

Skipton Community News



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FREE
WEEKLY

BIG STARS OF THE SCREEN DESCEND UPON SKIPTON

Skipton 5th August

With brass bands playing and searchlights blazing against the night sky - well, would you believe Joe Blow whistling and Dora Fewclose shining a torch, we were led to the Mechanics Hall for another riotous Bingo session with a Hollywood theme.

I was greeted at the door by Rudolph Valentino in the person of Donald. He said that of course the resemblance was phenomenal. He introduced me to the "It" girl, Clara Bow (Carol) and to others in attendance including Uncle Fester and SpongeBob SquarePants (pictured below).



Unfortunately, the usual hostess with the mostess, young Georgie, was ill and so Dale stepped into the breach as the ball caller. His microphone went on the blink, but with his stentorian tones he probably didn't need one anyway.

As per usual, Stewie provided a number of amusing interjections and Lucky Phil whose



brother does the noises for the talkies, provided the wolf whistle for "legs eleven".

All in all, it was most enjoyable night, and we welcomed

visitors travelling from far afield in order to be part of the action.

Join the gang next month, when the theme will be "Bodgies and Widgies - Rock 'n' Roll!".

—Report by Kent Clarke, photographs by Lois Lane—

A NOTICE TO OUR READERS SCN MAILBOX DELIVERY

STOPPING FROM NEXT WEEK

Please be advised that, due to the high cost of distribution, the Skipton Community Newsletter will no longer be delivered to your mailbox from **26th August 2026**.

Printed copies will be available to pick up from various outlets in town, including at:

- Skipton Country Grocers
- Skipton Community Op Shop
- Skipton Roadhouse
- Skipton Primary School
- Skipton Senior Citizens Club
- Skipton Food Bank
- Skipton Library
- Linton Takeaway
- Skipton Football Netball Club
- Beaufort & Skipton Health Service

As more locations are confirmed, we will make our best efforts to inform the community.

Look for flyers about town to show you where printed copies of the SCN will be available to pick up.

We hope that if you know a friend or neighbour who is unable to pick up a physical copy, that you will be able to get one for them.

Our deepest thanks to our dedicated readers, we appreciate all your support and hope that you continue to enjoy getting the news wherever you are able.

Our digital mailing list is still available for people to sign up. You will receive a full colour digital copy directly to your email each week on the day of publishing.

To sign up for the digital copies, please send an email to skiptonscn@gmail.com to request a copy.

The SCN can also be downloaded from the newly launched Skipton Website. Please visit: www.skiptonaustralia.org.au/newsletter.html to download your own PDF copy to read at your leisure.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Editor Kathy Leewai at skiptonscn@gmail.com, or Skipton Progress Association Treasurer Angela at treasurerskiptonpa@gmail.com.

—Kathy Leewai, SCN Editor—

COMMUNITY NOTICE**SKIPTON FRIENDS OF VISION AUSTRALIA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Hi members

Long time since our last meeting!

Please mark down our **Annual General Meeting** will be held at the Skipton Hall on **Tuesday 25th August** at **2pm**.

Come along and help to continue our work caring for the Vision Impaired.

Thanks,

Yvonne Shady, President 5340 2113

Marg Fraser, Secretary 5340 3576

—Skipton Friends of Vision Australia—

SKIPTON CEMETERY TRUST

The Skipton Cemetery Trust is seeking help from the community with the replacement of trees that were cut down.

All donations of \$100 or more to replace these trees will have the donors name placed on a board near the front gate.

Please make direct debit donations to:

Bendigo Community Bank

BSB: 633 000 Account Number: 163398050

Account Name: Skipton Cemetery Trust

Reference: Trees + family name

For more information, contact:

Bob Thornton (Secretary) on 0413351144

OR email skipton.cemetery.au@gmail.com

—Bob Thornton, Secretary Skipton Cemetery Trust—

COMMUNITY NOTICE**COMMUNITY WORKING BEE****AT SKIPTON GOLF & BOWLS CLUB**

On Sunday 30th August, the Skipton Golf & Bowls Club Committee intends on holding a Community Working Bee to tidy up the inside/outside of clubrooms and to attend to the Golf Course rejuvenation.

We are asking the Skipton Community to come along with suggestions and manpower.

