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Billie Goodwin (netballer), Steve Riley (president), Melanie Schodde (netballer) and Darren Smith (coach) at The Railway hotel with (Karyn Bromley), a major sponsor of the club in 2017

Dunolly,” Riley said.” Most of the businesses around Dunolly are actually sponsoring us this year or are involved in membership in some way too,” he said. As for the playing stocks, while the club is struggling for senior numbers, the junior stocks are incredibly healthy, which is symptomatic of the club’s new development philosophy. We’ve got a five year plan in place now and we’re going to put an emphasis on developing guys coming through juniors, which is something that’s worked well for clubs like Navarre,” Riley said. “We might be struggling a little bit for senior players, but our reserves side is looking really strong and juniors stocks are very strong too - we’re looking at putting in an under 17s side at the moment. Also, the netball is going extremely well - it’s pretty much running itself, which is a big positive for the club,” Riley said. Newly appointed MCDFNL operations manager Shane Anwyl echoed Riley’s sentiments, stating that the league is committed to ensuring Dunolly’s survival. “We’re giving Dunolly a hand at the moment. They’re struggling a little

CALL FOR SUPPORT

The Dunolly Football Netball Club is seeking urgent community support to ensure its survival. Still seeking numbers to play for its senior team and in need of financial assistance by the way of sponsorships and memberships, Dunolly Football Netball Club president Steve Riley says the club has embarked on a new direction. “We’ve had a re-think about where we’re going as a club into the future,” Riley said. “We’re looking at getting more community involvement. It doesn’t take much, but it would be great if some of the older players jumped back on board and bought some memberships - that’s the kind of thing we need. “We’ve got some new faces on the committee this year and that’s brought in a different feel. We’re looking to establish more of a family culture and engage with the community more,” he said. Last week newly appointed senior coach Darren Smith posted on the club’s Facebook site imploring the community to support the club in its time of need.

“Hi all, as you all would know this year is going to be tough as we have been set some very harsh guidelines from the league, and with the many departures I’m calling on anyone that has been involved and would like to be involved, in the club to get around it and band together,” the post read.

“We have only a very short time to get a 45 player list together or the club will most definitely fold,” it continued. The post paints a grim picture for the club’s future, however both Riley and the MCDFNL insist things aren’t as bad as they seem.

“The club is struggling financially, but that’s not unique to

bit at the moment, so we’re helping them out with planning and ideas for the future,” Anwyl said.

“I guess you could say we’re trying to work in partnership with the club because we want to see them keep going on,” he said. As for the conditions the league is placing on the Eagles, Anwyl says they’re nothing more than they’d expect of any other club. “I wouldn’t say we’ve imposed harsh conditions upon the club, they’re probably what we’d expect of any club that can be sustainable and successful, which is the direction we want them going,” he said. It’s early days yet, but Anwyl believes with a lot of hard work and community involvement, the Dunolly Football Netball Club will be around for many seasons to come. “With a lot of hard work the club will be fine, but they need to put in the hard work. They’re doing the right thing by putting the word out there and like many clubs they just need more hands on deck,” he said. “Dunolly’s situation isn’t unique in small country towns, but the club is important to the town and we’ll certainly help them in any way we can,” Anwyl said. As a Dunolly local, Riley knows exactly how important the club is to the town and is keen to see its rich history flourish under his presidency. “It’s a small town. The town needs the football club; we just need the people to support it. We’ve been around since 1873, so it would be a shame if we weren’t around in a few years’ time,” he said.

To help support the Dunolly Football Netball Club, contact Steve Riley on 0421 206 228 or visit the club’s Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/dunollyfnc/

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Rosie's Ramble

Hello everyone. Good to be back.

Have you noticed that Sam has a hitching post for dogs outside the new Pharmacy? Great idea.

I bought some of that "have a good weekend" insect repellent that lasts for four hours according to the advertising. Obviously nobody told the great Dunolly midges about that. Result – Midges about one million; repellent NIL.

Talking about masses of insects – how about the cicadas? There must have been about a zillion of them in the trees in Dunolly North, let alone the rest of the district. Also – how do they know when to turn them off? – They all seem to stop within minutes of each other.

I must say that I find the Sydney to Hobart sailing race almost boring. It used to be a lot more interesting and occasionally exciting when the boats were not so technological. They are really only sailing computers now.

Are you going to partake of a "democracy sausage" on Australia Day? This was nominated the new word of 2016!! Where did that come from? Most Australians just call them a sizzled sausage – available at almost every event – including the Dunolly Car Boot Sale. What a load of rot (the word, not the sausages)

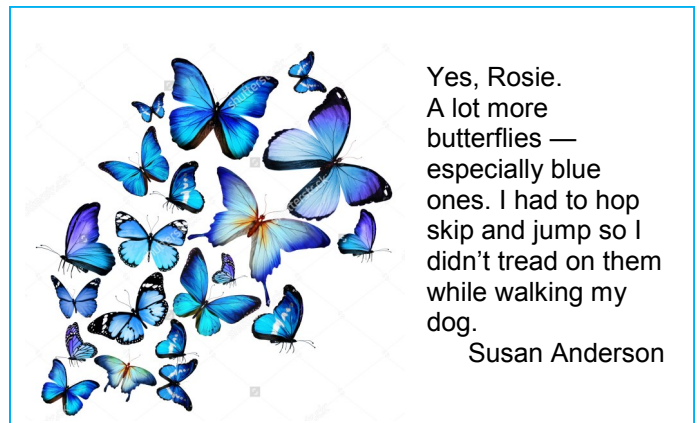
Alert! Alert! Hot cross buns were reportedly advertised around Christmas. I actually saw a little fellow scoffing one in the German shop yesterday. It is "only" 90 days till Good Friday – there may not be any left by then.

Were there a lot more butterflies about this year – perhaps due to the wet weather?

Words to live by –

We'll be old friends until we are old and senile. Then we'll be new friends.

Rosie

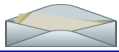


Yes, Rosie.
A lot more butterflies — especially blue ones. I had to hop skip and jump so I didn't tread on them while walking my dog.

Susan Anderson

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LETTERS

Letterbox Challenge

The Dunolly Lions Club set down the challenge for Dunolly residents to decorate their letterboxes for Christmas, all you had to do was register your letterbox with them. Well, what a challenge they set!

The biggest was keeping your own letterbox creation in place. Due to the wind and rain some disintegrated and had to be recreated in the time span allotted until Judging Day.

Around town some very amazing letterbox creations appeared. Mary from Ken's got kidnapped, ransom was demanded and she was *retuned* (according to that Scoop McScoop reporter). Speaking to Ken he was pleased to have Mary *returned*. Makes you wonder who would stoop/scoop so low.

Then lo and behold, Santa and parcels disappeared from Brendan and Lucinda's letterbox. Mrs Neighbourhood Watch was on to it! Apparently Santa and parcels had to go undercover due to impending rain, but would return when the sun came out. So thankfully Constable Barry did not have to be called.

Then surprise, surprise, Rosie rambled after seeing one letterbox could not measure up or was not up to the challenge (makes you wonder).

Then neighbours who came up from Melbourne informed me that they had seen my letterbox on Facebook. I said what!! How did that happen?? According to me it had gone *feral*. Apparently the correct name is *viral*. Who would have thought!!

