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NEW ROAD MARKINGS: KNOW THE RULES

Following the 2012 *Traffic Impact Study* report by VicRoads/City of Ballarat into road safety matters in Buninyong, VicRoads has recently completed some works in the village.

Speed restrictions of 50 kph have been introduced in sections of Warrenheip Street, and pedestrian refuge areas have been painted along the same street.

The latter markings have caused some confusion and uncertainty as to what rules apply to the marked areas, referred to as "painted islands".

The following are extracts and illustrations from the VicRoads manual and regulations as they apply to the *painted islands with surrounding single continuous lines*.

In the illustration (right), it is indicated that "drivers may drive up to 50m on the painted island after entering or before leaving the road".

The relevant road rule is Rule 138 (2) which states that

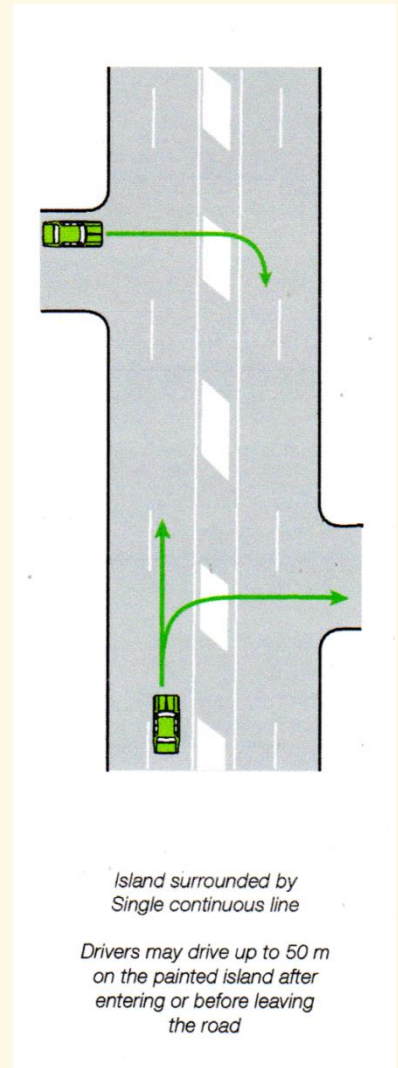
"A driver may drive on or over a single continuous line along the side of or surrounding a painted island for up to 50m

- (a) *to enter or leave the road, or*
- (b) *to enter a turning lane that begins immediately after the painted island"*

Sgt Peter Anderson of Buninyong Police said that his interpretation of the rule "is that it is acceptable to do a right hand turn across the island to enter a road, private driveway or business."

Sgt Anderson said that it is clear that it is not permitted to do a U-turn across the painted islands.

The Buninyong and District Community Association continues to lobby to improve safety at the School Crossing and on other road safety issues in the village



SCOTSBURN CAMPUS

WORKING BEE THANKS!

The amazing Scotsburn community spirit was on display once again this term, at our recent working bee. We had a huge turnout despite the less than perfect weather. Everyone, adults and children, pitched in to help spread soft fall around the playground, top up garden beds with soil, weed garden beds, trim trees and clean up around the front of the buildings. Thanks for your amazing effort!



NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

POLITICIANS, CLOCKS, MARKETS, TRAFFIC AND GRAFFITI - AN UNLIKELY MIX

The Buninyong and District Community Association (BDCA) continues to work on a range of community improvement and other projects and issues for the village and local area. At its most recent meeting held on 27 June, a range of matters were discussed, including the following.

State Election Forum Set

As in 2010, the BDCA has arranged a public forum at which candidates for the seat of Buninyong will speak and answer questions. The Forum will be held at the Buninyong Town Hall on Thursday 9 October commencing at 7.30.

At this stage, the candidates for the Liberals (**Ben Taylor**), the Nationals (**Sonia Smith**), and the sitting member and ALP candidate, **Geoff Howard**, have all agreed to participate.

Community members are urged to attend and raise issues affecting Buninyong and district with the candidates

Roads and Traffic issues

The BDCA's Traffic and Road Safety Committee continues to work on traffic issues affecting the Buninyong area. VicRoads has recently taken action on painting pedestrian "refuges" along sections of Warrenheip Street and reducing the speed limit there to 50 kph.

Lobbying continues on the need for improvements to the school crossing, to heavy traffic speed down the hill from Mt Buninyong, and on getting politicians and VicRoads to accept the need for preliminary discussions/planning for a by-pass – a project expected to become critical for the village in about twenty years' time

Graffiti to come off

After a successful trial of the City of Ballarat's portable graffiti removal unit, the Association has now moved to acquire a more powerful, trailer-mounted unit able to be brought into action immediately following reports of any graffiti in the village or surrounds. In co-operation with the City of Ballarat's Community Engagement team, the BDCA has applied for a grant for the purchase of the trailer and equipment.

The Men's Shed has generously agreed to 'house' the trailer and to form the basis of a 'response team' that will quickly move to remove graffiti.

New Look Village Market

Arrangements have been completed concerning the changeover in the management of the Market from the Ballarat East Rotary Club (whose last market was held in June) to the Committee of the Buninyong Good Life Festival. After a short break, the monthly market will recommence in the spring.

