

Activities

07/07/15

Hello all, the weeks of this year are just hurtling past. It seems as I get older, time seems to speed up and there's more wrinkles all over bods, or maybe that's just me!!

Oh dear, Greece is in a bit of a pickle isn't it? Think this is a new trend? Believe it or not, Greece has been defaulting on loans since 400BC, gosh, what a credit rating they must have! There must have been many teeth gnashing as creditors chiselled their bills into those stone tablets, somewhat more time consuming than current tablets!

Tried to do your tax on-line via the ATO? They're having quite a few probs with their system. I couldn't even start my return last night, so good luck to us all!

On and off, for 6 years, coming up to number 7, I have been involved in assisting and, for the last 2 years, co-ordinating, the annual Bayswater Community Festival. This year is the last one for quite some time, if ever, as most of the (now) tiny committee is unable to commit to further years. For myself, I find it incredibly difficult trying to get Bayswaterians (Is there such a word?), residents or traders, to take an active part, or even get them in the least bit interested in the event. There are, of course, notable exceptions and they have been incredibly generous to us, but, sadly, it's always the same few traders, giving more than their fair share. So, if you'd like to have a stall, arts & crafts, or anything else, give me a hoi. A stall is \$20 for commercial use and all stallholder fees are being donated to Bayswater's wonderful CFA. (Saturday Oct 10: 10am-2pm, Knox Community Arts Centre in Bayswater.)

PS: As always, neither I, nor IOE, take any responsibility for any mishap incurred by anyone who attends anything advertised within this ACTIVITIES edition. CHEERS!

OUT OF THIS WORLD!

You're not too late: 'OUT OF THIS WORLD' is continuing until the end of this week at St Paul's Church, Boronia. This fabulous & free Kids Holiday Program is on for the entire week and runs between 10am – 2pm. This is for ALL children, between Prep & year 6. They cook a fresh and nutritious lunch for everyone, children and adults, as well as having squillions of activities, arts and crafts, puppets, drama, music and singing and games, games, games! You don't need to be Christian, everyone welcome. Next to Macca's in Boronia, cnr Dorset & William.



Ever wonder what our JP gets up to when she's not processing pays and doing financial things?

Yes, here she is, twirling and swirling, learning more and more skills to bring to IOE.

Well done, JOY!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY @ LUNA PARK:

Free admission & entertainment from 27 June – 12 July.



Rainbows and Sparkles - Burrinja

Event: 15/07/2015 - 17/09/2015

Learn and have fun through art, music, movement and play



Rainbows and Sparkles is an **art group for preschoolers** and requires parent/carer participation. Both children and adults have fun exploring creative activities such as singing, movement, playing musical instruments and making art using a variety of media. Term 3 dates held at the Black Box Studio at [Burrinja Cultural Centre](#) are **Wednesdays 15 July - 16 September and Thursdays 16 July - 17 September from 10am to 11am.**

IS THIS MELBOURNE'S BEST MARKET? FINDERS KEEPERS MARKET.

These markets have been running since 2010, and now have a HUGE following. This is due to the high calibre of stalls, live music and the amazing venue. They are now being held twice a year.



[:www.facebook.com/theFindersKeepers](http://www.facebook.com/theFindersKeepers))

Held at the huge Royal Exhibition Building at Carlton Gardens over three days, this market is not to be missed. Come along between Friday 17th to Sunday 19th July to experience it for yourself. Apart from the stunning array of stalls, it's a great way to escape the cold Melbourne winter for a few hours! Featuring over 250 stalls showcasing a wide variety of wares, including jewellery, homewares, rugs, artworks, homemade baby clothes and more. There is something for everyone.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU WENT MUSHROOMING?



Why? Enjoy a fun, educational and great value-for-money day out

When: Each Saturday in season, generally April to August

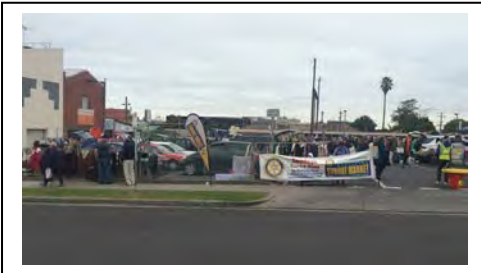
Phone: (03) 5426 3700

Website: www.olivejones.net

Where: Olive Jones of Macedon

Cost: \$50 per person

Bentleigh Sunday Market



Why? A Fun Way to Spend a Sunday

When: Every Sunday from 7am to 12pm.

Phone: See website

Website: www.bentleighmarket.org

Where: Bentleigh railway station car park, Bent Street, opposite Coles supermarket.

Cost: A coin donation upon entry.

Beanie Arts and Crafts in Frankston



The Beanie Exhibition will be on display at Frankston Library, Playne St between Saturday 12 July to Thursday 16 July, 2015.

