

SUNDAY 17 MARCH

BREKKIE IN THE PARK / WALK UP POETRY

8:00am – 9:30am *Des Kelly*

You've never recited a poem before! This is your chance to join in the fun and recite for a supportive audience. You also get to hear some of our experts.

Venue: Marie Bashir Park **Cost:** \$15
(for breakfast)

NOEL & GREG IN CONCERT

9:30am – 10:50am *Noel Stallard & Greg North*

Stalwarts of the Festival, Noel and Greg need no introduction. Original and favourite poetry, laughter and tears - it's all on offer.

Venue: Ex-Serviceman's Club, Bolton St **Cost:** \$10

AS THE CROW FLIES

11:00am – 12:15pm *Geoffrey Graham*

A creative storyteller, Geoffrey brings to life a potpourri of Australiana-verse & song & Aussie paraphernalia.

Venue: Ex-Serviceman's Club, Bolton St **Cost:** \$10

IRISH SING -A-LONG

12:30pm – 2:40pm

Join in with the performers for all your old favourite Irish songs.

Venue: Bowling Club, Jonsen St **Cost:** \$10
(meal not included)

FAREWELL ON THE GREEN

3:00pm – 5:00pm

Join our entertainers for the grand finale.

Venue: John O'Brien Heritage House, Audley St **Cost:** \$10

OVER THE WEEKEND

GRIEGO THE GREAT

Friday – Greigo will visit the schools: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Saturday – Greigo will be wandering and entertaining in Marie Bashir Park from 10:00am – 5:00pm

CANASSIST BOOK SALE

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 2:00pm
Bolton St

PARKSIDE COTTAGE MUSEUM

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm

Cadell St

Cost: \$ Adult \$2.00 | Seniors \$1.00 | Children .50c

JOHN O'BRIEN HERITAGE HOUSE

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm

Audley St

NARRANDERA ART AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm

What happens if exhibition

Cadell St

Cost: Nil

MAJOR SPONSORS

Narrandera Shire Council

Narrandera & District Community Bank

Australian Beer Company (Yenda Beer)

Newell Motor Inn

Fig Tree Motel

ProTen

Rotary

Probus

OTHER VALUED SUPPORTERS

Agri Australis, Narrandera CRC,

Narrandera Bowling Club, Narrandera Golf Club,

Narrandera Ex-Servicemen's Club,

Narrandera Lions Club

This program may be subject to change

NARRANDERA'S JOHN O'BRIEN Bush Festival

15-17 MARCH 2019

We invite you to join us for the

'Australian Festival of
Word & Song'



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FRIDAY 15 MARCH

ANCIENT WARRIORS

10:00am – 11:00am *Geoffrey Graham*

A self-defence class for those aged 9 to 90.

Venue: Bidgee Boxing, Bolton St **Cost:** \$15

CAFÉ CULTURE

2:00pm – 5:00pm *Different Performers*

Enjoy a coffee at a local cafe with a surprise visit from a bush poet?

Venue: Different cafes **Cost:** Nil

MOVIE "THE SECRET OF KELLS"

5:20pm – 7:30pm

Venue: CRC Theatre, Bolton St **Cost:** \$5

BINGO

Doors open 6.00pm. Eyes down 7.00pm

Venue: John O'Brien Hall, Larmer St

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT (JAM SESSION)

7:00pm *Tin Shed Rattlers*

Your chance to join in with the musicians (BYO instrument) or just chill and listen.

Venue: Charles Sturt Hotel **Cost:** Nil

BUSH POETRY COMPETITION / JOHN O'BRIEN POETRY RECITAL COMPETITION

7:30pm *Noel Stallard*

The traditional competitions featuring original poems both serious and funny presented by each entrant. Poets have the chance to win the Rotary sponsored Jim Angel Award as well.

Venue: CRC Theatre, Bolton St **Cost:** \$10

SATURDAY 16 MARCH

TOWN TOURS

Depart at: 9:45am, 11:15am and 1:15pm from the Visitor Information Centre in Marie Bashir Park

Cost: \$5

Hop on the Lions Train for a discovery tour and detailed commentary on the town.

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HARP WORKSHOP

10:00am – 1:00pm

Hilary Manning, Rachel Warren & Christine Middleton

Do you have a harp at home? Need more information? Join Hilary, Christine and Rachel as they show you the basics of how to play and take care of your harp.

Venue: CRC Theatre, Bolton St **Cost:** \$50

MARIE BASHIR PARK ACTIVITIES

Entry Fees: Adult \$5 Children \$2 Family \$15 (2 adults and 4 children) Children under 5 free.

*ACTIVITIES FOR ALL

10:00am – 5:00pm

Arts, Crafts, Coffee, Food Buskers, Street Theatre, Kids Fun area, Challenges and Competitions Take part in our community artwork, make and fly your kites, decorate shamrocks!

*SCHOOL CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

10:00am – 10:15am

*VIVA LA VERB!

10:15am – 11:00am *Robyn Sykes*

Listen as Robyn takes you on a tantalising trip through versatile verse.

*TRIBUTE TO ANZAC

11:00am – 12:00 noon *Greg North*

One of the significant festival events. Don't miss this one. Tributes to our Anzacs in music and poetry from all our performers.

*WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

12 noon – 12:45pm *Maria Forde*

As an Irish- Australian, Maria Forde has always straddled both sides of her heritage in her song writing.

*SCHOOL CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

12:45pm – 1:00pm

*BROTHERS BACK TO BACK

1:00pm – 2:00pm *Geoffrey and Ralph Graham*

With the best in song, verse and racontouring Geoffrey and Ralph have the best in both worlds covered- you are in for an absolute musical/poetic treat.

*SCHOOL CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

2:00pm – 2:15pm

*HARTIGAN'S IRISH PUB

2:00pm – 10:30pm

Sponsored by Yenda Beer

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*TRIBUTE TO JOHN O'BRIEN

2:15pm – 3:00pm *Noel Stallard*

As Fr Patrick Hartigan, Noel will entertain you with John O'Brien favourites.

HARP CONCERT

3:00pm – 4:00 pm

Hilary Manning, Rachel Warren & Christine Middleton

Now is the time to perform what you have learnt. Join with the experts to show off your newly acquired talents interspersed with items from the professionals.

Venue: CRC Theatre **Cost:** \$5–10 donation

*SCHOOL CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

3:00pm – 3:15pm

*THE DARLING OF THE OUTBACK

3:15pm – 4:00 *Brenda Joy*

A "JOYful" mix of bush poetry, folk songs, ballads and light hearted comedy.

*TALES OF THE SWAG

4:00pm – 4:45pm *Des Kelly*

Song, verse and humour – Australian songs and stories from past to present.

*GRANT LUHRS

4:45 pm – 5:30pm

This talented singer/songwriter will keep entertained with his great music.

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*BUSH POETRY

5:30pm – 6:15pm *Greg North*

This three-time Australian bush poetry champion brings his many characters to life whenever he performs.

*BUSH DANCE

7:00pm – 10:00pm *Tin Shed Rattlers*

Put on your dancing shoes and trip the light fantastic to this great band or just come and enjoy the music.