

# **Buchan and District Community Gathering**

**Saturday 30th November**

**Buchan Hall**

**Starting at 6pm with a BBQ dinner**

**BYO Drinks**

**Music by Gippsland Band *Your Shout***



*This is a **FREE** event supported by Emergency Management Victoria via funding received through the East Gippsland Shire Council to provide critical and immediate recovery to communities impacted by the 2019 bushfires.*

**For catering numbers and to win a Lucky Door prize on the night tickets are required to attend and can be collected at the Neighbourhood House or Buchan Bush Nursing for FREE**



**Please bring a plate to share for supper**

**Please let us know of any dietary requirements**



## **This Special Edition newsletter has been produced due to a number of community events coming up that we want to tell you all about before the next edition of The Phoenix so you can SAVE THE DATE!**

Melbourne Cup weekend is always busy with the Flower Show, and the Wulgulmerang Team Penning and Sports Day . This year we have the added bonus of Liminality Celtic Trio playing at the Recreation Pavilion on the Friday night. Tickets can now be purchased at the Neighbourhood House and at the door for those not confident to getting them online. This band is funding their own way to get to Buchan so pre booking helps them to know that people are coming. Shades of Death Cave is also open to the Public on Saturday 2nd November starting at 10am. Not to be missed.

Remembrance Day is on **Monday 11th November** with the service starting at 10.15 am at the Buchan South Avenue of Honour. Contributions to morning tea welcome.

Buchan Neighbourhood House have been fortunate enough to be accepted to assist with participation in a Community Based Bushfire Management project to work towards improving the communities fire management and preparedness with the support of our local agencies and services. This project will give the opportunity for all of the community to have an input into our bushfire management. Details about the project will be presented at The Buchan & District Preparedness and Community Based Bushfire Management Meeting. Starting with a BBQ at 6pm on **Tuesday 19th November** at the Recreation Reserve. (Details following page)

East Gippsland Shire Council have received funding from Emergency Management Victoria to underwrite and support events in the Buchan Community to assist in building resilience that focus on the connectedness and wellbeing of the community after the 2019 Bushfires. Projects and FREE events are being planned for Buchan and Gelantipy and here are some that are coming up soon.

Free Dancercise classes in the Hall are starting on **Wednesday 30th October** for 5 weeks. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in. A great way to get some practice in before the Community Gathering which is being held on **Saturday 30th November**. (Details page 4)

The Community Gathering is being held to give us all a chance to get together to enjoy a night out with a BBQ dinner with friends, family and neighbours.

This year the Gelantipy Christmas Tree will have some extra funding to support the event (further details in the next newsletter) and the Heritage Group will be running the Christmas Decoration Competition and there are some more events planned for next year. Watch this space.

Silly season is now officially here and I hope to see you all out and about over the next few months at these gatherings and events.

**Evelyn Schmidt**

Coordinator

Buchan Neighbourhood House

## **LIGHT UP THE YOUR HOMES FOR CHRISTMAS 2019**



The Buchan Heritage Group is reintroducing the Christmas Lights competition this December. We encourage everyone to put on a show this year. Judging will take place in the week leading up to Christmas. If you live out of town and would like to take part please let Rhonda Coates know.

**Prizes this year will be Christmas hampers (first-to value of \$150, Second-\$100, Third-\$50).**

Enquiries: Rhonda Coates-5155 9373 or 0427170714

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



**An invitation to  
Buchan & District Preparedness and Community  
Based Bushfire Management Meeting & BBQ  
Tuesday November 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Community BBQ will be happening @ 6.00pm then meeting to follow  
at the Recreation Pavilion**

There will also be demonstrations by the CFA using simulation and burn tables

Pre-season update Brad Fisher DELWP

Registrations and Relief Centres Shane Turner EGSC and Evelyn Schmidt BNH

Updated LIMP one page and booklet Blanche Evans EGSC

Victoria Legal Aid Chris Nicholson Civil Lawyer

Presentation and a Q and A session about insurance in bushfire prone areas and what to expect should you ever need to access these services after a fire.

