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St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Contact Stewart or Belle 5349 5553 with enquiries.

Service Times: Presbyterian Congregation

Skipton / Lismore

- * Week One 10 am Skipton
- * 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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Presbytery: 508 Leith Street Redan
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For Linton Parish enquiries contact
Fr. Con Bagoisan

Bible Thought

The first step to wisdom is the fear of the Lord, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding

Proverbs Ch. 9, v, 10.



The Annual Christmas
Carol Service.
This year it is to be held
at:
St. Andrews Presbyterian
Church
December 22nd
6.00pm
And could everyone
bring a plate of food to
share for supper.

Thanks,
Belle McKerrow

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 Saturday 5.00pm
Sunday 10.30am Sunday 9.00am

St. Brigid's, Snake Valley St. Peter's, Linton St. John's, Skipton Saturday 6.30pm Sunday
9.00am Sunday 10.30am

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The phone will be transferred to the on-call priest so that Hospitals, Aged Care facilities, Funeral Directors or others seeking the services of a priest may be responded to.

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin nation. We are a child safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government, implementing procedures and standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.

SKIPTON TRANSFER STATION

Beaufort Road, Skipton.

Transfer Station opens next on:

Sun 1st December

Wed 4th December

Sun 15th December

Wed 18th December

Sun 29th December

Wed 1st Jan 2025

Sun 12 January

Wed 15th January

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The Lions Christmas Cakes have arrived and are available at the Country Grocers and the op-shop.

A few things that are coming up in December.

1: **7th** will be the last for this year's BBQ outside the op-shop from 10:30-1:30 with the funds going to the Childrens Christmas Party. We will be back on 1st Saturday February for next year's Christmas Fundraiser.

2: **10th** Will be a **FREE B B Q** outside the op-shop from 11:30-1:30. We will make our last mortgage payment on the shop that day and would like to thank the community for their support. Thanks to the Generosity of Russell and Beryl Adams for the support we have received from them over the last 9 years which has put the op-shop in a position where we have been able to contribute \$200,000 into the Skipton Community as well as purchase 21 Montgomery Street. Thank you to the people who have donated goods for us to sell and our customers that support our efforts.

3: **13-15th** Christmas lights Competition will be judged on the weekend and results will announced at the Christmas Party on the 19th Major prize will be the Christmas Hamper from the Country Grocer

4: **19th** Town Christmas Party will start at 4:30 to allow those who wish to attend the school concert plenty of time to partake of the free BBQ and enjoy the various activities at the Recreation Reserve.

5: **19th** Judging of the Bike decorations will be held at 6:00 in the footy club rooms

6: **20th** The op-shop will be closed from 4:00 pm Friday 20th of December and reopen 10:00 am Thursday the 2nd of January.

Cat desexing vouchers can save hundreds of dollars

Born in the wilds of South Purrumbete, Snowpo now has a home with retired farmer Shirley Rethus.

After rounding up a feral cat and 13 kittens, Mrs Rethus did the responsible thing and got her little mate desexed thanks to a voucher pilot program in Corangamite Shire.

"About this time last year there was a stray mother cat having babies. I started feeding her and they all came over following her," she said.

"About January the mother had another lot of kittens.

"I caught the kittens and put them in a cage. Then I got the ranger out to take them away. I kept the one I've got.

"I went into the vet in Cobden and asked if I could get him desexed and vaccinated and they said 'No worries'.

"People don't realise how stray cats are a nuisance. They leave them outside and they go wandering. If you can't look after them you may as well not have them."

Council is offering concession card holders discounts for cat desexing at participating vet clinics.

The program aims to support responsible cat ownership by:

- increasing cat registrations;
- reducing impoundment of cats;
- reducing unwanted litters in priority locations; and
- reducing reports of nuisance cats.

The program was due to end in September but will continue until fully subscribed or June 2025, whichever occurs first. It now also covers the cost of microchipping and the first year of registration.

Any additional veterinary costs outside the desexing/microchipping services (such as vaccinations) are not covered by the voucher and must be paid by the voucher holder.

Council Local Laws Officer Jasmine Pugh said a female cat can give birth up to 100 kittens in its lifetime.

"Desexing your cat avoids any unwanted litters and help to reduce the impact of feral cats across the Shire.

"It's great that the program now covers microchipping because that really helps us reunite lost cats with their owners.

