



# LOCKY NEWS

*Lockington's Priceless Paper - Published Fortnightly*

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## DRAFT LOCKINGTON & DISTRICT PLACE BASED PLAN OPENS FOR COMMENT

After several months of extensive community consultation and engagement, the Lockington & District Place Based Plan Committee has approved the draft Lockington & District Place Based Plan for the community to review.

The Lockington & District Place Based Plan Committee worked alongside independent consultants Cred Consulting to guide the development of the plan.

During the next six weeks, Lockington & district community members will have the opportunity to read and discuss the contents of the plan and provide feedback before it takes the next step, being tabled to Campaspe Shire Council.

From 20 January until 5 March you will be able to read the draft Lockington & District Place Based Plan and submit feedback online or in person at Council's Customer Service Centres.

Hard copies of the plan and the feedback forms will also be available at the Lockington District Business Centre.

A number of drop-in sessions will be held at Lockington over the coming weeks to present and discuss the draft plan, including:-

### Monday, 20 January

· In front of the Supermarket (12 noon - 2pm); · Lockington Pool (3pm - 5pm)

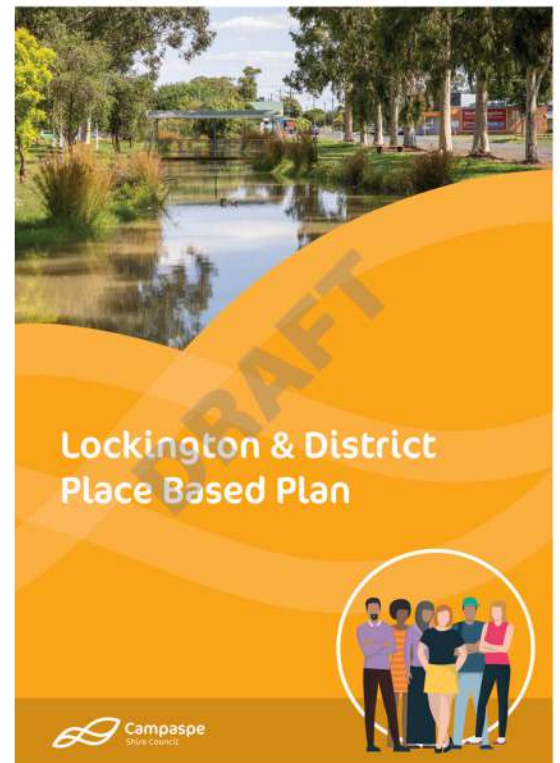
### Saturday, 1 February

· Bamawm Lockington Cricket Club Ladies Day (12.30pm - 2.30pm)

### Thursday, 13 February

· Lockington Business Centre/Plumbers Shed in conjunction with Community Cuppa Connection (10am - 12 noon)

**Submissions close at 5pm on Thursday, 6 March 2025. For more information, visit [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/lockington](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/lockington)**



## SHOULD WE HAVE A REGULAR MARKET?

Lockington Neighbourhood House is seeking community feedback following the Christmas Maker's Market staged at Apex/Lions Park on 19 December.

The market attracted 16 stall holders and was run in conjunction with the annual Community Christmas Carols.

There has been interest in developing a regular Lockington Market and we're keen to explore what type of a format and schedule might work best for the town.

We think that three or four markets annually are potentially feasible, run in conjunction with established community events. However, your input is welcomed and encouraged.

If you have any ideas on where, when and how these markets should be staged, please contact Lockington Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott on 0499 170 329 or email [nhldbc@gmail.com](mailto:nhldbc@gmail.com)

We would like to thank the stallholders who supported the Christmas Market, as well as the Port Ice Creamery from Echuca and Lockington Lions Club who provided a barbecue dinner.

Our appreciation is also extended to Campaspe Shire Council for valued assistance with traffic management on the night.

