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A cold and wintery day Down Dunolly way Shadowed and darkened road Highlighted by the setting sun Giving the town an eerie glow

Deserted street, except where shoppers and travellers meet For cake, coffee and a rest It is one of the many offerings That Dunolly does best Summer is still a few months away When hot sunny days return "Not too soon," we say, "we want green and still need rain; not the dryness that makes the bush burn."

So, thank you Jenny, for this reminder Of our dark, wintery spells, of fires and heaters running full bore. Keeping us snug in our homely shells Enjoy, as full Summer will soon arrive once more.

Marilyn

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Did you miss Guinea Pig Appreciation Day on Monday July 18th? Thought so.

Was driving out of Maryborough past Havilah last week, when I passed a big puddle with two swans and small ones in it – or so I thought. It came to mind that it isn't baby swan season, and anyway they had been the funniest looking cygnets I had ever seen. Bird identification kicked in – it was a pair of ducks I had glimpsed sharing the puddle with the swans. That should remind me to concentrate on my driving and leave off mobile bird watching.

One could damage one's tongue trying to say the word for fear of Friday 13th. I have a couple of words that I find difficult and use alternatives for. One of them is anaesthetist - for which I substitute "the person who gives the anaesthetic". Clunky but easier.

I wonder if there is a word for fear of mispronouncing words—malapropism phobia perhaps?

Finally got around to tidying up my pantry. It was getting to the stage where I spent too much time looking for stuff in there. The most elderly thing I threw out that had a date on it was a Christmas pudding in one of those plastic bowls you can heat in the oven – dated 2012. There was a pot of cayenne pepper that I have had forever – and used about one teaspoon of – the use by date had all but disappeared. It ended with a 2 — possibly 1992! Out it went – though I doubt even old age could kill cayenne! It's quite amazing what gets put in the pantry that might come in handy - it DOESN'T.

Rosie

HOW NOT TO RELAX- - -

Make a list of things you are not allowed to think about. Post a copy to yourself every Thursday.

Kaz Cooke

25th July 2018



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Winter is no excuse to leave campfires burning

Parks Victoria rangers and Forest Fire Management Victoria officers are urging visitors keep safe and follow campfire guidelines after responding to 45 unattended campfires on public land this winter.

Winter is a great time to rug up and head outdoors to sit around a campfire, swap stories and toast marshmallows over the roaring flames. However, visitors should ensure it isn't only the marshmallows that get toasted.

Around 10 per cent of bushfires are caused by campfires that escape and spread into surrounding bush, and despite the cooler and wetter conditions, unattended campfires can still damage vegetation and campgrounds in Victoria's parks and forests. Responding to unattended campfires also costs Forest Fire Management Victoria crews time and resources.

Visitors to Victoria's parks and forests should remain vigilant and follow campfire regulations, including never walking away from a lit campfire and always extinguishing campfires with water, not soil.

To stay safe and not let your campfire become a bushfire, follow these simple rules:

- Check the park's regulations before lighting a fire. In a national park, you must only use purpose-built fireplaces provided by the park. Many parks do not allow campfires of any kind.
- In parks or forests where campfires are permitted, use a purpose-built fireplace, otherwise light your campfire in a trench at least 30cm deep. Ensure the trench is no larger than one square metre in size and the area around the trench is cleared of flammable material up to three metres in all directions, including above the campfire.
- Branches and logs on your campfire must be less than one metre long keep your fire just big enough for warmth and cooking.
- Never leave a campfire alight or unattended. You must maintain a 50-metre line of sight of the campfire at all times.
- An adult must be present at all times when the campfire is alight.
- Ensure your campfire is completely extinguished using water not soil.

Head to https://www.ffm.vic.gov.au/permits-and-regulations/fire-restrictions-and-regulations for tips on campfire safety, or watch these campfire safety videos: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vom-vJxZrZ8

David Nugent, Director Fire and Emergency, Parks Victoria said:

"Parks Victoria is focused on protecting and conserving natural and cultural assets and ensuring visitors have a safe and enjoyable experience. Too many people are leaving campfires unattended or not extinguishing them properly placing people and parks at risk. Even in winter, campfires can escape into surrounding bush and damage campgrounds and assets. Campers should always extinguish a campfire with plenty of water, not soil, as fire can keep burning under dirt and reignite if coals are still smouldering under the surface. A good rule to follow is, if it's safe to touch, it's safe to leave."

Darrin McKenzie, Chief Fire Officer, Forest Fire Management Victoria said:

"We want people to get out there and enjoy themselves, but make campfire safety a priority for their trip by knowing what they can and can't do. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure they follow the campfire safety rules. It takes a lot of time, effort and personnel to respond to a fire, so when campfires escape and could have been prevented by following the rules, it's very frustrating."

Gareth Rees, Parks Victoria





Fires near Lake Cullulleraine, approximately 45 kilometres north west of Mildura, started by an escaped campfire.

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Firewood warning

THE WELCOME RECORD

Winter has well and truly set in and residents are being reminded that roadside vegetation must not be collected for firewood.

Removal of roadside native vegetation is illegal and individuals caught collecting firewood from roadsides can be slapped with an on-the-spot fine of up to \$200.

The policy is in place to protect native vegetation.

"Council does not permit collection of firewood on council land or council-managed roadsides." the acting manager of Mount Alexander Shire Council said.

"The policy is in place to protect roadside native vegetation, and public health and safety"

Vegetation throughout Victoria has high conservation value. Fallen timber provides important habitat for wildlife including many species of small native mammals and bird.

The roadside vegetation across the shires includes a cross-section of most habitat types and supports many flora and fauna, including vulnerable or threatened species.

Under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 council has the authority to act on matters of illegal vegetation removal on private land.

Forest Fire Management Victoria provides a domestic firewood collection program in designated firewood collection areas during a firewood collection season.

