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Turn it up, champ!

Man, this bloke is wheely good. Dave McComb, the Victorian Freestyle BMX champion, spent the long weekend showing his moves at the Lewis Park skate bowl. More LAWRENCE PINDER action pictures: Page 8.

Dealers busted big time

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POLICE are confident they have shut down Boronia.

Following a swoop on a Ferntree Gully home last week, they have charged two divisional tasking unit said both people - including a 22-year-old woman with trafficking drugs and arrested another two on other drug charges.

Last week's charges follow a massive drug

Police crush local drug supplies

active drug dealers in Ferntree Gully and heroin, ice (methylamphetamine), cannabis widescreen plasma TV, vacuum cleaner and and cash.

Acting Sgt Lee Nichols from Croydon Lydal Court, Ferntree Gully.

The latest drug bust in Ferntree Gully saw handgun. bust in Rowville and Springvale last month police seize heroin, cannabis and what they

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One of those arrested was a 22-year-old crackdowns should have a substantial im- Ferntree Gully woman who is facing charges pact on reducing the supply of heroin and ice of trafficking heroin and cannabis, handling stolen goods and possessing an imitation

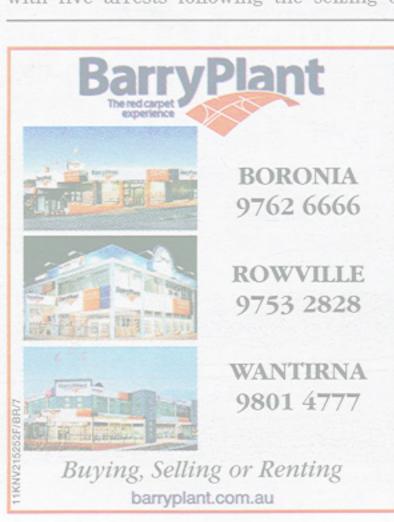
She has been bailed to appear at the with five arrests following the seizing of believe are proceeds of crime, including a Ringwood Magistrates' Court on August 20.

Police also charged a 30-year-old man of no fixed address. He has been remanded in custody to appear at the same court on June 27, charged with trafficking and possessing heroin, and two driving charges of exceeding the speed limit and failing to obey lawful direction.

Four outstanding warrants were out for his

A man, 41, was charged with possessing heroin, and a woman, 30, was charged with attempting to possess ice.

Both have been bailed to appear at the Ringwood Magistrates' Court on August 20.







Out for a spin - or splat

Clockwise, from right, Dave McComb, Victorian Freestyle BMX champion, in action; Mick does his trick; Jake, 13, is airborne; and Marcel – "Look, mum, no hands." N51KN811









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Meet brave boy Sam

LITTLE Sam Valavanis was just 12 weeks old when diagnosed with cancer in both eyes. He underwent every treatment but sadly lost his sight. Now five, Sam (above) charges through life with the support of his loving family. Mum Lisa hopes to organise a special wish for her remarkable boy. Discover the story of one of Melbourne's bravest kids at www.frankstonleader.com.au all this week.

Go to a show

WICKED the Broadway musical is coming to Melbourne – and Leader has 25 double passes to give away to lucky readers. Internationally acclaimed as the most spellbinding new musical in years, Wicked is the untold story of the witches of Oz. For details and your chance to win a pass visit www.leadernews.com.au.

Lunch with Sheeds

KEVIN Sheedy is still a popular figure in football. Our competition to win lunch with Essendon's former coach is attracting a rush of entries. Nominate someone who has given their time to supporting grassroots footy for their chance to join a group of 10 worthy lunchmates. Go to localfooty.com.au for details.

Fill up your diary

MELBOURNE is one exciting city with fun stuff every day of the week. But finding a group to join or a community event around the corner can be tough – so we like to help. This paper regularly runs a list of local events and even more online. Go to our website for your "Community Calendar". And upload your event or group details as well – for free.

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One of the objectors, Julie Russo from Wantirna, doesn't want the hospital car park extended to her back fence.

Roundtable talks on parking

Emma Schmidt

RESIDENTS and concerned parties will lay out their concerns over the proposed made its final decision on the Hospital in a meeting on city development director and knock the plans back," June 17.

Representatives from Knox Private owner Healthscope and people who have sent formal objections to Knox City Council, have been invited to the planning consul- cerned residents Leon Clark tation meeting, which will be chaired by Cr Karin Open.

tunity to clarify details of the application and hear concerns before the council expansion of Knox Private application, Knox Council Angelo Kourambas said.

> Healthscope's application includes plans for a new multi-storey facility and significant car-park upgrades.

> Spokesman for the consaid their concerns were about the height of the pro-

The meeting was an oppor- posed facility, and he hoped the council would decide against the proposal.

"We want to get council to recognise that the size of this building is so horrendous Mr Clark said.

The council had received 103 individual objections and one petition with 25 signatures, Mr Kourambas

The consultation meeting will be held today, June 17, at the Knox Civic Centre.

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get on board - lewis park review

lewis park skate and BMX facility reference group

Knox Council is recruiting members to the newly formed Lewis Park Skate and BMX Facility Reference Group. As promised earlier this year, the group is being formed to review and report on the performance of the Lewis Park Skate and BMX facility. The reference group will deliver key input as part of the review.

Get on board

The group will consist of Councillor and non-Councillor members, comprising community, facility users, industry representatives, police, Youth Council and two representatives from the Recreation and Leisure Liaison Group.

Candidates for non-Councillor membership should demonstrate an interest, knowledge and expertise relating to:

- Ability to work as part of a team
- The importance of sport and leisure in the building of strong communities.
- Skate and BMX trends and networks.
- A working knowledge of skate and/or BMX and sport/leisure within Knox.

Information and an 'Expression of Interest' form are available online at www.knox.vic.gov.au or by calling 9298 8000.

Closing date for expressions of interest: Friday 4 July 2008.





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