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25 June 2009

Welcome to this edition of the Weekly What's On from Ballarat's Visitor Information Centres.

This Weekend

Until Sunday 5 July: The Hatpin

Set in 1892, a single mother struggling to survive advertised her baby in a newspaper. Amber thought she was saving her baby's life, however she ended up embroiled in one of the most captivating, moving and exciting criminal cases in Australian history. Tickets \$32 adult, \$25 concession. Members tickets also available. Various times. Bookings though Majestix on 5333 5888. Shows held at Helen Macpherson Smith Theatre, Camp St Ballarat

Friday 26 June: The Golden Voice Choir

Come and enjoy the sounds of Noel Cravens Golden Voice Choir, a group of talented singers from the Ballarat district senior citizens clubs. The choir is well known through out the Ballarat district. Cost \$2. 3:30pm - 5:30pm at Logesh Hertford Gardens, 37 Alexandra St., Sebastopol. Phone: 5335 5288

Friday 26 - Sunday 28 June: The Alan Carter Festival of Antiques & Collectables

A Gala Dinner on Friday will be followed throughout the weekend of exhibition and entertainment, with prizes to be won and bargains to be had. Dealers from all over Australia will be attending with a very wide selection of accurately described antiques and collectables to suit every collector. Admission \$6, Conc \$4, Gala Dinner \$83 per head. 5:30pm - 11pm Fri. 9:30am - 5pm Sat and Sun. Mercure Ballarat Hotel, 613 Main Road. Ph: Gaby & Kim 5333 7377

Saturday 27 June - 26 July: Frozen In Time

Get set to discover Frozen in Time at Sovereign Hill these

This film is a 1960s black and white drama. Drinks and meals available. Mini-pass for 3 consecutive screenings costs \$15, or annual subscription for \$40. Commences 7.30pm at Portico, 203 Dana St. Ph: Sue on 5341 2266

Next Weekend

Friday 3 July: Trotting Race Meet

Racing from 6.30pm, last race by 10pm. Located at Bray Raceway, corner Bell and Sutton Streets, Redan. Ph: 5335 9041 for more info

Friday 3 - Saturday 4 July: Ballarat Italian Film Festival

Four films over two days, commencing on the evening of Friday 3rd July with "Ladri di Biciclette" (Bicycles Thieves). Two films on Saturday 4th of July in the afternoon - "Il Posto" (The Job) and "Viaggio in Italia" (Journey to Italy). The final film is on Saturday evening, "Lucky Luciano". Meals are available both nights. Cost: Film free, meals at restaurant prices. 6:30pm - 10pm Friday, 1:30pm - 10:30pm Saturday at Portico Bar and Restaurant, Dana St. Phone: Carla - 0417108559

Friday 3 - Sunday 12 July: The Horseman from Snowy River

Jump aboard for the ride of your life when the true Australian outback comes to Ballarat for an unforgettable limited season. No photography permitted. Tickets vary from \$50 adult to \$100 VIP pass which includes table, antipasto, wine and a stable tour. Tickets available through Ticketmaster 136100 or 1300 365 700. Shows on Fri 3 - 7.30pm, Sat 4 - 7.30pm, Sun 5 - 11am & 4pm, Fri 10 - 7.30pm, Sat 11 - 7.30pm and Sun 12 - 11am. Located at Ballarat Showgrounds. Further information at www.thehorsemanfromsnowyriver.com.au

Saturday 4 July: S.E.A.B.L. Ballarat Miners home game

Lady Miners vs NW Tasmania, Miners vs NW Tasmania. Tickets \$11 Adults, \$7 Children, \$29 Family (2+2) Lady Miners at 6.00pm, Miners at 8pm. Ballarat Minerdom, Dowling St Wendouree. Ph: 5338 1220

Sunday 5 July: Day at the Races

A day of sensational thoroughbred racing is guaranteed. Come and enjoy the atmosphere of a day at the races. Dining packages available. 11am - 5pm at the Ballarat Turf Club, Dowling Forest Racecourse. For further information visit www.ballaratturfclub.com.au or phone 5334 6273

Sunday 5 July: Diana Nikkelson New Works Exhibition Launch

A new exhibition by artists Diana Nikkelson and Kelvyn

Clifford. Launch is being held at 12noon, please RSVP for lunch (roo cooked the traditional way). This exhibition will remain on display until August 31. Located at Kirrit Bareet, 403 Main Rd. Ph: 5332 2755

Regular Events

Wednesday to Sunday: Eerie Tours Ballarat

Explore the dark side of Ballarat in this entertaining walking tour hosted by a professional team of historians and story tellers. Tour length - 90 minutes. Cost: \$25 adults, concession \$20. Tours commence at the Ballarat Train Station, arrive 10 minutes before tour time. Bookings essential. Dinner and tour packages available Ph: 0423 653 512