The autumn collection season closed on June 30 for more information visit www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood

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BEALIBA CWA UPDATE

Not only were our Association Day and 90th Birthday celebrations well supported by all the branches in the East Wimmera Group (along with members from nearby branches), but they were a huge success overall. I thought the afternoon encompassed all that was best of CWA - fun, friendship, fund raising for the community and food (very yummy). There are too many people who contributed to making the day a success to mention all by name, but I would like to give a special thank you to the following: our auctioneer, Margaret Coe, for conducting the 'blind auction'; Branch President, Alice Pike, for making and icing the 90th birthday cake and Joyce Chivers for her address on the history of the CWA. Thanks also to those members who organised the various competitions and brought along goods for the trading table.

As the birthday cake was cut and Bealiba members were gathered around it for a branch photo it occurred to me that not only did we have our oldest member, Joyce Chivers, present but also our youngest, Lexie Lea-Brightwell. Given that almost 90 years separated them in age that must be some record - and both so capable too! Prior to the celebrations we held our monthly meeting and arrangements were finalised for the start of the school electives with the Bealiba Primary School. They will kick off this week with both craft and cooking activities planned for the students.

Craft leader, Jan Murphy, said she had received a 'thank you' letter from the Frankston Hospital for the various baby clothes and rugs she had mailed to them. Jan had also delivered some items to the Maryborough Baby Nursery who were equally appreciative. So, thanks to all the knitters for the items they donated. In August we will be learning to make decorative tassels and members have been given a list of the requirements they need to bring.

Dates for the Diary:

Thursday 16th August Branch Meeting - 10.30am, followed by craft in the afternoon

Tuesday 28th August - East Wimmera Group Conference Birchip at 10am

Competition Winners for July:

Single Bloom First - Heather Davis

Second - Betty Lovel

Multiple Bloom First- Shirley Coburn

Second - Heather Davis

Competition for August - lace handkerchief

Heather Davis



Questions for: 27th July 2018

- 1. What is the national flower for Wales?
- 2. In nautical terms, what is the opposite of port?
- 3. If you rode a Chopper, what was this?
- 4. What is the world's tallest tree?
- 5. Which item of nursery furniture was set on top of a tree?
- 6. Which two metals is pewter made of?

Answers on page 19



Shire's School Holiday Program a huge success

Local youth have shown their support for the Shire's July School Holiday Program with all activities well-attended and some even being booked out.

All sessions at the Central Goldfields Gallery were booked out and 50 young people attended the Youth! Engage activities. At the Maryborough Regional Library, 80 kids saw the Great Toy Contest and more than 60 children attended DIY craft sessions.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it was great to see local kids enjoying the many youth services available in the Shire.

"It is so good to see so many of our young community members taking advantage of our youth-related programs, many of which were free of charge," he said.

"I thank and congratulate all of those involved in the July School Holiday Program. The Holiday Programs are a great way to meet new friends, socialise and see what Central Goldfields has to offer," he said.

The July School Holiday Program kicked off on Tuesday July 3 and continued until Thursday 12 July. The Program catered for toddlers through to 18 year olds.

A reminder to park appropriately

Central Goldfields Shire issues parking permits to people with a disability as part of the Victorian Disable Persons Parking Scheme. The permit holder can be a driver, passenger or organisation that transports individuals who meet the criteria.

Motorists without a Disabled Parking Permit are reminded that they are not permitted to park where there is a green and white or blue and white disabled parking sign. This sign means you need a special disabled parking permit to park here.

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Lachlan Steed CCGS Communications Officer



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Bealiba St. David's

8am, 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month

Catholic Church Services:

Dunolly, St. Mary's

8.30am Mass, 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

8.30am Assembly, 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month

Bealiba, St. Patrick's

8.30am Mass, 5th Sunday of the month

Uniting Church Services: Dunolly

9.30am Sunday service

Catholic Church St. Mary's Muse

Contact the parish office if you need a receipt for your 2017/18 Planned Giving.

Good to see Fr. Bill again.

East Timor 5th Sunday collection is on July 29th.

Winter edition of Our Diocesan Community magazine is in the church.

Interesting letter from Fr. John in the Living Word this week, he has walked about 400km already.

There is no Mass or Assembly at Dunolly this week-end. It is the 5th Sunday so Mass is at St. Patrick's, Bealiba at 8.30am.

R Mecredy

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

John 10:27

Uniting Church News

Pastor Joan Hall will lead the worship at 9.30am on Sunday morning when we will be celebrating the christening of Alyah, the daughter of Bradley and Alise Saul. The Saul family were pioneers of the Bet Bet Presbyterian Church in the gold rush era and Alyah will be the sixth generation welcomed into our Church family.



Uniting Church

The Op-shop is open on Tuesdays from 9.30am to 2pm, Thursdays and Fridays from 10am to 4pm.

Op-shop furniture bargains

Futon and mattress, three seater couch, student desk and chair. All as new \$25.00 each.

Three piece lounge suite needs cleaning \$15.00. Garden swing seat \$10, round table \$10.

Jim McKenzie

St John's Church News

Thursday 26th 10am Eucharist Canon Heather It was with great sadness that we learnt of the death of our dear friend Emma Hutchins. Emma was a faithful member of our congregation and we will cherish the many happy times we shared together. We will miss you Emma. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family, our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time.

Trina Kav

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE WEEK

As he went ashore, Jesus saw a great crowd; and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

John 10: 27-28





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NBN warns of scam after report

The NBIS is warning Central Goldfields Shire residents to be aware of scammers impersonating NBN employees and asking for personal information, including financial details.

In a statement released last week. NBN Co said there has been an increasing number of scammers taking advantage of consumers, including those living in retirement villages. The warning comes alter local business Maryborough Telecommunications said it received a number of reports of locals who have received calls from a person claiming to he from Telstra reporting that the person's internet will be cut off due to the NBN being connected.

