

In the Dja Dja Warrang Language Yandoit means

Brown Snake or

Sure Water

of *Yandoit, Yandoit Hills, Franklinford*



and *Clydesdale*

September/October 2022

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What	When	Where
COMMUNITY MARKET	Sunday October 2ndth, 10am-2pm	Clydesdale Hall Locarno Road
DUO BLISS CONCERT WITH HARP AND VOICE	Sunday October 16th, 4.00pm	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Road
EUCALYPTUS STRING QUARTET WITH CELLIST CERIDWEN Mc COOEY	Sunday October 23rd, 6pm	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Road
VNI WEST TRANSMISSION LINES – INFO SESSION WITH Q and A	Wednesday October 12th, two sessions- 4pm or 6pm	Yandoit Hall
MINE-FIELD SCREENING	Saturday October 8th, 7.00pm	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Road
KAVISHA MAZZELLA CONCERT	Sunday November 13th, 4pm	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Road
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP AGM	Sunday November 20th, 2pm	Yandoit Hall

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MARKET

Upcoming Local Market - Clydesdale Hall, this **Sunday, October 2nd, 10am- 2pm**. A great mix of stallholders - but it isn't too late to register. So far we have: a little cafe hub for the Community Planning Group and Yandoit Cultural; books; honey; plants; small trees; artisan ironwork; CWA; treasures; oils; jams and much more. Join the fun. Tel: Liz 0414 525 074 to register. Please bring cash to support the stallholders as most do not have eftpos facilities.

HARP AND VOICE CONCERT- DUO BLISS

Nadia Piave (voice) and Jacinta Dennett (harp) have been playing as duo Bliss since the 1990s. Their concert *GREEN (Sunday*



October 16th, 4pm) is over 20 songs from the 1500s to now that explore the shades, tones and complexities of green in music that includes the colour in their titles, lyrics or themes. The concert includes re-imagined evergreens like Greensleeves, Robert Burns' Green Grow the Rashes, Being Green, and Kate Bush's Wuthering Heights, and compositions by artists including Joni Mitchell, Miles Davis, Tom Waits, and Green Day. Piave's awards include the

prestigious Frederic May Foundation Scholarship from the University of Sydney, and Dennett's awards include the Jim Marks Postgraduate Scholarship and the Director's Award for Exceptional Doctoral Research at the University of Melbourne. **Entry by donation-** Please support our musicians who've been hard hit over the past couple of years as a result of covid and lockdowns.

Bookings: Email yfcpg@gmail.com or phone Nikki 0432 232 073

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FILM SCREENING- MINE-FIELD

No Mining Yandoit Region and *Yandoit Cultural* are screening **MINE-FIELD-** a film about the mining invasion of Victoria's rural towns and communities, especially relevant to our communities

and much of central Victoria. There was a recent screening in both Castlemaine and Bendigo that a number of locals attended. So a



local screening is happening Saturday October 8th at 7pm. This documentary film shows the real impact of mining on Victoria's rural communities and the environment, and how a

farming community in East Gippsland fought a ruthless mining company and won. View the trailer here: [MINE-FIELD](#). **Entry by donation.** Debra has more *Lock The Gate* signs available. Email her at: hello@nominingyandoitregion.com

QUESTIONS TO OUR STATE MP'S

Richard Johnston has written to our state members of parliament - Mary-Anne Thomas (Macedon) and Maree Edwards (Bendigo) - seeking their response to a few key local issues/challenges, prior to the state government election scheduled for Saturday November 26th. The issues include: the threat of [VNI West 500 kV powerline](#); the threat of gold mining returning; and the condition of local roads and cycling access. A summary of the MP's responses to these challenges will be published in our next edition of *the Chronicle* plus via Yandoit Whatt's App.

CELLIST CERIDWEN MCCOOEY RETURNS WITH

EUCALYPTUS STRING QUARTET



For those lucky enough to hear Ceridwen McCooey play cello at Yandoit Cultural in June (with Darcy King on classical guitar), Ceridwen is returning to Yandoit, this time with the Eucalyptus String Quartet. Ceridwen plays cello, along with Sujie Kim and Samuel Ke, both on violin, and Flora Cawte on viola. The quartet will perform a variety of classical music on **Sunday October 23, 6pm**. Ceridwen

McCooey is an Australian cellist and composer based in Melbourne. She was the 2022 *The Talent* winner on 3MBS. **Entry**

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COMMEMORATIVE PLANTING DAY- SHEPHERDS FLAT



The 'Commemorative Event' planting day was held on Sunday 28th August- to honour 'Planting Trees for the Queen's Jubilee' grant received. In the week leading up we prayed that the rain would hold off, and it did! 21 of us spent 2 hours

planting 300 tube stock. Hon Catherine King, MP was unable to join us but Deputy Mayor, Cr. Jen Bray unveiled the plaque for the significant Eucalyptus Melliodora – Yellow Box, followed by a festive BBQ and cutting the significant cake, prepared by Amber at the Hepburn General store. And then it poured on Monday!! The creek, Larni Barramul Yuluk, rose significantly overnight and washed out many of the plants on the lower creek bank, so there's a lot of repair work to do. Fortunately all plants on the high ground are OK and they were well watered in.

