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Skipton Community News

Thank you very much

New Corangamite wards for October election

When Corangamite residents vote in the Council election in October, they will elect one Councillor from each of seven Wards.

The seven Wards are named Cooriemungle, Gnotuk, Lake Elingamite, Lake Keilambete, Leura, Mt Elephant and Tandarook.

Local Government Minister Melissa Horne this week announced the old five ward structure would be replaced in line with recommendation of the Victoria Electoral Commission.

The biggest change is the former Central Ward being divided into:

- Lake Keilambete Ward, comprising Terang and Noorat;
- Gnotuk Ward reaching to the middle of Camperdown; and
- Leura Ward from Central Camperdown to the east.

A slightly enlarged North Ward will be known as Mt Elephant Ward.

South-West Ward will remain largely unchanged but will be Lake Elingamite Ward.

Coastal Ward, renamed Cooriemungle, will take a small amount of territory from South Central, which will be called Tandarook.

The recommendations were based on an independent review that considered issues such as:

- the representation needs of specific communities;
- public submissions;
- nature and complexity of services council provides;
- geographic size and topography of the area;
- forecast population and voter growth or decline; and
- social diversity.

Corangamite Shire Mayor Kate Makin said the last review of Corangamite Shire was in 2015.

“The old mix of four Wards with one councillor each, but three in the more populous Central Ward, is no longer allowed under the new Local Government Act,” Cr Makin said.

“Council made a submission to the review advocating for a Ward structure rather than an unsubdivided Council.

“Because there is so much ground to cover in our big Shire, Wards mean residents will still have a local representative who understands what is important to them.

“While they can talk to any Councillor, there will still be a local face they can easily contact and talk to one-on-one.”

The Mayor thanked all of the community members who got involved in the review process.

“There was a lot of feedback from the community to Council and 14 members of the public made formal submissions alongside the one from Council.

“It’s great to see people taking an active role in how the Shire is governed.

“The subdivided structure has worked well for the Shire in the past and while this is slightly different, particularly with Camperdown, Council has always worked together for the good of the wider community.”

To find out more, go to the VEC website at go.vic.gov.au/3OGw8rO or call 131 832. *See page 4*

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



St John The Baptist Catholic Church, Beaufort

- * Week One Sunday LLA 10:00am
- * Week Two Sunday Mass 8:30 am
- * Week Three Sunday LLA 10:00am
- * Week Four Sunday Mass 8:30 am
- * Week Five Sunday LLA 10:00am .



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

Sunday Masses throughout

St Peter's Catholic Parish of Linton

Happy New Year all, St Brigid's Snake Valley will be celebrating their 100-year anniversary. This occasion will be marked by celebrating Mass on Saturday 3rd February at 6.30pm. All are invited to attend

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



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- Monday – 12:05pm Tuesday – 7.00am and 12:05pm
- Wednesday – 7.00am and 12:05pm Thursday – 7.00am and 12:05pm
- Friday – 12.05pm, (Reconciliation at 10:30 am until midday)
- Saturday –10.00am (Reconciliation at 10.30am)
- WEEKEND MASSES Saturday 5.30 pm Vigil
- Sunday 8.00am, 10.30am, 5.00pm



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Transfer Station opens next on

- Wed 21st February 2024, Sun 3rd March 2024,
- Wed 6th March 2024, Sun 17th March 2024,
- Wed 20th March 2024, Sun 18th February 2024,
- Opening Hours: from 1 pm to 5 pm.



BIBLE THOUGHT

All Humanity is justified by the Eternal Creator
 God's grace alone.
Romans chapter 13 verse 24

Public Notices

Skipton Progress Association Inc.



The Annual General Meeting
 of the
 Skipton Progress Association Inc.



Will be held on
Thursday 7th March 2024
At 7.00 p.m.

In the Skipton Mechanics Hall,
 7 Anderson Street, Skipton.

All positions are declared vacant,
 Nominations for positions can be made,
 forms to be submitted to the Secretary up to
 two weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting,
 No later than Wednesday 21st February 2024.

Nomination forms (page 9) are available in this and
 Two earlier issues of the Skipton Community News,
 and should be submitted to P.O. Box 60, Skipton, 3361
 or to the Secretary, Lilla Orton, from whom further
 details can be obtained Ph 0437 455 049

The World Day of Prayer

will be held

at Christ Church, Anglican Church
on Friday 1 March 2024 at 2pm.



The guest speaker will be

The Venerable Catie Inches-Ogden.



