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1916 - 2016 CENTENARY OF FROMELLES AND POZIERES

2016 marks 100 years since the start of Australia's involvement in the WW1 battles of the Western Front in Europe.

Following the Gallipoli campaign at the end of 1915, the two Australian battle-worn infantry divisions returned to the camps in Egypt. There they were joined by large numbers of fresh reinforcements and more men arriving from Australia. The two divisions were expanded to four, while a further division (the 3rd Australian Division) was raised in Australia and sent straight on to Britain. From March 1916 the first of the divisions from Egypt began arriving in France, initially to the Belgium border region of Flanders.

While three Australian divisions were soon sent to join the battle of The Somme in France, the 5th Australian division remained in French Flanders; there it went into the trenches opposite the shattered village of Fromelles, which sat on commanding ground behind the German front line.

On the evening of 19 July the Australian 5th Division and the British 61st Division attacked the Fromelles ridge in a diversionary attack intended to draw German attention from the allies' Somme operations.

The two divisions chosen for this battle were both new to the sector and lacked local battle experience. The men had to assault over open fields criss-crossed with drainage ditches and in the face of heavy machine-gun

and artillery fire. Many fell, while others were overwhelmed by German counter-attacks. The attack failed, with 5,000 Australian casualties, and no ground was taken.

Meanwhile, further British attacks on the Somme had brought the front line close to the village of Pozières. There, in darkness on 23 July, the 1st Australian Division made an assault supported by heavy artillery fire. The ruined village was taken in hard and intense fighting and enemy counter-attacks were repelled.

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ANZAC DAY IN DUNOLLY 25 APRIL 2016

Dunolly-Bealiba RSL Sub-Branch will be holding a Dawn Service at the Cenotaph in front of Post Office in Broadway Dunolly at 6am.

Then congregate at 10.45 am in Broadway for Service and March at 11am, continuing on to the RSL Hall.

A light lunch will be available after proceedings. Any donations of cakes or savouries can be dropped off at hall from 9.30am and will be gratefully appreciated. No soup is required.

For any further information contact Rick Gale 54697277.

The Bealiba service will be held at 11am.

Tarnagulla Ceremony - 10am Soldiers Memorial Park
Eddington Ceremony - 2pm



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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.

All letters, articles and classifieds 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*.



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Rosie's Ramble

Good Grief! When was the last time anyone from *The Welcome Record* went round to someone's home and forced them to cook something from the recipe file in the paper? Most of us know good food from bad and can decide for ourselves which one to cook. The occasional really sweet sticky pudding doesn't hurt most of us (re: 'Sour about Cookery Corner from last week).

I have come to the conclusion that someone at the Shire went "up the back shed" and found several forgotten street seats. Perfect for Dunolly's new footpaths. Thank you – they look great and provide a place for weary bones to rest.

We were wending our way home from Maryborough on Friday behind a slow moving van and trailer. There was a fair bit of oncoming traffic, so I was quite happy to stay where we were – slow, but safe. Not so the vehicle which caught up with us near Havelock. Just as I remarked that I hoped they wouldn't pass and expect me to drop back to let them in, the silly driver pulled out, got half-way past and started to drift in. I let her in, but let her know in no uncertain terms what I thought of her by leaning on the warning device – hard. There could have been more locals hurt or killed due to her ridiculous behaviour. To add insult to potential injury, she turned off at the Bendigo turn-off about two kms down the road. Thus endeth the rant!

When I turned the kitchen light on the other night, something crashed into the window. It looked like a moth, but was far too big, but little birds don't fly at night. Next day I was checking the dog's water and there was a huge moth floating in it. I fished it out all soggy and furless, and looking dead. I put it up on the table and when I checked it later, it was dried out and alive! I measured it as it was so large for a moth. It was seven centimetres from nose to tail and the wings were 8½ centimetres long. It disappeared some time during the day.

DOG DAYS

A sympathetic paw, a friendly wag of the tail – the perfect antidote to a bad day at work.

Rosie



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LETTERS

The Power Of The Pen!

Wow! What a great response, from writing a hand written letter to *The Welcome Record*, about what happened to the seats that used to be outside the Post Office, under the Tree Of Knowledge.

A wonderful architect-designed metal seat has appeared and been installed and photographed. Research about Trees Of Knowledge has occurred and some interesting stories told.

Being out and about I have sat on the seat three or four times. Despite its metal appearance it is very comfortable to sit on.

Hopefully everyone in the community will use it as a meeting place to sit, ponder, reflect, discuss and debate and let the Tree Of Knowledge inspire us all.

Thank you and well done to the 'Powers That Be' who have made this happen.

Footnote: Never underestimate the power of the pen and the Press.

Marg J Davies

Anonymous Letter

Receiving an anonymous letter is generally accepted as a negative thing. Recently however I received an anonymous card which was quite different. The sentiments expressed in it were rather nice and quite made my day. Sadly I think the person mixed me up with somebody else, as I know I'm not that good. It does not matter though as I have already received the letter and because it is anonymous nobody can come and take it, and all the nice sentiments, back. So thank you anonymous, I shall keep the card and look at it when things do not go as I want them to.

Vicky Frizzell

The Western Front - continued from page 1

The Germans responded by pounding the area with their artillery. The capture of Pozières was a significant achievement, but within five days the 1st Division had lost 5,000 men.

The 1st Division was replaced by the 2nd, whose first attack met with disastrous losses. In further fighting the division captured some ground but suffered more casualties – overall, almost 7,000 in twelve days.

The 4th Division was the next to take part, pressing its attacks towards the adjoining Mouquet Farm. With this move, the Australians were trying to threaten the enemy positions at Thiepval, where the British had been stuck for weeks. However, in attacking on a narrow front they became increasingly exposed to murderous shell-fire and yet more counter-attacks.

The three Australian divisions took their turn at Pozières and all suffered heavily. Then, with their numbers built up to only two-thirds strength, each was sent into the inferno for a second tour. Over a period of 42 days the Australians made 19 attacks, 16 of them at night; as a consequence, the casualties finally totalled a staggering 23,000 men, of whom 6,800 were killed.

For men thrown into the fighting at Pozières the experience was simply hell. The battlefield had become the focus of artillery fire from both sides. Attacks went in, some ground was taken, and then the enemy would counter-attack. Throughout this action the fighting was

wild, and all the time the shelling tore up the ground, folded the trenches in, and blew away any protection.

Finally, in early September the Australian divisions were taken out of the main battle and sent back to Flanders to recover and rebuild their strength.

Meanwhile in Flanders the Australians got the grim news that they were returning to the Somme; and this time the 5th Division accompanied the others. In November they made attacks near Gueudecourt and Flers, but the muddy conditions destroyed any hopes of success. The main Somme fighting came to an end on 18 November in the rain, mud, and slush of the oncoming winter.

Over the next months winter trench duty with its shelling and raids became almost unendurable and only improved a bit when the mud froze hard. The wet and the cold made life wretched. Respiratory diseases, "trench foot" – caused by prolonged standing in water – rheumatism and frost-bite were common. Many survivors would later say that this was the worst period of the war and that their spirits were never lower. Large-scale fighting did not resume until early 1917 when spring approached.

1916 was the halfway point in four years of slaughter. For the French, there was the horror of the battle of Verdun. For Britain and the Empire forces – and the French who were also there – the period is remembered for the series of battles known as the First Battle of the Somme. The British and Commonwealth casualties from this fighting totalled an appalling 420,000, and the French lost 204,000. Combined with the German losses, there were more than a million battle casualties on the Somme.

For Australia, there had been few bright spots in a year that seemed to begin well enough. But once its troops became committed to the Western Front battles from July, their war quickly soured, with heavy losses and suffering at the front and widespread mourning at home. In the attack at Fromelles the cost in lives had been the highest in any 24-hour period in the war, while the casualty rate in the six weeks at Pozières was the worst ever experienced.

The Australians had played a full part in 1916. The Somme offensive did not achieve its goals, but it was one of a series of hammer blows that eventually weakened the German army. In this war of attrition, the allies suffered similarly but had this advantage, that their burden could be shared between the French, the British and Empire troops, and ultimately, in 1918, the Americans. On 11 November 1918 Germany signed an armistice. The tragedy of so many deaths in battle during the Great War was only exceeded by the failure of this sacrifice to achieve an enduring European peace.

*Taken from an article written by Peter Burness,
Exhibition Curator, Australian War Memorial*





Wareek Public Hall Committee Incorporated-Notice of Public Meeting

A Public Meeting is to be held at the Wareek Hall on Wednesday 27 April, 2016 commencing at 7:30pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than three (3) nor more than nine (9) persons as the Committee of Management for the Wareek Public Hall Committee Incorporated for a term of three years. The current committee's term will expire on 30 June 2016. All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night. Nominations from women are encouraged. Further information, nomination forms and nominee declaration forms may be obtained by contacting your local Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning office or at the meeting. For further enquiries please contact the Secretary, Shane Long, on 0427 670 774.

