Goulburn-Murray Water has identified high levels of blue-green algae within Laanecoorie Reservoir. The blue-green algae identified represent a high risk to the health of humans and animals. The algae detected are potentially toxic and may cause gastroenteritis-type symptoms if ingested. Contact with the water may cause skin and eye irritations.

The situation is being closely monitored and the following precautions are recommended:

- Alternate water supplies should be used in preference to water from Laanecoorie.
- Untreated water should never be used for human consumption (eg drinking, cooking, showering, bathing and washing).
- **Boiling the affected water will not make it safe to use.** Blue-green algae release toxins into the water when it is heated.
- Stock and pets should be kept away from blue-green algae-affected water.
- Landowners and residents should regularly inspect their water supplies and pump suction lines should be kept as far as possible below the surface to avoid blue-green algae.
- Water may still be used for irrigation; however, stock should be kept away from recently irrigated areas.
- Water can be used on gardens, however, avoid watering edible plants.


**Letter from Goulburn-Murray Water**

We all realise that since Maldon started a market on the same Sunday as ours, our market is fading. We still have stall holders but do not have the crowds.

The town does not want to lose the market. We have our Dunolly Traders Meeting Tuesday 11 February to discuss this problem. The market helps to keep the town on the map, is popular with town businesses, and our own citizens show great support.

I canvassed the stall holders who turned up last Sunday (many cancelled due to the excessive heat and total fire ban). In discussion, the stall holders suggested we change to a Saturday morning market. They were all in favour of this and stated that the third Saturday of the month would suit them. Talbot holds its market on the Sunday giving stall holders a busy weekend.

Murrabit, Castlemaine and Bendigo all have successful Saturday markets. Through our tourist association, I was personally involved many years ago in a Saturday morning market held in Tarnagulla … and it was successful.

A decision will be made at the Traders Association meeting and reported in next week’s Welcome Record. Everyone also realises that the monies raised from the market go back into Dunolly.

Jeff Monk, President
Dunolly Traders Association

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**DUNOLLY MARKET CONCERNS**

**STOP PRESS:**

**DUNOLLY FIREFIGHTERS HELP OUT**

Group Officer, Robert Ipsen, spoke to The Welcome Record today and reported that two tankers from Maryborough and Talbot have left to help out at the Kilmore fire and form part of a composite strike team.

The tankers are manned by firefighters from the whole group. Mr Ipsen is organising relief teams of eight firefighters for those tankers.

*As mentioned in the article from The Maryborough Advertiser (page 4), Mr Ipsen again commented on the outstanding work being carried out by our volunteer firefighters.*

Coral Christensen WR
NEW WIRELESS NBN REACHES DUNOLLY

The new NBN or National Broadband Network has arrived in Dunolly and many residents in the district can now access Telstra services via the wireless network.

Next week Telstra partner Leading Edge Telecoms Maryborough will spend two days in town to explain exactly what services are being offered and the cost of these services.

Some readers may have noticed a number of new transmission towers erected in this district that are designed to allow super fast internet to homes and businesses via the NBN Company's fixed wireless service.

The organisation claims that users will have the ability to search, view and download information including videos and music at lightning fast speeds which will offer new opportunities for families and businesses, school and mature-age students and anyone who wants to study or research, set up an online business or work from home.

A clear footprint of the NBN Co's present coverage should be available for viewing when Tom Wardlaw sets up his NBN mobile site office near the Telstra Exchange block in Dunolly's Broadway between 9.00am and 4.00pm next Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 February.

While here in Dunolly, Tom will explain exactly what services can be accessed and how to go about being connected. He can also be contacted here next week on 0459 148 899.

SHARMAN STONE – HISTORY UNDERFOOT

It’s odd how the mind works. When Sharman Stone came into the news recently with her spirited defence of the Shepparton electorate, the first things that came to mind were shoes and cricket.

Sharman came to Dunolly some years ago to support a candidate who was, I think, standing for State Parliament. Being at the Welcome Record at the time we were invited to meet them over a coffee at the bakery.

Very little was said about politics. She was more interested in Dunolly and how it coped when many small townships didn’t. It was an extremely pleasant interlude, not what we expected at all.

As for cricket, I can’t remember the candidate’s name but he was the spitting image of Ricky Ponting!

And the shoes? Apparently she had some pairs of shoes in the boot of her car that needed a new home. Did we have an op shop? I rather think they went to support Daffodil Day.

It is extremely likely that some local ladies have walked in Dr Sharman Stone’s shoes. Walk tall ladies!

Brian and Sue Burbidge

Contributions are accepted up to closing time on Tuesdays. Exceptions are made only by prior arrangement, or for important community notices for the Classified pages. If in doubt please ring us before 2.00pm on Tuesday to avoid disappointment.

Letters must contain the writer’s full name, home address and daytime telephone number.

The Welcome Record aims to present the diversity of viewpoints which reflect the concerns and interests of our community. It will not print contributions which are defamatory or being used as an alternative to a personal approach in dealing with a personal issue. The opinions expressed by contributors are not necessarily those of The Welcome Record.

Phone 5468 1054
DUNOLLY MARKET
I am writing this letter regarding the recent decline in the interest of stall holders, local residents and visitors to the Dunolly Street Market. There can be no doubt that the recent revival of the Maldon Market on the same Sunday has had an effect and is responsible for some of the Dunolly stall holders making the change. As a regular stall holder in Dunolly, (as well as Carisbrook and Avoca) I have a special affection for the township of Dunolly and am involved in activities and events in the community. I must declare my admiration for the volunteers in Dunolly and their tireless effort when there is something to be done. It is for this reason I do not want to see the market disappear as seems to be the danger. In a separate letter to the Dunolly Traders Association, I have listed some ideas to promote and renew interest with stall holders. It is also necessary for the residents and to get on board as the market benefits everyone. Dunolly is an historic Victorian country town and it deserves the attention and ideas of helpers and volunteers to do the best they can to ensure the continued satisfaction of not only visitors, but also families, the business community, our schools and kindergarten, sports clubs, SES, RSL, senior citizens and hospital, all of whom rely on the ripple effect benefits the market can bring.

Mrs Maureen J Hamilton

NICOLSON FAMILY SEARCH
I am currently researching descendants of my great grandfather David Nicolson and his wife Fanny (Frances) White. Both emigrated to Victoria in the 1860s, where they married about this time. They lived in the Avoca, Maryborough, Bung Bong, Timor West, Homebush, Adelaide Lead and Ballarat areas at various times in the subsequent years. From the marriage they produced Margaret Ellen, Ursula Ann, Thomas, Frances Jane, William, Robert Bruce, Gilberta Josephine (my grandmother) and Flora May. Margaret Ellen married Alexander Holms and lived in the Avoca area, as well as Bendigo and Mildura. This marriage produced one child, Alexander William Holms. Frances Jane married George Richard Watts and they also lived in the Avoca area. From this marriage they had two children, Robert Bruce and Elsie Helen. Elsie lived most of her life in Avoca as a spinster and died in Avoca in 1987. If anyone can help me with further information or knows of someone who may know something of these people, it would greatly be appreciated. I can be contacted on 0417165677 or email lawust1@bigpond.com.au

Larry Wust
Bendigo

WATER DANGER
As we would expect, the annual appearance of blue-green algae in Laanecoorie Reservoir was announced on 5 February 2014 by Goulburn-Murray Water. How can fish or wildlife exist if they are exposed to this toxic algae? The people of Dunolly get their water from Laanecoorie Reservoir. Obviously this water is treated with chlorine to kill the bacteria, but the quality of the water must be suspect. The Maryborough Sewerage Farm continues to discharge treated sewage into Laanecoorie Reservoir. Unless they stop running treated sewage into the reservoir, the water will never be fit for fish or wildlife to exist in, let alone fit for people to drink.

Dennis Lacey

PENSIONERS RELIEF
My heart did a flutter on reading ‘Electricity Bill Relief For Pensioners’ in last week’s issue. We had purchased a small portable air conditioner recently to try to get through the current heatwave and we have been wondering if we will owe the national debt when getting our next power bill. I checked the website quoted and from my understanding your twelve-monthly bill will need to exceed $2,700 to be eligible for the summer concession. We obviously won’t qualify as my fluttering heart would surely give out if my bill was that high and I would need an ambulance rather than a power concession. It’s good to see Community Services has a caring heart as this is obviously designed for people with a chronic illness who would need 24-hour air conditioning, not us over-baked pensioners.

