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A message from the Mayor



to the single biggest event on Greater Bendigo's annual entertainment calendar – the Bendigo Bank Bendigo Easter Festival.

Every year, thousands of

visitors converge on our city for four days of fun-filled entertainment and thousands of locals join them in having a great time.

This event has a long and proud history and is cherished by our community. It is recognised as one of the oldest continuously running festivals in Australia and features our famous Sun Loong, along with the world's longest imperial dragon and the Bendigo Chinese Association who put on a spectacular display when they take to the streets as part of the *Bendigo Advertiser* Gala Parade on Easter Sunday.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of everyone who has been involved in planning and organising this year's festival, especially our wonderful volunteers, staff from the City of Greater Bendigo, members of the Easter Festival Advisory Board and the many community groups, businesses and organisations who have supported and sponsored this event.

I hope that you enjoy this year's Bendigo Bank Bendigo Easter Festival and I once again welcome you to our premier annual event.

Cr Lisa Ruffell Mayor

Welcome from the Chair

N behalf of the Bendigo Easter Festival Advisory Board and our sponsors, I welcome everyone to the 2013 Bendigo Bank Bendigo Easter Festival. This year I extend a special welcome to Bendigo Bank as the festival's naming sponsor – a valuable partnership and alliance between two Bendigo icons.

An exciting addition to this year's festival is the new festival app which is available on both iPhone and Android.

This year's festival theme is Embrace Your Senses with free family activities based around the historic Rosalind Park and Dai Gum San Chinese precincts. Returning to the Tom Flood Sports Complex car park is everyone's favourite carnival with its thrilling rides and games.

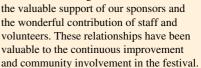
Keep an eye out for the stilt walkers, music and storytelling workshops, dance, arts and crafts, as well as a very special program offering a range of local community artists and entertainers.

'Hidden Creatures' are back in the Rosalind Park fernery, set to delight children and parents alike.

The Fire Services Commissioner/CFA Torchlight Procession will take place on Easter Saturday evening, followed on Easter Sunday by the hugely popular *Bendigo Advertiser* Gala Parade. The Bendigo Easter Fair Society has provided assistance to 13 community groups through the Violee Myers-Davey grants program to

help with their entries in the parades.

An enormous amount of planning and hard work has gone into making this year's festival a reality and I wish to acknowledge



See you there!

Cr Rod Fyffe Chair of the Bendigo Easter Festival Advisory Board

Bendigo Easter Festival Advisory Board Cr Rod Fyffe (Chair), Cr Helen Leach, Ken Deveraux, David Wright, Gail Hardy, Barry McDowell, Gary Frank, Paul Rohan, Fiona Chibber, Phil Redmond and Rory Sommerville



Lost Children

If you become separated from your child please go directly to either information tents located at Rosalind Park (across the Sidney Myer Place bridge) and Dai Gum San (on Park Road/Bridge Street intersection)



In the event of extreme weather conditions Easter events may be moved to a dry weather venue or cancelled. Visit www.bendigoeasterfestival.org.au, download the free festival app or check the big screens, to view any changes or cancellations.

Do you want more information about the longest ongoing festival in Australia?

Then this snapshot of 140 years of the Bendigo Easter Fair is just for you. The book is a fascinating glimpse into the Bendigo community and this wonderful festival.

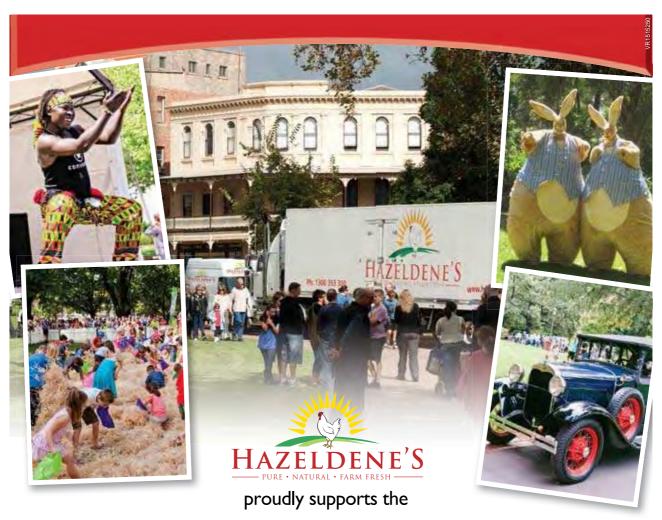
Pick up a copy for only \$30 from Dymocks Books in Bendigo or the Bendigo Visitor Information Centre.



SPECIAL EASTER FESTIVAL PRICE

when purchased from the Bendigo Easter Fair Society marquee on any festival day





2013 Hazeldene's Family Day Good Friday 29 March



What's happening

10am to 5pm

Rosalind Park Precinct, entry via View Street - Easter Egg Hunt, Classic cars, Rotary Markets, Farmer Darryl's animals, Art in the Conservatory, Labyrinth and lots of roving entertainers and workshops e.g. African Drumming and Dancing, Giant bunnies, Mojo the Clown, Music Box Band and Polly Painter.

