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# **BOORT CHRISTMAS**

# **STREET PARTY**

**Friday 13th December**

Godfrey St will be closed from 5pm

**STALLS, FOOD, MUSIC, ACTIVITIES,  
LATE NIGHT SHOPPING AND SANTA!**

**BYO CHAIR**

**LET'S GET TOGETHER AND CELEBRATE  
CHRISTMAS, FAMILY AND OUR COMMUNITY**

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2024 COMMUNITY

# CHRISTMAS CAROLS

BY THE LAKE

NOLEN'S PARK | DECEMBER 22 @ 8 PM

BYO CHAIR



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BAC will have a harvest break through December.

Don't let that keep you from your fishing and enjoying those times with friends and family.

Cod Season opens on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December. If you need a Fishing Licence, please be sure to get one.

The legal size for Murray Cod is Minimum length, 55 centimetres, Maximum length 75 centimetres.

Remember to obey all the rules, including leaving the site as tidy or better than when you arrived.

Well done again BAC president, Alan Wilson, on your last visit to Port Fairy that yielded some more nice snapper, whiting and a variety of others. Paul Webster caught a nice yellow belly at Laanecoorie.

Next Social Sunday will be on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 10am till 3pm onwards. Adults please donate \$5— to help cover cost of food. Juniors free.

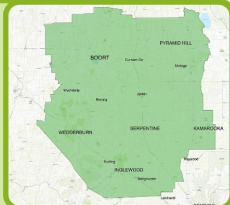
Next Meeting and Social Sunday will be on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025 10am till 3pm onwards Adults please donate \$5—to help cover cost of food. For those interested a Meeting at 1pm.

For further info contact, Alan Wilson on 0429 798 352 or Dave Skinner on 0498 191 227



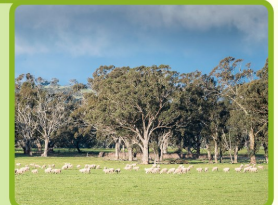
### THE LODDON PLAINS LANDCARE NETWORK INC. (LPLN)

A not-for-profit organisation that formed in 2009. Situated on the Loddon Plains in North Central Victoria, LPLN comprises 18 member Landcare and NRM community groups. The Network is overseen by a Committee of Management drawn from member groups. Its mission is securing healthy landscapes on the Loddon Plains.



### GOANNA PROJECT

The GOANNA Project (Group Organised Action Nurturing Natural Assets) is Loddon Plains Landcare Network's landscape-scale restoration project delivering community projects, monitoring and education programs across the region. The aim of this program is to enhance and protect areas across the Loddon Plains, its diverse natural and cultural assets.



#### HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED?

LPLN supports people interested in their natural environment that wish to participate in caring for the land.

The easiest way to become involved is to join a member group. A full list can be found on our website.

You can also sign up for our newsletter.



#### FEE-4-SERVICE

TREE PLANTING: WEED CONTROL:

Time poor ??

We can Help.

Contact us

[lpln.facilitator@gmail.com](mailto:lpln.facilitator@gmail.com)

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteering with LPLN offers numerous advantages for both the volunteer and the Network, as well as for the environment. Research shows that volunteering positively impacts physical and mental well-being, boosting confidence, social connections, and providing a sense of purpose. When more people lend a hand, tasks become easier, allowing us to accomplish more together!



### SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

The LPLN Sustainable Agriculture Strategy aims to improve soil health across the Network's agricultural land, fostering long-term sustainability, new economic opportunities, and securing the region's farming future.



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# Boort Bowls Club

On Thursday night 21st November social bowls resumed, with a sausage sizzle to kick off the season. All bowlers and non-bowlers are welcome to attend these Thursday sessions. Those wishing to play must enter their names or team in by 7:00pm for 7:15pm start of play. \$5.00 per player. Enter with team of 3 or single entries accepted to Ken 5455 2224, Laurie 0428 551 332 or Shayne 0409 194 196.

