

February 2019

Monthly Newsletter

## Blackheath Bar and Bistro Opening Mid-February

Blackheath is about to get its very own bar and bistro opening midday until late from Wednesday to Sunday! Nick Cochrane, Sigrid Langford-Scherf, and Alex and Rebecca Ridder, are opening the doors of Blackheath Bar and Bistro, their spacious new venue at Shop 1, 35-41 Govetts Leap Rd, in mid-February. It's just down from Fumo's, serving coffee, bar snacks, full meals, wines and boutique beers throughout the day. The accent will be on fresh, quality local produce prepared by renowned Blue Mountains

chef Mate Herceg, the former Executive Chef of the Escarpment Group. Their goal is to provide reasonably priced meals in a relaxed, family-friendly environment. A live music program is also planned. Open: Wed/Thurs/Sun from 12 noon to 10 pm; Fri/Sat from 12 noon to 12 am. Email: [info@blackheathbarandbistro.com.au](mailto:info@blackheathbarandbistro.com.au)



## Blackheath Community Op Shop receives Community Achievement Award



Graham Ross, David O'Brien, June Gwenter and Cr Mark Greenhill

Congratulations to David and Octavia O'Brien, along with the Blackheath Community Op Shop volunteers, for their generosity and immense hard work over the last three years in setting up Blackheath's thriving and much-loved Op Shop, for which they have won the Australia Day Community Achievement of the Year Award from Council. Dedicated to acts of kindness and to recycling the world's goods, the Op Shop provides low-priced solutions for everyone, as well as free items to children and mothers. It also supports local schools, disability groups, and other community organisations with donations and valuable fundraising items. And amongst all the bustle there's still room for a cuppa, a chat and a laugh to cheer up your day when you need it.

Open Tuesdays to Sundays from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Phone: 4787 5727

## Blackheath Events for February

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### Mega Garage Sale and Sausage Sizzle

February 2 @ 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

February 3 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 167 Wentworth Street, Blackheath

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### Blue Mountains Refugee Support Group Garage Sale

February 2 @ 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Blackheath Uniting Church, 43 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath

Contact: events@bmrsg.org.au

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### Rhodo Festival Fundraiser Trivia Night

February 5 @ 6:30 pm

New Ivanhoe Hotel, 231 Great Western Highway, Blackheath

Contact: 0466 262 184

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### Youth Mental Health First Aid Workshop

February 7 - 8 @ 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

The Big Fix, 101 Wentworth Street, Blackheath

Contact: info@bmpluriversity.org or 0407 437 553

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### The Song Company presents Treble Helix Unlocked

February 9 @ 3:00 pm

Blackheath Uniting Church, 43 Govetts Leap Road, Blackheath

Contact: mail@song.company or 8272 9500

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### Rhodo Festival Think-Fest

Come along at 7pm to share your ideas for the future of the Festival with the

Committee at the New Ivanhoe Hotel, 231 Great Western Highway, Blackheath

Contact: blackheathrhodofestival@gmail.com

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### Valentine's Day Dinner

February 14 @ 6:00 pm

Blackheath Golf and Community Club, Brightlands Ave, Blackheath

Contact: opsmanager@blackheathgolf.com.au or 4787 8406

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### Hounslow Photographic Prize Exhibition 15 - 17 February

Opening 6 - 9 pm Friday Feb 15; Open Saturday 10 - 5 pm; Sunday 10 - 4 pm

Gardners Inn Hotel, Great Western Highway, Blackheath

Contact: info@hounslowphotographicprize.com.au or 0448 812 359

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### Rhododendron Society Meeting & Talk on Rhodo Society History

February 16 @ 2:00 pm

Campbell Rhododendron Gardens, Bacchante Street, Blackheath

Contact: 4787 8965

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### 2019 Seniors Week Social Tea Dance

February 16 @ 6:00 pm

Phillips Hall, Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath

Contact: projects@banc.org.au or 4787 7770

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### Rhodo Festival Fundraiser Trivia Night