In recovery mode Helen Jesser
DUNOLLY FIREFIGHTERS HELP OUT

The Goldfields Fire Brigades Group Officer says the local area has ‘dodged a bullet’ with only one minor incident recorded during last weekend’s severe fire conditions. But local volunteers have remained busy, with 50 local firefighters attending the Gisborne fire over the past days.

Group Officer Robert Ipsen said Maryborough brigade members turned out to a barbecue that shouldn’t have been lit at Goldfields Reservoir on Sunday night.

The solid fuel fire—a wood fire—was lit on Sunday’s total fire ban day.

‘TFB does mean that no fires should be lit,’ Mr Ipsen said.

The first Goldfields strike team led by Wareek’s Matthew Ipsen attended the Gisborne fire late on Sunday and worked through the night before being relieved on Monday morning by the Goldfields second strike team.

Twenty-five volunteers from the Natte Yallock, Wareek, Talbot, Dunolly and Maryborough brigades attended in five tankers and the command vehicle from Dunolly.

The first crew left Carisbrook just after 4.00pm on Sunday and worked throughout the night, returning at 8.00am Monday.

‘They’ve worked all afternoon and all night,’ Mr Ipsen said. ‘It’s a long shift.’

Twenty-five members, led by Wareek brigade’s Robert Durbridge, replaced the crews from Monday morning and were expected to work throughout the day.

In addition to the strike teams, a Carisbrook pumper was sent to Riddells Creek mid Sunday afternoon for asset protection. Four people attended with the pumper as part of a district pumper strike team, Mr Ipsen said.

‘They went in to protect houses and factories and whatever the assets were,’ he said.

Mr Ipsen said the work of Goldfields firefighters was receiving praise with a sector meeting on Monday morning reporting they were happy with the work of the Goldfields brigades.

‘The task that they were given they did very well,’ Mr Ipsen said.

‘The guys worked very well together—apparently what they were doing was phenomenal stuff.’

‘The feedback that you get certainly makes you very proud of what people are doing on our behalf. It’s part of the culture of living in the country,’ he said with regard to sending teams to help out in fires in other areas.

‘You are a part of it. You put in when you have to. If it’s your place going up you want support.’
What's going on at
THE DUNOLLY & DISTRICT
NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

ART & CRAFT SHOW

The Dunolly & District Neighbourhood Centre is holding an Art & Craft Show on the weekend of 26 and 27 April. There are 5 categories - Art, Fabric, Photography, Craft and Woodwork - and there is a limit of 5 items per person at $1 per item. You can either sell your work or display only. Pick up an entry form and flyer (which will give you all the details), from the RTC, The Golden Triangle Treasures Craft shop and the Neighbourhood Centre. The show will be judged for each category, best in show and people’s choice. So get cracking with your art work. Entries must be in by 26 March.

BEGONIA FESTIVAL

The Ballarat Begonia Festival is well worth a visit, not only to see the magnificent begonias but the botanical gardens, stalls, information and all things garden. The Neighbourhood Centre Garden Club is intending to go to this wonderful event on Saturday 8 March. It will be a car pool trip and bookings are essential. Ring for details if you would like to go on this fabulous day out.

ARCHERY

The Golden Triangle Archers has changed their shoot to the 4th Sunday of the month so the next one is on Sunday 23 February. The field course is in a picturesque setting with 25 targets at varying distances and angles, shooting through holes, down gullies and up hills. There are practice butts for you to get your aim right and expert archers to show you how it’s done. Come and have a go!

Fees are $20 per annum and $5 per shoot. Juniors $10 per annum and $2.50 per shoot. $3 Equipment hire. Barbecue lunch available.

Email: admin@dunnhc.com.au 5468 1511
Sharon Hiley, Coordinator

WEAR A TEAL RIBBON

February is the month for raising funds for research into Ovarian Cancer. What are the symptoms indicating ovarian cancer? Ovarian cancer may not cause symptoms in its early stages, or it may cause vague symptoms that are difficult to recognise. If symptoms occur, they may include:
- a swollen, bloated abdomen
- pressure, discomfort or pain in the abdomen
- heartburn, nausea and bloating
- changes in toilet habits (eg constipation, diarrhoea, frequent urination due to pressure, increased flatulence)
- tiredness and loss of appetite
- unexplained weight loss or weight gain
- changes in your menstrual pattern or post-menopausal bleeding
- pain during sex.

If you have any of these symptoms, schedule an appointment with your doctor. Having these symptoms doesn’t necessarily mean you have cancer, but it’s best to have a check-up.

There isn’t a diagnostic test for ovarian cancer yet so this is why continuing research is important and fund raising is supported. Thanks to those who have already given.

Cancer Council phone 1300 65 65 85.
IMMIGRATION THOUGHTS

Last year I suggested to The Welcome Record that a friend of mine in England might write an article for the paper (which I had sent him from time to time). He is Dr Bill Taylor, a Scottish retired medical practitioner and an avid genealogist. He has now sent a piece on a Brit’s eye view of immigration in the UK for inclusion in The Welcome Record.

Joan Ansell

I have never forgotten watching a BBC TV programme (I am a Brit) about 30-35 years ago about the “wave” of immigration (mostly black) coming into a London area seeking a better life in the mid-twentieth century. The weird music late at night, the strange cooking smells and the strange way they spoke, were all alarming to the long-established residents. The camera slowly drifted from one white family to another as they voiced their complaints and then, when real anger was being expressed, the camera slowly brought into focus a man speaking with a typical local accent who could not have been described as anything but black, complaining bitterly about the recent immigrants “chatting up” his daughters.

We, in the UK, like to think that we have always been open to immigrants. The Huguenots (French Protestants) of the 17th century and Jews escaping the pogroms of Russia and Eastern Europe in the 1890s arrived in London. About 150,000 of the latter stayed and over 300,000 moved to the USA. Thousands of unemployed Irish came seeking work in the 19th and 20th centuries and many stayed. Many Jews arrived from Europe as Hitler’s Germany expanded and some Polish soldiers stationed here during WWII stayed here when the war ended. There were always citizens, often neighbours of the newly arrived, who complained about these waves of immigration, but the immigrants usually integrated as the years passed. But today we like to wave “an airbrush” over these antipathies, which usually did not last long, and say that we always welcomed immigrants. We were also capable of some appalling actions. After Krystallnacht (November 1938), we would accept children from Hitler’s Germany, but not necessarily their parents. Some were orphans, but not all.

In the last ten to twenty years we have allowed some hundreds of thousands entry, mostly from Eastern Europe and the subject has become a very hot political potato, particularly with the anticipated entry of still more poverty stricken Eastern European countries to the European Union. My feeling is that the UK has usually accepted immigrants provided they did not arrive in such numbers that we felt overwhelmed – and today many people are scared that we may be overwhelmed and our welfare system, generous by many standards, be abused.

That is the best brief summary I can write of our situation in the UK as I see it.

Dr Bill Taylor

Look at these February Deals......

Save on all steel RHS, Flat, Angle & Pipe in February with 10% off the price of every order over $100

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TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS
PART TWO : THE SEQUEL

Just in case you happened to miss part one of this saga, let me bring you up to speed like they do with certain television shows, where after a lengthy commercial break they repeat everything they've already told you prior to another ad break which is then followed by one or two snippets of new information. Herewith the story so far for those who missed last week's edition of the Welcome Record.

Recently while shopping in a camping equipment store on the outskirts of Bendigo and having selected several tiny replacement parts for a torch, I tried to pay one of three people standing behind the counter. I was informed that only one register handled cash sales while the other two were reserved exclusively for EFTPOS transactions. There was a queue for people like me intent on paying cash which I duly joined. On noticing that a lady ahead was yet to be attended and in possession of enough gear to retrace the footsteps of Burke and Wills, I dared to question the wisdom of a single 'cash only' queue. One of the motionless keepers of the two dormant EFTPOS machines again said he was not permitted to serve cash customers which meant I would have to remain in my lane. On principle, the option of using a card was immediately dismissed and the idea of purchasing elsewhere, although seriously considered, was ruled out with some reluctance as the bits for torch repair were urgently required and hard to find.

Later that day back home in Dunolly I had a little chat to the company via their email feedback facility to air my grievance and recommend change. Now, if this story was for TV, I reckon at this point we could slot in a few more ads and then as promised in last week's episode, bounce back with any replies to my protest.

