



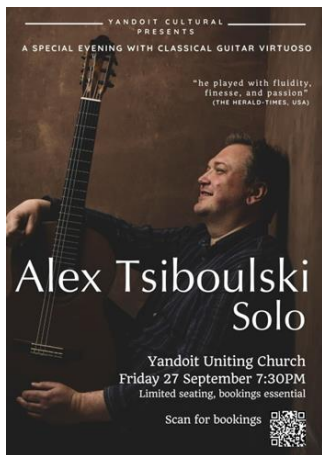
Diary Dates- What	When	Where
THE BEDRIDDEN BAND	Saturday September 14th, 7.30pm	Yandoit Cultural, Uniting Church Rd
COMMUNITY MEETING	Saturday September 21st, 3.30pm	Yandoit Hall
NEWSTEAD CFA MARKET	Saturday September 21st 8.00am to 1.00pm	Rotunda Park, Pyrenees Highway
VIRTUOSO GUITARIST CONCERT- ALEX TSIBOULSKI	Friday 27th September, 7:30PM	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Rd
YANDOIT SACRED	Saturday September 28th at 2pm	Yandoit Uniting Church
SWISS ITALIAN FESTA	Saturday October 26th 2.30pm - 4.30pm	Yandoit Cultural Uniting Church Rd

COMMUNITY MEETING

Our next community meeting for Yandoit Clydesdale & Franklinford is scheduled for **Saturday September 21st at 3.30pm at Yandoit Hall**. An opportunity to hear Yandoit Hills’ resident and renewable energy expert, Richard Johnston, speak about the possibility of a local electricity grid for our area. We will also brainstorm what’s currently happening across our communities that we’d like to see continue or be strengthened, such as communication, ecology and biodiversity, history, resilience, food and farming, transport, as well as cultural, recreational, and health needs etc. This will form the foundation of our next community plan which will also include new programs we want to get happening.

YANDOIT CULTURAL MUSIC EVENTS

Virtuoso Guitarist- Alex Tsiboulski



On **Friday 27 September 7:30PM**, renowned classical guitar master Alex Tsiboulski presents a unique one-off program in the special atmosphere and acoustics of Yandoit Uniting Church. Tsiboulski is an artist known for his virtuosity, intensity and depth, and presents a program spanning music from three centuries. Listeners will see and hear an original 200-year-old guitar from Italy, a modern Spanish guitar and a Telecaster electric. Seating is limited, Bookings

essential: <https://www.trybooking.com/CUQVU>
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Here’s a taste tempter for Alex Tsibulski:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCBJYfloEk0>

The Bedridden Return for a Second Concert

By popular demand *The Bedridden* with Yandoit’s Dave Lewis plus Raz and Alex, also based in Central Victoria, will perform again at Yandoit Cultural on **Saturday September 14th at 7.30pm**. “They

are the undisputed kings and queens of acoustic psycho muppet punk- brilliant, childish, side-splittingly funny, mean-spirited, musically outstanding, puerile, visionary, insular, hugely talented, immature and poetic”. Entry by donation.

TRIBUTE TO DON & JOAN- ROBERT MORRISON

Yandoit Hall filled with locals in mid-July to pay tribute to Don and Joan Morrison at a thanksgiving afternoon tea. A number of tributes were shared acknowledging the many contributions both Don and Joan made to our community. Son, Robert who took over the family farm, gave a powerful tribute and below is an extract. The full tribute is available at: <https://www.yandoit.net/>

Extract: I believe great marriages are no accident. The love and devotion Mum and Dad had for each other certainly stood the test of time. The fusion of these two souls over a life time, I’m sure, will last far beyond this world. My father Don was born to Dorothy and Edgar Morrison in 1931. He was a younger brother to Geoff and grew up here in Yandoit on the family farm as the 4th generation. Leaving school Dad not only worked on the farm but at times sought work picking grapes and working for a cropping farmer in the Mallee. Dad used to say my Grandfather must have been a supreme optimist to think the fractured and undeveloped farm could ever support three families. Dad and my Grandfather set about clearing the land, repairing damage left behind by miners and installing an irrigation system that is still operating today. My Mother, Joan, began her life west of Mt Tarrengower as her parents struggled to establish a farm prior to the building of the Cairn Curran Reservoir which consumed much of their property and is now known as Treloar’s bay. She was one of eight kids. As the eldest daughter of a second marriage she was given the job of helping raise her younger siblings as well as taking care of many house hold duties. Mum did not have an easy up bringing to say the least, it was in fact more like a real life Cinderella story. When Dad started going out with Mum he said to her “I can’t offer you much, but I’ll promise you a better life than the *one you’ve got*”.

Like Dad, Mum held steadfast to her faith and for a while she also taught Sunday school. After leaving school Mum’s artistic talent saw her gain work as a pattern maker for Thompson’s foundry in Castlemaine until she was married. It wasn’t uncommon for her ride

her push bike from Maldon to Castlemaine and back for work. Some of her drawings are still on display at the Maldon vintage Machinery museum.

The day they married was one of the happiest days of their life. Dad always said Mum was the most beautiful girl he had ever met and he couldn't believe how lucky he was. He still carried a photo of her in his wallet up until the day he died.