The GLF Committee has invited local groups to meet to discuss the market on Wednesday 16 July at 6.30pm in the Town Hall meeting room

Buninyong and bicycle strategy

Led by **Pat Hope** and **Roger Permezel**, lobbying continues to ensure that Buninyong is appropriately recognised in the current development of the Ballarat Draft Bicycle Strategy Plan. In early working drafts, there was little reference to Buninyong's place in local cycling activities, and little attention given to the development of local cycle paths.

Tick-tock back in Town Hall clock

For many months, local residents may have noticed that the clock on the tower of the Buninyong Town Hall had been "frozen" at 12.37. On 2 July, the BDCA requested Council -through **Cr Peter Innes** - to ensure that the clock is kept operational and has also asked that the flag and flagpole be upgraded.

At 9.30am on 3 July (see picture) the clock was showing 9.30am. Quick action!!

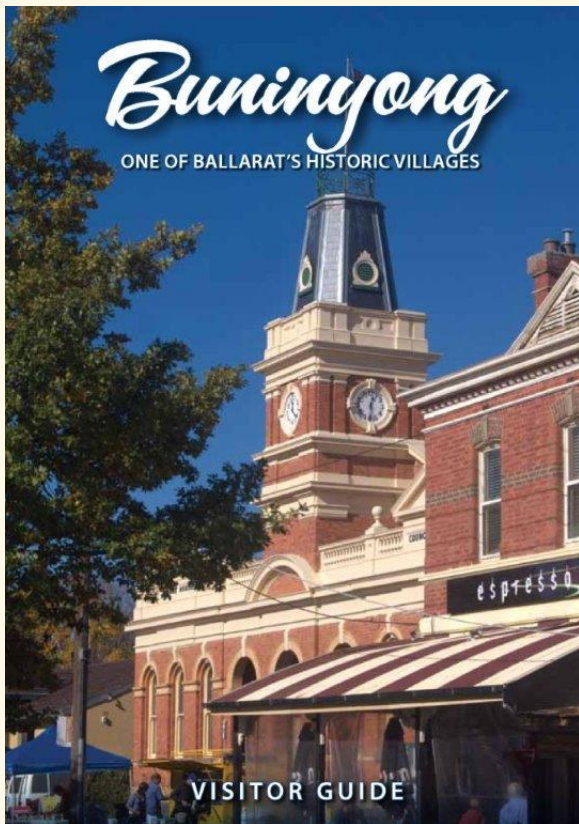


Entrance Signage Project

The substantial new stone entrance signage to the village, a major 2013-14 project of the BDCA, has received an overwhelmingly positive response from residents. The project was officially opened by the **Deputy-Premier Peter Ryan** recently. The solar lighting for the signage is still being adjusted, particularly for the sign of the Mt Clear Road where trees restrict the sunlight reaching the solar panel.

The signs were designed by local landscape architect **David Turley**, and the project was coordinated by **Barry Fitzgerald and Ian Salathiel**. Funding for the \$35,000 project came from Regional Development Victoria, the City of Ballarat and the Buninyong Community Bank.

New Edition of Visitor Guide Coming



Executive Director of Ballarat Regional Tourism **George Sossi** has agreed to a BDCA submission to fund a reprint of the very popular *Buninyong Visitor Guide* which was first compiled and published by the Association in March 2013.

The 24 page booklet has been distributed by the Buninyong Visitor Bureau, local businesses, accommodation properties, and is available at the Ballarat Visitor Information Centre and elsewhere.

Proprietor of the Miner's Church B & B, **Doug Bradby**, has described the *Buninyong Visitor Guide* as a "fantastic publication" and having "huge interest" for guests.

The new edition of the guide is expected to be available in October.

Answers given to 'Game Changing Questions'

One of the on-going roles of the Association is to ensure that a local response is made to various local government and State enquiries and projects. Recent examples have included the "Ten Game-Changing Questions" project conducted by the City of Ballarat, and the enquiry into proposed rezoning of the farming areas around Greenhill Road. BDCA member **Linda Zibell** has been active on both fronts.

In a substantial response to the "10 Questions" project, the BDCA noted matters such as the need to retain Buninyong's distinct boundaries and green wedge zones, and the need for sensitivity to heritage and good design principles.

Specifically, the submission stressed the strong local sense of community and unique local identity and the need for planning to be guided by the principles detailed in the *Canadian Valley Outline Development Plan*

Signage about the Village: work in progress

For the past two years the Association has been seeking an upgrade to the directional and way-finding signage in the



village as well as seeking some additional interpretative signage at places such as Tannery Flat, at the western end of de Soza Park. Discussions are currently taking place with the City of Ballarat's Director of City Strategy, **Natalie Reiter**, about providing funding for this project.

The present finger post outside of the Old Bank (picture) seems highly likely to soon collapse under the weight of its motley collection of signs!

Ballarat Heritage recognises blue plaques

Buninyong's blue plaques placed on historic buildings in the village- a 2013 project coordinated by the BDCA in cooperation with the Buninyong & District Historical Society have been recognised as an important heritage project by the 2014 Ballarat Heritage Awards.

Funding for this project came from the Buninyong Community Bank and the City of Ballarat's Community Impact Grants.



