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## Celebrate 15 years of entertainment at Euroa Community Cinema

Strathbogie Shire Council invites the community to come along to a screening of *Love Actually* on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm to celebrate 15 years of good old fashioned entertainment at the Euroa Community Cinema.

Tickets are half price (\$5) and the kiosk will be stocked with all the yummy treats you will need for a great night out.

*Love Actually* was chosen as it was released on Friday 14 November 2003, the same day the Euroa Community Cinema first opened its doors.

Over the 15 years, the Euroa Community Cinema has had over 80 volunteers put their time and energy into bringing the cinema to life on the weekends; running the projector, selling tickets and working in the kiosk.

From humble beginnings, with one movie each fortnight screened on Friday night and Saturday afternoon, the cinema has evolved to now holding screenings every Saturday night and Sunday afternoon, with additional Friday night screenings, community fundraiser films and school holiday matinees for the kids.

The cinema has clocked up more than 1600 screenings of over 760 different films over the 15 years.

Strathbogie Shire Mayor Amanda McClaren said Council is very proud to provide such a valuable recreational service to its community.

"We are truly blessed to have had such amazing volunteers who give up their time on the weekends to run the community cinema," Mayor McClaren said.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every volunteer who has given their time to the cinema over the last 15 years and encourage our local community to come along to celebrate and show their support for this fantastic facility and those who operate it."

"I'd also like to encourage anyone interested in putting their hand up to volunteer at the cinema to call Council Offices on 1800 065 993 or email <u>info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au</u>."

"Jump on our website, or pop in and grab a flyer, to see all of the other fantastic films coming up at the cinema; there really is something for everyone," Cr McClaren said.

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