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Victoria celebrates 175 years with four big, free events at four big destinations across the state.

Throughout October, evenings in Sale, Ballarat, Geelong and Warrnambool explore the obscure, extraordinary and surprising facts that reveal the state we're in.

Politicians and writers, historians and TV personalities, sporting stars and local heroes come together for a lively night of trivia and entertainment. Under the watchful guidance of quiz-mistress **Jane Clifton**, opposing teams will test their general knowledge and local wisdom.

Who did Ned Kelly famously describe as: "Big ugly fat-necked wombat headed big bellied magpie legged narrow hipped and splay footed"?

In French, the word 'sale' means: a) Dirty b) Dry c) Delicious d) Shaped like a dumpling

Which Ballarat-born Aussie rules legend inspired a chant, sung to the tune of Guantanamo?

Get the answers to these important questions and immerse yourself in many more fascinating facts:

SALE - Tuesday 5 October 7:30

Eso BHP Billiton Wellington Entertainment Centre

100 Foster Street, Sale. FREE bookings through venue on 03 5143 3200

Featuring Mayor **Scott Rossetti**, the ABC's **Gerard Callinan**, actress **Noni Hazlehurst** and comedian **Dave O'Neil**

BALLARAT - Tuesday 12 October 7:30

Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts,

1220 Howitt Street, Wendouree. FREE bookings via wheelercentre.com or 03 9094 7800

Including the ABC's **Dominic Brine** and **Derek Guille**, local councillor **Ben Taylor** plus authors **Shane Maloney**, **Toni Jordan** and **Alice Pung**

GEELONG - Tuesday 19 October 7:30

Geelong Performing Arts Centre - Blakiston Drama Theatre,

50 Little Malop Street, Geelong. FREE bookings through venue on 03 5225 1200

Featuring writer and broadcaster **Tony Wilson**, comedian **Damian Callinan** and Tripod's **Simon Hall**

WARRNAMBOOL - Tuesday 26 October 7:30

Warrnambool Entertainment Centre,

185 Timor Street, Warrnambool. FREE bookings through venue on 03 5559 4999

Including local councillor **Jacinta Ermacora**, comedians **Corrine Grant** and **George McEnroe**, and historian **Peter McPhee**

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