

Buchan Phoenix



Rising from the ashes...

Communication for the community by the community

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Accommodation operators from across the region will converge on Buchan on November 16 for STAY, the inaugural East Gippsland Accommodation Expo.

Proudly presented by East Gippsland Shire Council, STAY is an opportunity for people with an interest in regional accommodation development and existing regional operators to connect and get up to speed with the latest knowledge in the industry.

This event is particularly relevant for people in agriculture who want to diversify their income streams and engage in agri-tourism.

“Many operators have endured a great deal and we want to give them access to services and information that would normally require travelling out of the area or spending a long time researching,” Mayor Cr Mark Reeves said.

“We are also encountering individuals in the region who are interested in providing accommodation on their property. This event has been created to address the significant interest from the community to participate in the accommodation industry.”

The event will attract attendees from across East Gippsland Shire and will provide useful information for people at any stage of their accommodation business journey – from the planning or development phase right through to how to be a great host or create an award-winning business.

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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.

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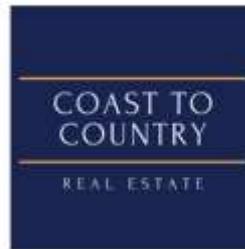
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2022

Buchan Flower & Arts 'n Crafts Show
Photography Competition & Display

Saturday 29th October 2022

1 pm to 5pm

Photography at the Uniting church opens at 10am

Sunday 30th October

10am to 4pm

Schedules are now available at various businesses on the
Main Road in Buchan, at the Neighbourhood House, Bush
Nursing Services and on Buchan Neighbourhood House
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BUCHAN NEIGHBOURHOOD

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

VENUE: Buchan Neighbourhood House

DATE: **Monday 17th October 2022**

TIME: 5.30 to 6.30 pm

RSVP: Monday 10th October, 2022 for zoom link or catering

Phone: 51 559 216 or email: buchannbh@bigpond.com

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING:

- Welcome
- Reports
- Election of Office Bearers
- General Business
- Light dinner

We welcome new members and volunteers to assist in continuing to provide our services to the community **ALL WELCOME**

**Buchan Arts Council Incorporated present:
Buchan Flower, Arts 'n' Crafts Show & Competition
Melbourne Cup Weekend
Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th October 2022**



A reminder to our communities of times to drop off and pick up your entries, along with opening times for everyone to enjoy the displays.

On Thursday 27th October all Handwork, Crafts and Art to be entered between 2.00pm—6.00pm. (An error in the original printing of the program saying Thursday 27th November).

On Friday evening the 28th October – Produce, Flowers and potted plants can be entered between 5.00pm—6.00pm or on Saturday morning 29th October between 7.30am—9.00am.

On Saturday morning from 9.00am—1.00pm the Hall will be closed whilst entries are being judged.

We welcome donations of plants or cuttings—they can be dropped off at the Hall on Thursday afternoon/evening or Saturday morning.

Opening Saturday between 1.00pm—5.00pm to the public.

Opening Sunday between 10.00am—4.00pm to the public.

Entries need to be collected on Sunday between 4pm—5pm.

Photography competition and display at the Uniting Church

Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th October 2022.

Enquires, please contact Steward, Leanne Rawlings 0432 279 007

Entries will be accepted on Thursday 27th October between 10.00am—5.00pm.

Entries to be collected on Sunday 30th October between 4.00pm—5.00pm. (There was a mistake in the program saying photography needs to be collected by 3rd November)

Looking forward to seeing all your creative entries.

Suzanne Davies
Secretary Buchan Arts Council Inc.

STAY: The EG Accommodation EXPO continued...

East Gippsland accommodation providers have encountered numerous hurdles over the last five years. Whilst the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have extended well beyond the region, a few areas also endured a drought and bushfires leading up to the pandemic. This event will reinvigorate existing operators in readiness for what is expected to be the region's first uninterrupted peak season in a number of years.

Presenters will include keynote speaker Jen Clark who presents the "Hosting with Heart" podcast and website. Jen will share knowledge of her own accommodation experience and how she turned her passion into a business which inspires. A presentation from the people behind award-winning business model *Wander* will also be a feature. *Wander* is an eco-pod accommodation service that reconnects guests with nature and invites them into the story of the local community.

Attendees can also talk to a range of exhibitors throughout the day.