On a sad note, the person who assisted in erecting the plaques , **Alan (Snowy) McCahon** of Mt Clear, (see picture) passed away in late June, aged 80.

BDCA Website

BDCA Secretary **Gayle Adams** advises that the Association's website will have a new address as of 1 August. It will be **buninyongcommunityassociation.com.au**. The site can also be accessed using the group's previous name of Buninyong Progress Association.

New members are cordially invited to join the Association. Meetings are held in the Buninyong Town Hall Supper Room, commencing at 7.30pm

Subscription is only \$10pa. Remaining meetings for the year are scheduled for 28 August, 23 October (including the AGM), and for 4 December.

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CHANGEOVER AT BUNINYONG MARKET

After a short recess during the winter, the Buninyong Market will be relaunched in spring under the management of the Buninyong Good Life Festival.

First started some 15 or so years ago, the monthly Buninyong Farmer's market was originally held in DeSoza Park and, in more recent years, it has been located in and around the Buninyong Town Hall.

The Ballarat East Rotary Club, which has operated the market for four years, held its last market on Saturday, 21 June.

"The volunteers from the Rotary Club have done a great job in organising and conducting the Market, and the Association and community is grateful for their efforts", BDCA Secretary, Gayle Adams said.

Under the new operators, the market will be relaunched in Spring 2014 and will be renamed the Buninyong Village Market.

Buninyong Good Life Committee spokesperson Lisa Cressey said that the market would be "re-branded and expanded to include a greater range of stalls and activities including foods and produce, local fundraising stalls, Devonshire teas, and music.

"Over the coming years our Committee looks forward to developing the Buninyong Village Market, and, of course, generating some funds to enable the Good Life Festival to get bigger and stronger," she said.

It is expected that the first of the 'new look' monthly Buninyong Village Markets will be held in October 2014.

Lost, Stolen or Strayed

Missing from the Old Library/Buninyong Information Centre since January 2014

Large **Visitors' Book** containing family history enquiries and comments by visitors to the Information Centre.

Of great historical significance, and sorely missed.

Any information - please advise the Buninyong Information Centre

(10am-3pm, every day but Monday) 5341 8211

or the Buninyong Joint Library Trust 5341 3335 or 5341 2308

Lodge Re -installs Its Master

The Sturt Buninyong United Lodge re -installed Worshipful Brother Brian Coffey as its Master during an Installation Ceremony at the Buninyong Masonic Centre on Saturday 12st June.

Most Worshipful Brother Bruce Bartrop, Past Grand Master and member of SBU, assisted by members of the 2014 Grand Lodge Ceremonial Team, installed the Master and invested members of the Lodge Team.

During the Installation Ceremony, the members partners listened to Cr Peter Innis, Co-ordinator of the Ballarat Secondary College Link-up Young Parents program explain how it provides an opportunity for further education and support to teenage mothers. Peter was accompanied by one of the young mothers.

The Lodge has previously supported this program.

Sixty members, visitors and partners enjoyed a roast meal with sweets and coffee supper that concluded the 17th Installation since consolidation of Buninyong and Sturt Lodges in 1998.



MWBro Bruce Bartrop flanked by the Grand Deacons waits with his escort of Grand Officers prior to entering the Lodge for the Installation Ceremony.

Marvellous Marmalade Revealed at Fabulous Feast

A five course Fabulous Feast banquet organised at the Buninyong Masonic Centre by the Buninyong Marmalade Committee on 28th June attracted a full house.

Chef and CWA judge Barbara Porter of Naroghid teased the taste buds of the 83 diners throughout the evening as she wove the marvellous marmalade into all the dishes.

Roland Rocchiccioli spoke of his early association with food while growing up on the Western Australian goldfields. Italians loved food, sat around the table to eat and when money was tight they still made provision for food.

In those early settlements many of the foods that later became fashionable, were common place in our cuisine. Europeans eat all the food components of fowl and livestock. This attitude is often viewed with concern by non-Europeans.



A warm friendly atmosphere and plenty of conversation as diners embrace the elements of the Fabulous Feast.



The Retiring Duo sweets of mini New York baked cheese cake with pink grapefruit slices and macadamia nut sauce along with a Vanilla Mandarin Yoghurt with chocolate coated tuxedo



Roland Rocchiccioli, June Henderson, Russell Lucock and Lyn Fleming. June and Lyn led the organising committee



The Banquet table was set with style and colour.



Save Civic Hall
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Civic Hall major breakthrough

Many in Ballarat are tired of the indecision over the future of the Civic Hall, closed since 2002. Now at last a resolution is imminent.

After months of meetings, the City of Ballarat CEO, Anthony Schinck and members of *Save Civic Hall* have come to an agreement on a very positive way forward. The result is smiles all round.

Pending Council endorsement, a community participation process will start within a few months, facilitated by Ballarat architect and teacher, Ammon Beyerle of Here Studio.

The results of previous consultations, earlier proposals and surveys such as "Ballarat Imagine" will provide the starting point. This information will be carefully considered and series of public, open door studio workshops will develop visions for the whole site. The open door studio will bring the community together with artists, students, architects, planners and other technical experts to share ideas and build viable concepts for the Civic Hall.