February 19 @ 6:30 pm

New Ivanhoe Hotel, 231 Great Western Highway, Blackheath

Contact: 0466 262 184

## Blackheath Events for February - March

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### Summer Bird Walk & Talk with Carol Proberts

February 23 @ 8:00 am - 11:00 am  
Blue Mountains Botanic Garden, Bells Line of Road, Mt Tomah  
Contact: bianca.dsouza@bgcp.nsw.gov.au

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### 2019 Majestic Charleston Challenge – Charleston for Charity

February 23 @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm  
The Hydro Majestic Hotel, 52 Great Western Highway, Medlow Bath  
Contact: live@musicinthemountains.com.au or 0411 954 826

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### Mount Victoria Family Fun Day

February 23  
Mount Victoria Public School, 105 Great Western Highway, Mount Victoria  
Contact: 4787 7770 or community@banc.org.au

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### Rotary Pride of Workmanship Awards Nominations Close

February 28  
Employers can nominate employees who go beyond their duties in their work.  
Contact: 0448 812 359 or email barry\_taylor@optusnet.com.au

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### Planning for Retirement Seminar (Members Only)

February 28 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Blackheath Golf and Community Club, Brightlands Ave, Blackheath  
Contact: opsmanager@blackheathgolf.com.au or 4787 8406

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### Dinner with John Faulkner: Fear & Loathing on the Campaign Trail

March 2 @ 6:00 pm  
An entertaining talk and Hall fundraiser @ Blackheath Community Hall, Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath (tickets from Richardson & Wrench Real Estate)

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### Blue Mountains Edible Garden Trail 2019

March 2 and 3 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Visit over 45 edible gardens - tickets via [www.ediblegardentrail.com](http://www.ediblegardentrail.com) or Gleebooks, Blackheath. Contact: [ediblegardentrailbm@gmail.com](mailto:ediblegardentrailbm@gmail.com)



### Blackheath Area Men's Shed (B.A.M.S) Offering Help with Metalwork

The skilled members of Blackheath's Men's Shed have recently finished construction of a new workshop. Their modern facility means they can undertake suitable metalwork tasks for the local community, with services ranging from welding

to metal restoration. They're happy to help wherever possible and ask only for sufficient funds to meet the cost of materials, plus a discretionary donation to help in running the Shed. Please contact the Shed on: 02 4787 5773 if you'd like more information.

Send events to [events@thebigfix.org](mailto:events@thebigfix.org) or phone Lis on 0407 437 553

All details are correct at time of printing, please contact event organisers to confirm details.

## Reliable Casual Cleaner Wanted for Blackheath Holiday House

Flexible times mostly on weekdays with occasional weekends. Must be local.  
Experience and references preferred. Please call Julie 0419 613 691

### Phillip Berner: Our Local Loan Advisor

Our thanks to Phillip Berner for funding this issue of the Blackheath Local News. Phillip lives and works in Blackheath and is the Principle of Lighthouse Loan Advisors. He's also an authorised credit representative of Loan Market, providing free and independent advice on home, car and personal loans of any kind as well as business and investment loans. His mission is to help people settle, live and prosper in our area while supporting the local community in any way he can. So why go to one bank, he suggests, when he can access over thirty different lenders to give you the right solution? Phone: 4787 6446 Mobile: 0448 106 031 Email: phillip.berner@loanmarket.com.au



### Blackheath Community Op Shop

All toys, shoes, clothes, books and furniture needed for children and young people up to age 17 are free.  
All clothes under \$5  
134 Station St, Blackheath NSW 2785  
Phone: 4787 5727



### Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Blackheath Rotary have stepped up to assist with the funding of a Youth Mental Health First Aid Course for participants in the Blue Mountains Pluriversity's pilot program in February. The course will focus on peer support for young people and will be the precursor to Adult Training Programs later in the year (see our March calendar for the first of these). For further information on these and courses running at other venues around the Mountains contact Jane Armstrong Principal Master MHFA Instructor on 0422 363 912 or email: ommanepadmehum55@hotmail.com



Jane Armstrong (MHFA), Elaine Valton (The Big Fix) and Jo Davies (BANC) discussing upcoming Mental Health First Aid workshops.

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