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### KEEPING BOORT BEAUTIFUL

To the Council garden maintenance staff, Bradley and Fred: Thank you. Whether it's keeping grass freshly mowed, planting seasonal flowers, or caring for trees and shrubs, your skills and expertise shine through even in challenging weather conditions. Not only do we as residents enjoy the well kept space, it is an impressive welcome to our visitors.

Don't forget that it is Boort's kerbside hard waste collection this Monday 3 March to coincide with Clean Up Australia Day on the first Sunday in March. Items may be placed on the nature strip on Sunday 2 March ONLY (not before or after)



*Garden surrounding Boort Post Office after a substantial green trim on a sweltering summer's day*

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The third Annual, Boort Angling Club Vs Lake Boga Challenge was held on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd February 2025 at the Wakool River. BAC won the trophy for this year. Some extra prizes were awarded: Ron Hird had largest legal fish with a 42cm yellow belly and Andrew Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 39cm yellow belly.



*Craig Thomas presents Shield to Ron Hird*



*Craig Thomas presents trophy to Ron Hird*



*Craig Thomas presents Trophy to Andrew Brown*

Next Meeting will be an evening meet, 7.30pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Please send agenda items to Alan Wilson prior to meeting. Email [uonga40@gmail.com](mailto:uonga40@gmail.com)

Next Social Sunday will be on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 10am till 3pm onwards (No meeting). Adults please donate \$5.00 to help cover cost of food. Juniors free.

Next Comp on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd March 2025, at Venue to be decided. Please remember to obey all the rules, including leaving the site as tidy or better than when you arrived.

For further info contact Alan Wilson on 0429 798 352 or Jo Junor 0498 191 227.

# SEIZURES

Seizures can occur due to many reasons; the most common reason is Epilepsy.

Epilepsy is a condition where electrical impulses in the brain can become erratic.

## FIRST AID FOR SEIZURES

### TONIC CLONIC SEIZURE

Seizures where the body stiffens (tonic phase) followed by general muscle jerking (clonic phase).



- DO**
- ✓ Stay with the person
  - ✓ Time seizure
  - ✓ Keep them safe: protect from injury especially the head
  - ✓ Roll onto side after jerking stops (immediately if food/fluid/vomit in mouth)
  - ✓ Observe and monitor breathing
  - ✓ Gently reassure until recovered



- DO NOT**
- ✗ Put anything in the person's mouth
  - ✗ Restrain the person
  - ✗ Move person unless in danger

### FOCAL SEIZURE

Non-convulsive seizures with possible outward signs of confusion, inappropriate responses or behaviour.

- Stay with the person
- Time seizure
- Gently guide away from harm
- Reassure until recovered
- DO NOT restrain the person unless in danger

### CALL 000 FOR AN AMBULANCE IF:

- You are in any doubt
- Injury has occurred
- There is food/fluid/vomit in mouth
- Seizure occurs in water
- Person has breathing difficulties after jerking stops
- Another seizure quickly follows
- Seizure lasts longer than 5 mins
- The person is non-responsive for more than 5 mins after the seizure ends



This is not medical advice for an exhaustive list of responses to seizures. This is a guide to help you consider your response to seizures. If you are in any doubt about what to do, do not hesitate to call an ambulance.

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

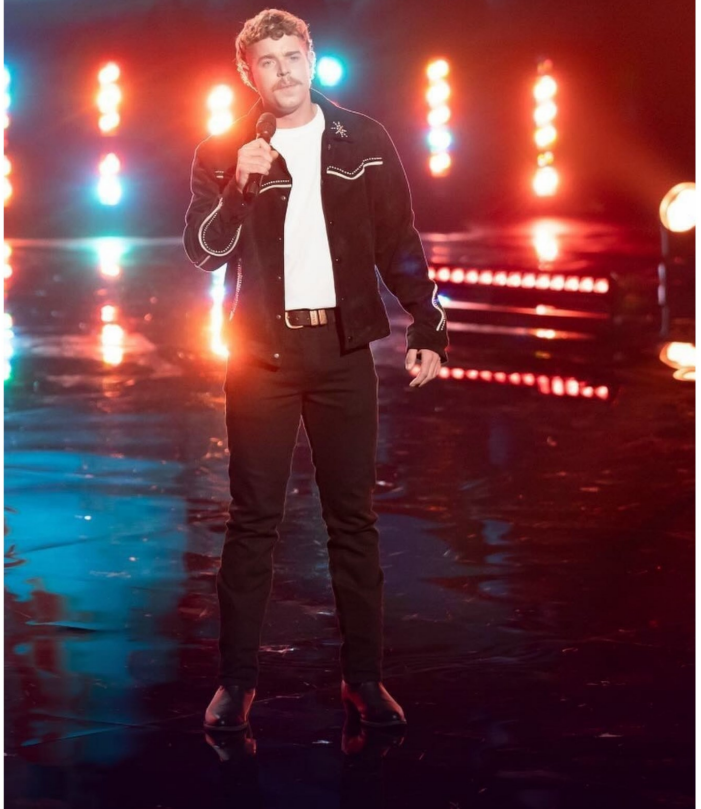
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[ambulance.vic.gov.au](http://ambulance.vic.gov.au)