"Microchipped and registered pets are less likely to be impounded, saving you impound fees or fines.

"Your registration costs help us care for found animals until we can get them back to their homes."

To be eligible, householders must have a concession card, be a Corangamite resident and their cat must be microchipped and registered, or be willing become microchipped and registered at the time of desexing.

Four vet clinics in Corangamite Shire are participating in this desexing program:

- Terang Veterinary Clinic
20 Estcourt St, Terang
5592 2111
- Hampden Veterinary Clinic
22 Curdie St Cobden
5595 1100
- Camperdown Veterinary Centre
1 Leura St, Camperdown
5593 1077
- The Vet Group
99 Bailey St, Timboon
5558 6666

To apply, go to corangamite.vic.gov.au/cat-desexing-grant, call the Local Laws team on 5593 7100 or drop into the Civic Centre at 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown.

For further information, please contact Council's Local Laws team on 5593 7100.

The Cat Desexing program is supported by the Victorian Government.

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For any queries please contact Meera Cameron 0447552965
Cheers, Meera



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Lolly in the Jar

On Wednesday next week, the Progress Association will be bringing along a jar of lollies to school for students to guess how many are in the jar. The winning guess, wins the jar! It is \$1 a try. The lolly jar can also be found at the Community Shop

CAVE HILL CREEK

We're thrilled to announce that registrations for Summer Camp 2025 are now open! Your child may be familiar with our school programs, but the adventure and excitement does not stop there. Our Cave Hill Creek Summer Camp program offers more than twelve exciting activities – including archery, raft building and we've added a thrilling new vertical challenge. Summer Camp is the perfect opportunity to kick those post school camp blues by bringing along a friend or sibling and exploring everything Cave Hill Creek has to offer!

Our program, designed for children aged 8-14, is filled with activities they already love, plus some exciting new additions!

Camp Dates for 2025:

- Camp #31: Monday, January 6 – Friday, January 10
- Camp #32: Monday, January 13 – Friday, January 17
- Camp #33: Monday, January 20 – Friday, January 24

Pricing

- Single child: \$1,099
- 2nd sibling: \$879
- 3rd+ sibling: \$769



Awards

Grade P-2

Minnie M for confidently and independently working with some really tricky numbers in Maths. Well done Minnie!

Claudia B for fantastically fluent reading. Claudia is reading with accuracy as well as good pace. Well done Claudia keep up the great work!

Grade 3-4

Alex has shown immense growth in taking on strategies to support his learning in class. In particular, he has worked hard to participate as a team member and in class games. Well done!

Grade 5-6

Kaylee P for demonstrating resilience, perseverance and determination when completing end of year assessments. Excellent work!

Matilda T for demonstrating significant growth across all maths assessments. Well done!!

Principal Award

Matilda T for the incredible way she represented our school at Plastic Oceans. Tilley, I am so proud of the commitment, enthusiasm and engagement you showed throughout. I am so proud.

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For the latest updates on Moreton Hill Wind Farm and to sign up for our community updates, please scan the QR code or visit: www.moretonhillwindfarm.com.au



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LOCATED IN THE SHS POLICE HOUSE MUSEUM, MONTGOMERY STREET, SKIPTON.

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

FREE.

Money isn't needed to enjoy a flowering tree;
The beauty of the landscape for every man is free.
And who beholds a garden, though merely passing by,
Has a right to share its splendor, which its owner can't deny.
A man may tramp the woodlands as if they were his own.
About the joys of Nature no gruesome walls are thrown;
And if he's fond of dreaming where fretful cares are lost,
A river bank awaits him at very little cost.
Some money's necessary—of that there is no doubt—
A man must pay for foodstuffs to keep his body stout;
But lasting joys are gratis. Who turns his eyes to see
The glory of the sunrise will not be charged a fee.
Good books there are for reading, good friends there are for play,
Earth offers countless pleasures for which we need not pay.
With very little money, despite the pain and strife,
A man can grow in wisdom and lead a happy life.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Mechanics' Committee meet on Monday night.

The work of cleaning up the paths at Skipton Cemetery is to be put in hand shortly. Tenders are invited, on behalf of the trustees, for doing the work.

Some young boys were playing about the roof of Wise's blacksmith shop on Saturday. One of them, Don Millist, fell and broke a small bone in his leg.