Buchan and District Community Based Bushfire Management (CBBM) Project  
Michelle Kearns DELWP

What is the CBBM project and how it works and what can we do towards improving our fire management and preparedness .This will give the opportunity for all of the community to have an input into our bushfire management.

**Some suggestions for discussion**

Is your property Fire Ready Prepared? If not what can be done to improve your patch

The need for a community based fuel management plan and community values map

What other areas need to be cleaned up around our district?

Do people need a helping hand to prepare their properties?

Do you need any assistance in working out your Fire Plan for yourself and your property?

Informed decision making including Should I stay or should I go? Where do I go? How do I ensure the safety of others?

Animals, pets. Where to go, what to do?

Resources and handouts will be on display

We would love to see as many people at this gathering as possible contributing to our safety and enjoying a BBQ dinner together

**Please RSVP to Buchan Neighbourhood House by 14<sup>th</sup> November for catering purposes. Email [buchanbnh@bigpond.com](mailto:buchanbnh@bigpond.com) Ph 5155 9216**

**Transport to and from the meeting will be available for Wulgulmerang, Gelantipy, W Tree, Murrindal. The bus will be leaving Gelantipy Bush Nursing at 5pm and we can collect people along the way but you must book your place on the bus.**





Open invitation to the Buchan community

The Directors of Rimstone Co-operative Ltd cordially invite you to our...



### Shades of Death Cave Open Day, Launch and evening BBQ

**Saturday 2nd November**  
*Come and have a look, and share in our experiences*

Rimstone Co-operative is proud to have been able to purchase the M3 Shades of Death cave and property from the cavers who developed the cave over many years. The team has spent a lot of time in recent months on maintenance and upgrade activities, and now it's time to share the progress with the local community.

**When:** Saturday 2nd November  
11am – Official opening ceremony on site  
(arrive from 10am for a cuppa)

**Where:** At Shades of Death Cave, Murrindal  
(15 km north of Buchan on Buchan-Gelantipy Road)



**11am, Saturday 2nd November:**  
Official opening, and tours of the cave with special souvenir Rimstone Newsletter including a history of the cave. Gold coin entry for visitors and members and local community warmly welcome.

**2nd November evening:**  
Celebratory BBQ at Homeleigh.

**RSVP:** To RSVP or register to receive a copy of the Special Souvenir Rimstone Newsletter (no junk mail), email to: [info@rimstone.org.au](mailto:info@rimstone.org.au)

Shades of Death Cave  
Photo shows recent maintenance work on the cave entrance door.  
1900 – Discovered, Ernie Henham  
1905 – Entered and explored, Frank Moon.



**Organic  
Agriculture  
Association Inc.**

## Wicking Boxes Workshop

The Organics Agriculture Association will be coming to Buchan on **Sunday 17th November** and will be at the Buchan Community Garden from 10am.

Stephen Cross, President OAA Inc. will be giving a presentation on wicking boxes and then a demonstration turning one of the existing beds into a wicking bed. We will then do some individual boxes showing how it can be done at home and what materials to use.

Bring a lunch to share.



Please book by ringing the Buchan Neighbourhood House on 51 559216 or 0427 586 038

## FREE Dancercise @ the Buchan Hall

Starting  
**Wednesday 30th October**  
for 5 weeks  
**5.30 to 6.30 pm**



## Celtic Reflections

Tickets also on sale at the Neighbourhood house and on the door. Please book.

An Evening With  
**Liminality**  
Celtic Trio

FRIDAY  
1st November  
7.30pm

**BUCHAN  
Recreation Reserve**

5609 Buchan-Orbost Rd

Tickets \$25.00 BYO Drinks/Nibbles

Bookings: [www.trybooking.com/BFTOM](http://www.trybooking.com/BFTOM)

Enq: 0429 650 571