## LOCKINGTON - LINES IN TIME

Hello again everyone,

**Happy New Year 2025 - but we have only reached January 1910, as we look back at the early newspapers to learn how the farming communities of this district were faring.**

That year would mark the beginning of enormous changes for our district. The irrigation scheme, sought since the earliest selector settlers arrived here, was coming to be – but it was not to be the scheme for which the residents had hoped; a system of channels that would simply bring extra water to their farms for stock and domestic purposes; a solution in times of water shortage or drought.

Instead, what was to be provided was an irrigation scheme that could be justified only if used for intensive farming – small acreages used to produce fruit, vegetables, dairy produce and the like. Across the district, thousands of acres of land, generally representative of the choicest and most successfully operated of the existing farms, were being acquired by the government, to be subdivided and re-allocated to hundreds of new settlers, a majority of whom were to be recruited from overseas!

In a matter of months, many of the long-established local communities would disappear or become unrecognisable, with most of their former residents having moved away to retire, or to take up land elsewhere.

The hopes and plans of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission and the Closer Settlement Board were outlined in press statements, published by the metropolitan daily newspapers, such as that which appeared in the Melbourne Argus on 17 January 1910. It quoted Mr Elwood Mead, an American experienced in the establishment of similar irrigation systems in his own country, who had been appointed as the Chairman of the S R & W S Commission.

"Every developing country has to seek settlers, just as it has later on to seek markets, and nothing better repays careful, persistent effort."...

"We found it desirable to operate in ... the Bamawm district, where there is good land on the authorised route of the Goulburn Waranga Mallee channel, and no existing channels to interfere with a perfect scheme of water distribution being planned."

... "Bamawm scheme ... will become an immigrant settlement, although we will not, of course, exclude Australians. They will have the first chance." ... "We propose to follow the methods adopted by settlement promoters in America, and appoint experts who will give instruction and advice in grading and preparing land for irrigation, and in irrigating and cultivating it.

Several experts may be brought over from the United States for this service." ... "We must go to Europe and the United States for the settlers. In Great Britain, Denmark and other Continental countries and in the United States, farmers are used to the intense culture on small holdings we desire to promote by irrigation here." ... "Reliable farm labour could however be obtained in Great Britain and on the Continent. It is badly required in all the irrigation districts. There can be no real development in irrigated culture without it." ...

"How shall we obtain these settlers? There is only one way ... We must go out and look for them." ... "The sons of Victorian farmers show no special liking for irrigated culture on small areas, in spite of the very profitable returns proved to be obtainable from such holdings ... Their inclination is to move out to the wide and cheap areas of the less thickly populated States, where there are obvious opportunities of prosperity for the man who has the courage of the pioneer.

Therefore, immigrants skilled in this special class of farming must be found".... "It will be 50 years before the irrigation districts of Northern Victoria are filled up, if we rely on natural development only to provide increased population." ... "It will take several months to get the Bamawm scheme into such condition that settlers can be placed on it. What ought to be done, when the plans are ready, is to send a delegation abroad - to Europe and the United States - to seek for settlers." ...

"A Minister of the Crown ought to be a member of this delegation." ... "Once set the current of immigration steadily in the direction of Victoria," said Mr Mead, in conclusion, "and we would soon be able to find room for 100,000 new settlers. By building another reservoir at Tahbilk, we could irrigate four times as large an area as that of the schemes already provided for.

A forward immigration and settlement policy would send Victoria bounding ahead of any other State in the Commonwealth."... "In wealth production we want to aim at making 40 acres do what 400 acres are now doing."... "[Bamawm] will be one of the best (if not the best) of irrigation schemes in Australia."

Alongside these exciting developments, to a limited extent, the local district continued to function as usual. As reported by the Bendigo Advertiser on 18 January 1910, cricket got underway with an association consisting of the Wanurp, Terricks, Mologa and Mitiamo clubs, formed as a result of a meeting held at the Royal Mail Hotel, Mitiamo, on 15 January.