Well, in fact there have been several responses. An apologetic gentleman did make contact to assure me that this was not store policy and the situation had been rectified. However, as I saw it, one of his comments created another disturbing problem, given my grumble was with a camping store and the caller thought I'd complained about the standard of service at a Kangaroo Flat car parts outlet! But wait there's more! By sheer coincidence, I happen to frequent this particular car parts place and indeed belong to their in-store club, and staff there have always been most helpful and friendly. The very next day I received a second apology from another nice man who said he hoped I'd be back as a customer but again there was a sting in his tale. The call originated from a totally different brand of camping store and one that I hadn't visited for years! Perhaps at this point we do need a good long commercial break so we can all sit down and have a cup of tea then contemplate the situation to date. On the other hand I could try and bring this splendid confusion to an end right now with a fairly simple explanation. First, I was unaware that a company by the name of Supercheap Auto is the parent company of BCF or Boating Camping and Fishing, and both Supercheap and BCF have shops in Kangaroo Flat. As well, it so happens that Supercheap Auto run another camping group known as Ray's Outdoors. It is important to mention that I found the area managers of these companies to be extremely polite and conciliatory. What's more I am absolutely convinced that my initial written complaint did reach head office and was acted on, but somewhere along the line within the Supercheap organisation, I suspect that someone inadvertently parked my complaint in the wrong tent!

If you are only little, you might need a grown-up to explain the links and maybe teach you how to play the board game Monopoly as that's bound to give you a better grasp of the entire affair. Readers may also care to note that no humans were hurt during the making of parts one and two of 'Taking Care of Business' and to the best of my knowledge, none suffered while being trained to perform cash sales at service counter EFTPOS registers. That news in particular provided some relief and great delight to at least one happy little camper.

Mike Lester
THE FUTURE OF AG EDUCATION

The City of Bendigo in the heart of regional Australia will be the venue for a crucial conversation on the future of agricultural education in Australia.

La Trobe University in partnership with AgriFood Skills Australia is hosting the summit, to be held at Bendigo on Thursday 20 February 2014. The summit will discuss how educators and training providers can better meet the needs of a dynamic and rapidly evolving agricultural marketplace.

The summit will bring together some of the key educational institutions of Victoria and NSW, including La Trobe and Charles Sturt Universities with Bendigo, Wodonga, Sunraysia, Goulburn Ovens and Riverina TAFEs, along with some of the two states most important agricultural companies and employers.

According to AgriFood Skills Australia’s Chief Executive Officer, Arthur Blewitt, the AgriFood 2013 Environmental Scan starkly highlighted that both the Agrifood and the tertiary education sectors are facing their most defining period for this century.

“The issues raised time and time again through our consultations have at their heart the urgent need to transform the capability of our people and the capability of our business models and supply chain, as our current skills base and business practices will not be sufficient to allow us to compete in the emerging Asian markets that will be critical to Australia’s future prosperity.”

“There is an urgent case for better collaboration between government, industry and educators in pooling our talent and expertise and designing more contemporary and blended degrees and qualifications that better reflect Agrifoods emerging markets and that combine Agrifood business management, supply chain innovation and cultural competence,” Mr Blewitt said.

Keynote speaker to the summit is Senior Fellow RMCG, Nigel McGuckian who has worked as an agricultural consultant to rural communities, agricultural industries, farming businesses and families for the past twenty five years.

Mr McGuckian believes that our educational institutions have in the past struggled to deliver students who understood the complexities of contemporary Australian agriculture.

“Our institutions have in the past often been guilty of producing generalists; students who are well qualified in one specific or narrow discipline but who don’t understand the broader Agrifood industry with all its complexities.”

“Australian agriculture desperately needs smart and passionate graduates, but graduates who understand the complexities of farm and business management, food security, supply chain management, even working in a difficult climate. How else can we have informed discussion and debate and sound decisions on issues as important as foreign investment, food security, GM crops, even the closing of SPC if we don’t produce graduates with this holistic knowledge,” Mr McGuckian said.

Summit organiser, La Trobe University’s Associate Dean-Regional for the Faculty of Science, Technology and Engineering, Katherine Legge agrees that educational institutions have a critical role to play in the future of Australian agriculture and she sees this summit as the beginning of new conversations and collaborations.

“Agriculture is more than just agricultural science, its agricultural economics, its bio-technology, its nutrition, its agricultural communication, and I think there is a growing understanding and increasingly urgent need for our educational institutions to be more responsive to the marketplace and to better meet the needs of such an important industry.”

“This summit will be an important starting point to putting aside our competing interests and starting the conversation, talking to representatives from the agricultural and agrifood sector about their needs and starting to map out a plan of new educational priorities and pathways,” Dr Legge said.

For more information on the Bendigo AgriSummit please contact:
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New Year greetings to all gardeners! Planting time for the winter greens is with us again. Maybe you might like to try something different like Chinese cabbage. It is easily grown from seed and it does produce masses of crunchy white hearts. It is ideal for salads or cooking. February is the time to plant out Brussels sprout plants (too late for seeds). They must mature in the winter months. If left too late, they will only make plant growth and very few heads, if any at all. Other greens to plant out now are cauliflower and broccolli. These plants need to be fresh and healthy when planted - pull some of the lower leaves off to avoid moisture loss.

Cauliflower plants have different times of maturity. Snowball is the early maturing type – maturing in three months under good conditions; Paleface a little longer, and Deepheart will take at least five months. The cabbage – Green Coronet and Ballhead are capable of keeping in good condition in the soil for several weeks after maturity.

Leaf vegetables do need good, friable soil and plenty of water over the hot weather as leaf plants are shallow rooted. The late variety of carrots, like the Chantenay, can be sown now until the end of March. Sow seeds of dwarf beans, lettuce, silver beet, radish, swede, beetroot and celery. Beetroot is a very good vegie to have in use when the tomatoes are ripe. Lettuce and celery need good rich soil to thrive in; if left in the soil too long, they become bitter to eat. They also need plenty of water. Lettuce plants are better thinned out and the rest left in the seed bed. The tender, young plants will not stand the hot sunshine, so cover with shade cloth to protect them.

For fruit trees, now is the best time to thin out unwanted wood right from the base. It does help to stop gum forming on the limbs for the next season. If unwanted non fruit-bearing limbs are cut out at the base now, they will not make new growth next season at that point. It does help in the pruning for the winter.

Happy Gardening, Alf
CHURCH NEWS
DUNOLLY CHRISTIAN CHURCHES
invite you to worship God and welcome you to their services:
Sunday 16 February 2014

St John’s Dunolly Anglican Parish Service
11.00am – Liturgy and Communion

St David’s Bealiba Anglican Services
1st and 3rd Sundays monthly at 8am

Emu Anglican Services
2nd and 4th Sundays monthly at 11.30am

Catholic Services: Dunolly
2nd and 4th Sundays Mass at 8.30am
1st and 3rd Sunday Assembly at 8.30am

Bealiba
5th Sunday Mass at 8.30am

Tarnagulla
3rd Saturday Mass at 11.00am

Bealiba Uniting Church
2nd and 4th Sundays at 11.00am

Dunolly Uniting Church
9.30am Holy Communion - Rev Gi Won Kang

Laanecoorie Uniting Church
No service

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK:
‘Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.’
Matt 5:16

UNITING CHURCH NEWS
This week our minister Rev Gi Won Kang will return to us for a fortnight stay. He will live at the manse and can be contacted there on 5468 1694. Our own Rev Youn Kim has had his operation in Melbourne. We must keep him in our prayers and hope the Lord will let us and his family have him back home soon.

Friday 21 February will be our Blokes’ Night Out for the year starting with a barbecue at 6.30pm, with guest speaker Clive Buck. Clive is the Pastor of Maryborough Genesis Church and has just come back from the Philippines. This evening is open to all men of the district to come and listen to an informative speaker. The topic for the night is ‘What does it take to be a man today?’

The Uniting Church Op Shop will open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. We have the racks full of clothes in all sizes and much bric-a-brac too. Come in, we are always glad to see you and a cup of tea is on the boil or, for this weather a cold drink!

Jean Richardson.

CATHOLIC CHURCH
(ST MARY’S MUSE)
What a hot and windy day it was on Sunday - even at 8.30am. We welcomed visitors from Queensland, who assured us that it was a typical Brisbane day! Thank God that there were no bad fires here.