The Working Bee will be held from 9:30am to 12:30pm, followed by a BBQ to thank you for your efforts.

For further information, please contact Gail Ward on 0403 530 293.

—Skipton Golf & Bowls Club—

SKIPTON MOVIE MATINEE

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Starring Sam Neill,
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& Bryan Brown

**SUNDAY 23rd AUGUST
1:30PM**

**SKIPTON MECHANICS
HALL**

**ADULTS \$10
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**COMMUNITY NOTICE****REGARDING HALL TEA TOWELS**

Attention Please

Could any organisation/events personnel who have taken tea towels from the Hall for laundering, please return them.

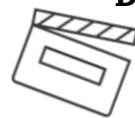
For future use, a laundry hamper has been placed in the kitchen for soiled items, this will be attended to by the Hall cleaner.

Thank you for your continued support.

—Anna Nash, Hall Committee of Management—

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**DARLINGTON MOVIE NIGHT**

featuring

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2025 Comedy/Drama



**WHERE: DARLINGTON
HALL**

**WHEN: FRIDAY 21st
AUGUST, 7:30PM**

**\$5 ENTRY - INCLUDES
SUPPER**

**DRINKS AND RAFFLE
TICKETS FOR SALE**



Lake Bolac Bush Nursing Centre presents

Streatham & District Post-Fire Gardening Series

Join in this community gardening series.

Tuesday July 28

Kate Blood & Rob Pelletier
(Heritage Fruit Trees, Raglan)

*Care of plants after fire and choosing
fire resistant plants.*

Tuesday August 25

Digby Alston
(Digby Alston Design, Inverleigh)
Landscape design for country gardens

**Doors open at 6:30pm for a 7pm start.
Finishing around 8:30pm.**

Light supper provided by Paula Symons.

Streatham Memorial Hall
30 Campbell Street, Streatham

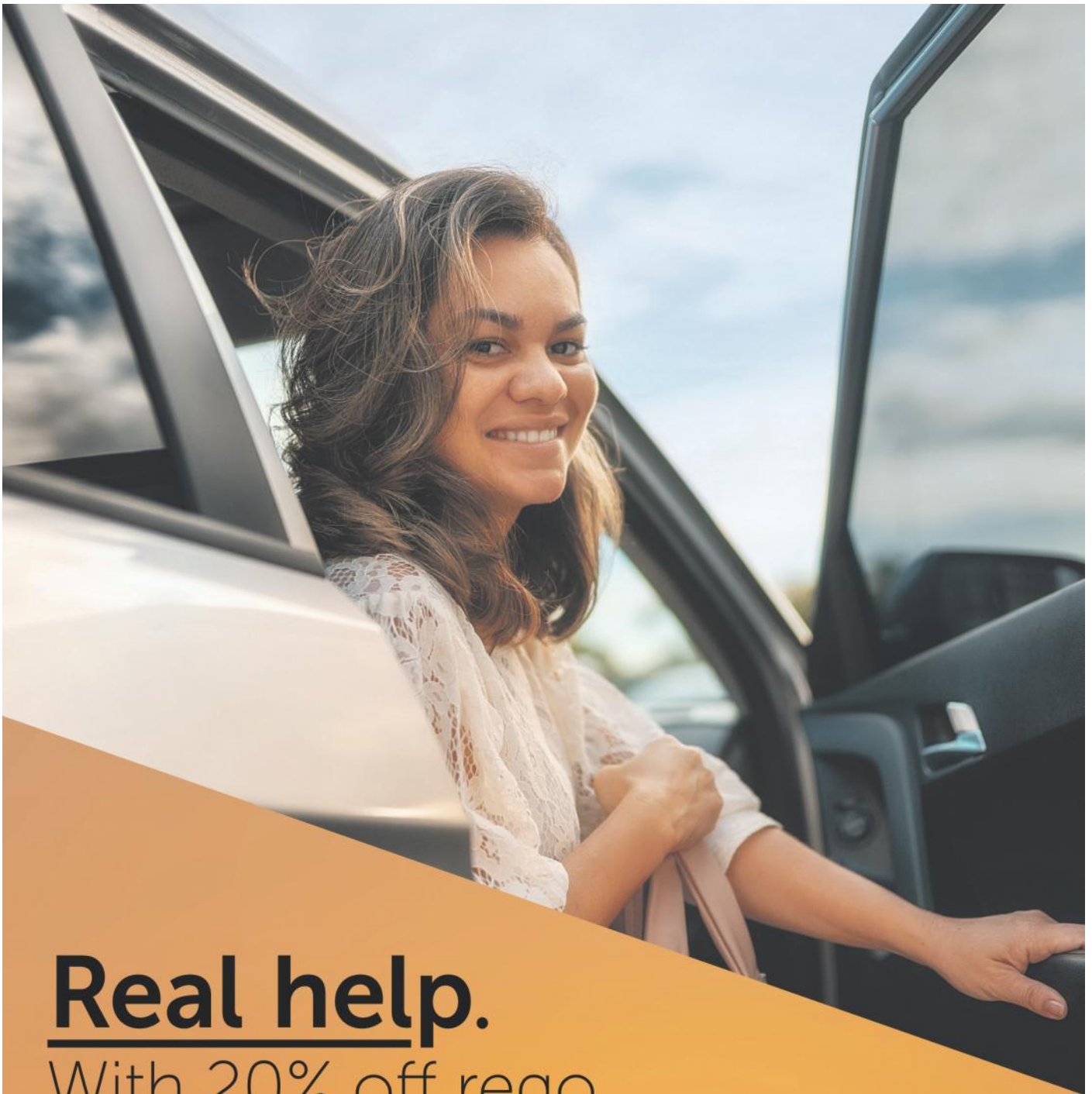
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SKIPTON AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting of the Skipton and District Historical Society was held on Sunday 9th August 2026, with outgoing President David Hunneybell in the chair. The Meeting took the opportunity to thank David and Sue for their huge contribution to the Club over many years, and to wish them many happy years in Maryborough in their new home.