Ideally, especially for the involvement of young people who have not seen the interior, the open door studio will be located at the Civic Hall but this requires more consideration.

In the first phase ten concepts will be identified and displayed to the public. After discussion and synthesis, further workshops will flesh out the initial ten to three to five concepts. It will be the first time Councillors have been given concepts fully developed by the community and stakeholders on which to make future decisions about the Civic Hall and its site. This process will insulate the concepts from the local and state Government elections.

Here Studio will facilitate the process, assisted by a partnership group of stakeholders representing a range of attitudes and interests in the Civic Hall site.

Ammon Beyerle, who is currently completing a PhD in participatory architecture, has led similar projects in other cities. At a recent forum run by *Save Civic Hall* he said that the Ballarat community must identify what it wants for the Civic Hall and how that can be achieved.

Mr Schinck confirmed that the workshops would focus on the whole site, not just the main building. He said, "This gives an endorsed process to move forward on ... we need to have faith in this process".

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

HERITAGE TREES REGISTER

The Ballarat Courier "News" June 23, 2014 page 7 pictured Friends of Ballarat Botanical Gardens **Lorraine Powell** and Sue Beck leaning against the two trunks of the Wedding Tree in the Ballarat Botanical Gardens. The Camperdown Elm has entwined over the years and it is a popular venue to conduct weddings. The City of Ballarat will this year launch the region's first Exceptional Tree Register to recognize and protect some of the city's favourite trees. The National Trust Significant Trees List is different to the City of Ballarat register and includes the Algerian Oak in Herriott Street Buninyong and the Chinese Elm on the corner beside the Crown Hotel.

MCDONALD'S FAMILY RESTAURANT BAKERY HILL

After holding the franchise for 18 years at the Bakery Hill McDonald's Family Restaurant **Ian and Kerrie Corcoran** have sold their interest to Laurie Nigro who now owns all the McDonald's stores in Ballarat. The Newsletter would like to thank the Corcorans for their advertising support for many years and wish them well for their future. The Ballarat Courier June 6, 2014 page 7.

ROTARY CLUB OF BALLARAT EAST

BUNINYONG FARMER'S MARKET

The Rotary Club of Ballarat East announced that the June market in Buninyong would be the last one. It is understood by the Newsletter that another community group will take over the running of the monthly farmer's market in the Spring. The Newsletter would like to thank the Rotary Club of Ballarat East for their involvement with the market for several years and congratulate them for their service to the community.

WINTER SOLSTICE CONCERT

The Ballarat Courier "Art Connect" 17 June, 2014 page 23 advertised a Sing Australia Ballarat and Ballarat North concert of Scottish songs to celebrate the Winter solstice. The sell out concert was in the Humffray Room of the Ballarat Mechanics' Institute in Sturt Street Ballarat and was a repeat of the repertoire of Scottish songs sung as part of the *For Auld Lang Syne* exhibition at the Ballarat Art Gallery recently. Sing Australia's **Marilyn Kent** was pictured with Ballarat North Primary School students Piper McPhan, Pavle Resanovic and music teacher Ange Marshall during a practice session.

UNDER 15 SOCCER

The Junior Sport Extra The J-File of The Ballarat Courier June 17, 2014 page 22 had action photos of the Under 15 soccer at Morshead Park on June 15. Buninyong played North United Black and went down 4-3 on the day. Pictured in their red and black jerseys were Buninyong players **Will Dickson, Rivah Mulheron, Luka Ryan and Brayden Crutchfield.**

NASA SPACE CAMP

The Ballarat Courier "News" June 19th 2014 page 6 featured **Geordie Brand** who hopes to visit the NASA space camp for visually impaired students at the US Space and Rocket Centre in Huntsville, Alabama in September. Geordie has limited vision in his left eye and no vision in his right. The 16 year old Mt Clear College student has dreamt of attending the NASA space camp ever since he can remember. He will be one of 250 other visually impaired students from across the world, including six from Victoria, at the camp where they will live in a simulated space station. A trivia night was held at the Sebastopol Bowling Club to help contribute to the \$6000 cost needed for the trip.

BUTTON HEAVEN AND SEW SPECIAL

The Ballarat Courier "Ballarat Essentials" "The Style Scoop-" June 21st, 2014 page 115 featured a beaming **Gael Fennell** (nee McNaughton) in front of a wall of buttons in her Button Heaven and Sew Special shop in Learmonth Street Buninyong. Gael said that buttons have become a major decorative item and invoked many memories for her customers of when they were young and played with grandma's button jar. Gael offers alterations and basic sewing lessons for all ages including school holiday programs and after school craft sessions. There is also a range of gifts and handbags, gloves, hats, aprons etc to browse through as well. See the advertisement at the back of the Newsletter for contact details.

SCULPTURE UNVEILING AT DOUG DEAN RESERVE IN DELACOMBE

The Ballarat Courier June 21, 2014 "Who's in it today" page 120 pictured **Jesse Selkirk and Angie Selkirk** from Buninyong alongside Quinn Lefevre from Hepburn and Amon Mether from Coburg North at the unveiling of the floating sculptures at the Doug Dean Reserve in Delacombe on a very damp Saturday June 14. The floating gardens will be a haven for wildlife and are an attractive addition to the reserve wetland area.