There is Mass at St Francis Xavier’s Tarnagulla on Saturday 15 February at 11.00am. The Lenten program begins in the first week of March, so venues will be needed. The booklets cost $8.

Fr Albert Mligo from Tanzania will be speaking at Masses next weekend.

Parish meeting on Thursday 13 February at 7.30pm.

World Day of Prayer will be at St Mary’s Dunolly on Friday 7 March. More later.

Congratulations to the Salvation Army on the opening of their new centre.

Congratulations also to Joan and Joseph Hancock on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday. Hope you had a wonderful day.

It’s easy to say, ‘In God we trust,’
When life is radiant and fair,
But the test of faith is only found
When there are burdens to bear.

R. Mecredy
WHITE PAPER -  HAVE YOUR SAY NOW

"The Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper issues paper has been released and it’s now time for people in Wannon to have their say on the future of this vital industry," said Dan Tehan, Member for Wannon today.

"The release of the issues paper today is the first step in developing the Agricultural Competitiveness White Paper and submissions from the community are an essential part of this process.

"This is a great opportunity for everyone involved in the agricultural sector in Western Victoria to have their say about how they think the industry could be improved," said Mr Tehan.

"Wannon is one of Australia’s leading agricultural districts – it’s very important that we have our say on the future of the industry to ensure its future prosperity."

"All feedback is welcome - we are looking for submissions from farmhands to directors of our large food processing companies to people who work in supporting industries such as farm finance.

"The issues paper identifies the key areas the government would like feedback on and this feedback will help guide the development of the White Paper."

Mr Tehan said that these issues include access to finance, competitiveness through the value chain, reducing inefficient regulation, enhancing agricultural exports and managing drought for the longer term.

"There are many different ways you can have your say and in the coming months the taskforce will visit 25 regional centres and the eight capital cities to consult with industry leaders, farmers and those in sectors connected to the land like transport and banking.

"Appointments can also be made to meet one-on-one with the taskforce while they're on the road and written submissions which can be lodged via the website are also sought.

"We are looking for your ideas on how to improve the agricultural industry and I am pleased that the government is acting to ensure that Australian farmers are well positioned to take full advantage of future opportunities," said Mr Tehan.

Submissions are due by 5.00 pm EST 17 April 2014. The regional centres the taskforce will visit will be made available soon.

To find out more, visit: www.agriculturalcompetitiveness.dpmc.gov.au or contact my office on 1300 131 692.

Dan Tehan MP Media Release

SHOT ANGER

Central Goldfields shire rangers are searching for the owners of a dog found shot and abandoned on the side of the road near Talbot. The grey female kelpie, an older dog that was not microchipped, was discovered by a passerby on the Lexton Road, in the area of the Talbot golf course, in the afternoon on Tuesday 4 February.

It is believed to have been shot with a shotgun to the head. It is unknown how long the dog had been there but when found but it was taken to the Maryborough Vet where an X-ray revealed the dog had been shot.

‘There were multiple pieces of shot spread through the dog,’ Ranger Jane Edwards said.

‘When it was discovered, the dog had head injuries and was going into shock,’ she said ‘Both rangers and police are now investigating what happened and are very keen to hear from anyone with information. To date nobody has come forth to claim the dog, which is an older kelpie,’ Ms Edwards said.

‘I am anxious to find who owns the dog as she is injured and would be better off home than in the pound.

‘At this stage the injuries to the dog are not fatal and she will survive. Please contact the ranger on 0407 508 448 if you know who owns her. She is a lovely quiet dog and would love to go home.’

Ms Edwards said the shooting raises the issue of dogs roaming onto other people’s properties.

‘It also is a matter that can be dealt with under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act,’ Ms Edwards said.

‘As for the shooting of the dog, many people believe they are allowed to shoot anything that crosses their property.’

‘I have been to the Maryborough police station to clarify what the law actually states about the shooting of dogs on private land. In the opinion of rangers, dogs need to be menacing livestock,’ Ms Edwards said.

‘Unless it is actively attacking, if a dog is just on your property we recommend you photograph the dog and ring the ranger.’

As for the matter of cruelty, Ms Edwards said there are guidelines for humanely destroying dogs and cats.

‘Leaving a badly injured animal to run away is prosecutable under this Act.’

Rangers and police would like to hear from anyone who is aware of any information about the shooting of dogs in the area.

Courtesy The Maryborough Advertiser, Friday 7 February 2014
SHOP NEWS

The Craft Shop has just received a donation of wool and fabric. Thank you, Jean. Wool does sell quickly, so if you enjoy knitting in front of the air conditioner, call in for a browse soon. Despite the hot weather, we have received some new stock, including aprons which are popular again.

We try to open when we can, but this hot weather is proving difficult for us. If it is forecast to be over 33° we will close at 1.00pm. In the extreme heat we will not open in the morning either. Our volunteers are much too valuable to risk with heat exposure.

All the entry forms in the Craft Shop for the April Art and Craft Show have gone. More will be arriving this week. The Show is a great way for local people to show off the things in which they have put painstaking hours of work. For those of us who know our skills are not up to showing off, it will be a pleasure to go and look at high-quality work. Maybe it will give us an idea or two.

Vicky Frizzell

RATES REMINDER

Instalments and full payment now due
Ratepayers who elect to pay their rates and charges in one lump sum are reminded that full payment is due on Monday 17 February 2014.
For those paying in instalments, the third payment is due by Friday 28 February 2014.

Rates can be paid at the cashier desk at Council between the hours of 8.45am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday. You can also use BPAY or pay at any Australia Post outlet.

Please contact Marc Cassidy at Council on 5461 0681 if you have any questions.
Cookery Corner

RICE SALAD

Serves 4 to 6

Ingredients
250g long grain rice
Salt and black pepper
125g frozen peas, thawed
125g tinned sweet corn kernels
1 red pepper, cored, seeded and diced
2 tablespoons chopped fresh coriander

Dressing
90 ml olive oil
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1 garlic clove, crushed

Method
1. Cook rice in boiling salted water for 12-15 minutes until just tender.
   Drain, rinse in boiling water and drain again. Transfer to a salad bowl.
2. Make the dressing: combine the olive oil, wine vinegar, mustard, garlic and salt and pepper to taste. Pour over the rice while still warm, stir gently, and leave to cool.
3. Add the peas, sweet corn, red pepper and coriander to the rice and stir gently to combine.
   Serve at once.

Recipe: The Complete Everyday Cook Book by Mary Berry

STRAWBERRY TRIFLES

Whip up dessert in a flash with these deliciously low-fat strawberry trifles.

Serves 4 – preparation 50 minutes

Ingredients
2 tablespoons apple juice
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 x 250g punnets strawberries, hulled, sliced
12 sponge finger biscuits, thickly sliced crossways
2/3 cup low-fat custard

Method
1. Place apple juice, vanilla and half the strawberries in a food processor or blender. Process until smooth.
2. Place biscuits in a bowl. Working quickly, pour strawberry mixture over biscuits and stir until just coated.
3. Spoon 2 heaped tablespoons biscuit mixture into base of four 1 cup capacity dishes. Top each with 1 tablespoon custard. Arrange 3 to 4 strawberry slices over custard. Repeat layers twice. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes. Serve.

Recipe by Claire Brookman, www.taste.com

WHAT IS CELIBACY?