Leisure Services Guide - 2016 edition now available

The Central Goldfields Leisure Services Guide has been updated and the 2016 version is now available to download from Council's website, or in hard copy from the Shire Office at 22 Nolan Street Maryborough.

The guide contains contact information for the majority of recreational organisations within the Central Goldfields Shire Council, ranging from arts and craft groups to sporting clubs.

We have endeavoured to include all relevant groups in the guide, however if your group is not in the guide and you would like it to appear in future guides, or the information isn't up to date, please email Ben Robertson, benr@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au with the details.

SupportFirst Client Directed Care

Central Goldfields Shire Council and SupportFirst Loddon-Mallee have been working together to deliver Client Directed Care (CDC) Home Care Packages.

By partnering with Council's Home Support department, SupportFirst allows those seeking additional care to continue to receive support from workers that they are familiar with. We provide Home Care Packages Level 1-2 and Level 3-4.

Home Care Packages allow you to choose from a range of services to suit your needs including:

- Assistance with showering, dressing, mobility, meal preparation and sensory communication aids,
- Laundry, house cleaning, gardening, basic home maintenance, home modifications (related to care needs), transport to help you do shopping, and attend social activities,
- Nursing (e.g., medication management, skin integrity), telehealth monitoring, allied health and other therapies,
- Assistive technology, devices that assist mobility, communication and personal safety.

For further information, and to find out about eligibility for Client Directed Care (CDC) Home Care Packages, contact the Council office and ask about SupportFirst.

Current Employment Opportunities - Three positions currently advertised

Council is seeking to fill the following positions;

- Graduate Engineer
- Supported Playgroup Facilitation Officer
- Outside School Hours Care Supervisor

Further details regarding these employment opportunities can be found by following the Employment link on Council's website.

A message to personal trainers: Use of public facilities

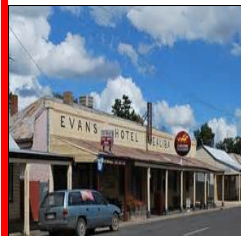
Central Goldfields Shire has witnessed a surge in personal training activities over the last decade, which is great news for the health and wellbeing of the community. Council manages many of the shire's public parks, ovals, and open spaces, and requires any formalised community group or commercial personal training organisation to register their use of public grounds. This is to ensure the areas are not double booked or being used by organisations that do not meet Council's requirements.

Personal trainers wanting to use Council managed facilities need to complete a Personal Training Licence Application. Hard copies can be collected from the Council office, or electronic copies can be requested by emailing recreation@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au.

Existing and prospective commercial personal training organisations wishing to obtain further information regarding the Personal Training Licence Application are able to contact Recreation Manager, Martin Mark on (03) 54610621.

Commercial personal training organisations wishing to conduct their activities from private premises may require a planning and/or building permit. People wishing to conduct such activities are encouraged to contact Council to discuss what permits and requirements are needed prior to operating.

CGCS



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In Memoriam

NICHOLSON – Private Henry Hotspur – No: 2876
 “A” Company – 9th Regiment – 5th Battalion.
 Born – Omeo, Victoria 16 June 1894
 Died – France, 1916 aged 22 years
 One of my Dad’s five brothers.

Rosemary Mecredy

Tribute

My Grannie watched four sons depart
 To the war to end all war
 They went away to the hell of France
 Not Gallipoli’s rocky shore.

The awful news came later on
 That one would stay behind
 The youngest of the four young men
 She loved with heart and mind.

His picture and his medals hung
 (As a child I can recall)
 Inside a lovely wooden frame
 On my Grannie’s parlour wall.

His name is on the monument
 Near the little home town hall
 An asterisk beside that name
 Says he was one to fall.

My Grannie watched four sons depart
 To the war to end all war
 Her grandsons fought in World War Two
 Great grandson went to ‘Nam.

R Mecredy

The Last Man From Dunolly

I’m the last man from Dunolly
 Of our battalion at Fromelles.
 General Haking gave the orders
 And the troops were shot to hell.
 All the mates that I signed up with,
 I was with them when they fell.
 My fifty-ninth was cut to pieces,
 And the sixtieth as well.

Well the doc says I’ll recover,
 While the nurses look set to cry.
 But I’m left wondering why, of all us mates
 I’m the one who did not die.

Now I’ve just been told they’ll ship me home,
 But the thing to understand,
 Is that every mate that I grew up with
 Is laying dead in no-man’s land.
 So I’m writing you this letter;
 And you’ll get it with the mail.
 For I’ll be homeward bound you see,
 When the Warilda next sets sail.

I’ll be home and I guess that
 I’ll be drinking on my own.
 There were Douglas, Pat and Roger,
 We’d find shortcuts through the scrub
 When we had a thirst worth quenching,
 At the old Dunolly pub.

So I’ll be home, and I’ll raise a glass
 To all these friends I’ve known.
 Oh, I’m the last man from Dunolly,
 Of us volunteers that went to war,
 From the sports ground,
 Where we all signed up,
 It seemed a cause worth fighting for.

And I’m the last man from Dunolly
 From the fifteenth brigade there at Fromelles.
 That evening when the orders came,
 So many diggers fell.

I was right by James Barnfather
 When he copped one in the chest.
 Of my mates from round Dunolly
 He may just have been the best.
 I knelt down there beside him,
 I spoke with him as he died.

Fifteenth brigade could not advance ,
 Not matter what was tried.
 So in retreat, back to our lines,
 We trod through guts and blood
 From our mates and other diggers
 Blown to pieces in the mud.

But I’ll be home, I’ll be home
 And I’ll raise a glass to all these mates I’ve known.

So I’m the last man from Dunolly
 Of our newly formed brigade.
 There were no gains made at Fromelles,
 Despite the price we paid.
 Us diggers, we had just arrived
 In fact we’d barely got our kit
 When we were slaughtered in our thousands
 Sent out to do our bit.

I’m the last man from Dunolly
 Who saw Pompey Elliot’s tears
 Greet the remnant of his brigade
 When command ignored his fears.
 You know the wounded here
 They are strange to me,
 I scarce knew four or five.
 Of my fifty ninth battalion,
 Perhaps a hundred may survive.

But I’ll be home, I’ll be home
 I will raise a toast to all these mates I’ve known.

See I’m the last man from Dunolly
 Who saw action in Fromelles
 And lost all his friends on the battle field,
 But was with them when they fell.

Anyone who tunes in to Macca on a Sunday morning will be familiar with the song, *The Last man From Dunolly*. The song was penned by a North Geelong songwriter called Michael Whittle who composed the song in 2010 for friends and family travelling to France for ANZAC day. Mr Whittle said the 5,533 Australian soldiers who died in the 1916 battle of Fromelles inspired the song. He had tried to capture the sadness of communities when many Diggers returned to town alone from the battle. Michael chose Dunolly as representative of the WW1 experience of country towns throughout Australia. The lyrics were kindly given to us by Jeanna Guelen.



MAYORAL COLUMN

Inglewood fuel spill update

Council will continue to meet with Inglewood residents on a needs basis, as work within the vicinity of the recent chemical spill continues for what is expected to be several weeks.

A community meeting held last week helped residents understand potential long term issues surrounding ground water, vegetation and odour and what needs to be done to minimise the spill's environmental impact.

Work to be undertaken in the coming weeks includes removal of fuel contaminated soil, sections of the drain and soil underneath which may contain fuel.

Under EPA guidance, Council has built a temporary secure bunker for the contaminated soil to be stored at the Inglewood Tip.

We've also been assisting Vic Roads with traffic control and will ensure drainage infrastructure removed throughout the operation is replaced.

Residents who may benefit from counselling following the incident are encouraged to contact Inglewood and Districts Health Service on 5431 7000 to arrange an appointment.

For any other concerns or queries you can talk to a member of our incident recovery team by phoning the Wedderburn Council office on 5494 1200 or Serpentine Office on 5437 7999.

'BOY OUT OF THE COUNTRY' COMES TO DUNOLLY

*There's more to land than real estate.
There's more to family than DNA.*



Funny, fast paced, and written in an Australian poetic vernacular reminiscent of the poetic tradition of Banjo Patterson, *Boy out of the Country* tells a story of land, family and belonging. A family property worthless for generations is suddenly re-zoned as part of a regional housing estate to accommodate an ever increasing urban sprawl. It is a play where old Australia meets a new Australia: where a country cop comes to terms with catchment areas, where a fifth bedroom is more important than a backyard and where new technologies have the potential of uncovering old family secrets. Written with wit and in crackling Australian idiom by award winning playwright Felix Nobis, this is a fast paced, funny and highly satisfying piece of theatre about life beyond the big city.

Boy out of the Country by Larrikin Theatre is part of Regional Arts Victoria Touring Program, and will be performing in Dunolly's Historic Precinct Town Hall on Sunday 15 May. Afternoon tea commences at 2pm with the show commencing at 3pm. Tickets are \$30 including afternoon tea and bookings can be made online at dunollyhistoricprecinct.com.au

For interviews or further information please contact Ella Bucovaz on Ph 9644 1806 or email EBucovaz@rav.net.au

Press Release

Taking a stand against domestic violence

The Loddon Mallee region has the second highest incidence of reported family violence in the state.

