

BEACHPORT BULLETIN



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BELLA VISTA:

AN EXHIBITION BY JANE MCCUMSTIE

Exploring Light, Colour, Movement and the Art of Everyday Beauty

Step into Jane McCumstie’s Bella Vista exhibition, where the boundaries between landscape and seascape, and the emotions they evoke, gently dissolve. The collection features paintings such as “Exploring Light” and “Wild Ocean Blue,” in which Jane masterfully captures fleeting shifts of light and colour in the garden and the

ever-changing moodiness of our wild ocean. Each canvas draws viewers into an immersive moment—offering not only scenes but also feelings, where beauty and colour softly engage the senses.

Adding further depth to this artistic journey are Jane’s sculptural female figures, including works like “Clock Watcher” and “Keeper of Bees.” These sculptures are moulded and painted with layered, tactile finishes, embodying a quiet strength shaped by the artist’s intuitive hand. Through these sculptural pieces, Jane forges a bridge between the physical and the emotional, inviting viewers to contemplate and connect on a deeper level.

Jane McCumstie’s artistic path has been deeply textured and rewarding. With over thirty years devoted to making art, she has, in the past decade, renewed her commitment to art, transforming it into her full-time pursuit. Her textured abstract works—whether portraying bright summer light in the garden or the tempestuous ocean—showcase her exceptional precision and ability to convey mood through her art.

Jane’s works become gentle invitations to slow down and find new beauty in the everyday world around us.

Through Bella Vista and her broader oeuvre, Jane McCumstie invites art lovers and gallery visitors to experience the everyday anew—to discover meaning in shifting light, recognise strength in quiet forms, and connect with the landscapes that shape our lives. Her art encourages us to pause, reflect, and find beauty where we might least expect it.

Opening 5-7pm Friday 8 May at Art Gallery Beachport until Sunday 21 June 2026.

APRIL	
25th	ANZAC Day Service
26th	Garden Party - Stand like Stone fundraiser
27th	Term 2 start
MAY	
8th	Art Gallery Beachport Exhibition Opening 5-7 PM
18th	Submissions close for Beachport Bulletin
23rd	Sip ,Sing and Sparkle Bottomless Lunch Fundraiser
25th	Next edition of the Beachport Bulletin



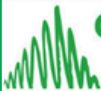
OUT AND ABOUT



The weather was perfect for the Easter market and visitors, locals and stall holders enjoyed the day.

Art Gallery Beachport celebrated its inaugural exhibition and official opening on the 27th March. After months of hard work leading up to this point, it was encouraging to see the Gallery so well supported with a large crowd and a warm reception for the exhibition. Wild Game Wines generously donated a selection of their beautiful wines, The Store and Drakes in Millicent also contributed food for the opening. It was a wonderful celebration of local creativity and community. Thanks to Gerard Cameron who stepped in to MC at short notice. The Art Gallery Beachport group is working closely with the Millicent Library to develop an annual exhibition program. Looking ahead, the program will broaden to feature artists from across the region and beyond, as well as host touring exhibitions further enriching the cultural experiences available to our community.







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A NEW RECORD FOR RIVOLI BAY JETTIES JUNIOR FISHING COMPETITION



What a week at the Rivoli Bay Jetties Fishing Competition!

An incredible 372 participants, both local and interstate, took part this year, our biggest turnout yet!

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to compete, along with the mums, dads and grandparents who supported them, and to our amazing local sponsors for backing the competition year after year - Recfish, Beachport Post Office, Beachport Fisherman's Association, Rivoli Bay Deli, Jarmos, BDDA, Joppich Fencing, Carapace & Surf n Dirt, Beachport Bowling Club, Rivoli Bay Beachport Lions Club.

This year's catch was massive, with hundreds of mackerel, mullet, tommies, garfish, skates and even sharks!

And the winners are.....

Wobbegongs, ages 6 & under -

- Winner: Townes Campbell 120cm Skate
- Runner up: Kelsie Ferguson-Hunter 55cm Salmon

