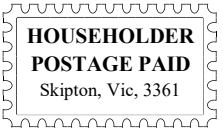




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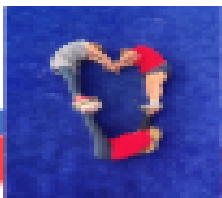
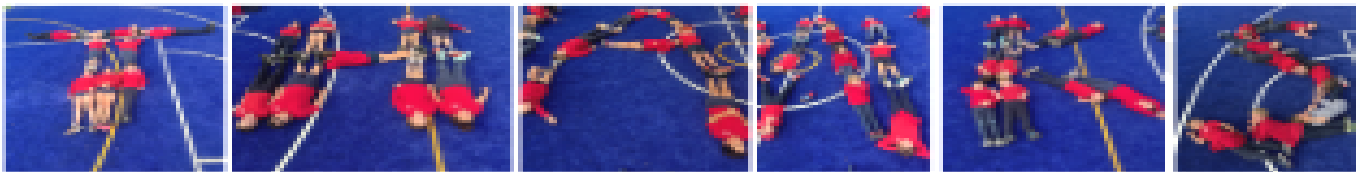
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Bible Thought

The Lord God shines into a mans very soul, searching out his inmost being

Proverbs 20, v.27



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Skipton / Lismore

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



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



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10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B
Sunday 9th June 2024

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Assistant Priest: Fr. Eladio Lizada OSJ
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For Linton Parish enquiries contact
Fr. Con Bagaioan

Next Week's Readings: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

The parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

redan **Parish Mass Times**

St. Aloysius, Redan St. James, Sebastopol Thursday 9.30am Friday 9.30am
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9.00am Sunday 10.30am

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Book Review

Red Notice and Freezing Order
By Bill Browder. 2015 -2022

In this era of war on so many fronts, it has been illuminating to finally finish a duo of books that cover events from the early part of this century to about 2015 in Europe and America.

Bill Browder was a young financier searching for a market for his investment skills, which he finally found in Eastern Europe and then Russia. He was able to set up and run a very success hedge fund investment business in Moscow, living and working in the Russian city with his young family.

But Russia is a hard place to deal with, and he found that he was confronted with a "swamp" of rorts and money laundering schemes, and had incurred the wrath of the Russian President Putin, whose cohort oligarchs were benefiting more from their investments than Putin himself - not a good idea. Browder was systematically and illegally put out of business and ended up fleeing Russia (with an InterPol Red Notice hanging over his head), leaving behind some of his staff and his loyal Russian lawyer Sergei Magnitsky.

There are brilliant descriptions of illegal imprisonment, murder, torture, men having to flee for their lives, all at Putin's direction via the appalling Secret Police, trying to recover some investments for his customers, and especially the fight to save Sergei Magnitsky, which failed. Like more recent targets, he died in prison of "natural causes". What could be done was to get through the American government system, House Committees, Senate, Congress, a law punishing those involved in such criminal behaviour by financial sanctions.

It may seem not a lot to fill two books, but the books are so informative about Russia, it's history, it's attitudes, it blinkered pursuits of what it sees as the necessary path, and it's blind disregard of justice and the rule of law (it's own law and international law), all of which

we are seeing at present in the Ukraine conflict. And both books are so well written, so descriptive, filled with interesting personalities, and with so much political background to the world in general and the East-West confrontation in particular. So much is clarified and

explained, that it is well worth tackling this duo, even if you do have to skip a bit, if like me, the financial side gets way beyond your pay grade!

Two great reads for those who are trying to understand where we all find ourselves in 2024.



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MEDIA RELEASE

Have your say on digital connectivity in the Pyrenees

Whether it's your mobile phone reception or your range of choice in internet service providers, Council wants to hear your views on and experiences with telecommunications and connectivity across the Pyrenees Shire.

Pyrenees Mayor Cr Robert Vance said Council is currently developing a Digital Connectivity Plan and it was essential to gather a wide range of views and experiences from all corners of the Shire to inform the research.