While reported incidents within Loddon Shire are lower than some other municipalities within the broader region, every single incident, reported or unreported, has broad reaching and long lasting ramifications for those affected.

At our Council meeting in November last year, we resolved to become a signatory to a commitment statement for The Loddon Mallee Action Plan for the Primary Prevention of Violence Against Women 2016 – 2019.

However, it is an issue Loddon Shire has long demonstrated an active awareness of, through initiatives such as introducing a family violence clause in its staff enterprise agreement in November 2011.

Last Tuesday, Loddon Mallee Women's Health CEO, Linda Beilharz presented Council with a plaque acknowledging Council's commitment to the Loddon Mallee Action Plan.

To date, the plan has resulted in a number of preventative actions being taken in Loddon Mallee to address family violence and its contributing factors.

Some of these include the development of the Loddon Mallee Takes a Stand Workplace Resource Kit and Bystander Training, providing education focused resources for our schools, supporting public awareness media campaigns and joining together for White Ribbon Day.

By signing the plan we have committed ourselves to taking a leadership role in helping to educate and re-educate our communities about this important issue.

Standing united with others by signing a commitment statement is just a first step.

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CGSC Draft Budget

Proposed cuts to kindergartens, healthcare and SES units, as well as price hikes in childcare, garbage collection and building permits have all been unveiled as part of the Central Goldfields Shire's draft budget for 2016/17.

The community bus service will also be removed and the buses sold, while Meals on Wheels delivery days could be slashed from five to two under the draft budget, which was released today as part of the Shire's community consultation process.

Central Goldfields Shire Council CEO, Mark Johnston, says that many services have had funds cut due to the State Government's rate capping.

"The council is responding to the rate capping proposed by the State Government," he said.

"But in any case, council looks to provide the most efficient budget it can in terms of value for money.

"What council's aiming to do here is provide a balanced budget. By that I mean not only financially balanced, but in terms of where it can direct its discretionary expenditure into services and functions for the community," Mr Johnston said.

Among the proposed cost-cutting measures included in the draft budget are:

- The withdrawal of an annual \$10,000 funding allocation to the Maryborough District Health Service Wellness Centre;
- The withdrawal of an annual \$10,000 funding allocation for kindergartens across the shire;
- Removal of the annual \$26,000 funding allocation to the Maryborough and Dunolly SES units;
- The removal of funding for community events and organisations, including the South Pacific Veterans' Cycling Championships, the Maryborough Harness Racing Club, the MEC Chaplaincy Program, the Maryborough District Garden Club, community bands, the Maryborough Christmas shopping promotion and more;
- A shift from five Meals on Wheels delivery days to two or three, with chilled meals to be provided instead;
- Reduced funding support for generic Christmas promotions, including Carols by Candlelight, and;
- Cessation of the shire's membership in the Central Victorian Greenhouse Gas Alliance.

Despite the many funding cuts, Mr Johnston urged the local community to focus on the highlights.

"I think one of the highlights for this proposed draft budget is that there's been no expenditure cuts to roads, footpaths and bridges," Mr Johnston said.

Council is also putting \$600,000 into Carisbrook's flood mitigation works.

But in order to generate added income, the draft budget also details the following revenue-raising measures:

- An increase in waste management charges, with a four percent increase shifting the average household 80-litre bin waste management fee by \$13.70 from \$342.50 to \$356.20;
- An eight-dollar hike in Goldfields Children's Centre fees, jumping from \$92 per day to \$100 per day;
- A \$3.50 climb in hourly family day care fees, from \$6.50 per hour up to \$10 per hour;
- An increase in the amount, and number of parking fines distributed within the shire;
- Building permit fees, together with inspection fees, shifted in line with those of private building surveyors;
- A jump in dog and cat registrations, as well as pound release and rehoming fees.

"While there has been an increase in charges in a number of areas, nothing has increased to a point where its above

the industry standard," Mr Johnston said.

A statement from council attached to the draft budget, which is available to view on Pages 12 and 13 of today's *Advertiser*, outlines the reasons behind the proposed changes.

"While the draft document is a balanced budget, council is aware that it does potentially limit future opportunities for the community," the statement reads.

"The decisions taken are not considered in isolation. Council weighs up many and various options before deciding on a course of action and the budget is an 'on balance' document."

While council has proposed the withdrawal of funding from various community events and organisations, the draft budget does allow for an increase in annual community grants, which will climb from \$20,000 to \$30,000, and allow various groups to apply for funds to recoup a small amount of withdrawn funding support.

Council is currently accepting community feedback on its draft budget.

"I would hope the community respect that the elected council has taken a very responsible approach to the rate capping," Mr Johnston said.

In order to give the Central Goldfields Shire feedback on the draft budget, residents can mail their proposals to PO Box 194, Maryborough, Victoria 3465 or email mail@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au.

Sam Gowers and Lachy Steed,
Courtesy Maryborough Advertiser

Burn-offs prompt warning

CFA is urging Victorians to take extreme care when burning off after responding to a high volume of out-of-control private burn-offs since the end of fire restrictions in the majority of municipalities.

CFA North West Region Manager Community Safety David Allen said "drier than normal conditions for this time of year have caught many residents by surprise."

CFA has responded to more than 40 out of control burn-offs on private property in the northeast of the state alone in the past week.

"It is vital people do the right thing by checking conditions, complying with local by-laws and registering their burn offs.

"It is absolutely essential that you have enough water on hand to put out a fire. There isn't enough time to run back to your house if your fire gets out of control. You should consider if a fire break, free of flammable materials is required around any burn-off."

Burning off undergrowth and other vegetation is generally permitted outside of the Fire Danger Period on certain size land allotments, however landowners should register their burn-off with the Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority (ESTA) by calling 1800 668 511.

Property owners must be aware they have legal obligations when burning off and failing to comply with local council by-laws may lead to a fine.

Mr Allen said registering burn-offs with ESTA on 1800 668 511 would ensure the burn could be added to the statewide register. "All calls to Triple Zero about smoke sightings are cross-checked with that register, and firefighters are called out if nothing is listed for that location," Mr Allen said.

"False alarm calls to unregistered burn-offs take volunteer firefighters away from workplaces, families and other emergencies."

CFA Press Release

You're invited to
**THE BIG ONE
 COMMUNITY
 CONFERENCE**

Wed 27 April 2016
 Maldon Community Centre
 Francis Street
 6pm supper, for 6.30pm start

Help choose from the top 5 ... the
PRIORITY social issue for us to address in
 our communities of Maldon, Newstead,
 Dunolly, Castlemaine & surrounds

Check the issues, conversations
 and vote for your priorities at
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 or to Karly Smith 0478 435 110
executiveofficer@mdcb.com.au

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Messy Church.

What a wonderful time the children had at Messy Church! Rogie (our newest helper) arrived with keyboard and taught the children a song. Laughter rang out as the children sang along and played the percussion instruments to Rogie's music. He is a fantastic addition to our team. Congratulations Rogie! The Rev. Ken Rookes led the story telling and introduced the children to Priscilla the cat, a beautiful puppet. Together they broke one of Rod's beautiful loaves of bread as they talked about the last supper and the significance of the bread in church celebrations.

After making unleavened bread, printing on a special table cloth, talking about good things and bad things; time didn't allow them to make a special goblet before the children met for sharing time.

All enjoyed a light supper of fish fingers and chips with hot cross buns to follow. Our next Messy Church will be on Wednesday 27 April from 4pm to 6pm. Messy Church is for ALL children and carers who enjoy listening to stories from the Bible, who love making craft, who love to sing and make music, having fun and sharing time with others. A light supper is served before the session ends. The cost is just a gold coin donation.

Messy Church is held at the Uniting Church Infant School building on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 4-6pm.
 Jan Watts.

BENDIGO BANK – THE BIG ONE

Community conference to decide top issue

One thousand votes, 65 ideas and lots of conversations are taking place to find the major social issue that needs addressing in our communities.

What are the top priorities for the communities of Dunolly, Maldon, Newstead and districts? Have your say at www.oursay.org/mdcb/thebigone.

The Maldon & District Community Bank is running *The Big One: Your Community, Your Say* campaign to find the priority social issue in the region. The Community Bank is committed to addressing this issue over the next three to five years to improve the quality of life in our communities.

"There are only days left to vote on the OurSay forum. Voting closes midnight 26 April. So now is the time to get involved, ask questions, join the conversations and get voting," advises Karly Smith, Maldon & District Community Bank's executive officer.

"Everyone has seven votes to use, on one issue or across multiple issues. It's your chance to influence how the Community Bank will spend part of its profits over the next few years to strengthen our communities."

RSVP for community conference – 27 April

The top five issues, as voted by the community, will be presented at *The Big One: Your Community, Your Say* community conference on Wednesday 27 April. The evening starts at 6pm with supper and refreshments, for a 6.30pm start at the Maldon Community Centre (Francis Street).