Daily: Blood On The Southern Cross

Set under the night skies at Sovereign Hill, this sound and light spectacular tells the story of the Eureka Rebellion. Packages available including day entry and show, or dinner and show etc. Bookings essential. Call 5337 1199 for show times and tickets

Friday & Saturday: Castle Cabaret Variety Theatre Restaurant Show

A fun filled night of great entertainment with dancing after the Show. Three course dinner included in ticket price of \$55 per person. Accommodation packages available. 7.30pm start. Bookings Essential. Located at Kryal Castle, Forbes Rd, Mt Warrenheip. Ph: 5334 7388

Friday & Saturday: Ballarat Observatory and 3D Movie

Discover the universe and view the night sky with rare 19th - 20th century telescopes, or join an astrotour and view a 3D movie. Bookings recommended to confirm viewing times. Costs start from \$18 family for the telescope viewing, or \$25 family including viewing and 3D movie. Located at the Ballarat Observatory, Magpie St, Mt Pleasant. Ph: 5332 7526

Ongoing Events

Tuesday 2 - Saturday 27 June: Drought- Creative Cross Cultural Collaborations

Some of Victoria's most accomplished artists will present work, much of which has been created collaboratively - a coming together of visual artists, poets, writers, filmmakers and performers. A range of artists books, multi- media, 2D works and installations will be showcased across the University of Ballarat's Post Office Gallery and the City of Ballarat's Mining Exchange. Free Entry. Mon - Sat 12pm - 3pm or when banner flying. Post Office Gallery. Ph: 5327

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Saturday 13 June - end of June: Indigenous Art Exhibition

The exhibition has a mix of mediums including sculpture, pastels, oils, acrylic, watercolour, charcoal and more, featuring artists Christine Warm and Shirley Morgan. Open Friday - Monday from 10am - 5pm. Located at Skipton Art Gallery, 36 Montgomery St, Skipton. Ph: 0448 914 831

Tuesday 2 June - Thursday 2 July: Fabric of Life

Fabric of Life - Yasmin Cole. "You must understand the whole of life, not just one little part of it. That is why you must read, that is why you must look at the skies, that is why you must sing and dance, and write poems, [and paint,] and suffer, and understand, for all that is life." J. Krishnamurti. Free Entry. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 10am - 3pm. Other viewing times available by appointment. Arthur Gallery, Curtis Street. Ph: 5332 9894

Wednesday 1 July - Friday 31 July: Lake Wendouree - A Visual Memoir: 1982 - 2009 by Peter Kervarec

This impressive collection of colour and black and white images taken over the past 27 years highlights the remarkable changes seen at Lake Wendouree. Open 9am - 5.30pm Mon - Thurs, 9am - 6pm Fri, Sat 10am - 2pm, closed Sunday and public holidays. Located at the Gallery on Sturt, 421 Sturt St Ballarat. Ph: 5331 7011

Sunday 5 July - Monday 31 August: Diana Nikkelson New Works

A new exhibition by artists Diana Nikkelson and Kelvyn Clifford. Free entry. Open Mon to Fri 9am - 5pm, Sat to Sun 11am - 4pm. Located at Kirrit Bareet, 403 Main Rd. Ph: 5332 2755

Saturday 11 July - Sunday 4 October: Hans Heysen

One of Australia's greatest artists, Hans Heysen (1877-1968), is celebrated with the first major retrospective of his work in three decades. Hans Heysen is a leading figure in Australian art and one of the major Australian landscape artists of the first half of the twentieth century. This national survey exhibition marks the fortieth anniversary of the artist's death and celebrates the eightieth anniversary of the first exhibition of his paintings of the Flinders Ranges. Cost: Gold coin donation. 9am - 5pm everyday at the Art Gallery of Ballarat, Lydiard St Nth. Phone: 5320 5858

Until Sunday 13 September: A Golden Century of Scouting, Ballarat and District 1909 - 2009

See hundreds of photographs and items of scouting history

along with the full story of how scouting developed in this region. Adult \$9, Conc. \$6, Child \$4.50. Open daily 9.30am - 5.15pm. Located at the Gold Museum, Bradshaw St. Ph: 5337 1107

Until November 8: Ercildoune - The story of a Pastoral Station

Ercildoune the story of a Pastoral Station exhibition display includes paintings, photographs and memorabilia from the homestead collection. Exhibition open daily 9.30am - 5.20pm at The Gold Museum, Bradshaw St. Ph: 5337 1107