Registrations are open for this event so be quick to reserve your place on the day. To book your tickets to STAY, or for further information, visit Council's website:

eastgippsland.vic.gov.au or the event page on Facebook <https://bit.ly/3SGw2AI>



Colour & Creativity Workshop

Join Madelaine and Aaron for a fun afternoon connecting with your creative side. Using acrylic paint on stretched canvas and coloured ink on paper we will explore, create and play.

CatholicCare Victoria's Bushfire Community Recovery Service provides mental health and wellbeing support to communities across East Gippsland. Art is a fun and therapeutic activity great for calming the mind and body, developing self-awareness, and cultivating mental wellbeing.

- ✓ No experience necessary
- ✓ Free workshop
- ✓ All materials supplied

BUCHAN Recreation Reserve

Wed 24 August
 Wed 28 September
 Wed 26 October
 Wed 23 November

1-3pm

All Welcome

- No art experience necessary
- All materials supplied
- Fresh Ground Coffee
- Registrations at Neighbourhood House

We ask that all participants follow social distancing and wear masks/registrations...

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ART THERAPY SESSIONS

EAST GIPPSLAND ART GALLERY is offering Art Therapy group sessions.

This is a time for you to explore your thoughts and emotions in a supportive environment. Each week we will follow a theme and enjoy the time to be still and mindful as we work with different art processes.

You do not need to be arty to have a go! No cost - but we do ask for a commitment to attend the 6 weekly sessions. Each session goes for one and a half hours

At the Buchan Neighbourhood House
Tuesday 1pm-2.30pm

Starts: **Tuesday 25th October** for 6 consecutive weeks
More info: Contact Evelyn at Buchan Neighbourhood House on 5155 9216




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RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE TEAM WELLBEING SESSION

with Dr Rob Gordon:

Connect with Rob who has extensive experience in trauma and disaster recovery to discuss the impacts of COVID-19 and bushfires on children and families.

This session is designed to support parents and caregivers to increase their understanding of:

- prolonged stress, disruption and uncertainty on health and wellbeing
- self-care strategies to support yourself and others during this time
- the impact on children and practical ways to support them
- post-traumatic growth, hope and optimism

This session will give you a chance to talk with our guest speaker about challenges you may be experiencing, ask questions and learn from the experience of others.

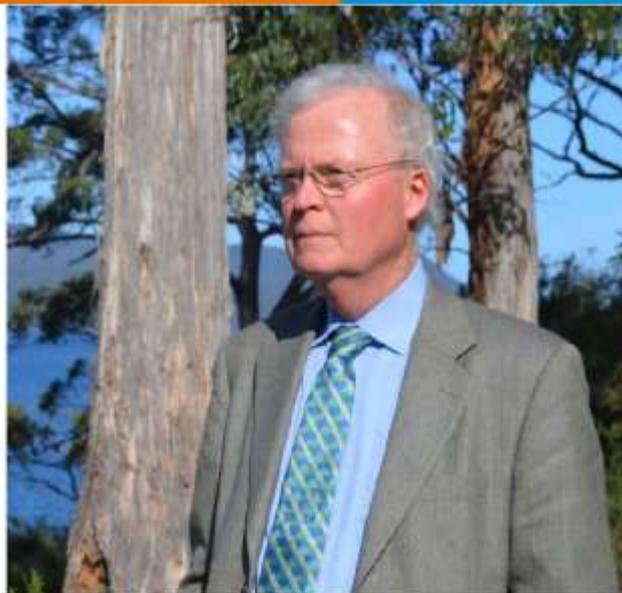
SESSION DETAILS

Buchan Primary School
Address: 4 Dalley Street, Buchan
Date: Tuesday 18 October 2022
Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Light refreshments will be provided



Register to attend by scanning the QR code or following [this link](#)
For all enquiries, please contact

Kate Adam
Recovery and Resilience Senior Project Officer
Outer Gippsland Area
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About Dr. Rob Gordon OAM, PHD, FAPS, FCCLP

Rob Gordon, Ph.D. is a Clinical Psychologist and has been Psychological Consultant to the Emergency Management Branch of the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Emergency Management Victoria and Australian Red Cross for Emergency operations. He has worked with communities and individuals affected by emergencies, trauma, critical incidents and work-related stress throughout Australia and New Zealand for 35 years and provides training and workshops to government and non-government agencies. He has published articles and book chapters on recovery from trauma and emergency. He conducts a psychotherapy practice in Box Hill and is engaged by the Recovery and Resilience Team to provide support to education communities.