Paramedic Community Support Coordinator

**ELIAS LANYON WILL BE PERFORMING AT THE BOORT TROTS ON SUNDAY 2ND MARCH 2025**



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## Patchwork Rug donated to the Boort Historical Society

On 29 November 2024 Chris and Joy Penno visited the Boort Museum to donate a Knitted Patchwork Rug which was given to Chris's father, Bill Penno who as a child was bed-ridden with Infantile Paralysis. In 1936 the Boort CWA members knitted the squares and produced the beautiful rug which was gifted to Bill, along with a book on "Our Princesses (Elizabeth and Margaret) and their dogs" with the following inscription: "With every best wish for a speedy recovery from the Country Women's Association Boort".

Bill Penno, son of Eli and Lola Penno, and his younger sister, Mary (who later married Harry Wilson) lived at Canary Island South. Bill attended the Canary Island school and rode his horse approximately six miles each way to school along the island track which followed the Loddon River. In November 1935, Bill became ill at school and set off home on his horse. There were several gates on the island track and, after dismounting to open one of the gates, he was unable to remount and had to walk the remaining miles home.

For 21 months Bill was splinted and for two years he did not walk. He was treated at his grandmother's home in Kiniry Street, Boort. "His parents," the doctor's report said, "especially the mother, by the attention they gave the child, helped the nurses on the job, and were very largely responsible for him getting better."

The reward for the parents' unremitting care is a practically complete cure. Bill can run about now and play cricket and other games.

After leaving school Bill farmed at Canary Island from 1950 until his death from cancer, at the age of 52, on 31 May 1982.



Chris and Joy Penno with Marg Piccoli who received the rug on behalf of Boort Historical Society.



### Boort Historical Society Inc.

Godfrey St Boort

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Open Fridays 2.00pm-4.00pm

OR by appointment

Boort Historical Society meets on the first Friday of the month at 2.00pm. We welcome new members who have an interest in preserving our local history.

We are also grateful for donations relating to Boort and district. There are constant requests for information for family histories, and organisations.

# Boort Bowls Club

The Mid-Week and Saturday Pennant home and away games have now finished without any of the Boort teams making the finals this season, but the Club did remain competitive and an enjoyable season was had by all.

Members are now busy playing many Club events before the season ends.

A very successful Classic Triples Tournament was held on February 10th with a full entry being received. Teams and Players travelled and represented their Clubs from Cohuna, Echuca, Wycheproof, Boort, Cohuna Golf, Golden Square, Kerang Golf, Donald Golf, Wedderburn, Stanhope, St. Arnaud, Lockington, Gunbower, Rushworth, Kerang, Kangaroo Flat, Horsham Golf and Barham.

## Tournament Results :

Highest Winning Margins:

Game 1. Graeme Hayes + 18 (Kerang Golf)

Game 2. Pat Quinn + 13 (Cohuna Golf)

Game 3. Greg. Smith + 20 (Boort)

Game 4. Bill Toll+ 18 ( Echuca)

Third - M. Carmody, L. Maxted, S. Morris (s) - 113 Points. (Cohuna Golf/ Boort)

Runners-Up—R. Collins, K. Connaughton, J Frost (s) - 115 Points. (Golden Square)

Winners - R. Eckhardt, F. Trezise, P. Bibby (s) - 117 Points (Cohuna Golf)

We wish all players representing N.C.P.A. and playing at Ararat V.R.I. Labour Day weekend good luck and good bowling.



Winners L-R. Frank Trezise, Peter Bibby (s), Ron Eckhardt. (Cohuna Golf)



Runners-Up L-R. Rod Colins, Jeff Frost (s), Ken Connaughton. (Golden Square)



Third. L-R. Shayne Morris (s), Laurie Maxted, Michael Carmody. (Boort/Cohuna Golf)

# Boort Indoor Bias Bowls Club

The 2025 season of Boort Indoor Bias Bowls Club is just around the corner. At last year's AGM, Allen Stringer was re-elected as President and Ian Potter as Secretary. It was decided to commence play on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 6:45pm for a 7:00pm start in the Function Room of the Boort Memorial Hall. Contact either of these two gentlemen for further information, but better still, come along to our meeting at 7:00pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February I the Function Room.