Upcoming Events

Saturday 4 - Saturday 11 July: Domestic Tales

Ballarat National Theatre presents their 2009 "shorts" season. Two Australian comedies and two classic Russian comedies. Cost: Adult \$20, Conc. \$17, Members, Students & Groups (10+) \$14. 2pm on Sunday 5, 8pm on 4, 8-11 July at SMB Courthouse Theatre, Lydiard St. Sth. Phone: 5333 5888 for bookings

Saturday 4 July: Rat Rhymes

Word up and get down. Performance poetry and assorted insanity. Cost: Free. 2pm - 5pm at The Mallow Hotel Skipton St

Tuesday 7 July: Morning melodies

Graeme Vendy is back! For one show only with Noel and Tracey Craven. All your old favorites, song books provided. Cost: \$7 including morning tea. Starts 10:30am at Ballarat Leagues Club, Cnr Mair and Humphrey Streets

Tuesday 7 July: The New Adventure Island

A current day pantomime style show packed with fun, audience interactivity, songs and tap dancing. Annoyed with the Adventure Islanders being constantly happy, Mizzda Meaner comes up with a plan to stop them smiling. He decides to trick them with a non-existent Smile Contest, but Clown eventually works out what is going on and, working as a team, they come up with a plan of their own! All tickets \$16. 11am & 1.30pm at Her Majesty's Theatre, Lydiard St Sth. Ph: 5333 5888. Online: www.hermaj.com

Friday 10 July: Guy Pratt "Breakfast of Idiots"

Spoken Word Australia presents the second installment of Guy's life journey, coming hot on the heels of his smash show and book of the same name "My Bass & Other Animals". Cost: Adult \$46.05 Conc. \$43. 8pm at Her Majesty's Theatre, Lydiard St. Sth. Phone: 5333 5888 for bookings

Saturday 11 July: Collectables Fair

Items of interest will include china, silver, swap cards, linen, glass, toys, stamps, coins, medals, antique prints and much more. Local, regional and interstate traders. Admission \$5 adult, children under 14 free. Located from 9am - 4pm in main pavilion area at Ballarat Showgrounds, corner Creswick Rd and Howitt St. For further information phone Graham and Pearl on 9585 6567 or 0428 394 249

Saturday 11 July: 20th Eureka Collectables and Militaria Fair

Collectors ammo, edged weapons, knives, antique arms, militaria, medals, books, accessories, uniforms and much more. Free entry if wearing complete military uniform, or adult \$7 admission. Children under 16 free. 9.30am - 4.00pm, located at Woolshed Exhibition Centre, Western Hwy. Ph: 5342 4433

Saturday 11 July: The Three Tenors

A Christmas in July experience with A Night to Remember, a Tribute to The Three Tenors. The likeness is remarkable, the sound is irresistible, the show is unforgettable! Three Tenors are portrayed by Angelo Falcone as Pavarotti, Victor Sacca as Carreras and Sandro Marino as Placido Domingo. Dinner & Show \$50, Show Only \$25. 7pm - 1am at The Nerrina Tavern, Lofven Street. Ph: 03 5332 6419

Saturday 11 July: S.E.A.B.L. Ballarat Miners home game

Lady Miners vs Frankston, Miners vs Canberra. Tickets \$11 Adults, \$7 Children, \$29 Family (2+2) Lady Miners at 6.00pm, Miners at 8pm. Ballarat MinerDome, Dowling St Wendouree. Ph: 5338 1220

Sunday 12 July: Trotting Race Meet

Twilight Racing from 5pm. Located at Bray Raceway, corner Bell and Sutton Streets, Redan. Ph: 5335 9041 for more info

Tuesday 14 July: Click Go the Clogs

Come and enjoy a fantastic display of Clog Dancing in traditional dress, by well known Geelong entertainers, the Bay City Clog Dancers. Cost: Free but bookings essential. 2pm - 4pm at Logesh Hertford Gardens, 37 Alexandra St., Sebastopol. Phone: 5335 5288

Wednesday 15 July: The Dancers Company

Produced and presented by the Australian Ballet. A programme of Ballets Russes-inspired works featuring a classical gem, a whimsical poetic piece and a brand-new work created especially for this tour. Tickets: \$47 adult, \$39 pensioner/unemployed, \$29 youth (U27), Child (U18) \$22.