NBN Co chief security officer Darren Kane said it's important to he aware of what the NBN will never ask you.

"It is important to be aware that NBN will never make unsolicited calls or door knock to sell broadband services," he said.

"NBN may make calls to individuals registered on our Medical Alarm or Fire and Lift. registers but will never request payment or bank account details during these calls.

"NBN also does not request payment in relation to matters relating to medical alarms."

Mr Kane warned residents to protect their personal information and to verify who you are talking to before giving out any details.

"NBN is the company building and operating Australia's wholesale broadband network, and as a wholesale-only company we do not sell broadband packages directly to consumers," he said.

"There are times when NBN may contact you directly as part of the network rollout, but never to request payment for services over the NBN network.

"Protect your personal information by being on guard, verify who you are talking to and do not give your personal details or bank account details to an unsolicited caller."

To protect yourself from scammers, NBN Co advises you to not share your bank or personal details with an unsolicited caller or with those who door knock claiming to he from NBN and trying to sell you an NBN service or seek payment for related services, and if you think you have been a victim immediately report the scam to your bank or financial institution and the police.

If you have any questions about how these types of scams relate to you or would like further assistance please contact IDCARE on 1300 432 273.

To protect others, report scams to the ACCC via the Scamwatch report scam page at:

www.scamwatch.gov.au/report-a-scam

Courtesy The Maryborough Advertiser



ATO Scams to watch out for

What's happened?

It's tax time and the common scam email informing that you're eligible for a tax refund is doing the rounds again! Scammers have long used the promise of a tax refund to trick people into sharing their personal information or to download malware.

The email, which has the subject line 'Important information regarding your account', includes the myGov logo and claims to be from the myGov team. Instead, the email is a phishing scam designed to steal your personal and financial information.

The email asks you to click on a link to claim your refund. If you click the link a fake tax refund claim form will open in your browser.

How do I stay safe?

Know the status of your tax affairs. If you are aware of the details of any debts owed, refunds due and lodgements outstanding, you are less likely to fall victim to a scam.

Here are some simple steps you can take to avoid an email scam:

- ◆ Be suspicious of messages offering you a tax refund in return for a fee, or 'confirmation' of your details.
- ◆ Login to your official myGov account to check your status or contact your registered tax professional.
- ◆ Do not click on links in emails or text messages claiming to be from myGov. myGov will never send you a text, email or attachment with hyperlinks or web addresses.
- ◆ Don't open messages if you don't know the sender, or if you're not expecting them.
- ♦ Be suspicious of messages that aren't addressed directly to you, or don't use your correct name.
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- If you're ever unsure about the validity of a tax related message or phone call, contact the ATO Scam Hotline on 1800 008 540, or visit ato.gov.au/scams

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Coral Christensen



Travels with Cynthia

In the course of our travels Liz and I met a great many people, as is natural when you are a tourist. One person was not a chance meeting, but somebody Liz had arranged to catch up with before leaving home. Her name was Maryanne and she was the sister of one of Liz's friends. Maryanne lived in Paris working for an Australian oil company, but also had to make regular work visits to New York. Wonder of wonders, she was in New York when we arrived there and later when our itinerary took us to Paris there was Maryanne again. I mentioned previously how extraordinary it was that on our first morning in New York we were walking down 5th Avenue and ran into Maryanne on her way to the Waldorf to pick us up. Her company had billeted her in a magnificent hotel on 5th Avenue overlooking Central Park. When she took us up to her suite, no less, we were most impressed with the size and luxury of it and of course the view. Although our mentor could be a bit overbearing and managerial she was able to take us to places we may not have ever found. One night she invited us to join her and some workmates in China Town for a traditional Chinese meal, quite different from the food we were used to in our Little Bourke street Chinese eateries. We had Peking Duck, which had to be ordered two days ahead and hung, and thin pancakes we filled with choices of delicacies. After that Maryanne took us to Greenwich Village and we visited a few bars. Good old New York, New York. Something interesting Maryanne told us was that in certain city streets in New York drivers had to drive only one way on certain days and then the other direction on alternate days. So if it was on a Sunday when she picked us up it was at the front entrance of the Waldorf but on Tuesday it was the back entrance, which also had a staircase and a grand door. God knows why.

Weeks later when Liz and I arrived in Paris, we then had the borrowed car we collected in Florence and drove around looking for Maryanne's apartment. Just when we were ready to give up, there it was, a lovely downstairs garden apartment, with Maryanne back in Paris. When we suggested the place was big enough to share with a housemate she was quite shocked because she said it was simply not done in Paris. No, no, no. People had their regular meet ups at their special boulevard cafes and especially at the pool on most weekends, outdoor in the summer and indoor in winter.

One night we decided to visit a little tavern on the Left Bank, which I remembered from my younger days when I spent many weekends in Paris. Unfortunately, Maryanne decided to accompany us, we had preferred to go alone, without a chaperone. It was a great atmosphere with music, and of course an accordion and dancing. Liz and I happily accepted invitations to get up and dance with the locals and sure enough Maryanne was quite shocked and started to caution us about the dangers of dancing with strangers.

Remember we were mature women, not silly girls, but then again, maybe a bit silly.

Thankfully Maryanne decided to set off early and leave us to it. We certainly enjoyed ourselves in Paris, but so we did everywhere. However I can only express our thanks and appreciation for our excellent guide. Without her we would never have discovered half the interesting places we visited.

Cynthia

Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Association Incorporated

The Central Goldfields Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated (CGR&RAI) was registered and incorporated on 5th July 2018, in accordance with "Consumer Affairs Associations Incorporated Reform Act 2012, Part 3, Model Rules ".

The first public meeting has been called for 7th August 2018 . Venue - The Community Hub, 48 Burns St Maryborough Vic . Time - 6pm. All are welcome.

For enquiries please email: cgoldratepayers@mail.com or ring the following numbers: 0419 101144 or 0408 745238. Postal Address: PO Box 184 Maryborough Vic 3465 Facebook page: Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Assn Inc.