At Warragamba, as reported by the Elmore Standard on 19 February 1910, a well-attended meeting was held at the Creamery on 15 February, forming a local tennis club. (The Warragamba correspondent also wrote that drinking water had become scarce there, many farmers trusting to the generosity of their more fortunate neighbours for supplies.)

Other bad news came in a report in the Bendigo Advertiser on 22 February 1901 - The homestead of Mr August Petzke, of Wharparilla, was totally destroyed by fire that morning. The outbreak was caused by a child upsetting a kerosene lamp.

More of 1910 next time. 'Bye until then,

- Marg O'Brien

### **Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.**

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### **Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex Inc.**

#### Sunday Duty Roster

19 January - Don O'B & Andrew Mc

26 January - Des & Tom

2 February - Jim & Therese

9 February - Sandra & Ian W

16 February - Jack & Susan

# LOCKINGTON CHRISTMAS MARKET & COMMUNITY CAROLS



A good crowd came to Lockington on 19 December to wander the Christmas market stalls, enjoy an ice-cream and partake of a barbecue supplied by the Lions Club.

The Locky Ukers performed then the combined churches lead a Carols program.

Anglican Minister Jeff Millard was an excellent MC and drew the children in with nativity questions, and of course the winner was rewarded with a lolly.

The other children didn't miss out, later they all received a sweet plus a nativity word search puzzle, notebook and pen.

Community Church members sang and did a Bible reading.

Rev. Samuel Kelly, of the Anglican Church, delivered a message based around the symbols of Christmas and what each one meant, as an example Presents – gifts from the Maggi; Wreath – circular shape symbolising the strength of Jesus' love and a reminder of the circle of life, love and rebirth.

Other symbols referred to included roast lamb, candy cane and Christmas tree.

Father Caldwell closed the service in prayer, then a short movie, "The First Christmas" was shown.

Story & Photos - Beryl Marshall

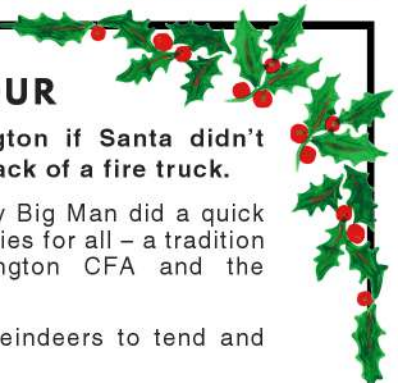


## SANTA'S FIRE TRUCK TOUR

It wouldn't be Christmas in Lockington if Santa didn't make his annual appearance on the back of a fire truck.

To the delight of local children, the Jolly Big Man did a quick sweep of Locky on 23 December with lollies for all – a tradition made possible thanks to the Lockington CFA and the generosity of a local family.

Santa couldn't stay long though, with reindeers to tend and presents to get ready for the big day.





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# 2025 AUSTRALIA



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# Breakfast in the Park

## SUNDAY 26 JANUARY

FROM 8AM (GOLD COIN DONATION)  
at Lockington Lions/Apex Park

**FLAG RAISING CEREMONY 10AM**  
**GUEST SPEAKER - MR WILL MOLLHOLLAND**

This Lockington community event is made possible thanks  
to the sponsorship support of Campaspe Shire Council



## 80 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Former Lockington and Rochester residents Lorna and Bill Pittaway celebrated a significant milestone on 5 January.

A small group of family and friends gathered at Harmony Village in Shepparton to recognise their 80th Wedding Anniversary.

An 80th wedding anniversary is known as an oak anniversary - the oak tree is a symbol of strength and longevity, and represents how things can improve with age.

Lorna and Bill were married in Bendigo on 5 January, 1945.



Dedicated local sporting identity Eric Bish was recently recognised for his outstanding service to cricket.

Eric's contribution as a player and administrator spans more than 50 years and the award was deserved acknowledgement of his contribution at both a club and association level.

