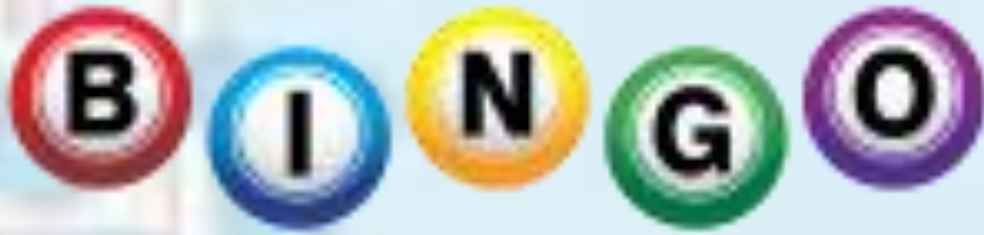


Skipton Community News



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FREE
WEEKLY



**JOIN THE SKIPTON REGULARS
FOR THE NEXT BINGO NIGHT**

WEDNESDAY 3RD JUNE

Free tea and coffee available!

Come along for a fun night with
the locals.

All are welcome, bring a friend!

**NEW VENUE: SUPPER ROOM
MECHANICS HALL**

Doors open at 5:30pm,
eyes down at 6:30pm..

Great prizes to be won!

COMMUNITY NOTICE

CFA TO HOST COMMUNITY EVENT REVIEWING THE JANUARY FIRE



The CFA is hosting a community engagement event on Tuesday 9th June at the Skipton Mechanics Hall from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

The aim of the event is to conduct a review of the Streatham-Skipton fire on 9th January with the community. A brief history of fires in the region will be discussed, as well as the important work of reviewing the emergency communications, warning interactions, and the role of the community in relaying information during a crisis.

Captain of the Brigade, as well as the Group Officer and Public Information Officer, will be at the event and welcome your input. Your feedback will go back to the Incident Control group to follow up on the experiences of the community, the firefighters on the ground, and the communications teams.

Community members from Skipton town and district, and surrounding areas, are all invited to attend and share feedback and comments. All are welcome.

For more information, please call Bridget Clark on 0476 330 700

—Bridget Clark, CFA Communications—

Update
Skipton 

**good
Friday
appeal**

A huge thank you to
the Skipton community
our event raised a total
of

\$1815:80

more than double
last year



good Friday appeal

DERRINALLUM TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET

SUNDAY 24th MAY
UNDER THE ELMS DERRINALLUM
9AM UNTIL 1PM

Featuring: Food stalls, plants, leather, woodwork, metal work, bric-a-brac, crafts, candles, Lions Club BBQ, homemade cakes & slices, and more!

Cash preferred - some stalls do not offer EFTPOS.
For more information, contact Rae 0427 764 299

COMMUNITY NOTICE SKIPTON ANGLING CLUB NEXT FISHING COMPETITION



The Skipton Angling Club will be having our next fishing competition on Sunday 24th May, being held around Skipton in the Mt Emu Creek and at Wayne Haywood's property.

The day will run from 10am to 2pm and, as always, there will be a BBQ lunch. New members are welcome.

Any enquiries, please feel free to contact us on the social media pages, or call Luke on 0436 031 435.

—Luke Peeters, Skipton Angling Club—

AN OPEN INVITATION

This is an OPEN INVITATION to any town or country resident to share their 2026 Streatham-Carranballac-Skipton Fire and Recovery Stories.

Thursday 25th June to Sunday 28th June

Oral history interviews will be held in the Skipton Hall Meeting Room with 25 minute interviews.

Everyone in our community was impacted in some way!

If you would like to be part of this historical project, please contact:

Pat Gabb

Phone: 0473 421 802 (text is good - Pat will contact you back)

Email: apgabb1@bigpond.com

If you are interested, maybe you would like to create a Group to share one interview - 3-4 people max.

We are creating a film/documentary from the interviews, photos and art - plus a community Photo Book from the photo/art exhibition on the 19th-21st June.

Be part of the sharing and healing.

Don't miss out on being a part of this important historical project! Contact Pat now!

—Pat Gabb—

COMMUNITY NOTICE BLAZE AID CAMP SEEKING COOK



The BlazeAid Skipton Base Camp is looking for a camp cook to take care of meals for the volunteers a few days a week.

Meals provided to volunteers include breakfast and two-course dinners each day.

The camp is based at the Bradvale Hall, located at the Bradvale Recreation Reserve, 549 Crawfords Rd, Bradvale.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact the BlazeAid Coordinator, Christine Male, on 0418 745 994 or email skipton@blazeaid.com.au.

—Dale McIntyre—

THE BLACK TO THE GREEN THE HEARTACHE TO RECOVERY: OUR COMMUNITY'S JOURNEY



INVITATION TO ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS, ARTISTS & WRITERS!

Please join the community exhibition - Recording the 2026 Streatham-Carranballac-Skipton Fire.

Lut us show the fire, the immediate recovery, and the long term recovery through landscapes and people.

Everyone is welcome to share their photos (printed, mounted on card, with a description and the name of the photographer), create a work of your chosen form (painting, drawing, sculpture, etc), or write poems or stories about then, now and the future, what you experienced and how you feel, and what support you received to grab a positive future.