Mr Trevor Oldham, M.L.A., gave a very informative address at Skipton Mechanics Hall last Friday evening. The meeting was arranged by the Australian Women's National League and supper was served afterwards. —Report next issue.

Christmas is approaching and in preparation for the time of present-giving Miss Brophy has obtained a great assortment of Xmas presents, novelties and toys. Buyers should make an early inspection of the fine articles at her store in Montgomery street.

The annual off-shears sale at the Skipton yards is to be held on Thursday, December 7. Dalgety and Co. Ltd. are the selling agents, and 2000 sheep have been listed. Further entries are now being received. Mr A. P. Notman is local agent.

Everyone is looking forward with interest to the Scouts' grand ball. A good supper, good music and a good floor are assured. During the evening there will be two novelty events. Prizes will be awarded to the best pair of waltzers and the best exponents of the barn dance. Tickets may be had from any of the Scouts, or from Mr Francis Funston, Scout Master.

To discover more about Skipton's past
drop into the Old Police House at
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Sunday of the month.
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CORANGAMITE SHIRE

Noticeboard

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Jubilee Park toilet replacement

We are planning to replace the old public toilets. Our engineers have designed four options.

Have your say at corangamite.vic.gov.au/skipton-toilet, scan the QR code or write to us at Corangamite Shire Council, 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown, 3260 or shire@corangamite.vic.gov.au.



Feedback closes at 5pm,
Saturday 30 November.

Positive Ageing & Inclusion Navigation Support Program

Drop-in sessions

Come along to one of the sessions below to learn how the Navigation Support Program can help you.

Skipton Library

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Council is offering vouchers for free desexing at participating vet clinics along with one year free registration for cats in Corangamite Shire. To be eligible, you must have a concession card and be a Corangamite resident. Maximum of two cats per household. Learn more or apply at corangamite.vic.gov.au/cat or call Council's Local Laws team on 5593 7100.



This program is supported by the Victorian Government.




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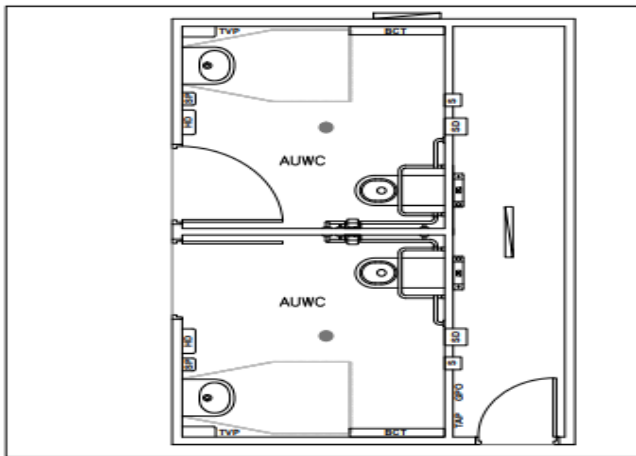


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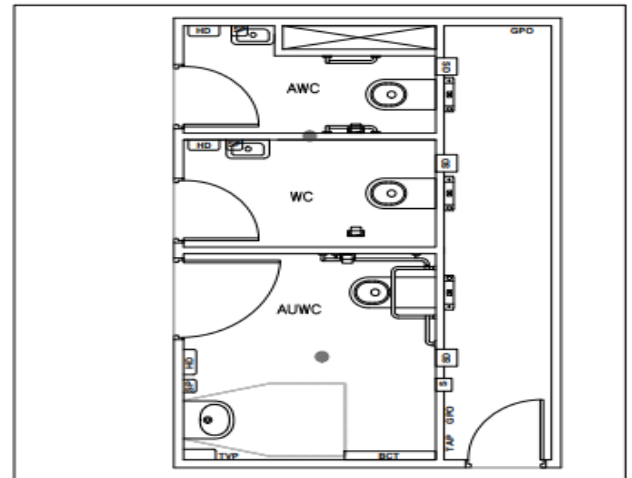
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PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR SAY ON THIS IMPORTANT LONG AWAITED IMPROVEMENT TO THE EXISTING STRUCTURE, THERE ARE 4 OPTIONS, OPTION 4 IS OPTION 2 BUT INCLUDING A SHELTER.

CLOSING DATE IS 5PM SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER



Toilet Floor Plan – Option 1



Toilet Floor Plan – Option 2

Have your say on Jubilee Park toilet rebuild

Corangamite Shire Council is proposing to replace the old conveniences at Jubilee Park in Skipton.