Ph: 1300 353 300 www.hazeldenes.com.au

HAZELDENE'S

GOOD FRIDAY Friday 29 March



Hazeldene's Family Day

Rosalind Park Precinct

Pall Mall Entry via View Street • 10am - 5pm

Roving Entertainment

A wonderful musical mayhem comes alive as we join Maestro Jon who just loves to 'rock in the box'. **The Music Box** is an interactive music show with instruments to play, pop songs to enjoy and dances that will have every child jumping up and joining the fun!



Learn how to drum and work on a fully arranged **African Drumming** song. All workshops are as inclusive and fun as possible suiting all ages and giving everyone a chance to explore their creativity and let off some energy.

Easter bunnies don't get any bigger or better than this. These rascally rabbits have big personalities, and you'll flock for a photo and stay for a laugh. They're great big chocoholics, but you can trust them with your Easter eggs (or can you?).

Mojo is a magician whose stunts will astound you. Kids get the blame when things go wrong, credit when things go right.

Polly-Ester Painter has been delighting and surprising audiences around Australia with her mischievous antics. She will often be found sneakily pretending to paint those who pass by her mistaking her for a statue.

Rotunda Gardens Workshops Timetable

The Music Box 10-10:30am; 11-11:30am; 12noon-12:30pm Mojo the Clown 12:30-1pm; 2-2:30pm

African Drums 1:30-2pm; 2:30-3pm; 3:30-4pm; 4:30-5pm



Vision Australia Giant Easter Egg Hunt Rosalind Park Precinct • 9am – 3pm

\$10 each for all age groups



Thousands of Cadbury Easter Eggs are hidden in straw for 3,000 children to find. Rosalind Park provides a shady retreat for families to watch all the excitement. Some tickets are available on the day from 8am, however tickets sell fast so prepaid tickets are highly recommended and available from Vision Australia, 92 - 100 McIvor Road, Bendigo from 18 March. Entry to the Giant Easter Egg hunt is best via View Street.

Hunt Times

Age Groups	Times
3 years and under	9am, 9.20am, 11am, 11.20am, 1pm, 2.20pm
4 and 5 years	9.40am, 10am, 11.40am, 12noon, 1.20pm, 2.40pm
6-8 years	10.20am, 12.20pm, 1.40pm, 3pm
9-12 years	10.40am, 12.40pm, 2pm

Carnival Central

Tom Flood Sports Complex, Park Road • 10am to 10pm

Take a stroll up to the carnival action for some hair-raising rides, games, showbags and carnival treats. At 8pm a magnificent fireworks display will erupt over the carnival thanks to the Victorian Showmen's Guild. See page 8 for special Good Friday deals.

Twilight Movie

After the fireworks display on Tom Flood Oval stay to watch *Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted* under the stars at 8.30pm. Admission: free.



GOOD FRIDAY Friday 29 March

Farmer Darryl's Animal Farm

Sheep, pigs, goats, chicken, ducks, geese, calves and guinea pigs - the farmyard always brings a unique experience to the festival.

Bendigo Defence Force Military Display

Defence Force personnel will be available to show you around and answer your questions about life in the defence force. Explore army trucks, boats, displays and the Military museum will be open too.



Bendigo Easter Labyrinth

Come along to this peaceful place at the heart of the festival and see the full-size reproduction of the mosaic design on the floor of Chartres Cathedral in France. Walking the labyrinth is an engaging and meditative activity for all ages.

Rotary Art, Craft and Produce Market

Local artists and producers will line Bridge Street to display and sell their delicious local produce and captivating local art and craft.

Dai Gum San Chinese Precinct

10am Special Easter Tour - China Town Historical Walk

Come and learn about the Chinese precinct of Bendigo. This walk around Bridge Street will provide you with an insight to Bendigo's Chinatown from the 19th and 20th century. Admission: free

11am Special Easter Tour - Processions and the Chinese in Australia

The Chinese experience in Australia has been shaped by perseverance in the face of decades of racist policies and social exile. In Bendigo this is not the norm. Due to the Easter Fair, started in 1871, the Chinese have become a respected part of the community. The Chinese section of these parades has always been a rich and colourful display of culture. One of the reasons for this is that the procession in

Central Victorian Lion Team

Traditional Chinese dancing to support 'Uncle Bob's Club' Bendigo to help raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Come and enjoy these amazing performers between 10am-1pm on the piazza.

Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Display

While you stroll through the inner paths of Rosalind Park browse the static car display of veteran, vintage and classic cars.

Kids Amusement Rides

The Combined Bendigo Fire Brigades host a variety of kids rides in lower Bull Street offering families low cost entertainment on a selection of rides such as inflatable slides, merry-go-round, cup & saucer, chair-o-plane and balloon rides.