What would we do without the Uniting Church Op Shop who can supply you with anything you need or want. It was like Christmas, playing around in the boxes for what you needed to decorate your letterbox. Then you just keep it or recycle it again.

However, what a great innovative idea that brightened up the streets of Dunolly, brought out the best of creative minds, and created a lot of interest and discussion.

To all who participated, Well Done!!

Looking forward to the next Lions Challenge.

Marg J Davies



If anyone has a local item they think might be of interest to *The Welcome Record* readers and they would be happy for Marion and me to come and talk about it and write an article for the TWR, please let us know as we are running short on ideas. We have had several people contact us with lovely ideas and we will be following them up shortly. Thank you. But if anyone has an idea you can contact *The Welcome Record*, or ring Vicky any evening on 5468 1365.

Vicky Frizzell

Caravan Park Upgrade

Finally, the renovation of amenities at the Dunolly Caravan Park have started and during early December the Male amenities block was completed and opened by Cr Bob Henderson and the crew.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all involved:

Cr Bob Henderson and Mr Craig McClure for ensuring that this project was started and completed with a minimum of delays. To the guys who really did all the work, Glen, Ernie and Jane for their selfless efforts to complete this project on time. Also, the many tradies that assisted.

The female amenities block will be commenced in the first week of February 2017 and we have been assured that it will be completed before Easter and we look forward to working with these guys again.

Many thanks again to all
Peter & Caryl
Caravan Park



The grand opening with Bob Henderson cutting the ribbon

Off-leash Dog Area

I am a new resident in this area but one of the first questions I asked was for the Off-leash area for my dog.

He doesn't really need one as I have a huge backyard but I tour a lot and its one of my standard questions of any town I arrive in.

I was very surprised to find that this town does not have any such area set aside.

More and more people are now travelling with their pets. These tourists are important to our town.

What would it take to set up an area for them ?

An open area - A picnic table - A waste disposal (complete with doggie bags).

I have no idea how to get support for this or who I need to talk to but if you believe our town needs such an area or can assist with information as to how I should proceed. Please contact me at :

Irener01@yahoo.com.au or 54681165

Irene Robinson





AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 2017

Talbot

8am Free breakfast at the Talbot RSL Park (across from Town Hall). BYO plate, knife, fork, mug and chair. Further information Greg or Heather 5463 2203.

Maryborough

8:30am Station Domain, Station Street. Free breakfast from 8:30am, official presentations begin at 9:15am. Official Central Goldfields Shire Australia Day awards to be presented, as well as baby medallions to all babies born in 2016 and books to all children starting four-year-old kinder in 2017. Free activities and giveaways for the kids. Further information 5461 0610.

Dunolly

10am Rene Fox Gardens on Broadway – Live music, free sausage sizzle.

11am Official proceedings and address by Australia Day Ambassador, Tony Murphy EMV Deputy Commissioner. BYO chairs. Further information Marion 0438 168 634.

Bealiba

11am Bealiba Town Hall - Flag raising followed by an address by Senior Constable Sarah Carless. Local entertainment and a free BBQ lunch. Further information Heather 5469 7273.

Carisbrook

5pm Market Reserve, Carisbrook, sausage sizzle and commemorative presentations. The Australia Day Ambassador Bill Kuszniarczyk will address the crowd. For further information please contact George 5464 1940.

Never leave children in hot cars

A warning from Kidsafe Victoria

The temperature in a car can be 20 to 30 degrees hotter than outside.

Between 1 September 2015 to 31 August 2016, Ambulance Victoria paramedics were called to 1,623 cases of children locked in cars – 190 more than the year before.

Unfortunately, the busiest period is November to March. Last December, Ambulance Victoria paramedics responded to an average of seven calls every single day.

Kidsafe Victoria is reminding parents and carers that children cannot be left in cars for any amount of time.

Beat the bite

Avoid mosquitoes this summer

The Chief Health Officer has this week issued a health warning about mosquitoes and Ross River virus.

Ross River virus has now been detected in mosquitoes around Mildura and Moira/Barmah Forest, giving an early indication of increased risk of human disease for summer and early autumn. There are simple things you can do to Beat the Bite! Protect yourself and your family from mosquito-borne disease:

- Wear loose-fitting clothing when outdoors.
- Use mosquito repellents containing DEET or picaridin on exposed skin.
- Try to limit outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are about (usually dusk and dawn).

- Make sure there is no stagnant water where mosquitoes can breed around your home.
- On holidays make sure your accommodation is properly fitted with mosquito netting or screens.
- Don't forget the kids – it's safer to spray or rub insect repellents on their clothes rather than directly onto their skin.

If you have any concerns about your health: see your doctor or call NURSE-ON-CALL 1300 60 60 24.

Travelling Con Men Strike on Unsuspecting Homeowners

Consumer Affairs Victoria and Crime Stoppers Victoria have launched a joint campaign to raise awareness about travelling con men. They're urging Victorians to be on alert for the dodgy door-to-door tradespeople as summer approaches.

Summer represents the peak season for the con artists who offer cheap 'today only' cash deals on jobs such as roof repairs, driveway resurfacing and tree lopping. The dodgy tradies often leave behind substandard or unfinished work.

Over the 2015-16 financial year Consumer Affairs Victoria received 149 complaints about travelling con men, with almost \$437,000 in reported losses.

Consumer Affairs Victoria advises Victorians: if a travelling con man knocks on your door, ask them to leave. If they refuse, they are breaking the law. To report travelling con men, call 1300 133 408.

If you want work done on your house:

- shop around for the quote that is right for you
- use established tradespeople who provide written quotes
- ask for contact details of previous clients, so you can check references
- do not sign any agreement until you are ready
- ask for the tradesman's full name and registration or licence details (if applicable) so you can check these with their industry authority
- ask for the business's number, so you can call to confirm whether the tradesman works for them.
- Particularly after disasters, be wary

For more information visit: consumer.vic.gov.au/travellingconmen.

New Place in Town

Very soon we will see the opening of **Dunolly Produce Store**, previously Wright on Broadway. The new owner, Peter has some very exciting plans for his business which is at present getting a new coat of paint. He will offer many varieties of local produce and of course a range of wines, as well as beer and cider. It is widely known that these premises hold the oldest existing liquor licence in Victoria dating back to the Gold Rush, when it was a hardware, grocery and liquor store. Peter will be offering coffee and cake and ice creams, and plans to branch out further with the catering.

Local produce will include, garlic, cheeses, olives, oils, herbs, relishes and lots more. The store will be open every day and the prospective opening date is early February.



Cynthia Lindsay

Organs of the Goldfields



The town of Dunolly was filled with over 200 visitors on Monday as part of the major annual event "The Organs of the Goldfields". This prestigious festival is growing larger every year with audiences staying in the district for the recitals in Ballarat, Talbot, Clunes, Creswick and Dunolly. Queen Victoria welcomed the large busload of 70 enthusiastic music lovers as it pulled up outside St John's Church. Many of the audience came from Melbourne, Geelong, Mornington and even Hobart. Our St John's Church and Town Hall were ideally suited for the recitals. The acoustics were perfect for the soaring trumpet recital with the Fincham Organ, and the Town Hall was filled to capacity enjoying the vibrant energy of the Babaganoush Gypsy Ensemble.