"Come to the conference to hear more about the issues and help decide which of the top five issues most needs addressing. Recommendations will go to board about the most important social issue for the bank and community to address," said Karly.

"Everyone is invited to come along and have a say. You don't need to be a customer of the bank – just a member of our communities in Maldon, Newstead, Dunolly and the Mount Alexander Shire."

RSVPs for the community conference can be made at the Dunolly Agency at the RTC, the Maldon Branch or by contacting

Karly on 0478 435 110 or
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Karly Smith

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Church News

Dunolly Christian Churches

Invite you to worship God and welcome you to their services:

Sunday 24 April 5th Sunday after Easter

ANGLICAN CHURCH SERVICES:

St John's Dunolly Anglican Parish Service

9am Eucharist Father Malcolm

5pm Evensong Father Andrew

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 CHURCH SERVICES:

Dunolly 2nd and 4th Sundays, Mass at 8.30am

1st and 3rd Sundays - Assembly at 8.30am.

Bealiba

5th Sunday. Mass at 8.30am

Tarnagulla

3rd Saturday. Mass at 11am

UNITING CHURCH SERVICES:

Bealiba Uniting Church

2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am

Dunolly Uniting Church

Jim McKenzie will lead us in our service 9.30am

Laanecoorie Uniting Church

No service

Catholic Church - St Mary's Muse

We have been invited by the St John's Anglican Church, Dunolly to a choral evensong at 5pm on Sunday 24 April to prepare for Anzac Day. The Choir of Christ the King Maryborough will lead. Refreshments afterwards in the hall.

The Water Walkers Team in the Relay for Life raised \$1150 - Thanks to all those who helped.

Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 21 April at 7.30pm in the Marion Centre.

Mass is at St Mary's Church, Dunolly on Sunday 24 April at 8.30am.

R. Mecredy

Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, I know my sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

John 10:14

Uniting Church News

This Friday 22 April, The 'Blokes Night Out' will start at 6.30pm with a BBQ and guest speaker to follow. Heather Cooper is to be the speaker for this month. All men of the district are invited.

Wednesday 27 April is Messy Church. All the children of this district, no matter what religion they are, will be welcomed with a carer at 4.30 pm at the Uniting Church old Sunday school which is behind the Church.

This is a time for the children to have fun together and enjoy a light tea with other children. Children in country towns do not have a lot of choice from, to get together after school to play, but this is one of them that is safe and a lot of fun.

Our Op Shop Mannequin Parade, which is great fun, is on again on 5 May. All the clothes in the parade are for sale. A delightful afternoon tea to follow - all for a gold coin donation.

This week Jim McKenzie will lead us in our service. Our freshly painted Op Shop will be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Come in and see what wonderful things we have for you to buy.

Jean Richardson

St John's Fellowship News

We welcome Father Malcolm back to Dunolly this Sunday morning at 9am.

The Anglican Church of St John, Dunolly warmly invite you to a choral evensong at 5pm on Sunday 24 April to prayerfully prepare for Anzac Day 2016.

Refreshments will be served in the hall at the conclusion of the service.

A couple of dates for the diary:

- Sunday 24 April : Evensong will be celebrated at St John's at 5pm.
- Our Christmas in June is on the 23 June.

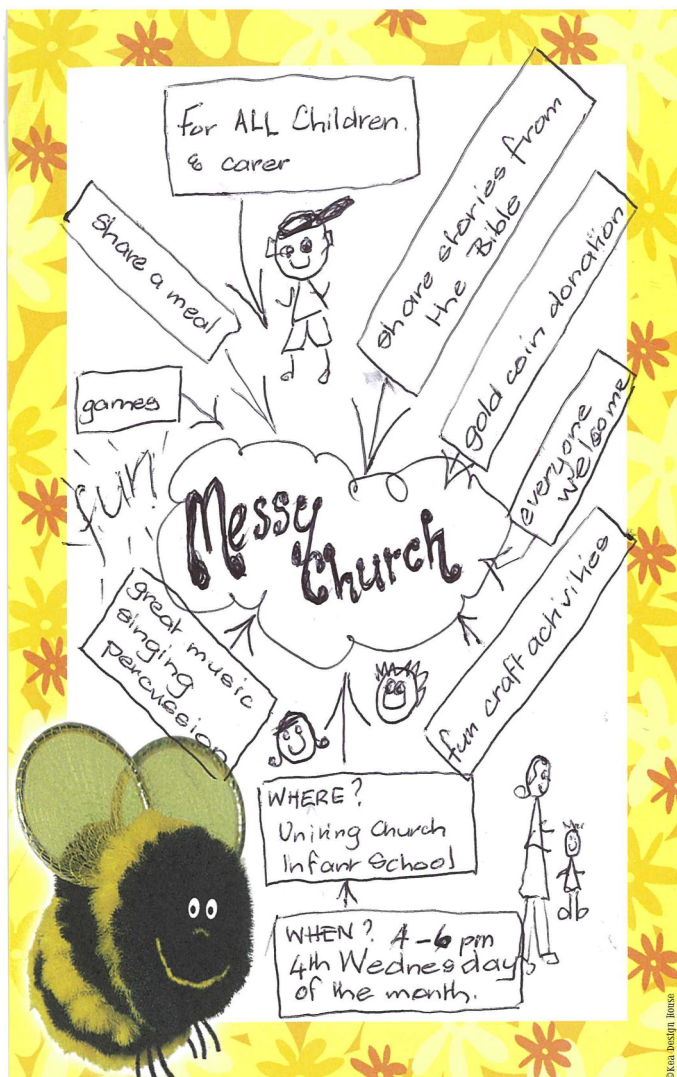
Trina Kay

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

*So we have known and believe
the love that God has for us.
God is love, and those who abide in love
abide in God, and God abides in them.*

1 John 4: 16

A big 'Thumbs Down' to the people or person who broke into the Uniting Church Op Shop! The mess and damage caused was very un-Dunolly-like and not appreciated by the hard working volunteers who keep the shop ticking!



The Fine Art of Retail

Facilitated by the Australia Retailers Association (ARA)

Workshops are being run by Bendigo Regional Tourism Board in an effort to assist regional traders to enhance their businesses. Below is the schedule of workshops being held in May 2016. Dunolly traders may benefit from these workshops.

Costing

Bendigo Tourism/ Bendigo Regional Tourism Operators

\$25 per workshop (*purchase 3 get the 4th for free*)

\$40 per one-hour mentoring session (*purchase 3 get the 4th for free*)

General

\$30 per workshop (*purchase 3 get the 4th for free*)

\$50 per one-hour mentoring session (*purchase 3 get the 4th for free*)

RSVP

To register please visit www.bendigotourism.com and click on the 'Business Events' tile, or ring Bendigo Visitor Centre on **1800 813 153**

For further details please contact Monica Lougoon - m.lougoon@bendigo.vic.gov.au or **(03) 5434 6280**

THIS INNOVATIVE PROGRAM PROVIDES INSIGHT FOR TODAY'S CHANGING FACE OF RETAIL IN OUR REGIONAL LANDSCAPE. IT AIMS TO ASSIST STORE OWNERS AND STAFF MEET BUSINESS OBJECTIVES BY INCREASING THE AVERAGE SALE PER CUSTOMER. CONSISTING OF FOUR KEY TOPICS WITH INDIVIDUAL MENTORING/ COACHING SESSIONS, THIS PROGRAM WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF YOUR BUSINESS.

PROGRAM	DATES	TIME	VENUE
Made you Look – The Art of Visual Merchandising			
Workshop	Monday 2 May	6pm – 8.30pm	Peter Anthony – Hargreaves Mall, Bendigo
Mentoring	Tuesday 3 May		Per arrangement
Workshop	Tuesday 3 May	6pm – 8.30pm	Jimmy Possum – View Street, Bendigo
Mentoring	Wednesday 4 May		Per arrangement
The Old and New – The Art of Timeless Marketing			
Workshop	Monday 9 May	6pm – 8.30pm	Latrobe University Visual Arts Centre – View Street, Bendigo
Mentoring	Tuesday 10 May		Per arrangement
Profit and Benchmarking – The Art of Finance			
Workshop	Monday 16 May	6pm – 8.30pm	Latrobe University Visual Arts Centre – View Street, Bendigo
Mentoring	Tuesday 17 May		Per arrangement
Creating the Experience – The Art of Customer Service			
Workshop	Monday 23 May	6pm – 8.30pm	Latrobe University Visual Arts Centre – View Street, Bendigo
Mentoring	Tuesday 24 May		Per arrangement

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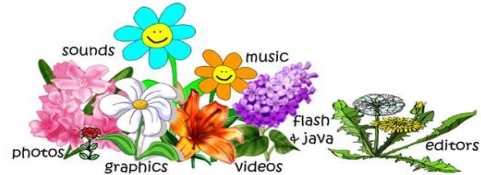
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GARDEN CLUB



The Whispering Weeders will be going to Bendigo to have a wander around the conservatory and Rosalind Park on Monday 2 May.