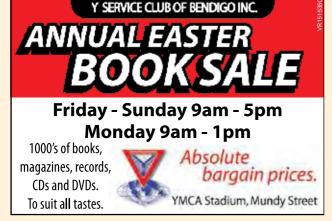
China has a long history and purpose. This tour has a look at this ancient Chinese background to processions and then an intimate look at the Chinese experience here in Australia, both the highs and the many lows. Admission: Museum Entry fee



3pm Children's Workshop Dragon Puppets

Chinese Dragons have paraded in Bendigo since the 1880s. They are the symbol of good luck and prosperity. Join in the fun and create your very own Chinese Dragon Puppet.

Admission: \$10 per child







CARNIVAL CENTRAL DON'T MISS THE ACTION

Good Friday, Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday 29-31 March

Tom Flood Sports Centre, Park Road, 10am - 10pm daily

Just up the road from the activities in Rosalind Park and Dai Gum San Chinese Precincts is all the excitement of the carnival rides. There are so many reasons to make your way to the carnival – the treats, games-of-skill and of course, the twists, turns and thrills of the rides. Entry to the carnival area is free so you can measure up the rides before you take the plunge.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Good Friday

Tom Floods Sports Centre Oval 8pm

Good Friday night a magnificent fireworks display will erupt over the Tom Flood Sports Centre thanks to the Victorian Showmen's Guild.





THE VICTORIAN SHOWMEN'S

Coupon opportunity from members of The Victorian Showmen's Guild offering:

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BUY <u>ONE</u> RIDE & OBTAIN ONE FREE

AT THE 2013 BENDIGO EASTER FESTIVAL

- Valid on Friday 29 March, only
- Between the times of 10.00am to 6.00pm only.
- Redeemable from Guild member's ride operators, only.

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BENDIGO BANK BENDIGO EASTER FESTIVAL GOOD FRIDAY Friday 19 March

Around the City

A Parade of Quilts

St Andrews Church Hall • 12noon to 5pm

The 12th biennial display of members' work will include large quilts, small quilts, wall hangings and a raffle quilt. Gift shop and refreshments available. Information: 5454 3019

Art in the Conservatory Exhibition

Conservatory Gardens, Rosalind Park • 10am-4pm

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old steam machinery, but also including parts from modern electronics, computers and mobile phones. The apparatus features a number of peep holes which invite the viewer to draw closer, embrace their sense of sight and Ava Gander; as in Australian slang - have a gander (look). Aussies love to have a sticky beak and who knows what a squiz through the sculptural peep holes will reveal!



Australian 3 Day Orienteering Championships

La Trobe University, Edwards Road

Orienteering Victoria welcomes the Gold 'n Ponds Easter 2013 Orienteering carnival to Bendigo. The carnival will follow the traditional three days of competition on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, preceded by family events on Good Friday. Visit www.easterorienteering2013.com.au for full program and details. Information: 0411 125 178

Bendigo Football Netball League – Golden Square vs Kangaroo Flat

Golden Square Oval, Wade Street, Golden Square • 2:20pm

Central Victoria's premier country football league game, great family atmosphere and entertainment.

Information: 0400 204 013

Bendigo Textile Artists Inc - Creative Journey

Small Hall, St Andrews Church, Myers Street, Bendigo 12noon to 4pm

Experience a visual feast as you explore the creative journey taken by each talented textile artist. Daily demonstrations, local traders, trading table plus make and take.

Admission: Adults \$5; Children U16 free Information: 5447 9406

Bendigo Woodturners Easter Expo

BRIT Hall, 136 McCrae Street, Bendigo • 10am to 5pm

Live demonstrations of woodturning, scroll saw, wood carving, pyrography and sales of handmade wooden items. Information: 5448 4824. Adults \$3, Children free

Bendiao Woodwork Show

Bendigo Trades Hall, 34-40 View Street, Bendigo • 9am to 5pm

Display and sales of woodwork/woodcraft. There will be clocks, tables, wooden toys, woodturned items, carving, pyrography and intarsia (marquetry) and model aircraft. Information: 0407 869 424

Admission: Adults \$2; Children free

Clay Masters

Bendigo Visitors Centre, Pall Mall, Bendigo • 9am to 5pm

An exhibition showcasing works by Bendigo ceramicist, including Garry Bish, David Stuchbery, Su Hanna, Ray Pearce, Graham Masters and Tony Conway.

Admission: Entry by donation. Information: 5434 6060



Historic Vehicle and Machinery Display

Veteran Vintage Classic Club Bendigo, Inglis Street, West Bendigo • 9.30am – 3pm

Several clubs will join together to hold a display of historic vehicles, trucks, tractors, stationary engines and collectables.

Admission: free. Information: 0408 033 839



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GOOD FRIDAY Friday 29 Mar

Photographic Print Exhibition

Bendigo Camera Club, Dudley House, View Street, Bendigo 10am to 5.30pm

More than 150 prints will be on display from guest photographers and members of the Bendigo Camera Club. Admission: Adults \$3, Children free. Information: 5439 5423



Rotary Easter Art Show

Bendigo Town Hall, Hargreaves Street, Bendigo • 9am to 5pm

A top destination for lovers of art is the Rotary Club of Bendigo's annual Easter Art Show and Sales. Over 700 paintings are on sale direct from the artists.