Celibacy can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by circumstances.
While attending a Marriage Weekend, my wife and I listened to the instructor declare:
‘It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other.’
He then addressed the men.
‘Can you name and describe your wife’s favourite flower?’
I leaned over, touched my wife’s hand gently, and whispered, ‘Self-raising, isn’t it?’
And thus began my life of celibacy…

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IMPORTANT DATES

Bealiba Playgroup meets every Wednesday from 10am-11am in the Primary School
Bealiba Progress Assoc. meetings, second Tuesday each month, 7.30pm, Bealiba Hall

Bealiba Hall Bingo, 1.30pm in the Hall, second Monday monthly
Community bus—Every Friday to Maryborough and back. Phone RTC 5468 1205

Dunolly Community Garden 3-5pm Wednesdays at the Pre-school
Dunolly CWA, first Wednesday of the month, RSL Hall, 1.30pm

Dunolly Day Support, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10.30am—2.30pm. Phone 5468 2907
Dunolly Dist Aux. at the Hospital Day Room first Monday of the month at 10.00am

Dunolly Field and Game meeting, first Thursday each month 7.30pm, 147 Broadway,
Dunolly Fire Brigade meeting, first Monday of each month at the Fire Station at 7.30pm

Dunolly Main Street Market, second Sunday monthly 8.00am—1.00pm
Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch meeting, third Wednesday monthly, 10.30am at the Bakery

Dunolly Supported Playgroup meets Wednesday, 9.30am—11.30am at the Dunolly Preschool
Dunolly & District Probus Club meeting, third Thursday monthly, 10.00am Senior Citizens Hall

Dunolly Museum meeting, 2pm, third Monday monthly, 75 Broadway, Dunolly
Dunolly St George Lodge, fourth Saturday monthly

Dunolly Town Hall/Court House C’ttee, fourth Tuesday monthly 3.30pm, Town Hall
Dunolly Traders meeting, first Tuesday monthly, 5.30pm in the Town Hall

Dunolly Unit of VicSES meet 6.30pm, third Tuesday monthly, training every other Tuesday, 7pm

Dunolly Uniting Church Messy Church, fourth Wednesday of the month 4.30pm-6pm
Eddington Golf Club Members Day, fourth Sunday of the month

Eddington Golf Club Ladies Day, 1.30pm every Wednesday
Eddington Miniature steam train rides, 1.00pm, fourth Sunday each month

Golden Triangle Archers meet second Sunday monthly, 10.00am behind Deledio Reserve
Mobile library every Thursday, 2.00pm—5.00pm outside the Dunolly Town Hall

Newbridge CWA meeting, third Tuesday monthly at 1.30pm, Newbridge Hall
Old Time Dancing, Mondays, 7.30pm, Anglican Hall, Barkly St Dunolly

RSL meeting, last Friday every month, 12.30pm in the RSL Hall, Dunolly
Senior Citizens carpet bowls, every Monday 1.30pm

Senior Citizens cards, every Tuesday 1.30pm
Senior Citizens luncheon, third Wednesday monthly, 12.30pm

Talbot Farmers Market, third Sunday monthly, 9.00am - 1.00pm
Tarnagulla Playgroup every Thursday, 10.30am to 12 noon, behind the Hall
Tarnagulla Action Group meeting, third Monday monthly, 7.30pm at the Community Centre

Welcome Record Committee meeting, 2pm second Monday monthly in the office

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 18 and
Wednesday 19: NBN information, Broadway (see page 2)

Wednesday 19 AGM Neighbourhood Watch -The Bakery 10.30am

Friday 21 Bloke’s Night Out - Uniting Church 6.00pm

MARCH

Sunday 30 Dunolly & District Field & Game Club Inc. 12noon
TAKING A STAND TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

White Ribbon Ambassador, Matthew Broad, said he had no second thoughts when asked to be an ambassador for the world’s largest male-led movement to end men’s violence against women.

‘I’ve always had pretty strong values around this issue; I was raised that the weakest thing you could do was raise a hand to a woman,’ Mr Broad said.

Mr Broad, who works for the Central Goldfields Shire as a Go Goldfields Youth School/Community facilitator, was nominated by members of the community to become a White Ribbon Ambassador three years ago.

The Ambassadors’ Program supports men to be the faces and leaders of the campaign by living the White Ribbon Oath: never to commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women.

‘As ambassadors, our friends, our family, our acquaintances know that we don’t tolerate violence against women; they know that we’ll speak up, we don’t just sit there and tolerate it,’ Mr Broad said.

While anyone can go on line and take the White Ribbon pledge, Mr Broad said that only a few are selected each year as ambassadors.

They select people within the community who are leaders who can act as role models and spokespersons,’ he said.

Mr Broad said that as White Ribbon is a male-led campaign, all ambassadors are male.

‘The White Ribbon is very clear that this is about violence against women, therefore it’s only males that are ambassadors because it’s about peer leadership; fellow men saying no we don’t tolerate it,’ he said. Since taking the oath, Mr Broad said that he has found himself in a number of situations where he has had to challenge sexist or violent behaviour.

‘You feel obligated to; I’ve made that oath so I will speak up,’ he said.

A number of White Ribbon Ambassadors are inducted in the Maryborough community on 25 November each year as part of White Ribbon Day.

The local police, who lead the White Ribbon Campaign in Maryborough, select men from the community who can use their influence to affect change within their social and professional circles.

Ambassadors can be nominated by members of the community through the White Ribbon website.

www.whiteribbon.org.au

Courtesy The Carisbrook Mercury

WAYAWA CAFE
Tarnagulla Community Centre
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10.00AM to 4.00PM
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Emergency Medical Response

In a life threatening or time critical Medical Emergency call: 000 or 112 from your mobile for an Ambulance.

Then call: 0438 580 426 as soon as possible for FREE Emergency Medical Care from your local Community First Responder while waiting for the Ambulance to arrive in:

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Archdale Junction,
Archdale, Dalyenong, Bealiba, Emu,
Cochranes Creek, Goldsborough,
Inkerman, Painswick, Moliagul, Murphys
Creek, Tarnagulla or Waanyarra.

http://www.facebook/
EmergencyMedicalResponse
Stars of the Week
Prep/1 – Patrick Riley
Grade 1/2 – Wyatt Jeanes
Grade 3/4 – Georgie Milburn & Jaxon Jago
Grade 5/6 – Trisha Schnoor
Principa’s – to be announced
Auslan – Alyta Gowty

Awards are given to students at assembly each week.

THANK YOU
I'd like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome at Dunolly. I have a fantastic grade of students who have been working very hard and have settled into our routine well. I look forward to the exciting year ahead full of lots of challenges and fun.

Katie Lovel

Cluster Aquatic Day
The students in Grades 3 to 6 will be participating in an aquatic day with the other schools in our cluster on Thursday 27 February at the Maryborough Outdoor Pool. A permission form and notice will be sent home soon.

We require some parent helpers for the afternoon (you will not be required to get in the pool). If you are able to help out for the afternoon with groups of students please call the school's office and let Tracey know that you are available.

Grade 5/6 Camp
This year’s Grade 5/6 camp is at the Doxa Youth Foundation Malmbury Camp. The camp is being held at the start of Term 2, from Monday 28 April to Thursday 1 May. The cost of the camp is currently being worked out and we will notify parents of the cost as soon as possible. Parents can begin paying off the camp this term if they wish to.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
Next PFA Meeting – Our next meeting is on Wednesday 19 February, at 9.00am in the staffroom.

New members are very welcome to attend.

Martin School of Dance
Registrations for the Martin School of Dance are being held this Saturday at the Maryborough Town Hall between 9.00am to 11.00am.

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DUNOLLY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

The Committee has been working very hard in the off season and is really keen to hear from all players interested in playing U12 and U15 football this year. Wayne Lanfranchi has done an excellent job with Auskick over the last few years and the club is very keen for those players and anyone else interested, to move into U12 football where they can further develop their skills. For more information or to register your interest please contact Wayne Lanfranchi on 0427 605 006 or see Mrs Lovel at the school.

Similarly, the 13+U, 15+U and 17+U netball will be featuring again. Mrs Gibbs will be guiding the 13+U team and would love to hear from interested players. Last year’s League Best and Fairest 17+U player Sophie McQuienn will be coaching the 15+U team. We are urgently seeking 15+U and 17+U players. We have someone interested in coaching the 17+U team but we urgently require players. If you know of anyone please see Mrs Lovel at school. Stay tuned to hear of training dates.
TOURISM INJECTS MILLIONS INTO ECONOMY

Tourism is injecting over $1.75 million a day into the Bendigo Loddon economy. Recently released Tourism Victoria figures show visitors spent $642 million in the region over the 2011/2012 financial year. Across the entire Goldfields area from Ballarat to Bendigo, the tourism industry’s contribution to the economy increased by 15.2 per cent from the previous year.

Bendigo Regional Tourism board Chair Cr Paula Nixon said the increase coincided with some major regional events, including The Bendigo Art Gallery’s White Wedding exhibition.

“We know the major events now being staged in Bendigo are having a positive effect across the whole region and these new Tourism Victoria statistics help prove just how positive that is,” Cr Nixon said.

“It’s estimated that tourism directly represents 3.2 per cent of the total Goldfields economy. “Visitors are coming to Bendigo for major events, and many of them are staying longer to then explore the region.”