On Sunday 17th November four of our Club's newer bowlers travelled to Donald to compete in the NCPA Novice Singles. They played in extremely difficult conditions - cold and wet day, with winds 27km and gusts to 45km. All players did very well with Craig Newsome winning the Men's Event and Sarah Polack narrowly losing the Ladies Singles Final to finish Runner-Up. Congratulations to all four players who played and it is great to see how much their game is improving as the season progresses.



*L-R: Sarah Polack, Lynn Carrall, Craig Newsome, Louise Newsome at Donald.*



*Craig Newsome - Winner Men's NCPA Novice Singles*

*Sarah Polack - Runner-Up Ladies NCPA Novice Singles Final*

Congratulations to Joan Earl and Thelma Moresi who played in a composite team which won the NCPA Ladies State Fours. The team will compete at Regional Level in March.

On Saturday 14th December the Boort Bowls Club will be holding their Annual Christmas Break-Up and all those wishing to attend must put their names on the Club's notice board beforehand.

The season is in full swing with players competing in Pennant and travelling and supporting many tournaments. Many Club events will start getting played from now as well.

***Can't think what to get someone for Christmas?***

Tell them you already got them a gift and to guess what it is.  
Boom! Multiple ideas of things that person wants.



# Boort Library Agency Storytimes 2024

Nurture your child's listening and learning skills in fun-filled sessions of stories, songs and rhymes.

10.30-11am  
Boort Resource & Information Centre  
119-121 Godfrey Street

Thursday 25 July  
Thursday 8 August  
Thursday 22 August  
Thursday 5 September  
Thursday 19 September  
Thursday 17 October  
Thursday 31 October  
Thursday 14 November  
Thursday 28 November  
Thursday 12 December



For more information please phone 5449 2790  
or visit [ncgrl.vic.gov.au/children](http://ncgrl.vic.gov.au/children)



## Please Note

There will be no  
January edition of  
*About Boort*.  
Please send in your  
contributions for  
February's edition  
by 20 January

GAMES

CRAFT

KIDS CLUB @

BOORT BAPTIST

BIBLE  
STORIES

CHURCH

SNACKS

See how Jesus loved those  
who felt they didn't belong

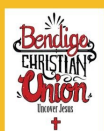
When: 3:30-5:00pm Friday 29th Nov

Where: Boort Baptist Church



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info and to  
sign up here

Parents & Carers can enjoy free coffee and cake on us  
at Godfrey & Bear while your kids have stacks of fun



All leaders have  
working with  
children checks

# HYMNS sing-a-long

Do you love to sing?  
Please join us to sing  
some classic hymns  
with a morning tea  
to follow

NOVEMBER  
**30**  
SATURDAY  
10-11AM

BOORT  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH

23 Armstrong St  
Boort



### Pool season

Pool Season for 24/25 began on 16 November 2024.

Loddon Shire has five swimming pools within the municipality, located at Boort, Inglewood, Mitiamo, Pyramid Hill and Wedderburn.

For information on operating hours, entrance fees, contact details and to keep up to date with everything happening at your local pool, please visit <https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Services/Community-facilities/Swimming-within-Loddon>

### Fire Danger Period

Fire Danger Period for Loddon Shire began at 1am on 4 November 2024 and finishes on 1 May 2025, unless lifted earlier by the Country Fire Authority (CFA).

This means that fires cannot be lit in the open air without a written permit from the CFA.

Fire Danger Periods are based on local conditions and take into account fuel moisture, fuel loads, grassland curing, weather and rainfall.

Lighting a fire in the open without a permit is an offence and can bring penalties.

Barbeques and fires for cooking and warmth do not require a permit but must be lit in properly constructed fireplaces.

The use of an incinerator, chainsaw/lawn mower, welding/grinding equipment and vehicles that come in contact with vegetation and machinery with an internal combustion/heat engine are permitted, provided conditions are followed.

For more information about what you can and can't do during the Fire Danger Period, visit <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/fire-bans-ratings-and-restrictions/can-i-or-cant-i>

Farmers can find legal guidelines and practical advice at [cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/farms](https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/farms)

This information is important, especially for new farmers, bush block owners or hobby farmers.

