



**Uniting Church in Australia  
Synod of Victoria and Tasmania  
Presbytery of Yarra Yarra**

PO Box 4308  
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10<sup>th</sup> August 2023

## **Notes and news for Yarra Yarra Congregations and Institutions**

*Please ensure that items for the next edition are sent in by the end of the month. It is helpful if you can provide text, rather than copies of fliers which need to be transcribed and summarised. Please include contact information for those seeking more information.*

### **Presbytery News**

#### **Call for Synod Nominations – by 14<sup>th</sup> August**

So far we have received 12 Nominations for Synod from the Presbytery of Yarra Yarra.

We would love to hear from lay people who would like to Nominate for Synod and play an important role in shaping the future of the Uniting Church.

Please contact the Office Secretary on [pyy.secretary@victas.org.au](mailto:pyy.secretary@victas.org.au) if you would like to receive the Nomination Forms

Please send your Nominations to the presbytery at [pyy.secretary@victas.uca.org.au](mailto:pyy.secretary@victas.uca.org.au) by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023**.

#### **Yarra Yarra Face-to-Face Presbytery Meeting**

Starts at **9:30am** on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

Location: Camberwell UC

Includes an eLM Update by Duncan McLeod

#### **Boronia Road UC - a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon with The Evans Family**

##### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 1.30pm**

Come along and enjoy some beautiful music and a scrumptious afternoon tea at the intermission. Cost: \$20 per person.

Proceeds to go to the cost of installing Split System Air Conditioners in the Church

**RSVP to Irene on [irenesmith2@bigpond.com](mailto:irenesmith2@bigpond.com) / 0421 769 067**



Join a series of conversations around Andrew Root and Blair Bertrand's book, *When church stops working: a future for your congregation beyond more money, programs and innovation*. These studies will be shared by a number of Uniting Churches (and perhaps others) — it would be great to be thinking together about these things across congregations!

*The sessions run for 75-90 mins, and will meet as follows:*

1 – ONLINE Wednesday nights, 7.45pm, from September 27

2 – ONLINE Friday afternoons, 1.30pm, from September 29

For more info and to register, see the link at [www.marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au](http://www.marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au)

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## Supervised Pastoral Education Unit (CPE)

Applications are now open for the Semester 1, 2024 Unit being offered by Uniting CPE – The John Paver Centre.

Dates: 2 February to 25 June, 2024.

**Applications close 8 November**, with interviews scheduled for 16 and 17 November.

Supervisors are Rev Lauren Mosso and Rev Andy Calder

Further inquiries contact Andy Calder on 93408844 or [andy.calder@victas.uca.org.au](mailto:andy.calder@victas.uca.org.au)

## Electrify Boroondara Expo - The Future is Electric!

**When:** Sunday, **8 October**, 10am-4pm

**Where:** Hawthorn Arts Centre

Mark your calendars for the *Electrify Boroondara Expo - The future is electric!*

Across Australia communities are electrifying everything as more & more people want to save money, create comfortable, healthier homes & a safer climate.

This Expo will arm you with the knowledge & connections you need to plan your electrification journey, whether you're just starting out or already on your way.

Our free, family-friendly event features inspiring speakers including Saul Griffith & Alan Kohler, live demonstrations, engaging panel discussions and opportunities for hands-on learning. Plus many giveaway prizes to be won.

Explore topics such as improving home energy efficiency, rooftop solar and batteries, induction cooktops, electric vehicles and e-bikes, and getting off gas. Find out about your financing options, subsidies and rebates. Book a one-on-one chat with an expert.

Join us at **Boroondara's first electrification and energy efficiency expo** and be inspired to make your home **low-emissions, super comfortable and energy efficient while helping make our climate safe.**

**Register at <https://electrifyboroondara.org/expo23/overview>**

Electrify Boroondara is a community-led alliance dedicated to accelerating the transition to a clean energy future. The alliance is supported by all three levels of government. Visit [electrifyboroondara.org](https://electrifyboroondara.org) to learn more.

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*If you have information that you wish to have distributed through this newsletter, please ensure that it is submitted by the start of the month in which the item is to appear. I plan to try to send newsletters out in the third week, so that means if your event occurs early in the month, you will need to have it submitted by the start of the **previous** month.*

*The newsletter is sent to Church Council Secretaries and Presbytery members. If you should not be receiving it, please contact me at [pyy.secretary@victas.uca.org.au](mailto:pyy.secretary@victas.uca.org.au) with the name of your congregation and the name of the correct person.*