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## AND THE WINNER IS .....SHARON HILEY

The race has been run and the judges have judged and deemed that Sharon Hiley, coordinator of the Neighbourhood Community Centre, is the winner for her story "My Name is Roxy".

There were nine entrants in *The Welcome Record's* competition for the best animal story.

Whilst we at the paper enjoyed reading all the stories, we handed over the task of judging to an outside party to ensure the results were completely unbiased and fair. We asked John Ellis and Beverley Bloxham of CNAV (Community Newspaper Association of Victoria) to read each story and make a choice for first prize.

They deliberated for several weeks and finally chose Sharon to be the recipient of the \$100 prize.

This is their comment on her story:

*"A well-constructed and original piece of writing held our attention with nice verbal surprises and twisted metaphors studded through the essay. Good observations of dog behaviour. Great photo."*

Today, Sharon and Roxy came into *The Welcome Record* office and were presented with the cheque and a certificate by the paper's president, Jean Richardson. Sharon was happy to receive the money, but was thrilled at the recognition her writing received. Roxy was just happy to be patted by all the staff.

We are re-running the story on page nine (9) to refresh your memory.

'Highly Recommended' was awarded to Rachel Buckley (our resident Queen Victoria) for 'The Dancing Vixen'.

Comments from the judges: *'Lovely use of language, a good story and a pleasure to read. A situation many people can relate to.'*



Sharon with Roxy - the star of the story

Below are comments on all the other stories in no particular order.

**Fred - by Martyn Barnett**

*'A cute story about a man and a dog. Nice introduction and a good description of the personality of the dog. Made us care about the dog and the old man. Nice photo, suits the story.'*

**Matilda's Story - by Wes Jolly**

*'Lovely reminiscences of country life and a lovely photo of Matilda.'*

**Trust - by Brenda Cheers**

*'A lovely heart-warming story and well told by a caring person. Would benefit from judicious editing.'*

**There's a Wallaby in the Milk - by Brenda Cheers**

*'Great story about the trials and tribulations of an orphaned wallaby and his carers. Lovely photo.'*

**Looking for Lovely - by Wendy Deller**

*'A sweet story about a small boy's love for a chicken and his efforts to reproduce it. Gorgeous photo.'*

**My Dog Freckle**

*'The bond between owner and dog is palpable in this sweet, emotional story accompanied by a lovely photo.'*

The staff at *The Welcome Record* congratulate Sharon (and Roxy of course), and extend a well-done to all entrants.

*The Welcome Record* will run another competition next year, so get your pens or computers ready. Details will be advised closer to the competition date.

Susan Anderson



Sharon Hiley with Jean Richardson

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**Tuesday 9.30am - 3.30pm**  
**Wednesday 9.00am -1.00pm**

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

The Hotel has opened, the Bakery has won a gold medal and a permanent library is in the air – Dunolly is on a roll!!

Congratulations to all winners of medals at the Olympics so far – no matter what colour.

I actually heard a newsreader say that sadly the Slalom rower had only won a silver medal! This meant that she was the second best in the world for that event at the Olympics – only???

I would like to see an Olympic Games for commentators – that would sort out the “experts” from the competitors.

It seems I renamed the swimmer Horton last week. His name is actually Mack, not Matt. No matter – he still has a gold medal.

Did my first lawn mow of the year this afternoon – only a little bit of grass – but I had forgotten what hard work it is.

One thing though, the way the grass is leaping out of the ground, I'll be an expert again before the heat arrives to slow things down. The front yard does look a lot better.

I needed wooden curtain rings this week, so of course I headed to the Op Shop. Surprisingly the local didn't have any, so next time I was in Maryborough I was on a mission.

Found a bag full – enough to rehang nearly all the curtains in the house, should the fit ever take me.

The amount of “stuff” in circulation in oppies and markets at any one time is enormous, and that doesn't take into account the amount of stuff that is actually put in the tips.

If all the things that are recycled suddenly vanished, I reckon that the economy (whatever that is) would collapse.

### SILLY RIDDLE –

Why do white sheep eat more than black sheep?  
Because there are many more white sheep.

### DOG DAYS –

Your pooch doesn't care if you are poor, old, sick or lacking Hollywood good looks. It's love that counts.

Rosie



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## LETTERS TO EDITOR

### Re: Council Sackings

Dear Editor

In a move that shows that the Municipal Association of Victoria (the MAV is the Victorian State government's department for local councils) will no longer tolerate local government non-compliance, the Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate (Inspectorate) yesterday announced they will sack 107 councillors across Victoria, which make up 13 councils and a number of individual councillors in several other councils. Central Goldfields Shire Council is one of them. The reason being given is the failure of these councillors to sign a pledge to act within a new code of conduct within the specified time. All Victorian councils were required to adopt the codes of conduct by July this year. It seems that it was the failure of council CEOs to ensure the pledge was signed in their presence that was the reason for most of the oversights. The Inspectorate has announced the sackings will be effective from 1 September 2016. The State Government can act in time to avoid the sackings if it enacts legislation extending the deadline.

With council elections across the state in late October, all councils were scheduled to go into caretaker mode from 1 September. By making the sackings effective on the same date, the Inspectorate has saved Victorians a lot of money and lessened the impact it will have on the affected councils.

#### About the Inspectorate

The Local Government Investigations and Compliance Inspectorate (Inspectorate) is an independent administrative office established to assess compliance with the Local Government Act 1989 (Act), the guiding legislation for Victoria's 79 councils.

The Inspectorate conducts compliance audits at all Victorian local councils, including spot audits, and investigates complaints of alleged breaches of the Act. The Inspectorate does not investigate complaints relating to council decisions or democratic processes unless there is an allegation of corruption or a breach of the Act. If anyone has an allegation to make regarding breaches of the act or code of conduct, they can contact the Inspectorate on the complaints hotline **1800 469 359**. The Inspectorate can only investigate matters related to council operations and breaches of the Act involving a councillor, a senior council officer or any individual subject to the conflict of interest provisions within the Act; or any individual where the matter relates to electoral provisions.