It goes without saying that the award was also recognition of Eric's wife Debbie and the support that she has provided behind the scenes.

EVERYONE IS welcome here

### THE LOCKY UKERS PRESENT A DYNAMIC SINGING WORKSHOP WITH STELLA SAVY



Join Stella Savy from 'Cocosounds' as she collaborates with us to enhance the vocal component of the group. Stella will help us to build confidence with singing, provide the tools to harmonise, and enhance our love of performing together!

Sunday Feb 9th 1030-3pm  
@ the Heritage Centre, Market St  
Lockington

\$15 cash at the door includes lunch and afternoon tea

Register by 27/01/25  
Email [supasu60@gmail.com](mailto:supasu60@gmail.com)  
With your name, phone contact, email, and dietary restrictions

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### January

- 20 & 21 Inflatables fun @ Locky Pool
- 22 School Holiday activity in Lockington  
Snakebite education @ LDBNC
- 26 Lions Club Australia Day breakfast
- 27 Australia Day Public Holiday

### NEXT TYPING DAY - LOCKY NEWS

- 28 School Term 1 commences

### February

- 1 BLU Cricket Pink Stumps Ladies Day
- 3 Defib Health Checks @ LDBNC

## JANUARY OP SHOP HOURS

St Mary's Op Shop, located within the Lockington Business Centre, has altered hours for January only.

The Op Shop will open from 10am to 2pm on Friday 17 January, Friday 24 January and Friday 31 January only

Normal shop hours resume from Monday, 3 February.



# Lockington Outdoor Aqua Fit 2025

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**JANUARY SESSIONS**

All session's at 6.00pm

- Tuesday 21/1
- Thursday 23/1
- Tuesday 28/1
- Thursday 30/1

**FEBUARY SESSIONS**

All session's at 6.00pm

- Tuesday 4/2
- Thursday 6/2
- Tuesday 11/2
- Thursday 13/2
- Tuesday 18/2
- Thursday 20/2

**\*Sessions subject to change**



# School Holidays At Lockington

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Activity	Detail	Venue, Date & time	Age	Booking
<b>Mirrors</b>	Have some fun and decorate a hand held mirror. 	<b>Lockington Library &amp; Business Centre</b> Wednesday, 22 Jan 10am - 11.30am	Age 5+	<b>Please book</b> Ph: 5481 2400 or Online  <b>Places limited</b>

Join the Big Summer Read online. (instructions above)

Campaspe Library | 03 5481 2400 | [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/library](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/library)

## Inflatable Fun At Outdoor Pools

**Month of January**  
4.30pm - 6.30pm

Tongala	2 & 3	Lockington	20 & 21
Kyabram	6 & 7	Tongala	23 & 24
Stanhope	9 & 10	Kyabram	26 & 27
Rushworth	13 & 14	Stanhope	30 & 31
Colbinabbin	16 & 17		

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## DEATH NOTICE



**DULLARD, Justin Lawrence.**  
 27.03.1956 ~ 07.01.2025.  
 Aged 68 years.

Died at Bawn Moore, Pine Grove East, after a courageous life.

Proud and loving Father of Emma, Rachael and William; Father-in-Law of Shane and Harrison. Adoring Grandfather of Pippa.

Cherished Son of James and Marie (both dec).

Beloved Brother of Patrick (dec) and Glenda; Carmel and John; Tim (dec); Monica and Gen; Tess (Barbara) and David (dec).

Adored Uncle of Aidan, Claudia and Charlie; Florence, Oliver, Lionel and Sophia.

*May His Gentle Soul Rest in Peace.*

### CAN YOU HELP?

**Lockington Living Heritage Complex needs a tall, lockable storage cabinet in good condition.**

The Committee would love to find something that is surplus to someone's needs and therefore available free of charge, however, a small budget may exist for the right item.