Tigers ages 7-11 year olds -

- Winner: Rhys Oates - 130cm Skate
- Runner up: Harry McKenzie - 40cm Garfish

Great Whites 12-17 year olds-

- Winner: Fred Andre - 162cm Skate
- Runner up: Raff Lawlor - 161cm Skate

Open Shark Category -

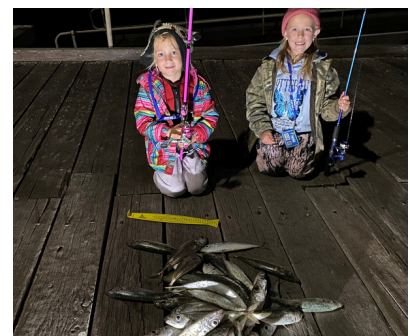
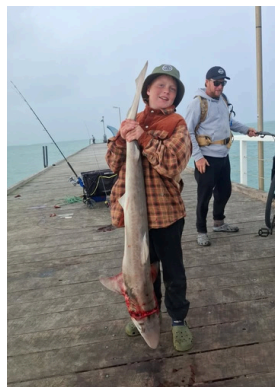
- Winner: Angus Powell 168cm Seven Gill Shark
- Runner up: Jackson Irving 163cm School Shark

Lifejacket Winners -

- Under 12: Alfie Linton
- Over 12: Jackson Irving

Fun Photo -

Hannah and Madison Bamford





SWINGING WITH THE STARS - OUR LOCAL ENTRANT


The fundraising efforts are continuing..."Twas a full house" on Wednesday night for bingo. After a fabulous dinner of baked spuds and toppings, everyone enjoyed a fun filled night. Fabulous prizes from Carapace and Woodsoak wines were won. Think it could be a regular feature in BEACHPORT's calendar.... Watch this space

Close to 40 people participated in the fundraising walk/run from Southend beach on Sunday. Lovely low tide and a nice breeze provided fabulous conditions for the 17km run. There was also a 5km loop option. Refreshments provided by The Store and Baked at Beachport kept everyone hydrated and fed. Such a wonderful opportunity to savour the coastline and catch up with friends and family whilst donating to a fabulous cause. There might have been a couple of bogging incidents but as they say what happens on the run stays on the run lol.

Thanking the whole community and visitors to Beachport for the huge support for all the events so far. All funds raised will be for the Beachport sub-fund in Stand Like Stone Foundation which will help both individuals and community groups. Lots more events to follow..

The major annual fundraiser for:



Linda Carter: Swinging with the Stars 2026



Upcoming Fundraising EVENTS

April 26 Garden Party @ Bellinger's Garden

May 9 Margaritas & Mex @ Waterfront Cafe

May 24 Sip, Sing & Sparkle Bottomless Brunch @ Beachport Pub

June 6 Band Night @ Bowling Club

May TBC Meal & Movie Night @ Beachport Tavern



June 13 Beef & Burgundy Location TBC

June 27 Swinging with the Stars GALA @ Barn Palais



Support Linda in her endeavour to raise funds for the Beachport sub-fund of the Stand Like Stone Foundation in 2026, by attending one of the upcoming events or donating directly to the Stand Like Stone using the QR Code



DID YOU KNOW!

Monarch Butterflies

Many of you may have noticed the hundreds of beautiful bright butterflies fluttering around Beachport over the last few weeks. Here is some information some of you might find interesting!

The Wanderer or Monarch Butterfly is well-known in North America for its massive and wide-ranging migrations. In Australia, the species also makes limited migratory movements in cooler areas. It has only been present in Australia since about 1871.

They are commonly seen during summer. They have been recorded at speeds of up to 40 km per hour. The earliest sighting of this butterfly was in Sydney in 1871, although the population only became established when its food plants, including poisonous milkweed, were also introduced. Wanderer Butterflies live in areas, where its food plants (e.g. milkweeds) are found.

In summer, Wanderers are found along the east coast of Australia from Queensland to South Australia, and in south-west Western Australia. They have also been found in isolated parts of the Northern Territory. They are strong fliers and can cover long distances during their adult life, which is about a month to six weeks in summer. During this time they can move to unoccupied areas to find new plants on which to lay eggs. They take nectar from flowers to maintain their energy levels as they go.

As winter approaches, the butterflies migrate towards the coast. In southern areas, adults that develop in autumn do not breed immediately. They remain in a non-breeding state throughout winter, some of them staying in the same district for several months.

In cooler areas, these non-breeding adults may gather together and hang from the branches of trees in large clusters of thousands of butterflies. This is known as over-wintering. The same trees are used for this year after year. The clusters are at first made up mainly of males. The females arrive a week or so later. During the warmth of the day the butterflies fly around the trees, but with the afternoon drop in temperature they settle to reform clusters. The clusters appear in about April and remain until about August or September, when the butterflies disperse after mating. The females are the first to leave, moving off to lay the first eggs of the new season on fresh spring growth.

