



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### YPRL invites the Community to the Mobile Library at St. Andrews

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Nillumbik residents are invited to a special community gathering at Yarra Plenty Regional Library's mobile library stop in St. Andrews at the Old School Community Centre on Tuesday 5 May featuring lively Australian music, a children's storytime and afternoon tea.

The event is an opportunity for locals to connect with each other following the bushfires and marks the return of the mobile library to the area following the devastating occurrence.

Popular entertainer Alex Hearst will bring his unique country-jazz infused contemporary pop to delight visitors on the day and children can take part in a special storytime and craft activity. The community is invited to share with neighbours, friends, YPRL's mobile library staff Alan, Ian and Paul, and others over afternoon tea.

The mobile library has been unable to visit the area during the bushfires and has returned to its regular timetable in recent weeks. The library introduced a moratorium on late library books during the hiatus, suspending returns and late fines indefinitely for residents in affected areas.

YPRL board member and Nillumbik Cr Lewis Brock says the event is positive for residents and the area. "The bushfires wreaked havoc, not only taking lives, houses and memories, but fracturing the community. Events like this can contribute to rebuilding the community."

YPRL will be introducing a regular children's storytime at the mobile library St. Andrews stop.

The event will take place at the Old School Community Centre in Caledonia Street and will kick off at 2.30pm with storytime and finish at 4.30pm.

### MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

- Photo of local children listening to a story outside the mobile library next to old St. Andrews Primary School in Caledonia Street  
**Tuesday 21 April 2.00pm – 4.30pm**
- Photo of entertainer Alex Hearst wearing his cowboy hat and brandishing his guitar in the mobile library at its St. Andrews stop.  
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**Please contact me on 9401 0755 to organise pre-event photography.**

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