Catie is recently retired to Ballarat and will
 speak about her life over many years as a
 Defence Force Chaplain.

All are welcome to come and join us for a
 short service followed by afternoon tea.

Hello ex members of the old Garden Club.

We are having a get together to decide what to do
 with the Garden Club books. We'd love to see you at
 Lizzie's BBB, at about 11am on Wednesday 21
 February. Please contact Sharon on 0417 794 474
 with any queries.

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Council secures \$140k to run four-year Dads Matter program

New fathers are invited to share what they want and need to make their parenthood journey more rewarding for them and their children.

Corangamite Shire's Maternal and Child Health Service has secured State Government funding to embark on a four-year Dads Program.

Council Director Corporate and Community Services David Harrington said the Government has funded a number of organisations across the state.

"The program aims to involve Dads in all aspects of their baby's or child's health," he said.

"That includes wellbeing and development from birth to the end of their kindergarten years.

"Particularly for a first-time parent, there's a lot to learn and sometimes you don't know what you don't know' Mr Harrington said.

The father of two — a daughter aged 9 and a son, 8 — said he could have taken benefited from a similar program if it had been available when he first became a dad.

"Dads have a key role in the family and want to understand their child's health and development needs.

"We need to be ready to help with everything from feeding and nutrition, playing and maximizing learning, sleep or behaviour problems, child safety and more.

"Dads' knowledge, support and involvement benefits everyone in the family."

"We want to hear from dads so we can build a program that suits their needs."

Mayor Kate Makin invited dads to join a reference group for the program which will meet a few times each year.

"We are keen to hear from local dads on the kind of things they would like to learn about and share with other fathers," she said.

"It could mean setting up a dads' playgroup or having some knowledge and skills sessions in venues such as the local men's sheds and community houses.

"It could mean finding ways to include working dads outside business or farm hours."

Council will recruit a part-time facilitator to work with the reference group and community.

A survey will be launched on Council's website to capture dads' ideas for the project.

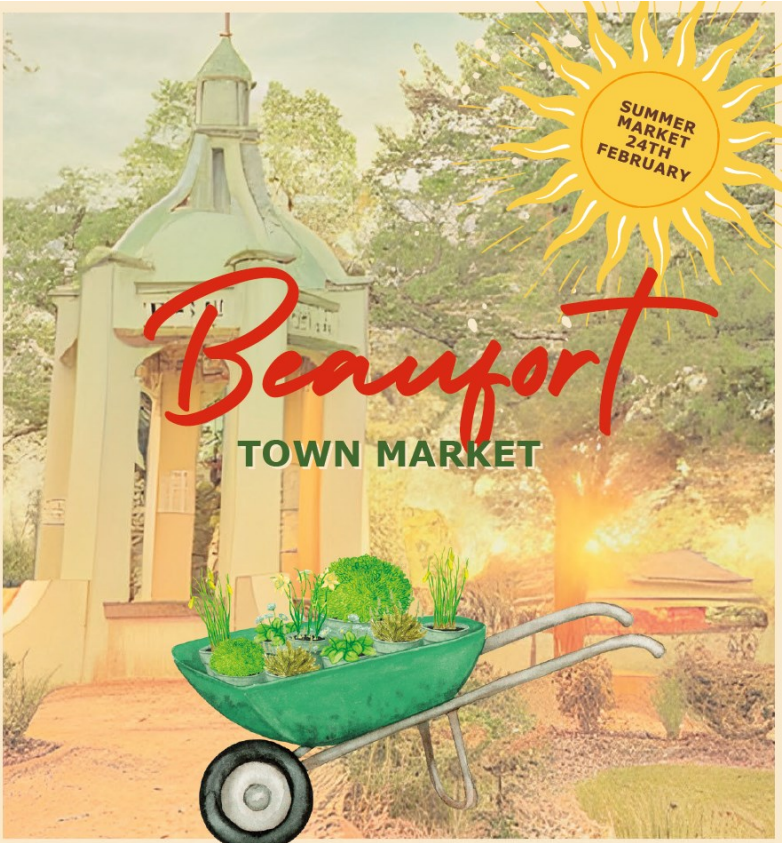
For more information about the program or joining the reference group, dads can contact

Maternal Child Health and Enhanced Coordinator Chris Towers on 0448 867 957 or

christine.towers@corangamite.vic.gov.au or

Enhanced Early Years Support Worker Amanda Gibson on 0407 571 726

or at Amanda.gibson@corangamite.vic.gov.au



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Letters to the Editor Thank you Kathy!