Admission: Adults \$5, Young children free

Information: 0409 164 600

Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat Hole-in-One Competition

Gateway Park, High Street, Kangaroo Flat • 10am to 5pm

Try your luck at the annual hole-in-one. Prizes every 15 minutes with major prizes for all hole-in-ones played during the event. Admission: free. Information: 0427 007 200

Texture – Group Art Show

View Point Handmade Gallery, 13 View Point, Bendigo Opening Night 7-9pm

Group art exhibition around the central theme of texture featuring local and Melbourne based artists. Admission: free. Information: 5442 5960

The Great Stupa

25 Sandhurst Town Road, Myers Flat • 10.30am to 5pm

Experience the largest Buddhist monument in Australia being built in Bendigo. Guided tours throughout the day. Large collection of relics, paintings and artworks on display. Admission: free. Information: 5446 7568

Whodunit @ Discovery

Discovery Science & Technology Centre, 7 Railway Place, Bendigo • 10am-4pm

These holidays do something at Discovery as we host the amazing exhibition "Whodunit? Murder mystery at Menagerie Park". Who killed the zookeeper? Follow the clues and become a detective.

Special admission charges apply, check website www.discovery.asn.au. Information: 5444 4400



Tom Tweed (YMCA) Stadium, Mundy Street, Bendigo 9am to 5pm

Choose from a huge array of books, novels textbooks, children's books, magazines, DVDs, videotapes, CDs and records. All at bargain prices. Information: 5443 9080 or 5439 4868. Admission: free



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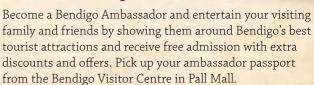




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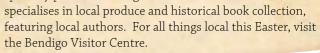
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CURRENT EXHIBITION

Living Arts Space

Bendigo Visitor Centre

Clay Masters

13 March - 16 June 2013

An exhibition featuring works by six Bendigo ceramists. Showcasing a variety of new ceramic pieces by well-known local artists including Garry Bish, David Stuchbery, Su Hanna, Ray Pearce, Graham Masters and Tony Conway.

Visit www.bendigotourism.com for forthcoming exhibitions.











Bendigo Visitor Centre – Open 9am to 5pm daily (except Christmas Day) **Open everyday over Easter**

51-67 Pall Mall, Bendigo • Phone: 03 5434 6060

Email: tourism@bendigo.vic.gov.au • www.bendigotourism.com







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ARE COMING TO BENDIGO

PAPA SMURF, SMURFETTE AND CLUMSY SMURF

Bendigo Easter Fair Society presents "Kidzone" and as the sponsor on Easter Saturday we have crammed in a host of entertainment and activities for the kids ... and its all free!

SMURF-TACULAR STAGE SHOW

They're back cuter than ever! Papa, Smurfette and Clumsy Smurf are on a European adventure of discovery. With the constant threat of being captured by the Evil Gargamel, our Smurfy trio enlist the assistance of Papa Smurf's good friend the all powerful wizard Brindamine. They go in search of the ultimate potion to block their Smurf-essence from Gargamel's detection once and for all.

The kids can even have the opportunity to meet and greet with their favourite smurf (Papa Smurf, Smurfette or Clumsy Smurf) but only at special times. See below for details.

SHOW TIME: 11am; 1pm; 3pm MEET AND GREET: 12pm; 2pm



Become a Member of the



WHO ARE WE?

The Bendigo Easter Fair Society is the citizen owned, not for profit, organisation that has staged the Easter Festival since 1870; the longest continuous running community festival in Australia.

With the help of the City of Greater Bendigo and sponsors the largely free event has been staged for the benefit of locals and visitors alike.

You are invited to join our group by becoming a member, to demonstrate your appreciation of this wonderful annual event and assist it to continue for many years to come.

All you need to do is fill in the section below and hand it to any one of the Information Tents at the festival or post to P O Box 36, Bendigo 3552.

Name:		Address:	
Phone:		Email:	
Membership Types (inc GST):	Individual \$25	Community Groups \$40	Business \$275

ASTER SATURDAY



Bendigo Easter Fair Society presents Kidzone

Rosalind Park Precinct Pall Mall Entry via View Street





Get up close and personal with your favourite Smurf character - don't forget your camera! See page 12 for performance details.

2012 - Licensed through I.M.P.S. (Brussels) - www.smurf.com

Roving Entertainment

Moving landscapes, each having their own personalities: Rose Garden, Society Lady and Lord Garden. Look out for them, growing on a footpath near you!

The very tall **Water Drops** are two fantastical water-creatures who shimmer, gleam and bring a touch of the exotic to the

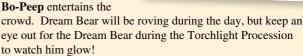
> park. With bubble machines built into their costumes, masses of bubbles float around wherever they go. Freestyle Unicycle - extreme BMX tricks done

on one wheel! Come and see impressive spins, twists, jumps and stalls that are made to look effortless - even riding upside down!



