

BENDOC WHEEL

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Welcome to Bendoc's monthly newsletter. The border checkpoints are gone, but that is a period of our lives, as border community residents, that will not quickly be forgotten. Let's hope we don't have to return there any time soon.

Over the last few months our local community representative groups, such as the Bendoc Hall Committee, Bendoc Resource Centre and E2S groups have been in discussion with Peter Balmer from East Gippsland Shire Council. We are pleased to say that while we realise changes don't usually occur overnight, it is refreshing to be able to say that we have spoken with Shire and that they have actually HEARD what we are saying. We are making progress in areas of town maintenance, community facilities such as park and playground, and after a long time, the approval of the RV status for the area of land adjacent to the Bendoc hall.

These improvements help to make Bendoc and surrounds feel as though we are a part of the rest of the East Gippsland Shire and a part of something bigger. Most importantly, when we feel heard we feel as though we are valued, and why shouldn't we be? Bendoc is a wonderful part of the world.

Opening Hours

8:30 - 3:30

(Subject to change)

Contact us on

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The East Gippsland Shire currently has a number of successful Recreational Vehicle [RV] campsites across the region, designed for short stay camping including caravans, tents and swags. The Bendoc Memorial Hall has been approved as a new RV site. The proposed site is next to the Hall where the current BMX track is, which would provide campers access to the Hall's outstanding facilities.

We wish to encourage visitors such as motorbike riders, cyclists, and nature enthusiasts to enjoy our area and hope that the community will support this idea.

The RV site will be monitored by community and Shire representatives for cleanliness and upkeep.

For more information or to have your say please contact Irene
at the Bendoc Resource Centre: 02 64158 1402

Or 04 1267 5253

WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE
@ GOONGERAHHALL
WEDNESDAY 9TH DECEMBER
CALL BIRGIT FOR BOOKINGS
04 9109 0452




The nurse does everything to do with women's health, including Pap Smears, Breast Checks or showing women how to check their breasts for lumps, or advice on birth control.



HealthShare

Hospital Job Opportunities

We are looking for a team player to join us in a food and cleaning role

You'll need to

- Be an enthusiastic team player with a 'can do' attitude
- Be friendly and cooperative in a team environment
- Provide outstanding customer service

We can offer

- Food and cleaning assistant roles
- Permanent full time roles with a pay rate of \$49,710.00 per annum (excl. 9.5% superannuation)
- Hospital Assistant Grade 2

Where you'll be working

You'll be working at Delegate Multipurpose Service for HealthShare NSW, which is the backbone of NSW public hospitals. We provide critical support such as food and cleaning services, so hospitals can do the important work of caring for patients.

What you'll need

- A recent resume
- Identification
- NSW Health Category A vaccinations - Whooping Cough, Hepatitis B, MMR, Varicella and Tuberculosis (at your expense)
- You may need a valid Working With Children Check

How to apply

Visit iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search for 'REQ 199841' or scan the QR code. For additional information contact **Michelle Ingram** on Michelle.Ingram@health.nsw.gov.au. Applications close 8 December 2020.



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WERFRC_201903 Regional & Rural Jobs Poster - 2020

Errinundra To Snowy [E2S] District Representative Group [DRG]

After a slow start to the year the E2S DRG are gaining momentum again and would like to keep the community up to date with what's happening. It is intended for this section to feature as a regular update in the Wheel.

- We are always looking for new members for the representative group and the working groups – get in touch with someone you know who is already on the group if you want to join – good contacts are: Jim Stevenson, Irene French (Bendoc Resource Centre), Shelly McLaren, Jarrod Ruch, Isaac Carne (Goongerah), Bob McIlroy (Cabanandra), Birgit Schaedler, Lisa Worrell-Ingram, Sue Collins, Deb Tresham (Tubbut/Bendoc).

FOR CONTACT DETAILS PLEASE APPROACH YOUR RELEVANT RESOURCE CENTRE

- If you are interested in a particular subject area and see it on an agenda please feel free to come to that meeting to listen in/talk about that item.

You can attend any meeting in person at Bonang Hall or get in touch to get a zoom link if you can't travel.

12 November 2020—E2SDRG Minutes

10.35 - Item 1 **Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country, Introductions (Eleni)**

10.40 - Item 2 - **Review options and conversations each community had about the CRC**

Select option to move forward based on what is going to work for each community

A working group to play the role of the ESDRG will be set up to play the role of the Community Recovery Committee, general agreement on this.

Goongerah residents will be on this committee and that community will work intensively together also to feed their recovery priorities and needs into the broader district CRC working group noting the particular flame impact that community experienced. (Isaac, Shelly, Jarrod).

General agreement that the group membership like the ESDRG membership will be open and a membership call out will be made via the Tattler and Wheel newsletters. This will fit within the ESDRG intention to have a meeting summary and forward planner in the newsletters to encourage people to join the group or at least attend on an interest-area basis.