Meet at the centre at 11am (**not 10am**) This is a car pool trip.

If you love gardening, meandering around public gardens and visiting various private gardens joining the Whispering Weeders Garden Group is a must. Absolutely no digging required.

If you would like more information on the above please ring 54681511 or simply email admin@dunnhc.com.au

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Good news for our **existing customers** using medication packing system; starting from next week and for eight weeks, you will receive your pack for **free** as a thank you complement for ongoing support.

For **new customers** who would like to join the medications packing system, if you sign-up by 30 June 2016, you will receive four weeks complimentary as your welcome.

Supporting the town; never letting you down. More news coming; through our hard work and your support we will make it happen.

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A Patriotic Duty

At the end of 1915 the original, eager volunteers from Australia had long departed our shores to fight for King and Country. Australians now knew what fighting in this World War meant. Our troops had been 'blooded' at Gallipoli and the reports of the terrible conditions they had endured and the casualties sustained from wounds and sickness had shocked everyone back home. Many local families had lost sons, husbands and brothers. It is all the more remarkable then that after the dust had settled over Gallipoli Australian boys and men still willingly signed up to join the AIF forces who were now back in Egypt, assessing the carnage and reforming their forces for the next theatre of war; the Western Front of Europe.

Whilst searching through the Trove digital newspaper collections I came across the following article which gives us a glimpse, 100 years later, of the patriotism and sense of duty that compelled the men of Dunolly to volunteer for the battlefields of France.-

THE WAR OUR VOLUNTEERS DUNOLLY.

Dunolly and Bet Bet Shire Express and County of Gladstone Advertiser

Tuesday 24 August 1915

On Sunday evening at the Presbyterian Church, after the evening service, ...very interesting proceedings took place in connection with the departure to report himself at Bendigo on the following day (yesterday) of Mr Keith D Morris, accountant in the London Bank, son of Mr E.P. Morris, J.P., and Mrs Morris, who has volunteered for service at the front and been accepted. It may be mentioned again here that Mr and Mrs Morris have given three sons for service for King, country, and Empire, the eldest, Private Edward Morris, as is already known, having died after wounds received in the fighting at the Dardanelles. Mr Allan C. Morris, accountant in the London Bank at Casino, N.S.W., volunteered and passed in Brisbane, and is now in training, and Mr Keith D. Morris applied in his native town of Dunolly through the Mayor and passed the medical examinations. The parents of these young soldiers have been leading and honored members of the Dunolly Presbyterian Church for upwards of half a century, and sons and daughters have been connected with it in important capacities as they grew up. It was fitting then that the congregation should make some recognition of the self sacrifice and patriotic spirit of Mr Keith D Morris prior to his departure for the training camp. Mr A. Williamson, as an old friend of Mr and Mrs Morris and family,paid a warm tribute to the

young Australians for the magnificent spirit manifested in their readiness to volunteer and the glorious achievements which had thrilled the world.

He had known Private Keith Morris since his lisping infancy, through his school days, till he had stepped out into the business of the world. He had well maintained the high traditions and the fine example of his honored parents. In his new career he would maintain the same high standard. It had been entered on not in the spirit of the fire-eater but conscientiously, from a sense of duty, with the calm resolute courage and patriotic spirit of one who knew he had a great and righteous cause for which to fight, a noble heritage, the freedom and liberty of an Empire - of which Australia formed so important a part - which had a splendid history in all that was best and highest, whose flag was ever the symbol of the greatest national ideals carried out in practice and with far reaching power through-out the world. This was the spirit which animated the gallant young Australians, and had nerved heart and arm, in their glorious achievements at the Dardanelles. It was the steady flame of true patriotism, the strong sense of duty, which caused them to seek to share in the suffering and perils of a righteous campaign. This was the spirit in which Private Morris entered on the career.

While applauding the devotion and self-sacrifice of the young soldiers of Australia the speaker paid a great and touching tribute to the even greater pains and sacrifice of parents. When the call came the young men were ready, and the mothers, broken hearted they might be, yet with sublime courage and heroism, weeping in secret, yet with brave, smiling faces recognised the sacred call and gave their beloved sons, knowing the cause was just and that God was over all. And would those mothers and fathers have it otherwise? While their hearts were bleeding, they yet felt proud and happy that their sons were worthy, displaying that manly courage and determination which had made the Empire so mighty.....

The speaker then alluded to Private Roxburgh, son of Mr Roxburgh (secretary of the church) and Mrs Roxburgh, Dunolly, one of two sons given by Mr and Mrs Roxburgh for active service, both now in training, one in NSW and the other at Flemington. He hoped the young soldiers would

enjoy a close friendship, and the prayers of the church were that God would protect, help, and bless them, and bring them home again with a knowledge of duty successfully done.

Mr Roxburgh spoke with much feeling saying..... all who could go, and had the strength, should enlist for such a great cause— The existence of the Empire and the freedom of the world. He paid a great tribute to the gallantry of the Australian troops. He and Mrs Roxburgh were giving their two sons, who had been eager to go, and they did so because they felt it was their duty,

They knew not what would happen, but all things were in God's hands,

Private Morris replied with great feeling thanking all for the tokens of regard and for the kind and encouraging words spoken. He would value the gifts, and would ever remember the kindness which prompted them and the words accompanying them, and they would cheer him in the future. It was a wrench to part with all he held dear, but he had sought to recognise where his duty lay, and felt that this was the only thing he could do.' God be with you till we meet again' was sung, then the National Anthem, with the addition of the Australian verse.'



Edward Parker Morris was one of Dunolly's pioneers. He was born in the England and married Agnes Logan in Dunolly in 1868.

At that time he was part of the firm J & E Morris, hay and corn merchants, Broadway, Dunolly, a business he continued to operate until his death in 1923. There is a large portrait of Edward Parker Morris on the wall of the town hall and he is also pictured amongst the pioneers of the town. Edward was mayor of Dunolly in 1903 and on the board of directors for several of the surrounding mines. Agnes and Edward had a total of eleven children, six girls and five boys, all born in Dunolly between 1869 and 1889.

The Edward Morris mentioned in the article was his eldest son, Edward George Morris, who married a local Eddington girl, Caroline Gill, in 1902. Edward and Caroline had two children, Edward Henry in 1904 and Ina Caroline in 1907. In September 1914 Edward George Morris heeded the call, enlisted in Perth, and joined the 16th battalion AIF. He was 40 years old. He headed off to Egypt and from there was sent to the Dardenelles. Edward lasted a week on the Gallipoli Peninsula and was evacuated with a large wound over his right eye on 2 May 1915. He was taken to Egypt to recover and whilst there contracted Typhoid Fever, dying on 5 June.

Edward Morris left behind a widow, two children aged eleven and eight and a grieving family in Dunolly.

Alan Morris was aged 32, newly married to Vera Robinson and living in Casino NSW, when he enlisted.. He joined the 7th reinforcements for the 26th battalion.



Keith Douglas Morris

Keith Morris was the youngest son of Edward and Agnes aged 26 in 1915. As reported, he volunteered in Dunolly and joined the 14th reinforcements for the 7th battalion. Both brothers joined on the same day, 31 July 1915. They sailed for Egypt, Alan in December 1915 and Keith at the end of January 1916 arriving just in time to join the newly re-formed Australian divisions in France.

The story of the two Morris brothers has a happy ending. Both Alan and Keith survived the horrors of the Western front, despite being in the thick of the fighting on Somme and in Flanders, and returned to Australia in 1919.

In 1917 Alan was appointed Quarter Master and Honorary Lieutenant in France and Keith became a Training Sergeant. Edward and Agnes were spared the loss of any more sons but not the worry and stress of having two sons in a terrible theatre of war.



Arthur Percy Roxburgh

The Roxburgh family mentioned in the article were not quite as fortunate. Their father, John Donald Graham Roxburgh was a teacher at the Dunolly school when war broke out. He and his wife also endured the worry and stress of having two sons at war. Arthur Percy Roxburgh joined the fifth battalion. He received a severe wound to his back in August 1917 and was bought back to Australia, medically unfit. A letter written by him to the Army several years later, reveals that Arthur had become somewhat of 'an itinerate' searching for work in various parts of the country. The wounds he suffered in France no doubt played a big part in his unemployment.

The Roxburgh's other son, Cecil Ernest Roxburgh, returned to Australia in 1919 but was discharged as medically unfit also. A glance through his service records reveals several bouts of pneumonia followed by severe malaria, contracted while recuperating from the pneumonia in Egypt.

In 2016 we can only marvel at the sense of patriotism and duty that sent these Dunolly men off to war. We should remember all those from Dunolly who served on the Western front as well as the families who waited and worried back home.

Lest We Forget!

Faye Arnold

Footnote: If there are any descendants of the Morris or Roxburgh family still in the Dunolly district we would love to hear more details about the brothers and their experiences during and after the war.

And if anyone knows the Australian Verse to the National Anthem from 1915, please let us know also.

DUNOLLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Stars of the Week

- This week's awards go to the following students:
- Prep 1 – Nicholas Soulsby & Thomas Pilbeam
- Grade 1/2 – Charley Martin
- Grade 3/4 – Billy Heywood
- Grade 5/6 – Mable Carrington
- Principal's – Shenae Hunt, Ella Patten & Mia Skilling
- Art – Tyson Bailey
- Auslan – Charlotte Liddicoat

Awards are given to students
at assembly each week.

Welcome back

A warm welcome back to all our families, students and staff.

I hope you have all had a relaxing break. Term 2 is already promising to be a busy one with the Anzac Day March, 5/6 Malmsbury Camp, 3/4 Creswick Camp, Education week, Marvellous Mums Celebration, Day Care visits, Division Cross Country, NAPLAN testing, Lightning Premiership, Mother's Day Stall and student reports. We look forward to a very productive term.

Reminder

Monday, Wednesday and Fridays students aren't to be at school without their own parental supervision prior to 8.30am.

ANZAC Day Service

Monday 25 April

Meet at the Dunolly Post office at **10.45am**

Full School Uniform to be worn.

- All students from Dunolly Primary School have been invited to participate in the ANZAC Day March and Service.
- Everyone is invited to stay for morning tea afterwards at the RSL hall.
- Please bring a plate of food to share if possible.

We encourage all students to participate in this extra-curricular activity to show their appreciation and respect to those who were involved in the wars. We look forward to being a part of this most worthwhile activity again this year.

Flowers for Anzac Wreaths

On Friday 22 April, the students will be making wreaths to be used for the Anzac Day March and Service being held on Monday 25 April.

If you have any flowers suitable for wreath making in your garden could you please bring them to school on Friday 22 April.

Comrades All

The street seems very silent
What's become of all the boys?
You may search all round the cricket ground;
No shouting, now, no noise.

You may scale the hill at Growler's, cast
An eye at the swimming dam;
Look in at every concert hall, search all
Corners of the town.

They marched to school together; those
Same Tarnagulla boys,
Playing fair each game of marbles;
Sharing each others joys.
Sending balls to hit the wickets, boisterous
Games of football too;
Now these lads all bravely fighting, they
Have sterner work to do.

Up the hill to Old Green Valley, where
They tramped so oft before,
Gathering sprays of scented wattle, geebung,
Cranberries, flowers-galore;
Peeping into every birds nest; picking gum
From every bough:
Where are those once busy footsteps?
Some are resting now.

They have played the game; the greatest
In all their lives before,
Their deeds of valour, of glory, will resound
From shore to shore.
They are fighting still in the firing line-
Still joining in the fray;
Whilst their comrades are peacefully
Sleeping; Angels guard them where they lay.

Perchance each lad had wandered
Far apart throughout the years;
Now they are again united, sharing each
Their hopes and fears;
Some at Lonesome Pine have fallen-
They can never lonesome be,
School mates once, now comrades faithful,
bear other company.

Poem kindly shared by Kenneth Webb on the Lost Tarnagulla
Facebook page

Ownerless

He comes when the gullies are wrapped in the gloaming
And limelights are trained on the top of the gums,
To stand at the sliprails, awaiting the homing
Of one who marched off to the beat of the drums.

So handsome he looked in the putties and khaki,
Light hearted he went like a youngster to play;
But why comes he never to speak to his Darkie,
Around at the rails at the close of the day?

And why have the neighbours foregathered so gently,
Their horses a-doze at the fence in a row?
And what are they talking of, softly, intently?
And why are the women-folk lingering so?

One hand, soft and small, that so often caressed him,
Was trembling just now as it fondled his head;
But what was that trickling warm drop that distressed
him?

And what were those heart-broken words that she said?

Ne'er brighter the paddocks that bushmen remember
The green and the gold and the pink have displayed,
When Spring weaves a wreath for the brows of
September,
Enrobed like a queen, and a-blush like a maid.

The gums are a-shoot and the wattles a-cluster,
The cattle are roaming the ranges astray;
But why are they late with the hunt and the muster?
And why is the black horse unsaddled today?

Hard by the station the training commences,
In circles they're schooling the hacks for the shows;
The high-mettled hunters are sent at the fences,
And satins and dapples and brushes disclose.

Sound-winded and fit and quite ready is Darkie,
Impatient to strip for the sprint and the flight;
But what can be keeping the rider in khaki?
And why does the silence hang heavy tonight?

From John O'Brien's 'Around The Boree Log'. Thought to be
written by a catholic priest at Narrandera, Father O'Grady. Poem
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The Dunolly Arts Precinct/ Hub

Thirteen years ago the Dunolly & District Neighbourhood Centre approached council with a request to have the use of the scout hall in Thomson Street. As this hall was vacant, rapidly falling into ruin and we needed the space to run various activities we applied to council to have the use of the scout hall.

As the Maryborough Woodwork Group had nowhere to go it was given to them as a venue. We put our needs on the back burner, but always had it in mind.

A few years ago we noticed there was no activity whatsoever going on at the hall. We made enquiries and to make a long story short, we now have permission from council to use the hall as we see fit.

As our Arts Group is rapidly expanding and running out of room in the Centre, the Committee on request, has decided to use the scout hall as **The Dunolly Arts Precinct/Hub**. There will be working bees galore to clean up, refurbish, paint, fix, and make good. There will be bonfires, tip runs and 'please take me' piles. It will be all hands on deck with brooms, mops, buckets, vacs, paint, masks and rubber gloves, and then WOW! What a place it will be for all artistic persons to make the Dunolly Arts Precinct/Hub the place to be.

Oh, feel free to rummage through the 'please take me' piles when you see them.

And as we will no doubt have to make a few tip runs, has anyone got any tip vouchers they will not be using? We would appreciate them.

Thanking you in advance.

Ring the Neighbourhood Centre on 5468 1511.

Sharon Hiley

The Dunolly Community Market Round Up

The market on 10 April 2016 was another great success. The weather was a bit cold to start with but turned into a beautiful sunny day. We had 40 stallholders and lots of new people in town to visit the market. All stallholders were happy and did a roaring trade.

The Dunolly Community Market would like to pass on our deepest regrets on the passing of one of Dunolly's great buskers "Busker Tom". Tom busked at quite a few of our markets and will be sadly missed. Rest in Peace Tom.

Reminder to all stallholders *Please do not leave cars in the main street, there is parking in streets behind the main street. Remember if stall holders take up all the parking then nobody can stop to shop.* Also it would be thoughtful of all stall holders to not smoke at their stall but leave and have a break away from the stall. No-one at the BBQ or food stalls are permitted to smoke due to OH&S standards. Please remember it is a smoke free zone on market days in Rene Fox Gardens.

We look forward to our Mother's Day market on 8 May, so come and enjoy a great day out with mum. You may even find a special something for mum at the market. We look forward to seeing you all there. There will be raffles being held by the Karate Club and Preschool so come and help support these clubs.

Leanne Mullan, Secretary Dunolly Community Market

Complaints received by Thomas Cook Vacations-

'No-one told us there would be fish in the water. The children were scared'.

'The beach was too sandy. We had to clean everything when we returned to our room.'

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Ingredients

- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1½ cups plain flour, sifted
- 1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1 cup desiccated coconut
- 125g butter, chopped
- 2 tablespoons golden syrup
- 2 tablespoons water
- ½ teaspoon bicarb soda
- ½ cup sweet orange marmalade

Method

1. Grease a rectangular 19cm x 29cm slice pan; line base and two opposite sides with a sheet of baking paper, extending paper 5cm above edges of pan.
2. Combine oats, sifted flour, sugar and coconut in a large bowl: mix well.
3. Combine butter, golden syrup and water in a medium pan; stir over a low heat, without boiling, until butter is melted. Bring to the boil; remove from heat. Stir in bicarb soda.
4. Add syrup mixture to dry ingredients in bowl; mix well. Press 2/3 of the oat mixture over the base of prepared pan. Spread evenly with marmalade; Crumble the remaining oat mixture over the top.
5. Cook in a moderate oven, 180°C, for about 35 minutes, or until cooked when tested. Cool slice in pan for 5 minutes; transfer to a wire rack to cool.
6. Cut slice into squares. Serve either hot or cold.

Jan Brock

Cookery Corner

It has been lovely to get some feedback on the recipes that we publish. For nearly four years I have been finding dishes that I think are family friendly and use ingredients that are both 'not too many' and can be sourced locally from our 'not so gourmet' area.

Simple and tasty has been the priority. If anyone would like to contribute to our cookery page, please send your favourite recipes in, or ask if someone has a copy of one you have misplaced over the years.

Remember home cooking made with love, is still the best nourishment, rather than take-aways and over-processed packages from the supermarket, that contain an enormous amount of additives and unknowns.

Cooking is to be encouraged at all ages. It is a wonderful pastime. If it is your passion to bake, the memories it creates for all who partake will last forever.

Jan Brock

Recently I bought *The Clunes Little Book*, in which five leading authors reflect on their relationships with books. I particularly enjoyed the following:

A harem of books

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Nigel Krauth

NB: Clunes Booktown will be held this year on 30 April and 1 May.