I was sad to read that the end is finally here. Your retirement means the end of the newsletter as we know it forever, and probably the end of any newsletter. You have worked almost full-time producing this publication for over 30 years. That's a sterling effort in my books.

There have always been critics and nit-pickers. Now it's their turn to produce a free, perfectly edited, weekly newsletter.

I have welcomed the newsletter every week since my arrival here nine years ago. Although some of the government information was a bit dry at times, I liked local photos, the school updates and the diary events. I read the newsletter in full every week, because I was interested in what was going on in our town. I'll miss the newsletter and your influence on it.

Enjoy your retirement. Now you can concentrate on getting Michael back to fighting fit.

Sharon. Xxx

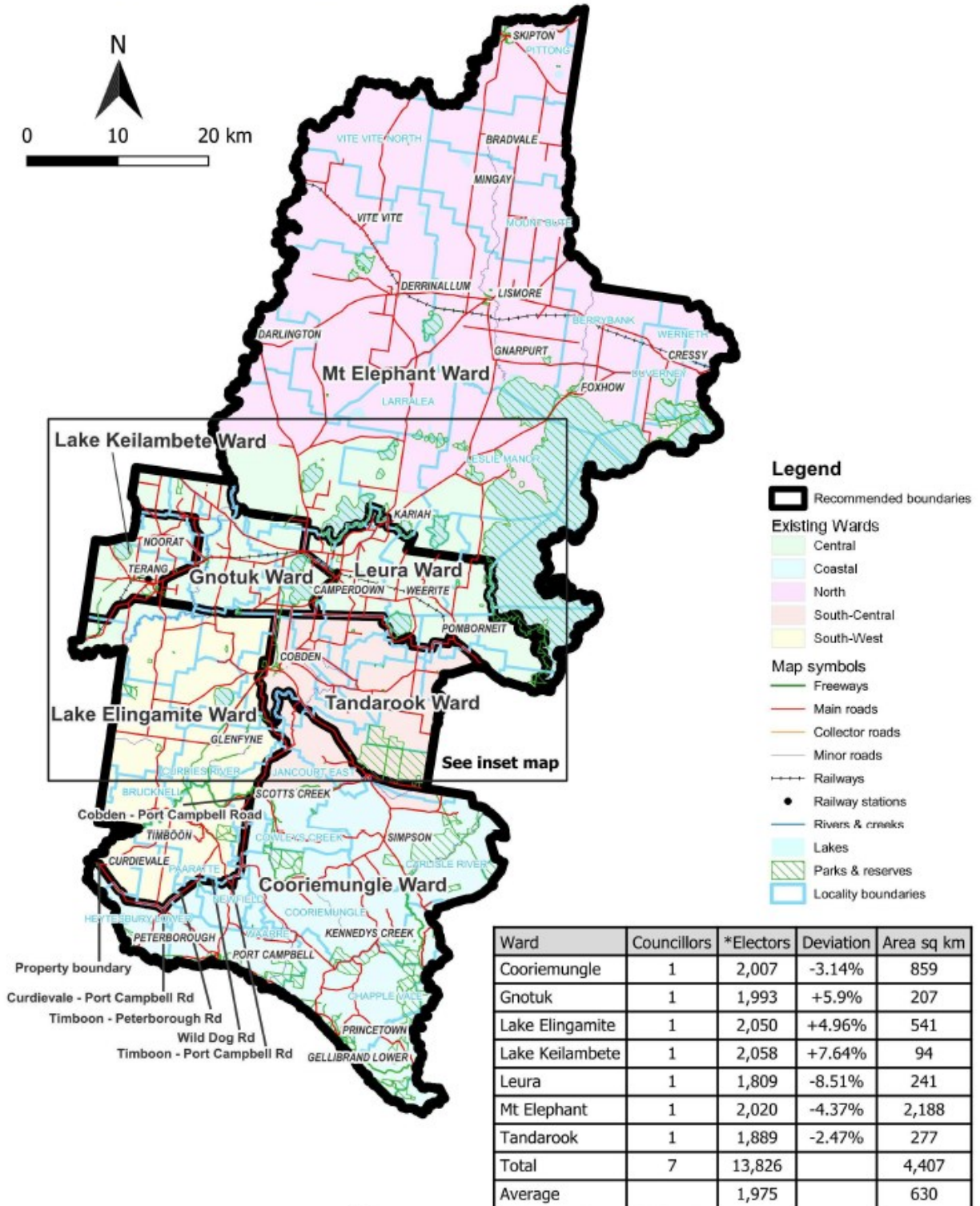
Thank you Sharon, you've always been a fantastic SCN Volunteer, will miss you. K



Appendix 1: Map of recommended structure

Corangamite Shire Council Seven single councillor wards

Corangamite Shire Boundaries from page one



Map prepared by:



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*Elector number as at November 2022

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CORANGAMITE SHIRE

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Skipton Triathlon

Park Lane, McDonald, Mitchell and Blake Streets will be closed on Sunday 3 March 2024 from 7.30 am–12 pm for public safety. Please observe signage.

