day and there is no power available.

Cost \$6 Per Site or Car (\$5 for early bird bookings with payment before October 2nd, 2017) Registration is not accepted without payment. Proceeds will cover the cost of the site rental and project costs. Registrations Close on Monday 16th October.

Contact us at the Neighbourhood House on 51 559 216 or buchanbnh@vicronline.com for further information and to complete the registration form go to buchan.vic.au

We are also looking for some help with the event and on the day so if you would like to volunteer please get back to us.

This is a dry weather event only. If it is wet it will be cancelled. 50% of the entry costs will be refunded.

Someone's trash is someone else's treasure. Recycle and re use.



YOGA WITH KIRSTIE!

Firstly, the Buchan Rec and Hall Committee would like to thank the group who came to our first yoga class. Secondly, thank you Kirstie Pearce for organising the class!



Kirstie has committed to continue yoga classes for the next 10 Tuesdays in the Buchan Hall from 7pm till 8pm.

- \$10 per person
- Bring your own yoga mat
- Bring a light blanket for savasana at the end of the class

No need to book. Please ensure you are present 10 minutes before the class starts to allow enough time to set up.

Bookings for the Buchan Recreation Reserve and Hall

All bookings for these facilities can now be made by contacting Yvonne Van Zon on 0422 327 455 or by emailing buchanhallandrec@gmail.com

EAST GIPPSLAND
SHIRE LIBRARIES

FREE BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Movie Screening A Street Cat Named Bob



Join us for the screening of **A street cat named Bob** based on James Bowen's book by the same title

This film tells the moving and life-affirming true story of the unlikely friendship between a young homeless busker, James Bowen, and the stray ginger cat named Bob who changed his life.

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this FREE event.

Photo by Bryan Ledger

Monday 7 August
Boimsdale Library
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm

Tuesday 8 August
Ormeo
Service Centre
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm

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Orbost
Service Centre
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm

Wednesday 9 August
Lakes Entrance
Service Centre
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm

Thursday 10 August
Boimsdale Library
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm

Friday 25 August
Paynesville
Service Centre
10.30 am - 12.15 pm
2.00 pm - 3.45 pm