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Bealiba Progress Association meeting, 2nd Tuesday each month 7.30pm Bealiba Hall

Bealiba Bingo 1.30pm in the Bealiba Hall 2nd Monday each month

Community Bus – every Friday to Maryborough and back. RTC 5468 1205

Dunolly Community Garden at Pre-school: Wednesdays 2pm AEST/5.00pm Summer

Dunolly CWA meetings 1.30pm SES rooms 1st Wednesday each month

Dunolly Day Support Tuesday and Thursdays 10.30am to 2.30pm Phone 5468 2907

Dunolly District Auxiliary 1st Monday each month at 10am Hospital Day Room

Dunolly Field and Game meeting 1st Wednesday each month 7.30pm at 147 Broadway

Dunolly Fire Brigade meeting 1st Monday each month 7.30pm Fire Station

Dunolly Karate Club - Pee Wee/Junior/Senior (7+ years) Mondays 5.30-6.30pm and 6.30-7.30pm Dunolly RSL hall

Dunolly Ninjas Program - (4 to 6 years old) Mondays from 5pm Dunolly RSL hall

Dunolly Community Market 2nd Sunday each month 8am to 1pm- Broadway

Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch meeting 3rd Wednesday each month 10.30am Bakery

Dunolly Supported Playgroup meets Wednesday 9.30am to 11.30am Dunolly Preschool

Dunolly & District Probuc Club meeting 3 Thursday each month 10am Senior Citizens Hall

Dunolly Museum meeting 3rd Monday each month 2pm 75 Broadway

Dunolly St George Lodge 4th Saturday each month

Dunolly Social Cyclists Meet fortnightly. Call Neville for info: 5468 7295

Dunolly Historic Precinct Committee 4th Tuesday each month 3.30pm Town Hall

Dunolly Unit Vic SES meeting 6.30pm 3rd Tuesday each month.

Training every other Tuesday

Dunolly Uniting Church Messy Church 4th Wednesday each month 4.30pm to 6pm

Golden Triangle Archers 4th Sunday each month 10am behind Deledio Reserve

Ladies Only General Exercise Class Thursdays 5.15pm Dunolly RSL hall.

Ladies only Self Defense Class Thursday 6pm Dunolly RSL hall.

Maryborough Lions Club Tourist Market 1st Sunday of every month - 8.am - 2pm

At the Maryborough Harness Racing Complex.

Mobile Library every Thursday 2pm to 5pm outside Dunolly Town Hall

Mother Goose Program - every Friday during school term at Dunolly Primary School - 9.30-10.30am

Newbridge CWA meeting Newbridge Hall 3rd Tuesday each month 1.30pm

Old Time Dancing 7.30pm Mondays Anglican Hall Barkly Street Dunolly

Red Hat Society - Gorgeous Goldfields Gals 2nd Thursday Ripples On The Res 11.30am

RSL meeting 7pm RSL Hall Dunolly 2nd Tuesday each month - 7pm

Senior Citizens meeting 1st Monday each month 10am

Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls each Monday 1.30pm

Senior Citizens Luncheon 3rd Wednesday/month 12.30pm

Senior Citizens Card Playing Each Tuesday at 1.30pm

Talbot Farmers Market 3rd Sunday /month 9am to 1pm

Tarnagulla Playgroup Thursday 10.30am to 12 noon – behind the hall

Tarnagulla Action Group - Community Centre 3rd Monday each month 7.30pm - (*note new time*)

Welcome Record Committee 2nd Monday each month - 2pm in the office

April

Friday 22 Uniting Church Blokes Night Out 6.30pm

Saturday 23 DFNC vs Avoca at Dunolly

Sat 23 & Sun 24 Arts & Artisans Trail

Monday 25 ANZAC Day - see front page for details

Wednesday 27 The Big One Community Conference Maldon Centre Francis Street 6pm

May

Monday 2 Dunolly CFA MGM Fire Station 7.30pm

Monday 2 Whispering Weeders day out. Meet at Neighbourhood Centre 10am

Sunday 8 Dunolly Community Market

Sunday 15 Boy out of the Country - Dunolly Town Hall 2pm

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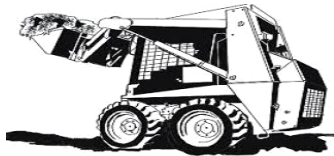
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Cake stall raffle result.

Moliagul Reserves Committee 9 April raffle results.
1st Prize: A trailer load of wood, won by Phil Vernon.
2nd Prize: Silver with Agate stone necklace, won by Darren Hunt.
3rd Prize: Big Bowl lollies, won by Mavis Park.
Congratulations to all winners, many thanks to all for buying and selling tickets.
Thanks to everyone for the great assortment of cake donations, greatly appreciated.

Lyn Gale



DFNC Mini Lotto

Drawn : 15 April 2016.

3, 6, 9, 12, 14

No winner - Jackpot \$750.

This week five numbers out of 15. \$1.00 per entry.
Support the local club. Close game on the 16 April.
First home game this Saturday!

T Long

Supported Playgroup

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27 April 2016

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Bereavement

Severino, Alfred May 30 1915 - April 14 2016

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You are invited to a "Blokies Night Out" on **Friday 22 April** at the Dunolly Uniting Church commencing at 6.30pm.

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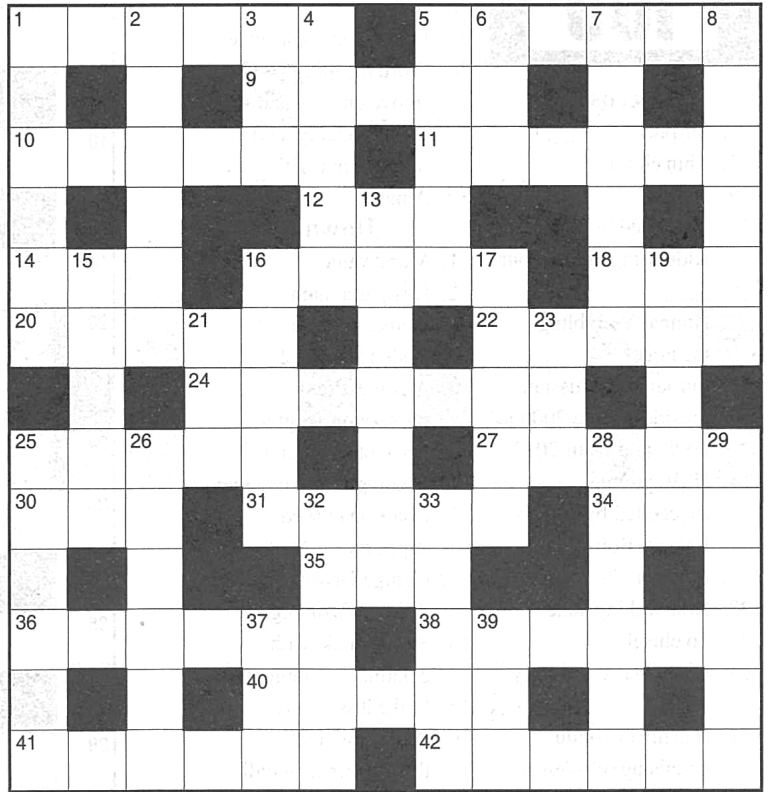
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5. Make hay while the sun _____
9. Run off to marry
10. Of various ethnic groups
11. To damage
12. Wise-looking bird
14. At rear of ship
16. Long scarf
18. Sheet iron container
20. Game of chance
22. Watchful, on the _____
24. Become bigger
25. Biblical mountain of Egypt
27. Brisbane AFL team
30. Digit of body
31. Give birth to (of cow)

34. Large-eared rodent
35. Cricket sundry, leg _____
36. African language
38. George Gershwin hit, *I Got _____*
40. Traditional saying
41. Break a commitment
42. A course of meal