BUCHAN STREETScape COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Council invites you to community consultation sessions to review the draft plans for the Buchan Streetscape Redevelopment.

WHEN

Monday, 17 October - 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm
Buchan Hotel

Tuesday, 18 October - 8.30 am to 10.00 am
CFA Shed

FURTHER INFORMATION

Come along and view the draft plans for the Buchan Streetscape Redevelopment. Council Officers and consultants will be available to discuss the proposed plans for this exciting project. The plans have been developed based on the outcome of previous community consultation sessions between the community and Council's consultants. Refreshments will be provided during the sessions.



CONTACT US

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feedback@egipps.vic.gov.au



CLOTH NAPPY WORKSHOP



We are happy to offer local interactive cloth nappy workshops. Bookings are free and open to residents in East Gippsland Shire. See below for location and bookings.

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER
Bairnsdale Library 2-3pm



TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER
Bairnsdale The Hub 10-11am



TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER
Lakes Entrance Library 2-3pm



WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER
Orbost Library 10-11am



Bookings via [eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au)

Numbers are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.
Contact Council's Waste Education Officer for further information on
5153 9500



KNOW THE FIRE DANGER RATINGS

From 1 September 2022, Australia has a simplified, action-oriented fire danger rating system.



The move to a simpler system is informed by extensive community consultation and backed by improvements in science, which will mean we can better predict areas of greater risk on days of fire danger.

The Australian Fire Danger Rating System uses four easy to recognise rating levels, each with a message to encourage you to take action to protect yourself and others in the face of bushfire risk.

The fire danger rating levels are:

- * **Moderate:** Plan and prepare
- * **High:** Prepare to act
- * **Extreme:** Take action now to protect your life and property
- * **Catastrophic:** For your survival, leave bush fire risk areas

The white bar under Moderate indicates No Rating for days where no proactive action is required by a community. This does not mean that fires cannot happen, but that any fires that start are not likely to move or act in a way that threatens the safety of the community.

For further information, see: afdrs.com.au or afac.com.au/initiative/afdrs

Vale Lynda Langskaill, Leona Lavell and Robyn Cummings



I am a little late acknowledging three remarkable local women who died fairly close together. Firstly Lynda Langskaill, a Buchan girl and one of my contemporaries. Lynda was the only girl in a family of boys, which probably contributed to her spirited and feisty nature.

Her father Abby was from the Orkney Islands where the locals love to play music and drink beer and dance more than anyone else I have ever met.

I have vivid memories of Lynda playing guitar and singing with Abby around the bonfires we had after the dances at the Gelantipy Hall finished, sometimes until dawn.

She was a skilled nurse, first in theatre and then oncology at Sale Hospital. She preferred oncology, she said, because she "didn't get pulled from her warm bed in the middle of the night".

The grim irony is that she died of cancer.

The next was the woman Mum called "my beautiful Leona".

Just to add to the stories and accolades at Leona's huge and social funeral, here is one from my family.

Dad first came to Gelantipy at the behest of Clyde Sykes, who wanted to recruit a teacher for the Primary School (most of the pupils being his offspring).

Dad came up from Melbourne by train, stayed the night in Nowa Nowa, and was so appalled by his first experience of an Australian mill town he almost did a U-turn. But he decided he might as well push on and see a bit more of Australia.

Buchan didn't exactly grab him either, but as he went up the mountain in the mail car he became a lot more interested.

What really decided him was the sight of Frank Webb and Leona and her sister Coralie on horseback at Clyde's letterbox.

I have often imagined what a stunning trio they must have been and how Dad caught the beginnings of his lifelong love of this area.

The third is my friend Robyn Cummings of W Tree, who took her own life when she found the pain and limitations of her very unpleasant illness unbearable. And particularly when she could no longer work in her remarkably productive food garden.

Robyn was proud, crazily independent, capable in every area she tackled (and there were many) and a typically generous Leo. My house is full of CD's she burnt for me, Op Shop treasures she gifted me, computers she fixed and much more. I grow many heirloom vegetables she introduced me to and now it's gonna be my job to seed save.

It took enormous courage to end her life, alone.

Contributor: Deborah Woodburn

Buchan South Avenue of Honour Service

Remembering 103 years
ago...