MINERS REST MEMORIAL

The Golden Plains Miner 29th May, 2014 page 13 featured a full page of the celebrations of the rededication of the World War One Memorial in Miners Rest. Sing Australia choir was in attendance and **Marilyn Kent** was shown conducting the National Anthem with the Miners Rest schoolchildren. **Graeme Kent** was photographed with the Rev John Furness and the City of Ballarat mayor Joshua Morris.

SOVEREIGN HILL CHRISTMAS IN JULY LIGHT SHOW

The Christmas Wonder Lights will run for two weeks of the school holidays every night at 5.30pm until July 13th. Sovereign Hill was transformed into a magical winterland by a sea of bright colourful lights and floating snowflakes on Friday night 27th June. Rugged up and enjoying the show were sisters, **Alice and Annie Glover** of Mt Helen. The Electric Canvas projection designer and technical director Peter Milne had worked for five weeks to ensure the light show would come to life but at the same time the mechanics of how it was done had to be hidden out of sight. The company has been involved with White Night in Melbourne in February and Vivid Sydney light show in May.

BUNINYONG KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

The Buninyong PreSchool will have an open day on July 11th at 28 Learmonth Street Buninyong 10am – 2pm and a Gala Ball at the Buninyong Golf Club on July 12th at 7.30pm to celebrate 50 years of operation.

Joan Taylor and **Maree Crosbie** were founding mothers and were part of a team led by Beth Ritchie that spent five years raising the funds to build the kinder. **Florence Goodwin** spent 20 years at the kinder in roles from cleaner to teacher and all three still live in Buninyong. A photograph in the Ballarat Courier July 4th 2014 page 3 showed all three looking over old photos.

BUNINYONG FIRE BRIGADE IN THE NEWS

The Golden Plains Miner July 3rd 2014 page 3 had an article about the possibility of a new fire station for Buninyong. The present infrastructure is aging and it was suggested that a new station which could incorporate the SES as well, could be built elsewhere if Crown land was available. The photograph outside the Buninyong Fire Brigade CFA pictured Geoff Howard, Member for Ballarat East, Wade Noonan, the Labor shadow Minister for

Police and Emergency Services, John McLeod, Ash Cahir and **Captain Marc Canaan** discussing their options.

MARMALADE BANQUET A SELL OUT SUCCESS

Chef and CWA judge, Barbara Porter, excelled with her "Fabulous Feast with a touch of marmalade" on 30th June in the Masonic Hall. The Golden Plains Miner July 3rd 2014 page 11 had an article written by Russell Luckock about the night which raised \$1500 for the contesting of the next MarmalAshes and \$300 for the Girl Guides who were some of the helpers on the night. Several photos pictured a happy crowd enjoying the night. Barbara Porter and her helpers Makealah Currie, Annabelle Latrobe, Madisyn Young, Lydia Young, Sarah Stewart and Jeanette Fox. The girls are from the 11th Ballarat Girl Guides 'Choc Chics". Also **Russell Luckock, Cr Peter Innes, Julie Innes, Yvonne Virtue, Carole Bartlett, Brian Howden, Glennys Bowers, Fiona Wilson, Judy Wilson** and special guest speaker Roland Rocchiccioli.

LABOR PLEDGES SAFER CROSSINGS

The Ballarat Courier "News" May 24, 2014 page 10 pictured Buninyong Primary School students crossing the Midland Highway at Inglis Street corner with crossing supervisor Bernadette and Labor politicians Geoff Howard, Ballarat East MP and State Opposition

Leader Daniel Andrews. Students **Veronica Rogers, Daisy Rogers, Molly Hudson and Olivia Reyntjes** were told that flashing speed lights were necessary on the highway and a new pedestrian crossing in Warrenheip Street in front of the Bendigo Community Bank was essential for the safety of school children crossing the roads.

MARMALASHES DINNER FUNDRAISER

The Golden Plains Miner May 22, 2014 page 7 featured members of the Buninyong Marmalade Committee preparing for a five course dinner, with a touch of marmalade, at 6pm on June 28th in the Buninyong Masonic Hall. **Pat Howden, Barbara Porter** (in full chef's attire), Jenny Bridgewater and **Lyn Fleming** were busy in the kitchen planning the dinner menu. Barbara is a member of the Australian Guild of Cooks and Chefs and the Australian Culinary Foundation and has kindly donated her time and expertise for this function and the meat has been donated by Buninyong Foodworks. Limited tickets are available by posting a cheque for \$35 per person to Marmalade, P O Box 563, Buninyong 3357 with your names/address details and enclosing a stamped self addressed envelope for the return of your tickets.



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(WORSHIP CENTRE)**

LEARMONTH STREET BUNINYONG.

Minister Rev. Lindell Gibson

Phone: Church office 53413515, or manse 53413200

**Traditional style service and children's program at 9-30am on Sunday
All welcome**

Join the Prayer / Walking Group at the Labyrinth on Thursday mornings at 9.00am. All welcome.