The St John's Church ladies did a splendid job with morning tea – Trina, Val and Loretta were run off their feet with their helpers filling the kettle almost faster than it could be boiled and delicious scones disappearing as soon as they emerged from the oven.

The Town Hall Committee prepared an elegant picnic lunch for the audience with sandwich, fruit and chocolate slice with coffee and tea in the foyer of the Town Hall. The Rene Fox Gardens was a popular picnic spot for the visitors who also walked around the Gordon Gardens and inspected the Historic Court House before the afternoon recital. Marion Da Costa, Jan Brock, Judy Meldrum, Jan Ford and Margaret Edgcombe did a splendid job at the Town Hall. It was a frantic day with a small group of us on duty from 9am until the bus left at 3pm for the next recital in Talbot. But what a happy day for showcasing the town with our lovely buildings and friendly locals. Broadway was alive with friendly faces and the bakery was even busier than usual.

Dunolly's own Queen Victoria and Royal Equerry, Sir Ken Matthews were a feature of the day with the visitors enthusiastically taking photos. Sir Ken introduced the Queen to the crowd who were upstanding for "God Save Our Gracious Queen". The pianist, Graeme Burnham, then led the audience in joining the Queen to perform a **National Hymn to Victoria** written in 1860. The Queen was a little concerned that there may be a few Republicans and rabble raisers in the audience and was quick to point out that the peasants are revolting. But nobody lost their head, or went to the Tower of London – so all's well that ends well.

This splendid festival continues until next Sunday with far larger audiences than previous years. How exciting to be part of this wonderful musical event and showcase our town. Now I need a cup of tea, a Bex and a good lie down – or would champagne be more apt?

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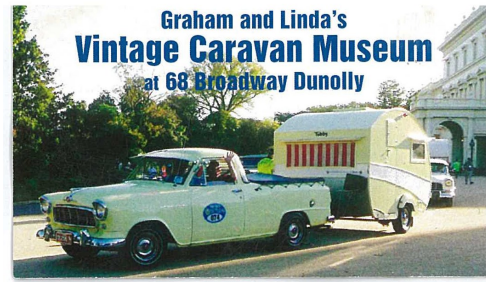
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VICKY'S VIEW



Cicadas Galore

Shortly before Christmas, at the very start of the hot weather, Marion asked me to come and see a '*natural phenomenon*'. There was no hint of what it was except that I had to wind the car window down. Just past the Dunolly Golf Club the song from thousands of cicadas was deafening. In one small area all the trees were covered in masses of large cicadas. Walking through the area, marvelling at the sheer numbers of them, we could feel a damp spray every now and then which presumably came from the cicadas. We did not speculate about that too much. They were large, about five centimetres long, chunky and reddish brown. Surprisingly no birds were feasting on them. I remembered reading that people eat them, so presumably birds would like them too, I thought. A few hours spent researching cicadas on Google revealed some interesting information. Marion's observation that not all of the cicadas had vibrating abdomens was spot on. Only the males have rapidly vibrating drum like organs called *tymbals*, and the noise they produce is a mating call and can be a warning call as well. The noise is also a bird repellent. Big ones, like the ones we saw, can produce sound up to 120 decibels at close range. Smaller ones can make a high pitched sound which we cannot hear but can make dogs howl in pain. Cicadas are the only insects to make such loud noise. There are over 1,300 species of cicadas worldwide, and Australia has about 220 recorded species most of which live in the north of Australia. They do not bite, are not a pest and are harmless to humans. They are difficult to keep as a pet because they can only eat flowing sap from a tree, so die within a day or two in captivity. Apparently lightly roasted cicadas taste deliciously like chicken and are quite soft once the wings are removed. We learned that through How Stuff Works, National Geographic, ABC Science and Wikipedia, not through personal experimentation.

Females lay hundreds of eggs in little slits they make in tree bark. Within a few weeks the nymphs hatch and drop to the ground where they immediately burrow down. They live underground anywhere from nine months to seventeen years depending on their species. They live on sap from the tree roots and periodically shed their skin as they grow. When the nymphs reach maturity they dig their way to the surface, shed their skin for the last time, then mate, lay their eggs and die. The time they spend above ground lasts from a few days to several months.

Most species take five to seven years to re-emerge and nobody seems to know what triggers their re-emergence. Most likely it is a combination of factors indicating warm moist weather. But even eggs from the same batch can re-emerge in different years, so there is a lot of variability. When there is a year when they are plentiful, as this year, then it is likely there will be another year like it in five to seven years' time, but there is no certainty. Cicadas are famous for disappearing for years only to suddenly reappear in force; these varieties are called periodicals. Other varieties have individuals which re-emerge every year. The group name for cicadas is Cloud or Plague. Somehow neither of these seemed appropriate to the ones we saw, but they truly were a natural phenomenon.

Vicky Frizzell



The abandoned exoskeletons

Photos by Marion Edwards



Male and female cicadas. The male is at the bottom. You can see the gland he has at the back which is what makes the noise as it vibrates.



Astro's adventure book to help build resilience

Dunolly author Susan Day is helping to pave the way when it comes to stamping out mental health stigma with the creation of a new program called Resilience Warriors. The recently established program enables children between eight and 12 years old to learn about resilience and why it is important. The program, which will run in a workshop format, came about from Ms Day's book *Astro is down in the dumps*, which is part of the *Astro's Adventures* series. The books are based on Sue's pet dog, Astro. *Astro is Down in the dumps* aims at educating children on how to be positive when life gets you down, something which the Resilience Warriors workshop will focus on.

"The workshops take the basic points from *Down in the Dumps* and ask kids how they would deal with situations," Sue said. "You walk away from bullies, you tell someone and you go and, for example, listen to music that will cheer you up or you paint a picture. Essentially, teaching resilience will stop children from committing suicide when they're older," Sue said.

While the workshops are yet to be held and are aimed at young children, Sue said other members of the community are welcome to take part.

"We've only just started promoting the workshops. I'm aiming it for children but they're open to community groups or even sporting clubs," she said.

Mental health network, Gold Minds co-founder Garry McKenzie spoke highly of *Astro's Down in the Dumps*. "The book is a fantastic checklist for children and parents for when the kids are feeling a bit sad. It's about resilience," he said. "It's a great resource for families to have an understanding of the checklist of the things we can do to become more resilient. I encouraged Sue to write the book a while back because she is a talented author and she uses animals to relate to kids. In towns like this we have a lot of talented people," Garry said. The Gold Minds co-founder said the book and the Resilience Warriors are "without a doubt" helping to stamp out stigma surrounding mental health.

For more information on Resilience Warriors, or to set up a workshop, visit: www.astrosadventures.net or call Sue on 0421 582 067.