All contributions need to be delivered to the Skipton Hall to Pat Gabb on Thursday 18th June from 8am to 5pm, and Friday 19th June from 8am to 12pm.

Opening evening will be Friday 19th June from 5:30pm-9:30pm - Official Opening at 7pm.

A free winter meal of soup and warm nibbles will be available for all.

The evening and weekend, 20th-21st June, from 9am-4pm will also be free.

Please note: a community Photo Book will be created from the exhibition which will be for sale from July.

Volunteers to help setup and clean up would be appreciated. Please contact Pat Gabb on 0473 421 802.

—Pat Gabb—

Author Talk
with Robyn Howarth

Faraday - A
Community
Rediscovered

The true story of the Faraday State school,
and the chilling kidnapping
that rocked a small community.

PORT FAIRY LIBRARY - Wednesday 27 May, 2pm - 3pm.
TIMBOON LIBRARY - Thursday 28 May, 10am - 11am
DERRINALLUM LIBRARY - Thursday 28 May, 3pm - 4pm
CAMPERDOWN LIBRARY - Friday 29 May, 11am - 12pm
COBDEN LIBRARY - Friday 29 May, 3pm - 4pm

Free event. Bookings essential on 5598 3394
or at tinyurl.com/cmls-events

Corangamite Moyne
Library Service

SKIPTON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

MISSSED OUT ON 3RD STATE BUDGET BID



The Skipton community have missed out again in the recently announced State Budget for the third year in a row. Since 2019, the Skipton Football Netball Club, together with the Skipton Recreation Reserve and other local organisations, have been advocating and lobbying Government for a facility redevelopment to service the whole community.



L-R: SFNC President Andrew Bodman, SFNC Community Officer Megan Read, Bob Baysinger, Val Day, Gemma Molloy, Simone Smith, and Sadie
Photograph provided by SCN reporter Lois Lane.

Over the past 6 years, Skipton has missed out on 2 Federal Election commitments and, now, 3 State Budget bids, not including numerous grant applications.

The advocacy strategy has remained apolitical throughout the process, but it seems that both State and Federal governments continue to ignore the urgency and necessity to fund this vital infrastructure.

Over 12,000 visitors and locals walk through the gates of the Skipton Rec Reserve annually, bringing vital money into the local economy. The Football Netball Club not only provides the largest sport and recreational options in the district, but has a membership base that equals the entire population of Skipton.

This facility and the volunteers also provides incredible services like regular low cost meals to the community, events, support to other local organisations and, more importantly, a regular way for all age groups to connect and socialise within the district. However, the outdated and non-compliant facility cannot accommodate the basics for female sport players, decent toilets for the public, and a much needed community hub.

This community has shown great strength and compassion towards each other in the most extreme of circumstances - floods, fires, and drought - yet they continue to be forgotten.

This legacy build is an investment in the region, the town's viability and sustainability, and its people.

—Media release: Skipton Football Netball Club—



UPDATES ON THE SKIPTON REC RESERVE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

TIMELINE 2019-2025

- Project is 'shovel ready' and plans remain the same.
- Priority: Requesting \$2.35m for Stage 1 - Female Friendly Changerooms.
- As recommended, 2-stage building process to assist with funding success.
- Skipton Football Netball Club and the Rec Reserve Committee working closely together with weekly/monthly communication about grant and funding opportunities, site Masterplan, project updates, political lobbying outcomes, and more.
- To date, we have missed out on, and been unsuccessful in, the following funding opportunities:
 - * 2 x State Budget bids
 - * 2 x Coalition Federal election commitments - 2025 commitment was for \$2.35m
 - * 2022 Building Better Regions application for \$3m
 - * Private equity investment proposals as a 'Community Legacy Project' from the following companies: Brandt, Stockyard Hill Wind Farm, Squadron Energy Wind Farm (Moreton Hill)
 - * 2023 Growing Regions Program application for \$7m
 - * 2024 Play Our Way grant application for \$1.8m
 - * Multiple smaller grant applications for listed items on our masterplan, including: new playground, netball court replacement, oval renovation, changeroom repairs/upgrades to toilets, etc.
- Political advocacy and lobbying: meetings and correspondence with Danielle Green, Ros Spence, Steve Dimopoulos, and Harriet Shing.
- Personal meetings with Catherine King, Jaala Pulford, Gayle Tierney, Virginia Wellard, and Louise Staley.
- Community financial investment so far:
 - * \$60,000 in architectural plans, adjustments to Masterplan
 - * \$15,000 in media and marketing assistance - outsourced
 - * \$5,000 Club Builder, grant seeking/writing help, funding advisory, political advocacy assistance
- Rolling \$300,000 in Corangamite Shire Budget for redevelopment contribution.

—Megan Read, Community Officer Skipton Football Netball Club—

—Photographs courtesy of Lois Lane—



Current facilities are outdated



BUS TOUR TO SHOWCASE FIRE WISE GARDENS IN ACTION



Residents are invited to take part in an upcoming Fire Wise Planting Bus Tour Workshop, designed to provide practical tips on landscaping in fire-prone areas.