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- Part time, fixed term
- 12 hours p.w. for 12 months
- \$81,696 - \$89,184 pro rata, based on qualifications and experience

Applications close 5 pm, Wednesday 6 March.

Position description and applications at corangamite.vic.gov.au/employment

Quotation

Design and Installation of Battery Systems and assessment of Rooftop Solar PV for maximum renewable energy potential

Corangamite Shire is calling for quotations from suitably qualified consultants for the design and installation of Battery Systems (BESS) and assessment of Rooftop Solar PV for battery associated efficiency upgrades at the Camperdown Community Stadium and the Timboon Sporting Centre. A project brief is available at eprocure.com.au/corangamite (Enquiries 1800 377 628).

Quotations close at 4 pm, Thursday 7 March.

Business Assistance Scheme

Council has launched its new-look Business Assistance Scheme. The scheme aims to provide access to financial assistance and to build capacity of business and community enterprises.

Importantly, it is available for application all year-round, subject to allocation of and funds available in the Council annual budget.

This new scheme is the result of feedback received through Grow and Prosper Corangamite.

There are four different funding 'streams' that are now available:

Stream 1 Business Façade Improvement Program

Stream 2 Creative Industries and Placemaking

Stream 3 Community Enterprise

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- Stencil Art, Thursday 9 May, 4-6 pm
- Magazine Collage Art, Thursday 23 May, 4-6 pm
- Paper Mache Mask/Wall Hanging - Session 1, Thursday 13 June, 4-6 pm
- Paper Mache Mask/Wall Hanging - Session 2, Thursday 27 June, 4-6 pm

Facilitated By Stacey Williams Alderwood Manor, 56 Curdie Street, Cobden

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| WHO | Parents/Carers of children 0-5 years. Eligibility criteria may apply |
| COST | FREE |
| CONTACT | Please contact Meli on: 5231 4740 earlyyears@meli.org.au |

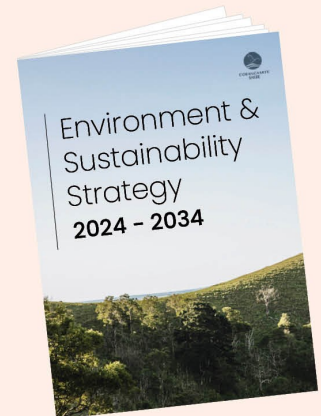
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We would like your feedback on our new Environment & Sustainability Strategy.

Corangamite Shire has compiled a ten-year draft strategy for what we, as a Council, can achieve in environmental management and sustainable practices.

The draft strategy is open for community feedback between 25 January and 5 March.

Council officers will be attending these upcoming events to answer any questions community members may have:



Terang Market
Saturday 3
February

Camperdown Rotary Market
Sunday 4 February

Timboon Makers and Farmers Market
Sunday 11 February

Heytesbury Show
Saturday 2 March



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Council calls for feedback on 10-year environment strategy

Continuing to reduce Council’s annual carbon emissions and diverting more waste from landfill are two of the key targets in a 10 year draft plan to improve sustainability and respond to climate change.

Mayor Kate Makin invited residents to provide feedback on the draft Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2024-2034, which has been released for public comment until Friday 5 March.

She said the draft strategy had been developed around input from a series of community engagement sessions last year, and other guiding documents such as the Community Vision 2040 and Council Plan 2021-2025.

“Future-proofing our communities in the face of climate change was one of the highest priorities to come out of the Community Vision three years ago,” Cr Makin said.

“We recognise that a healthy environment is critical to the wellbeing of our population and a key part of our economy and needs to be protected.”

She said the strategy outlined priorities around the Shire’s natural assets, climate change, circular economy and sustainable practices.

“It looks at what we are already doing and where we can improve,” Cr Makin said.

“For instance, there is an expectation that Council lead by example in our communities – so it is important that we make genuine efforts to reduce

emissions from our operations and help our communities plan and respond to climate change.