Reports showed a quietly successful year, participation in the Ballarat East Rotary Raffle helped finances considerably, we have been able to fund a reprint programme for our popular "Sketchbook" series of historical books about Skipton and the families and individuals who created our little town. The Society finds, also, that we have been able to contribute to Skipton's tributes to iconic citizens with photographs and memories carefully preserved, and have been able to answer questions about the past, helping to reconnect families and generations, while continuing with a programme of digitalising our records into the future.

The new Committee was duly elected:

President:	Terry Gosling
Vice President:	Graeme Pett
Treasurer:	Terry Gosling
Secretary:	Barb Pett
Assistant Secretary:	Sharon Andrewartha
Publicity Officer:	Lilla Orton

Contact is always welcome, our email address is skipton.history.au@gmail.com.

Contact with Secretary Barb is by phone 0407 310 990.

The Society will continue with our regular Monthly Meetings on the First Sunday of the Month, and Open Days on the Third Sunday of the Month.

All are welcome to visit, consider membership, or perhaps we can help with Family history, as we work to preserve the history of our Town and District.

—Skipton & District Historical Society—

Camperdown Veterinary Centre

1 Leura Street, Camperdown

Monday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Thursday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Friday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Saturday	9.00am - 12.00pm



Please note:

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Usual Service times

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Contact Stewart on 0437 495 553 for enquiries

Service Times: Presbyterian Congregation**Skipton/Lismore**

10am at Skipton each week

St John The Baptist Catholic Church,**Beaufort****Service Times**

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


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St James' Sebastopol
St Peter's Linton
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Bagaoisan OSJ
Presbytery: 508 Leith St,
Redan
Telephone: 0435 494 472

Assistant Priest: Fr. Eladio
Lizada OSJ
Telephone: 0450 017 007

Parish Coordinators & Safeguarding Officers

Redan: Bernadette Lynch

Telephone: 0455 212 123

Email:

redan@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 4pm

Sebastopol: Pauline O'Brien

Telephone: 0428 699 624

Email:

sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office hours: Tuesday & Friday 9am - 3pm

For Linton Parish enquiries, contact Fr. Con Bagaoisan

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

Parish Mass Times

St Aloysius, Redan & St James, Sebastopol: Thursday 9:30am, Friday 9:30am, Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

St Brigid's, Snake Valley, St Peter's, Linton & St John's, Skipton: Saturday 6:30pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

3 Lyons St, South Ballarat

Telephone: 5331 2933

Email: ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.auWeb: stpatrcathedral.weebly.comwww.facebook.com/patricks.cathedral.9/

Office hours: Tuesday to Friday, 10:00am - 3:00pm

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.