For more information on the Inspectorate or the Municipal Association go ring or go online to:

<http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/local-government>.

Costantino Di Biase  
Candidate for Flynn Ward



### The D Sharps at Tarnagulla

The Tarnagulla Senior Citizens were delighted to welcome back the inimitable D Sharps to its meeting on Monday last. Although several members of the D Sharps had had a tiring weekend they sang nine songs with verve and cheerfulness and with their usual mastery of harmony. The songs ranged from 'The Green Door' to 'All the Pretty Ponies', an Irish lullaby. Perhaps the most unforgettable number was 'Blue Moon' with its intriguing, inventive arrangement. But there was scope for the audience as well as we were invited to join in 'Que Sera' – well, the chorus anyway – as individual members sang the various verses. The occasion was especially appreciated by the Tarnagulla Senior Citizens as we were feeling rather dispirited until the D Sharps came. We were saddened at the passing last week of one of our beloved members, John Reed, and were concerned that so many of our members were either in hospital or too unwell to come.

If your group is in need of cheering up, call the melodeons - the D Sharps!

Joan Ansell

### Dunolly Community Market Round-up Report

The Dunolly Community Market was held on Sunday 14 August 2016, and what a day it was! The sun was shining and there were quite a few new faces holding stalls. The RSL hosted their first BBQ as part of the market. The town of Dunolly had lots of people visiting and the market was quite busy. We had 26 stalls and shop owners opened for business. We hope they all did well. Our next market will be a very special day as it is September 11 and, as part of this day, the Dunolly Community Market Committee will be donating 50% of our takings to a worthy cause in Mental Health. We will advise further as to which group the proceeds will be donated.

Thank you to all our stall holders who have moved their vehicles out of the street so shoppers are able to stop and browse.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the market on Sunday 11 September and hope you all have a great day.

Leanne, Secretary  
Dunolly Community Market Committee

### Words in Winter Festival Events hosted by Dunolly

#### Saturday 27 August - 7pm

Held at the Arts Hub, Dunolly ( Scout Hall) Cnr of Alice & Thompson Sts Dunolly.

Storytelling around the bonfire. Gather around the bonfire and join in a progressive storytelling circle or wander inside to the wood fire to play your part in a read through of two comic 10 minute plays, or just relax with a hot chocolate and listen to Paul Kelly sing Shakespeare.

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#### Sunday 28 August - 2pm

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The couple welcome visitors all year round, but a special invitation has been issued for Father's Day, 4 September, when the property will host the launch of the 2016 "Naturally Loddon" Spring Festival.

The festival comprises 10 family-friendly events spread across eight weeks.

This year's program also includes the ever-popular Kooyoora Wildflower Show, family weekends at Terrick Terrick National Park and Tarnagulla, a fishing competition, wetlands tour, vintage machinery rally, two local festivals and Boort's annual metal sculpture competition.

The Piccoli's gardens will be open from 11am to 4pm, with a barbecue operating, afternoon tea and refreshments available all day, a jumping castle and face painting.

To obtain a festival brochure, phone the Loddon Visitor Information Centre on 5494 1257 or visit

[www.loddon.vic.gov.au](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au)

<http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Lists/Events/Naturally-Loddon-Fathers-Day-at-Piccolis-Star-Spanner-Sculpture-Gardens>



## Books, books, books

By now most people in Dunolly will have seen and perhaps visited the Lions Book Shop which has been open for the best part of this year. Headed by Susan, the President, and Luke, the Treasurer, plus a number of volunteers, (seven at the last count) the shop is brimming with books of all sorts. They include fiction, cooking, craft, health, large print and many others. All these books have been donated and are very reasonably priced. Proceeds are channelled back into the community and a number of donations have been made to various local organisations.

The recent Biggest Morning Tea raised quite a large sum of money which was distributed where most needed. The shop opens five days a week and customers and browsers are always most welcome.



Cynthia Lindsay

## Newstead Concert a success



The Dunolly Gilbert & Sullivan Society were well received at the Newstead Hall with their performance of music from several of Gilbert & Sullivan's operettas.

Queen Victoria (aka Rachel Buckley) narrated the proceedings with gusto, running some quizzes and eliciting lots of laughter.

The singers were in fine form with songs from Trial by Jury, The Mikado, Pirates of Penzance and The Gondoliers.

A comment overheard by yours truly: *"It was so much fun and had a great spirit."*

Susan Anderson

## Doctor now flying directly to Dunolly

The Dunolly community now has even more options when it comes to accessing health care. Dr Jane Russell from the Rural Woman's GP Service, which is run by the Royal Flying Doctor's Service, will be visiting Dunolly Medical Practice for two days every six weeks to offer medical advice to community members. Dr Russell will be visiting Dunolly for at least the next 12 months as the local health practice has no female doctor. Having her first day in Dunolly as a GP on Tuesday, Dr Russell said she had so far enjoyed her time in the small town.

"It's been good. We've had quite a few patients, hopefully they've all been happy," Dr Russell said. "It's a very friendly town. Everyone here seems very friendly," she said.

While having an extensive history in women's health, Dr Russell said she is happy to make appointments with men as well as women. "I've got a background in woman's health and obstetrics but I'm happy to see anyone. It's for anyone who wants to come. though I'm expecting it to be predominantly women," she said. "I would like to thank Dr Rauf Soomro, who is the doctor here, for all of his support."

The GP program, which is funded for the next 12 months by Rural Workforce Agency Victoria, has been going for 16 years and was originally a Commonwealth project. "It was to supply a female GP to country areas who don't have female doctors," Dr Russell said. "There are more female doctors gradually coming to country areas now. I've been with the program since the beginning and I've worked in approximately 10 different clinics in Victoria and New South Wales. On average in Victoria, we're

seeing 800 patients a year," she said.

While she doesn't currently have access to a plane, Dr Russell said she does indeed take to the skies on occasions. "I do work for the Flying Doctor at Broken Hill and I do fly there" she said. Dr Russell said she first became involved in the program because she always wanted to practise in rural areas, but due to family reasons, was unable to leave Melbourne.