Mr Balloon Man will amaze vou with how quickly his twists and turns make a whole range of animals and characters right before your

The technicoloured Dream Bear is a vision to behold! An amazing 3m x 2m, is a fusion of colour and vibrancy. He ambles along while his engaging chaperone, Not So Little





Hoops-e-Daisy are a cute and quirky hoola hooping duo with an astrokitsch vibe, full of fun and energetic tricks and humour. They even have extra hoops so you can all have a go!

Rotunda Gardens Workshops Timetable

Mr Balloon Man 11.30am-12noon; 4.30-5pm 12noon-12.30pm; 1.45-2.15pm Hoops-e-Daisy

Pacific Smiles Dental Toothbrush

The Pacific Smiles Dental Toothbrush will be making his very first appearance in Bendigo and he can't wait to meet you at this wonderful community event. Give aways between 10am and 12pm.

Farmer Darryl's Animal Farm

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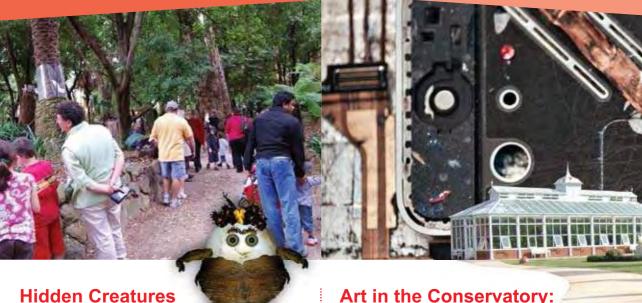
Fusion Family Games

Wind tunnel, stilts, box hockey, snakes and ladders, geeta boards, balloon sculpting, children's craft, big group games, walking puppet theatre, storytelling and live music.

Bendigo Easter Labyrinth

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Hidden Creatures & Art in the Conservatory



Rosalind Park Fernery Rosalind Park Saturday & Sunday 11am - 5pm Free

After 3 years in the Town Hall basement, Hidden Creatures return to their home in the Rosalind Park Fernery. This special event has been a festival favourite for children since 2008 and this year features models, animated creatures, digital images and sounds.

Children visiting Hidden Creatures are encouraged to rediscover the delights of the fernery as they search for these unique creatures.

Hidden Creatures has been created by Paul Fletcher and is an initiative of the City of Greater Bendigo. supported by the Children's Art Network.





Art in the Conservatory: "The Ava Gander" by Robbie Buckman

Conservatory Conservatory Gardens, Pall Mall Friday - Sunday, 10am - 4pm Free

Created especially for the Conservatory by local artist Robbie Buckman, the Ava Gander is a large metal contraption, reminiscent of old steam machinery, but also including parts from modern electronics, computers and mobile phones.

The apparatus features a number of peep holes which invite the viewer to draw closer, embrace their sense of sight and 'ava Gander...

Proudly presented by the City of Greater Bendigo's Art in the Conservatory program.



EASTER SATURDAY Saturday 30 March



Fire Truck and Kids Amusement Rides

For a \$2 donation, children will love taking a ride around Rosalind Park in an antique fire truck. Across the creek the Combined Bendigo Fire Brigades host a selection of rides such as inflatable slides, merry-go-round, cup & saucer, chair-o-plane and balloon ride.

VW's on Bridge

Bridge Street will be lined with a display of Volkswagon cars, kombi vans and beetles.

Bendigo Sandhurst Holden Club

Further along Bridge Street you will find a static display of Holden cars 25 years of age and older.



Hidden Creatures return to the wild.....

The Hidden Creatures are returning to the wilds of Rosalind Park Fernery. Creatures from our wildest imagination... wild and woolly... and some 'objects gone wild'! *Refer to page 15 for full details*.

Carnival Central

10am to 10pm

Tom Flood Sports Centre, Park Road

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Around the City

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Australian 3 Day Orienteering Championships

Spring Gully

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Bendigo Bonsai Club Exhibition

United Church Hall, Forest Street, Bendigo • 10am to 5pm

A display of Bonsai, including Australian native plants. There will be demonstrations and advice on Bonsai, with a trading table, starters, pots, tools and books.

Adults \$3; Children free. Information: 0409 395 605

Bendigo Saleyards Dash and Static Car Display

Bendigo Livestock Exchange, Huntly • 10am to 5pm

See exciting motorsport action in a motorkhana featuring all types of cars and a static car display.

Admission: Gold coin donation towards the clubs junior development program. Information: 0427 511 158

Bendigo Textile Artists Inc - Creative Journey

Small Hall, St Andrews Church, Myers Street, Bendigo 10am to 4pm

Experience a visual feast as you explore the creative journey taken by each talented textile artist. Daily demonstrations, local traders, trading table plus make and take.

Admission: Adults \$5; Children U16 free

Information: 5447 9406 **Bendigo Easter Antique Fair**

Kangaroo Flat Leisure Centre, Browning Street, Kangaroo Flat 10am to 6pm

Australia's second largest country antique fair with 34 visiting dealers offering a huge range of antiques and collectables. Full catering available.