Acting Manager Facilities and Recreation Jane Hinds invited residents to share their opinion and ideas.

"Hygiene, accessibility, safety and appearance are all really important and we want the people who will be using the facilities to have a part in getting it right," Ms Hinds said.

"Come and meet our team at Skipton Spring Festival on Saturday 9 November to share your ideas. Our engineers have come up with a number of alternative designs and we want to hear from each community about which best suits their needs."

Option 1: Two unisex, accessible toilets

Option 2: Two unisex, accessible toilets and a shelter

Option 3: Three unisex toilets (one accessible, one ambulant and one standard)

Option 4: Three unisex toilets (one accessible, one ambulant and one standard) and a shelter

Ms Hinds said the new facility will have an accessible toilet with a baby change table.

"The designs incorporate features aimed at minimising operation and maintenance costs over the lifespan of the new blocks, such as stainless steel fittings and fixtures.

"Good planning now will enable us to design and build efficient and environmentally smart facilities to that use less water and energy and produce less greenhouse gas and waste."

Possible environmentally sustainable concepts and initiatives include:

- Natural light
- Low energy fixtures
- Natural ventilation
- Light-coloured and reflective internal surfaces
- Dual flush systems
- Time controlled taps
- Flow regulators on taps
- Water efficient fixtures.

To see the designs and leave your comments, residents can go to corangamite.vic.gov.au/toilets.

They can also mail feedback to Corangamite Shire Council, 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown, 3260, email shire@corangamite.vic.gov.au, call 5593 7100, or drop into the Civic Centre in Camperdown. Feedback closes at 5 pm, Saturday 30 November.



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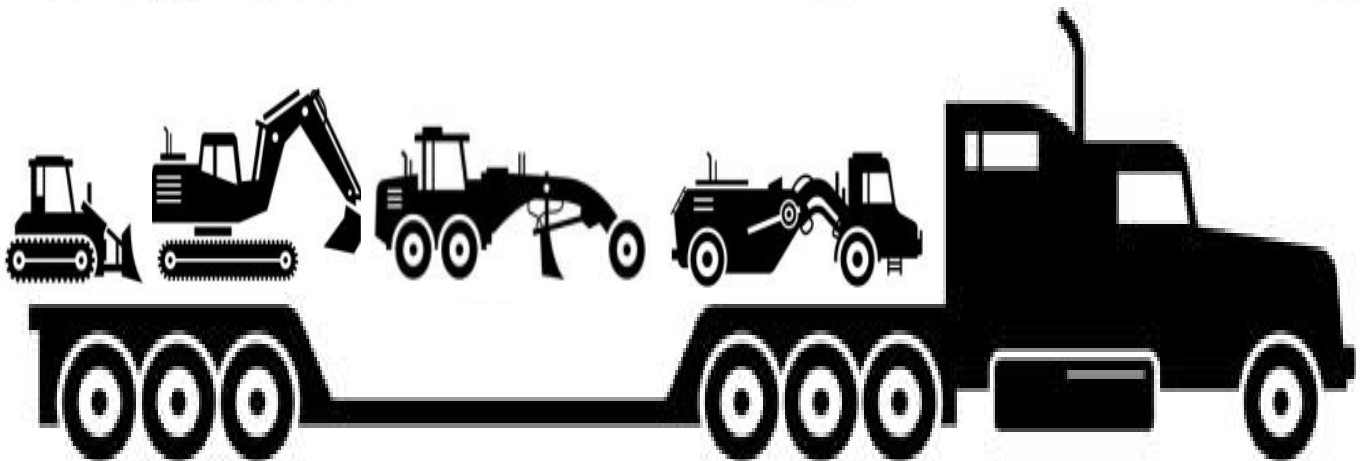
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Above centre: L-R Kathy Davis, Bernie Fay and Margot Mulcahy

Birthday boy Bernie Fay celebrates his 80th

Last Sunday Skipton district born and bred Bernie Fay celebrated his 80th birthday with an afternoon tea held at Bluestone, Bubbles and Banter surrounded by family and friends.

Visitors travelled from far and wide to see Bernie cut the cake and reminisce about days gone by with lots of laughter ensuing.

Bernie, a third generation farmer, with a nephew now being the 4th generation to hold the reins, attended Carranballac primary school followed by St Pats College in Ballarat as a boarder before settling back on the family property.