"This is my way to do some work in the country areas," she said. "I really enjoy it."

**To book an appointment with Dr Russell, contact Dunolly Medical Practice on 5468 1104.**

Story by Lachy Steed,  
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It's time to draw a line in the sand.

From this week Council will be issuing clean up notices to residents whose properties have become eyesores. Over the last 12 months our local laws officers have undertaken a visual assessment of properties, identifying 100 as requiring action under Council's unsightly property assessment matrix.

The majority of identified properties are in Loddon Shire township areas and impact on those living and working nearby.

As the trash builds it swallows the ability of landowners to mow and maintain their yards, creating a haven for vermin and snakes. It also presents a fire risk as surrounding grass grows longer and thicker. Before summer approaches is the time to get those properties up to scratch.

Council is urging residents who have let their surrounds run wild to take action now. Where possible Council will work with residents issued a clean-up notice.

However, if owners refuse to cooperate, Council will either take steps to enforce the clean-up, or as a last resort, undertake the work itself and require reimbursement of costs which could prove to be an expensive option.

Our intention isn't to excessively minimise the use or enjoyment of residential land but rather to ensure we keep the best interests of the broader community front and centre.

It's time to take pride in where we live and work together to make Loddon Shire an even better place to call home.

### Easy English training opens doors

About 3200 adults within Loddon Shire have difficulty reading and writing.

An Easy English workshop to be held at our Wedderburn Council Office between 9.30am and 4pm on Friday 2 September is designed to help bridge the gap. Easy English training will assist participants to develop documents designed specifically for people with difficulties reading and understanding English by combining text and images to convey information simply and directly.

The workshop will be valuable to anyone who creates documents available to the public.

You can register your interest in attending the workshop by contacting Cara Smith at [csmith@loddon.vic.gov.au](mailto:csmith@loddon.vic.gov.au) by Friday 19 August.

### Council election enrolment reminder

To have a say in who represents your community for the next four year period your enrolment details must be registered and up to date. You can complete an enrolment form online by visiting [vec.vic.gov.au/Enrolment](http://vec.vic.gov.au/Enrolment), or pick one up at any post office or Australian Electoral Commission office.

Voting is compulsory and all enrolments must reach the Victorian Electoral Commission by 4pm on Friday 26 August to count in the October Council elections.

Keep your eye out for further updates as the Council elections draw nearer.  
Cr Neil Beattie

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## Loddon River fishway to help threatened species

Some of the country's most threatened fish species have been given a helping hand, with a new fishway opening up 123 kilometres of the Loddon River. The \$280,000 State government-funded project, which opens up almost one third of the entire catchment, is located at Canary Island near Serpentine and removes the last remaining fish barrier between the Murray River and the Loddon Weir. North Central Catchment Management Authority project manager Greg Barber said a pipe was built in the early 1980's in an attempt to combat modified flow caused by early squatters near the Wandella Creek offtake. "Unfortunately fish don't like long pipes," he said. "They are dark and water flows through too quickly. The constant velocity means fish have nowhere to rest. This pipe is a big physical barrier to fish movement. It stops fish migrating to breed and traps a large number of fish both upstream and downstream. It also means fish cannot move through parts of the Loddon to the Murray River, and vice versa," Mr Barber said. With the area home to a number of threatened fish species, Mr Barber said the project has been a high priority for a long time. "The fishway potentially opens up a large stretch of the Loddon to threatened fish species, such as silver perch, Murray cod, trout cod, golden perch, Murray darling rainbow fish and freshwater catfish," he said. The ability of native fish to migrate for breeding is an important part of their survival. These fish can now swim out of the Murray and up to the Loddon Weir, or from The Loddon Weir into the Murray. The new fishway will not only aid fish of all sizes, but will also significantly contribute to the North Central Catchment Authority's native fish recovery plan. While we expect mostly small to medium bodied fish to benefit the most, environmental flows can now target a wide range of fish, including large-bodied natives such as Murray cod. Opening up these rivers also contributes to the North Central CMA's native fish recovery plan, a vital program aimed at increasing native fish numbers through flows, revegetation and fencing."



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## My name is Roxy

*Entrant in The Welcome Record Animal Story Competition  
By Sharon Hiley of Dunolly*



I was born in Bendigo about eight or nine years ago, (I'm not quite sure of the exact date because I was sort of pushed and pulled from pillar to post in my early puppyhood). But my mum thinks I'm eight. Anyway I digress. Let's face it; I was cute, very

cute, and in fact so cute that the little girls who jumped up and down screaming, "Please, please, please can we have her?" didn't really know what they were in for. You see, I'm a Pomeranian and although I have the most beautiful coat of blonde shot with a touch of amber, I shed a lot, and of course once they got me home (and I'll say this in a whisper) I peed a lot too. So I was given to their grandmother in Maldon who had a number of other, err, large canines. Now that was scary, let me tell you! And then was given to another lady who couldn't handle me and then to another, so I didn't know where I was supposed to be. And as I said, pushed from pillar to post. But as they say, good things always come along in tall packages, because one very cold day in July, seven years ago, I was tethered outside a café in Maldon where my temporary "owner" was having a coffee, and I see sauntering along the street this very promising, tall (well he was very tall to me) potential dad. So I put on my cutest look, my dazzling smile, and flashed my wagging tail in his direction and he was hooked, lined and sinkered. I knew he would be. I did mention I was cute didn't I? So, without consulting the better half, he agreed to take charge of me and so we proceeded on our way to pick up the missus from the meeting she was attending. As I was sitting on the back seat of *our* car (you see I was home already) thinking what a lucky break I've had, I

noticed concerned looks and frequent finger pointing in my direction from said missus. But as it turned out they did take me home with a detour to the shops to spend many dollars on beds, bowls, food, brushes, combs and all the comforts that a dog such as me may need. At first I was a little timid but after leaving my "mark" in many rooms, I soon settled in.