Admission: Adults \$8, pensioners \$7, U14 free if accompanied by an adult. Information: 0414 248 120

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Bendigo Model Railroaders Open Day

Model Railway Clubrooms, 139 Will Street, Bendigo 10am to 4pm

Demonstration of layouts and model trains. Ability to BYO train/loco to run on tracks. Sausage sizzle available. Adults \$2, Children free if accompanied by an adult Information: 0418 340 399

Bendigo Woodturners Easter Expo

BRIT Hall, 136 McCrae Street, Bendigo • 10am to 5pm

Live demonstrations of woodturning, scroll saw, wood carving, pyrography and sales of handmade wooden items. Information: 5448 4824. Adults \$3, Children free

Bendigo Woodwork Show

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Bull Street Live Music Fiesta

Bull Street, Bendigo 2pm to 9pm

Admission: free.

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2pm	Urban Creatures					
3pm	Trouble N Mind					
4pm	The Resonators					
5pm	Dirtbusters					
6pm	Dewar Music School Choir					
7pm	Parade					
8pm	Grinners					



Central Victorian Lion Team

Hargreaves Mall, Bendigo • 10am to 12noon

Traditional Chinese dance performances featuring southern lions, dragon team and Fu Wa girls help celebrate Easter in Bendigo. Free admission.

Clay Masters

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Gold Rush Carnival - Greyhound Racing

Bendigo Greyhound Racing Association, Lord's Raceway, McIvor Highway, Junortoun • 5:30pm to 9.30pm

Greyhound racing including the Bendigo Cup, plus great family fun, activities and prizes to be won over the Easter weekend! Admission: Adults \$5, Concession \$3

Information: 0402 800 555

Historic Vehicle and Collectables

Hargreaves Mall, Bendigo • 9am - 2.30pm

On display will be historic vehicles and collectables ranging from the early 1900s to 1985. This is a unique display of restored vehicles and some machinery items from our past. Admission: free. Information: 0408 033 839

Photographic Print Exhibition

Bendigo Camera Club, Dudley House, View Street, Bendigo 10am to 5.30pm

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Fire Services Commissioner/CFA **Torchlight Procession** and Fireworks

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The torchlight procession is our opportunity to pay tribute to the local community heroes who protect us every day. Cheer, clap and show your appreciation for all their hard work.

There will be a spectacular display of illuminated floats decorated in our festival theme Embrace Your Senses and enjoy a special appearance by Yar Loong, the night dragon.

Immediately after the procession, watch over Rosalind Park as a magnificent display of fireworks erupts over the City. Great places to watch the display include along Pall Mall, Dai Gum San Chinese Precinct, View Street or Barnard Street.



EASTER SATURDAY Saturday 30 March



Chinese Spring Festival

Dai Gum San Chinese Precinct, 1-11 Bridge Street 10am to 12noon

The Bendigo Chinese Association is proud to present the Chinese Spring Festival on Dai Gum San. Experience this unique cultural event and be entertained by authentic Chinese performances.





Awakening of the Dragon

Dai Gum San Chinese Precinct, Bridge Street 2pm to 3:30pm

The Awakening of the Dragon is a unique experience in Bendigo, performed in front of large crowds who gather along Bridge Street in the afternoon, before Sun Loong is due to walk the streets of Bendigo .

Prior to the awakening lion dancing, dragon dancing, folk dancing and music-making provide a colourful event for young performers from all over Australia to display traditional dance movements performed with traditional musical accompaniment. It is also a chance for the Bendigo Chinese Associations own performing teams to show off their many hours of practice.



The 'Dance of the Lions' gives the performer an opportunity to display intricate and symbolic movements. The dances of the lions are designed to tease the dragon to a state of awakening. Along with the lions, firecrackers are used, as it is necessary to make a lot of noise to wake an Imperial dragon. At the end of all the dances, a finale of 100,000 firecrackers is used to ensure that the Imperial dragon is awakened.

For the most current information please visit festivals and events on www.goldendragonmuseum.org

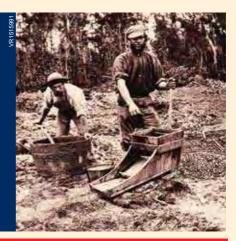
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John H Jones, Gold Diggers (detail), 1862, albumen silver photograph mounted on card. RHS Abbott Bequest Fund 2009. Collection Bendigo Art Gallery 42 VIEW ST BENDIGO VICTORIA 3550 BENDIGOART GALLERY.COM.AU



Thank you

Thank you to the community of Bendigo and all surrounding areas for showing your appreciation of the emergency preparation, education and response services our firefighters provide.

A huge thank you also goes to our community-minded local businesses, who support our volunteers by allowing them to respond to emergencies during work hours. We consider you part of the CFA team as well!

Servicing Bendigo and beyond

Did you know?

CFA is a volunteer and community based fire and emergency services organisation, protecting 3.3 million people and more than one million properties across Victoria.

The CFA Loddon Mallee Region serves the Greater Bendigo area. In 2012, 918 incidents were attended by CFA firefighters just within the City of Greater Bendigo alone.