The workshop is one of four initiatives being delivered by Council in partnership with community organisations, funded through the Victorian Government's *Safer Together Program - Strengthening Local Government Partnerships*.



©Neil Marriott

Hosted by Pyrenees Community House, the guided tour will visit Heritage Fruit Trees and Cave Hill Creek, where participants can explore examples of both European-style and native fire wise gardens, and learn how thoughtful planting can improve property safety and resilience, and plant selection.

The workshops are free of charge to the community and will be held on Saturday 30th May, departing from the Pyrenees Community House car park at 10am. A free lunch will be provided at Cave Hill Creek for workshop participants.

Bookings are essential and can be made by calling 5349 3150 or emailing events@pyreneeshouse.org.au.

A Fire Wise Garden Forum and a Fire Wise Garden Design Workshop are also planned for Saturday 13th June, with further details to be released soon.

The *Safer Together Program* also sees a number of other initiatives in planning including:

- Development of a Fire Wise Planting Guide which will have limited quantities available for free to community.
- A Bushfire Resilient Homes Expo in October featuring a well-known gardening expert.
- Development of a Community Resilience Plan for Landsborough and surrounding areas.

—Media release: Pyrenees Shire Council—

CORVA Pilates

with Milly



WHEN?:

**EVERY
THURSDAY
6:15-7:00PM**

WHAT TO BRING?

**PILATES MAT
WATER BOTTLE
TOWEL
\$20 CASH**



**Timboon Sporting Centre
11 Hamilton St, Timboon**

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SKIPTON MOVIE NIGHT

featuring

A FISTFUL OF DOLLARS

Starring Clint Eastwood

**FULL DETAILS AND ADMISSION
PRICES ON PAGE 11**



Camperdown Veterinary Centre

1 Leura Street, Camperdown

Monday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Thursday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Friday	8.00am - 5.30pm
Saturday	9.00am - 12.00pm



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Every Tuesday 9.00am-12.00pm

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please call (03) 5593 1077**

Routine on-farm visits from 12.00pm onwards

every Tuesday.

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follow the prompts to talk to a vet on call.**

www.camperdownvet.com.au

team@camperdownvet.com.au

NEW SIGNS TO WELCOME VISITORS TO CORANGAMITE



New location signs will soon welcome visitors and locals alike to Corangamite Shire.

Mayor Kate Makin said the modern upgrade would instil community pride and enhance tourism opportunities.

“The first of the new welcome signs are ready to go,” Cr Makin said.



Large Welcome Sign

Medium Locality Sign

“The current blue signs are almost 20 years old and are looking pretty worn out with some no longer legible. So new signs have been designed and will be rolled out over the coming years.”

The ‘welcome’, town entrance, and locality signs will be gradually replaced with the first 10 and will be installed in coming weeks.

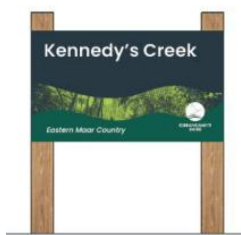
Cr Makin said a number of towns have bespoke signage introduced through community driven projects.

“These bespoke signs represent the unique history and identity of each town and provide a town-specific welcome so won’t be replaced.

Council’s replacement program will look at all signs and ensure towns and locations are well signed but also prevent duplication and roadside clutter.

FIRST ROUND LOCATIONS (TBC)

- Glenelg Highway - west of Pittong
- Glenelg Highway - west of Skipton
- Hamilton Highway - west of Darlington
- Hamilton Highway - west of Cressy
- Princes Highway - east of Garvoc
- Princes Highway - west of Pirron Yallock
- Cobden-Warrnambool Road - north of Ayrford
- Great Ocean Road - east of lower Gellibrand
- Great Ocean Road - east of Peterborough
- Timboon-Colac Road - Jancourt East.



Small Locality Sign

—Media release: Corangamite Shire Council—



SKIPTON FIRE BRIGADE IS RECRUITING

If you are over 18 years old, then **WE WANT YOU!**

We are on the lookout for new fire fighters and non-operational members.

Our team is a well-trained and relaxed group of dedicated individuals who proudly serve and protect our community.



We are looking for new members who want to learn new skills and show up when our community needs it the most.

Come give us a hand!

Go to www.cfa.vic.gov.au/volunteers-careers

or

Contact Ben on 0400 272 119



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Anglican Parish of Beaufort & Skipton

Contact Marilyn Ellis on 5340 3515 for enquiries

Usual Service times

9:00am on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Contact Stewart on 0437 495 553 for enquiries

Service Times: Presbyterian Congregation**Skipton/Lismore**

- Week One 10am Skipton
- Week Two 10am Skipton
- Week Three 10am Skipton
- Week Four 10am Skipton
- Week Five 11am Lismore

**St John The Baptist Catholic Church, Beaufort****Service Times**

- Week One Sunday LLA 10:00am
- Week Two Sunday Mass 8:30am
- Week Three Sunday LLA 10:00am
- Week Four Sunday Mass 8:30am
- Week Five Sunday LLA 10:00am