She said the dollars tourists brought into the local economy often resulted in more jobs. Tourism-related employment across the Goldfields rose by 12.8 per from 2010/2011 to 2011/2012.

In the Bendigo Loddon region, that equated to 6500 people employed as a direct result of the tourism industry, in 2900 full time and 3600 part time jobs.

“The majority of those people were employed in cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services, followed by retail and then accommodation. “And that’s just the people who are directly employed in the industry,” Cr Nixon said. “The number of people indirectly employed is almost double that.”

She said the local statistics were part of a bigger Goldfields-wide success story. The tourism industry contributed an estimated $1.115 million to the whole Goldfields economy over 2011/2012.

For further details/photo opportunity please contact Joel Chadwick on 0418310461 or email joelc@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au

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GALLERY RELEASES 2014 PROGRAM

The Central Goldfields Art Gallery has released its exciting program of changing exhibitions for 2014, and copies are now available.

Information about each of this year’s exhibitions is beautifully presented in a redesigned and reformatted brochure, making it the perfect guide for planning your visits to the Gallery in 2014.

The program boasts a fantastic assortment of artistic styles and mediums from well-known local talent to internationally awarded and recognised artists. Some of the highlights for 2014 include the return of two highly popular exhibitions.

Over the Queen’s Birthday long weekend in June, the Gallery will host Bloomin Art; an exhibition that combines traditional art with floral art and design. Open for just five days, the exhibition has a range of complementary activities happening during the weekend such as floral design demonstrations. In August, Books Illustrated will return to Maryborough to celebrate children’s book illustrator Ann James and her latest picture book I’m a Dirty Dinosaur. Some will remember Ann from her previous visit to the region, which focused on the loveable goldfish Chester and Gill. This year’s exhibition is titled Mud and Magic and is sure to delight all who visit.

These are just two of 11 beautiful exhibitions scheduled for 2014, and information on each of these can be found in the new brochure. There is also information about the several art workshops happening this year, open to all who are keen to improve their artist skills.

Programs can be obtained at several locations around the shire including Council’s office in Nolan Street; the Visitor Information Centre in Alma Street; and the Central Goldfields Art Gallery, located in the historic old fire station, in Neill Street, Maryborough.

More information about the can be obtained by visiting www.visitmaryborough.com.au or by calling 5460 4588.

CGSC Media Release
ROYAL COMMISSION INTO UNION CORRUPTION

“The Prime Minister has recommended the establishment of a Royal Commission to inquire into alleged financial irregularities associated with the affairs of trade unions,” said Dan Tehan, Member for Wannon.

“The Royal Commission will inquire into the activities relating to ‘slush funds’ and other similar funds and entities established by, or related to, the affairs of these organisations.

“This will not be an inquiry into trade unionism or the day to day activities of honest trade union officials,” said Mr Tehan.

“This Royal Commission is about shining a great big spotlight on the increasingly widespread claims of unlawful activity, corruption, kickbacks and collusion within sections of the union movement which are extremely concerning.”

“The last thing we want is honest workers who pay their union memberships in good faith being ripped off by dishonest union bosses,” said Mr Tehan.

“This is a government committed to the rule of law and the ongoing productivity of our country. It is unacceptable that honest workers and unionists in Wannon could be ripped off by corrupt union officials and local businesses should be able to get on with their work without fear of intimidation, corruption and standover tactics,” said Mr Tehan.

The terms of reference are not limited to any particular organisations, allegations or industries. The inquiry will be able to investigate wherever the evidence leads it. Union officials, employers and any other persons who are involved in such conduct will be subject to equal scrutiny.

“It’s about time Labor stood up and supported the establishment of this Royal Commission, rather than run a protection racket for dodgy union officials.

“Labor politicians may owe their jobs to their factional union leaders but they must now stand up for honest and hard-working Australians,” said Mr Tehan.

Dan Tehan Media Release

WHEN INSULTS HAD CLASS!

George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill. ..

‘I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend, if you have one.’

Winston Churchill replied:

‘Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second … if there is one.’
Climate forum hopes for an action plan

A regional forum planned for Maryborough on 19 February will be the next step in a major Victorian project aimed at helping communities cope better with our changing climate.

Loddon Shire is one of six councils in the southern Loddon Mallee region involved in “Adapting to Change”, an initiative funded by the Victorian Adaptation and Sustainability Partnership with a grant of $240,000.

The others are Central Goldfields, Macedon Ranges, Mount Alexander, Buloke and Gannawarra. The project acknowledges that forecasts for the region indicate more heatwaves, floods and fires are on the way.

Project Coordinator Robert Kretschmer said the effort was designed to look at what vulnerabilities the different councils have in common and how co-operation might help.

“The forum in Maryborough will have 20 to 30 stakeholders attending, from such areas as power providers, health services, regional planning and local government,” he said.

“It follows on from workshops that were held in each of the participating municipalities last December, where we discussed regional climate risks.

“We hope the forum will identify actions that can be undertaken, leading to a plan to be published in March. Participating in this project won’t necessarily tie councils to committing funds – it’s more putting a focus on tasks we need to do over the next five, 10 or 20 years.” Council’s representative on the steering group, Community and Recreation Manager Allan Stobaus, said the main value for Loddon lay in the potential to forge partnerships with other councils.

“Loddon’s Environmental Sustainability Strategy for 2013/2018, which was approved by Council in October, covers a lot of these issues for us,” Allan said.

We’ve already been active in such measures as further drought-proofing community sports facilities, street lighting upgrades and installing solar panels.”

Trails project on track

Council has received a flood of positive and encouraging comments since it invited public feedback on new draft signage for 12 popular walking trails around the Shire.

The proposed signs were unveiled in December for trails around Boort, Bridgewater, Inglewood, Laanecoorie, Pyramid Hill, Serpentine, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn.

Manager Community Planning Tim Jenkyn said Council had identified in its Tracks and Trails Strategy that a key aim was consistent signing and marking of walking trails.

“This was a Shire-wide initiative, so has taken some time to roll out, but we are close to completion now,” Tim said.

“The tracks and trails are graded to national standards for walking, access and, where appropriate, cycling and horse-riding and consistent icons show areas of interest and rest areas, over a background aerial image, to help you get your bearings. Distances are provided so you can determine if you would like to walk whole or part of the trail and the design also doubles as a brochure, so can be printed when needed.

“A Quick Response, or QR, code will be produced for each trail so the sign and map can be loaded directly into a smartphone or computer. GPS data on all trails can also be accessed from the web and any risks are clearly spelt out.”

There’s still time to look over the draft signs and offer your comments, but be quick – Tim is keen to move ahead with having them produced and installed.

To see the designs, go to: www.clockworkthree.com/preview/loddontrails/ or, to speak to Tim, phone 5494 1200.

Welcome, Alycia

Alycia O’Sullivan has joined Loddon Shire Council in the role of Early Years Coordinator, based at Serpentine, succeeding Rebecca Curren.

With a solid background in the human resources area, Alycia will be coordinating Council’s Maternal and Child Health services, the infant immunisation program and the Shire’s kindergarten cluster.

“It will be a challenge, but I’m looking forward to getting to know some of the parents and children of Loddon,” she said.

We welcome Alycia to Council’s team and wish her well in her new role.

Eliza hits a high note

Pyramid Hill teenager Eliza Miller has achieved another milestone in her musical journey after winning one of the Best Female Vocal categories at the Victorian Kool Skools Awards Night in Melbourne.

Held late last year, the awards night took the best 20 of the 200 musical acts involved in the annual program state-wide, invited them to perform and reproduced their work on a Best of 2013 CD.

Kool Schools is a music recording and multimedia project for secondary level school...
bands and solo performers to record an album of original music, either in Melbourne or Sydney, complete with their own photography, graphics and written material. Over the past 17 years, more than 150 schools and municipal councils have participated from Victoria alone. The project has run in all states of Australia, but currently operates in Victoria, New South Wales and the ACT. Council sponsors Kool Skools in the Shire each year to the tune of around $9,000, which pays for the participating students’ trip to Melbourne, the launch of their CD and other associated expenses.

Eliza, 16, finished at Pyramid Hill College last year and is now at school in Cohuna. She performed one of her own compositions, Old Wishes, in Melbourne, together with fellow students Daniel Hercott on drums and Maya Mann on keyboard.