Loddon Mallee Region consists of:

- 3 Districts across the Mallee, Northern Country, North Central and Central Fire Districts
- 210 Fire Brigades
- Over 9,200 volunteer members
- 10 municipalities
- 30% of the geographical area of Victoria
- Communities from Gisborne to Mildura,
 Maryborough to Echuca and all areas in between

You're invited to join us

For many years CFA has proudly enjoyed participating in the annual tradition of the Bendigo Easter Festival. Our participation and support continues again this year.

Fire Services Commissioner Craig Lapsley and CFA Chief Executive Officer Mick Bourke welcome you to join us at the 2013 Torchlight Procession and Fireworks.











- **Sunday 24th March** Dual code family meeting with both greyhound and harness racing kids entertainment from Camp Australia, rides and activities plus show bags and prizes for the kids action starts approximately 5.30pm
- **Sunday 31st March** 2013 Skill Training Victoria Bendigo Gold Cup kids entertainment and activities, show bags, Easter egg hunt, plus prizes and giveaways for lucky patrons action starts approximately 5.30pm with seven feature event finals to be run.





For further information regarding start times and other activities during the Gold Rush Carnival go to

bendigo.grv.org.au or contact the Club on 5449 3322



Easter Sunday

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Bendigo Advertiser Gala Parade From 1pm

The *Bendigo Advertiser* Gala Parade will commence from Lyttleton Terrace (opposite the City Offices), and move along Queen Street into Mitchell Street, Pall Mall, McCrae Street, Chapel Street and concluding in Bridge Street. Make sure you get your spot early for the best vantage point to watch all of the action of the parade. The floats will be decorated in line with our theme Embrace Your Senses. Each float will tell their

story, depicting the diverse and exciting history of Bendigo.

The parade will conclude with a colourful and energetic Chinese procession. There will be jumping lion dancers,

friendly dragons and of course, the world's longest imperial dragon Sun Loong.





Also look out for the floats by the recipients of the Bendigo Easter Fair Society Violee Myers-Davey parade grants. These include: Central Victorian Ice Sports & Entertainment Bendigo Trust - Bendigo Tramways Goornong Rural Fire Brigad Volks Club Bendigo Bendigo Epilepsy Support Group

Hare Krishna - ISKCON Melbourne
The Gianna Centre
Bendigo & District Concert Band Inc.
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EASTER SUNDAY Sunday 31 Marc

Kidzone

Rosalind Park Precinct
Pall Mall Entry via View Street • 10am – 5pm

Roving Entertainment



reading.

Music for hoppin', skippin' and jumpin' **Kanga Kapers** is a unique performing group consisting of three gorgeous gal Kangaroos who play trumpet, trombone and saxophone. Seeing is believing!

Miss Dinkles takes you to a magical tea party experience with Celeste and Nick. The author of the children's book Celeste, Nick and the Magical

Tea Party, will delight and amuse her young audience with an enchanted reading of her book. Miss Dinkles, with unnaturally bright red hair and the largest blue eyelashes ever, will sprinkle story inspired interactive activities throughout the

Wandering **Tall Poppies** minstrels musical magical tour! Performing on stilts in colourful poppy flavoured costumes, their fun musical and flower-decorated hats swaying to the music are sure to make a splash.

Mr Balloon Man will amaze you with how quickly his twists and turns make a whole range of animals and characters right before your eyes.

Rotunda Gardens Workshops Timetable

Mr Balloon Man 10-10.30am; 3.50-4.20pm

Miss Dinkles 3-5pm

Flying Fruit Fly Circus 'Encore'

Australia's uniquely famous Flying Fruit Fly Circus have tumbled, flipped and flown their way into the hearts of millions around the world. See why, when this colourful and vibrant show featuring 22 of our young artists from age 8 upwards hits Bendigo for two performances only.



Timetable

11:30-11:50am and 3:30-3:50pm Bendigo Advertiser Gala Parade between 1-3pm.

Farmer Darryl's Animal Farm

Sheep, pigs, goats, chicken, ducks, geese, calves and guinea pigs. Last chance to visit the farmyard today.

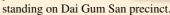
Fire Truck and Kids Amusement Rides

For a \$2 donation, children will love taking a ride around Rosalind Park in an antique fire truck. Across the creek the Combined Bendigo Fire Brigades host a selection of rides such as inflatable slides, merry-go-round, cup & saucer, chairo-plane and balloon ride.

Dai Gum San Chinese Precinct

1-11 Bridge Street At the conclusion of the Bendigo Advertiser Gala Parade

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Sun Loong back into
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Museum for another
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Easter Sunday

Harley Davidson Motorbike Display

Celebrating Harley Davidson's 110th anniversary depicting the journey through a static bike display to current modern design in the HD1 Custom Trailer Shop – all



bike enthusiasts will appreciate exploring this display on Park

Bendigo Easter Labyrinth

Come along to this peaceful place at the heart of the festival and see the full size reproduction of the mosaic design on the floor of Chartres Cathedral in France. Walking the labyrinth is an engaging and meditative activity for all ages.