St Aloysius' Redan
St James' Sebastopol
St Peter's Linton
(Encompassing Skipton,
Smythesdale & Snake Valley)

Parish Priest: Fr. Con
Bagaoisan OSJ
Presbytery: 508 Leith St,
Redan
Telephone: 0435 494 472

Assistant Priest: Fr. Eladio
Lizada OSJ
Telephone: 0450 017 007

Parish Coordinators & Safeguarding Officers

Redan: Bernadette Lynch
Telephone: 0455 212 123
Email:

redan@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office hours: Tuesday &
Thursday 9am - 4pm

Sebastopol: Pauline O'Brien
Telephone: 0428 699 624
Email:

sebastopol@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office hours: Tuesday & Friday
9am - 3pm

For Linton Parish enquiries, contact Fr. Con Bagaoisan

The parish acknowledges that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Parish Mass Times

St Aloysius, Redan & St James, Sebastopol: Thursday 9:30am, Friday 9:30am, Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

St Brigid's, Snake Valley, St Peter's, Linton & St John's, Skipton: Saturday 6:30pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

3 Lyons St, South Ballarat

Telephone: 5331 2933

Email: ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.auWeb: stpatricks cathedral.weebly.comwww.facebook.com/patricks.cathedral.9/

Office hours: Tuesday to Friday,
10:00am - 3:00pm



The phone will be transferred to the on-call priest so that Hospitals, Aged Care facilities, Funeral Directors or others seeking the services of a priest may be responded to.

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin nation.

We are a child safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government, implementing procedures and standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.

ADVERTISERS PLEASE NOTE**Skipton Community News Banking Details**

Bendigo Community Bank Beaufort

Account name: Skipton Progress Association Inc.

BSB: 633 000 Account number: 146 795 687

**SKIPTON TRANSFER STATION**

Beaufort Road, Skipton

Skipton Transfer Station opens fortnightly on Wednesdays and Sundays from 1-5pm

Sunday 17th May

Wednesday 20th May

Sunday 31st May

Wednesday 3rd June

Sunday 14th June

Wednesday 17th June

Wednesday 28th June

**Skipton Kerbside Bin Collection**

Red waste bins collected weekly, yellow recycling fortnightly, purple glass on first recycling week each month

Green bin collected fortnightly between January & September, weekly between October & December

Tuesday 5th May: Red, yellow & purple bins

Tuesday 12th May: Red & green bins

Tuesday 19th May: Red & yellow bins

Tuesday 26th May: Red & green bins

Tuesday 2nd June: Red, yellow & purple bins

Tuesday 9th June: Red & green bins

SKIPTON FOOD BANK**AT JUBILEE CENTRE**

10 MONTGOMERY STREET, SKIPTON

**NEW OPENING HOURS****MONDAYS 2PM-5PM****WEDNESDAYS 12PM-3PM****THURSDAYS 9AM-12PM**

An emergency community pantry providing free food, toiletries and hygiene products, cleaning supplies and other necessities to those in need, no questions asked.

Please consider a financial donation to:

SKIPTON COMMUNITY SHOP

BSB 633 000 Account number: 230967804

SKIPTON OP-SHOP**OPENING HOURS**

The after-hours phone number for Stan has
changed to **5340 2478**

Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 3pm

Sunday 10am - 2pm

**SKIPTON LIBRARY AT THE MECHANICS HALL**

5 Anderson St, Skipton



Open Tuesday 10am-12pm

Friday 3pm-5pm

Fiction, non-fiction, Large Print, DVDs, eBooks,
children's books & DVDs, biographies, and more.
Free membership, all welcome.

Publish your meeting or events dates in the Skipton Community News each week!Email details to the Editor to skiptonscn@gmail.com

Post us a flyer to PO Box 60, Skipton VIC 3361

Or drop us a note into our drop boxes in either the
roadhouse or the Skipton Country Grocers.

The deadline for inclusion is 4pm every Friday, to be
printed in the next week's newsletter.

Story contributions are also welcome.



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WESTERN PLAINS ATHLETICS DAY



THINGS TO KNOW!

- Llanberris in Ballarat - 22/5 4:15 for a 9:30am start!
- Parents need to provide transport or organise car sharing - no costs involved!
- Students wear FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM
- There is a canteen, but please bring own food & drink too
- It can be really cold there (especially in the morning) bring a coat
- Families are welcome to watch! Please just stay outside the track
- There will be a timetable of events for the day on the School Facebook page by Thursday 21st of May
- Derrinallum, Lismore and Rokewood Primary Schools are all there for the day too!
- Any other questions? Nat or Chanelle are happy to help!



Moreton Hill Wind Farm

The proposed Moreton Hill Wind Farm is located on Wadawurrung Country, about 35 kilometres southwest of Ballarat. The wind farm will have up to 62 turbines, producing enough electricity to power around 260,000 homes and prevent almost 350,000 tonnes of emissions annually.

The wind farm is proposed to connect to the electricity network via a new underground 220kV powerline to the Berrybank terminal station about nine kilometres south of the wind farm.