I knew it was going to take quite a while to train them but I decided to get on with it straight away. I let them know in no uncertain terms that I was not to be trifled with; I would go where I wanted, bark at who I wanted and eat what and where I wanted. There were a few, shall we say, battles, but all I had to do was give them the cute thing and all was well and I got on with things! I'll often hear strange noises coming from my dad as he goes back and forth to his workshop like "*Arrgh, yuk, and, bloody hell Roxy*" as he holds his leg up in the air. (I have no idea what he's on about!)

I've made friends too, living in Dunolly. There's Jackson next door, I let him know who's boss, and my cousin Amber, but Maisie is my particular friend. Her mum lets me stay at her place every now and then. (Shhhhhh! She had puppyhood dramas too before her mum rescued her) and I condescend to let her come over to my place for a visit and even sit on my dad's lap! Which is very gracious of me, I'll have you know! But I do keep my eye on them. If we happen to walk past Maisie's house when we go for the paper, I'll stop at the gate, as you do. Then after a few struggles and drags along the foot path and some not very nice words, my mum gives in and shoves me in the yard. Why she seems to be annoyed I don't know, after all, one must keep in touch with ones friends!

And so, we go along very nicely. Thank you for asking. And it won't be long now before I have them trained, (it has taken years you know!) to just how I'd like them to be. And if you see me in the street, please say hello. I don't bite, I love cuddles and I'm very friendly, if I may say so myself. Oh, and did I mention I was cute?

Yours Roxy

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- Grade 1/2 – Hannah Freemantle
- Grade 3/4 – to be announced
- Grade 5/6 – to be announced
- Principal's – Alice Milburn
- Art – Chloe Goodwin
- Auslan – to be announced

Awards are given to students  
at assembly each week.

## Last Week's Stars of the Week!!!



## Performing Arts Festival

This year our school will be playing host to all the schools in our cluster for the **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Performing Arts Festival**.

- \* Juniors on Wednesday 31 August
- \* Seniors on Thursday 1 September and Friday 2 September
- \* Afternoon concerts will be held in the Town Hall on each day of the festival at 2pm to 3pm
- \* Our artists this year are Gillian Eastoe and Terry Murray (Music), Terry Cole (Circus) and Jamel Singh (Dance).
- \* **Junior students (Prep – Year 2) \$10.00**
- \* **Senior students (Years 3 – 6) \$20.00**
- \* No need to pay as we will use your child's CSEF or Drought Assistance money

## Day care Visit

On **Tuesday 23 August** (please note the change in date) Mrs. Polinelli's Year 1 students will be going to the Dunolly Hospital to visit their elderly buddies for morning tea and games. Please ensure your child has a raincoat for this day as we may have to walk in the rain.



## BOOK FAIR

Tuesday 23 August – Thursday 5 August

It is that time of the year again where we celebrate books and reading. Reading is an essential life skill and sadly, nearly half of the population can't read with any fluency. This is a worrying statistic. Encouraging a love of books and interest in reading from a young age is integral to the development of language skills. Just by reading a book each day to your child, you can make a real difference to their literacy development!



## BOOK PARADE

Wednesday 24 August at 9am

Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character. Parents and siblings are also encouraged to dress up for the parade.





## Church News

### Dunolly Christian Churches

Invite you to worship God and welcome you to their services: **Sunday 21 August**

#### Anglican Church Services:

##### St John's Dunolly Anglican Parish Service

Morning Prayer Rev. Sandra 9am  
Sunday 21 August - 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### 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** No Masses in August, September and October

#### Uniting Church Services:

##### Bealiba Uniting Church

2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am

##### Dunolly Uniting Church

Rev Ken Rookes will lead us in Holy Communion at 9.30 am at Dunolly Uniting Church

##### Laanecoorie Uniting Church

No service

### Uniting Church News

This week Rev Ken Rookes is back with us for two weeks. We are very glad to have him come. His leadership is supreme and everyone is welcome to come to our Church and partake in Communion.

On Monday 22 August, UCAF will go to Avoca by car for a shared lunch with the Avoca UCAF. Word for the day is 'Praise'. Please bring a photo of your life.

On Wednesday 24 August, Messy Church will meet at 4pm for craft and a light tea. All children welcome with a carer, for a gold coin donation.

Our Op Shop will be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Come in; you are welcome to browse among our stock of warm winter clothes in all sizes .

Jean Richardson

### St John's Church News

We wish Jean and Ron all the very best on their move into Havilah. We thank them for all the support they have given to St John's.

Evensong will be held at Christ the King, Maryborough at 5pm on the 28<sup>th</sup> August. Father Simon Robinson will be the preacher and he will be preaching on the Holy Spirit.

Trina Kay

#### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

*In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.*

*Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress,  
to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.*

Psalm 71: 1,3

### Catholic Church St Mary's Muse

There will be no 10am Saturday confession while Father John is away. You can request a visiting priest.

Terry Ranger will be in Maryborough on 19 August. Ring 5331 4032 for an appointment.

Wattle City Church invites us to hear Rod Walsh, who has made a 14 year study of Noah's Ark. He will speak at 19 Argyle Rd Maryborough at 7pm on 30 August; this is a free presentation.

Sr Maree from Ararat gives a big thanks to everyone who helped at and attended Sister Barbara's farewell.

There will be an assembly at St Mary's Dunolly at 8.30 am on Sunday 21 August..

R. Mecredy

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

John 10 : 27



### Goodbye to Sister Barbara

An era has come to a close as Sister Barbara May has officially retired from St Augustine's parish due to health reasons.

Being involved in many community events and charities, the Maryborough nun first came to town in 1993 as a teacher, but quickly found herself working as a pastoral worker in the St Augustine parish in Maryborough.

The well-known identity, was a tireless worker for the parish, organising children to receive the Sacraments including baptisms, as well as arranging weddings and funerals.

Sr Barbara's work wasn't just limited to the church as she was also involved in the community, having served as patron for Relay for Life as well as being a member of Maryborough Probus Club, Maryborough Cemetery Trust, St Vincent de Paul, The Coffee Group, as well as many others, which led her to be awarded Central Goldfields Shire Citizen of the Year in 2014.

In her time with the parish, Sr Barbara — who is now receiving care in the Brigidine Community in Malvern — lent support to many priests over the years. When the priests were unavailable, Sr Barbara would always take over their duties with capability and enthusiasm along with her unique sense of humour.