This decision was made after looking at the concerns by many local residents and ratepayers who expressed the desire for local representation in the shire, along with the new administrators expressing concerns about limited local participation.

The Interim Committee have registered an Incorporated Association group to help with addressing these concerns. The interim management team consists of the President - Wayne McKail, Vice President- John Tully, Secretary - Judi McKail, Treasurer - Michael Chainey plus four committee members.

Our aim as the interim committee is to set this group into a fully operating body . The present committee and office bearers are holding positions until the first Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in January / February 2019.

At that AGM, all positions will be vacated and nominations will be called, and all positions will then be voted on by registered members.

The aims of the CGR&RIA are as follows:

*We are a point of contact for and provide assistance to the ratepayers and residents of the Central Goldfields Shire for Council-related issues and problems.

*Advocate for the ratepayers and residents of the Central Goldfields Shire.

*Assist the Council to achieve its vision of transparency and accountability.

*Be open and transparent with all activities to our public and members.

Our current plan is to have a public meeting in different locations within the shire each month to reach those in outlying towns to gauge issues of concern and provide supportive assistance to residents as best we can.

Our philosophy as a group is for the community to move forward and be instrumental in selfdetermination and development of our towns, to take ownership and set a positive course.

This we must do together as a community.

Help us help you to help our shire.

Our future depends on us.

Regards Wayne McKail (President) Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Assn Inc.



Rive Gauche means Left Bank

Paris. France



The Arts Hub presents - Stories of Love - An Intimate Conversation on Saturday 4th August.

Featuring renowned romance authors Nicole Hurley-Moore and Stacey McCoy, this event is part of the Words in Winter Festival - 'Words in Winter' 2018. The theme is Change and Chance.

The festival runs from Saturday 4th August to Saturday 25th August. Experience an exciting line up of local regional words, art, poetry, music, events, great food and wine across the Central Goldfields.

The Arts Hub will be hosting the romance writers, who will talk about the life of a romance writer and the challenges of being an author. The conversation-style interview will be held within an exhibition called 'The Many Faces Of Love'. There will be love-themed afternoon tea, which will be catered by Jan Brock, who is famous with local sweet tooth folk, for her beautiful biscuits and cakes. These will be accompanied by complimentary non-alcoholic fruit punches.

We have arranged for Hugh & Chai to travel from the Pyrenees to serve you champagne from Taltarni Wines if you care to purchase a glass of bubbles. The fire will be crackling so for a lovely way to spend a Saturday afternoon, come and see us at the Arts Hub on Saturday 4th August at 2pm. Tickets can be purchased at the door, and cost \$20 each. For more information on this event please call Lynda at the Arts Hub on 0418875453

Coming Soon

September - Jo Osborne - Workshop Using Inks on Yupo Paper (a recycled, tree-free synthetic paper)

Saturday 13th October - Town Wide Garage Sale - this year we will also have a boot sale in the grounds of the

November- Jo Osborne - Get your Art Mojo back, exercises for the artistic mind to rediscover your skills Nov 3/4 Annual Art Show

Lynda Vater

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words) to make a garden on mainly cuttings. Brian has 40 years' experience in horticulture and lives "off the grid".

He also has a solar pump system bringing water along a trench. You'll get lunch too!

Sounds extremely interesting!

Meet at the Neighbourhood Centre at 11.45am on Monday 30th of July

Remember to bring your secateurs!

TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE



We're slowly getting registrations for this event on Saturday 13th of October.

Get yours in soon if you want to have a sale and get rid of stuff! If you would like to set up a stall at

the hub you can do that instead of a sale at your own place! This event brings people from everywhere looking for that particular thing which you could very well have!

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Around school this week



Welcome to Term 3!

Great teaching and learning opportunities are planned for this term including local excursions, senior excursion to Bendigo, Performing Arts festival, athletics carnival and much more.

Our students in years 4-6 completed the Attitudes to School Survey as set out by DET. This is what our kids think...

- 93% of students believe they access effective teaching & learning time
- * 100% of students state their teacher helps them to do their best
- * 100% of students state their teacher expects them to pay attention.
- * 95% of students state their teacher sets clear rules for behaviour
- * 97% of students state their parents believe going to school is important
- * 95% of students state their teacher makes them feel included.
- 96% of students state their teacher has high expectations for them
- * 90% of students state the school effectively manages bullying an increase of 10% on last year
- 91% of students state all students are treated equally and it's okay to be different an increase of 14% on last year







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This week's value in focus is:

Team Work

Contributes positively as a

member of my group





Parent Opinion Survey 2018

The Parent Opinion Survey is completed annually by the Department of Education and Training. All Victorian schools are required to participate in the survey.

All families at our school are invited to complete the survey.

All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement, and relationships. Our school will use the results to inform school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey is conducted online and only takes 15 minutes to complete.

Parents can access the survey via a special link from Monday 23rd July to Sunday 26th August.

All families will receive a letter with the link required to log on to complete the survey.

If you are unable to access the internet at home, please come to school and you can complete the survey online

> Community Building responsible citizens

Cluster Athletics



Friday August 10th Bus leaving school at 8.55am Returning to school by 3.15pm Permission forms will be sent home soon

We require the names of parents who are able to assist on the day with events. The day cannot operate smoothly without the wonderful assistance of parent volunteers.

We will be having **athletics practise** every day starting from Monday July 30th. Students will be learning how to do the following athletics skills: hurdle, high jump, long jump triple jump, shot put, sprints and discus. Please ensure that your child is wearing suitable shoes to school for running.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

- Alanah Raven Prep/1 Year 1/2 - Mia Schodde Year 3 Aisling Eddy Year 4/5 - Dustin O'Dell Year 5/6 - Blake Dukker

Principal's - Bella Polinelli & Jasmine Crumpton

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Activating open spaces survey extended

You may recall in May this year I wrote about Council wanting to hear your thoughts, via a survey, about the use of public open spaces for recreation around Loddon Shire.