- 10.15 Gather at the Avenue of Honour.
Welcome
Guest Speakers
Placing of Wreaths
- 10.55 'The Ode'
The last Post
One Minute Silence
Reveille
NATIONAL ANTHEM

MORNING TEA
(Contributions are welcome)

All Welcome

11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day

honouring Australian service personnel who have
died or suffered in wars,
conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Parks Victoria & Gunaikurnai Land and Water Aboriginal Corporation Update

Buchan Caves

The community are invited to a drop-in session at the Reserve on Monday 24 October from 4.30pm-6.30pm to learn about the status of the swimming pool.

The Reserve has been extremely busy during September with cave tour bookings at 98%. Around 6,200 visitors have enjoyed the tours this month, and those visiting within the last week have enjoyed the visual and acoustic pleasures of streams flowing through both Fairy and Royal caves, which is a unique experience.



Reserve Track, covered with fire regrowth vegetation, will soon be mulched to ensure better access to areas within the Reserve, and for access to private property during fire management activities.

PV and GLaWAC are developing an Interpretation Plan for the Reserve that:

- * Develops a range of interpretative devices to showcase the Reserve's significance to the GunaiKurnai Community, and their presence within it
- * Creates a place that GunaiKurnai people want to visit to experience being on country
- * Includes interpreting the geological, natural, and European heritage values of the Reserve



Snowy River National Park
Tulloch Ard Gorge Lookout walking track was recently cleared of post-fire vegetation regrowth, including the area around the lookout, to keep the spectacular views open and clear.



A new sign was installed at the northern access point to the park which provides a welcoming entry point.

Potholes Cave Reserve



Two new pedestrian stiles have been built at the reserve, providing easy access for visitors to get over the new fence near the caving area.

MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY

5TH

NOVEMBER

SCREENING TWO MOVIES

AT THE BUCHAN HALL

STARTING TIME 5PM

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For catering purposes please book your tickets at the Bush Nursing Centre by Monday 31st October, 2022.

We would like to thank Black Dog Ride and Sun Cinema for their support in making this event possible.

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Buchan Mainstreet and Linkages Project

Hi Buchan Community,



Earlier this year, East Gippsland Shire Council was successful in securing funding to upgrade Main Street in Buchan and to construct a linkage pathway from the main street to the campground in the caves reserve. Leading creative consultancy Village Well has been engaged to provide expertise around placemaking and will be on hand to chat to locals at one of the first engagements with the community.

We are excited to kick-start this journey with you with an online **Meet 'n' Greet** with Village Well and Complete Streets on Tuesday 26 October. On November 16, Village Well and 'street makers' Complete Streets will host an inspiring, engaging and practical **workshop**, to hear your ideas and aspirations for the streetscape and how you think it should connect to the Buchan identity and place experience more broadly.

The outcomes of this workshop will help shape a Strategic Placemaking Masterplan for the Buchan Streetscape. This document will be owned by the community and will provide a vision and series of recommendations that will play a key role in informing the streetscape upgrades, programming and future experience of Buchan as a vibrant local town and much-loved tourist destination at the heart of the broader Gippsland region.

Please register for the online meet 'n' greet at: <https://bit.ly/3iODQjH>

Please register for the in-person workshop at: <https://bit.ly/3DnJLns>

You can also contact Anne Kaiser at Council if you would like to register for the meet 'n' greet or workshop, or if you have any questions:

0488 700 034 or AnneK@egipps.vic.gov.au

More information on the project can also be found at:
yoursay.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/buchan-streetscape



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Buchan Cricket Club Fixture 2022

Full fixture available at: <https://mycricket.cricket.com.au/>



What do you do with a horse, a cow and a potoroo?

George and Jenny lived in an old house, but it was always neat and tidy. They had three children: Emma, Frank and Toby.

One day, in the middle of the day when the children were at school, Jenny heard a commotion outside the back door. She went to see what was going on.

There was their horse, stamping up and down in the one spot, whinnying. Their cow was over in one corner of the yard looking very frightened, trying to stand on tip-toes and mooing quite loudly. Jenny called out to George.

As George was on his way, she noticed a large, rat-type animal in their yard. It looked like a water rat but she knew that they didn't have water rats in the area. Then she looked harder, and could see some resemblance to a kangaroo or a wallaby.

The animal was holding its two front paws up like it was begging. This was very strange.

George joined her and, using sign language, Jenny told him that the little animal was frightening the other two. George laughed.