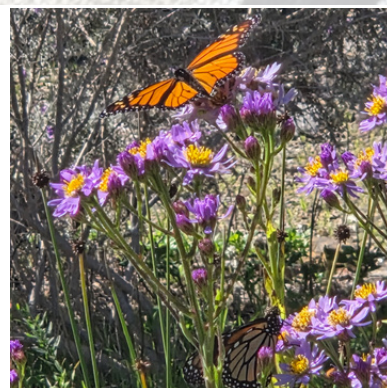
Throughout summer, with one generation following another, the females lay single eggs under the leaves of milkweed. When the caterpillars hatch, they eat the leaves and the flowers of the plant. With their colourful racing stripes, they look just as pretty as their parents, but in the animal world they are a clear warning signal. The caterpillars feed on the plant's milky sap, which makes them toxic and protects them from predators.

Their feeding frenzy lasts only two weeks before they pupate on the plant inside a green and golden cocoon.

Three weeks later, a Monarch Butterfly emerges to start the cycle all over again.

The toxin in its body will keep the adult butterfly safe from most predators except the Pied Currawong and Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike, who seem to feed on them without any ill-effects

Source: Australian Museum





What's happening in Beachport

Beachport Museum

Open daily from 10am - 4pm from September
 Admission: \$6 adults \$5 concession \$3 child
 Or come and browse our 2nd hand books and bric-a-brac.

Beachport Rivoli Bay Lions Club

Lions Club meet every 1st and 3rd Thursday usually at the Lions Club Shed, Golf course Road.
 For further information contact secretary on 0427 837 274

Beachport Golf Club

Mixed tee-off 1:00pm Sunday (18 holes)
 Ladies' tee-off 10:00am Wednesday (18 holes)
 Men's 9 hole tee off 2:00pm (9 holes)
 Golfers and non-golfers welcome.
 Visitors Welcome. Info at: www.beachportgolfclub.com



Beachport Bowling Club

Summer Season Pennant Bowls – Starts October 2025!
 Season Start: Saturday, 4th October 2025.
 Ladies: Friday Open: Saturdays
 New Players Welcome! Join us for social bowls Sundays at 1:30pm
 Thursday Night Social Bowls Kick off the fun on Thursday, 9th Oct and keep rolling through until the end of daylight saving.
 More Info: Contact Club Secretary Margi at 0438 338 713

Beachport Swimmers (Sea Urchins)

All welcome
 Swimming 7:15 daily from the rotunda.



Beachport Craft Group

Every Thursday from February until the week prior to Christmas. Meet in the supper room of the cinema from 11:00. Bring your own textile crafts eg. quilting, embroidery, knitting, spinning etc. and spend the day in companionship with others and enjoy a shared lunch.

BUGS (Beachport Ukulele Group)

Meet at the Beachport hotel each Thursday 10:00am
 All welcome. Contact Pam on 0421 172 119

Raising funds for Lions Club Project & Swinging with the Stars candidate Linda Carter

GARDEN Party

26th April 12pm-5pm
 BELLINGER GARDEN, GELTWOOD DRV MUGGLETOWN
TICKETS \$75 PER HEAD
Includes Drinks on Arrival Finger Food, Entertainment & Bus Transfers

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM CARAPACE

Beachport Hotel Social Club

Friday nights.
 Raffle /members draw at 7:00 and 7:30pm

Beachport Bible Study Group

Held on Wednesday at the Tavern. We are currently doing a Lenton Study with Rev Wayne Landford.
 After the April school holidays, the contact person will be Trish Lang contact number 0439733507

Beachport District Development Association

BDDA meet at the Beachport Institute on the 4th Wednesday of each month. 7:00pm
 Contact details email: bddainc@gmail.com



Church Services

Catholic Service: 11:00 every Sunday @ St. Brigids Communion service or Mass.

YOGA

Mondays at the Bowling Club. Cost \$27. Railway Tce.
 10:00-11:30am



Dancing at Beachport

Tuesday 9:30-10:30 at the Rec Hall.Golf Course Rd.
 Call Gayle King 0450 881 607

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Gambling Hotline	1800 858 858
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Kids Helpline	1800 551 800
Lifeline	13 11 14
Men's Helpline	1300 789 978
Mental Help Triage Line	13 14 65
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Poisons Information Centre	13 11 26
Quitline	13 78 48
Youth Healthline	1300 134 791
Standby 24hr Mob Response	0437 752 458

BEACHPORT DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS

- Beachport Medical Services
- Beachport Hotel
- Beachport Rotunda
- Beachport Boatyard
- Beachport Bowling Club
- Beachport Primary School (School hours only)
- Beachport Golf Club
- Beachport Caravan Park
- Beachport Surf Life Saving Club
- Muggleton Bus Shelter

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