Bernie's sisters, Kathy Davis, who travelled from Adelaide and Margot Mulcahy kept an eye on his cake cutting skills.

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Vision Australia Christmas

Nine Skipton Vision Australia members enjoyed a Christmas break up lunch at Bluestone, Bubbles and Banter last week with three members unable to attend.

President, Yvonne Shady spoke very movingly at the lunch saying “Thank you one and all for your ongoing support for our small but dynamic group of volunteers to further the cause of Vision Australia. To be deprived of our eyesight, hearing or voice, not only affects the individual but those in the immediate family. Vision Australia through research and ongoing social media strives to meet this need for help and support of their clients. As we approach Christmas it is a time for families and social get togethers. Your presence at this time is a gift not so much as a present and should be treasured. We must remember to thank those we love and hold dear and treat each day as a gift. Have a Happy and Safe Christmas”

Vision secretary/treasurer, Marg Fraser also wished to remind everyone about the really special Vision raffle to be drawn at the Christmas market. Tickets available at Country Grocers, the Op Shop and Bluestone, Bubbles and Banter also the wonderful calendar is available at the Op Shop, BBB and from Bev Grist.

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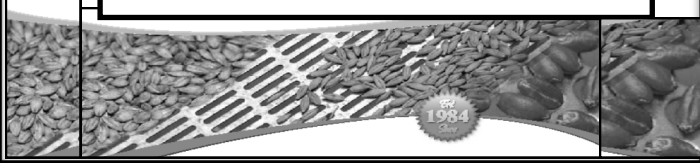
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Skipton Spring Festival

Pictured right: "Troubles" standing near the lucky horse pooh square.

THE EVENTS COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO PLAN NEXT YEARS FESTIVAL:

- 1: The festival be held in one location only?
- 2: In multiple locations as it was this year?
- 3: In town/historic precinct areas as it was the year before?

Please leave your answers and ideas in the SCN drop boxes located in the Country Grocers and the Caltex Roadhouse Servo please. Thank You.

Special thanks to all the many volunteers who worked so hard for the community to ensure the Skipton Spring Festival was a success, without all these volunteers starting work the day before, and putting people on sites from 7am on the morning of the festival and then working through the day and cleaning up after 4pm this festival would not happen. Most of these volunteer's are not Skipton Progress Association members and are genuine hard working community members who work to better our community, like so many other volunteer organisations in Skipton, like the Historical Society, Hall Committee, Friends of the RSL, Cemetery Trust, CFA, Hospital Volunteers, Football & Netball Club Volunteers, Golf and Bowls Club Volunteers, Friend of Vision Australia, Stewart Park Committee, Library Volunteers, Swimming Pool volunteers, Primary School and Kinder volunteers and of course the Community Op Shop volunteers, and many more. Without all these volunteers, our Town and District would be so much poorer.

Also many thanks to all the sponsors: Acacia Caravan Park Ararat, Bendigo Bank, Corangamite Shire Council, Country Grocers Skipton, harvFEST, Squadron Energy, Artist Keith Nihill.



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Cheers, Meera

Sunday 1st December Skipton Historical Society General Meeting. 2pm in the Old Police House museum Montgomery Street Skipton. All welcome. Further Information: Secretary on: 0407310990 or email:skipton.history.au@gmail.com.

Wednesday 4th December Skipton Progress Association BINGO at the Skipton Bowls & Golf Club. Doors open 5.30pm eyes down 6.30pm Christmas theme night, Bar open, free tea & coffee' Light supper \$5. See you there

Thursday 12th December Skipton Progress Association December meeting date change, and starting time, 6pm start and venue to be advised.

Sunday 15th December 2024: FIREWORLD DISCOVERY CENTRE & MUSEUM (Streatham) open from 11:30am until 4:30pm
Contact Bruce McKenna, Secretary/Treasurer 0466 286 011

Thursday 19th December 2024 Skipton Town Christmas Party Presented by the Skipton Community Op-Shop, Free children's entertainment, and BBQ starting 4.30 pm at the Skipton Recreation Reserve Football & Netball Club Rooms, all welcome.

Sunday 22nd December 2023 The Annual Christmas Carol Service.

This year it is to be held at:
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6.00pm

And could everyone bring a plate of food to share for supper.

Thanks,
Belle McKerrow

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