ADVERTISERS PLEASE NOTE**Skipton Community News Banking Details**

Bendigo Community Bank Beaufort

Account name: Skipton Progress Association Inc.

BSB: 633 000 Account number: 146 795 687

**SKIPTON TRANSFER STATION**

Beaufort Road, Skipton

Skipton Transfer Station opens fortnightly on Wednesdays and Sundays from 1-5pm

Sunday 23rd August

Wednesday 26th August

Sunday 6th September

Wednesday 9th September

Sunday 20th September

Wednesday 23rd September

Sunday 4th October

**Skipton Kerbside Bin Collection**

Red waste bins collected weekly, yellow recycling fortnightly, purple glass on first recycling week each month

Green bin collected fortnightly between January & September, weekly between October & December

Tuesday 18th August: Red & green bins

Tuesday 25th August: Red & yellow bins

Tuesday 1st September: Red & green bins

Tuesday 8th September: Red, yellow & purple bins

Tuesday 15th September: Red & green bins

Tuesday 22nd September: Red & yellow bins

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Please consider a financial donation to:

SKIPTON COMMUNITY SHOP

BSB 633 000

Account number: 230967804

SKIPTON OP-SHOP**OPENING HOURS**

The after-hours phone number for Stan has changed to
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Or drop us a note into our drop boxes in either the roadhouse or the Skipton Country Grocers.

The deadline for inclusion is 4pm every Friday, to be printed in the next week's newsletter.

Story contributions are also welcome.

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Community Conversation

- Thursday 10th September 2026
- Location - David Newman Community Centre, Camperdown
- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
- Lunch and refreshments provided
- Friendly small-group conversation

Spots are limited! RSVP essential. If you are interested, please call, scan the QR code or email: Andrea.Moloney@swh.net.au

Call Andrea Moloney
5563 4082



Scan the QR code

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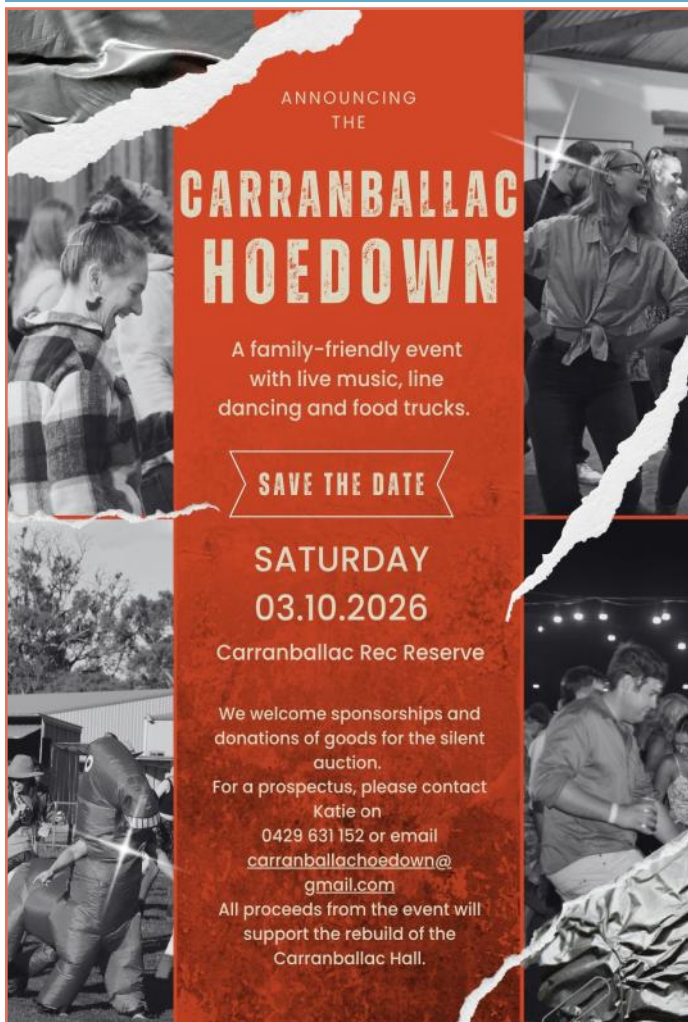
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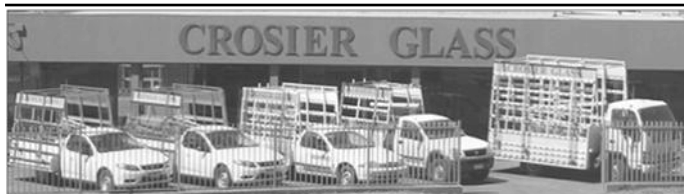
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The wind farm is proposed to connect to the electricity network via a new underground 220kV powerline to the Berrybank terminal station about nine kilometres south of the wind farm.