Why? Just for fun

When: July - see article for dates

Phone: FAC Enquiries 9784 1896

Website: artscentre.frankston.vic.gov.au/Exhibitions_Workshops/Workshops/Beanie_Craft_Workshops

Where: Frankston Arts Centre, Cnr Of Davey St &
Cost: Low cost and FREE see article for more info

Young St, Frankston VIC

The annual Bendigo Writers Festival returns with more than 70 events in six venues from the 7th to 9th of August 2015.

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Mountain Pickers Association - Burrinja

A monthly event on the 1st Tuesday of each month (IT'S TONIGHT!)



Called the 'First Tuesday Club Night' because it's run on the first Tuesday of each month, this is a monthly get together for the [Mountain Pickers Association](#). The structure for the evening is a 'blackboard concert' followed by a local feature band. It'll run monthly until December and will be held at the [Burrinja Cafe](#) at the [Burrinja Cultural Centre](#), 351 Glenfern Road, Upwey

Why? Monthly 'First Tuesday Club Night' at Burrinja with the Mountain Pickers Club

When: Tuesday 7 July 2015 Phone: (03) 9754 8723

Website: burrinja.org.au

Where: Burrinja Cultural Centre, 351 Glenfern Road, Upwey, VIC

Cost: \$15/12 and MPA members \$10



Why? An Irish black comedy with wickedly comic dialogue and Kung-Fu-Irish-gangster-violence.

When: 8th to 25th July 2015 at 7.30pm from Wednesdays to Saturdays.

Phone: Contact via website or Facebook page

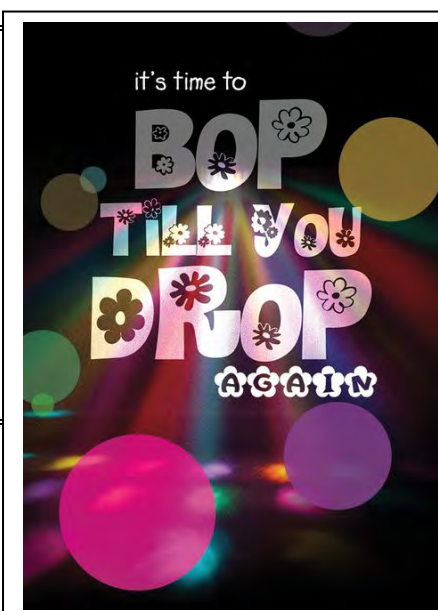
Website: www.tbctheatre.com

Where: Q44 Theatre, 1st floor, 550 Swan street, Richmond, VIC

Cost: \$30 full and \$25 concession.

NB: THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS TO ME IF I HAVE TO MAKE AN ENQUIRY AT THE PAY OFFICE, YOU CAN GUESS WHOSE HANDS ARE AT THE END OF THE STICK! YES, JP!

Bop Til You Drop Disco for Kids in 2015



Winter disco for under 8yr groovsters

It is time for your kids to show off their best dance moves in the upcoming winter school holidays, with the return of Chelsea Occasional Care's [Bop Til You Drop Disco](#) in July 2015. The last four year's worth of fundraising kids discos held during the winter break have been a bopping success, and now under 8's groovsters are invited back to Chelsea Heights Community Centre to bop, sing and throw some shapes on the dance floor with a professional entertainer from the *Bop Til You Drop Disco* franchise taking the reins

Why? School holiday fun

When: 8 July 2015. 11am - 1pm

Phone: 9772 2796

Website: www.chelseaoccasionalchildcare.com.au

Where: Chelsea Heights Community Centre, 160 Thames Promenade, Chelsea Heights VIC 3196

Cost: \$8 per child, \$20 family ticket (up to 3 children)

Docklands Friday Night Fireworks: July & August 2015

Or watch from the deck of a boat. You can also enjoy entertainment in the New Quay Piazza between 6.30pm and 8.30pm and the fireworks will light up at 7.30pm.

This is a great event to get you out and about on a winter's night. There are so many warming options once you get there. And the fireworks are just gorgeous.

Another option is on one of the Pleasure Boat Cruises, who sail every Friday night in July and August. It is a novelty being in one of those bobbing boats, while the sky explodes in colour above you.



Why? To warm up the winter nights

When: Fri: 6.30pm – 8.30pm Every Friday evening in July and August 2015.

Phone: 03 9658 9157

Where: Piazza At Docklands 429-437 Docklands Drive Docklands VIC 3008

Cost: FREE or you can purchase a boat ride

Reconciliation Film Nights at Ivanhoe United Church



Time to Remove Discrimination - Films screened at 7.30pm on the first Monday of each month (except December and January) at Ivanhoe Uniting Church.

