



## Get social this Seniors Festival

There has never been a better time to be a senior than in October, with the 2018 Victorian Seniors Festival promising to be even bigger and better than ever.

There's plenty on offer here in the Strathbogie Shire! The festival kicked off with a free screening of Andre Rieu: Amore Tribute to Love at the Euroa Community Cinema on Wednesday 3rd October. This was a hugely successful and well attended event. Thanks to everyone who came along.

If you're looking to get out and about on the water, Nagambie Senior Citizens are hosting the Nagambie Fishing Bowl competition on Tuesday 16 October from 10am-2pm.

This is also a free event with excellent prizes on offer, as well as a barbecue lunch.

Euroa Third Age Club will finish the month off on a high with a free concert happening on Wednesday 31 October at the Third Age Club Hall from 1.30pm.

The concert will include live performances from Jimmy Davidson and Gayle Fitzgerald as well as a raffle with some great prizes.

Due to limited seating for the concert, please get in contact with the Euroa Third Age Club to reserve a seat. Those attending are also encouraged to bring along a plate to share.

Seniors can also get out and explore Melbourne and regional Victoria with free public transport from Sunday 7 October to Sunday 14 October.

Don't forget to carry your Seniors Myki and Victorian Seniors Card with you on public transport. You can touch on and touch off as usual and you won't be charged during the eight days.

For more information about Victorian Seniors Festival and other events happening throughout Victoria, please visit www.seniorsonline.vic. gov.au.

Nagambie Senior Citizens: 0467 000 875

**Euroa Third Age Club:** 0419 349 702 or carmmas2@bigpond.com

## Become a Driver Mentor

GAINING A DRIVERS LICENCE CAN CHANGE A YOUNG PERSON'S LIFE

The L2P Learner Driver Mentor Program provides an opportunity for young people who face significant barriers, to obtain their drivers licence with the support of a mentor.

Parents with upcoming learner drivers or retirees with a couple of hours to spare each week make ideal mentors for this program. No formal qualifications are required; we provide the training and the vehicle to be used for sessions.

For further information, please contact Bill Winters on 0437 762 520 or email bwinters@berrystreet.org.au











Email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au













If you haven't already, now is the time to make sure you and your property are prepared for the Fire Danger Period. These are some important things you need to do to prepare your property:

- Remove all flammable rubbish from your yard
- Ensure grass and weeds are kept cut to a height of no more than ten centimetres
- If you have rural land neighbouring urban housing, a minimum 20 metre fire break must be maintained between the land and the neighbouring property
- Prune low hanging branches from trees and shrubs
- Store woodpiles and flammable liquids away from the house

#### What happens if I'm not fire ready?

Property owners and occupiers have a responsibility to ensure their land is as safe as possible to reduce the risk and impact of fires. Failure to prepare and maintain your property during the fire season will put you and your neighbours at a much greater risk.

If owners and occupiers fail to keep a fire safe environment, a fire prevention notice will be issued requesting the property owner to take action. This notice will include a \$100 administration fee. It is a requirement for the owner or occupier to follow the requests in the Fire Prevention Notice throughout the entire fire season, not just at the time the notice is received. A further failure to maintain the requirements of the Fire Prevention Notice will result in a \$1611.90 fine.

Council has an active role in reducing fire hazards within and abutting urban areas. If you have any questions or concerns relating to your obligations, please feel free to contact Council Offices on 1800 065 993.



For more information and advice about fire safety, please visit the Country Fire Authority's (CFA) website

www.cfa.vic.gov.au.

To receive information about fire events in your region, download the VicEmergency app on your mobile or device, which is also available on the CFA website.



With global market pressures placed on recycling processors, councils across the state have had to amend their agreements with their recycling processing contractors in order to cover the cost impacts associated with these pressures.

Strathbogie Shire Council has been fortunate enough to be able to negotiate and enter into an amended agreement with its current Recyclables Acceptance and Sorting contractor, Visy, at a very competitive rate for the next two years.

This allows kerbside recycling collections and recycling collections from our Waste Transfer Stations to remain unchanged. It does, however, see a change from us receiving a rebate, to us having to pay a fee per tonne for recyclables delivered for processing.

#### Will this impact costs to ratepayers?

Contract negotiations have led to an extra \$84,000 in waste costs for Council in this current financial year. This will be absorbed by Council's surplus funds and will not be passed onto service users at this time.

Unfortunately Council cannot predict the level of costs associated with recycling and waste in the years ahead. Council reminds residents to be vigilant in ensuring recycling bins are free of non-recyclable materials and to reduce all waste where possible.

Ratepayers will see a three percent cost increase on their waste charges this financial year, which is primarily due to annual CPI increases in collection and disposal costs within various waste contracts.

# Have Your Say on Council Projects and Initiatives

Strathbogie Shire's OurSay platform is a new tool you can use to contribute your ideas and feedback in an open forum which will inform Council projects and initiatives.

You might like to provide your thoughts to inform a Council strategy, contribute your ideas to a capital works project, or ask Council a question about something you don't understand.

