

## Town FOCUS on FRANKLIN PROGRAM 2011



The Focus on Franklin in 2011 has many areas of interest for all ages.

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March** ....starts the weekend with a choice of many exhibitions. As you enter the town from the north, there will be a historic display at the old Bowmont Hospital. Nearby at the Masonic Lodge, a marine and local art exhibition demonstrates the artistic talent in the Huon Valley. Other displays will be on at the Navy Museum and the Church Studio offers a wonderful jewellery expose by Sandi Tradjos and Gillian Bruce, plus a sculpted installation in the front gardens by Marcus Tatton. Franklin Tavern and Petty Sessions Courthouse also offer exhibits of local memorabilia and art by the John Glover People's Choice award winner Lisa Falk. Historical displays at the Palais commence on the Saturday with the History Group and the Apple Delights team.

The evening warms up with the Tierney Law Maritime Ball, which kicks off with live music from Rumour at 7pm, followed by the toe-tapping sounds of the Hobart Swing Band. Also on the program are an auction of vintage items, novelty events and supper.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March is the "Main Event"**. This year has an extensive river program in conjunction with land-based activities, mainly on the football oval. Exhibitions continue throughout the town, plus at the Palais Theatre there will be a History Group display with Naomie Clark, a family history that stems from the 1830's pioneers. The front room will also be warming up for an applebake and the showing of early film footage in the area from Phil Gordon-Smith. This is particularly relevant this year as it is the 175<sup>th</sup> year of "The Settlement" foundation in 1836.

### Town

**10a.m** Exhibitions open throughout the town all day

**11a.m. Family History-writing workshop at the Palais, (Patrick Cornish)**

**12noon** Bouncy Castle, Scouts, Vintage cars & bikes, lunch stalls, History Display & Films by Phil Gordon-Smith, Log chop at Lady Franklin

**1p.m** Applebake judging, Bowmont Reunion, Hillside Hike, Boat Tours

**1.30 Composting workshop, L.A. Community Choir**

**2p.m** Heritage Fiddlers in the Palais, Ride-On Lawnmowers parade

**2.30 History Walk & Talk Palais & Town**

**3p.m** Bike-dress parade/toss the pizza, swim, Egg Island Canal tour

**3.30 Self-dig garden, Organ Recital St John's (Brian Clark)**

**4p.m** Kids Zumba & Games-musical Haybales, parachute

**4.30 Adults Zumba, Tug-of-war**

**5p.m** Wonderland open, facepainting, food & wine tent

**Rumour Music & DVD release at the Palais.....**

**5.30** Daystar Duo, Face Painting & fairy floss

**6pm Rumour Music show & DVD release.....**

**6.30p.m** Chicada

**7p.m Solar light lead into parade**

**7.30** Clinkers Bar, Light Show, solar light display by Ladies Rowing group

**8p.m Illuminated boat parade**

**8.30** Earth Hour, town lights off, Daystar Duo

**9p.m-10.00 Music & winding up light show**

- Trishaw rides and boat hire all day
- See River Program for river-based activities, times & events may change according to the conditions.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March...** concludes the weekend with a Growers Market in the Evaporators shed from 9am to 1pm and exhibitions are open all day throughout the town. From 4 to 6pm there is live music by Rumour at the Tavern, followed by food venues open before the 10 days on the Island Reggae event, by "O-Shen". For further information, [www.focusonfranklin.org](http://www.focusonfranklin.org) or phone 62663224