The photos show our last year's champions...Singles being Ian Potter who went on to win the North Central Indoor Bias Bowls Association (NCIBBA) title. The pairs was won by Ian Potter and Alan Gould, who also took out the NCIBBA title. The Triples was won by Aileen Morris, Sally Wood and Ian Potter, Aileen being substituted by Glenn Hudson won the NCIBBA title. The only NCIBBA title that didn't come to Boort was the Rinks team, won locally by Jenny Allison, Alister McDougal, Glenn Hudson and Denise Leed-McDougal.

Here's to a great 2025 season, and anyone is welcome to come along for a try.



NCIBBA Singles Winner: Ian Potter



NCIBBA Pairs Winners: Ian Potter and Alan Gould



NCIBBA Triples Winners: Aileen Morris, Sally Wood and Ian Potter



Club Rinks champions: Glenn Hudson, Jenny Allison, Denise Leed and Alister McDougal

# Boort Croquet Club

Another Croquet Pennant season ended with a breakup at Charlton on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December. The winners of Golf Croquet Pennant 2024 were Boort Blue for the third year in a row, with Boort White in second place. This makes five consecutive years of a Boort team winning the shield. This year three players have played Pennant for the first time and in total seventeen players have played in one or another of the teams.



*Boort Blue team: Wendy Mills, Gwen Parker, Alan Puttick (Captain), Ian Potter and Joy De Piazza  
Absent: Sue Soltan*

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December Boort Lakeside Croquet concluded a successful year with their Christmas Party. The catering committee and members provided a delicious barbecue tea. Unfortunately, the weather was wet, so conditions were not suitable to play croquet, but everyone still had an enjoyable time.

Croquet will continue to be played on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 8:30am throughout the summer.

Anyone wishing to try croquet is welcome to come along.

The focus for the club has now turned to our Annual Tournament held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. This year we will have an extra temporary court so it will be bigger than previous years.

We are pleased to have a new sponsor for the event, Boort Grain Co-Op, with their help we are hoping to have the best tournament ever.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2025

Volunteering Loddon Mallee in partnership with Volunteering Victoria present 'Volunteer Screening Deconstruction', an online interactive workshop to strengthen your volunteering screening processes.

This interactive session looks at the elements of volunteer screening and how to implement them in a way that protects your organisation from risk without leaving you tied up in red tape. It's the perfect workshop for those looking to understand the difference between a Police Check, a Working with Children's Check, and how to effectively interview volunteers.



### Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Understand the importance of appropriate volunteer screening in line with the National Standards of Volunteer Involvement.
- Identify common screening tools used in volunteer recruitment.
- Assess screening tools and techniques as relevant for different volunteer roles.
- Identify relevant risk assessment process for their organisation to assess ongoing roles in the future.

25 MARCH 2025 | 9.30 AM - 12.30 PM

ONLINE

RSVP: [Bvrchub@Bgovolunteers.org.au](mailto:Bvrchub@Bgovolunteers.org.au)



# FIREARMS COURSE

**BRIC will be running a  
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**Wednesday March 19th**

**@ 6.15pm**

**\$35 per person to be paid at  
BRIC prior to Friday 14th March**

*To be held at:*

**Boort Resource and Info Centre**

**119 - 121 Godfrey St, Boort**

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Tue 4 Mar 8pm



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M 92 mins | Thriller  
Sat 8 Mar 8pm | Sun 9 Mar 2pm  
Tue 11 Mar 8pm

Charlton Film Festival  
Fri 21 & Sat 22 March 2025



**BRIDGET JONES:  
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M 125 mins | Comedy | Drama  
Sat 15 Mar 8pm | Sun 16 Mar 2pm  
Tue 18 Mar 8pm



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lysteropera.com.au



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M 89 mins | Drama

Sat 29 Mar 8pm | Sun 30 Mar 2pm  
Tue 1 April 8pm

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Items submitted for publication may be edited, including for grammar and spelling, and may be condensed if space is limited.

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Please send in format Word or .jpeg or .png



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**FASHIONS ON  
THE FIELD**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

**EVENTS**

- 1 U16 JUNIOR BOY OF THE DAY
- 2 U16 JUNIOR GIRL OF THE DAY
- 3 MILLINER'S DELIGHT - Any head piece - open
- 4 OVER 50'S LADIE'S FASHIONS
- 5 OVER 50'S GENTLEMAN'S FASHIONS
- 6 GENTLEMAN OF THE DAY - open
- 7 LOCAL LADY OF THE DAY – open

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- 8 LADY OF THE DAY. – open

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**Starting straight after race 3 presentations**



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**LUNCHEON** in the Sports Bar is always a great place to spend the day.

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There will be the usual tables and chairs with umbrellas on the lawn area.

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Bring the kids, there are lots of activities for them too!

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The kiosk will be open all day, along with the Ice-cream Van

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