The mid 70's proved to be hard work milking around 60 cows and running up to 100 pigs. Mum was busy raising four kids and Dad ran the farm with very little machinery and only basic infrastructure. Times were tough but about to get a lot worse when drought coincided with the Dairy industry collapse. Dad had no choice but to find work off farm to make ends meet. This was when he became a gardener at the Castlemaine hospital. Every week day he would get up, milk the cows, drive into Castlemaine to start work by 8:00 o'clock and work till 5:00. He would often spend his days walking up and down steep slopes mowing lawns and shifting sprinklers then return home to milk again. Sometimes he would work into the night catching up on jobs, shifting irrigation pipes by torch light, before going to bed & doing it all over again the next day. One of the bosses in there said to him one day, "Why don't you sell the farm and live an easier life" ? Dad paused then replied: "Yes I could do that, but then I would think now what- I would probably want to buy a nice little farm somewhere with a creek running past it. I already have that!" Dad always knew the true value of what he had. Dad eventually went from full time to 3 days a week and did this for 17 years . Not only did Dad's work load increase during this time but so did Mums. She would clean out pig sty's, push wheel barrows of grain up hill to the dairy, clear rocks of paddocks, help cart in hay as well as keep house and raise us kids, attend mothers club meeting's, school canteen, fire brigade ladies and played the organ at church. Although the days must have been incredibly long for dad, he also made time to be heavily involved in every community organization that was on offer. As a small child I always admired everything about my father. I remember him tucking us tightly into bed and telling us stories. I remember him holding me tightly as we sat around the open fire at night. I remember the times he took me on the grey fergie tractor ploughing, raking hay or feeding out. It didn't seem to matter, he was always doing something exciting & he couldn't keep me away. Over the years we spent so much time together & shared so much in common. We could talk about anything & everything and no subject was off limits. We just enjoyed each other's company & the love of farming. He lifted me up when I was down, he gave me strength & encouragement when I needed it. He was everything a father could be & more, he was indeed the very wind beneath my wings. He often said his two Great loves in his life were Mum and the farm. Growing up as kids we had everything we needed, parents who loved us and the space and opportunity to grow into whoever we wanted to be. How grateful we are. They didn't live perfect lives, they lived Exemplary lives. Rest in peace,

DEFIBRILLATOR FOR YANDOIT

Thanks to the generosity of the Yandoit community a new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) has been installed at the Yandoit hall. It is available to use now. Nearly 80% of sudden cardiac arrests can be treated with defibrillation in conjunction with CPR and the earlier it is applied the higher the success rate. Like most country communities, when a need is identified that need is met. Many local people have contributed to the cost of the defibrillator itself, and the signage and storage cabinet installed on the hall verandah. The inert training unit is also here and has been largely paid for as well. Training sessions will be run at the hall to familiarise as many people as possible with the operation of the

AED. The first training session will be Saturday Sept 7th with around 20 people booked in. To express your interest in future training sessions contact Jon Outridge - by text on 0438 429 284. Or message on the Yandoit WhatsApp group. We intend to run as many initial sessions as needed with refresher sessions in future.

NEXT COMMUNITY MARKET AT CLYDESDALE

We have lift off for our next community market. It will be back in Clydesdale, on the **first Sunday in December -the 8th from**



10am-2pm. We have a great number of stallholders registered. The Newstead Mens Shed will again be holding their sausage sizzle; Katie will have her amazing baked goods, along with toasties. There are plants; small trees; olive oil and Red

Wine along with a fabulous range of products. If you're interested in a stall, contact Liz on 0414 525 074.

NEWSTEAD CFA COMMUNITY MARKET.

The next Newstead market will be on **Saturday 21st September at Rotunda park**, Pyrenees highway, from 8am to 1pm. There'll be plants, bric a brac, preserves and lots more. The CFA will be selling hot food, and there'll be coffee available. If you're interested in having a stall the cost is \$10, just turn up if you're interested. For further information contact: Ron Archer on 0427 506 843.

YANDOIT HALL COMMITTEE

Following the triennial meeting of Yandoit Hall in July, here are hall committee members for the next three years, all continuing on: Ross Sartori (president), Carlene Sartori (secretary), Andrew Kimpton, Noel Richards, Anne Richards.

YANDOIT SACRED

The next Yandoit Sacred gathering will be on **Saturday 28th September, 2pm at Yandoit's Uniting Church**. With spring in the air, this will be an opportunity to reflect on 'what's feeding the soil of your being?' Contact Nikki for more information- 0432 232 073

SWISS ITALIAN FESTA

This year's Swiss Italian Festa will be held over the last weekend in October. Yandoit Cultural will again be hosting a history and story-telling event on Saturday October 26, from 2-30 to 4.30pm. As a bonus there will be a bus tour to see and hear stories about some of the precious stone houses around Yandoit Hills. Bookings are essential: yandoitcultural.org or mob. 0432 232 073

RURAL HEPBURN STRATEGY

Hepburn Shire approved their amended Rural Strategy at a special Council meeting last week. Following a significant number of community submissions, amendments to the future strategy have reinstated much of Shepherds Flat, Franklinton, Yandoit, Clydesdale and Strangways to Farm Zone (rather than the draft strategy's proposal for Rural Activity Zone). In response to community requests for many years the strategy also calls on the Planning Minister to protect one of the Dja Dja Wurrung's and Hepburn Shire's most valued landscape features by approving an Interim Significant Landscape Overlay for Lalgambuk (Mount Franklin) and surrounding features to ensure no further development can be approved on or around Lalgambuk.

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