“This means moving towards renewable power for Council plant, machinery and fleet, and more energy efficiency measures on Council facilities.

“We also need to help our communities reduce, re-use and recycle by providing effective tools to change behaviour.”

Mayor Makin said protecting the Shire’s natural assets was also a high priority.

“Loss of native vegetation and biodiversity is a significant challenge across Corangamite Shire.

“It’s important we protect, but also work together to restore habitat and improve biodiversity on both public and private land.”

Corangamite Shire Council’s Environment and Emergency Team will be at the Timboon Makers and Farmers Market on 11 February and the Heytesbury Show on 2 March for informal question and answer sessions. These last two events follow engagement sessions in Skipton, Derrinallum, Terang and Camperdown during January and February.

Residents can also view the draft strategy and provide feedback via a short survey online at www.corangamite.vic.gov.au/EandSStrategy

Feedback received during this time will be considered in the final Environment and Sustainability Strategy 2024-2034 before it is adopted by the Council in mid-2024.

Last opportunity for you to nominate for the vacant SPA Inc Committee positions. At the AGM Nominations to be in writing and delivered to the Secretary before 22nd February, two weeks before meeting.

Skipton Progress Association Inc.

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS, 2024-2025, SKIPTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.



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Nominate.....

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Nominee Accepting Nomination.....

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Nomination Forms should be completed and returned to Secretary, Skipton Progress Association Inc. P.O. Box 60, Skipton, 3361. two weeks before the date of the Annual General meeting. Please contact Secretary on 0437 455 049 for comments or queries or to return forms in person.

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Mel Phillips: Completed her Enrolled Nurse Traineeship and will now undertake the Health Service's Enrolled Nurse Graduate Program.

Emma Patterson: Completed her Enrolled Nurse Traineeship and will now work permanently as an Enrolled Nurse.

Sharni Smith: Worked as a Personal Care Worker and has now commenced working as an Enrolled Nurse.

Coby Treharne: Worked as a casual Personal Care Worker while undertaking his Enrolled Nurse Traineeship at Grampians Health - Ballarat, he is now working at the Health Service permanently as an Enrolled Nurse.

Kylie Nibblet: Worked as a casual Personal Care Worker, is now working permanently as an Enrolled Nurse.

Curtis MacLaine: Worked as a permanent Personal Care Worker, is now working casually as an Enrolled Nurse.



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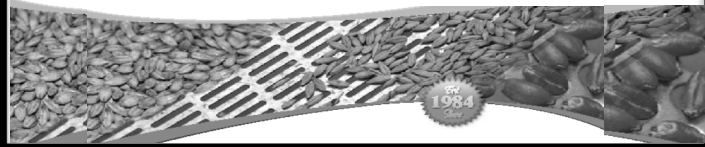
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Upcoming Events

Term 1, Week 4

Wednesday 21st Feb

- No Prep Students

Thursday 22nd Feb

- Skipton PS Swimming Carnival

Term 1, Week 5

Monday 26th Feb

- Assembly 3:00pm

Wednesday 28th Feb

- No Prep Students

Thursday 29th Feb

- Clean up Australia Day Grade P – 4!

Term 1, Week 6

Monday 4th March

- VSSS Rehearsal for select students

Term 1, Week 7

Monday 11th March

- Labour Day Public Holiday – no school

Important Information

Friendship Fridays

Each Friday afternoon, students will be working in multi-age groups to support their social skills and ability to build respectful relationships with their peers. This time will provide opportunities for leadership from our Grade 5/6 students and encourage our younger students to build their confidence within the school. Examples of skills in focus on Friendship Friday include – team building, oral language development, emotional regulation, opportunities for critical and creative thinking.

School Council

It is almost time to start forming our 2024 School Council. The term of service on a school council is two years. The time commitments include eight meetings per year on a Monday night (School Councils) and one sub-committee per term. The council is currently likely to have four vacancies for the upcoming school year and all of these vacancies are for parents. Nominations will not be required as yet, but if you are thinking about being involved or have any questions, please see Chanelle.

Parent Helpers!

We are always looking for volunteers to support our students learning and listen to them read. In the coming weeks, as our buildings reach completion, we will be on the lookout for anyone who may like to help out.

Leaving School Early

Please make sure that if you are collecting students early from school, or for an appointment, that you will need to enter the school through the main office. If the gate is closed, simply slide it across and come in – please do not enter classrooms throughout the day from the deck. Students MUST be signed out and signed in when returning.