10.50 - Item 3 **Next steps**

Call for new members – agendas, minutes in Tattler/Wheel

Birgit spoke to some people in Deddick Valley about getting involved in the group but interest is low at the moment (lots of people involved in other groups and sense not much happens). Agreement that this sentiment is ok and hopefully as things start to happen more people get interested in being involved.

December meeting (proposed 10 Dec date, moved forward from 24 Dec)

General agreement that December meeting date be moved forward to 10 December to avoid Christmas eve clash.

Meeting agencies and government (e.g. Landcare/DJPR)

Department of Jobs Precincts and Regions, (Regional Development Victoria - Forestry Transition) will be invited to speak about their role and grants at the December 10 meeting. (Eleni, Action by next meeting)

Landcare invite to 28 January meeting (Action for Peter who was a late apology due to technical issues)

How has the zoom/online meeting worked?

General agreement that face to face is important but that keeping a blended online option for those that can't travel on particular days is a good back up.

10.50 - Item 4 **AOB**

Bob sent an email to Darren Chester thanking him for the work on the Bonang Road funding and asking about telecommunications issues. A response was received which Bob read out to the meeting. Chester's office doing some work on advocacy around telecommunications, particularly in Goongerah which is a black spot (Bob).

Acknowledgement not everyone in Goongerah wants mobile coverage so more consultation is needed with the community (Isaac), however Emergency Management needs are playing a role in this too in responding to fires and other emergency situations (Eleni, Shelly).

11.05pm - **meeting close**

AGENDA 10 December 2020 meeting 10.30am, followed by lunch around midday (or join by zoom)

Item 1 – Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, Introductions if needed.

Item 2 – Existing working group updates (roads, services, nature-based tourism)

- Next meeting

What is currently happening

Item 3 – Finalise Getting the CRC working group up and running

Item 4 – Forestry Transition Team from Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions discussion <https://djpr.vic.gov.au/forestry/forestry-plan>: understanding where or how the Bendoc/Tubbut/Goongerah communities might fit into a broader connection. We are trying to get a clear understanding of the relationship between communities and timber industry, from an economic and social perspective. This is particularly pertinent due to the impact of the bushfires and COVID-19.

Item 6 – Any Other Business (AOB)



BENDOC POLICE NEWS

Hi All,

Welcome to the November edition of Police News for Bendoc and surrounding areas. This will be the last newsletter for 2020.

Great to see the border re open, I'm sure this is a relief for folks in this area and for the NSW police members...

Unfortunately, masks are still mandatory whilst inside, but it's nice to be able to walk outside and not have to wear one!

Well our renos at the station residence are completed and looking great. The accommodation will enable police to stay in Bendoc overnight and visit more often.

The old house directly next door has been demolished and hopefully the chimney will be gone in the next few weeks.

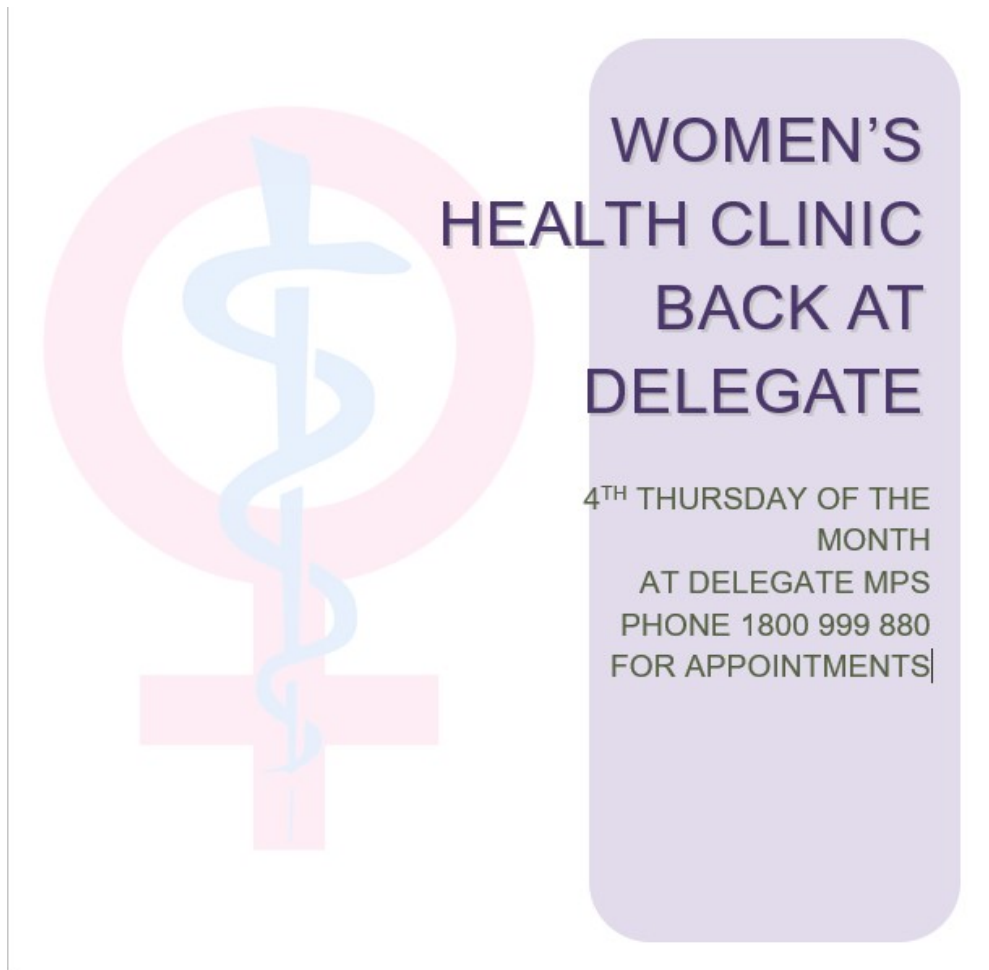
Current Events:

We are still receiving complaints about illegal deer hunting in the area and I know this is a big concern for the community. We are continuing with our operations over the summer period and encourage community to keep calling or contact the 'Game Management Authority' on 133 677 or on their website <https://www.gma.vic.gov.au/enforcement/report-illegal-hunting-online>

Report incidents or contact police in the following ways.

- 000 for immediate police attendance or urgent matters
- Police Assistance Line on 131 444 for any non-urgent matters, to report a crime or leave a message for a police member to contact you
- Online Reporting www.onlinereporting.police.vic.gov.au
- Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000





**WOMEN'S
HEALTH CLINIC
BACK AT
DELEGATE**

4TH THURSDAY OF THE
MONTH
AT DELEGATE MPS
PHONE 1800 999 880
FOR APPOINTMENTS

SO, ladies, if you need to speak with a professional in women's health issues and feel more comfortable talking with a female, save yourself a trip to Bombala or further and contact the centralised intake number on the left to make an appointment locally at Delegate!



The Delegate Multi Purpose Service

Wellness Clinic – Delegate MPS 02 6459 800

Wellness Clinic

Monday 9am—10am every week except public holidays. No appointment necessary.

Procedures include:

- Wound care
- Blood pressure reading
- Blood sugar readings
- Suture or clip removal
- Injections with doctor's written order

Pathology Clinic:

Wednesday 9:30—10am every weekday, no appointment needed.

Victorian Visits:

Community nurse visits with Victorian clients fortnightly. For referral call Orbest Regional Health 03 5154 6666



Bushbubs Wildlife Shelter Bendoc

0488719233

(No birds or reptiles)

Notices

* BOBCAT CONTRACTOR

Do you need:



Heavy duty slasher and bucket

Slasher suitable for scrub or regrowth
Clearing
Small Earthworks
Levelling
Preparation for sheds, carports,
water tanks and paving
Clean ups

Reasonable rates

Fully insured

Contact: Steve on 02 64580303 or
0407190258 (Mobile does not work at home)

Or email: stephenscroope@bigpond.com

BOMBALA WASTE MANAGEMENT

- Servicing of septic tanks, grease traps and all other liquid waste
- Portaloos hire

ROBERT & SHARON HAMPSHIRE

11 High Street, Bombala NSW 2632
0417 423 983 or AH 02 6458 3075 | robshaz10@dodo.com.au
collector of antique bottles

Weekly games and dinner nights @ the Bendoc Hall

- Will NOT be held on 5th of December.
- The final two dinner and games nights for the year will be held on 12th and 19th December.

Keep an eye on the white sign outside the Resource Centre for new developments.



Mobile library outreach service (USE IT OR LOOSE IT!)

As most of you would be aware, COVID put a stop to the regular visits of the EGSC mobile library bus to Bendoc. The mobile library operates at rural and remote sites throughout the East Gippsland Shire on a fortnightly timetable. While it is hoped that this service will soon be reinstated, there was a hint that unless the uptake increases through more people accessing the service there may be need to re-evaluate the service.

This is a reminder of our remoteness and our ever dwindling list of available services. We would like to suggest that all those who wish to retain this service at Bendoc, make an attempt to use the mobile library on a regular basis so we can keep it. We will let you know when this service resumes.



Local roads maintenance

Weekly Walking Group

The weekly walking group meet every Wednesday morning. If you feel like walking for fitness or fun please come along.



Opening Hours

2020		December				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
30	01	02 Bush Fire Recovery Hub @ Bendoc	03 Bendoc Hall meeting 9:00	04	05 No dinner @ Hall	06
07	08	09 Women's Health Nurse @ Geongerah	10 E2S DRG meeting @ Bonang	11	12 Dinner @ the Hall	13
14	15	16	17	18 Last day of term 4, 2020.	19 Dinner @ the Hall (last for the year).	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	01	02	03

2021		January				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
28	29	30	31	01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
01	02	Notes: Opening hours shaded				

The Bendoc community Christmas party has been cancelled this year to COVID 19 restrictions. Depending on how 2021 unfolds, it might be possible to reschedule our community Christmas party to Christmas in July.