If anyone has a cabinet that may fit the bill, please contact Tanya at Lockington Neighbourhood House.

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## Project Update

Works on the Victoria Park boat ramp were recently completed with renewal and upgrade to the wet ramp pavement and existing retaining walls, and installation of an all-abilities walkway ramp and floating dock.



**Coming Up** Council meeting | 6pm Tuesday, 18 February 2025 | Echuca Civic Centre  
Meetings can be streamed live: [www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming](http://www.campaspe.vic.gov.au/livestreaming)

## Immunisation Sessions

**By appointment only.** Register at [campaspe.vic.gov.au/immunisations](http://campaspe.vic.gov.au/immunisations)  
If you are feeling unwell or have any cold or flu-like symptoms, you must cancel or reschedule your appointment.

### Tuesday, 4 February

• 5:50pm – 6:20pm | Rochester Service Centre

### Thursday, 6 February

• 9:40am – 10:30am | Echuca Library

### Wednesday, 19 February

• 9:00am – 10:20am | Kyabram Senior Citizens' Centre

Need help making an appointment?  
Please call Council on 1300 666 535.

## Tenders

### Request for Tender 24045: Provision of Veterinary Services.

Council is seeking submissions from suitably experienced providers for the above work. Submissions must be uploaded to the eProcure tender portal on Council's website no later than 2pm on Friday, 31 January 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted.

### Request for Tender 24056: Rural Road Rehabilitation Program – Trewin Road Burrumbot and Burnewang.

Council is seeking submissions from suitably experienced providers for the above work. A non-compulsory site visit will be held at 10am on Thursday, 23 January 2025 at the Northern Highway and Trewin Road intersection, Burrumbot. Submissions must be uploaded to the eProcure tender portal on Council's website no later than 2pm on Friday, 31 January 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted.

### Request for Tender 25001: Construction of Dog Parks in Kyabram and Tongala.

Council is seeking submissions from suitably experienced providers for the above work. A non-compulsory site meeting will be held at 11am on Wednesday, 22 January 2025 starting at Bosse Park, Tongala followed by Edis park, Kyabram. Submissions must be uploaded to the eProcure tender portal on Council's website no later than 2pm on 21 February 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted.

## Employment

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- Building Inspector
- Early Childhood Educator
- Governance & Risk Coordinator
- Group Fitness Instructor

- Learn to Swim Teacher
- Saleyards Administration Officer

For all positions currently open and application details, visit Council's website.

## Now Open

For all projects and applications open, visit [campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen](http://campaspe.vic.gov.au/nowopen)

### Community Flood Recovery and Resilience Grants

The Community Flood Recovery and Resilience Grants aim to support individuals, families, and organisations affected by the October 2022 flood event and plan for a flood-resilient future. The grants provide funding of up to \$10,000 to eligible not-for-profit community organisations, groups, social enterprises, and creative organisations. Each eligible applicant can submit one application per project or event, with a maximum of five applications per organisation. Activities must be completed by April 30, 2025.

### Community Vision Survey

With the newly elected Council, we're renewing our Community Vision. We have a few quick questions to ask community members that will help us to understand your views on the current Community Vision. Visit the "Now Open" section on our website for more details.

### You could win \$100 by doing our Community Grants Survey

Council's Community Partnerships Team is currently conducting a survey about our various community grants programs and is seeking community feedback. By completing the survey, you could win a \$100 gift card. You can find the survey on our website in the "Now Open" section.

## Free workshop: Social media & content marketing

Campaspe Shire Council and Business Victoria, in collaboration with Monarch Institute, are offering this free workshop to give small businesses guidance on how to improve their social media and content marketing skills.

'Social media and content marketing' is a free three-hour workshop which provides actionable tips, tools and strategies to enhance your understanding of customers, competitors, branding, and your unique selling proposition.

This workshop is for small business owners and entrepreneurs who want to master social media and create compelling content.