CSEF and Conveyance Allowance

There are two forms of student financial assistance available for some families. If you are attending your closest primary school and drive more than 5km to your bus stop, you may be eligible for the Conveyance Allowance to assist with travel expenses. CSEF is also available to families who have a current healthcare card and receive some sort of government assistance. CSEF is \$150.00 per year and can be used to help pay for camps, sports or excursions. If you think you qualify for either of these options please see Natalie for an application form.

Term 1 Timetable

Prep – 2

Wednesday – Auslan, Library & Sustainability

Thursday – Digi- Tech

Friday – P.E

Grade 3/4

Monday – P.E

Wednesday – Auslan, Digi- Tech & Choice Learning (starting soon)

Thursday – Sustainability

Grade 5/6

Wednesday – Auslan, Digi- Tech & Choice Learning (starting soon)

Thursday – Sustainability

Friday – P.E

Newsletters in 2024, will be shared via Compass and Facebook. If you would like a hard copy, please let us know!

Our Learning

Prep – 2

We have a busy week next week in the Foundation-2 class. In reading we continue to work on learning our sounds and blending them to decode words. We are also looking at deepening our understanding of the texts we read. In writing we are looking at expanding sentences to make our writing more interesting. In maths we continue to work on counting, number recognition and writing numbers. I am away at a literacy conference on Wednesday. We are looking forward to our swimming sports on Thursday too. Have a great weekend!

Grade 3/4

The effort the Grade class 3//4 have put into their learning this week has been fantastic, especially the development of new ball sports to be played by all in the class – just fantastic! This week, we look into Number Lines and how to apply knowledge to problem-solving. In Literacy, the class will learn and develop strategies to support the comprehension of Texts.

Grade 5/6

Next week in Grade 5/6, students will have the opportunity to reflect on their learning from the Young Leaders Conference. We will build our understanding of literature circles and refine our knowledge of factors.



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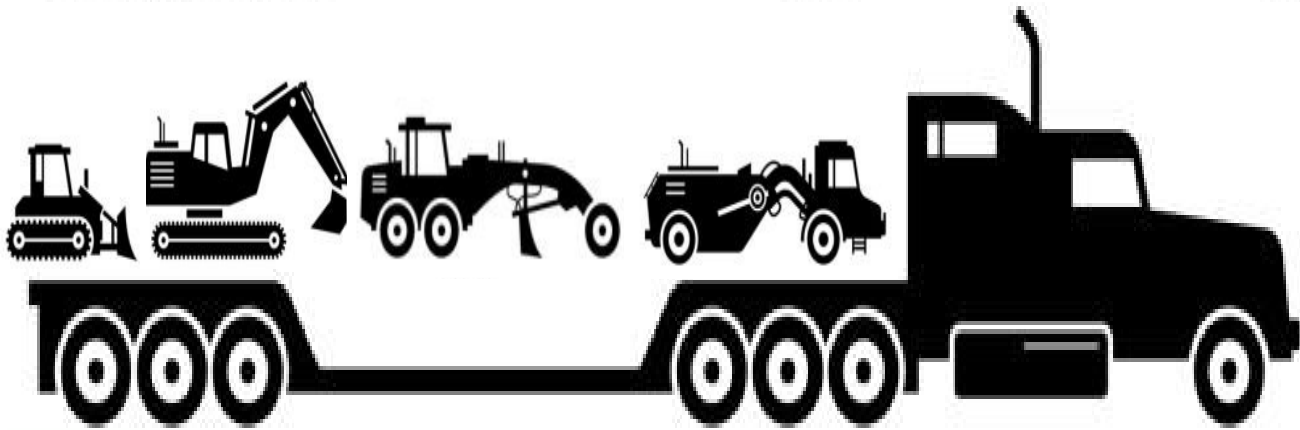
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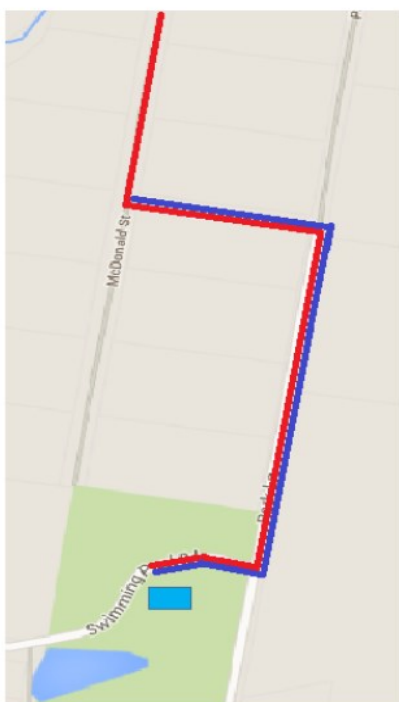
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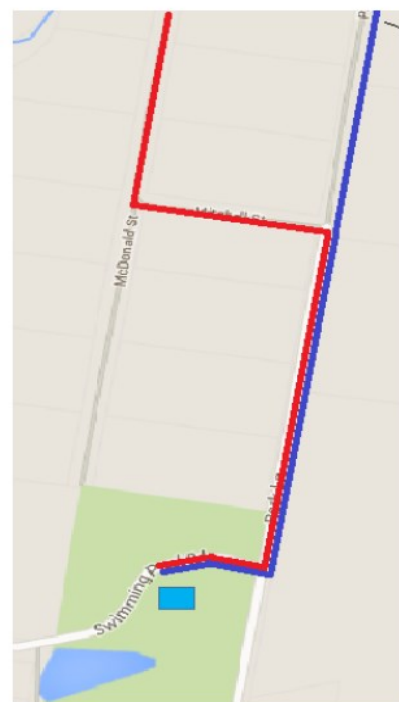
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Sunday 17th March: **ST PATRICK’S DAY.** Great Day to be Irish!