7.30pm at Her Majesty's Theatre, Lydiard St Sth. Ph: 5333 5888

Thursday 16 July: The Kursk

A Russian submarine mysteriously vanished in August 2000 and the wreckage eventually discovered with 23 survivors trapped inside. This extraordinary play reveals the true story behind The Kursk, the ill-fated submarine. Tickets: \$37 adult, \$30 concession, \$21 child/student. 8.00pm at Her Majesty's Theatre, Lydiard St Sth. Ph: 5333 5888

Friday 17 July: Melbourne Guitar Quartet

Melbourne Guitar Quartet present their new recording, 'Four Elements'. Cost: Adult \$28, Conc. \$25. 8pm at Helen MacPherson-Smith Theatre, Arts Academy, Camp St. Phone: 5333 5888 for bookings

Saturday 18 July: Melbourne to Ballarat Cycling Classic

Race commences at 10.30am from Ted's Cafe, Western Hwy, Rockbank, and finishes in front of VicRoads Wendouree. For further information contact Doug Armstrong on 5338 7200 or 0429 339 210

Saturday 18 July: Don Huntley Memorial Recital - Stephanie McCallum

A Reserve (includes champagne supper) \$35.00. Adult \$20, concession \$15, student/child \$5. 7.30pm at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts, Howitt St Wendouree. Ph: 5338 0980

Saturday 18 July: S.E.A.B.L. Ballarat Miners home game

Lady Miners vs Knox, Miners vs Knox. Tickets \$11 Adults, \$7 Children, \$29 Family (2+2) Lady Miners at 6.00pm, Miners at 8pm. Ballarat Minerdome, Dowling St Wendouree. Ph: 5338 1220

Monday 20 July: Trotting Race Meet

Racing from 6.30pm, last race by 10pm. Located at Bray Raceway, corner Bell and Sutton Streets, Redan. Ph: 5335 9041 for more info

Saturday 25 July: Johnny Cash and Elvis Tribute Show

This will be a real show stopper starring Mark Calagari with his brilliant tribute to Johnny Cash and Elvis. The night includes a 3-course dinner. Cost: \$55. 7:30pm - 1am at Kryal Castle, Forbes Road (off Western Highway). Phone: 5334 7388, or visit www.kryalcastle.com.au

Saturday 25 July: Trotting Race Meet

Racing from 6.30pm, last race by 10pm. Located at Bray Raceway, corner Bell and Sutton Streets, Redan. Ph: 5335

9041 for more info

Thursday 30 July: Musical Memoirs of a Ten Pound Pom

When Hilary Henshaw, an English 12 year old, set sail for Australia on the SS Canberra in 1964 she was bound for a brand new life and a brand new dream. Now a proud Australian, Hilary invites you to relive a time when more than a million excited Brits came to this wonderful land of opportunity, and share her experiences of adjusting to a new country, which was so familiar yet so different. Cost: \$16. 2pm - 4pm at Her Majesty's Theatre, Lydiard St. Sth. Phone: 5333 5888 for bookings.

Thursday 30 July: Trotting Race Meet

Racing from 6.30pm, last race by 10pm. Located at Bray Raceway, corner Bell and Sutton Streets, Redan. Ph: 5335 9041 for more info

Ballarat Markets

EVERY SUNDAY

Trash & Trivia Market
Ballarat Showgrounds,
Creswick Road, 8am - 1pm

MONTHLY

2nd Saturday

Computer Swap Meet
Ballarat Secondary College East Campus,
Victoria Street, Ballarat
9am - 4pm

Farmers Market
Ballarat Secondary College East Campus,
Corner Fussell and Victoria Streets, Ballarat
9am - 2pm

Ballarat Lakeside Market (also last Saturday)
Windmill Drive, Ballarat (beside Botanical Gardens).
9am - 1pm

3rd Saturday

Buninyong Farmers' Market
Buninyong Town Hall

9am - 1pm

4th Sunday

Pleasant Street Community Market
Pleasant Street Primary School, Ballarat
10am - 2pm

Last Saturday

Ballarat Lakeside Market (also 2nd Saturday)
Windmill Drive, Ballarat (beside Botanical Gardens).
9am - 1pm

SURROUNDING AREAS

Every Sunday

Daylesford Community Market
The Train Station in Daylesford
8am - 1pm

1st Sunday

Creswick Market
Town Centre, Creswick
10am - 3pm

2nd Sunday

Clunes Market
Fraser Street, Clunes
9am - 3pm Ph: 5345 3304

Linton Variety Market
Linton Recreation Reserve
9am - 2pm Ph: 0439 633 688

3rd Saturday

Creswick Calcarn Maket
Victoria St, Creswick
9am - 12.30pm

3rd Sunday

Talbot Farmer's Market
Scandinavian Crescent, Talbot
9am - 1pm Ph: 5463 2001

4th Sunday

Avoca Wine, Arts & Craft Market
Located on the River Flats
10am - 2pm

Clunes Market
Fraser Street, Clunes
9am - 3pm

Last Sunday

Carisbrook Town Hall Market
Town Hall in Carisbrook (past Newstead)
10am - 4pm Ph: 5464 2251

If you have an upcoming event and would like it added to our Weekly What's On Newsletter, please email the details by Wednesday each week to information@ballarat.vic.gov.au or call 03 5320 5758

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