To ensure it hears from as many people as possible, Council has now extended the deadline for the Activating Open Spaces community survey to Friday 17 August.

Council wants to hear about what local places you use for recreation and physical activity and how they can be improved so more people use them more often. These might include parks, playgrounds, bushland, cycling and walking paths, rivers and lakes, and shopping areas/ streets.

Your responses will help Council in how it can develop its open spaces to make them more usable.

The survey can be found online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/activeloddon or hard copies are available at the Shire offices in Wedderburn and Serpentine.

2018 Victorian Rural Women's Forum

Registrations are now open for the 2018 Victorian Rural Women's Forum. The forum will be held from midmorning Thursday 2 August to mid-afternoon Friday 3 August at the RACV Goldfields Resort in Creswick.

The forum will include keynote addresses from Sallie Jones of Gippsland Jersey and truffle farmers Henry and Anna Terry from My Kitchen Rules.

There will also be four training workshops on leadership, wellbeing, social media and financial literacy.

The event will also include structured and unstructured networking and mentoring opportunities, and a three-course gala dinner.

Registration is free; however numbers are strictly limited, with places allocated on a 'first in' basis.

To find out more and to register visit:

http://extensionaus.com.au/VRWNetwork/

Payroll tax cuts good news for regional businesses

In what will be some great news to many businesses in the Loddon Shire, the Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry has secured payroll tax cuts for regionallybased businesses.

The payroll tax cuts, which came into effect on 1 July this year, will see the payroll tax rate fall to 2.425 per cent for employers based in regional Victoria who pay at least 85 per cent of their Victorian taxable wages to regional employees. The payroll tax threshold lifts to \$650,000.

According to the Victorian Chamber, this will deliver savings of more than \$25,000 to regionally-based business with 20 full time employees (and much more for larger sized businesses). Many small businesses will no longer pay payroll tax at all.

Thanks to the Victorian Chamber's advocacy on behalf of local governments and other members, this will mean regional areas in Victoria will have the lowest payroll tax rate in Australia.

The changes also make regional areas such as Loddon Shire an attractive prospect for new investment and job creation, and help existing businesses remain viable and grow.

Local Spaces

Council is asking residents to provide their thoughts about what local spaces they use for recreation and physical activity, and how these open spaces could be improved.

To help identify local spaces and possible improvements, Council is encouraging community members to fill out the Activating Open Spaces community survey, which is now open until Friday 17th August.

Open spaces might include parks, playgrounds, bushland, cycling/walking paths, rivers/lakes, swimming pools, sports facilities and shopping areas/streets.

Director Community Wellbeing Wendy Gladman said the original deadline to complete the survey had been extended to ensure Council heard from as many people as possible.

"This survey is important as it will help Council understand what local places our community uses for recreation and physical activity," Mrs Gladman said.

"This feedback will then assist us to identify how we can then improve these open spaces so that more people use them more often."

The Activating Open Spaces community survey is available online at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/activeloddon

Hard copies of the survey are also available from Council's Wedderburn and Serpentine offices.

For more information contact-

Carmel Pethick at Council on 5494 1253.

Claire Leunig Loddon Shire Council



Hon Jaala Pulford MP MEMBER FOR WESTERN VICTORIA



Improving aged care services in Maryborough

Maryborough District Health Service is set to benefit from a state-wide program to upgrade aged care facilities.

Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, today announced Wattle Rise (Maryborough Nursing Home) will receive funding from the Government's \$10 million Significant Facility Refurbishment Initiative.

Funding was provided to 38 aged care facilities across Victoria for improvements to common areas, bedroom or bathroom refurbishments that improve resident privacy and independence, and upgrades to outdoor activity areas to make them more accessible.

Maryborough District Health Service will receive \$240,000 towards the upgrade of bathrooms at Wattle Rise

Ms Pulford said the upgrade will improve the comfort of residents and staff.

"Wattle Rise plays a key role in providing care for our vulnerable senior citizens in their local community and this funding will help make sure their home is up to scratch," Ms Pulford said.

"We're providing extra resources to aged care facilities right across Victoria to help them make necessary upgrades which will make a real difference to the quality of life for residents, now and into the future," she said.

Additionally, the Andrews Government has announced funding of \$1.1 million which will see up to a thousand public sector health and aged care nurses receive specialist training to improve the treatment and care of our elderly Victorians.

The training will help nurses better identify and manage a range of physical and mental health issues commonly experienced by older people.

The training will be led by the Australian Nurses and Midwifery Federation in partnership with La Trobe University and will begin in September.

Record funding boost for Maryborough District Health Service

Maryborough District Health Service will share in record funding to improve care for patients in their local community, as part of a massive boost to Victorian health care.

Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, today announced the Labor Government is investing \$23.5 million at Maryborough District Health Service – or \$1.4 million more than the previous 12 months – a 6.3 per cent increase.

The funding for Maryborough District Health has increased by \$5.35 million, or 29.5 per cent, since 2014/15, the last year the former Liberal Nationals Government was in power.

Ms Pulford said it's all part of the Labor Government's \$11.5 billion budget allocation for Victorian hospitals.

"We're delivering record funding to ensure Maryborough District Health Service can treat more patients faster and closer to home," she said.

"Our doctors, nurses, allied and other healthcare workers dedicate themselves each day to care for us when we need it. We're helping them by opening more beds to reduce patient waiting times for surgery and emergency care," Ms Pulford said.

The record funding boost will ensure health services can provide the very best treatment and care to the 1.9 million patients expected to be admitted to hospital and the 1.8 million Victorians who will access emergency departments in the coming 12 months.

In total, the Government is investing \$19.4 billion in Victoria's health system, including ambulance services, mental health and drug and alcohol services, aged care, community health and other services.