In the past, she has been a great support to families in times of personal tragedy, to members of the church as well as the community. Her strong sense of social justice saw her championing those most vulnerable in the wider community.

On Saturday, 26 July, the St Augustine's parish, and the wider community, farewelled Sr Barbara with a Thanksgiving Mass, which was followed by a well-attended feast.

Courtesy The Maryborough Advertiser

## Entropy

Rachael's relationship with Patrick started off with a bang. They were young and infatuated with one another, their love affair fiery. They were never seen apart and maintained physical contact at every opportunity - holding hands or arm in arm as they strolled the streets of the city.

*-- Petrol explodes with a force comparable to dynamite, obliterating the structure and order of long-chain molecules in the process ...*

Lately Patrick seemed less interested in things generally. Rachael had tried to spice things up but she was running out of options. She couldn't understand it; they'd been so right for each other. Patrick was not helping matters. He always had an excuse that apparently demanded more of his attention than hers.

She possessed a willingness to travel afar and to see new things. He wanted to stay right where he was. She anticipated meeting new people. He preferred to stay at home. She aspired to be dynamic and vibrant. He was content to remain sedentary.

Now this - Rachael had thought that a holiday together in Surfers Paradise would re-invigorate their regard for one another. Sadly, he refused to go, saying something about skyscrapers on a beach not being his cup of tea. That was Patrick: opinionated. So, damn him, she went by herself.

*-- The second law of thermodynamics states that entropy always increases with time ...*

Rachael sent him postcards from Surfers Paradise. For some reason, she expected him to meet her at the airport when she returned. She was crestfallen and a little teary when she realized he was not there.

*-- Order resolves into disorder in isolated systems ...*

She found him back at their apartment chugging beer and watching football on the television. He didn't even say sorry - for not going with her in the first place; for not greeting her at the airport; for not making an effort and according her some respect; for everything really. Sorry for just being him.

They had become complete strangers. As she was already carrying a suitcase, she turned on her heels and left. Patrick had abandoned that ray of light that was their shared future. It was clear that he had chosen entropy instead of her.

Martyn Barnett

## Sustainable house visit.....



### Saturday 20 August

Goldfields Sustainability Group's August event will be a visit to Greg and Heather McNeilly's house which uses off-grid electricity and is constructed from some interesting recycled building materials.

We have been invited to visit the McNeilly's at 1pm on Saturday 20 August. The address is ("The Block") 97 Avoca Rd. Talbot.

Please meet at the Goldfields Shire Office car park to leave at 12.45pm if you wish to car pool. And don't forget to bring something to share for afternoon tea. Coffee and tea provided.

Barry Parsons



What's going on at  
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## GOLDEN TRIANGLE ARCHERS 2 DAY SHOOT

34 archers, and their entourages converged on Dunolly last weekend for a fierce archery competition.

A challenging 25-target field course kept them on their toes. Various distances kept them eagle-eyed. The speed round kept the heart racing and the running pig kept them laughing.

The food kept them well fed (the best food of all the competitions, some say) and the fire kept them warm.

There were sing-alongs round the camp fire and a few red eyes in the morning.

But all declared it was a great weekend of Archery.

And all will be back next year.

### Our Winners were

#### Men's

##### Traditional

1<sup>st</sup> Geoff Blake  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tony Justice  
3<sup>rd</sup> Rob Clark

##### Recurve

1<sup>st</sup> Greg Walker  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tony Snushall

##### Historic

1<sup>st</sup> Andy Guelen  
2<sup>nd</sup> Neville Scott  
3<sup>rd</sup> Danial Clark

##### Modern

1<sup>st</sup> Matt Higgins  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mick Smith  
3<sup>rd</sup> Lawrie Console

#### Ladies

##### Historic

1<sup>st</sup> Leanne Scott  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jeanna Guelen  
1<sup>st</sup> Tammie Tait

##### Modern

#### Juniors

##### Traditional

1<sup>st</sup> Brooke Wright  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kain Cocks  
3<sup>rd</sup> Lachlan Hatfield

##### Historic

1<sup>st</sup> Jack Guelen  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley Wright  
3<sup>rd</sup> Kayla Jeans

##### Modern

1<sup>st</sup> Tahlia Walker  
2<sup>nd</sup> Marta Console

#### Axe Throw winners

*Men* Danial Clark,

*Women* Nola Freemantle. Juniors- Kayla Jeans.

#### Knife throw Winners

*Men* Geoff Blake,

*Women* Nola Freemantle, Juniors- Jack Guelen

*Cubs* Zanda Dell.

The Overall Winner, who is the top scorer from all categories, divisions and events, was our own **Jack Guelen**.

Congratulations to all our winners. You are the ones who make the shoot the success it is!

There are lots of people to thank for putting on a great weekend: Pam, Faye, Vicky, Janine, Joy and Lynda for helping out in the kitchen and the wonderful soups and casseroles; the St John's ladies for the delicious cakes; Andy, Jeanna, Glenn, Nola, Mike and all the kids for setting up and clearing up and keeping everyone knowing where to go and what to do.

And a big thank you to Glenn, Mike and Danial who made all the magnificent trophies. Thanks to everyone.

The Golden Triangle Archers ordinary shoot is on 28 August..

Ring 54681511 for more information or call in to the Centre; we are the building to the right of the hospital.



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# Central Goldfields Shire Council elections Your Council, Your Vote



## You must be enrolled to vote

Elections will be held for Central Goldfields Shire Council in October 2016.

To be able to vote, you must be enrolled by 4.00 pm on Friday 26 August 2016.

### Am I enrolled to vote?

You are already enrolled for these elections if:

- you will be 18 years of age or over on 22 October 2016 **AND**
- you live in Central Goldfields Shire **AND**
- you are on the State electoral roll for your present address.

Or if:

- you own a property within Central Goldfields Shire but don't live in the municipality.

You may also be enrolled to vote for these elections if you pay rates for a residence or corporation within Central Goldfields Shire. If you enrolled directly with Central Goldfields Shire Council for a previous election you will need to renew your application if you wish to be enrolled for these elections.