Walk the labyrinth, pray in the centre, then go out for coffee afterwards. New faces are always welcome. Holy Communion is usually held on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Family Service Sunday. We are now holding family services twice a month on the third and fourth Sundays. Children come and join the fun. 9-30am till 10-30am. This service has become very popular with worship directed towards families as a whole.

Mainly Music Buninyong. Mainly Music is in recess over the school holidays but will resume on 17th July at 9.15 am. In Mainly Music children are introduced to music, creativity and more. The group is now full but if you would like to go on the waiting list or want more information please phone Andrea on 0403 186406.

Open House. Open House is held on each Wednesday morning during school terms from 10am to 12 noon in the hall. All welcome.

Open Door. Wednesdays 10-30am to 12 noon at Sebastopol Mission Centre. Sandra Chapman is running a craft session each Wednesday. If interested contact Lyn King on 53413229 or Sandra on 53412047. The Mission Centre is now providing free soup to anyone on a Wednesday at 12 noon.

Book Club. The Book Club February 2014. now meets on the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting for the year will be at the home of Jill Mitchell on Thursday 17th June at 2.00pm. Any-one who would like to join the group please phone Joy Whitten on 53418189.

Mainly Music Group Sebastopol. The Mainly Music Program is in recess over the school holidays but will resume on 16th July. Mainly Music is held at Sebastopol Mission Centre from 9.15 – 10.15am and if you would like to be involved in any way please phone Bronwyn on 53301574.

Buninyong Service DVDs. If anybody would like to receive the DVDs of the Buninyong services please contact Lyn King on 53413229 or Lindell on 53413200. The loan of a DVD player is possible if it is needed.

Best wishes Joy Whitten.



Lions Club of Buninyong Mt Helen Inc.

Changeover

Every year our current President stands down and we install a new member as President for the next twelve months. We also install our new Board members who are responsible for running the Club.

Lion Simon Jess was elected by the members as President's and, at a function at the Buninyong Golf Club, our District Governor Lion Stan Falloon assisted by Past District Governor Lion Graeme Lukey, installed Lion Simon and the new members of his board for the year 2014-15. The Board members were:-

Immediate Past President - Lion Andy Paterson

1st Vice President - Lion Ian Voigt

2nd Vice President - Lion Gary White

Secretary - Lion Bill Jolly

Treasurer - Lion Barbara Voigt

Other Board members installed included Lions David Searl, Ondria Cheeseman, Cathy Maguire and Leicester Cheeseman.

The meeting was chaired by Lion Clem Foster who welcomed guests including Councillor Peter Innes, District Governor Stan Falloon and his wife Lion Robyn, Stuart McKee Manager of our local Bendigo Bank, Trevor and Allison Rickard from the Foodworks Supermarket in Buninyong and members from the Lions Clubs of Sebastopol and Mt Bolton.



2014-15 President Simon Jess toasts outgoing Immediate Past President Andy Paterson.



Lion Gary White holding his 10 year Service certificate.

Activities.

During June a group of us with several trailers went down to Rokewood where Bruce Walton from Warnook donated 4 loads of firewood. This goes onto our Stockpile and will be handed out to needy families in and around our district.

We also cleaned up a section of the highway from the Golf Club to the Cemetery as part of our "Clean up the Highway" campaign. It never ceases to amaze us as to the amount of rubbish we collect, and ask that travellers keep their litter in their cars and dispose of it properly rather than just throwing it out of their cars.



Lions Bill Jolly, Barbara and Ian Voigt and Keith Chapman with our "Collection".

About our Club

We meet regularly on the 1st Monday of each month, 7.30pm at the Buninyong RSL Hall for our Business Meeting, and on the 3rd Monday we have a more social Dinner Meeting at the Royal Mail Hotel, Albert Street, Sebastopol. Guests are more than welcome.

President - Simon Jess, Ph 0418 501 345, e-mail Simonjess_15@hotmail.com

Secretary - Bill Jolly, Ph 5341 2068, 0414 717 507 - e-mail bandijolly@spin.net.au

Treasurer - Barbara Voigt, ph 0407 048 159, e-mail bvoigt9@gmail.com

Scrap Metal - The Lions club will pick up your old, unwanted scrap metal including old white goods. This is sorted and sold, and all funds go back into our Community.

For pick up, please call Russell Williams on 5341 3452 or Bill Jolly on 5341 2068

Newspapers - We collect and sell old Newspapers, Glossy Magazines, Junk Mail etc., and now we can collect cardboard, and again, all monies go back into the Community.

It would be appreciated if papers could be laid flat and tied into bundles. They can be collected by us or you can leave them in the green bin outside our Lions Shed in Forrest Street (opposite the swimming pool).

For pick up please call Bill Jolly on 5341 2068.

Book Shop open every Saturday morning 10am to 1pm except Farmer's Market days from 9am to 1pm, and Wednesday afternoon from 2pm to 5pm in Learmonth Street next to the old bank. Great selection of second hand books including children's, travel, biographies, novels etc.

We are currently looking for Oxford or Macquarie Dictionaries. We have a need for these for a teacher who believes students should not totally rely on the Internet for their knowledge of words.

If you are looking for a book and it is not in stock, please ask and we will try and source it for you.

The shop is run entirely by volunteers and all proceeds from our sales go back into our community.