Date: Wednesday, 19 March 2025

Time: 10am-1pm

Venue: Echuca Library





### CLASS REUNION

Beryl Marshall (nee Cunnington) is organising a Class Reunion 1 March 2025 of late primary and early secondary classes from Lockington Consolidated School.

The reunion covers 1955 to 1959 incorporating Grades 4 to 6 and Forms 1 & 2. Beryl is still looking for some class members.

Any information about Irene Beecroft (Mathewson), Graeme Clarke, Rosemary Fuller (Edwards), or Gwen Marshall (Kemp) would be greatly appreciated; please contact Beryl Ph 0428 862 353 or email lbmarshall@bigpond.com.

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## LOCKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

Office staffed 8.30am to 5.00pm Tues/Wed/Thurs  
Ph 0499 170 329 Email nhldbc@gmail.com

### STELLA SAVY VOCAL WORKSHOP

The Locky Ukers will host a vocal workshop led by renowned singing coach Stella Savy on Sunday, 9 February.

The workshop is open to anyone interested in participating.

The cost for non-Ukers members is \$15.00 per person which includes lunch and afternoon tea.

Stella Savy has been a musician and teacher for over 20 years. She has taught all age groups and abilities in education settings throughout Australia.

She has also worked with choirs for many years, ranging from community groups to professionals.

She has a theatre background and an extensive skill set, including body percussion, harmony, hand-drumming and singing.

The Stella Savy workshop will be held at the Lockington Living Heritage Complex from 10.30am to 3pm.

To register, or for further information, email Su Taylor at supasu60@gmail.com.

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Lockington Neighbourhood House would like to know how best we can support our local youth.

For many years Youth Action Group (YAGers) has run weekly during school terms but we're unsure whether this is the most practical way to provide an outlet for Locky's high-school aged kids.

Are outings, workshops, education or training opportunities a more appealing option? What interests should we be engaging with?

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please reach out to Neighbourhood House Co-ordinator Tanya McDermott.

### WHAT'S ON – 2025

#### Casual Art Group

If you enjoy creative pursuits, why not come along to the Casual Art Group which meets in the Plumber's Shed every Monday morning from 10am. Whether you're interested in painting, mosaics, embroidery, craft or any other creative activity, you'll enjoy spending time with this inspiring group.



#### Men's Shed

Lockington Men's Shed is open for morning tea and a catch up from 10am every Tuesday. Men's Shed members are welcome to utilise the extensive range of woodworking equipment at any time by arrangement with Lockington Neighbourhood House.



#### Locky Ukers

The Locky Ukers proudly describe themselves as home grown community music. The 20-strong group meets every Tuesday from 6.30pm at the Lockington District Business Centre. The Ukers are in growing demand to perform publicly and always working to improve their performance skills. Beginner ukulele classes are staged during the year for those who are new to the instrument.



#### Community Garden

Lockington Community Garden is maintained by a passionate group of volunteers who meet at 9.30am every Wednesday. New participants are always welcome. Community garden produce is made available at no cost to locals at the Lockington District Business Centre.



#### Ladies' Woodwork

A group of like-minded ladies meet in the Men's Shed every Wednesday evening from 5.30pm. Participants share skills and knowledge in an inclusive and supportive environment and undertake a range of woodworking projects. Men are also welcome to attend.



#### Cuppa Connection

A free community wellbeing event held on the second Thursday of each month from 10am to 11.30am at the Plumber's Shed. The first Cuppa Connection for 2025 is on 13 February.





**Save the date: Monday 3rd February 2025!!!!**

**Annual Defib Health checks - FREE for non-profit community groups**

The date for the Community Defib Roundup / annual testing is Monday 3rd February 2025. This is the perfect opportunity for your organisation to get their device checked and ensure it is functioning effectively when it is required.