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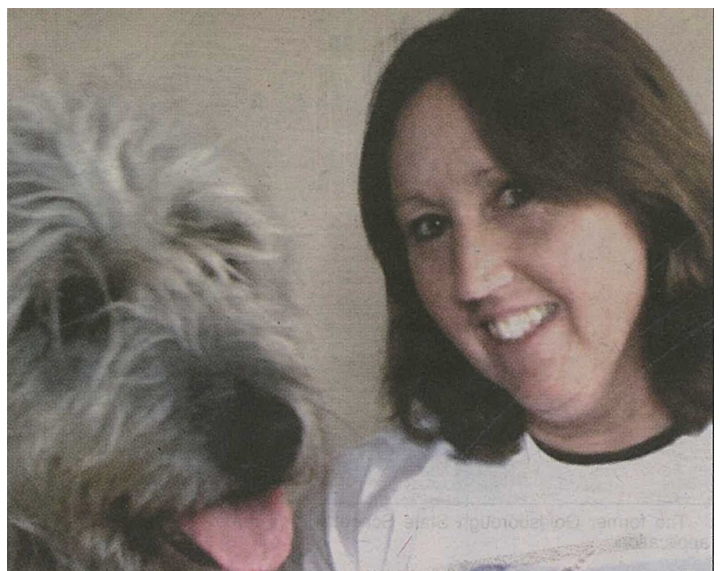
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Susan Day with Astro

Hot dogs in cars aren't cool, say experts



With summer now in full swing, pet owners are being warned not to leave their pets in vehicles in extreme heat, following a new welfare legislation crack down which could see owners face two years' imprisonment or a fine of over \$70,000 if found guilty.

The Andrews Labor Government is taking action to prevent animal abuse in hot weather, making changes to its Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act which gives authority to Agriculture Victoria officers, Victoria Police and RSPCA inspectors to issue a notice to anyone in the community who commits or is likely to commit a cruelty offence - not just the owners.

Now in effect, the changes strengthen Victoria's animal welfare legislation which could see owners fined \$77,730 or face two years imprisonment if a pet suffers as a result of being left in a car.

Central Goldfields Shire rangers have been alerted to a number of incidents of dogs in cars in Maryborough recently, with ranger Gill Frost saying it's frustrating to see. "We're asking people, please don't do it. If you know it's going to be hot, leave your pets at home," ranger Frost said. Earlier this week a dog was found locked in a hot car in Alma Street, with a concerned resident alerting police to the situation. "You feel like you can't do anything, which is frustrating. The dog was quite distressed. We didn't know what to do," the resident said. Maryborough Veterinary Practice vet Gemma Coulter said to plan ahead and leave pets at home on hot days. "The temperature can rise very quickly in a car, which can be fatal. If you couldn't sit in the car without the motor on, then neither can your dog," she said. Dr Coulter said the signs of heat exhaustion to look out for in dogs include panting, excessive drooling and unsettled behaviour. "If suffering from heat exhaustion, pets may also suffer from stomach upsets such as vomiting and in the worst case, have seizures or go into a coma. It can be fatal," she said. For larger animals, such as horses, Dr Coulter said to look out for heavy breathing, restless or lethargic behaviour and to ensure animals have access to water and shade. Minister for Agriculture Jaala Pulford has sounded a warning to pet owners who leave their pets in cars during extreme heat. "If an animal is in your care, it is your responsibility to make sure it doesn't suffer," Ms Pulford said. "Whether you have herds of cattle, a few riding horses or a couple of cats, it is incumbent upon you to look after your animals' welfare, especially in hot weather by providing plenty of water,

feed and shade. Animal welfare is everyone's responsibility. That's why we have given animal welfare inspectors greater powers to enforce our laws," she said.

Advice for taking care of pets and livestock during the heat include;

- Livestock handling and transportation should not be done during extreme heat. If unavoidable, people should schedule frequent shady rest stops and access to water
- Heat-stressed horses should be fed electrolytes and cooled down by hosing with cool water or placing wet towels over them,
- Exercise pets in the cool of the day, do not walk dogs on hot paths or roads, and never leave an animal inside a parked car on a hot day.

Premier Daniel Andrews' office released a press release stating Victoria Police should be contacted immediately when pets are found in situations that will result in them being in a hot car, by calling Triple Zero.

By Angela Tucker, Courtesy Maryborough Advertiser

Kennels to the Stars



Most of us are sure to have seen the film Red Dog which screened about five years ago and most local people who saw it would have known that Koko, the star of the film, was raised in Dunolly. Koko was later adopted by Nelson Voss, the film's producer, who had formed a strong bond with him, and Koko saw his days out as the family pet. However it may come as a surprise to discover that

Red Dog's successor also came from Dunolly.

Recently I heard an interview on the ABC with Nelson Voss, the producer of Red Dog, who had just assisted in the making of the film's sequel, Red Dog – True Blue. I heard him relating how he had searched for another kelpie to star in the new film, but being unsuccessful, had contacted Carol and Len Hobday of Dunolly, the breeders of the original dog, Koko. They chose Phoenix, a nephew of Koko, who was then still a pup. Phoenix did not let them down as he became a star in his own right. However, the trainer of both dogs, Zeli Bullen, discovered that Phoenix lacked the star temperament of Koko, who would decide for himself when he had had enough filming and give himself a break. Phoenix, on the other hand, was more amenable and very willing to perform.

Writer, Louis De Bernieres has written a book about Red Dog which he wrote after reading the screenplay. Carol has owned kelpies most of her life and regularly judges dog shows, recently travelling to New Zealand as a judge. She is excited about her forthcoming trip to England, as a spectator this time, to visit the famous Crufts Dog Show. Recently Carol was able to re-unite with Phoenix when she attended the premiere of the film as the film company's guest. I am now eagerly looking forward to seeing the film.

Cynthia Lindsay

Young people in Maryborough to take spotlight in 2017

Maryborough will receive a 2017 National Youth Week grant of \$2,000 from the Andrews' Labor Government to stage a market run by local youth.

The Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, said the grant to Central Goldfields Shire was one of a number across the region to promote the ideas of local youth.

The Youth 'Sundown' Market will provide young people the opportunity to showcase their skills by planning and delivering a Youth Market and contributing to the market by catering their own produce, becoming stall holders, and selling hand made products created and marketed by young people within the local community.

Ms Pulford said the market was an excellent way to encourage young entrepreneurs.

"This is an innovative idea which will give local youth experience in organising, promoting, running and manufacturing goods to sell at the market," she said.

The Victorian Government is providing over \$200,000 in funding for National Youth Week grants, which recognise the contribution of young people to Victoria and celebrate their achievements.

"This funding will give young people in Maryborough the chance to run their own event and showcase their diversity, skills and ideas," Ms Pulford said. "National Youth Week celebrates ideas that young people provide to our state no matter what their background or where they live".

The Government will host the inaugural Youth Summit on 31 March 2017, marking the start of National Youth Week. Young people from across Victoria will attend the summit to discuss issues that matter most to them and to turn their ideas into action.

The Youth Summit is one of the Victorian Government's flagship projects to engage with young people under its Youth Policy: Building Stronger Youth Engagement in Victoria. National Youth Week will run from 31 March to 9 April in 2017.

For more information go to www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au.

Jaala Pulford MP



What's going on at
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Welcome to the Neighbourhood Centre in 2017.

We had our planning day on Wednesday and we have lots of things planned to keep you happy, occupied, loving life and sane.

More on what, when and where next week.



In the meantime we have

Archery

this Sunday, 22 January 2017.