Donations of books, CD's, DVD's and old "Vinyls" are gratefully received.

LIONS - WE SERVE

BALLARAT FILM SOCIETY 2014

The Minerva Room, Mechanics Institute, 117 Sturt St, Ballarat

Huge new screen and equipment

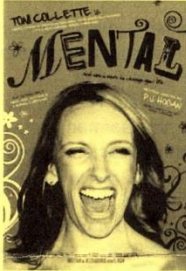
All films start @ 7.30 on the *second* Thursday of the month

February 13

Mental

Australia, 2012, 111 min.

Over-the-top-Australian Comedy



Director P.J. Hogan returns with his latest film since *Muriel's Wedding* (2004). Starring Toni Collette, Rebecca Gibney, Anthony LaPaglia, Deborah Mailman and an almost unrecognizable Lev Schreiber. Hogan takes another dysfunctional family and produces a cracking comedy that walks a tightrope between the passionate and the grotesque. The five Moomore girls feel they suffer from some kind of undiagnosed illness, but maybe they are just unpopular! See what happens when hitchhiker Shaz (Collette) moves in to

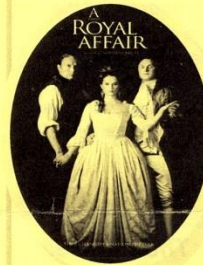
save the day after their mother has a nervous breakdown. Source: National Film and Sound Archive.

March 13

A Royal Affair

Denmark, 2012, 138 min.

Polished Danish Historical Drama



Dir: Nikola Arcel. Cast: Mads Mikkelsen and Alicia Vikander. Set in 18th Century Denmark, a young English princess travels to Copenhagen to marry King Christian V11 of Denmark. Finding him mentally unstable, she begins an illicit love affair with her physician. King Christian however, embarks upon unpopular reforms that lead into dangerous political territory. The pace is pitch perfect with Mads Mikkelsen playing an unforgettable role. Winner of the *Silver Bear* and Mikkelsen the

Best Actor in the 2012 *Berlin International Film Festival*. Source: *Madman*.

April 10

Tales of Ugetsu

Japan, 1953, b/w, 94 min. Dir: Kenji Mizoguchi.

Traditional Japanese Ghost Story

In the mid 1950s when the international film festival circuits got underway, Western critics praised Mizoguchi's films. Key to his direction is the mixing of real and the supernatural and his



mindful use of static slow observation and reflection. Ugetsu explores issues of love, honour, responsibility and family. Also, much like Max Ophul's *Letter From an Unknown Woman* (1947), Mizoguchi relentlessly deconstructed the prejudice and

hypocrisy confronted by women at that time. To watch this film is to be in the presence of cinematic greatness. Source: National Film and Sound Archive.

May 8th

Dupa Dealuri (Beyond the Hills)

Romania, 2012, 152 min. Dir: Christian Mungui.

Romanian Drama

beyond the hills



In an isolated orthodox convent in the remote corner of the Moldavian mountains, Alina has just reunited with Vachita after spending several years in Germany. Trying to convince Vachita to return with her, a strong attraction grows between the two which leads to an attempted exorcism by the church elders. Filled with fascinating detail and insight into pockets of contemporary European religious fanaticism and lesbianism the film has had limited release in Australia. The two female stars: Christian Flutur and Cosmina Stratan won awards for *Best Actress at Cannes*, 2012. Source: *Madman*.

June 12

The Master

USA, 2012, 132 min. Dir: Paul Thomas Anderson.

American Post-war Drama



Stars: Philip Seymour Hoffman, Joaquin Phoenix, Amy Adams and Laura Dern. Soundtrack: Radiohead. Anderson's 6th film is bold, original and controversial. Freddie (Phoenix) returns to the US after WW2 a broken and unsettled man. He meets a charismatic 'Master' (Hoffman) who is the leader of a mysterious new movement. Anderson uses the backdrop

of L. Ron Hubbard's Dianetics movement to situate the characters and peer into its making. Other films by Anderson include *There Will Be Blood* (2007) and *Magnolia* (1999). Source: *Rialto*.

July 10

Le Havre

Finland, 2011, 93 min. Dir: Aki Kaurismake.

Quirky Finnish comedy



Set in the French harbour city of La Havre, we are introduced to a bohemian shoeshine man called Marcel. In his neighbourhood a young African boy is being pursued by French authorities for deportation. This delightful film is a political fairy-tale that exists somewhere in between contemporary French film and the stylised gangster movies of Jean-Pierre Melville. Winner of the *International Critics Award at Cannes 2011*, Margaret and David gave it 4 stars. A very special film that is set in another era where there are still dial up phones, belted trench coats and a spirit of neighbourliness. Oh, and there is a really cute dog! Source: *Sharmill Films*.

August 14

Chasing Ice

USA, 2013, 75 min. Dir: Jeff Orlowski.

Cool Compelling Documentary



Chasing Ice was screened at the White House on Earth Day, 2013. In the film we follow acclaimed National Geographic photographer James Balog across the Artic as he deploys sophisticated time-lapse cameras to capture the multi-year changes in the Northern glaciers. For his project, *Extreme Ice Survey*, Balog and his young team come to understand the character and nature of ice as they witness the massive changes that are occurring. This film has won numerous awards including the winner of the *Satellite Award for Best Documentary*.