Sunday 17th March: **FIREWORLD DISCOVERY CENTRE & MUSEUM** (Streatham) **open from 11:30am until 4:30pm** Contact Bruce McKenna, Secretary/Treasurer, 0466 286 011.

Sunday 17th March: **OPEN DAY** at Skipton’s **Court House Museum and the Old Police House**, located in the Historical Precinct, Montgomery Street, Skipton. Visitors very welcome from **2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.** For further information please contact Secretary Barb Pett on 5340 2086 or mob 0407 310 990 or email skipton.history.au@gmail.com

Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd March: **LAKE BOLAC 14th EEL FESTIVAL.** Festival theme: “Song, Story, Dance: Ceremony and Celebration” **Art Auction, Music and Heaps More.** Friday Art Auction: Smoking Ceremony; Feature artists – Kylie Moroney & Howard Brandenburg; Where Water Meets.

Saturday Forum Snapshots – Professor Aunty Eleanor Bourke AM and Malcolm Johnson
The 2024 Eel Festival will include the well-loved Healing Walk, Art Auction, Smoking Ceremony,



Music Program, Forum, a multitude of workshops, and the Twilight Ceremony. The Workshops include: Basketweaving with Bronwyn Razem Gunditjmarra Artist/Weaver.– Aunty Bronwyn is such a talent and has worked her magic on a brolga and yellow cockatoo in previous years. She is also a delight to spend time with whilst learning more about weaving. Josh McLean Bush Tanning with eel skins; Peter Day and Amanda Perry-Bolt – making botanical headbands

Sunday 24th March. **FRIENDS OF THE RSL SKIPTON BRANCH** invite all veterans to a **REUNION LUNCHEON FOR ALL WAR VETERANS**, at the Skipton Golf and Bowls Club, Skipton, from 12.00 noon. Lunch, entertainment and a chance to catch up with friends, fellow veterans and their families, please ring Secretary Gail Ward on 0403 530 293, for an invitation or for contact.

Monday 25th March: **THE SKIPTON & DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB** meet at 7:30 pm, in the Supper Room Mechanics Hall, Skipton. **Theme TBA:** Everyone welcome, young, old, amateur, professional or just interested. Enquires Karen Crosbie [0448871784](tel:0448871784) or Karen Bradshaw [0439 630 884](tel:0439 630 884)

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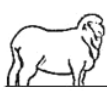
Ballarat Highlands Bowls Pennant Results Division 7

Saturday 17th February: Skipton Bowlers v. Victoria 5 at Skipton.
Skipton 1 76 shots 4 points def by Victoria 5 89 shots 14 points