The Golden Triangle Archers' range is behind the Dunolly oval. There is a 25 target field course, practice butts and novelty shots.

There is air conditioning (**you are outside** shooting.)

Lots of rivalry, fun and laughter and of course a delicious lunch is always served.

Fees are \$20 per year, \$5 per shoot and equipment hire is \$3. Special rates for families.

What a great way to spend a Sunday with the family!

Want more information on the above? Ring 5468 1511 and leave a message or call in to the Centre. We are the building to the right of the hospital.

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Church News

Dunolly Christian Churches

Invite you to worship God and welcome you to their services: **Sunday 22 January**

Anglican Church Services:

St John's Dunolly Anglican Parish Service

Morning Prayer Thursday 19 January 9am

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 St Francis Xavier's Tarnagulla at 11 am on Sat 21 January.

Uniting Church Services:

Bealiba Uniting Church

2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am

Dunolly Uniting Church

Laanecoorie Uniting Church

No service

Catholic Church St Mary's Muse

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas season. A rather small gathering at Assembly on Sunday—four.

Sr. Barbara's name has been added to the memorial at the Brigidine Sister's plot at the Maryborough Cemetery. The 5th Sunday collection for East Timor is on this month; boxes are at St Mary's Church. You can google St Augustine's parish bulletin on Ballarat Diocese or go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au to keep up with the news.

Country Masses:

St Francis Xavier's Tarnagulla at 11am on Saturday 21 January.

St Patrick's Bealiba at 8.30am on Sunday 29 January

St Mary's Dunolly at 8.30am on 22 January.

R. Mecredy

St John's Church News

We hope that you all have had a happy Christmas and all the very best for the coming Year.

We were all sorry to hear the news that Father Andrew and his family are leaving the Parish and moving to Wallsend, NSW. They will be missed throughout the Parish.

There will be a farewell to Monica, Njeri and Shiku after the service on Sunday 22 January at Christ the King as they leave for Wallsend the following day.

Trina Kay

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:9

Uniting Church News

At time of print there was no church news available.

Op Shop News

The Op Shop is having its bag sale for the next two weeks at \$5 a bag, bric-a-brac half price. The Op Shop is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Come grab a bargain.

Dunolly's newest pastor excited to lead congregation

Dunolly District Uniting Church's new lay pastor Joan Hall is hopeful she can provide leadership to the active church community.

Shifting from the Seymour Uniting Church, Ms Hall said not many changes will be implemented in the local Uniting Church during her tenure, but she will seek to continue the dedicated work done by the church. Ms Hall was commissioned on Friday 13 January at the church at a service that was open to the community. Her official duties commenced last Sunday 7 January at 9.30am when the church held its weekly service. In the past, Ms Hall has attended the Dunolly District Uniting Church as a visitor but didn't think of becoming the church's lay pastor. "I was asked to go for it and I said that it wasn't for me, but the calling from God just got stronger and stronger," Ms Hall said. As well as conducting Sunday services, Ms Hall said she would like to begin several church groups like bible studies and children's craft groups and host church dinners and breakfasts. "I think I can enhance what's already here and provide stability and leadership," she said. "I don't think there'll be huge changes. Leadership can make something good, better." Forming a relationship with community organisations is also on Ms Hall's to-do list. "We're hoping to reach out to the community so we can become a family," Ms Hall said. "We also want to reach out to local schools and the hospital." The church's chairperson Geoff Curnow said Ms Hall would be a valuable asset for the parish. "We're hoping Joan will be able to lead us on the same track we've been on for some time," he said. "We're a strong church and we hope to keep it that way. We can't get a minister but we need someone to act as minister."

By Lachlan Steed, Courtesy Maryborough Advertiser



Dunolly District Uniting Church's new lay pastor Joan Hall (right) with chairperson Geoff Curnow ahead of Ms Hall's commission.

Decorate Dunolly Christmas Flags

Thank you to everyone who participated in the "Decorate Dunolly" program this year. The artists were Janine Paley, Sharon Hiley, Faye Arnold, Helen Jesser, Deb Murray, Jo Osbourne, Judy Meldrum, Susan Day, Jenny Scott, Kim McDonald and Lynda Vater. The flags were so fun and varied and really brightened the street up over the Christmas period. A big thankyou to the members of the Dunolly S.E.S, who help with putting up and taking down of the Christmas flags each year.

Lynda Vater



Emergency management grants program expanded

The Andrews Government has extended a program that provides funding to emergency management volunteers. The Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, said more than 85,000 volunteers play a critical role in keeping communities safe across Victoria.

Ms Pulford said the Government has received feedback about the needs of local brigades and units and has expanded the scope of the grant to include off the shelf replacement vehicles such as cars, utilities and 4WDs, including on-road costs.

"The Emergency Services Volunteer Sustainability Grants Program has been established to ensure emergency management volunteers can continue to deliver their crucial work to keep Victorians safe," Ms Pulford said.

"Expanding the program will allow the replacement of ageing vehicles for emergency management volunteers," she said.

Ms Pulford said hundreds of applications have already been received for equipment, communications, facility upgrades and community engagement and training.

"One of the important aspects of this program is the ESVS Grants will not require a co-contribution, but it will be considered in the assessment of applications. Eligible volunteers groups can also apply for multiple grants," she said.

"My office is more than happy to assist local emergency management volunteer brigades and groups with their applications by phoning 5332-2405," Ms Pulford said.

For more information and to download the application form visit: <https://www.emv.vic.gov.au/esvsgrants>



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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,

2nd Monday 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 Art Group Tuesdays at 10am at the Art Hub

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 Community Market

2nd 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

3rd 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

2nd Tuesday of the month 6.30pm

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 Probus 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 Monday each month 1pm 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 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

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-12 noon – behind the hall

Tarnagulla Action Group - Community Centre

3rd 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

2nd Monday each month - 2pm in the office

January 2017

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Thursday 26	Australia Day celebrations Rene Fox Gardens 10am
Saturday 28	Twilight Market Broadway 2pm – 8pm

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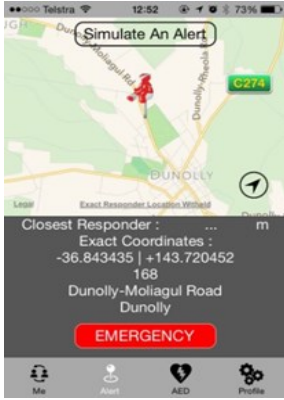
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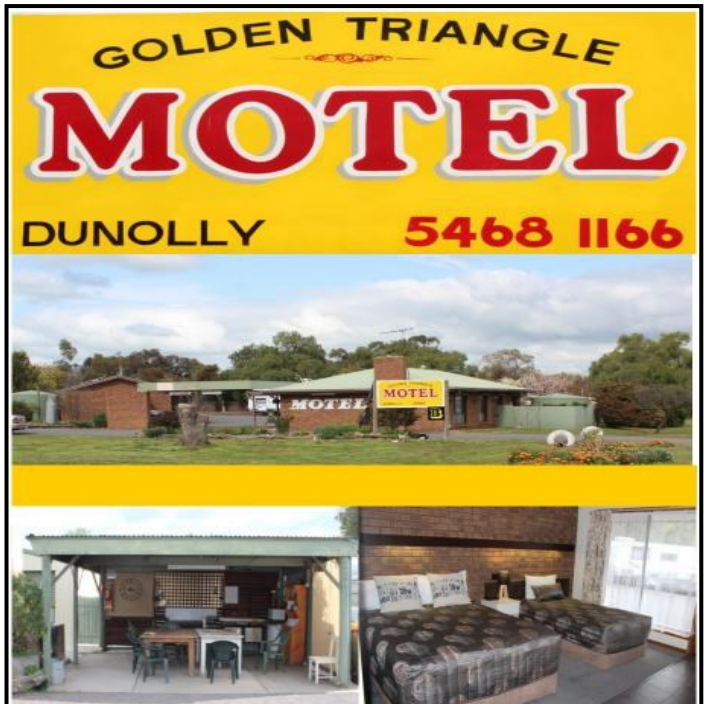
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COMPUTER AND TECH TALK

Welcome back and welcome to 2017. We hope everyone had a safe and joyous Christmas and New year.