For the latest updates on Moreton Hill Wind Farm and to sign up for our community updates, please scan the QR code or visit: www.moretonhillwindfarm.com.au



SQUADRON ENERGY

 **Bendigo Bank**

 Community Bank · Beaufort
 Pyrenees Art Exhibition

PYRENEES
 Arts Council

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Kings Birthday Long Weekend

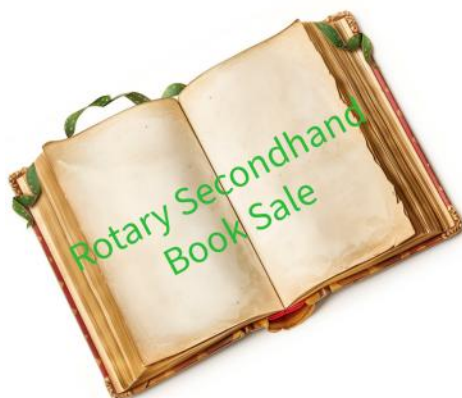
2026

Official Opening

Friday 5th June 7:30pm

\$25 entry

Details at

pyreneesartexhibition.org


Sat 6th & Sun 7th June

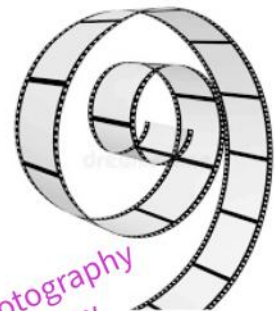
10am – 5pm

Mon 8th June

10am - 2pm

\$10 entry

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- Solar panel cleaning.
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Phone 5349 2688 for appointments




Urgent Care Centres

Beaufort and Skipton Health Service's Urgent Care Centres operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Access Urgent Care Centres via front hospital entry

Our Urgent Care Centres respond to all emergencies including life threatening and urgent medical care.

For life threatening emergencies call 000 for assistance

Beaufort | 28 Havelock Street | 5349 1600
Skipton | 2 Blake Street | 5340 1100

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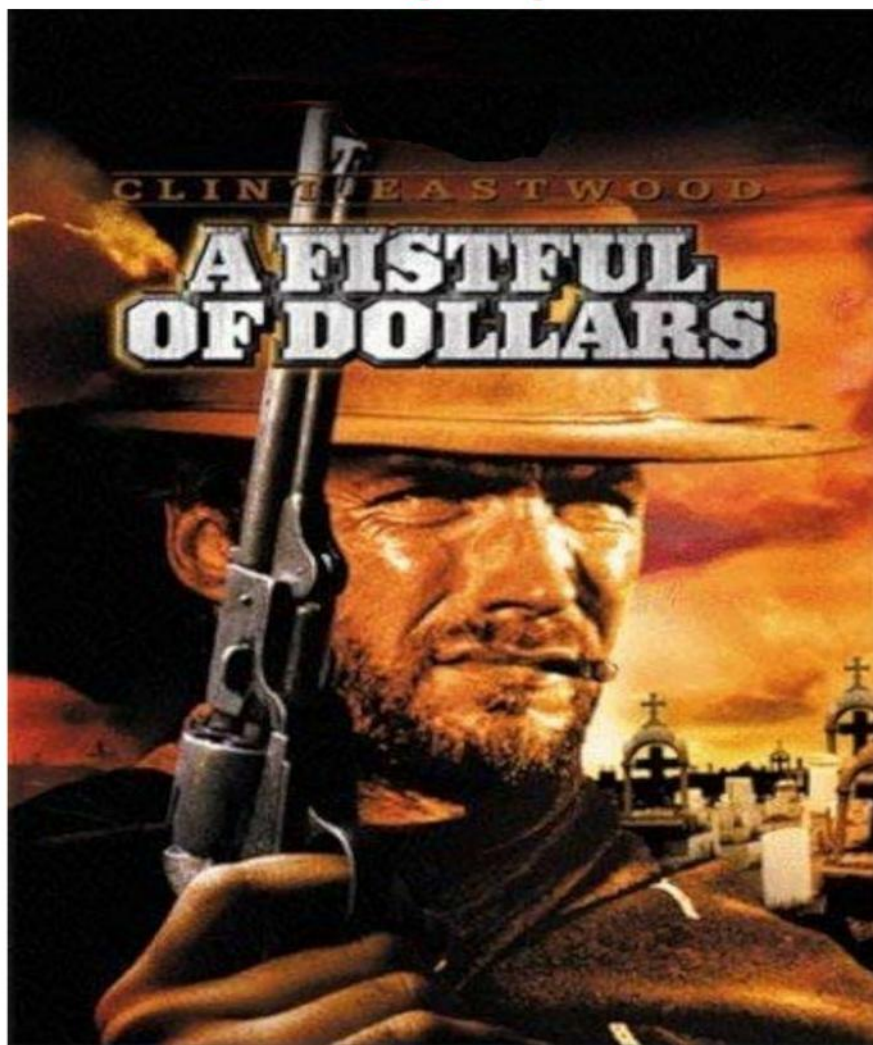


Josh Todd has the Ray White_Know How

With almost twenty years of selling properties in Skipton and district, Josh has the knowledge, skill and expertise to maximise the value of your property. It's how we've sold more properties in Australia than any other real estate group.