### How can I check my enrolment?

If you are an Australian citizen you can check your enrolment details at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au) at any time, or call 1300 805 478.

If you have any other voting entitlement, contact the council on (03) 5461 0610.

### How do I enrol?

You must enrol by 4.00 pm on Friday 26 August if you are an Australian citizen, living in Victoria, aged 18 or over on 22 October 2016, and:

- you are not on the State electoral roll or
- you have lived at your present residential address for at least a month and have not updated your enrolment details.

Complete an enrolment form online at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au) or pick one up at any post office or Australian Electoral Commission office and return it to the Victorian Electoral Commission by 4.00 pm on Friday 26 August.

If you are not on the roll for this election, but you do pay rates in Central Goldfields Shire, you may be eligible to apply to be enrolled with council. Please contact the council on (03) 5461 0610 for more information.

## Enrol before 4.00 pm Friday 26 August 2016

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- Ελληνικά 9209 0103 Greek • Italiano 9209 0104 Italian
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# IMPORTANT DATES

## Bealiba CWA

Meetings 1pm Bealiba Hall, 3rd Thursday of month

**Bealiba Playgroup** meets every Friday from 10am to 11am in the Primary School during school terms

**Bealiba Progress Association** meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month 7.30pm Bealiba Hall

**Bealiba Bingo** 1.30pm in the Bealiba Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> 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

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month

**Dunolly Day Support** Tuesday and Thursdays

10.30am to 2.30pm Phone 5468 2907

**Dunolly District Auxiliary**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 10am Hospital Day Room

**Dunolly Community Market**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month 8am to 1pm- Broadway

**Dunolly Field and Game** meeting

1st Wednesday each month 7.30pm at 147 Broadway

**Dunolly Fire Brigade** meeting

1<sup>st</sup> 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 & District Lions Club** meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month 6.30pm

**Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch** meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month 2pm 75 Broadway

**Dunolly St George Lodge**

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month

**Dunolly Social Cyclists**

Meet fortnightly. Call Neville for info: 5468 7295

**Dunolly Historic Precinct Committee**

4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month 1pm Town Hall



## AUGUST

- Thursday 18** Last Thursday Night dinner at DFNC
- Friday 19** Maude St Preschool Art Show 5-7pm
- Saturday 20** Goldfields Sustainability House visit - meet at Goldfields shire office at 12.45pm for carpool
- Saturday 27** Discover Felt Workshop Bookings 0490 077 902
- Saturday 27** Fireside Readings with Lynda Vater Arts Hub (Scout Hall) Dunolly - 7pm
- Sunday 28** Fireside Poetry Readings with Rachel Buckley at Buckley's of Dunolly - 2pm

**Dunolly Unit Vic SES** meeting 6.30pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month.

Training every other Tuesday

**Dunolly Uniting Church Messy Church**

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month 4.30pm to 6pm

**Golden Triangle Archers**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month 10am behind Deledio Reserve

**Ladies Only General Exercise Class** Thursdays

5.15pm Dunolly RSL hall.

**Ladies only Self Defence 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

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month 10am

**Senior Citizens Carpet Bowls** each Monday 1.30pm

**Senior Citizens Luncheon**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday/month 12.30pm

Senior Citizens Card Playing

Each Tuesday at 1.30pm

**Talbot Farmers Market**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday /month 9am to 1pm

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

**Tarnagulla Action Group - Community Centre**

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month 7.30pm - (note new time)

**Tarnagulla Senior Citizens - Victoria Hall**

1st and 3rd Monday of the month - 11.30am-3.30pm

**Welcome Record Committee**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month - 2pm in the office

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# QUICK CROSSWORD 124

- 37. Ate
- 38. Ocean ray
- 39. Stood up
- 41. Process of combining nuclei to produce energy, nuclear \_\_\_\_
- 42. No part
- 43. Free of charge
- 44. Employ
- 45. Move back (of tide, eg.)

- 26. Stake money (on)
- 28. Refined and elegant
- 29. Place (in house, eg.) where meals are eaten, \_\_\_\_ room

- 30. Assistance given
- 31. Convert into charged atoms
- 32. Walk with lively steps (of horse, eg.)
- 34. Uncomplicated

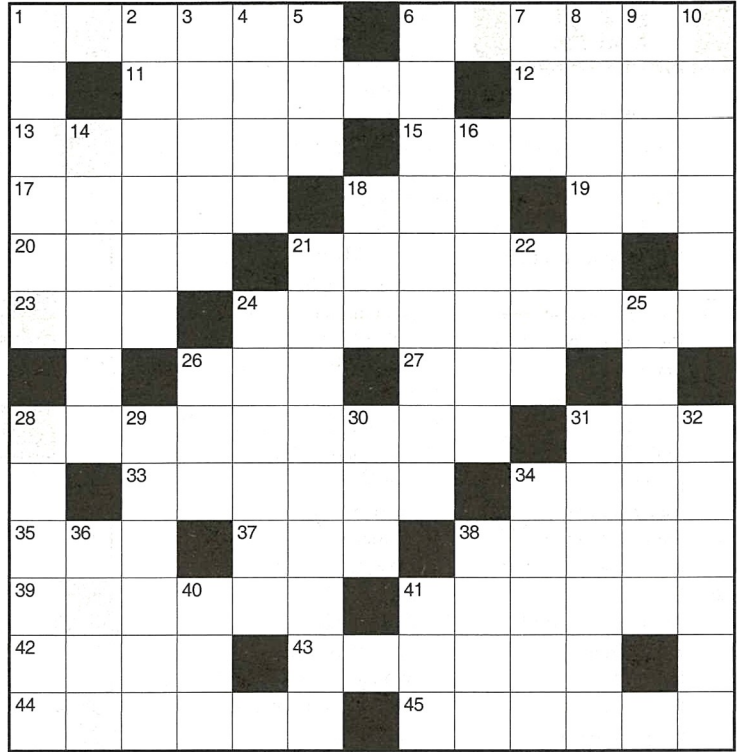
- 36. Fabric-pressing device
- 38. Of the 'g' in 'gnome', eg.
- 40. Dugong, eg., \_\_\_\_ cow
- 41. To a great distance