This month we want to **highlight the need for backups**. (Had a few machines this week with dead hard disks).

And of course everyone just tuned out, because it's all too hard. You're right, backups are hard, annoying and the most common question we get is, HOW?

There are literally thousands of 'backup' solutions available, all advertising how easy, simple they are and not time consuming at all. It's all lies. There are also lots of experts proclaiming how OneDrive and Dropbox are fantastic and simple cloud based backup solutions. Also not true, OneDrive and Dropbox are not backups, but they can be part of your backup solution. There are genuine cloud based, backup solutions but let's face it, we live in rural Australia and have neither the internet capability, capacity or service to use cloud based backups. Here's a quick example, 100 photos will take 40 hours to backup using a perfect ADSL service. Personally, I have a bit more than a hundred photos to backup.

So, our options are, external hard disks or NAS (Network Attached Storage) and now that these have gotten so cheap, they are a really great option. NAS units are just like external hard disks, except they are connected via your local network. (think personal cloud). NAS units can be put somewhere out of the way, they are really cheap to run, in standby mode they use about the same amount of power as the router. You can use any sort of backup software, even just a simple script, to automatically backup to the NAS. You don't need to plug in the backup drive, connect power, etc, etc, etc. You just need to run the backup program, which can even be totally automated. For protection against the encrypting malware (cryptolocker), they are a great option.

In Summary, simple and effective backup options:

NAS – really cheap now, 3TB units are less than \$300, network connected, always on and always available.

External hard disk (1,2,3TB drives), are really cheap, a little inconvenient, but excellent option for that once a week/month backup.

Thumb drives are great for sharing files with the family and friends, taking documents to work, daily backups of important files, eg myob, quickbooks etc. Not good for long term backups

CD/DVD, these are long, long term backups. Robust, tough, good for archival, good for those important photos you can't take again.

OneDrive and Dropbox are great for sharing files and backups of small amounts of data.

And for peace of mind, remember to check your backup worked and don't forget to grab it as part of your emergency evacuation plan.

Are you tired of all those 'Political' emails asking you to be an Australian and 'pass this email on? You know the ones: 'The Muslim Threat, Halal Foods' etc. If you don't pass them on you are un-Australian because we love our country and etc. Do they really do any good other than incite racism and bigotry? If you want to pass on a useful email then how about this: -

We all get a yellow and white pages delivered to our front doors faithfully once a year, but how often does one use

these publications these days? OK, granted they are made from semi-sustainable resources, but can you imagine the savings in CO2 if there were just a few hundred not produced? How many Australians actually know you can opt out of having a yellow or white pages delivered? This is truly becoming a paperless society with this wonderful new font of knowledge called... **tada...** 'The Internet' or in earlier days parlance the WWW.

It would probably be faster to type into a search engine 'Computer technician in Maryborough Victoria' than it would dragging out a yellowing White pages, flicking through the index, lingering over Mary Burgers Burger Shoppe and Grill drooling for a second, and finally stopping only to find little Johnny has drawn (badly) Harry Potter with a new broom stick right over your required phone numbers.

So to check a phone number using your ever faithful Desktop/Laptop/Smartphone/iPhone/iPad, next door neighbour's son's school edition netbook just go to - www.whitepages.com.au or www.yellowpages.com.au (you can leave the WWW out these days and don't forget to save it as a favourite/bookmark).

Now for the really good news! Opt out from receiving a chunky paper paperweight by going to - www.directoryselect.com.au or click on the link. It's just a couple of clicks from there.

It would probably come as no surprise to most of us to hear that the Yellow and White pages will probably be completely phased out sooner rather than later anyway, seeing as the old red phone booth is now a thing of the past thanks to the good old mobile phone!

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- Across**
1. Growing of ornamental trees
 6. To aid
 11. A highly revered image
 12. Soft and lustrous (of fabric, eg.)
 13. Fruit eaten as salad vegetable
 14. Set fire to
 16. Steep rugged rock
 17. Variety of snake
 19. One level (of series)
 20. Placed in secret location
 21. Part of dining suite
 23. Period of history
 24. Ice-dancing greats, _____ and Dean
 26. U.S. actress, _____ Hunt
 27. With order reversed, vice _____
 28. Irrate
 31. Cry of pigeon
 33. Diner
 34. Converse in friendly manner, chew the _____

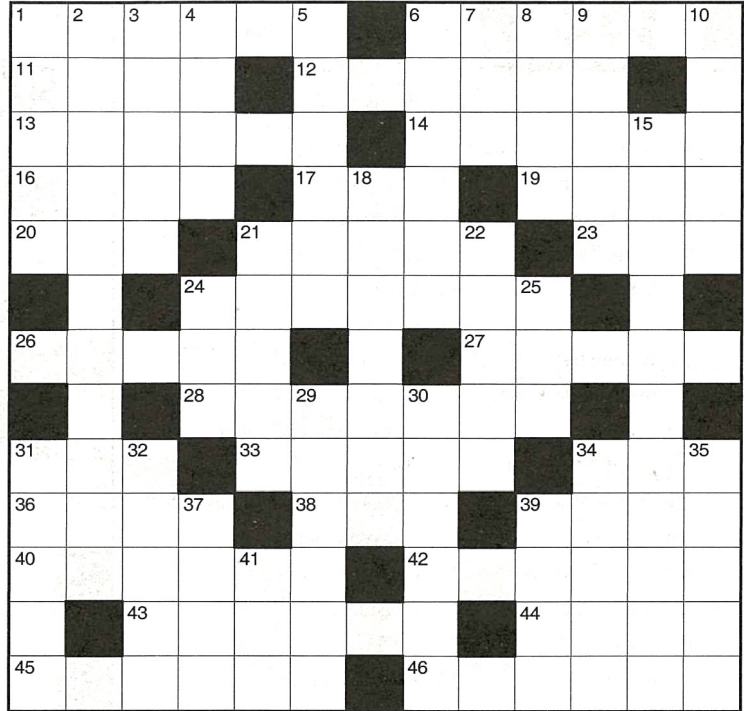
36. Body of abandoned ship
38. Dangerous or scary place, the lion's _____
39. The handling of information using computers, electronic _____ processing
40. Founder of the Franciscans, St Francis of _____
42. Unnecessary fuss, storm in a _____
43. A rubber
44. He was, they _____
45. City of southern Germany
46. At that place