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



SQUADRON ENERGY

19 AUGUST 2026

BSHS NEWS BULLETIN

SUPPORTING LUNG CANCER SCREENING

Beaufort and Skipton Health Service is proud to acknowledge the significant contribution of Nicole Porter, to the development of 'Delivering the National Lung Cancer Screening Program: An Implementation Guide for Victorian Nurses'.



Nicole played an important role in the Establishing Best Practice Nurse-Led Recruitment and Support for the National Lung Cancer Screening Program (NLCSP) grant project, an initiative led by Cancer Council Victoria to support the successful implementation of Australia's first National Lung Cancer Screening Program.

Throughout the project, Nicole contributed her knowledge and practical experience gained through implementing the program within a rural general practice setting. She participated in project activities, shared insights through post-implementation interviews, and provided valuable feedback on the challenges, opportunities and practical considerations involved in delivering lung cancer screening in primary care.

At Beaufort and Skipton Health Service, the National Lung Cancer Screening Program has now been successfully embedded into the Primary Care Nurse role and chronic disease management appointments.



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Lump sums are due by 15 February, or the first quarterly instalment is due by 30 September.

Ratepayers having difficulties paying can call our Rates office on 5593 7100.

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Navigation Support Program

Derrinallum Library: Thursdays
20 August, 17 September & 5
November, 1–3 pm.



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Bird flu alert

H5 bird flu is present in wild birds in Corangamite. If you see sick or dead birds or wildlife:

- avoid contact
- record what you saw and where
- report it at agriculture.vic.gov.au/birdflu or call 1800 675 888.



What's on

Rest & Reset Sound Healing – Skipton

Sunday, 23 August, 2–3:30 pm
Skipton Mechanics Hall

\$10 plus booking fee. Register at events.humanitix.com/rest-and-reset-sound-healing

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McFarlane Dress Collection 'Fashion through the Ages' Exhibition

Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 September, 10 am–4 pm
Skipton Mechanics Hall

Free. Afternoon tea and fashion parade from 1 pm Sunday. RSVP: skiptonfiresrequest@corangamite.vic.gov.au

Kingfisher Watercolour + Sip – Skipton

Sunday 4 October, 12.30–3.30 pm
Skipton Mechanics Hall

\$35 per person. Bookings: Text Karen on 0427 728 808. Supported by Corangamite Shire

Three Cheese Workshop

Sunday 1 November, 1–3.30 pm
Skipton Mechanics Hall

Learn how to make bocconcini, mozzarella and halloumi. \$10 per person. Bookings: Karen 0427 728 808.

Supported by Corangamite Shire and the Skipton Progress Association.

Volunteers needed

Cook/kitchen hand

Help prepare food at the Bradvale camp. No experience needed.

Tree planting

Help plant 10,000 trees to restore the landscape and support local landholders recovering from bushfire. The BlazeAid Bradvale/Skipton Basecamp is doing tree planting alongside fencing work after the fires earlier this year at Streatham-Skipton and Larralea-Leslie Manor.

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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)**

THE TALKIES

WESTERN DISTRICT TOURING TALKIES

To not quite so large an audience as on previous visits, the Western District Touring Talkies again screened a first-class entertainment on Thursday evening, 23rd inst. The main attraction was Carl Brisson in "All the King's Horses," a film which displayed some very clever acting and proved a masterpiece in voice production. The supporting picture, "Father Brown, Detective," together with the usual shorts, completed the programme.

"WINGS IN THE DARK"

Loy performs daredevil role in new film.

