



Yandoit, Franklinford and Clydesdale

May 2015

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1. PUBLIC MEETING ABOUT THE RUBBISH COLLECTION POLICY

When: Wednesday 20th May 2015

Where: Daylesford Town Hall

Time: 7.30pm start.

2. TRIENNIAL MEETING OF THE YANDOIT PARK AND RECREATION RESERVE COMMITTEE

When: Friday 22nd May 2015,

Where: Yandoit Hall

At: 7.30pm

Park Committee meeting and Election

The Hon Sec has advised that the meeting has to be held before 30th May so it's set for 22nd May 2015. The community relies on the involvement of its members. Have you got a spare hour or two? Meetings are rare and a lot of fun.

Community website

Thanks to Lloyd Strevens for putting his hand up to administer the 'Yandoit.net' website. Lloyd is meeting with John Ross to learn the ropes.

Jim Crow Planning Group

The planning group is seeking representation from the Clydesdale community.

Trade Fair for Yandoit

To celebrate and support the skills and talents in our community, a local Trade Fair is planned for Sunday September 20th, 2015, 10am to 3pm, at Yandoit Hall. The Trade Fair will showcase our many and varied skills and trades. It will also encourage us to support and buy local, and contribute towards creation of *Where To Go To Get It*, a register of our local skills, knowledge, trades, creativity and tools. Trade, swap and sell are all possible and you may have item(s) now obsolete to you, that you could "trade" for goods or skills/services

with another member of our community.

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Telephone: Liz B- 0414 525 074.

Further information and updates are available via the Trade Fair facebook page:

www.facebook.com/YandoitTradeFair



Expressions of interest welcomed

Community members are invited to set up a stall/exhibit, join the Planning Group, or contribute in many other possible ways on the Trade Fair day. Cost \$5.00 per exhibitor (to cover Hall hire and Trade Directory)

Report from Kerbside rubbish community meeting in Yandoit

50 locals turned up to the community meeting with the Mayor and other ward Councilors in April to raise concerns about Hepburn Shire's proposal to introduce kerbside rubbish collection to outlying hamlets including Yandoit, Clydesdale and Franklinford.

Major concerns

The survey approach: in which a non-response from residents was counted as a yes vote, and all residents were regarded as having received a survey form.

A number of residents did not receive survey forms.

Council reported: 60% Shire response rate with 48.5% voting yes and 51.5 voting no. In our area, Area 8, which takes in Shepherds Flat to Clydesdale, including Franklinford, Dry Diggings and Yandoit, 241 properties were polled with 164 responses: 74 no; 88 yes.

Hepburn Shire's *Waste Management Strategy 2014* committed to 'determine community acceptance for extending kerbside collection and extend the service where there is community support. Can a 60% response rate with 48.5% approval be regarded as community support?

The Mayor had the maps of the areas to be serviced and these are available from the Council's webpage. There are significant areas of the shire that will not be included. Take a look at the area 8 maps. Exact pickup details are not available. If you want to know more: check out Yandoit.net website or contact the Council. You will need to know whether your property is in the proposal so you can argue your case. If there are any problems you foresee then come to the public meeting next Wednesday 20th in the Town Hall.

From the Franklinford Rural Fire Brigade



This past season has been a busy one. With the increase in populations in this will be become more so. The brigade have responded to over 30 call outs involving fire, road trauma, storm damage and lost persons, fire being the most prominent. Only one outbreak was by natural causes. The rest have been as a result of ignorance, negligence or plain stupidity. Fortunately only one was serious due to the diligence of a dedicated team. This one event involved many hundreds of hours of hard work in suppression and follow up vigilance. This district owes a debt of gratitude to Captain Noel Richards, Group Officer Dean Jones and a core group of willing members who are called

out at all hours, often after a tiring day's work to cope with these emergencies. They receive no reward and often no thanks. Please think before you light a fire at any time of the year and remember it can be out of your control in a matter of seconds and you are responsible for the consequences.

Franklinford and Yandoit Cemetery Trust



Have you seen the new front gates? Some years ago one of the concrete gate posts was structurally damaged. Thanks to Mr. Gerry Rauber for the total makeover and for the very generous donation of \$2,000 from Mrs. Maree Sullivan, nee Scheggia. The trust is grateful for the donation and to Mr. Colin Lake, project officer from the Malmsbury Youth Training Centre for undertaking a program of mowing and general tidying up of the grass four times a year. The first occurred prior to Christmas and an enthusiastic team of young men did an excellent job.

Get your Chronicle by email and tell a neighbour. Contact Nikki. Details below.

NON SERIOUS SECTION.

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"inactivity means participation." If you don't vote then you agree. It is rumored that the Federal Government contacted Hepburn Shire for details of the new system. It is mooted that at the next federal election, voters will be encouraged not to attend polling booths at all. Their non attendance will be taken as a vote. Problem is vote for what has not been defined. An even more Machiavellian idea is to keep the date of the next election completely secret and then there will be 100% non attendance and vote for whatever. The Chronicle has not yet been able to find out who was the author, inventor of the council's recent foray into new 'democratic' processes of polling. Does anyone know?

DO YOU HAVE ANY STORIES?

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