- Down**
1. Female dog
 2. Yielding a smell
 3. Member of migratory tribe
 4. Waste product of metal smelting
 5. Barometric pressure line
 6. Substance with high pH
 7. Footwear item used at Falls Creek, eg.
 8. Forwarded on
 9. Communications code word for letter 'i'
 10. In that location
 15. Body with power to make and pass laws
 18. Avert
 21. Weight unit

22. Young migrating eel
24. Peg for golf ball
25. Influenced by another
29. Pungent root vegetable
30. People of high social class

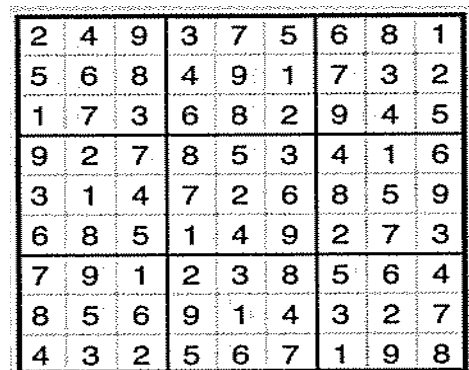
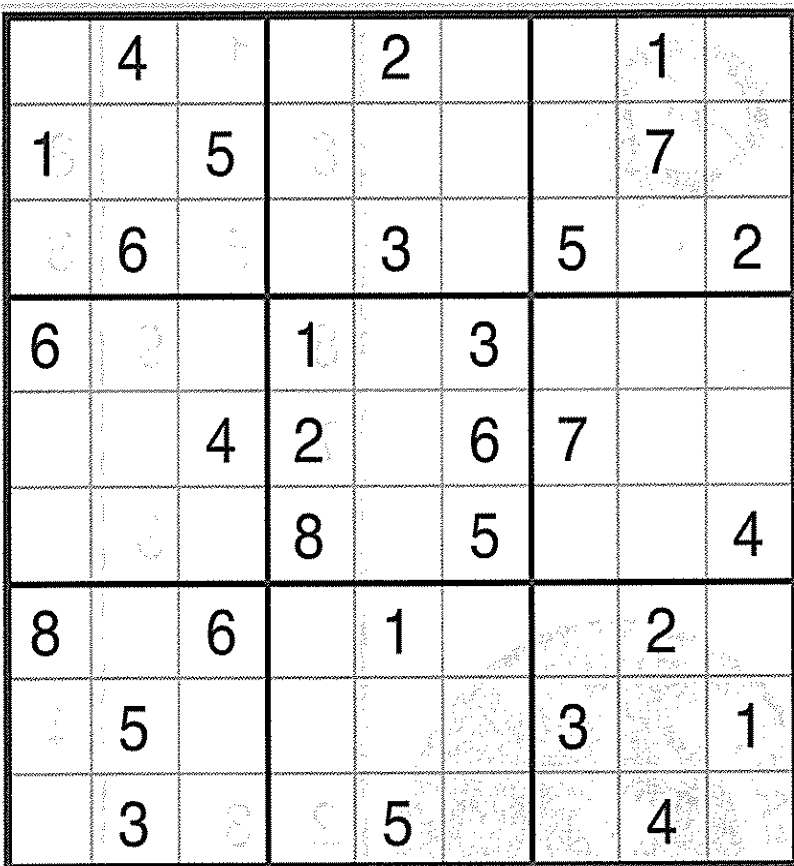
31. Abyss
32. South Aust. premier 1996-2001, John _____
34. Duplicitous, two-_____
35. Become thinner at one end

37. N.Z. operatic soprano, Dame _____ Te Kanawa
39. The darkest hour is just before the _____
41. Pouchlike part of plant



SUDOKU NO 36

Solutions: Crossword 141 and Sudoku 35



Classifieds and Public Notices

Australia Day 2017

Australia Day will commence at 10am in the Rene Fox Gardens with a breakfast BBQ and entertainment. The Australia Day Ambassador is Mr Tony Murphy, Deputy Commissioner and Director of Capability and Response for Emergency Management Victoria. Come and celebrate the great place that is Australia.

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MAYORAL COLUMN

Have you made a New Year's resolution?

Welcome to my first Mayoral Column for 2017.

I would like to begin by wishing you and your family a bright and fruitful year ahead.

My fellow Councillors and I are looking forward to the work before us as we chart the course of Loddon Shire over the coming 12 months. We have an enthusiastic and dedicated team of staff and volunteers on board who are committed to making Loddon Shire an even better place to live, work and visit as the year progresses. However, we all have a role to play in ensuring 2017 is a year to remember.

If you haven't made a New Year's resolution yet, I would encourage you to take a moment to consider one thing you can do to make 2017 a fulfilling year for you. If you're struggling to make a start, may I suggest connection is the foundation of happy, strong and resilient individuals, families and communities, and volunteering at the Loddon Visitor Information Centre could be the key.

Whether you've finished school and would like some work experience, have moved to the area and would like to meet new people or have lived in your locality for decades and would enjoy sharing Loddon's hidden gems, an inviting introduction to volunteering is provided.

Volunteers are warmly welcomed to their new role with free familiarisation tours of key tourism attractions, free internet access during their shift and a number of social and networking opportunities.

While some people enjoy volunteering their time on a regular basis, volunteers are able to nominate their preferred month or shift which can be limited to just 4 hours each year.

The Loddon Visitor Information Centre is a vital component of encouraging people to visit and stay in our rural communities.

I challenge you to take a step towards a happy and productive 2017 by phoning the Loddon Visitor Information Centre on 5494 1257 and discovering how you can become involved.

Plans afoot to stamp out mosquitos

The impact of the 2016 flooding events continues to flow through Loddon, with the municipality facing a significantly higher risk of mosquito borne health risks with the creation of prime breeding grounds.

While early indications of a return to more typical rainfall patterns has been welcomed by our farming community reaping bumper crops over recent weeks, wet conditions following the floods resulted in a significant rise in mosquito numbers.

In recent weeks residents may have noticed a drop in mosquito numbers, however presently there is a higher risk of mosquitos carrying diseases that impact negatively on human health.

Loddon Shire has been named one of 16 higher risk and flood affected rural Victorian Councils to benefit from a special State Government package designed to give the "Beat the Bite" campaign real clout.

Council's senior public health officer attended a seminar to equip Council with information to help move towards protecting the community from diseases such as Ross River virus, Barmah Forest virus, and Murray Valley Encephalitis.

Planned action to follow in the coming months includes mosquito management activities such as treating larvae in the water to reduce future populations and increasing community awareness through identifying high risk areas in townships and sharing information through the media.

In the meantime, on an individual level there are many things we can do to help protect ourselves and our families from mosquito bites.

These include wearing long loose fitting clothing, using effective mosquito repellents containing DEET or picaridin on exposed skin, using indoor 'knockdown sprays' or vaporising devices for living areas including caravans, installing flywire screens and removing stagnant water from flower pots, tyres, buckets, tins,

bird baths and pet bowls.

Limiting outdoor activity at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active is also advisable.