Cr Vance said Council knows that a lot of Pyrenees Shire experienced patchy, slow or non-existent mobile reception and internet coverage.

"The Digital Connectivity Plan will provide the research and data to help Council advocate to governments and tech organisations for high-quality digital connectivity right across the region," he said.

"Whether you use mobile and internet services for work, study, business or personal reasons, we all know how important they are for daily life. Digital connectivity is an essential service, and our region needs significant investment and technological upgrades for our residents and ratepayers to prosper."

To complete the Pyrenees Connectivity Survey, visit the Pyrenees Engagement Hub www.engage.pyrenees.vic.gov.au by Tuesday 18 June.

If you experience difficulties accessing the internet due to poor connection, pick up a hard-copy survey from the Avoca Information Centre, the Beaufort Resource Centre or the Beaufort Council office. You can also phone the Economic Development Team on 1300 797 363 for a survey and a reply paid envelope to return your completed survey.





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This week is a reminder to book in your yearly GP check-up or any other health appointments that you have been putting off. It is also a timely reminder to check in with yourself and those around you both physically and mentally.

To book an appointment at the Skipton Medical Practice please call 5340 1110 or visit bshs.org.au/services/medical-practice/book-appointment

FLU VACCINATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Flu vaccinations are now available at the Skipton Medical Practice. It is recommended that everyone over the age of 6 months old should receive the yearly flu vaccination, to protect yourself and the community from becoming unwell.

Getting your vaccination now, allows your immune system to develop protection ahead of peak flu season during August. Vaccination also reduces the spread of the virus in the community, particularly to those who are most vulnerable and have compromised immune systems.

To book an appointment please call 5340 1110.

A reminder that the Skipton Medical Practice is open five days a week, Monday-Friday.





GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL MEDIA RELEASE

Date: Monday 3 June 2024

LOCAL ARTISTS INVITED TO EXHIBIT AT GOLDEN SPACES

Golden Plains Shire Council is excited to announce that it is now accepting Expressions of Interest (EOI) for artists wishing to exhibit artworks at Golden Spaces.

Golden Spaces is a free community-based program offering group art exhibitions across three locations: The Bannockburn Cultural Centre, The Well at Smythesdale and the Golden Plains Civic Centre. This initiative aims to celebrate and promote local artists, providing the community with greater access to the arts in a local setting, and offering professional development opportunities for both emerging and established artists within our Shire.

Golden Spaces was officially launched at an event on 1 June at the Bannockburn Cultural Centre, featuring the first Winter Exhibit.

There will be two opportunities to apply to exhibit at Golden Spaces throughout the calendar year, with EOIs for the first Summer Exhibit open now for local artists and creative practitioners.

Golden Plains Shire Mayor Cr Brett Cunningham encourages all local artist to submit their EOI to exhibit at Golden Spaces.

"Golden Spaces is a vibrant hub where the creativity of our artistic community can shine and their stories come to life," Cr Cunningham said.

"I urge local artists and creative practitioners to seize this opportunity to be part of a professional exhibit that engages both locals and visitors."

EOI's are open from Monday 3 June to 5pm, Friday 30 August 2024. To submit an EOI, visit goldenplains.vic.gov.au/golden-spaces

At the conclusion of the EOI period, successful artists will be notified in October 2024, and the Summer Exhibit will be launched at the Bannockburn Cultural Centre on Thursday 19 December 2024. The exhibition will be on display for 12 months rotating between the Bannockburn Cultural Centre, The Well at Smythesdale and the Golden Plains Civic Centre.

The Golden Spaces Winter Exhibit is currently on display at the Bannockburn Cultural Centre, featuring artworks of 24 local artists. Keep an eye on Council's website and social media channels to find out when the Exhibit will move to its next location.

For further information, contact Council's Arts, Culture & Heritage and Facilities teams at golden.spaces@gplains.vic.gov.au or call 5220 7111.



Is this your beautiful pussycat???