Scheduled film showings: May 4, June 1, July 6, Aug 3, Sept 7, Oct 5, Nov 2.

Red Cliffs Country Market



When: 1st Sunday of every month

Website: www.sunraysiacountrymarkets.com.au/index.html

Where: Red Cliffs, Victoria

Cost: Free

Phone: 0458 907 226

Oakleigh Sunday Market



Oakleigh Market is a great suburban market right in the heart of Melbourne's South-East. Run by the Rotary Club, it's a regular Sunday destination for locals close-by who wish to get some fresh air and shop in their neighbourhood

Oakleigh Sunday Market, Atherton Road & Hanover Street, Oakleigh 3166

DISCOVERING BRIGHTON

Brighton Middle Beach is where the Baths are located. There is also a pier, which is a lovely spot for a stroll as are boardwalks and bike tracks along the beach. If you are looking for something intrinsically Melbourne, head to the Dendy Street Beach and the colourful Bathing Boxes. There are also rock pools to explore here and wide sandy beaches. If beaches are not your thing, visit Bay Street shopping district and the stunning Kamesburgh Gardens.



HIGH TEA @ FLOWERDALE ESTATE

Guests can choose from two high tea options:

Traditional High Tea – \$40 pp

- Delicious savoury pastries
- Fresh ribbon sandwiches
- Scones, jam & cream
- Sweet delicate petite delights
- Organic teas & herbal infusions from YARRA VALLEY TEA CO.

Royal High Tea – \$55 pp

- French Champagne and a Pimms & lemonade
- Delicious savoury pastries
- Fresh ribbon sandwiches
- Scones, jam & cream
- Sweet delicate petite delights

When: Every Sunday 1-4pm

Website: flowerdaleestate.com.au/high-tea

Where: 2285 Broadford/Flowerdale Rd, Strath Creek

Cost: Traditional High Tea \$40pp Royale High Tea \$55

BRUNCH MOUNTAIN



Why? For great food at a fabulous venue, with atmosphere, and great service.

When: General hours are 8am to 5pm daily and they are open for dinner Friday and Saturday nights from 6pm to 9pm.

Phone: 03 9751 1100

Website: www.brunchmountain.com

Where: Take Mount Dandenong Tourist Road from Montrose for the most direct route, or from Ferntree Gully if you not in a hurry.

Cost: Most menu items range in price from \$7.5 to \$29 for lunch, and dinner items \$9.5 to \$36.

Melbourne À La Mode



Melbourne a la Mode is presenting its first ever pop up event with a spectacular 3-day celebration of local and international fashion brands this July.

When: July 23rd, 24th & 25th

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1446834758971249>

Where: The George Ballroom, 129 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda, VIC

Mr Bamboozle's Crazy Fun Magical Game Show



When: Sunday 5th to Friday 10th July at 1:00pm

Website: melbournemagicfestival.com/event/mr-bamboozles-crazy-fun-magical-game-show-july-5-6-7-8-9-10/2015-07-10

Where: Northcote Town Hall. 189 High St, Northcote VIC 3070

Cost: Children \$14; Adults \$17; Family \$50; Groups \$10

MORNINGTON RACECOURSE: 19 JULY - VIEWINGS: 18 JULY



THE MELBOURNE MANDOLIN ORCHESTRA



*The Melbourne
Mandolin Orchestra*

Conductor: Werner Ruecker



WITH
PLETTROMANO
MANDOLIN & GUITAR DUO
MARISSA CARROLL
& JOEL WOODS



featuring *Concertino in D* by Albrechtsberger,
Tangata de Agosto by Maximo Diego Pujol
and duets by PlettroMano

SATURDAY 25TH JULY 2015 AT 7:30PM

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
290 BURNLEY ST, RICHMOND

TICKETS AT THE DOOR: \$25. CHILDREN UNDER 12 ADMITTED FREE
(ALSO AVAILABLE ON LINE: WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/HYAE)

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RESERVE TICKETS RING : 0422 589 675
ALSO CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.MELBOURNEMANDOLINORCHESTRA.ORG.AU

STAMFORD
Plaza
Melbourne



Seafood Buffet Lunch
only \$49pp!

Harry's Restaurant & Bar, located in the luxurious five-star Stamford Plaza Hotel, is getting into the spirit of 'Christmas in July' with a fantastic offer: Enjoy an all-you-can-eat seafood buffet for one person for just \$49pp (original price is \$79pp).



Exquisite Threads displays nearly 60 works through the themes of education, fashion and the home, each representing important aspects of embroidery's role within English life.

These beautiful pieces of embroidery date back to the 16/17th Century.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA:
ONLY ON NOW UNTIL JULY 12 -
FREE

CHEERS & KEEP SAVING FOR
THAT PROPERTY UP IN
THOSE WARM PARTS OF
AUSTRALIA