“Last year was my third year in Kool Skools and it’s been amazing,” she said.

“It’s so rewarding being able to have your own music recorded professionally. I’ve always loved music, but Tracy Rogers (music teacher at Pyramid Hill) gave me some lessons and has been fantastic for me. I’m not quite sure yet what the future holds, but I’m happy to see where my music will take me.”

Congratulations on your success so far, Eliza, and we wish you all the best.

Cr Gavin Holt
GRANTS UP FOR GRABS

Community groups across Maryborough and the Central Goldfields Shire are being invited to apply for a slice of the council’s community grants scheme pie. The council is making a total of $15,000 available for distribution under its community grants scheme to help community groups with a wide range of activities and projects.

This follows a decision at the recent ordinary council meeting, which was the first for the year, and attended by councilors Barry Rinaldi, Ian Robertson, Paula Nixon, Wendy McIvor, Bob Henderson and John Van Beveren with an apology from Cr Geoff Lovett.

During the meeting that was observed by a small crowd of four local residents in the public gallery, the council’s general manager of corporate and community services, Wayne Belcher, said that this year $15,000 would be made available under the scheme that was implemented in 2008.

Under the scheme local community groups can apply for grants to carry out physical infrastructure, community development, creative or innovative projects.

Mr Belcher told councillors that grants submissions would close on Tuesday 8 April. He said there would be a council workshop to process the applications on 15 April.

‘Hopefully by early May the successful applicants will receive their grant,’ Mr Belcher said.

‘Council’s community grants scheme has been well received by the community in past years and a wide range of projects undertaken from beautification of public spaces to seed funding for creative projects,’ Mr Belcher said in a report to councillors.

The scheme had supported projects that otherwise may not have been possible, he said. Councillors unanimously supported the officer’s recommendation to implement the community grants scheme for 2014 after the motion was moved by Cr John Van Beveren and seconded by Cr Paula Nixon.

Groups interested in applying will be able to obtain application forms and guidelines from the council office and website.

Courtesy of The Maryborough Advertiser
BENDIGO LIBRARY OFF TO A GREAT START

The New Generation Bendigo Library was a hive of activity this weekend as Deputy Premier Peter Ryan came to officially open the facility. There was fun for all the family with lots of activities and roving performers in the library garden including The Blurbs on an outdoor performance stage and Team and Lifon Henderson from the Bong Bong Hat Band entertaining the crowds by juggling on stilts.

Mr Ryan, Mayor Barry Lyons and Councillor Rod Fyffe were also on hand to cut the ribbon. Mr Ryan said he was keen to congratulate everyone who had been involved.

‘It is a wonderful community accomplishment,’ he said. ‘It is a tribute to all those who had a part in bringing it to reality. They haven’t laid a glove on the building since 1984 and to see it transformed in this way is remarkable achievement. The government is thrilled to support it.’

Mr Lyons said it was “the best day ever”. ‘It is very exciting,’ he said. ‘It has panned out exactly as it should; we have the perfect day and a great crowd.’

Cr Rod Fyffe, who was also at the opening of the library in 1984, said it was “fabulous”. ‘It is a rare honour and a privilege to be here,’ he said. ‘To see it come to fruition and really exceed everyone’s expectations, which is something we hadn’t banked on. We knew it would be great but this is fabulous.’

Director Organisation Support and Project Director Marg Allan said she was so excited the opening had arrived and it was “a big day”. ‘I’m so excited and so proud of the team that could deliver this,’ she said. ‘The thing I am most proud of is the community response. In the first 10 days 20,000 people have visited the library with 700 new members. That is just amazing.’

Courtesy The Bendigo Advertiser website

EMERGENCY ALERT TO REACH 4G NETWORKS

Minister for Police and Emergency Services Kim Wells has welcomed the introduction of a technical enhancement by Telstra that allows location-based Emergency Alert to reach handsets on Telstra’s 4G network.

‘This is a key enhancement to Emergency Alert,’ Mr Wells said.

Issuing location-based emergency warnings to the community during an emergency is a highly effective warning method.

‘That is why I welcome this technical enhancement by Telstra that allows their 4G phones to receive location-based alerts on its 4G network.’

While Emergency Alert has existed for some time, over the last year State and Territory governments in partnership with telecommunications carriers Telstra, Optus and Vodafone, delivered a location-based solution.

‘This meant Emergency Alerts could be issued to mobile phones based on their location rather than the registered service address of the phone,’ Mr Wells said.

‘Until now people with 4G phones operating on 4G networks could only receive location-based emergency warnings if they had made or received a call within the preceding hour.

Using the handset for texts and the internet did not make the handset visible to the network for Emergency Alert.

‘Telstra has successfully enhanced the solution to ensure its 4G service is now fully compatible with Emergency Alert.’

In December, Telstra announced its 4G networks reached 85 per cent of the Australian population.

Mr Wells said negotiations between Vodafone and Optus to deliver similar enhancements are ongoing.

‘The Victorian government would welcome Optus and Vodafone delivering similar location-based enhancements to their 4G networks as soon as possible to assist public safety during an emergency,’ Mr Wells said.

The location-based Emergency Alert was delivered by Telstra first in 2012, followed by Optus and Vodafone in October 2013 and was funded by the Commonwealth with contributions from the Victorian Government.

Mr Wells said that since its national introduction, location-based Emergency Alerts have been used close to 270 times and issued more than 1.4 million messages.

‘I expect that number will grow as the current fire emergencies continue,’ Mr Wells said.
POETRY AND PUZZLERS

COCK-A-LEEKIE SOUP
Get a rooster, pluck it and gut it, put it in a pot, grate some carrot (half a cup full) parsnip (not a lot just a spoonful, grated also), 50 grams of rice, pinch of salt and boil like crazy, have a taste, wow! Nice.

Keep the water ‘bout 4 litres, skim it now and then, if you can’t acquire a rooster, grab a big fat hen. Add 6 leeks, cut into pieces, watch out for your eyes. Every time my mum cuts leeks or onions, well, she cries!

Take the bones out of the bird now, this should be a breeze. Season, careful with the pepper; this could make you sneeze. Crusty bread upon the table will really make our day, garnish soup with chopped up parsley. Proudly call “ole”!

John O’Brien

THE NEW DOCTOR
The town doctor has stood down and everyone is wearing a great big frown. He’d been here for many years and with us has shed many tears. He worked hard all of his life sharing it with his lovely wife he really enjoyed what he’d done now he wants to have some fun.

They got another doctor straight away which was great, I must say. There’s many places without one at all and it’s a long trip if you have a fall some people are waiting to get sick so they can meet him real quick I’m sure they’ll get a nice surprise he’ll be just like one of the guys.

Some people will find it a little bit scary country people will be a bit wary but I’m sure he’ll be swell and the town will wish him well.

Elizabeth Rickards

GOODBYE MELBOURNE TOWN
There are times I must go to the city. In my case it’s old Melbourne town. Then I sit and just watch the crowds pass by while the post office clock hands go round.

Pasty faces and worried expressions, rushing hither and yon, every way and I puzzle and look and wonder how they manage, they manage, they manage to live through each day.

But I cannot sit still for too long there, for my eyes mist, my throat starts to smart from the fumes of the traffic around me so the time soon arrives to depart.

Now the house where I live isn’t fancy but it’s quiet and it’s dry and it’s warm so I rest and I doze by the old wood fire heater and I fear neither flood, fire, nor storm.

Not for me all the woes of the city all the haste and the strain and the push give me sun, wind and rain cows and sheep; hay and crops and happy home here in the bush

John O’Brien

WORD PYRAMID
1. Solve the word pyramid - 14
   __ __ Yard (iPad) (2)
   __ __ Ayes and - (3)
   __ __ ____ and Tortoise (4)
   __ __ __ Children (Afro-Am) (5)

2. Unscramble the 14 letters to reveal: Neighbourhood Centre Coordinator

Solution to last edition’s puzzle:
1. TEN/BOOM/HPOA/INTERN
2. NOMOPHOBIA - INTERNET
CLASSIFIEDS

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Ford station wagon 1995 EF. Drives okay but needs radiator. No registration or RWC $450 ONO. Tel: 5438 7275

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GARAGE SALE
10 Tweeddale Street, Dunolly, heaps of stuff - 8.00am, Saturday 15 February 2014.