All discussions are monitored by Council staff and feedback provides Council with a picture of community sentiment to inform decision making or review the outcomes of a project.

#### How do I get involved?

All you need to do is click the "Have Your Say" button on Council's website www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au.

Once you've got a login you can jump on the OurSay Platform at any time to let us know what you're thinking about a particular project or issue.

If you don't have access to OurSay and would still like to provide feedback to Council about a particular project or issue, please contact Council Offices on

**1800 065 993** or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.







Do you run a business or are you a member of a community group? Do you have a project that you don't have funds for?

Grants are a fantastic way to get the funding you need to bring your project to fruition. There are so many grants out there just waiting for applications!

Strathbogie, Shepparton and Moira Councils have partnered with Australia's most powerful grant search engine Grant Guru to bring you Goulburn Valley Funding Finder, a one-stop-shop search engine for business and community grants.

There are over \$40 billion worth of grants out there right now!

Here is a quick snapshot of some of the grants that are currently open for applications:

- **ζ** Up to \$50,000 available for on-farm energy grants through Agriculture Energy Investment Plan
- S Up to \$1,500 available through Good Things Foundation – Be Connected Program: **Activation Grants**
- S Up to \$100,000 available through Hamer Family Fund Grants
- S Up to \$80,000 available through Foundation for Children Grants

Visit www.goulburnvalley.grantguru.com.au and let the search begin!

If you have any questions please contact Council Offices on 1800 065 993 or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.





RECYCLING









RECYCLING





(Remove Nozzles) **RECYCLING** 

Household Aerosol Cans Take-Away Cardboard Coffee Cups

ALL FOOD AND GARDEN WASTE IS TO BE PLACED IN YOUR **GREEN LIDDED ORGANICS BIN** 

### What's on...

Jump on our Facebook or get in touch by calling 1800 065 993 or email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au if you'd like to promote your event.



#### **Birdcage Thursdays Production**

Thursday 19th October 2017, 7.30pm Friday 20th October 2017, 1.00pm Violet Town Community House 37-39 Cowslip Street, Violet Town Book tickets online: www.lamama.com.au

#### Jessica Lorraine Live at the White Hart Hotel

Saturday 20th October, 8-11pm 63-65 Hill Street, Longwood Free event, all welcome

#### 128th Annual Euroa Show

Saturday 27th October Sunday 28th October (horses only) Euroa Showgrounds, Corner Frost and Charles St Visit www.euroashow.org.au for more information

#### Head of the Goulburn 2018 Rowing Regatta

Saturday 27th October, 10am onwards Food, wine tasting and a band for spectators from 10:30am – 1:30pm Contact Sue 0425 882 746 for more details

#### **Four Vines Running Festival**

Sunday 4th November 7am – 10pm Run through Fowles Wine, Box Grove, Mitchelton Wine and Tahbilk Winery for the Children First Foundation. Register at fourvinesrunningfestival.com.au

#### The Nightmare Continues... Act III

Monday 5th November 6pm onwards Cowslip Street, Violet Town Fun family community event with live music, entertainment and more! For more information email: vt3669@gmail.com

#### **Ruffy ArtFest & Art Show**

9th, 10th, 11th November
Three days of amazing art, stunning gardens and art workshops Ruffy Hall, 3 Nolans Road
For more information contact Robyn
(03) 57903275 or email ruffy.artfest@gmail.com
Or visit www.ruffycommunity.com.au/site/
ruffy-artfest



Tickets: \$10.00 NO EFTPOS (Pre-school children FREE)

Chocolat [M] (Drama/Romance) Wednesday 10th October at 2pm Shepparton View Club Fundraiser for The Smith Family 'Learning for Life' program

I Can Only Imagine [PG] (Drama) Friday 12th October at 7:30pm

Christopher Robin [G] (Family) Saturday 13th October at 8pm Sunday 14th October at 4pm

#### Johnny English Strikes Again

[PG] (Action/Comedy) Saturday 20th October at 8pm Sunday 21st October at 4pm

Smallfoot [G] (Family)
Friday 26th October at 6:30pm
Euroa Kindergarten Fundraiser

#### **Ladies in Black**

[PG] (Australian Comedy) Saturday 27th October at 8pm Sunday 28th October at 4pm

Slender Man [M] (Horror)
Friday 2nd November at 8pm
Halloween Special Screening

Alpha [PG] (Drama/Mystery) Saturday 3rd November at 8pm Sunday 4th November at 4pm

The Merger [M] (Australian Comedy)
Saturday 10th November at 8pm
Sunday 11th November at 4pm



#### Violet Town Market

Saturday 13th October 8.30am-1pm Violet Town Recreation Reserve

#### **Avenel Market**

Sunday 14th October 9am-1pm Jubilee Park, Avenel

#### **Euroa Village Farmers Market**

Saturday 20th October 9am-1pm Rotary Park, Kirkland Avenue Euroa

#### Nagambie Farmers Market

Sunday 28th October 10am-2pm Tahbilk Winery 254 O'Neil's Rd, Tahbilk

#### Nagambie Lakes Community Market

Saturday 3rd November 9am-1pm Central median strip High Street, Nagambie