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Feedback wanted: Draft Budget 2024-2025

You are invited to provide feedback on Council's draft Budget before 5 pm, Monday 10 June by:

- Completing the form at corangamite.vic.gov.au/draftbudget
- Emailing shire@corangamite.vic.gov.au or
- Calling us on 5593 7100

Anyone providing feedback can make a presentation to Council on Tuesday 11 June. Council will consider adopting the Budget on Tuesday 25 June, 7 pm at the Killara Centre, Camperdown.

Expressions of Interest

Emergency management committee

Do you want to be involved in helping our local area to prepare for emergencies?

The Corangamite Shire Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee is seeking expressions of interest from two volunteer community members to become part of the committee.

For more information, go to corangamite.vic.gov.au/MEMPC or call Municipal Emergency Management Officer Kate Felsovary on 5593 7100.

Applications close Sunday 30 June.

2025 kinder registrations

Cobden, Simpson, Skipton, Terang, Timboon and Western Plains (Lismore and Derrinallum) kindergartens are taking registrations for 2025. Register at corangamite.vic.gov.au/enrol

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- Scams and cyber safety with Janeen Stewart from NBN.
- Future planning with Deb Porter from Justice Connect

Friday 14 June, 10.30 am-12.30 pm

Bookings essential for catering. Please call us on 5593 7100.

Expressions of Interest Climate Change Reference Group

Do you want to represent your community and contribute ideas to Council's Climate Change Action Plan?

We are seeking up to ten community members for a six month term to see the Climate Change Action Plan through its development. The Reference Group will meet at least four times.

If you have a broad interest, understanding and commitment to climate change action, please nominate via an online form at corangamite.vic.gov.au/CCRG-EOI by Thursday 20 June.

If you have any questions, please contact Pavit Ramesh on 5593 7100.



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These extracts are researched and provided by:
Terry Gosling (Treasurer of Skipton Historical Society)

DO YOU TIRE OF EGGS?

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Eggs rank among the most nutritious of foods, but some people tire of them quickly; possibly because of the time honored methods of serving them—the good old poached, boiled or fried! Variation, however, can readily be introduced by the resourceful cook, who will probably like to try the novel method of currying eggs described in this month's "Australian Journal"

The ingredients are:—4 eggs, 2 small onions, 1½ ozs butter or good beef dripping, ½ pint stock, 1 oz curry powder, 1 oz flour, 1 teaspoon chutney (finely chopped), rind 1 lemon (grated), juice ½ lemon, salt to taste, few grains cayenne, ¼ lb rice.

Hard-boil the eggs. When they are cold, cut them carefully into quarters. Meanwhile, peel and chop the onions finely and fry them in the butter. Keep stirring, for onions burn quickly. As soon as they are brown add the curry powder. Blend the flour with the stock and add, stirring continuously until it boils. Simmer gently for five minutes; add the lemon juice and rind, also the chutney. Add the eggs and continue to simmer for ten minutes.

Cook the rice in boiling salted water for thirteen minutes. Rinse under running water, thus separating the little grains of rice and preventing it from becoming "mushy." Arrange in a border round the serving dish and pour the curry into the centre. Sprinkle a little chopped parsley here and there on the rice.