WANTED EGG CARTONS
Please leave at Craft Shop when open. Helen Jesser

PUBLIC NOTICES

DUNOLLY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AGM
The AGM of Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch will be held at the Dunolly Bakery on 19 February at 10.30am. Anyone who is interested in helping keep our town safe is welcome to attend.

R Mecredy, Secretary

DUNOLLY BRANCH CWA
The Group Conference is at St John’s Hall, Dunolly on 17 February at 10.00am for 10.30am start. Members are asked to be at the hall about 8.30am as there is a lot to do setting up and we may need a cuppa before things get going.
Hope to see you all there.

R Mecredy, Secretary

CFA REGION 19 DEMONSTRATION
CFA Region 19 Annual Demonstration Deledio Reserve Dunolly Sunday 23 February. Commencing 9.00am - 3.00pm.
Free admission, Canteen, Raffle. Come along and watch the local Brigades in action.

UTE SHOW AND SWAP MEET
Committee meeting Tuesday 18 February Dunolly Town Hall 5.00pm.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
The Auxiliary raffle was won by Annette from the Garden Club. Congratulations. The amount raised by the raffle was $450.
Many thanks to those who supported us by buying tickets and making donations.
Special thanks to Faye and Barbara for their great job selling tickets in the heat.
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PERSONAL NOTICES

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
WILLIAMS (Ford) Joan Ethel
13 February 1940 - 13 March 2013
Happy birthday Mum. There is an empty and silent part in all our lives that will never be replaced. Have a shandy up in heaven, eat loads of sweet desserts and chat all night. We all love and miss you forever Mum. Lots of love from your children Ralph, Kerrin, Lindy and Trish, their partners and all your grandkids.
RIP xxx

WILLIAMS (Ford) Joan Ethel
13 February 1940
Treasured memories, love from your husband Len RIP xxx

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DFNC MINI LOTTO

Drawn 7.02.14 - 4,5,9,12,13 - No winner - Jackpot $1,975.00
Good luck for 2014. Thank you to our supporters over the Christmas break.

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However, it is important that nobody relies solely on a mobile phone for emergency warnings. ‘People must have two or more ways of accessing warning information. This includes - tuning into your local emergency broadcaster for up-to-date information, checking www.emergency.vic.gov.au and the FireReady App.’

Courtesy The Carisbrook Mercury

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SAFER SPORT COURSES 2014
Sports Focus in conjunction with Sports Medicine Australia is offering a range of training courses. These courses provide skills on how to prevent and manage sports-related injuries as well as providing nationally recognised accreditation.

Sports First Aid
Sunday 16 March 9:00am-5:00pm
Cost: $160

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Sunday 23 March and Sunday 30 March
9:00am - 5:00pm (both days)
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Combined Sports First Aid & Level 1 Sports Trainer
Sunday 16, 23 and 30 March
9:00am - 5:00pm (all days)
Cost: $320

Sports Trainer Re-Accreditation
Sunday March 30
4:00pm - 6:00pm
Cost: $100

Advanced Sports Taping
Wednesday 30 April
6:30pm - 9:30pm
Cost: $85

Introduction to Sports Massage
Wednesday May 7
6:30pm - 9:30pm
Cost: $85

For further information please contact Sports Focus: (03) 5442 3101 or visit www.sportsfocus.com.au

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SURVEYS
You may get a call
The Department of Planning and Community Development is once again conducting local government surveys. Up to 300 people within the shire will be receiving a call, asking them to complete a brief survey on the services of Council. Calls are planned to commence on 18 February and will continue into March.

COMPUTERS FOR BEGINNERS CLASSES
First five week course to begin Tuesday 4 March at 1.00pm. $35 for the course.
At Tarnagulla Community Centre.

Very experienced tutor will be there to guide you into the world of computers.

Call 54357386 or 54357394 to enroll.
**WEEKLY GIG GUIDE**

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For any Gig updates, please email: jan@capindustries.com.au

Jan Stephenson

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Maryborough 3465

**MOBILE VETERINARY SERVICES**

**DUNOLLY AREA**

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON**

We conduct a Mobile Veterinary Service throughout the Maryborough area. We are available for:
- House calls for small animal consultations, vaccinations etc
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All appointments for calls must be made before midday Tuesday.

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93 Broadway, Dunolly
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Solution to Sudoku 4

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 2 3 9 6 1 4 7 5 8
5 4 1 2 7 8 3 9 6
7 8 6 9 3 5 1 2 4
8 6 5 3 2 9 4 1 7
4 9 7 1 5 6 2 8 3
3 1 2 4 8 7 9 6 5
9 5 3 8 4 1 6 7 2
1 7 4 5 6 2 8 3 9
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DUNOLLY BOWLS CLUB NEWS

Extreme weather conditions again caused the cancellation of Saturday pennant this week. Dunolly has three teams still in the finals, one in each division. Good luck to all participants.

The “Weir Pairs” Tournament will be held on Sunday 9 March 2014. This is a mixed pairs competition with club uniform to be worn the day. Members are encouraged to enter a team to ensure a great day of bowls. The day is sponsored by Club stalwarts and life members Rob and Heather Weir.

The Men’s ‘B’ Grade, ‘100 Up’, and ‘Handicap Singles” play-offs are now underway. Please check the notice board to ensure that the games are played by the required dates. All competitors must be finalised by the end of April.

The annual ‘Hospital Day’ event is to be held on Sunday 30 March 2014 and as usual the ‘Legacy Day’ competition is on ANZAC Day, 25 April 2014.

A. Larpent, DBC

MENS PENNANT TEAMS

15.02.2014

Dunolly Blue versus Golf Blue at MHS
C Williams T Galofaro W Curson
P Mortlock B Harrop G Dobbin
J McHugh G McHugh G Davies
I Flett W McLeish J Smith
Manager: C Williams
Cars: Skips Leave Club: 12.30

Dunolly Green versus Highland Black at Golf
A Weir C McKinley A Britten
P Chase G Raven K McKenzie
J Haigh S Webb K Mottram
W Stephens S Howard D Coe
Manager: P Chase
Cars: 3rds Leave Club: 12.30

Dunolly Red versus Avoca Gold at Golf
A Deason R Weir G Ray
L Thomas C Lawson S Shay
R Cain S Rogers D Price
K Neilson F Dunievile G Cain
Manager: G Ray
Cars: 3rds Leave Club at 12.30
Emergency from A Larpent, B Cann

WOMEN’S PENNANT TEAMS

18.02.2014

Dunolly Blue v Talbot at Golf - Semi Final
L Parker M Davies V Mortlock
C Dahl H Freemantle M Webb
H Weir M Whitehead A Raven
J Cox F Nielsen N Stevens
Manager: H Freemantle
Emerg: L Whiley Cars: M Whitehead, F Nielsen

DNFC FOOTBALL NEWS

URGENTLY SEEKING 17+U NETBALLERS !!!!!

Are you aged 16 or 17 and want to be a part of a great team environment? We are calling all girls interested in playing netball to come along to training on a Thursday night at 6.30pm at the netball courts at Deledio Reserve. All past, present and new players welcome. We would love to see new faces to get our 17+U team on the court!

15+U training will start on Thursday 27 February at 5.00pm. So if you are aged 14 or 15 and would like to play, coach Sophie McQuigenn would love to see you at the courts on that day.

13+U training will start Thursday 6 March at 4.30pm. So if you are aged 13 or under and are interested in playing coach, Judy Gibbs would love to see you at the courts on that day.

NET SET GO! - as with last year we are encouraging all youngsters eligible to participate in NET SET GO! to take part in the program in Maryborough at the Maryborough Netball Association. While we are happy to run the program at Dunolly, we believe it is more beneficial for the participants to join that program where there are higher numbers and they get more of an idea of the full court game. This isn’t possible when there are only half a dozen participants here. We will notify you when that will be starting.

Senior netball training has started. If you haven’t got along yet its not too late … see you at the courts on a Thursday at 6.30pm.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL NEWS

The club is very keen to get the junior football teams up and running. If you are keen to play especially in the U15 and U12 age group please contact Wayne Lanfranchi 0427605006. The Auskick program has been running for a few years and the club is now keen for these youngsters to move into the U12 competition - a great way to utilise their skills. Similarly those young guns who have been playing U17 and U15, we are keen to continue to see you improve your skills so let Wayne know if you are keen to get out amongst it this year.

Katie Lovel
Compliments of: The Puzzle Wizard

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