**Across**

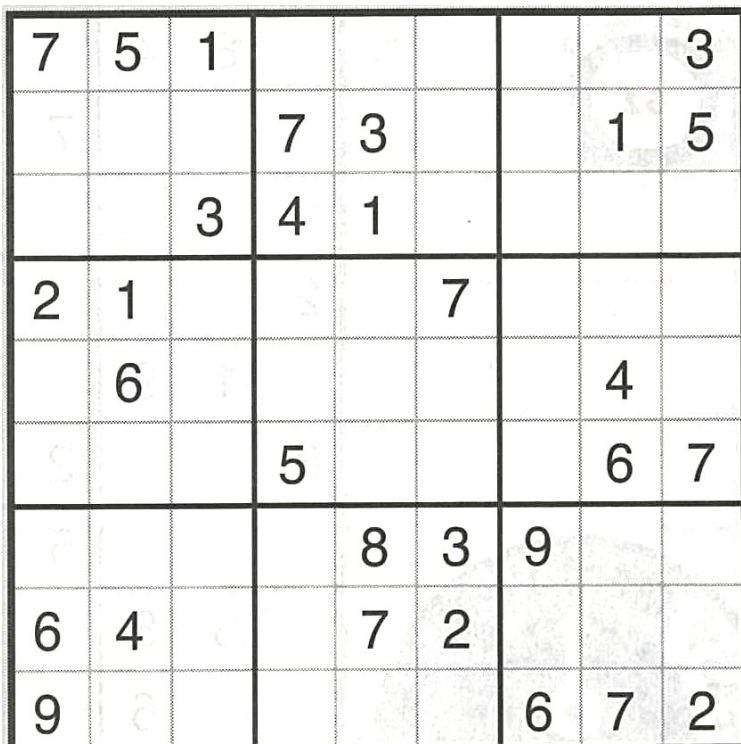
- 1. Flat piece covering ends of rafters
- 6. Chief Hun
- 11. Lively dance
- 12. Country of SW Asia
- 13. Aust. novelist, born in England, Marcus \_\_\_\_
- 15. Fastener on shirt front
- 17. Late Aust. media proprietor, \_\_\_\_ Packer
- 18. Unanimously, to a \_\_\_\_
- 19. Subsist
- 20. Like delicate decorative fabric
- 21. Enclosure for livestock
- 23. Day before event
- 24. Popular confection
- 26. Ovine cry
- 27. Strike gently
- 28. Placed beneath, as a foundation
- 31. Playful elf
- 33. Sloping type
- 34. Male pig
- 35. Container for bread

**Down**

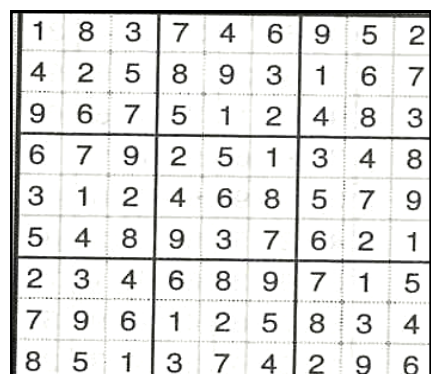
- 1. Capricious
- 2. In short supply
- 3. Be utterly successful, \_\_\_\_ all before one
- 4. Of a very dark colour
- 5. Domino with one spot
- 6. Line of latitude at approximately 66° south, \_\_\_\_ Circle
- 7. Shoe tip
- 8. Antelope of Africa
- 9. Wild animal's den
- 10. A building added to or near larger one
- 14. To cause fermentation in (dough, eg.)
- 16. Hostile invasion
- 18. Cry of cow
- 21. To summon to engage in contest
- 22. High mountain
- 24. Flask for serving water or wine
- 25. Fleshy fruit grown on climbing plant native to South America



## SUDOKU NO 18



## Solutions: Crossword 123 and





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### Wanted to Buy

1800/1900s Jewellery, including LOCKET, pocket/FOB watch, sovereign case. Dolls and teddy bears and bric-a-brac. Please note: Buyer is leaving Dunolly area on 4 September and will not be able to purchase after that.

Ph: 0407 720 355

### Notice of Public Meeting

Dunolly Rec Reserve Committee will hold a public meeting on Monday 22 August 2016 at 7pm at Rec Reserve.

The purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than three (3), or no more than nine (9), persons as the Committee of Management for the Dunolly Recreation Reserves Committee of Management for a term of three years. The current committee's term will expire on Thursday 1 September 2016. All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to, or on, the night. Nominations for 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, Ian Arnold on 5468 1508.



**DFNC Mini Lotto**

Drawn : 12 August 2016

Numbers: 1, 2, 4, 10, 12

No winner: Jackpot \$1,050

Five numbers out of 15. \$1 per entry.

'Ave a go!"

T Long



### REED, John

Tarnagulla Senior Citizens will sadly miss our cheery member, John, who passed away last week.

Our condolences to May and all other family members.

Joan Ansell



### Notice is Given of AGM

The Welcome Record will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday 12 September 2016 at 2pm at the Dunolly Town Hall.

All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to and on the day.

For any further information or nomination forms, please call *The Welcome Record* on Tuesday or Wednesday on 5468 1054 or email: [welcomerecords@inet.net.au](mailto:welcomerecords@inet.net.au).

*The Welcome Record Committee*

### The Welcome Record Needs Help!

The Welcome Record AGM will take place next month. At this stage there are only five members to form the new committee for 2016-17; the bare minimum needed for our committee and *The Welcome Record* to function.