VNIWEST TRANSMISSION LINES INFO SESSION

Those who attended the August community planning meeting at Clydesdale Hall were informed, via Richard Johnston's excellent presentation, about the VNIWEST Transmission lines project and the potential for new and vastly bigger transmission lines to carve through our communities. Hepburn Shire is holding an Information session at Yandoit Hall on **Wednesday afternoon October 12th**. There are two sessions to choose from - **4pm or 6pm**. [The Victoria to NSW Interconnector West \(VNI West\) project](#) is part of a national overhaul of the electricity transmission network designed to unlock renewable energy from regional and rural areas across the country. Hepburn Shire LGA is one of the worst affected areas arising from the Western Renewables Link Project (WRLP), with transmission lines of 500kV and 220kV proposed to traverse the shire from east to west and a terminal station on a 24ha site at Mt Prospect. The impact of this project on our shire will be doubled by the VNI West project which proposes to connect a 500kV north-south transmission line connecting proposed Mt Prospect terminal station via Bendigo to Kerang and NSW. Council officers will discuss the scope of these projects and what it will mean for our community in an open forum and will take questions from community members.

COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP AGM

The Yandoit, Clydesdale and Franklinford Community Planning Group Inc is holding its AGM on **Sunday November 20th, 2pm** at Yandoit Hall. Come and share suggestions and priorities for the year ahead. Committee members will be nominated and elected and new locals are welcomed. The purpose of the Community Planning Group is to actively contribute to the strength of our local community and sense of belonging by holding local discussions, performances, celebrations, forums and events. The Planning Group recognises community values, our natural and built environment and our region's history, and adopts the following objectives - encouraging participation of all community members; listening to diverse views and opinions; and drawing upon the skills and knowledge of community members. If you'd like to find out more about joining the committee contact Nikki (0432 232 073) or Debra (jordanandlee@icloud.com).

SIGNIFICANT WINTER AND SPRING RAINFALL

Trentham is regarded as a wet place while Yandoit Hills is regarded as relatively dry. Year to date Trentham has only had 9% more rain than Yandoit Hills. YTD: Trentham 711mm, Yandoit Hills 648 mm. September year to date for Yandoit is 666ml.

WILDLIFE RESCUE FOR INJURED ANIMALS

Kangaroos, wallabies, birds, echidnas and other wildlife are vulnerable to being hit and seriously injured by vehicles, especially at dawn and dusk. Remember to slow down and, if you hit an animal, call Hepburn Wildlife Shelter on (03) 8400 7300. The shelter provide rescue, treatment & rehabilitation for injured & distressed wildlife across Hepburn Shire and surrounding areas.

CFA LADIES COMMITTEE AGM DEFERRED

The Franklinford Fire Brigade Ladies Committee wishes to advise that our AGM and Election, due to be held on the 12th October, will not be taking place due to ongoing Covid risks. We wish all in our community a safe and quiet Fire season in the coming months.

SENIORS FESTIVAL FREE ACTIVITIES

Hepburn Shire Council, with support from Victorian Seniors Festival, CresFest and Attitude Clunes, are running four events. There are a limited number of FREE tickets for residents aged 55+, plus free bus transport along with a packed lunch. Events include film screenings, theatre, concerts and discussions at venues in Dean, Ballarat, Clunes and Lyonville at 4 different dates in October. For more information and to book: call Eddie Wyman, Hepburn Shire's Positive Ageing Officer on 0438 406 538 or <https://www.trybooking.com/CCLHR>

LOCAL ENERGY FROM RENEWABLE NEWSTEAD'S SOLAR FARM

Renewable Newstead held an information session about their planned solar farm in September. In partnership with electrical retailer FLOW it is anticipated that the local grid connected solar farm, providing 100% renewable energy, will be switched on around mid-2023. Residents of Yandoit, Clydesdale, Strangways, Franklinford, Yandoit Hills and neighbouring hamlets are eligible to sign up. You can also register to receive updated information. <https://renewablenewstead.com.au/>

KAVISHA MAZZELLA SINGS IN YANDOIT - A FUNDRAISER FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Aria award winner Kavisha will sing and play at Yandoit Cultural on **Sunday November 13th, at 4pm**. Songbird & folkloric explorer



Kavisha's original songs' lyrical ingredients include humour, poetry, social justice and the spiritual. Combine this prowess with the voice of an angel and you have the experience of a Kavisha concert. Singing in English, Italian and other languages, she will take you on an uplifting boundary riding journey of well-crafted stories and songs ringing with echoes of Celtic, Fado and Gypsy influences. In 2011 she was awarded an Australia Day Honour for services to music and

community. Enjoy Kavisha's music while at the same time raising funds for Ukrainian refugees.

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