The funding boost will open more beds, offer better specialist care and give families even greater access to a wide range of services.

Media Release Craig Wilson

Home energy rating program

Victorian communities and community groups across the state will now be aware of Australia's first home energy rating program - Scorecard, that is targeted at all Victorians.

Just to refresh your memories, under the Scorecard program, householders can arrange for an accredited assessor to come to their home and assess how they can improve their home to use less energy.

assessors use the government-supported Scorecard webtool to rate the energy efficiency of the home's construction, fixed appliances and other key features such as solar PV energy production. The twopage rating certificate then recommends upgrade options to improve the home's rating. Durina Scorecard's statewide public awareness campaign, the public have asked how Scorecard is related to their community or their community group and what it does.

Now you can find out more by watching the latest Scorecard video for the community/community group, please click here https://youtu.be/3LMhLKtvR5o Please make sure to share this information with your fellow community residents. For all queries please make sure to email: help.scorecard@delwp.vic.gov.au Paola Ghirelli or M: 045 042 8033

Communications Consultant (working on behalf of Scorecard)



Regular Community Gatherings

Community Group <u>Venue</u> Date / Times Bealiba Bingo Bealiba Hall 2nd Monday each month 1.30pm Bealiba CWA Bealiba Hall 3rd Thursday each month1pm Bealiba Playgroup Primary School—school terms Every Friday from 10am to 11am **Bealiba Progress Association** Bealiba Hall 2nd Monday each month 7.30pm **Bealiba Indoor Carpet Bowls** Bealiba Hall Every Thursday night 7.30pm Community Bus to Maryborough RTC side street Friday 10am leaves - be there 15 minutes before departure. For return trip call 5468 1205 **Dunolly and District Probus Club** Senior Citizens Hall 3rd Thursday each month 10am **Dunolly Community Garden** Pre-school Maude Street Mondays 5pm-7pm daylight saving. Mondays 2pm-4pm Autumn/Winter 2nd Sunday each month 8am to 1pm **Dunolly Community Market** Broadway (Main Street) **Dunolly CWA** 1st Wednesday each month 1.30pm SES rooms **Dunolly District Hospital Auxiliary** PAG Room 1st Monday each month at 10am **Dunolly Field and Game** 1st Wednesday each month 7.30pm SES shed **Dunolly Fire Brigade** Fire Station 3rd Monday each month 7.30pm **Dunolly Historic Precinct** 4th Monday each month 1pm Town Hall Committee Dunolly RSL Hall **Dunolly Karate Club -**Mondays 5.30-6.30pm and 6.30-7.30pm Pee Wee/Junior/Senior (7+ years) **Dunolly Museum** 75 Broadway 3rd Monday each month 2pm. For website Google: **Dunolly Museum Site** 3rd Wednesday each month 10am **Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch** CFA rooms **Dunolly Ninjas Program Dunolly RSL Hall** Mondays from 5pm (4 to 6 years old) **Dunolly Planned Activities Group** Call 5468 2907 Tuesday and Thursdays 10.30am to 2.30pm **Dunolly RSL RSL Hall Dunolly** 2nd Tuesday each month - 7pm **Dunolly Senior Citizens Meeting** Senior Citizens Hall 1st Monday each month 10am DSC Card Playing DSC Carpet Bowls Senior Citizens Hall Each Tuesday at 1.30pm Senior Citizens Hall Each Monday 1.30pm DSC Luncheon 3rd Wednesday each month 12.30pm Senior Citizens Hall Call Neville for info: 5468 7295 **Dunolly Social Cyclists** Meet fortnightly Lodge **Dunolly St George Lodge** 4th Saturday each month **Dunolly Supported Playgroup Dunolly Preschool** Wednesday 9.30am to 11.30am **Dunolly Unit Vic SES** SES rooms 3rd Tuesday each month 6.30pm. Training Every other Tuesday

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7.30pm Mondays

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and Fridays at 6pm

3rd Sunday each month 9am to 1pm 3rd Monday each month 7.30pm Thursday 10.30am-12 noon

1st and 3rd Monday each month 11am-12.30pm

2nd Monday bimonthly, 1pm

Upcoming Events

July

Christmas in July at the Dunolly Bowling Club - 10am to 4pm Saturday 28th

Sunday 29th Dunolly and District Field and Game Club - 11am - 50 targets simulated field sporting clays

Monday 30th Garden Club - meet at the Neighbourhood Centre at 11.45am

August

Wednesday 1st Sense of Space Workshops - The Ministry of Fun -10am to 12.30pm Saturday 4th Sense of Space Workshops - The Ministry of Fun - 1pm - 4pm

Saturday 4th Words in Winter - Stories of Love at the Arts Hub Sunday 12th unolly Market - Main Street (Broadway) - 9am - 1pm



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Round 12 WR

Football U11.5

Under 11 this week found themselves in for a good chance of a win against Trentham. It was a good learning curve for the team in a tough four quarter game that could have gone both ways. Special mention to Tate Van De Ven who was stretchered off. Hold your chin up high buddy. Brush it off, get back on the horse for this week against Creek.

Hayden Wellard

Under 14.5

Unfortunately, we faced Trentham with a more undermanned side than we had hoped for. But the endeavour from the players especially in the second half was a credit to each and everyone of them. Tyler pushed hard all day with constant pressure while Ned kicked his first ever goal and did it for the under 14's! Was plenty to like about the game even if we didn't take home the win.

Grant Raven, Hayden Wellard

Reserves

The Reserves headed to Trentham facing a tough task with limited numbers against a strong opposition. Our pressure in the first half was outstanding, limiting their score to only 8 goals at half time. Unfortunately, due to having no bench at all, we ran out of legs which ultimately let the score blow out. Jayden McDonald kicked a nice goal and Shane Lench was our best player.