"That's a potoroo," he said. "We don't see them very often. They're usually found deep in the bush, so this one's gotten lost."

"But are they dangerous?"

"No, he's an herbivorous creature. All he eats is grass and other plants."

"That's why he isn't afraid of the horse and cow. As a matter of fact, they're more afraid of *it*," Jenny said.

"I'll try to calm them down, then we might get some peace here." With that, George went out and was calming the horse down, and the cow could see what was going on and soon she was calm as well. The little potoroo looked at George with admiration, and soon the horse, the cow and the potoroo were back eating grass.

George went inside to look up "potoroo" on the laptop and was excited to discover that this little, furry animal is a resident of his local area. The information he found confirmed that the potoroo's main diet is herbivorous, namely grasses and shoots.

Soon, the children came home. All afternoon they stood and watched the little potoroo eating with the horse and the cow.

That is why I say: don't be afraid of anything until you're sure it means you harm. Then you can whinny and moo, joyously and to your heart's content, when you find what you've got is a little potoroo.

Contributor: David Bloom

15 Oct 22 1:00PM	Lindenow	v	Buchan	Lindenow Sports Ground (Oval #2)
22 Oct 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	Bruthen	Buchan Rec Reserve
29 Oct 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	Metung Swan Reach	Buchan Rec Reserve
5 Nov 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	West Bairnsdale	Buchan Rec Reserve
12 Nov 22 1:00PM	Wy Yung	v	Buchan	Wy Yung Recreation Reserve (Cameron White)
19 Nov 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	St Marys Nagle	Buchan Rec Reserve
26 Nov 22 1:00PM	Lucknow	v	Buchan	Lucknow Recreation Reserve (Oval 1 - Synthetic)
3 Dec 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	Lakes Entrance	Buchan Rec Reserve
10 Dec 22 1:00PM	Paynesville	v	Buchan	A.J Freeman Reserve (Paynesville - Synthetic)
17 Dec 22 1:00PM	Buchan	v	Lindenow	Buchan Rec Reserve

Swap your dish cleaners to waste wise alternatives



Did You Know?

When they need to be replaced, try making some dish cloths from old textiles or buying compostable alternatives such as coconut or bamboo fibre.

For more information contact Council or visit our A – Z - Where to next? on our website.



Stopping plastic pollution starts with us Get ready for Victoria's single-use plastic ban

Single-use plastic drinking straws, cutlery, plates, drink-stirrers, expanded polystyrene food and drink containers, and cotton bud sticks will be banned from sale or supply in Victoria from 1 February 2023.

Single-use plastic straws will remain available for people who need them due to a disability or for medical reasons.



The ban will apply to items made from conventional plastic, and those made from degradable, biodegradable, and compostable plastic.

What can be used instead of banned single-use plastic items?

Avoid single-use items where you can and choose reusables:

- straws – save costs by avoiding straws altogether, or only provide them on request. Alternatively explore reusable options such as metal or silicone.
- cutlery – save costs by not providing cutlery or only provide on request, including for food delivery customers. Encourage customers to bring their own reusable cutlery when they get takeaway and provide reusable cutlery for dine in customers.
- plates – avoid single-use and use reusable plates.
- drink stirrers – save costs and avoid drink stirrers altogether or provide only on request. Reusable alternatives include teaspoons or metal sticks.
- EPS food and drink containers – encourage customers to bring their own reusable container for takeaway. Alternatively consider a returnable container system for takeaway containers.

If you cannot avoid or use reusable items, then consider other alternative non-plastic materials such as Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified paper, wood or bamboo.

Get ready by running down stocks of banned items now

For more info see vic.gov.au/plastic or contact SUP_policy@delwa.vic.gov.au

International Study Targets East Gippsland Farmers

International researchers have approached East Gippsland Shire Council to collaborate on worldwide research looking into the impacts of extreme events on agricultural producers.

Lund University, in conjunction with the University of Montana (United States), is surveying agricultural producers in the United States (Montana), Sweden (Skane), Bangladesh, Cambodia, Martinique and East Gippsland.

Dr Guy Jackson, from Lund University Centre of Sustainable Studies, said they are reaching out to specifically understand the experiences of East Gippsland and Wellington agricultural producers who have experienced extreme weather events, such as drought, heatwaves, floods and bushfires.