Rotary Art, Craft and Produce Market

Local artists and producers will line Bridge Street to display and sell their delicious local produce and captivating local art and craft.

Hidden Creatures return to the wild.....

The Hidden Creatures have returned to the wilds of Rosalind Park Fernery. Creatures from our wildest imagination... wild and woolly... and some 'objects gone wild'! *Refer to page 15 for full details.*



Fusion Family Games

Wind tunnel, stilts, box hockey, snakes and ladders, geeta boards, balloon sculpting, children's craft, big group games, walking puppet theatre, storytelling and live music.

Around the City

A Parade of Quilts

St Andrews Church Hall • 12noon to 5pm

The 12th biennial display of members' work will include large quilts, small quilts, wall hangings and a raffle quilt. Gift shop and refreshments available. Information: 5454 3019

Art in the Conservatory Exhibition

Conservatory Gardens, Rosalind Park • 10am-4pm

The Ava Gander is a large metal contraption, reminiscent of old steam machinery, but also including parts from modern electronics, computers and mobile phones. The apparatus features a number of peep holes which invite the viewer to draw closer, embrace their sense of sight and Ava Gander; as in Australian slang - have a gander (look). Aussies love to have a sticky beak and who knows what a squiz through the sculptural peep holes will reveal!

Australian 3 Day Orienteering Championships

Mt Alexander

Visit www.easterorienteering2013.com.au for full program and details. Information: 0411 125 178.

Bendigo Bank Dragon Mile

Pall Mall, Mitchell Street and Queen Street • 10:30am to 12noon

The Bendigo Bank Dragon Mile annual fun run is held prior to the *Bendigo Advertiser* Gala Parade. The first race of the day is a new category for the Junior Mini Mile (children aged four or below).

Entry fees \$10 for primary and secondary students and adults fee \$20. Entry forms are available at any branch of the Bendigo Bank or www.bendigoharriers.com.

Information: 0430 037 922

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United Church Hall, Forest Street, Bendigo • 10am to 5pm

A display of Bonsai, including Australian native plants. There will be demonstrations and advice on Bonsai, with a trading table, starters, pots, tools and books.

Adults \$3; Children free. Information: 0409 395 605

Bendigo Textile Artists Inc - Creative Journey

Small Hall, St Andrews Church, Myers Street, Bendigo 12noon to 4pm

Experience a visual feast as you explore the creative journey taken by each talented textile artist. Daily demonstrations, local traders, trading table plus make and take.

Admission: Adults \$5; Children U16 free

Information: 5447 9406 Bendigo Easter Antique Fair

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Australia's second largest country antique fair with 34 visiting dealers offering a huge range of antiques and collectables. Full catering available. Admission: Adults \$8, pensioners \$7, U14 free if accompanied by an adult. Information: 0414 248 120

Bendigo Model Railroaders Open Day

Model Railway Clubrooms, 139 Will Street, Bendigo 10am to 4pm

Demonstration of layouts and model trains. Ability to BYO train/loco to run on tracks. Sausage sizzle available. Adults \$2, Children free if accompanied by an adult. Information: 0418 340 399

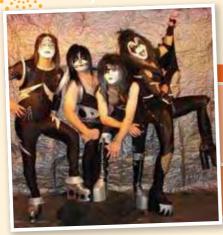
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Prince of Wales Showgrounds, Holmes Road, Bendigo 8.30am to 3pm

Huge weekly market with over 200 stalls of fresh produce, trash and treasure, now and old. Free admission.

Information: 0419 500 892





Bull Street Live Music Fiesta

Bull Street, Bendigo • 2pm to 9pm

Admission: free • Information: 0438 821 036

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2pm Steve Saxton

3pm Tee Jam

4pm Adrenalin

5pm Colin

6pm Regular Joes

7pm Well Hungarian's

8pm FINALE THE AUSTRALIAN KISS SHOW - Kiss Thiss All the makeup, costumes and hits in one big show.

Bendigo Woodwork Show

Bendigo Trades Hall, 34-40 View Street, Bendigo • 9am to 5pm Display and sales of woodwork/woodcraft including clocks, tables, wooden toys, woodturned items, carving, pyrography and intarsia (marquetry) and model aircraft.

Information: 0407 869 424. Admission: Adults \$2; Children

Bendigo Woodturners Easter Expo

BRIT Hall, 136 McCrae Street, Bendigo 10am to 5pm

Live demonstrations of woodturning, scroll saw, wood carving, pyrography and sales of handmade wooden items. Information: 5448 4824. Adults \$3, Children free



Clay Masters

Bendigo Visitors Centre, Pall Mall, Bendigo • 9am to 5pm An exhibition showcasing works by Bendigo ceramicists including Garry Bish, David Stuchbery, Su Hanna, Ray Pearce, Graham Masters and Tony Conway.

Admission: Entry by donation. Information: 5434 6060

Gold Rush Carnival - Grevhound Racing

Bendigo Greyhound Racing Assn, Lord's Raceway, McIvor Highway, Junortoun • 5:30pm to 9.30pm

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Castlemaine Botanical Gardens • 11am - 5pm

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