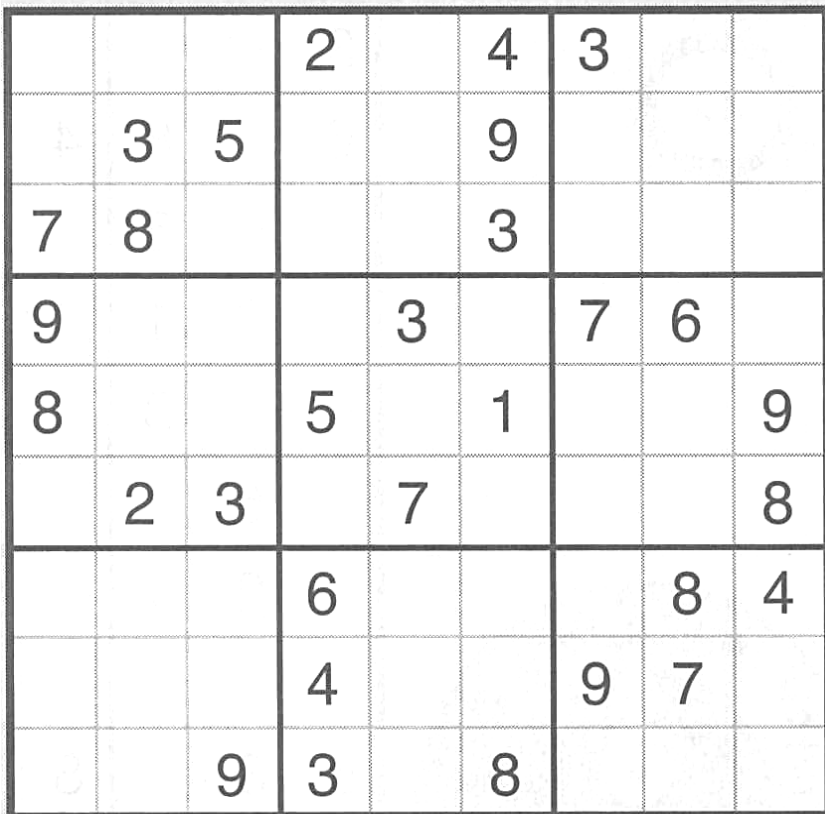
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1. Occurring off the ground
2. U.S. writer known for children's books, Louisa May _____
3. Mountain parrot of N.Z.
4. Apportion
5. Fall from receptacle
6. Restrict (someone), _____ in
7. Subtle difference
8. Race for runners
13. Feminine
15. Page in bookkeeper's book
16. Pertaining to sound
17. Strong bird
19. Central area in Roman amphitheatre

21. Infused drink
23. A worn flower garland
25. Aust. tennis champion, Samantha _____
26. Star in *The Sting*, Paul _____
28. Public speaker
29. Thwart progress of
32. Observe (rules), _____ by
33. A rim or edge
37. Fail to keep up with pace
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DFNC FOOTBALL REPORT



DFNC NETBALL REPORT

Round 1 Match Report – Dunolly Vs Royal Park (Hedges Oval)

Reserves

It was a tough day at the office for the boys, first game for the season and for many of our players it was their first game for the club. To the boys credit they stuck it to Royal Park in the first quarter scoring the first goal from new player Collin Hocking Turnbull with a nice running goal. They went on to scoring another goal with a strong mark from Lachie Timmins. Unfortunately our fitness became a major factor in keeping up with the opposition and the game got away from us. I praise the boys on staying positive throughout the game and giving it their all on the field today. Goal kickers were C Hocking Turnbull, L Timmins and S Barnnet. Best on went to Barnnet, Fyfe, Damon and Hocking Turnbull.

Seniors

The seniors went out with a new look team for the season opener against Royal Park. Dunolly supporters who witnessed the encounter would have been impressed with the attitude and general attack on the ball for the first hit out for club coach Adam Pollock. Adam could not have been more pleased with everyone's effort. Luke Kirkland was a handful for the opposition, kicking five goals. Adam Ward impressed his new club making his presence felt across the field. Toby Johnston was outstanding for four quarters. Joey Thompson, Justin Laird, Jordan Fraser and Pete Whytkamp all caught the eye of our new coach. It's important that the town and supporters get behind the boys and the club. The club is heading in the right direction and is in for a successful season. Go Dunolly!



Sam Whitehead led his team to a three game win over some keen rivals in this week's competition. Sam's other players were Shirley Coburn, Gordon Smith and Alan Chamings. Alan made a late start to this season but after only three nights his artistic skills are showing out in his bowling skills. Shirley Coburn and Joe Battisson are fighting it out for *top dog* in the cumulative score tally. 2016 is going to be an exciting and keenly fought competitive season.
Heather



Our early start to the season is progressing well with members taking advantage of excellent course conditions. The course is looking its best for this time of year, due to clear cut fairways and roughs with refurbished scrapes.

WINNERS - STABLEFORD ROUND

Ladies: Jenny Lovel 32
Men: Ian Arnold 34
NTP on 5: Jenny Lovel

Reminder of special event coming up:

Saturday 7 May - Bill Willmott Memorial Day

All welcome.

Meeting reminder: Third Wednesday of every month at the Club house at 7pm.

Netball Match Report

Round 1 – Dunolly v Royal Park – Hedges Oval U13

Well done to our under 13's team for the first game of the season, everyone made a great effort and played well. Caitlyn as captain lead our team to a great win with the great support from the rest of the players. Well done to Dannijella in GS nailing 16 out of our 18 points with great back up from Mikayla. Our defence was put under the pump and stood tall. Well done to Bushy for putting up a great fight. Bring on next week. Go Dunolly!

U15s

It was a slow start for both teams, with many turnovers. Royal Park held a narrow lead coming into the second quarter. We improved every quarter with Chloe and Ellen working tirelessly in defence making many intercepts. Sherridan, Lucy, Bella and Bree worked the ball down the court well and Grace and Caitlin combined nicely in the ring. It was a thrilling last quarter which saw us hit the lead by four, but Royal Park lifted their game in the last few minutes to get four quick goals resulting in a 14-14 draw. Best on went to our hard working defenders Chloe Tobin and Ellen Stratford.

C Grade

It was a slow start to the game, however after a few quick changes we managed to turn it around, working well as a team and seeing some great play. Unfortunately we couldn't come away with a win this time. A big thank you goes to everyone for a great first game. Well done girls! Best on went to Claire Ostarovic and thank you to Grace Brady for sitting on the bench for the team.

B Grade

Congratulates Brooke Deason on her role as captain and while the team is a new look combination this year the girls settled into some great passages of play early. Maddie Hall has stepped up this year and did a stellar job in wing attack combining well with Deanna Luff in the centre. Steph Fankhauser shook off some early nerves to make great space in the ring and score nicely. It was Katie McDonald who stole the show early on with many intercepts in the ring. Royal Park proved too strong in the last quarter to push the margin out but this didn't indicate the closeness of the match. With a few more matches under our belts B grade will turn the tables on the scoreboard. Incentives went to Maddie Hall for a confident start to her year in seniors and to newcomer Katie McDonald who was very strong in defence gaining many intercepts.

A Grade

Royal Park got the jump early on and continued to increase that lead throughout the game. Although our defenders caused many turnovers our attack end was unable to convert in the first half. Dunolly came out strong in 3rd with many wonderful passages of play, but it was too little too late and we went down 40-18. Unfortunately the end result doesn't reflect how much of the ball we actually had. Best on went to Mel Rose.

Reminder

This Saturday 23 April is the first home game for The Eagles Netball and Football teams against Avoca.

“His loss I did not realise”

On 9 October 1915, the community of Dunolly, Victoria, gathered to celebrate the wedding of Herbert Pollard and Hilda Murray. At the reception, reference was made to Pollard leaving shortly for the front. The guests were encouraged to look past this ‘dark side’. All joined in the strong hope of rejoicing in the welcome of his return.

Hilda Murray carried a horseshoe to bring luck to the wedding day and in their subsequent life together. It was not to be. Their happiness was short lived, and the portrait below is one of the few tangible memories remaining from their nuptials. The following month, Pollard embarked with the 29th battalion. His initiation into the fighting on the Western Front came from Fromelles. Intended as a diversion, the assault on Fromelles was a costly failure. Almost 2,000 Australians were killed in action or died of wounds over the course of the attack on 19-20 July 1916, and 1,299 were eventually declared missing.

Among the casualties was Pollard. The uncertainty around the circumstances of his death, and its suddenness, made it difficult for Hilda to accept that the man she married less than a year before was gone. Compounding her grief was the knowledge that their daughter Agnes, born after Pollard’s embarkation would never know her Father.

On the anniversary of Pollard’s death in 1917, Hilda submitted an in Memoriam notice to *The Argus*. In her tribute she included a piece of popular verse, highlighting the prolonged grief many widows and families faced:

‘His loss I did not realise
Nor feel that he has gone;
But I know my grief I’ll have to bear
When his mates come back, and he is not there.’

Hilda eventually remarried in 1924. Herbert Pollard was initially commemorated as one of the missing at the memorial in VC Corner Cemetery. In 2010, through the work of the joint Australian Army and United Kingdom Ministry of Defence Fromelles Project, Pollard’s remains were recovered and identified. He was later interred in the newly established Fromelles (Pheasant Wood) Military Cemetery.

Herbert Pollard and Hilda’s Murray’s experience befell many couples in the course of the war; their wedding portrait is one of many held by the Memorial that speak of a family unmet and a future unrealised.

The portrait currently features in the photographic display *Faces Of War*, part of the Memorial’s refurbished First World War galleries.

Written by Kate Morschell Assistant curator, Photograph, Film and Sound

Published in ‘Wartime’ the official magazine of the Australian War memorial.

This article was kindly sent to us by Joyce Chivers.



The Australian Memorials at Fromelles - On the right is the bronze statue, titled ‘Cobbers’, by Australian sculptor Peter Corlett. It depicts Sergeant Simon Fraser of the 57th Battalion in an enduring image of the aftermath of the battle, the rescue of the wounded.