Josh Todd
0428 621 004
josh.todd@raywhite.com
raywhiteballarat.com.au

Movie Night Skipton Mechanic's Hall
Friday May 22nd



Date: Friday 22nd May

Time: Doors open 6:30pm Screening 7:00pm

**Admission: Adults \$10 including supper, Children
under 12 free**

(Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult)

Skipton Mechanic's Hall, 35-43 Wright Street Skipton





**WELLBEING
AND INCLUSION.
OUT AND ABOUT**

movie a month

FREE FOR SENIOR RESIDENTS



TUESDAY 7 JULY, 10.30 AM

Bran Nue Dae

2009 | 1h 25m
Terang Civic Hall Rose Room



TUESDAY 4 AUGUST, 10.30 AM

The Dressmaker

2015 | 1h 59m
Timboon & District Public Hall



TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER, 10.30 AM

Penguin Bloom

2020 | 1h 35m
Killara Centre, Camperdown



TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER, 10.30 AM

Breakfast at Tiffany's

1961 | 1h 55m
Port Campbell Art Space



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. Please call the Positive Ageing, Access and Inclusion Team on 5593 7100 to register.

LSC

LOADERS SEED CLEANING

LUKE: 0427 860 479

LIBBY: 0427 506 531



To be a vibrant
provider of care

SOCIAL SUPPORT GROUPS

Our Social Support Groups provide an opportunity for community members to remain connected to one another while participating in a variety of activities.

Skipton Out and About Bus

Skipton Day Centre Room
Third Tuesday of the month
10am-3pm

Beaufort Out and About Bus

Beaufort Library Carpark
Third Tuesday of the month
10am-3pm

Skipton Walking Group

Skipton Day Centre Room
Every Thursday
12pm-12:45pm

Beaufort Walking Group

Beaufort Library Carpark
Every Wednesday
9am-10am

Strength Training Beaufort

Wednesdays 11am-12pm
Beeripmo Development Centre

Skipton

Thursdays 10:30am-11:30am
Skipton Day Centre Room

Gait & Balance Group Beaufort

Wednesdays 10:15am-11am
Beeripmo Development Centre

Skipton

Thursdays 9:15am-10am
Skipton Day Centre Room

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CORANGAMITE SHIRE

Noticeboard



Intention to Lease 30-32 William Street, Lismore

In accordance with Section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020, Council hereby advises of its intention to renew a lease agreement in relation to the premises at 30-32 William Street, Lismore, which is known as lot 2 Plan TP410961R. The premises is Council owned and managed.

The premises is currently leased to Murnong Indigenous Garden Inc. and pursuant to Council's Leasing Policy and Local Government Act 2020, Council intends to negotiate a new lease with Murnong Indigenous Garden Inc. for a term of lease for three years with a further term of three year lease option.

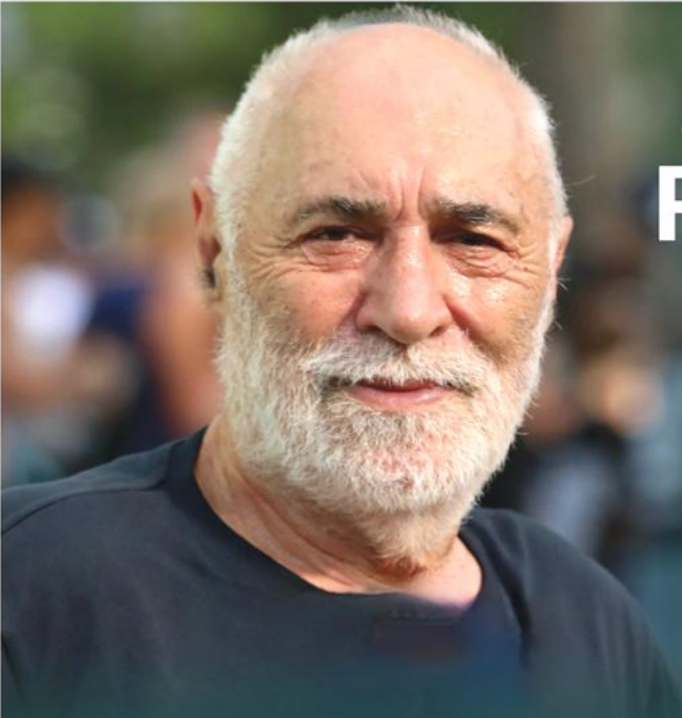
The purpose of the lease is for creating a community garden and education programs.

Host a Seniors Festival event this October

Community groups are invited to host a vibrant event celebrating our older Corangamite Shire residents as part of the 2026 Seniors Festival this October. Volunteer-only groups and social clubs with members aged 55+ can call Council's Positive Ageing Access and Inclusion team on 5593 7100 or email servicenav@corangamite.vic.gov.au to find out how to apply.

Pet registrations

Pet registration fees were due on Friday 10 April. We offer a discounted registration fee for desexed pets. Register your animal at corangamite.vic.gov.au/Pet-rego or the Civic Centre at 181 Manifold Street, Camperdown.