Source: Madman.

September 11

Les Enfants du Paradis

French Poetic Realism

France, 1945, 190 min., b/w, Dir: Marcel Carne.

Since its triumphant premiere in a newly liberated France in



1945, the *Children of Paradise* has maintained its unchallenged popularity. Screenwriter Jacques Prevert - gregarious, passionate and political - teams up with director Marcel Carne - remote and cool, to create sublime cinematic magic. The film took 18 months to produce and was made during the German occupation of France amidst tremendous hardship for actors, Jewish composers and the 1,500 extras used in the film. Set in the rich gamey world of mid 19th century Parisian theatre, farce, romance, melodrama and tragedy is swept up into a perfect narrative. It is like pure velvet to watch. Source: NFSA.

October 9 **The Big Heat**

USA, 1953, b/w, 90 min. Dir: Fritz Lang.

American 1950s Noir



Cast: Glen Ford, Gloria Grahame, Jocelyn Brando, Carolyn Jones and Lee Marvin.

Homicide detective Dave Bannon is an honest cop who investigates the death of a fellow officer Tom Duncan after a suspected suicide. Lifting the

lid off the garbage can, he uncovers a world of megalomaniac crime bosses, police commissioners and city councilors all on the same payroll. This is a ballad of hate, murder and revenge that only America of the 50s can pull off but we also witness the courage of others: a crippled woman gives him a lead and a band of old mates protects his daughter. (Watched by Mike in series 5 of *Breaking Bad*) Source: NFSA.

November 13

No

Chile, 2013, 117 min. Dir: Pablo Larrain, Madman

Gritty Docudrama

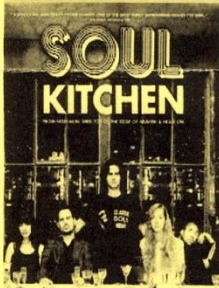


In 1988, due to international pressure, Augusto Pinochet holds a plebiscite on his presidency. Against all odds, a young ad man takes on the job of mobilizing Chilean people to vote 'no' to Pinochet's continued military rule. Shot in U-Matic to give the feel of the time and blend with actual footage, the film reveals a little known or understood role of how modern media can change the mood of a nation. This is Larrain's third film in a trilogy recording the Pinochet dictatorship between 1973 and

1988. Source: Rialto.

December 6 **Soul Kitchen**

Melting-pot comedy



Germany, 2009, 96 min. Director: Fatih Akin. Stars: Adam Bousdoukos.

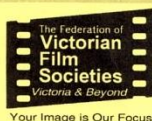
Zinos owns a basic chips and hamburger restaurant located at a warehouse in working class Hamburg. After meeting a 'temperamental' chef Shayn, Zinos intends to transform his restaurant into

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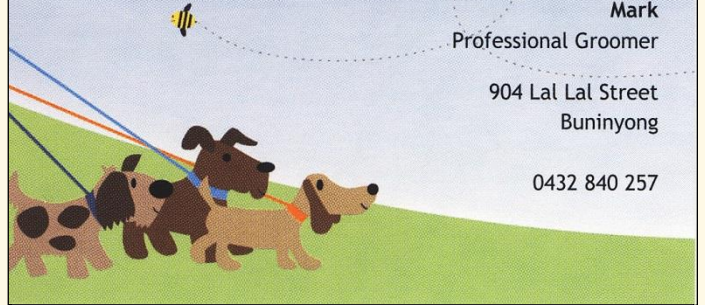
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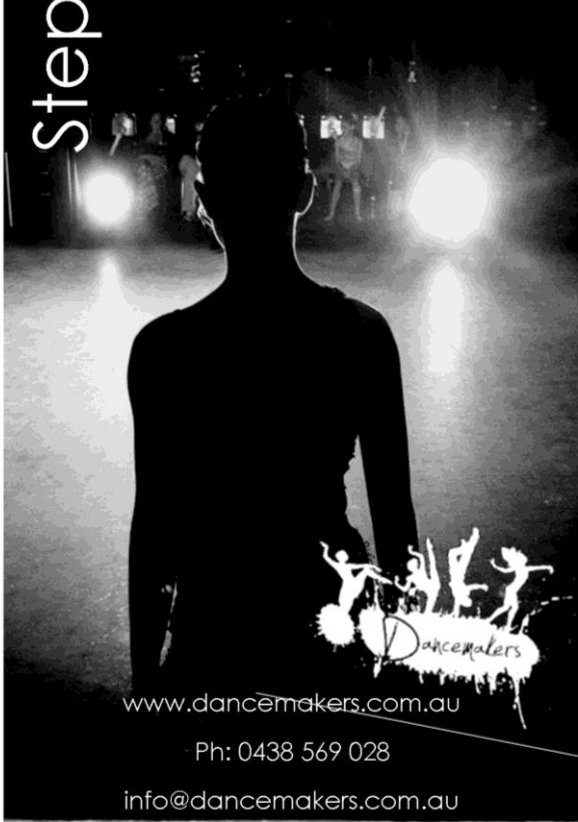
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