Cast in the role of a daredevil aviatrix who risks life and limb for the sake of the man she loves, Myrna Loy, screen favorite, heads the cast of Paramount's "Wings in the Dark," which comes to Skipton next Thursday.



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in Paramount Pictures.

WORLD PEACE CONGRESS

GREAT GATHERING AT GENEVA

A great movement is afoot to co-ordinate all the forces for peace throughout the world and organise them so that they shall be more effective in their work at this critical time when world peace is threatened. Lord Robert Cecil is taking a leading part in this International Peace Campaign, as is M. Pierre Cot, a leader in the French Peace Movement. Already a Conference has taken place in Paris, when it was decided to hold a World Peace Congress in Geneva in September, just before the meeting of the Assembly of the League. It is hoped that by bringing together representatives of the people of every country to demonstrate to the Governments the overwhelming desire of the people for peace and for the successful functioning of the League, that peace may be preserved.

Requests came to several organisations in Melbourne that they should set up a co-ordinating Committee and this task was entrusted to the United Peace Council, which called a meeting on June 3 at the Assembly Hall. This meeting, consisting of representatives of 26 organisations, was whole-hearted in its support of the World Peace Congress and formed itself into the Victorian Council.

The objects of this Council are to give publicity to the Congress, to raise funds to send a delegate from Victoria, to accredit Australians who are in Europe as delegates, and to make arrangements for holding a Peace Congress here at the time of the World Congress.

To discover more about Skipton's past, drop into the Old Police House at 35 Montgomery Street between 2pm and 4pm on the third Sunday of every month. All are most welcome.

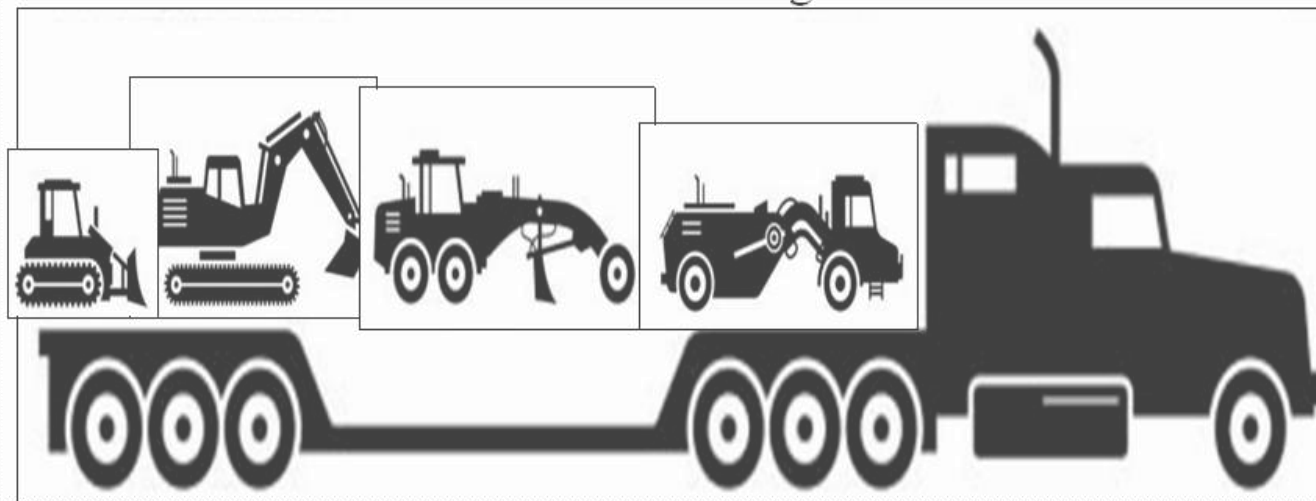
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BRONZE WINS PUT CAMPERDOWN AND PORT CABBELL AMONG VICTORIA'S BEST TOWNS



Camperdown and Port Campbell have been named bronze winners in the 2026 Victorian Top Tourism Town Awards, recognising the strength of Corangamite's visitor experiences from coast to country.

Camperdown took home bronze in the Small Tourism Town category, while Port Campbell received bronze in the Tiny Tourism Town category at the awards gala in Morwell last night.

Mayor Kate Makin said the result was a proud moment for both communities and a testament to the businesses, tourism operators, volunteers and locals who help make the towns welcoming places to visit.