AN AFTERNOON WITH PHIL CLEARY

A compelling conversation about
lived experience, driving change
and preventing violence

Friday 5 June, 2.30 pm
Killara Centre, Camperdown



Free event. Light catering included.
Registrations essential, scan the QR code or visit
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Bushfire donations

A dedicated account has been set up for people affected by the January Streatham-Skipton fire. All funds will go towards helping fire-affected residents and communities. It is being organised by the Skipton to Streatham Fire Recovery Group.

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Upcoming events

Red Sky Morning

Friday 29 May, 7.30 pm
Theatre Royal, Camperdown

Tom Holloway's award-winning script captures the heart of regional Australia — the early mornings, the long silences, the unspoken care that holds families together.



Tinderella and the Eight Unique Uses of Tinder

Friday 12 June, 7 pm
Theatre Royal, Camperdown

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Movie of the month

Tuesday 2 June, 10.30 am-12.30 pm

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Skipton Library: Tuesdays 12 May, 9 June, 14 July, 11 August, 8 September & 17 November, 10 am-12 pm.

Explore and talk

Self-paced tour around key landmarks. Finish with a drink and chat at a local cafe.

Wednesday 13 May, 10 am
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One-on-one farm advice

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Free chemical course

Free ACUP training is being offered to landholders impacted by gorse in the Snake Valley area by the Victorian Gorse Taskforce in conjunction with the Upper Mount Emu Creek Landcare Network.

You will receive a mix of hands-on training and theory in chemical use, storage and handling. You'll learn to safely transport, store, prepare and apply chemicals to control weeds such as gorse.

30 or 31 May, from 9am - 4pm each day at Snake Valley

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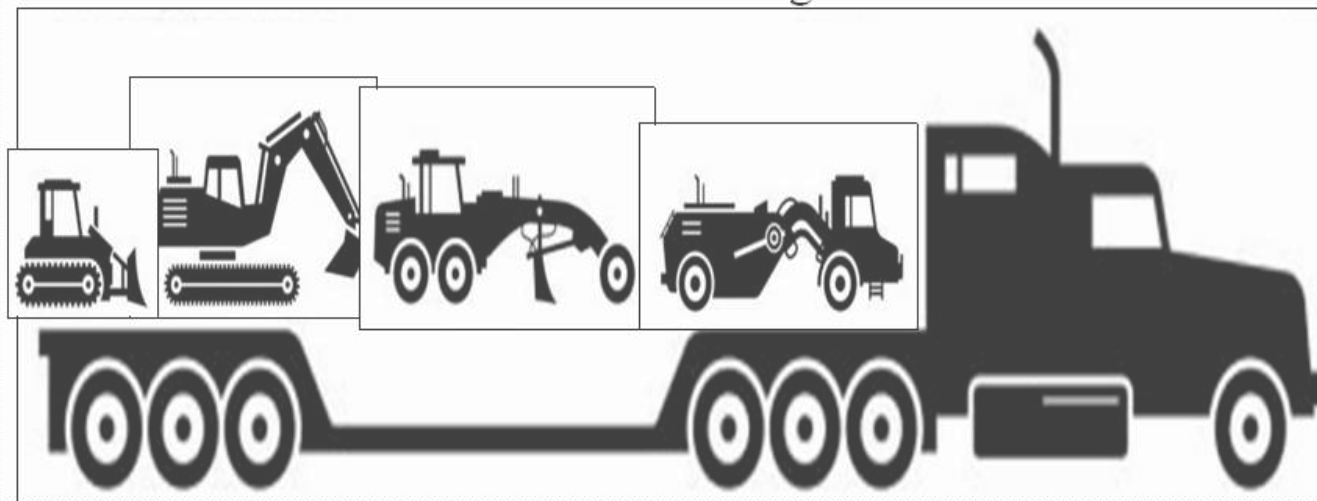
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**These extracts are researched and provided by:
Terry Gosling (Treasurer of Skipton Historical Society)**

THE FILM STUNT MEN.

R. L. Stevenson once wrote a story about a suicide club, but in Hollywood there is one that is grim fact.

They are the stunt men who risk life and limb to provide thrills for the films. They do not consider themselves as heroes, but merely as business men. They have a list of prices for risks:—

Head-on aeroplane crash, £100 to £300.

Head-on automobile crash, £30 to £40.

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Car plunged down cliff, £100.

Climb from one plane to another in mid-air, £40.

Knocked down by motor-car, £15.

"Nudged" by railway engine, £5.

Bob Rose is Hollywood's leading stunt man. He had made 570 parachute jumps, 80 plane changes, wrecked 200 cars, and made 65 plunges over cliffs on horseback, not counting little extras like balancing on the tops of ship masts or skyscraping girders.

He has always kept faithfully the golden rule for stunting given to him by Houdini, who said, "Do every stunt scientifically. Don't do it on nerve. Never attempt a stunt if you are afraid."

Stunt men, says Rose, prefer to remain single, mainly because, in the middle of a performance, a married man is sure to think of the risk he is taking for those at home. That spasm of fear might prove fatal.

