Bland Shire Council has planned the biggest program of events ever to celebrate Seniors Week later this month.

Council will hold six events in seven days from March 16-22, culminating in the annual Seniors Luncheon at the West Wyalong Services and Citizens Club at noon on Sunday, March 22.

A capacity crowd of 250 people will toast the winners of the annual Seniors Week awards and enjoy live entertainment from the popular Peter Hartwig in what promises to be a spectacular end to a week of wonderful and diverse activities and entertainment.

Meanwhile, the Bland Shire Seniors Week program will kick off in royal fashion on Monday, March 16 with a screening of the new release movie ‘When the Queen Came to Town” at the Bland Shire Council Chambers.

Narrated by Australian entertainment icon Bert Newton, “When the Queen Came to Town” follows Queen Elizabeth II’s visit to Australia in 1954. A royal “high tea” will be served to guests during intermission.

Seniors Week celebrations move outdoors on Tuesday, March 17 when Bland Shire Council hosts a tour of “The Wetlands”.

While leading a tour around the newly completed facility, guest speaker Leon Sharpe will provide a unique insight into the history of the project as well as talk about the native vegetation in the area, the wildlife The Wetlands attracts and the recreational opportunities available.

The Wetlands tour is open to all and will commence at 11am with a free barbecue lunch included.

The West Wyalong Men’s Shed will hold an open day on Wednesday, March 18 from 10am until 1pm.

Members of the public are invited to come along and tour the facilities, ask questions and view some of the past and present projects before joining the members for a free barbecue lunch at noon.

The Men’s Shed is located at 123 Railway Road in West Wyalong.

Seniors Week celebrations continue on Thursday, March 19 when the West Wyalong Community Care Centre host an open day.

A number of groups will be in attendance including Home and Community Care, Meals on Wheels, Community Transport, Care West, Forbes Bland Home Modifications, Baptist Care and the Royal Freemasons Benevolent Institution (RFBI). The open day will run from 9.30am until 11.30am and is a great opportunity to find out lots of information about each of these valuable services.
The focus on Friday, March 20 turns to Heart Foundation Heartmoves open days in West Wyalong and Ungarie.

A gentle exercise program with several acknowledged health benefits, Heartmoves is held every Friday at 10.30am at the West Wyalong Community Centre and at 1pm at the Ungarie CWA Hall.

Members of the community are invited to come along and observe a session, chat with the instructor and join the group for a special morning tea in West Wyalong and afternoon tea in Ungarie.

Bookings for the seniors luncheon and movie screening close on Monday, March 9 while bookings are not required for the remaining activities. For further enquiries about Seniors Week activities in the Bland Shire contact Bland Shire Council on 6972 2266.

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