L-R: John Maher (Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism representative) with Corangamite Shire representatives Mark Cuthell (Visitor Economy Team Leader), Mayor Kate Makin, Sam Fox (Coordinator Economy and Tourism) and Nina Devlin (Visitor Information Centre Assistant Coordinator)

"To have two Corangamite towns recognised among Victoria's best is a wonderful achievement and reflects the depth and diversity of tourism experiences across our shire," Cr Makin said.

"Camperdown offers heritage streetscapes, volcanic landscapes, vintage shopping, lakeside views and relaxed hospitality, while Port Campbell is a spectacular coastal village with access to beaches, trails and some of Australia's most iconic natural landmarks.

"Having one award-winning town on the Great Ocean Road and another in our beautiful Volcanic Lakes and Plains region is a powerful reminder that visitors can stay longer, travel further and discover so much more across Corangamite."

"We also congratulate Moyne Shire Council and the Port Fairy community on taking out silver in the Small Tourism Town category.

"Having more towns recognised across our region helps strengthen tourism for everyone and encourages visitors to explore more of what south-west Victoria has to offer."

The Victorian Top Tourism Town Awards, run by the Victoria Tourism Industry Council, celebrate towns that demonstrate a strong commitment to tourism, visitor servicing, industry collaboration and creating memorable visitor experiences.

Entries are assessed through a written submission judged by an independent panel, with public voting also forming part of the awards process.

—Media release: Corangamite Shire Council—

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN TO WORK AT THE 2026 STATE ELECTION



The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is looking for more than 25,000 people to fill a wide range of roles across Victoria for this November's state election.

Roles include working at a voting centre and counting ballots on election day Saturday 28th November, or supporting operations during the entire election period.

"Working with the VEC is a great way to contribute to your local community, making sure every Victorian can have their say at this state election," Electoral Commissioner Sven Bluemmel said.

"We have many casual election staff who return each election because they enjoy the fast pace, pay and purpose of the role. But you don't need past experience, we encourage anyone interested to apply."

Casual election staff receive training, and the experience can help develop skills in administration, customer service and teamwork, while supporting democracy in their community.

Applicants must be 18 years or older, eligible to work in Australia and available on election day, Saturday 28th November.

People who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, live with a disability or who don't have secure housing are encouraged to apply.

The VEC is a proudly independent organisation. During recruitment, applicants will need to declare any political activities they are currently or have previously been involved with.

People interested in working at the election can register their interest at vec.vic.gov.au/workatelections.

About the VEC

The VEC is an independent and impartial body established under Victoria's Electoral Act 2002, responsible for holding state and local council elections. We work to promote public confidence in the democratic process and ensure its integrity by:

- Maintaining the register of Victorian electors (the electoral roll)
- Promoting public awareness and understanding of electoral issues
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—Media release: Victorian Electoral Commission—



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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AND MEETINGS