Mitch Kerney

Seniors

Last week the game against Trentham saw our senior side getting off to a slow start, giving Trentham the ascendency from the first bounce kicking 12 majors.

The second quarter producing some of the form from the previous week saw the Saints only managing to kick two goals for the quarter. This is the form that needs to be brought to the table for 4 quarters if we are to be competitive against finals contenders as we have shown we can produce over the last couple of weeks.

Ricky Mc Mahon, one of our developing young players showed what he can do around the ground taking some excellent marks and applying great pressure along with Hayden Wellard across the half back line. However, the Saints proved too strong on the day running out comfortable winners, but did not have it all their own way at times.

Netball

Under 13s

In freezing conditions for the under 13s the girls started off strongly in the first quarter with the margin being 2 goals. As the game continued, Trentham picked up momentum and ended up running away with the win. Final score- Dunolly 6 to Trentham 27. The incentives went to Ella and Alyssah this week.

Under 15s

In a low scoring match there was lots of intercepts and turnovers coming from both teams. The Dunolly girls couldn't quite convert as well as other weeks and Trentham capitalised on their opportunities.

Final score - Dunolly 4 to Trentham 18. Better players were Holly and Caitlyn.

Under 17s

The cold weather certainly saw the girls take a little time to warm up and started off with only 1 goal for the quarter. The rest of the game was even although the girls couldn't make up that first quarter difference in the end. Final score - Dunolly 16 to Trentham 21.

C Grade

C grade faced a tough opposition in a second placed Trentham side. Despite Trentham going up by 14, the girls really focused on getting some of the little things right which showed on the court. Final score - Dunolly 24 to Trentham 38. Stace received the incentive this week for her best match of the season, taking on all feedback and adjusting to give her WA a tough time on the court. Thanks to Edo for filling in as coach this week - good work legend!

B Grade

Unfortunately B grade were outplayed by a strong Trentham outfit, but credit to the girls for continuing to fight hard. Thanks again to those who stepped up when needed to make up the side - such a great club attitude. Final score Dunolly 11 to Trentham 42. Steph G took home the incentive for her great work in defence.

A Grade

A grade struggled early and didn't turn up to play on Saturday. The girls couldn't get those 1% right which impacted on the score line. Final score- Dunolly 25 to Trentham 52. Ash L received the incentive for being the factor keeping Dunolly slightly in the game.

Shelby Gloury

Thank you, Megan!

As a member of the public and a former footy club member I would like to say a HUGE thank you to Megan who has acted as Footy Reserve Caretaker for three years. She has done the footy club proud with her work and I'm sure almost everyone in town appreciates her hard efforts.

So many people, in unseen and unsung roles, keep this town ticking over beautifully, and the lovely Megan is one of them.

Ro Wells



Another cold, wet night. The teams of David Price, Leanne Proctor, Ian Lovel and Joe Battisson, Gordon Smith, Chris Evans, Jenny Lovel had two wins each. The night was followed by a lovely supper. Shirley Coburn was the winner of the raffle.

Pam Brightwell



Champions keep playing until they get it right.

Billie Jean King



Welcome to our July Newsletter

Our topic this month is on Computer Viruses and Malware (malicious software)

If you are using the internet and a message comes up with "Your computer is running slow – click here to fix" or "Your computer has viruses – click here to fix" etc. then the best course of action is to close the internet down (top right hand corner of the program) and then get back in again. The only time you take notice of updates/ viruses etc. is when you have a notice that comes up in the bottom right hand corner of your screen.

Putting in multiple anti-virus products will not stop viruses getting through.

Microsoft has Windows Defender built-in.

To stop malicious software you can use Malwarebytes. Malwarebytes will come up with a warning message if the website address that you have typed in is likely to have something malicious on its website. If you ignore the warning from Malwarebytes you are likely to install malicious software on your computer.

There isn't any Antivirus product that will stop all viruses getting through as an Antivirus can only cure known viruses and as soon as there is a cure for a virus the hackers/virus writers change their code slightly so that it looks like a new virus.

Once the new virus has been spread widely enough, the Antivirus companies write a cure and then send it out in their regular updates.

Keep vigilant about keeping your Antivirus (Windows Defender) up to date and be aware of the websites you are going to. Do not go to any website that has the letters "AD" before it, instead go to websites that start with "https:"

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Across

- Quality of being safe to travel on the ocean (of ship)
- 8. Diagram used as a model for making dress, eg.
- 9. Be expert (at)
- 10. To crave restlessly
- 11. Ask for charity
- 13. Skirt of ballerina
- 14. Small Aust. cockatoo
- 16. Concreter's smoothing tool
- 18. Expended thoughtlessly 12. Awkward in one's
- 19. A little sticky
- 21. Symbol used in music notation
- 22. Put into words

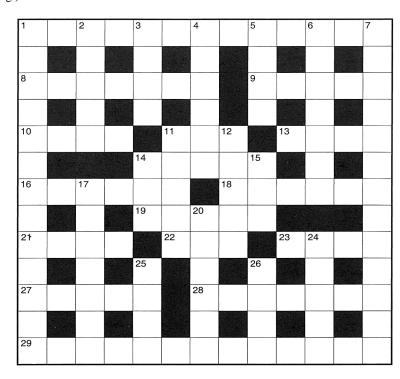
- 23. Starchy pudding ingredient
- 27. A beaten track
- 28. Great U.S. escapologist, Harry
- 29. Tending to openly express feelings

Down

- 1. Urbane
- 2. Member of Mexican Indian people
- 3. Follow orders
- 4. Shiny decoration
- 5. Goat of mountainous areas
- 6. Cover with hard coating
- 7. Colourless toxic gas which contributes to acid rain (6,7)
- 11. Type of ruby
- Awkward in one's movement
- 14. Obtain
- 15. Go to bed, hit the

17.	Performed with hand
	above shoulder (of
	swimming stroke,
	eg.)

- 20. Official seal on letter, eg.
- 24. Defence offered by accused
- 25. Interrelated group of families
- 26. Country of West Indies



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Annual General Meeting Notice

The Annual General Meeting of the Dunolly Community Garden will be held on Monday 20 August at 4pm at the garden in Maude Street. All are welcome.