To apply for a fire permit, please visit <https://firepermits.vic.gov.au/>

### Loddon Shire Council welcomes new Mayor and Councillors

Councillor Dan Straub has been elected as the Loddon Shire Mayor during a Special Council Meeting on 19 November 2024.

Loddon Shire Council also welcomed three new Councillors and two returning Councillors, who were officially sworn in this afternoon.

- Boort Ward Councillor David Weaver
- Inglewood Ward Councillor Miki Wilson
- Tarnagulla Ward Councillor Nick Angelo
- Terrick Ward Councillor Dan Straub (returning)
- Wedderburn Ward Councillor Gavan Holt (returning)

Loddon Shire Council Chief Executive Officer, Lincoln Fitzgerald congratulated Councillors on their swearing in.

"I congratulate our new and returning Councillors, and together with Loddon Shire staff, look forward to working with our new Council," Mr Fitzgerald said.

"I would like to thank all candidates who stood in the 2024 elections for their dedication to their respective communities by putting themselves forward for election.

"I'd also like to acknowledge and thank Wendy Murphy and Linda Jungwirth for their contributions and services as Councillors for the past term,"

Mr Fitzgerald also paid tribute to outgoing Boort Ward Councillor Neil Beattie, who chose not to contest this year's election. Mr Beattie was elected to Loddon Shire Council in 2005.

"On behalf of the Loddon Shire Executive Team and staff, I thank Neil for his selfless dedication and service to Council and his community during the past 19 years," he said.

"As well as a Councillor for nearly two decades, Neil served three terms as Mayor and was recognised with an MAV Mayor Emeritus Award in 2022.

"It has been an honour to work with Neil and we wish him all the best for the future."

### NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

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Please send in format Word or .jpeg or .png



# It is illegal to drink and ride.

Riding an e-scooter while over .05 will cost you  
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Saturday open 4 pm (dinner from 5.30 pm) - Sunday - open 4 pm (dinner)

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2025

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BOORT

Everyone welcome - we cater for walkers & runners

### A FREE 5KM RUN OR WALK

**When:**  
EVERY SATURDAY AT 8AM

**Where:**  
Starting at Nolen's Park, Boort near the exercise equipment

**What:**  
Run, jog, walk, stroll and chat, spectate or volunteer. Open to all ages and fitness levels.

**Post Run Coffee**  
Every week we grab a post parkrun coffee at a local cafe - please come and join us!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK [nolensparkparkrun](#)  
OR ONLINE [www.parkrun.com.au/nolenspark/](http://www.parkrun.com.au/nolenspark/)

**PETER WALSH**  
**YOUR VOICE IN PARLIAMENT**

Peter Walsh MP MEMBER FOR MURRAY PLAINS • LEADER OF THE NATIONALS

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Small businesses need our help and support in what continues to be tough times.

If we spend locally then our small businesses do too, keeping our communities strong. Every little bit helps.

For the latest Coronavirus information go to [peterwalsh.org.au](http://peterwalsh.org.au) or follow us on

We are in this together, and together we will get through.

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**PYRAMID HILL ART SHOW 2025**

PYRAMID HILL MEMORIAL HALL



Opening and Awards Night

**Friday 14th February 7pm - 10pm**

Sat 15th - Tues 18th 10am - 4pm

Wednesday 19th 10am - 8pm

Thursday 20th 10am - 3pm

**Entries open Monday 18th November, 2024**

Entry forms available from Pyramid Hill Art Show Facebook page

OR

by contacting Anne on 0458524163 or aegrogon16@gmail.com

Loddon **HERALD** Free every Thursday

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Australian Government [servicesaustralia.gov.au](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au)

JOIN THE *Walk Against Family Violence*

THIS EVENT MARKS THE LODDON LIGHTS UP ORANGE CAMPAIGN for 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

**EVENT DETAILS**

**WHAT:** 2024 Walk Against Family Violence

**WHEN:** Wednesday 4 December - 11.00am

**WHERE:** Starting at the Boort Resource & Information Centre. Finishing at the Boort District Community Garden for a sausage.

**WHY:** We encourage everyone to wear orange to symbolise our collective commitment to ending violence and fostering a safer community.