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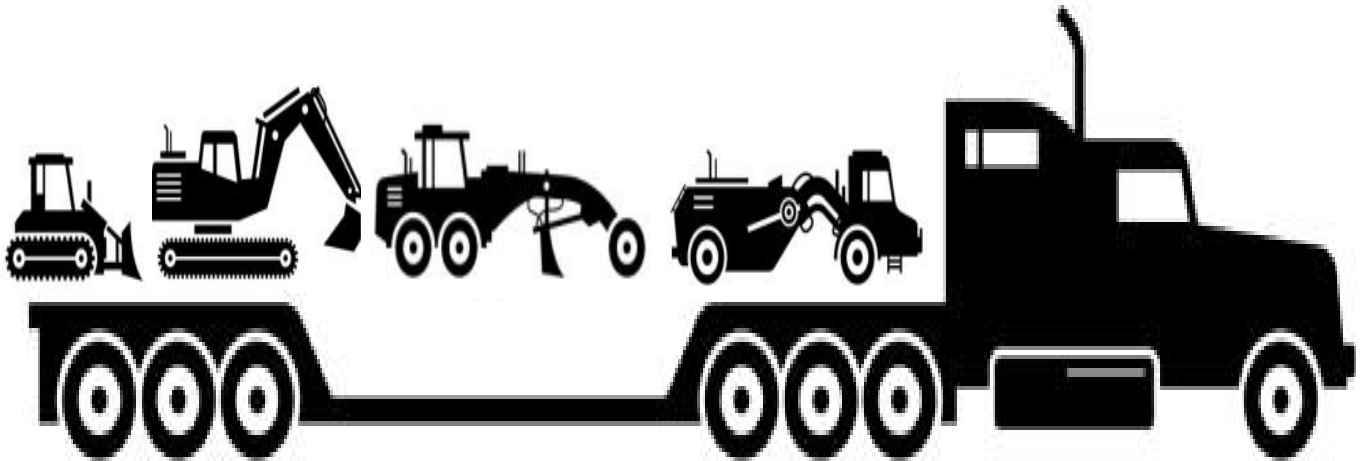
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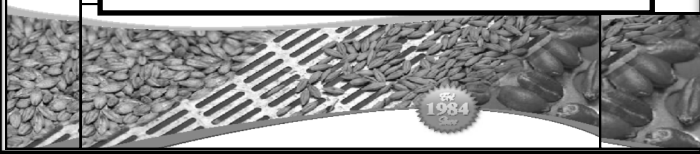
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The following is an extract from the book “Of sheep and men” published by Claud Notman a well known entity to older residents of Skipton & District. I will publish extracts from chapter 31 in episodes—this is episode six:

One day, in 1946, we were playing cricket in the Western Plains, and remarked on the inky black sky down in the south-west. A stationary ‘low’ settled in about Warrnambool, and poured 8 inches (200 mm) of rain over the area. Further east, the rain eased, but tractors were bogged early in April.

There were other years to remember on the Plains, the very wet ones in 1951, 1952, 1956, 1960, 1964 and 1965, the last being the highest for rainfall since records were taken at Mawallok, almost 38 inches, (or 950 mm). As if all the rain had emptied the skies, we saw the next year weaken off for a poor season, and, by May, 1967, phalaris poisoning was evident as the sheep, when hungry, and put on to a sprinkling of green shoot, started staggering and died. By November of 1967 one of the worst droughts was on, and, on Anzac Day, 1968, sheep actually died when smothered by flying sand in the wind funnels along the granite country. A week later, it was all over, with four inches in a week, but damage to the nation’s flocks was so severe that the maximum figures of the 1960s have not been reached since.

Then, on February 12, 1977, it happened all over again. Shall we ever forget the 25 feet high wall of flame bearing down on hapless Streatham, with less than five minutes to go, and the women of the town wondering what to do. Some fled east to Skipton, others stayed around their hall, and, fortunately, all were saved. A rising gale-force wind made that a day of horror for so much of our beloved country, as fire upon fire broke away from power lines in the T.F.B. (Total Fire Ban) conditions.

Once more, the western country was swept, as fire bore down on Nareeb Nareeb, and neighbouring properties, for the third time in less than 40 years. Again the Beggs family lost heavily with over 2,000 sheep destroyed. Brie Brie, also stricken three times, over the same period, lost very heavily. On Scrubby Hill, when the wind changed, a spot fire was known to break out some 24 miles away. We were reminded of an incident such as this, known to have happened near Cudgewa, in 1939, when a fire hurricane raced up a steep rock mountain and threw a spot fire 9 miles away into the Nariel valley.

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Volunteers very welcome to join members of the Committee of Management of the Park for an opportunity to help with the never ending work of improving the environment of our lovely park and of the creatures who live in it. From 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., finishing with a cuppa and a chat, we suggest sensible, warm clothes and gloves. Please contact Victoria on 0437 565 404 for any further information.

Saturday 22nd June Skipton Football & Netball Club round 10
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Further info please contact presidentskiptonpa@gmail.com or Tash on 0435894546.

Below is submitted by Calvin Wilkie.

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