#### We need more members and more volunteers.

With the switch to the new printer two years ago the need for a team of people to collate and fold the paper each week disappeared. However we badly need volunteers to help with a variety of other tasks. We need:

- Someone who knows their way around a camera or mobile phone and could take photos around town and at local events.
- Someone to co-ordinate the ads that go into the paper each week. This would involve making up ads on the computer, using Word or Publisher. Nothing too difficult or complicated! It would also involve communicating with advertisers and making sure the correct ads go in each week.
- Someone with their ear to the ground on local events and news to write reports on local events and items of interest.
- Someone who is willing to learn how to publish *The Welcome Record* on the computer. We use **Publisher** which is relatively simple and easy to learn.
- Someone to help out with our accounts. We use *Quickbooks* and Jan can train you in using the program to keep track of our finances.
- Someone to produce a *What's On* calendar and page that keeps track of local events.
- Someone to be our office manager, drawing up rosters, making sure we have paper and equipment and doing all the odd jobs around the office.
- Someone to help with printing and distribution around town and to depots in the surrounding areas.

You don't need to have a great deal of expertise in any of these roles. You can learn on the job and there are people to train and support you along the way.

The pay is terrible (there isn't any), but the work is interesting, challenging and satisfying. All that is needed is an interest in the paper and a commitment to spending a few hours each week, helping to put the paper together.

With a larger group of willing workers the pressure on everyone would be reduced, the work load spread around and burn-out of our volunteers reduced.

If you think you could help to keep *The Welcome Record* going as a weekly paper and would like to contribute in any way, please come into the office on any Tuesday or Wednesday and come along to our AGM on Monday 12 September at 2pm. You will be more than welcome!

*The Welcome Record Committee*

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## DFNC NETBALL REPORT

### Round 15 Netball Match Report

#### – Dunolly vs. Avoca

##### Under 13's

No match report this week.

##### Under 15's

The girls started very strong, keeping even with Avoca until half time. Avoca then made some changes and started to build a narrow lead which we couldn't keep up with. We went down 29-15 but once again a much better result than the first time we came up against Avoca. Best went to Chloe for a great game in defence and Ellen and Caitlin got the encouragement.

##### C Grade

No match report this week.

##### B Grade

We went into last week's game with not only a few players down but our coach Dave too. We were outclassed on the day by the experienced Avoca teams but to the girls' credit they didn't give up without a good go. A huge thanks goes to those who stepped up and played different grades and different positions. Avoca was the better team on the day and pulled away in the last half to be easy winners; final score 54-18. Thanks to both Katie McDonald and Steph Gidley for getting in and working hard in defence for all four quarters. Well done girls!

##### A Grade

Undermanned, the girls struggled from the word go! Lou and Demcy worked tirelessly in defence and caused many turnovers but unfortunately we were unable to convert. We did have some great passages of play and never gave up. Unfortunately for Dunolly, Avoca were just too strong on the day. Lou Cary had a great game against a strong quality opponent and thank you also goes to our players, Billie Goodwin, Katie McDonald, Dee and Brooke Deason for stepping up from B to ensure we had a team.

A must win game today for **B grade** and what better way to celebrate Brookie Ds **150th** game. So everyone get behind all teams today. Go Dunolly!!

Good luck to all teams in the final round.

**The club congratulates the following players who will reach milestones today.**

##### 50 games

Patrick Riley, Thomas Jago, Ellen Stratford,  
Lou Cary, Grace Brady

##### 100 games

Steph Gidley, Melanie Rose

##### 150 games

Brooke Deason



## DUNOLLY BOWLS

### Dunolly Wednesday Pairs

Always writing about the Dunolly Wednesday Pairs – well, it is the only action in town until 11 September... On Wednesday 3 August we managed a great day of bowls. The weather was a little cool, but not too bad. The jackpot went off yet again, however, and that'll have to be three times in a row. Winners, yes, the two Graemes from Avoca were the great winners on the day.



## DUNOLLY GOLF CLUB

### Report 13 August

#### MIXED CHAMPIONSHIPS

Leading- Darren Hunt and Val Mortlock 79-21.5-57.5  
Runners Up-Craig Bellenger and Jenny Lovel 81-18-63  
NTP Darren Hunt Hole 18

Jenny Lovel



Six two-game winners this week, in a very even competition. Garry Coburn skippered for mum Shirley, and Geraldine Delgado, while Pam Brightwell and Gordon Smith were two-game winners in our super, super veteran's team Sam Whitehead. Well done to the winners and happy overseas traveling to our 2015 champion and his wife. He will have to play keenly on his return, as several others player are after that club champion award for 2016.

Heather Cooper



### DFNC Last Thursday Night Dinner

Thursday 18 August is the last night for Thursday Night dinners at the Dunolly Football/Netball Club. A great partnership has developed between the DFNC and Dunolly Pre-School this season with the pre-school hosting tea at every third Footy training.

It's been a profitable relationship for both organisations due to the wonderful support from the Dunolly Football & Netball supporters, families and sponsors.

Everyone is welcome Thursday Night to help support the Football, Netball and Pre-School.

Melanie Rose



Photo by Georgie Hall



# DNFC NEWS

This week is not only the final home and away round for the MCDFNL season but a huge day for the DFNC club. With finals positions up for grabs, wins are vital for the Seniors and Reserves football, and B Grade netball teams. A home ground advantage will give us a slight edge but it would be fantastic to see the whole town get behind all Eagles teams this weekend at Deledio Reserve.

It will also be a celebration day with many milestones being achieved. On the footy oval, junior players Thomas Jago and Patrick Riley will achieve their 50 game milestones.

All boys have been dedicated to the club in their junior years. On the netball court A grader Lou Cary, 15&U players Grace Brady and Ellen Stratford will also clock up their 50th games. B grade defender Steph Gidley, and A grade all-rounder Melanie Rose, will play their 100th games but the big one for the day belongs to Brooke Deason who has been the heart of the club in so many aspects. Brooke has been a dedicated club member for many years, including her roles as secretary and social coordinator. Brooke will captain her B grade side in the most important game of the season for them. A win will secure them a finals berth.

Katie Level



Brooke Deason - 150 games



Thomas Jago - 50 games



Steph Gidley - 100 games



Grace Brady - 50 games

Photos courtesy Katie Level



Patrick Riley - 50 games



Melanie Rose - 100 games



Ellen Stratford - 50 games



Lou Cary - 50 games