Skipton Senior Citizens Club Every Monday at Skipton Mechanics Institute Hall From 2pm till 4pm on Monday, and on the fourth Monday have an earlier start of 12 noon for Lunch. Committee Meeting follows at 2pm. "Seniors" is a fantastic way to enjoy a weekly outing and to make new friends. Play Cards, Bingo, Carpet Bowls, and "lots of Other Stuff"!! - Seniors also have trips and outings throughout the year. - Just come along, you will be happy you did.	Wednesday 19th August, 6:30pm-9pm SKIPTON STEAK NIGHT WITH WARREN DAVIES - THE UNBREAKABLE FARMER at the Skipton Recreation Reserve. Free event, dinner included. Drinks available at bar prices. RSVP: skiptonfiresrequest@corangamite.vic.gov.au or 5593 7100.
Euchre Card Group Meets on Wednesdays at 1:30pm. In the Billiard Room, Mechanics Hall. All welcome. All ages will enjoy cards.	Friday 21st August, 7:30pm DARLINGTON MOVIE NIGHT at the Darlington Hall. Featuring <i>Nonnas</i> (2025) Comedy/Drama. \$5 entry, includes supper. Drinks and raffle tickets for sale.
Skipton Library in Mechanics Hall Opening times: Tuesday 10:00am to 12:00pm Friday 3:00pm to 5:00pm Fiction, non-fiction, LARGE PRINT, DVDs, eBooks, Children's books & DVDs, and biographies. Free membership, all welcome. Come and check us out.	Sunday 23rd August, 1:30pm MATINEE MOVIE featuring <i>Sweet Country</i> (2017) Western/Adventure. Starring Sam Neill and Hamilton Morris. Doors open 1:30pm, screening at 2pm. Admission \$10 for adults (includes afternoon tea), children under 12 FREE. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
Skipton Food Bank NEW OPENING HOURS - see Page 6 An emergency community pantry supplying food, toiletries, and other necessities for those in need, no questions asked. For cash donations, please deposit to: Skipton Community Shop BSB: 633 000 Account number: 230967804	Sunday 23rd August, 2pm-3:30pm REST & RESET SOUND HEALING at the Skipton Golf and Bowls Club with Shelley from H.O.P.E. Places are limited, bookings are essential, please contact Tash on 0435 894 456 or Helen on 0437 014 633.
Skipton Historical Society From 2pm-4pm, the third Sunday of every month, in the Court House Museum and Old Police House, in Stewart Park, Montgomery St, Skipton. All visitors welcome. Further enquiries, please call Secretary on 0407 310 990 or email skipton.history.au@gmail.com.	Tuesday 25th August, 2pm SKIPTON FRIENDS OF VISION AUSTRALIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson St, Skipton. Come along to help to continue our work caring for the vision impaired. Please contact President Yvonne Shady on 5340 2113 or Secretary Marg Fraser on 5340 3576.
Skipton Community Market The community market is held on the second Saturday of each month, 9am-1pm. If you are new in town, or haven't been to the market before, come and enjoy a free morning tea and browse the interesting stalls. For stall bookings, call Jan on 0422 785 017.	Tuesday 25th August, 6:30pm-8:30pm STREATHAM & DISTRICT POST-FIRE GARDENING SERIES at the Streatham Memorial Hall, 30 Campbell St, Streatham. Digby Alston, <i>Landscape design for country gardens</i>. Light supper provided. Please register your attendance with Lake Bolac Bush Nursing Centre on 5355 8700.
Beaufort Art Trax Gallery Is Open: Friday & Monday 11am - 3pm Saturday & Sunday 10am - 4pm Phone: Heather 0427 492 082	Wednesday 26th August, SKIPTON COMMUNITY NEWS NO LONGER DELIVERING TO MAILBOXES. More information on front page.
Beaufort Historical Society 9 Livingstone St, Beaufort Open hours every Wednesday 10am-4pm, and last Sunday of the month from 12pm-3pm. Except for the months of June, July & January. All welcome.	Sunday 30th August, 9:30am-12:30pm COMMUNITY WORKING BEE at the Skipton Golf & Bowls Club. Work includes tidying up the inside/outside of clubrooms and rejuvenating the golf course. Community members are welcome to lend a hand and make suggestions. BBQ lunch provided.
	Wednesday 2nd September BINGO NIGHT in the Supper Room, Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson St, Skipton. THEME: BODGIES & WIDGIES - ROCK 'N' ROLL Doors open at 5:30pm, eyes down at 6:30pm. Free tea and coffee available, light supper at interval. Great prizes to be won, everyone is welcome!
	Thursday 10th September, 11am-1pm, OLDER ADULTS CONVERSATION at David Newman Community Centre, Camperdown. Everyone is welcome to participate in friendly conversation. Lunch and refreshments provided. RSVP: Andrea Moloney 5563 4082
	Wednesday 16th September, 6:30pm-8pm AN EVENING WITH ABBEY HOLMES at the Beaufort Community Bank Complex, 39 Park Rd, Beaufort. Free community event, all community members welcome. Bookings essential, please call 5349 1659.
	Thursday 17th September SKIPTON COMMUNITY NEWS ON BREAK. Newsletter returns Wednesday 7th October. Please send in any Sept/Oct notices to be included in our final issue on 16th September
	Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th September, 10am-4pm, MCFARLANE DRESS COLLECTION "FASHION THROUGH THE AGES" EXHIBITION at the Skipton Mechanics Hall. FREE EVENT, afternoon tea and fashion parade from 1pm Sunday. Please RSVP by email to skiptonfiresrequest@corangamite.vic.gov.au