Please contact Lisa Mahon 5468 1784 for further information.

Garage sale

Corner of Burke Street and Market Street, Dunolly Saturday 28th July. Shed stuff and household items 9am till 3pm

DUNOLLY GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Raffle tickets for the trailer load of firewood are selling well and will continue to be on sale until Saturday 11th August when it will be drawn at the Uniting Church Market. The committee members of the Dunolly Good Friday Appeal will be the hosts on that day and any donations of cakes, preserves or fresh produce would be most appreciated. All proceeds from the raffle and sales will go towards the amount donated to the Good Friday Appeal 2019.

Please contact Georgie Christensen with any queries on 0417537096.

GIVE THAT THEY MAY GROW

Georgie Christensen



Drawn: Friday 20th July, 2018 2, 6, 8, 10, 14 Numbers: \$1,200 No winner: Jackpot \$1.00 per entry. Build the Jackpot 5 #s out of 15. Entries in local shops. Available in local shops.

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WHAT REALLY MATTERS? MARYBOROUGH WOMEN DON'T **HOLD BACK**

400 Maryborough women participated in an extensive consultation to decide what kind of health and wellbeing centre they want and the consultant's report is an eve-opener.

As well as calling for more women clinicians, more accessible opening hours and bulk billing, the report makes no bones about dissatisfaction with some current service providers.

According to MDHS, the most common recurrent theme throughout the consultation was a frustration with a perceived lack of empathy from some of the town's practitioners. "We heard too many stories about women feeling they were being patronised or dismissed as unreliable witnesses to their own experience" said Director of Clinical Services Nickola Allan.

One example was being told by a women that "I'm, so over getting a pat on the head and a Panadol". Another expressed her frustration more specifically with a call for "Nonjudgmental staff and understanding of chronic conditions. Especially the invisible ones."

"While there was a recognition of great service provided in many instances, we cannot ignore that there is a perception that there needs to be far more compassion shown by our practitioners in general" said Nickola Allan Other key themes identified in the research was a need for improved access to services, more timely scheduling of appointments and a greater protection of the privacy of patients.

"We weren't expecting the number of requests for discrete entrances, private waiting areas and other measure which indicated that women in a small town have a heightened sense of potential invasions of their privacy."

The report is the conclusion of the first stage of a groundbreaking project that seeks to involve community women in every step of the development of a dedicated women's service.

"This is just the beginning not the end of this project" said Nickola Allan. "In the next phase we are inviting the women of Maryborough to help us make sense of the data they have provided us, through a Deliberative Forum which you are all invited to The Forum, which will seek to define the priority functions and experiences of a Women's Centre, will be held at the Pearson Room - Clarendon Medical Clinic on Tuesday 7th August, 2018 at 5.30pm and will be facilitated by the Health Issues Centre, the consumer agency that facilitated the initial consultation.

We now want the community to turn the information they have given us into a design brief. We want them to hold us accountable to ensure that what we eventually construct is a sincere reflection of what they have asked us for.

Register for the event via Event Brite:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/well-womens-tickets-48225449618?aff=efbeventtix

or via Reception 5461 0333.

Tara Cramer Maryborough District Health Services

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Answers to trivia quiz 27.7.18

- Daffodil 4. The coast redwood,
- one of three sequoia species Starboard 5. Bicycle A cradle
 - Tin and lead 6

Intimate tours in Central Goldfields

FOLLOWING the success of the regional tours in the north, west, east and south of Dunolly – where we looked at the main features of each area – it was decided that we get a bit more specific and look for those hidden gems.

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Approaching Tullaroop Creek crossing

One such area is in the Tullaroop Reservoir area, where you will find a hidden creek valley. It is not noticeable until you arrive.

My suggestion is to start in Carisbrook and have a look down the back streets at the churches, the post office, the old gaol (Bucknall Street) and the gardens on either side of Deep Creek. If you are interested in seeing more, give me a ring.



Tullaroop Creek area

Travel across the bridge toward Melbourne on the Pyrenees Highway past Bald Hill.

If you would like a small diversion you might like to slip up the eastern side of Bald Hill and have a closer look at the vineyards. They produce shiraz grapes and their wine is available for purchase locally under the names of Goodnight the Fox and Strathmuir Estate.

We now return to the highway and turn left. Travel down to Cotswold Road about a kilometre and turn right. It will not take long to get down to the second road on the right called Mt Cameron-Cotswold Rd.

All this area of around 15000 acres was once the holding of the Bucknall family – it was called Rodborough. Take that road until you arrive at the valley

in question and if you prepare a picnic beforehand, or/and take the fishing gear, you might just have an enjoyable couple of hours.

You can venture along the Tullaroop creek but you might be better off in walking gear and spats or gumboots to provide a bit of protection as there are no made paths here. This is pristine country and very original in the main.

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At this point you have two options: Continue on down to Clunes or go back to Cotswold Road and turn left and then left again down Rodborough Road to the Tullaroop Reservoir.



Tullaroop Reservoir tower

This is a great spot for a coffee break or lunch as the landscaping has made this a pleasure to visit. The planting of the trees has been well planned and includes some magnificent examples of local and Australian Flora.

This dam wall was constructed and completed in 1959 and it provides the main supply of water to Maryborough and other local towns and villages. It also provides irrigation water for properties along the Tullaroop Creek and the Loddon River.



Tullaroop Reservoir picnic area

Pass on and look for a road or track off to the left called Bucknall Church Road. Services are still held here for reunions or special occasions. The track is unsuitable for most vehicles except trucks and four-wheel drives at present. The Church is on private land and you need special permission to view the church.