



Buninyong and District  
Community News

# Village VOICE



It is with anticipation of great things to come that the Buninyong and District Community Association launches the Village Voice, put together by a small enthusiastic team.

The Village Voice will be in a new digital format as we move with the times, although you will find a small number of printed copies available about the town for you to peruse.

You will be able to catch up on the local news and happenings while you shop or enjoy a coffee at one of our cafes. You will also be able to print a copy at home to share with family and friends.

It has been months of dedicated work with **Shell Corcoran** as our Project Officer.

**Shell** stepped into the role at the last minute and has spent many hours seeking information and resources to get us off to a great start.

But, a start it is. Without support your brand new Village Voice might be short-lived!

The news team need just a few extra regular members to be involved. You don't need to have editing skills but must have are: enthusiasm; a team approach; and preparedness to commit one or two hours a week.

So if you think this is you please get in touch, we would love to have you on board.

**Sue Yorston**  
President BDCA

# Advertise with us and support Community News



The Village Voice is a not-for-profit community publication covering the Buninyong and District area. It is a free publication run by our team of generous local volunteers who ensure that our community has a production that gives us a voice, a place to inform and stimulate, disseminate information, showcase our history, celebrate our achievements, and serve as a centralised platform to advertise our businesses, tourism opportunities, and events, among other things.

The Village Voice will be published bimonthly and will be eagerly read by the people of Buninyong and the surrounding areas, as well as anyone connected to our local community. It will also be widely accessible in digital format and through a limited number of printed copies enabling us to promote your business brand and products.

The Village Voice has flexible advertising opportunities allowing businesses to select from either single edition advertisements to annual advertisements. You will be able to design your advertisement in various sizes ranging from half A4 through to business card sizing depending on your needs and advertising budget.

By advertising with us you will not only benefit your business presence in the local community but will also be supporting community news by contributing to the cost of production and distribution.

For advertising enquiries, please email us at [news.bdca@outlook.com](mailto:news.bdca@outlook.com)

## Produced By

This is a community project of the Buninyong and District Community Association, with the support of the Community Bank Buninyong.

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## Management Committee

Village Voice: Buninyong and District Community News Production Team under the direction of Buninyong and District Community Association.

## Key Dates

Published on the 1st of: October; December; February; April, June; August.

Publication cut-off is 14th of month prior to production.

## How to Contribute & Guidelines

Contact [news.bdca@outlook.com](mailto:news.bdca@outlook.com)

Max 400 words per article.

Electronic submissions must be in either Microsoft Word or plain text only. Photographs or images must be in jpeg format.

The photographer must be identified, and have provided permission for publication prior to the photo being published.

Hand-written articles or photographs may be posted to - Village Voice: 408A Warrenheip Street, Buninyong 3357. Please provide a stamped, self-addressed envelope if any material needs to be returned.

The author's name will be published.

## Where to Read the Village Voice

Online via the website:

[www.buninyongcommunityassociation.com.au](http://www.buninyongcommunityassociation.com.au)

Facebook: Buninyong & District Community Association and other local community Facebook pages.

Via Poster QR codes on local noticeboards, for you to read or download to print at home.

Free limited printed copies will be available in local venues.

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The Village Voice Production Team - **Pauline, Shell, Darren, Greg** and **Lisa**

## Introduction to the Village Voice

This August introductory edition is informing the community about what to expect and how to get involved. The first edition of the Village Voice will be published on 1st October 2024.

Buninyong and District Community Association News Sub-committee has been working towards a sustainable approach to relaunching the community's new production for Buninyong and the District. Village Voice: Buninyong and District Community News.

**Community newspapers** play a crucial role in keeping local communities informed and connected. They are the voice of the people, and through their reporting, they can bring about positive change in the community. Additionally, community newspapers serve as a platform to promote local businesses and tourism, which helps to boost the local economy. Celebrating local culture, history, the arts, and achievements is another important function of community newspapers, as it helps to foster a sense of pride and belonging among the people.

**The local Production Team** has been established to cover the key components required to launch the news, including Editorial, Production/Design, Advertising, Account, and Distribution roles. We thank our volunteers, who offer their time, enthusiasm and experience to this project. Whilst we have made a start, we are actively looking to build our Production Team to ensure the ongoing sustainability of the production. We encourage anyone in our community to register their interest; no prior experience is needed to contact [news.bdca@outlook.com.au](mailto:news.bdca@outlook.com.au) and let us know which part of the production you would be keen to support.

**Get involved now.** We need Volunteer support across both the Production Team and Community Reporters, along with individual articles and contributions in order to continue!

**Send in your articles,** photos or news to our Production Team via [news.bdca@outlook.com.au](mailto:news.bdca@outlook.com.au).

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BUNINYONG AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

**CWA Buninyong Meeting**  
Thursday 1 August, 6pm  
Buninyong Community House

**The Bard in Buninyong**  
**Titus Andronicus**  
1,2,3 + 8,9,10 August  
The Crypt, Camp Street, Ballarat

**Cordelias Potted Operas for  
Women in Opera**  
Sunday 25 August, 2pm  
Buninyong Uniting Church

**BDCA General Meeting**  
Thursday 29 August, 730pm  
Buninyong Community House

**CWA Buninyong Meeting**  
Thursday 5 September, 6pm  
Buninyong Community House

**Saturday Breakfast**  
**Conversations on the Edge  
of a Mountain**  
Saturday 7 September, 930am  
Buninyong Uniting Church

**Chamber of Music**  
Sunday 8 September, 4pm  
Buninyong Uniting Church

**Oktoberfest**  
21 September from 12pm  
Buninyong Town Hall Precinct



We intend to seek out and feature local interests in the Village Voice. Please share contact details of your club, association or public group.



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**OR POST TO 408A WARRENHEIP STREET, BUNINYONG 3357**

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