

BLACKHEATH LOCAL NEWS

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Monthly Newsletter



BANC is OPEN!

The new 'COVIDsafe' Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre is open again to the community, but with the entrance now from the park to allow enough room for reception to manage the new COVID protocols. Current reduced hours are Tues-Fri 9.30-12.30 but the service is still open Mon-Fri during business hours over the phone: 0411 546 284

If you're experiencing fi ancial difficulties there are now **food, fuel and fi ewood vouchers** available. To access vouchers, computers, No Interest Loan Scheme appointments, or Cyber_Shed digital literacy assistance, please call ahead on the number above.

Community Farm Awarded Grant to build Accessible Garden

Blackheath Community Farm has received a grant from the Edible Garden Trail to build wheelchair-accessible wicking beds so that more people are able to enjoy food-growing at the Farm. They will also reduce the need to water in summer. To learn more about growing food in the district visit the Farm blog at www.thebigfix lackheath.org





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John Cruickshank and Catherine Lasswell

Future Attraction: Accessible Boardwalk Proposed for Popes Glen Check out the inspiring video!



The Popes Glen Bushcare Group is in discussion with Blue Mountains City Council which has funding for an accessible boardwalk through Popes Glen Reserve - a world class wetland restoration by our local community. Watch the inspiring video and read more in **Decades of Healing @ Popes Glen** and the article **From Wasteland to Wetland in Popes Glen**. Both articles are on our website at **www.thebigfix lackheath.org** Contact the Bushcare Group to see how you can support them to bring this exciting project to fruition.

Blackheath Philosophy Forums Continue with Live Streaming

4pm Sat 13 June: Michael Sexton SC, the Solicitor-General of NSW, will speak on Free Speech versus Political Correctness.

4pm Sat 27 June: Forum Chair Peter Baldwin will speak on Free Speech and the Neutral Epistemic Arbiter Problem.

4pm Sat 4 July: Clive Hamilton, Professor of Public Ethics at Charles Sturt University and co-founder of the Australia Institute will speak on Free Speech and the Chinese Communist Party in Australia

Visit www.blackheathphilosophy.org to join in.

Blue Shorts Film Festival 2020 closing date extended to Monday 31 August

Storytellers and filmmakers of all levels are encouraged to submit short films - as long as you live between Lithgow and Lapstone. For more information contact blueshortsfilmfestival@gmail.com. Submit your entry to filmfreeway.com/BlueShorts

Business Updates

Cinnabar Kitchen will be reopening on 24 June and launching 'The Loft' ... a new private dining experience.

Dance for Life will be commencing classes again from 13 June

The airloom Hair & Beauty has reopened and **Male Overhaul** has temporarily relocated next to Slurps Cafe (open 2-7pm Mon, Thur, Fri)

The ictory Cafe has reopened.

Blackheath Creative is now open again from 10-3pm Thurs to Sun.

Glenella Guesthouse has a fully equipped Home Office available if you're now working from Blackheath. Ph 4787 8352 or email guesthouse@glenella.com.au

The halet Guesthouse and Studio is open for accommodation and the restaurant is operating Friday and Saturday but with limits on numbers. Ph. 47881122

Janet with Kush will be reopening Synonymous in Medlow Bath, soon to be known as Tourn-ament. Wed-Fri 7.30-2pm, Sat/Sun 8-2pm Bookings via www.tourn-ament.com The ydro Majestic Hydro Pavilion Cafe is now open every day 9-5pm and Wintergarden is open for High Tea bookings.

Event Safety Services in Medlow Bath are offering a wide variety of renovation and rubbish skip bin services to keep staff e ployed during the downturn in the events industry. Check out www.eventsafetyservices.com.au/ess-contracting

Mt Vic and Me has reopened and is also selling online at www.mountvicandme.com

Food via Pick-up and/or Delivery in Blackheath

If you need a break from cooking and can support local businesses, we have a list of services in our **April & May News** which you can access and download at

www.thebigfix lackheath.org

Blackheath Golf and Community Club is OPEN again!

The Blackheath Golf & Community Club has provided golf on strict conditions throughout the Lockdown and will continue to do so.

The Clubhouse has also now reopened for up to 50 persons at any one time. The Club's wonderful caterers will also be back. There will be strict conditions as required by the Government, by Clubs NSW and by Golf NSW. Visitors will be welcome. Contact General Manager Darrin Walden for more information. Ph. 4787 8406

Business Made Social | Blue Mountains

Membership And Politics FREE (Social Group For Blue Mountains Business Owners). Fortnightly Events (Casual Evening Networking And Business Breakfasts) held in Blackheath and surrounding Upper Blue Mountains villages.

Formerly known as Business Drinks.

Access business resources here: https://businessmadesocial.com.au/tools/

To share your local news and business or community updates email events@thebigfix.org or ring Lis on 0407 437 553

BLACKHEATH Rhododendron Festival

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BUSINESS AS USUAL? NOT QUITE...

CANCELLED: Choir Festival Art Show Rhodo Day parade Revue (probably)

BUT

Restrictions permitting, there may be a community picnic in the park, a long lunch and other simple celebrations of Beautiful Blackheath.

Watch out for news of alternative Festival events...

Website: rhodofestival.com Facebook: facebook.com/blackheathrhodofestival/ Email: blackheathrhodofestival@gmail.com Or look for posters in the town.

