# The Chronicle servicing the three communities

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What: YANDOIT SCHOOL CONCERT When: 6.00pm, Wednesday December 12th Where: Yandoit Hall

What: YANDOIT CHRISTMAS CAROLS When: 7.30pm, Sunday December 16th Where: Yandoit Uniting Church

What: SCHOOL HOLIDAY REPAIR CAFE When: 1pm to 4pm, Sunday January 20th, 2019 Where: Victoria Park Pavillion. Davlesford

## YANDOIT SCHOOL CONCERT

Join our local school kids at the Yandoit Hall as they showcase their work in performing and visual arts on Wednesday December 12th, at 6.00pm

# YANDOIT CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND **CHOIR**

Christmas Carols at Yandoit's beautiful and historic Uniting Church are a much loved community event, hosted by our local Uniting Church parish group. There's the wonderful Castlemaine Choir rousing us to sing and making the most of the Church's excellent acoustics. There's always a Christmas story for the children, plenty of carolling, and there's a visit from Santa. Gather afterwards outside with friends and neighbours for a generous supper under the eucalypts.

# A REPORT FROM YANDOIT COMMUNITY MARKET IN NOVEMBER



Photo: Robyn Higgins

Around 100 people turned up for the Yandoit community market on Saturday November 3rd. There were stalls with cakes, plants, jams and preserves, books, bric-a-brac, children's clothes, handmade garden stakes, second-hand furniture. There was also a sausage sizzle and time to catch up with friends and neighbours over cuppas and cakes. Thanks to Diane Waters and her family for taking the initiative.



Photo: Robyn Higgins

Plans for future markets are to move them around the neighbourhood, so watch this space for the next community market, possibly at Clydesdale Hall. Contact Diane on 0407 305 939 if you're interested in setting up a stall. The market stall holders broke even but it's hoped that future markets will be able to donate to our local fire brigade who do an excellent job keeping us as safe as possible during the fire season.

#### PREPARING FOR FIRE SEASON

It's fire season again and with a relatively dry winter and spring we are vulnerable to fires this summer. The CFA website provides advice on permits required for the lighting of fires. It is advisable not to light any fires during the fire danger period.

Get in touch with neighbours to activate and/or update neighbourhood telephone trees so you can support one another in keeping safe. Download the Vic Emergency App and/or the Vic Fire App on your mobile phone. Make sure you are fire ready- the CFA website has useful information and check their website for fire warnings. Yandoit, Clydesdale and Franklinford are located close to the boundary of central and north central fire districts.



The CFA website (<u>www.cfa.vic.gov.au</u>) also has useful information on how to plan and prepare for fires.

## **BONFIRE AT RECREATION RESERVE**

A good number of locals, including delighted children, gathered around the annual bonfire in early November. The BBQ was well used and the table filled with food, drinks and hearty conversation. The bonfire was a non threatening size too, and there were sparklers which the kids enjoyed.



Photo: Petrus Spronk

#### WHERE TO GO TO GET IT

There's many skills in our neighbourhood plus always new people moving in. 'Where to go to get it' is designed to showcase skills, produce, trades and creativity amongst locals, so we know the talent within our neighbourhood. It also encourages us to support local.

Have a look on our community website- www.*yandoit.net* and add your details. Next step is to group information into categories so it's easier to find what you're looking for. Anyone interested in working on that project let Nikki know on 0432 232 073 or contact John via the website.

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY REPAIR CAFÉ

The January Repair Café will focus on **bicycle repair and maintenance**. So it's a perfect time to get your bike in good working order, learn how to fix a puncture and make sure brakes and gears are working well and safely. Other fixers and supporters will also be there with a variety of skills to repair items ranging from whipper snippers, to clothes and toasters. You can also learn how to sharpen knives, scissors and tools.



## **NEXT EDITION OF THE CHRONICLE**

Next edition is expected in February 2019. Let us know what's going on so we can include in our community newsletter.

### NON SERIOUS SECTION

Sometimes it's hard not to be serious especially when we come to the end of an era. Apparently the Uniting Church will not be functioning as a church in the near future. What would Jesus say? With the last of the church buildings ceasing as a Christian community centre we need to ask what is taking their place? The need for support to each other, kindness, understanding, compassion, celebration, empathy, charity and all those qualities that were the fundamentals of the communities need to continue to be taught and practiced. More on the future of the building in the next Chronicle. Maybe there's a continuing future for the building as a community centre. Any ideas?

#### DO YOU HAVE ANY STORIES OR INFORMATION?

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