These thrill merchants often have pet superstitions, notably that it is unlucky to attempt a stunt on a day when one has broken a bottle. Actually, however, they calculate carefully, by the law of averages, how long they can go on without accidents.

Rose says: "You can only tempt the god of chance for so long, and then they get disgusted, and call you in."

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AND MEETINGS

Skipton Senior Citizens Club Every Monday at Skipton Mechanics Institute Hall From 2pm till 4pm on Monday, and on the fourth Monday have an earlier start of 12 noon for Lunch. Committee Meeting follows at 2pm. "Seniors" is a fantastic way to enjoy a weekly outing and to make new friends. Play Cards, Bingo, Carpet Bowls, and "lots of Other Stuff"!! - Seniors also have trips and outings throughout the year. - Just come along, you will be happy you did.	Friday 22nd May, 9:30am SKIPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY at Llanberris Athletics Reserve in Ballarat. STUDENTS OWN TRANSPORT REQUIRED. Friday 22nd May, 6:30pm MOVIE NIGHT AT THE HALL featuring <i>A Fistful of Dollars</i> (1964) Western/Action. Starring Clint Eastwood and directed by Sergio Leone. Doors open 6:30pm, screening at 7pm. Admission \$10 for adults (includes light supper), children under 12 FREE. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Proudly supported by Pyrenees Community House and Stockyard Hill Wind Farm.
Euchre Card Group Meets on Wednesdays at 1:30pm. In the Billiard Room, Mechanics Hall. All welcome. All ages will enjoy cards.	Sunday 24th May, DERRINALLUM TOWN & COUNTRY MARKET 9am to 1pm Under the Elms, Derrinallum. Cash preferred, some stalls do not have EFTPOS. Sunday 24th May, 10am-2pm SKIPTON ANGLING CLUB FISHING COMPETITION The Club's next fishing competition will be held around Skipton in the Mt Emu Creek and at Wayne Haywood's property. BBQ lunch will be available. New members welcome. For enquiries, contact the club through social media, or call Luke on 0436 031 435.
Skipton Library in Mechanics Hall Opening times: Tuesday 10:00am to 12:00pm Friday 3:00pm to 5:00pm Fiction, non-fiction, LARGE PRINT, DVDs, eBooks, Children's books & DVDs, and biographies. Free membership, all welcome. Come and check us out.	Friday 29th May, 7:30pm THEATRE WORKS PRESENTS: RED SKY MORNING at the Camperdown Theatre Royal. Award-winning script by Tom Holloway, directed by Lyall Brooks. A hauntingly beautiful Australian story that will stay with you. With sharp wit and tender honesty, it reflects the challenges and strength of small-town life where connection is both fragile and essential. Tickets \$25 from tinyurl.com/redskycamperdown
Skipton Food Bank NEW OPENING HOURS - see Page 6 An emergency community pantry supplying food, toiletries, and other necessities for those in need, no questions asked. For cash donations, please deposit to: Skipton Community Shop BSB: 633 000 Account number: 230967804	Wednesday 3rd June BINGO NIGHT in the Supper Room, Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson St, Skipton. Doors open at 5:30pm, eyes down at 6:30pm. Free tea and coffee available and the bar is open. Great prizes to be won, everyone is welcome!
Skipton Historical Society From 2pm-4pm, the third Sunday of every month, in the Court House Museum and Old Police House, in Stewart Park, Montgomery St, Skipton. All visitors welcome. Further enquiries, please call Secretary on 0407 310 990 or email skipton.history.au@gmail.com.	Friday 5th June, 2:30pm AN AFTERNOON WITH PHIL CLEARY at Killara Centre, Camperdown. A compelling conversation about lived experience, driving change and preventing violence. Free event, light catering included. Registrations essential at corangamite.vic.gov.au/PhilClearyEvent
Skipton Community Market The community market is held on the second Saturday of each month, 9am-1pm. If you are new in town, or haven't been to the market before, come and enjoy a free morning tea and browse the interesting stalls. For stall bookings, call Jan on 0422 785 017.	Friday 5th June, 7:30pm OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE PYRENEES ART EXHIBITION at the Beaufort Shire Hall, 7 Lawrence St, Beaufort. \$25 entry. Details at www.pyreneesartexhibition.org
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	Tuesday 9th June, 5:30pm-7:30pm CFA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENT in the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson Street. Community members from Skipton town and district, and surrounding areas, are all invited to attend and share feedback and comments around communications during the Streatham-Skipton Fire on 9th January. For more information, please call Bridget Clark on 0476 330 700.
	Thursday 18th June, 6pm 2026 SKIPTON GOLF & BOWLS CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in the Golf/Bowls Clubrooms. All members and anyone from Skipton and outer Community are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact President Doug Smith or Secretary Gail Ward.
	Thursday 18th June - Sunday 21st June EXHIBITION OF PHOTOS AND ARTWORK documenting the Streatham-Carranballac-Skipton Fire and Recovery. At the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Official opening Friday 19th June at 7pm. For more information and to volunteer, please contact Pat Gabb on 0473 421 802 or email apgabb1@bigpond.com