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| Cheryl Sturgeon | Darryl Rowe | Ian Collins | Frank Ellingham |
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FROM THE EDITOR: Hope everyone coped well with the very hot weather conditions experienced on Tuesday. It was an awful day resulting in terrible tragedy for many people and significant property damage in some parts of the State with wild fires and storm damage affecting a large number of areas. Such conditions provide a timely reminder to everyone to take time to check your Fire Plan and to prepare your family fire plans, stock and property in readiness should this kind of weather threaten our district in the future. Having to be away from Skipton on Tuesday, we had our car radio tuned to the ABC to hear the news and updates of the situation as details became known, and to heed their helpful advice. In the last edition of SCN, CFA published an article in SCN for farmers on the importance of checking their recently stacked hay in square bales and round bales. This information to prevent fires igniting in their hay. Many thanks to all of the people who have wished me well for my "retirement" from the SCN Editor's role, your kind words and support has meant a lot to me and have been so very much appreciated. Having assistance in recent months from my son who has made a huge difference in prolonging my tenure as Editor, but hopefully somebody will come forward soon to take over in the future. My comments last edition were intended to bring readers the news that I will soon step down from the role of SCN Editor, something I have truly loved doing, I did not intend to cause upset to anyone. It evidently did, but I feel people in the wider community and SCN's treasured advertisers and sponsors need to be aware that I am finishing as Editor. Issues I've encountered over many years are well known to people so come as no surprise to anyone. Thank you friends, I will miss you all. You can support SPA Inc and SCN by attending the AGM to be held on Thursday 7th of March, and if you want to make a difference, why not nominate for a Committee position or at least become a member of SPA. It is only \$5.00 to have voting rights. With plans already started for the Skipton Spring Festival in November, why not become involved and support the planning committee. There is still time, for you if interested to complete the Nomination Form on page 9, but completed forms must be in the hands of the Secretary today, (two weeks before the AGM).

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Meetings & Coming Events

Wednesday 21 February: **EX MEMBERS OF THE OLD SKIPTON GARDEN CLUB** are having a get together to decide what to do with the Garden Club books. We'd love to see you at "LIZZIE'S BBB", at about 11am onwards.

Please contact Sharon on 0417 794 474 with any queries.

Thursday 22nd February: **SKIPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL** will be held at the Pool from 10 am till 2:30 pm. Parents Club will have a BBQ with yummy things for purchase for your lunch.

Saturday 24th February: **3rd ANNUAL VINTAGE MACHINERY DISPLAY AND VINTAGE TRACTOR PULL**, at the Lismore Showgrounds. \$5.00 entry, kids free. Saturday 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. And, on

Sunday 25th February: **From 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.** Displays, Vintage harvesters, working engines. More information ring 0429 949 739, **WESTERN PLAINS MACHINERY PRESERVATION GROUP INC.**

Monday 26th February: **THE SKIPTON & DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB** meet at 7:30 pm, in the Supper Room Mechanics Hall, Skipton. **Theme TBA:** Everyone welcome, young, old, amateur, professional or just interested. Enquires Karen Crosbie phone [0448871784](tel:0448871784) or Karen Bradshaw phone [0439 630 884](tel:0439630884)

Friday 1st March 2024: The **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will be held at the Anglican Church at 2pm. The guest speaker will be The Venerable Catie Inches-Ogden. Catie is recently retired to Ballarat and will speak about her life over many years as a Defence Force Chaplain. All are welcome to come and join us for a short service followed by afternoon tea.

Sunday 3rd March: **SKIPTON TRIATHLON** will start at 9:00 am at the Skipton & District War Memorial Swimming Pool. Details of Age Divisions, and Entry Forms are on Page 17 and Page 19 this week. Cost \$5.00 Individuals, \$15.00 per Team.

Sunday 3rd March. **SKIPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY** will meet at 2.00 p.m. in the Old Police House, Stewart Park, Skipton for the regular monthly meeting. For information about the Society or for historical inquiries please contact Secretary on 0407310990 or via email skipton.history.au@gmail.com

Tuesday 5th March: **FRIENDS OF THE RSL SKIPTON BRANCH** will meet at the Skipton Golf and Bowls Club at 6.00 p.m. for a planning meeting prior to the **Veterans Luncheon on 24th March**. Interested volunteers very welcome, please ring Secretary Gail on 0403 530 293 or further information or contact.

Thursday 7th March: **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SKIPTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION Inc.** will be held at 7.00 p.m. in the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson Street, Skipton. Please take this opportunity to become involved with Skipton Progress Association Inc, contact Secretary Lilla on 0437 455 049 or President, David Hunneybell on 0431 1204 610 with queries.

Saturday 9th March: **SKIPTON MARKET** will be held in Skipton Mechanics Hall, from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Stall bookings and inquiries to Jan, Market Co-ordinator on 5340 2204 or check *facebook* Skipton Community Market.

Saturday 9th March: From 9 am—3 pm **ART TRAX 'ARTISAN' MARKET & OPEN GALLERY** Art. Craft. Art Supplies. Other Stalls.

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