The \$15 charge to assess and test devices will be waived for non-profit community groups. We would like your device booked in before this date as part of our registration process. Devices can be left at the Centre on Friday 31st January in preparation for testing.

Devices **needed** for events in the days leading up to 3/2/25 can be dropped off on the morning of the 3rd by arrangement (but still need to be booked in prior to this - so we can cater to the community's needs)

- Please ensure your device is labelled with the organisations name and address so each can be returned to the respective club that it belongs.
- Provide a name and mobile number for your responsible contact person.
- Advise the Centre of hours that your machine is accessible

The visiting technician will advise any devices that require replacement battery and or pads (approx. cost for this can be around \$500 for both)

Help us to help you ensure your device is in optimum working order when it is needed to save a life. This Defib Roundup is set to become an annual event to ensure all devices in our community are functioning properly.

(see information on next page)

Your device will then be certified and registered to ensure compliance.

**Snakebite Education & Bandaging**

Nurses Kez and Lucy will be running a snakebite first aid education session on Wednesday 22nd January 2025 at 2pm at the Centre. Please ring and register your interest by contacting the Centre on 54862544.



**Reminders:**

Please where possible ring and book appointments at the Centre to minimise wait times and help nurses plan their day on 54862544.

Staff lunchbreak is **12:30-1:30pm** daily,  
please avoid interruptions unless it is an emergency.



Lockington & District Bush Nursing Centre Inc. 31 Pannoo Road Lockington Vic 3563

Ph: 03 5486 2544 Fax: 03 5486 2662 email: [admin@ldbnc.org.au](mailto:admin@ldbnc.org.au)



## LOCKINGTON BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP

**Steve Pavone and Phillip Cunnington contested a memorable Lockington Bowls Club Championship Final on excellent greens and in glorious weather conditions.**

Pavone drew first blood with two on the first end as Cunnington grabbed a single. The pair then traded ends with the scores level at 9-all after thirteen.

Pavone stretched the lead 15-10 before his opponent fought back to level the tally at 15-all. The crowd was spellbound.

Suddenly Cunnington was on song, winning the following six ends with some immaculate draw bowling to open up a lead of 22-16. Not to be denied Pavone also drew the jack on several occasions, striking back to collect 7 shots over the following ends and regain the ascendancy and his confidence at 23-22.

In the run to the ultimate 25 shots required, Cunnington drew the absolute as Pavone was holding game on the 32nd end to level once more a 23-all. On the final end Pavone drew two magnificent bowls to hold the game; Cunnington tried valiantly to alter the head but just failed, presenting Pavone with his first Lockington Bowls Club Championship.

Both bowlers were applauded as they left the green. Club President John van den Bosch performed marking duties and the Club acknowledged the competence of Lloyd Buchanan and Steve "Knockers" Nolan who proficiently manned the scoreboard.

Pavone will now represent Lockington in the 2025 Champion of Champions event in February.

***Pictured above: (from left) Lockington Bowls Club Championship runner-up Phillip Cunnington, marker John van den Bosch and Club Champion Steve Pavone.***



## FROM OUR CHURCHES

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## LOCKINGTON BOWLS CLUB

5 JANUARY

Lockington Bowls Club members are ready to embark on a New Year of bowls after enjoying the festive activities.



The annual Christmas Hamper competition was drawn with Rhonda Hann winning first prize of the side of lamb.

The major hamper went to Leon Laffy, while Cathy O'Brien and Betty Wood collected the other hampers.

The Club appreciates the support of all who purchased a ticket; special thanks to Pauline Humbert for organising the raffle.

12 JANUARY

Members are warming up for the resumption of Pennant for season 2024-2025.

Last Tuesday small numbers fought for the chocolates in Barefoot Bowls but it was a battle to behold.

At the completion of the scheduled two games of eight ends minus two - (getting late), there was only one two game winner.

The Clubhouse erupted when the winning team was announced and Jayden D Wright saluted the crowd alongside Peter Eade, John Dowie and Pos Andrea (s) with a score of 2 wins plus 6 shots (pictured).