“We hope to learn how individuals have experienced extreme events over time, better understand any impacts these events have had on you, your family, and/or your businesses, and who you believe is responsible for their management,” Dr Jackson said.

“Your responses are important and will help inform our understanding of the impacts of extreme events on Victorian farmers and pastoralists.”

Mayor Cr Mark Reeves said East Gippsland had a wide range of experiences to share.

“This is a great opportunity for not only our farmers and agribusinesses, but for our region to be included in important international research,” Cr Reeves said. “Having this opportunity for our agricultural sector to share lived experiences of some of the most challenging circumstances with international researchers is testament to what our farmers have been through, their resilience, and that East Gippsland is a valued contributor to this sector.

We look forward to the findings contributing to science and policy development both locally and internationally.”

East Gippsland Agriculture Sector Advisory Committee’s Ken Eckersley also welcomed the opportunity.

“I encourage everyone on the land in East Gippsland to participate in this important short survey about experiences of extreme events,” Mr Eckersley said.

If you are a farmer in East Gippsland or Wellington, you are invited to complete the survey and provide your feedback.

The survey and related information can be accessed online at: <https://bit.ly/3AnmAcZ>

Hard copy surveys are available at East Gippsland Shire Council customer service centres and libraries or by contacting Council’s Agricultural Development Officer Kaylene Wickham.

This research survey follows the East Gippsland Farmer Survey conducted by Council last year.

MASSAGE & NATUROPATHY

Tuesday 1st November 2022 from 10.00am

Late appointment by advanced booking

MASSAGE and NATURAL HEALTH CARE at the Buchan Neighbourhood House including: Naturopathy, Herbal and Homeopathic remedies Relaxation, Aromatherapy, Sports Therapies, Remedial Massage Therapy, Pre and Post Natal and baby massage. Available for adults and children of all ages.

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* Gift vouchers available *

For further information and bookings contact the Buchan Neighbourhood House or Sharon Dent by email at

silvaust@gmail.com or call 0468 387 524



East Gippsland Shire
Outreach Services

Libraries are open with
Covid-19 social distancing
restrictions in place.

Library books can be reserved, collected or returned at the Neighbourhood House.

Mobile Library bus days are held fortnightly on a Tuesday.

The next service will be:

Tuesday 18th October

No service on 1st Nov — Melbourne Cup Day

Tuesday 15th November

Buchan (near school) 9.15 am – 10.00 am

W Tree (near SIBA Retreat Centre) 10.45 am – 11.30 am

Buchan (near kinder) 12.30 pm – 2.00 pm

Church Services

Catholic Church

St Dymphna's, Woodgates Road, Buchan. Meets 3rd Saturday of the month at 9am until further notice. For service details contact Mary Wheeler 5155 9330



Uniting Church

The Andrew Davidson Memorial Uniting Church, Main Street, Buchan. No services are held at present.

Anglican Church

St Mary's, Main Street, Buchan. Café Church meets 3rd Sunday of each month at 2.30pm. For details contact Rhonda Coates 5155 9373

PLANNED ACTIVITY GROUP IN BUCHAN

9.30am—2.30pm at the Buchan Recreation Reserve Pavilion. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.



All community members in the district are welcome. Drop in any time during the session, even just for a cuppa. \$14.40 covers attendance and all food.

Call Kate on 0409 957 308 for any enquiries.

Organic Agriculture Association 'Grow Your Knowledge' Sessions

The OAA provides monthly opportunities to learn more and share knowledge about a variety of topics on organic food production, gardening, and other related subjects. These fun and informative sessions are organised for the first Thursday of each month, 1.00 to nominally 2.30pm at the Organic Centre, 14 McKean Street, Bairnsdale.

The next "Grow your Knowledge" session is on:

Thursday 4th November: Gardening tools—selection, use and maintenance, including demonstration of sharpening and care of tools. Presenter: Stephen Cross

For further information, email: organics@oaa.org.au or phone/text: 0429 889 479 or see our website: oaa.org.au

Please consider wearing a face mask, particularly when indoors.



OAA Meetings

Meetings are generally taking place 1st Thursday of each month at 7.30pm on the Zoom platform.

Anyone wishing to join in or contribute, please request a link by contacting organics@oaa.org.au or phone/text: 0429 889 479.

A reminder that Firewood

Collection maps are available at the Neighbourhood House.

Spring firewood season is now open and firewood can be collected from Thursday 1st September—30th November 2022

