

Benalla Art Gallery

Exhibition: **VCE Showcase**
Until 9 December 2018

Exhibition: **Future Perfect**
Until 2 June 2018

Exhibition: **Kate Rohde: Monster Mash**
7 December 2018 - 17 February 2019

Exhibition: **Ivan Durrant: Colouring Lake Mokoan**

14 December 2018 to 3 March 2019

Bookings on 03 5760 2619

www.benallaartgallery.com.au

Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop Learning Centre

Toddler Tales

Every Monday 10.30am until 17 December

Sit & Knit

Every Wednesday 2pm until 19 December

Story Time - How to read with your child

Friday 7 December 10.30am

Story Time - Final for 2018

Friday 14 December 10.30am

Home Library Service

17 & 18 December

Writer's Corner with Gabriel Bergmoser

Wednesday 19 December 5pm

On the Same Page Book Club

Monday 10 December 1.30pm

Bookspace

Tuesday 11 December 10am

Book Chat

Thursday 20 December 11am

Visit or contact the Benalla Library on 03 5762 2069 for more details.

BPACC / Benalla Cinema

Check website for cinema screenings

03 5762 5515

www.bpacc.com.au

Council Meetings

Council meetings are open to the public. Meetings are held in the Civic Centre, 13 Mair Street, Benalla from 6pm.

Agendas are available at the Customer Service Centre or www.benalla.vic.gov.au

Planning and Development Committee
5 December 2018

Finance and Operations Committee
12 December 2018

Council Meeting
19 December 2018

Planning and Development Committee
30 January 2019

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Mayor's Message

As 2018 draws to a close, I'll take the opportunity on behalf of the Council to wish everyone a bright and merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

It is during this time that we reflect on what is important to us. It's the time to celebrate family, friends and community.

The spirit of community is what makes our town shine bright all year round. I'd like to say a special thank you to those who give their time at Christmas and throughout the year to helping others.



This community spirit will stand us in good stead for another great year ahead.

I hope you all have the opportunity to spend time with family and friends over the festive season and to enjoy the

holidays. Whether you are travelling or staying close to home, please stay safe and look out for one another.

Mayor, Cr Scott Upston

Disability and Seniors Expo



More than 100 people attended the Disability and Seniors Expo held at Benalla Town Hall on Wednesday 28 November 2018. There were almost 40 activity and service providers on show including Benalla Health, Victoria Police, Benalla Aquatic Centre, Yooralla, Dementia Australia, Hearing Australia, Vision Australia and employment providers.

The expo was held in partnership with the Benalla Accessibility Reference Group, Age Friendly Benalla and VALiD (Victorian Advocacy League for Individuals with Disability). Member of the Benalla Accessibility Reference Group, David Horan, said the Expo was important to

ensure the community understood the range of services available.

"As a vision impaired person, it was great to learn about what activities and services are available to me and to others in the community," said Mr Horan.

More than 20 people had their hearing checked for free and received advice on existing hearing aid issues as part of the Australian Hearing exhibition.

The Accessibility Reference Group is made up of community members with a lived experience with disability and advise the Council and businesses on matters of accessibility and inclusion.

HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR NEWS?

Council News is now in its 21st edition. Thank you for your positive feedback about it.

From time to time we like to check on your preferred method of receiving information and updates from us.

- Council News (delivered to you)
- Community Connect (in the *Benalla Ensign*)
- www.benalla.vic.gov.au
- Social media

You can give your feedback to the Customer Service Centre in person, by emailing council@benalla.vic.gov.au or by calling 03 5760 2600.

Children's Week competition winners

Children across Benalla Rural City participated in a creative competition in celebration of Children's Week. The competition, held by the Council in partnership with the Department of Education and Training, encouraged children aged 4-12 to portray what family means to them. We received 320 entries. Winners were awarded a range of prizes including art packs and BPACC vouchers.

Competition winners (left to right):

John-James Chalmers, aged 6 years.

Tobey Large, aged 9 years.

Teliha Yates, aged 10 years.