People of all genders are welcome.

You are welcome to join us at any point during the walk or meet us at the finish line, where we will gather at the Boort District Health for a snag.

Bring your workmates, friends, family, chosen family or come by yourself.

Your presence matters.

**FREE EVENT**

**JOIN THE WALK AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE**

*Boort District Health*

In 2024, The Boort District Health are partnering with Northern District Community Health and Loddon Shire Council to deliver and support local community engagement with the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence state-wide campaign.

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# COMING ATTRACTIONS DEC | JAN

**Movie Prices:** General Admission \$12 Members \$10 VIP Members FREE  
Children under 3 - FREE



## GLADIATOR 2

M 148 mins | Action | Drama  
**Sat 7 Dec** 8pm | **Sun 8 Dec** 2pm  
**Tue 10 Dec** 8pm



## WICKED

PG 160 mins | Fantasy | Musical  
**Sat 14 Dec** 8pm | **Sun 15 Dec** 2pm  
**Tue 17 Dec** 8pm



## ADVANCE PUBLIC SCREENINGS

### PADDINGTON IN PERU

PG 106 mins | Adventure | Family  
**Sat 21 Dec** 2pm & 8pm  
**Sun 22 Dec** 2pm



### THE REX

will be closed from **Mon 23 December**  
Screenings resume **Sat 18 January**



## MOANA 2

PG 100 mins | Adventure  
**Sat 18 Jan** 8pm | **Sun 19 Jan** 2pm  
**Tue 21 Jan** 8pm



## WE LIVE IN TIME

CTC 108 mins  
Drama | Romance  
**Sat 25 Jan** 8pm  
**Sun 26 Jan** 2pm  
**Tue 28 Jan** 8pm

# Snake Bite

We are now well into the time of year where snakes are becoming more prevalent as the weather heats up. We have already had several snake bites across the region in the last 2 months!

**All snake bites can be potentially life threatening and need to be treated as a medical emergency**

Venom from the wound or clothing can be used to detect if venom has been inflicted the wound and for that reason do not wash or suck the wound or discard any clothing.

**You do not need to catch or identify the type of snake!**

## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Severe pain around the bite
- Swelling, bruising or bleeding
- Bite marks (may be obvious puncture wounds or almost invisible small scratches)
- Nausea and/or vomiting
- Dizziness
- Blurred vision
- Headache
- Difficulty breathing
- Stomach pain
- Difficulty swallowing
- Tingling, stinging, burning or abnormal feelings of the skin

**IN ALL CASES OF SNAKE  
BITES CALL 000**

## WHAT TO DO

- 1 Follow DR<sup>S</sup>ABCD.
- 2 Call **triple zero (000)** for an ambulance.
- 3 Lie the patient down and ask them to keep still. Reassure the patient.
- 4 If on a limb, apply an elasticised roller bandage (10–15 cm wide) over the bite site as soon as possible. Apply a further elasticised roller bandage (10–15 cm wide), starting just above the fingers or toes and moving upwards on the bitten limb as far as can be reached.  
Use clothing or other material if an elasticised roller bandage is not available. Apply the bandage as tightly as possible to the limb.
- 5 Immobilise the bandaged limb using splints.
- 6 Keep the patient lying down and completely still (immobilised).
- 7 Write down the time of the bite and when the bandage was applied. If possible, mark the location of the bite site (if known) on the skin with a pen, or photograph the site.
- 8 Stay with the patient until medical aid arrives.



For more information visit [www.ambulance.vic.gov.au](http://www.ambulance.vic.gov.au). Follow the Loddon Paramedic Community Support Coordinator (PCSC) on Facebook ([facebook.com/pcscloddon](https://facebook.com/pcscloddon))

Saving lives is a team effort and the community is a vital part of the team.





# MERRY CHRISTMAS

*BRIC would like to thank all our  
volunteers and customers for  
their support in 2024*

**We wish you all a  
Merry Christmas  
and a  
Happy New Year**

**BRIC will be closed from  
3.30pm Friday 20th December  
and reopen  
10am Monday 6th January 2025**

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