



Uniting Church of Australia BOLWARRA

Newsletter

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A successful Maitland Uniting Churches Planning Consultation Workshop was held on Sunday 30 March at Morpeth Uniting Church. The session was led by Rev. Dr Rod Pattenden and Rev Garry Derkenne. Bolwarra had four representatives with good representation from the other congregations. The workshop looked at where we have come since we started coming together with the successful formation of a regional council and task groups focussing on worship, property, finance and *MUNCH. We have employed staff and improved our administration and capacity for mission. We looked at what we are doing currently in the community and individuals shared stories of where they had seen God at work in their lives, their church or the community. We are now working together on new initiatives that we could develop with some great ideas put forward. Another three meetings will be held this year; all will be held at Morpeth from 2-4pm. Please put these dates in your diary 15 June, 17 August and 21 September.

The next combined Service will be at Maitland City Uniting Church 10.30am on 27 April, led by Rev Garry Derkenne and Dr Rev Rod Pattenden. There will be **no service** at Bolwarra on this day.

Our noticeboards have been revamped by Eddie Hunt with lovely red felt backing. We think they look fabulous and are very appreciative. Huge thank you to Eddie!

We received a \$500 grant from the Stamp Committee for a new BBQ which we have now purchased. We cannot wait to put it to good use. Thanks go to Louise, Lindsay and Leanne for going to Bunnings to purchase the BBQ and to Netta, Lindsay and Leanne for putting it together.

A big thank you to Eddie Hunt for revamping our two noticeboards



We have a new BBQ! Shopping team - Leanne, Louise and Lindsay and the Construction team - Leanne, Netta and Lindsay.

Our Easter Sunday Service will be at 9am and the Leaders of Bolwarra Uniting Church wish everyone a happy, safe and enjoyable Easter as we commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

*MUNCH provides a meal two nights a week at Maitland City Uniting Church Hall and is the main provider of food, community and support in central Maitland for those facing hardship.