# BRMC 2016-2017 ... snapshots

PROMOTING CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND HARMONY IN OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

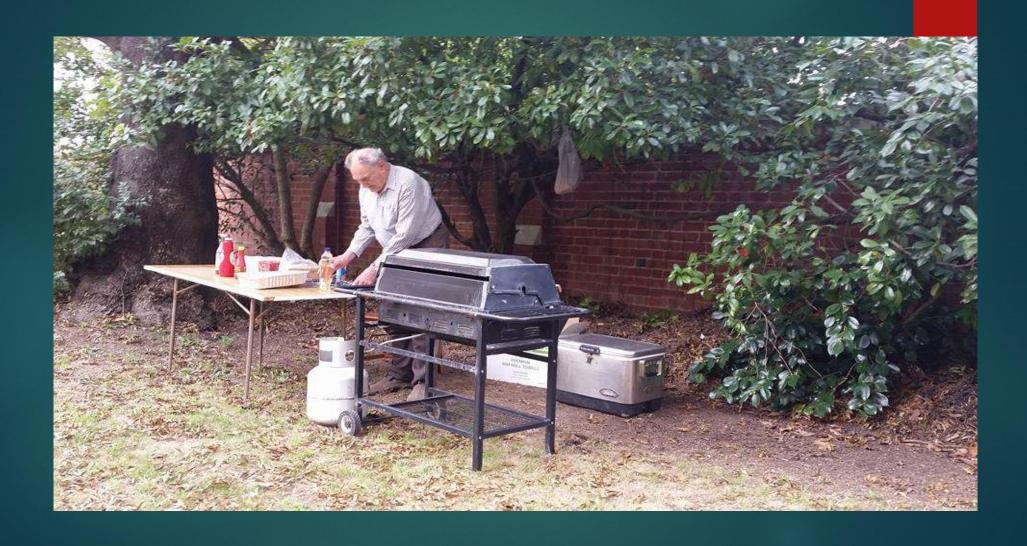
# Members Meetings and Presidents Dinners

Thankyou to BRMC Executive for governance in 201617 through 8 Executive meetings and 4 General meetings, 2 Member Presidents' dinners, four portfolio working groups and numerous community events and representative roles on Local and State-wide committees









#### August 2016: The EVOLVE Project

- BRMC accepts the State Government's announcement of funding to lead the EVOLVE project to build multicultural capacity in the region
- Our partners are City of Ballarat Centre for Multicultural Youth, Ballarat Community Health Centre and Wimmera Development Assocation.







#### Multicultural Tucker and More...

▶ Big thanks to Helen and Teresa and their volunteers. Below Christmas Tucker for multicultural Seniors tops off a year of record attendances at Multicultural Tucker held monthly with a different cultural groups







#### Seniors Services

BRMC Seniors hub held monthly at BRMC, last year at GPLACE and now at Ballarat Welcome Centre. Home visiting supports seniors Who cannot attend.









## Partnering with our Members 2016 and 2017



- BRMC partners with Hazara Association and Vicpol for the third year running to walk together and bbq kebab with 75 people at Lake Wendouree
- BRMC partners with Shermain Heng and Aldona Kmiec as Artists in Residence
- BRMC partners with 17 organisations to present Refugee Week
- BRMC partners with FASCOBI, CMY and Ballarat Italian Assocaiton to present Begonia Parade and Global Village



### ECCV and BRMC co-host the ECCV conference November 2016

Over 350 people from around Australia attend our conference in Ballarat to address the future of multiculturalism in Australia









#### Ballarat Welcome Centre January 2017

▶ BRMC moves house after 10 years at GPLACE to our new centre at the former convent at 145 Victoria Street. The vision is a place of community, culture creativity and enterprise for our Ballarat community







#### Migration and Settlement Services

Thanks to Deruka and team Homework club meets weekly at the Central highlands with about 15 tutors and students engaged in school and homework support. Partners are city of Ballarat and CMY. A new gardening club and Sara's Migrant English Program also emerge at the Welcome Centre.







## Begonia Parade and Global Village March 2017

► The vibrant FASCOBI and BRMC parade together at Begonia Parade 2017 followed by song, dance and youth activities with 400 visitors to our Global Village marquee the Festival





## Africana - Racism Stops With Me! May 2017

Ballarat African Association and Ballarat City Football Club partner up with BRMC in a community celebration!







#### Refugee Week in June 2017

► Each year BRMC and Ballarat Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support network co-ordinate Refugee week including 17 partner agencies and events







#### Begonia Parade and Global Village







#### And beyond...

- September We host Leadership Ballarat
   Western Region Forum
- November- We partner with Ballarat Interfaith Network on the Interfaith Walk Church to Synagogue to Mosque
- November- we launch the Ballarat Welcome Centre Twilight Markets
- ▶ BRMC acknowledges and thanks our Executive Committee, staff, members and partners for a huge year of change and collaboration.



Fotobiennale 2017 at Ballarat Welcome Centre

#### Ballarat Welcome Centre