In second place was Ian Haines, Davin Francis, Steve Pavone (s) 1 win 1 loss +4 shots 16 aggregate on a countback from Luke Ryan, Lorraine Appleby, Phillip Cunnington (s) 1 win/1 loss +4 shots 13 aggregate.

Special competition winners - First - Luke Ryan. 2nd - Pos Andrea. 3rd - a happy Clint McKee.

Bowlers also enjoyed a splendid cake and sang Happy Birthday to mark Steve McKee's special day.

In the President's Trophy 21 Up, John van den Bosch defeated a gallant Graeme Wood and moved into the next round.

The Sixty and Over competition was held at Echuca Bowls Club on Wednesday; the local bowlers failed to feature, but enjoyed the hospitality and good greens.

Teams have attended local tournaments with some success. Cindy Felmingham, Pos Andrea, Kim Ray, Leanne McInnes (s) gained the Runners up trophies at the Rochester tournament last week.



A rink played at Dingee and came home with good memories!

Bowlers are reminded of the Change of Date for the Annual Caledonian Hotel (Echuca) Mixed Pairs.

The event has been brought forward to Monday 27 January 2025 (public holiday) at 1pm to avoid a clash with the Regional Champion of Champions on Sunday 9 February 2025.

Contact Cindy Felmingham or John van den Bosch for entries.

Best of bowling in the remaining four games of the pennant competitions.



## WHAT'S ON *Weekly*

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9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

10am: Casual Art Class @ The Plumber's Shed

9.30am - 4.30pm: Podiatrist Nicole Hocking @ Bush Nursing Centre Ph 54 86 2544 to book.

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### Tuesday

10am: Men's Shed @ Business Centre Complex

9.30am – 11.30am: Lockington Play Group @ St James Church Hall (school terms). Ph Tegan 0400 754 116

9.30am – 4.30pm: Dr Patrick Nzegwu @ Bush Nursing Centre. Ph 54 86 2544 for availability & dates.

6.30pm – 8.30pm: Ukulele Group @ The Plumbers Shed

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### Wednesday

9am: Strength & Balance Class @ Bush Nursing Centre

9.30am – 12 noon: Community Garden Group

4pm – 5.30pm: Youth Action Group @ The Plumbers Shed

5.30pm - 7.30pm - Ladies Woodwork @ The Men's Shed

### Thursday

10am: Social Activity Day @ Bush Nursing Centre

9.30am: Ladies Social Badminton @ Bamawm Sports Centre. Ph 0458 548 622.

### Friday

4.30pm: Lockington Bowls Club practice roll up. Meal to follow @ 7pm.

### Saturday

7.15pm: Bingo @ St Joseph's Hall, Rochester

### Sunday

1pm - 4pm: Lockington & District Living Heritage Complex open

## WHAT'S ON *Monthly*

### FIRST WEEK

#### Sunday

Pine Grove Gun Club - Simulated Field & Game

#### Tuesday

Combined Churches prayer meeting - 10am St James Community Church

#### Wednesday

Action Club Dinner - 7.30pm at Club Rooms

#### Thursday

Landcare Meeting - 7pm Locky Business Centre (even months)

### SECOND WEEK

#### Monday

Heritage Complex Meeting - 7.30pm at the Complex (not January)

#### Wednesday

Lions Club Dinner Meeting - 7pm Living Heritage Complex

#### Thursday

Milloo CWA - 10am - Milloo Hall (not December or January)

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#### Friday

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#### Saturday

Lockington Pony Club Rally - 10am - Scurrah Reserve (Mands Scurrah ph 0418 694 777)

### THIRD WEEK

#### Monday

Lockington Senior Citizens (3rd Monday of the month) - 10.15am at Club Rooms.

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### FOURTH WEEK

#### Monday

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#### Wednesday

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