

Community Update 16 - September 2016

From the Chairman

Nice drop of rain. Can't keep up with the growth of weeds.

The election of CoGB councillors will happen on October 22nd this year. After the 15th September we will know who all the candidates in the Eppalock ward will be. We are planning an event on the evening of October 13th in the yellow room at the Baptist Church on McIvor Highway to enable candidates to make a pitch to residents of the ward for their vote.

On the 6th October we will hold our AGM in the same room, and we plan to present the draft plan for the next five years which has been developed from the data received as a result of our last survey. We hope to see you at these events

Bob Jamieson, Chairman

Junortoun Community Market

Twenty-nine stallholders offering goods ranging from local produce and business products to second hand goods and homewares took part in the recent Junortoun Community Market.

A steady flow of intending shoppers were able to peruse items on offer in a friendly and welcoming environment with sustenance in the form of barbecued sausages, tea and coffee extending their stay.

With kind weather, an excellent venue and an opportunity for locals and visitors alike to interact on a social basis, this

event has been deemed a great success and is now becoming a permanent fixture for Junortoun residents.

Special thanks to the Bendigo Baptist Church, the Bendigo Kiwanis Club, the Junortoun Store and Farmers Arms Hotel for advertising displays and the Sense of Community sub-committee of the Junortoun Community Action Group.

Nesting Box Update

The JCAG has successfully formed an agreed with La Valla Catholic College Bendigo for approx 50 students will build

Upcoming Events

Thursday 6th October 2016

JCAG AGM

7pm, Bendigo Baptist Church
McIvor Hwy, Junortoun

Thursday 13th October 2016

Meet the Council Candidates

7pm, Bendigo Baptist Church
McIvor Hwy, Junortoun

Regular Meetings –Thursdays

1st Thursday Monthly; JCAG - Executive Team

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nest boxes. These will result in finishing up with more than 50 boxes to erect later in the year.

The school and students have also shown interest would like to monitor the boxes once erected (with JCAG supervision).

It looks like being a very successful partnership with the students.

Junortoun Fire Brigade



Hello from the Junortoun Fire brigade!

The Brigade has had a quiet winter so far incident wise with only a handful of jobs.

The Brigade Tanker 2 purchased with funds raised within the Junortoun community now has a nick-name. The Brigade has decided that Tanker 2 will be known as "Wattsy". This is in memory of the late Wayne Watts. Wayne passed away late last year and left a big hole in our Brigade. Wayne was out raising money to purchase this very truck, hours before he passed. The tanker now has a sticker on each front door so that "Wattsy" can still turn out to our jobs with us.

The Brigade would also like to acknowledge the loss of valued brigade member Bob Carland. Bob passed away earlier this month and will be sadly missed by the Brigade. Our thoughts are with Val, Pam, Ross and the family. Our Brigade meetings won't be the same without Bob.

The brigade has recently welcomed 6 new members who have finished their recruit training, been issued with pagers and have started responding to incidents. This recruit course was run with the assistance of several

Junortoun Brigade members and had recruits from all over the Eppalock Group. Welcome to our new members!

Now is the time for community members to start thinking about how they will prepare and clean up their residences before the fire season. We have had plenty of rain, dams are filling and there is plenty of grass growing in paddocks. We will have a significant risk in the grassland this fire season as we have had plenty of rain. Further rain is expected in spring and this will promote further growth.

The Brigades annual Trivia night was held on 3 September with a great turnout.

Did you know the brigade has a website and Facebook page? Check out the Brigade Website.

junortounfirebrigade.org.au. A link to our Facebook page can be found on the website. Like our Facebook page to keep up to date with everything Junortoun CFA

Community Profile

In this issue, we introduce—**Merlyn Quaife AM**, Singer and educator.



How long have you lived in Junortoun?

3 years

How might those outside the Junortoun community

Wildflowers

We've recently been given access to some wonderful images of local wildflowers.

You will see them in our newsletter, Facebook page and they will be added to our website in due course.

A big thank you to **Andrew Brown** for kindly researching



and sharing the images with us - for the enjoyment of all locals.

Orchid *Diuris chryseopsis*

Swift Parrots - Have you seen one?

Swift Parrots are endangered and a flock of about a dozen birds, including some immature individuals, were spotted on the Loddon River at Newstead.



Swift Parrots breed in Tasmania, then fly across Bass Strait in April. Most move to the mainland for the winter. In Victoria, the parrot is found in the dry forests and woodlands of the box-ironbark region. The box-ironbark region covers the inland slopes of the Great Dividing Range, mainly between Stawell and Wodonga in the north-east. Swift parrots have been recorded in the Bendigo Regional Park. They forage on the flowering eucalypts in open box---ironbark and yellow gum forests that occur around Bendigo and Junortoun. They mainly eat nectar, as

well as some psyllids and lerps, seeds and flowers. If you see a Swift Parrot then please go these sites to report the sighting:

<http://birdlife.org.au/projects/woodland-birds-for-biodiversity> or <http://www.ereamaea.com/BirdlineRecentSightings.aspx?Birdline=1>

Upcoming Events

McIvor Highway Clean-Up With the backing of the Keep Victoria Beautiful Council and its Adopt a Highway Program, a clean-up of a section of the McIvor Highway is planned for November. Keep an eye on community noticeboards for details of this event.

Welcome to Summer Planning is in the early stages to conduct another community barbecue, featuring novelty events in the McIvor Forest Estate in early December. More

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WANTED

CRICKETERS FOR SEASON 2016/17

Looking for a challenge this Summer?

With a new season fast approaching, the Axe Creek Cowboys are seeking new players of any ability to help grow the cricket club.

The Cowboys play in the Emu Valley Cricket Association and currently field senior teams in all three grades. Our ground is in Longlea, just 10 minutes east of Bendigo.

For more information about our family friendly club or to register your interest please contact Rob Fisher on: 0434300405

 

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We'd love to receive your photos and articles for future issues.

Please forward them to

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Do your banking with Bendigo Bank.

The Junortoun Community Action Group are funded by donations, fundraising, and grant applications. The Strathfieldsaye & Districts Community Enterprise are a valuable contributor to not only JcAG, but also neighbouring areas.

By doing something as simple as your day-to-day banking at the Bendigo Bank, you can help generate money for the Strathfieldsaye & Districts Community Enterprise. All you need to do is let the Bendigo Bank know you would like your bank accounts tagged to the SDCE! It's that simple – and the more business you do with the Bendigo Bank, the more money the SDCE receive – and there's NO catch and no cost to you. Contact the Bendigo Bank to have your ac-

Strathfieldsaye & Districts Community Enterprise



Be one of the first 20 bookings and you will receive a free coffee voucher to use at the Strathfieldsaye Bakery and your pooch will enjoy a Greenies treat. Mention this advert to claim the offer!



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We can now take your dog from smelly slob to heart throb! We have three services you can select from:

- + A bath and tidy up
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This community update has been prepared by the **Junortoun Community Action Group**. The Action Group evolved from the group convened to develop a community plan in 2012 and consists of a dozen community members working towards the actions identified in the plan. In particular the Action Group promotes:

- Developing a sense of community for Junortoun
- Advocating for transport, sport and recreation services and facilities.