If you have any concerns about your health talk to your doctor or phone nurse on call on 1300 606 024.

Calling all cooks – here's your chance to show off your creative skills and be in the running to win a gold nugget.

The Loddon Visitor Information Centre is coordinating a cake competition in conjunction with the Minelab Wedderburn Detector Jamboree.

The theme is "Gold-Related" and entrants are encouraged to be imaginative. No cream cakes are allowed – only baked or iced – and entries must be delivered to the Visitor Centre by 5pm on Friday 10 March for judging. Cakes will be displayed at the Centre the following day from 10am.

There are three sections – primary, secondary and adult – with prizes of gold nuggets ranging in value from \$30 to \$50. Winners will be announced at Hard Hill Reserve in Wedderburn that evening at 8pm.

For more information, telephone the Loddon Visitor Information Centre on (03) 5494 1257.

2017 Water Skiing Masters

Some of Australia's most skilful water skiers will strut their stuff on the Loddon River at Bridgewater this month.

For the fifth time, the Bridgewater Water Ski Club is hosting the Australian Masters Water Ski Championships, featuring some of the country's best exponents in trick, slalom and jump.

Planned for 26 to 28 January, the event lures competitors from around Australia seeking scores high enough to qualify for the Moomba Masters in Melbourne in March.

Bridgewater is one of the few events held across the country enjoying this status.

Those scores go on to a worldwide ranking list administered by the International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation which is used by both national teams and the organisers of Moomba Masters and other global events to make up their fields.

This year's national titles, planned for Perth over Easter, are expected to attract around 260 skiers.

The championships open on the Thursday at 10am with trick skiing, followed by competitions for entrants with disabilities, then jumps.

One of the three disabled athletes appearing, Jason Sleep, is in contention to break a world record on the day.

On Friday, it will be slalom and trick, then on Saturday slalom and jump.

The club is expecting about 70 competitors, coming from all states bar Western Australia, ranging from nine to 65 years.

Age groups begin with Under 10 and extend to Over 55.

Spectators can watch all the action from the grassy foreshore of the town's caravan and camping park, with overnight accommodation options including the park itself, and self-contained cottages.

Food will be available on-site courtesy of Bridgewater Bakehouse or a short walk away in the main street at the Bridgewater on Loddon Hotel.

Visitors are encouraged to take advantage of the four days activities and see more of the area while they're in town, with a winery, Inglewood's Eucy Distillery and collectables stores and Kooyoora State Park all close at hand.

The caravan park will play host to another popular event when the Bridgewater Triathlon and Duathlon takes place on 5 February.

For more details on that, go to www.loddon.vic.gov.au.





Mid-Week Pennant Teams Tuesday 17 January 2017

Dunolly Blue plays Maryborough Golf at Golf

L Parker	H Freemantle	H Davies
F Nielsen	P Shay	H Weir
B Cann	A Raven	T Galofaro
K McKenzie	J Smith	N Stevens

Manager: Heather Freemantle

Cars: Loretta Parker and Barry Cann

Dunolly Gold plays Maryborough Gold at Maryborough

E Murphy	S Chaplin	L Whiley
M Mortlock	H Cooper	N Pike
A Larpent	K Stephens	J Haig
M Shay	W Stephens	D Spiteri

Manager: Lesley Whiley

Cars: Alan Larpent and Jim Haig

Emergencies from Peter Freemantle, Frank D'Unieville, Don Coe

Happy Birthday Stella Deason on 15 January

Ladies meeting 16 January at 2pm.



Calling all those involved in sports and recreation!

Are you the CEO of your local netball club? Treasurer of your chess club? Volunteer committee member of your grandkids' soccer league? We have an opportunity to put your club in first position for the future.

Below there is news of another exciting scholarship, designed to expand governance knowledge and skills within sporting organisations, benefiting our communities from the grassroots up.

Give yourself a head start in 2017 with a Sports and Recreation Governance Scholarship

Our acclaimed Diploma of Business (Governance) BSB50715 - Australia's only accredited qualification for not-for-profit governance - continues to impress, up skill and enrich participants.

In order to further break down the barriers that prevent community directors from formalising their governance knowledge, James Demetriou, Executive Chair of Sports Without Borders, is offering **fifty \$1000 scholarships** towards Diploma of Business (Governance) enrolments. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of merit and the likely impact for the sporting organisations served by each recipient.

To learn more about this scholarship offering, applicable terms and conditions and the application process, visit www.communitydirectors.com.au/scholarships

Hurry, scholarships applications close at 5:00pm AEST, 10 February 2016.

Kylie Cirak
Director, Membership Experience
Institute of Community Directors Australia

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Welcome Back for Season 2017

The Dunolly Football Netball Club finished the year with a cash deficit and the League has imposed some conditions that need to be followed in 2017. The Club has been working hard to restructure the budget, look at ways to improve both our finances and sponsorship. We believe that the Club has a future and if the restructuring of our budget works then we will only feel pain in 2017.

However, we need every player to be actively involved in fundraising, club events and the recruitment of players. We also need the support of the community on the field, off the field and financially.

Great news on the Netball side is that we are going to have a full complement of teams –

A, B, C Grade, 17 & Under, 15 & Under and 13 & Under Junior Netball sides.

We welcome any new netballers and players returning to the Club in 2017. We will be announcing our coaching line up very shortly.

On the Football side we will have a Senior, Reserve, Under 11's, Under 14 and possibly Under 17. The Senior Team is very short on players while the numbers in the Reserves is quite positive. Darren Smith has been appointed Senior Coach, Ben Perry is the Reserves Coach and they are both chasing after players for both teams. Darren and Ben really need to be congratulated on taking on a very difficult job but they both have a very positive attitude.

Our numbers on the junior front are not high and if you know of any person willing to play either senior or junior football please let the respective coaches know. **We need senior and junior footballers desperately to fill our squads.**

Events

February 12th \$1000 raffle

12-2pm Deledio Reserve. Free BBQ. Tickets \$25, are available at Dunolly Quality Meats. They can be pre-booked.

March 18 Family Day 11.30am-3pm

A great day out for the family. There will be a jumping castle, Auskick activity for the children, egg and spoon races for children and adults, raffle for a sports pack donated by Bicknell's, BBQ lunch. This is a non-alcohol event.

Expression of Interest

The Club is exploring the possibility of holding a \$500 Lotto. It requires 50 people to commit over 10 weeks to put \$20 into the draw for the chance to win \$500. If you are interested in taking part in the Lotto please contact Mat Goodwin at Dunolly Quality Meats

Marion Da Costa
Secretary



Well, can you believe it? It's already mid-way through January 2017. How the time flies when you're having fun. We, at the paper, are having fun! Mmmm?

We had a new computer system installed over the break and of course we had teething problems over the last two days with frantic phone calls to the technician when the damn machines didn't work the way we wanted them to. Was it the machines or the operators—a bit of both actually. However, we've managed to get most of the bugs sorted out. OH NO! I just found another one as I was trying to convert an Acrobat document to Publisher—our convertor tool has disappeared—help!!! Never mind, it will all work out eventually.

Now speaking of help, I would like to ask our readers for stories, articles, letters, points of view, photos, and particularly events that we can share with the community.

Often we have to rely on information from the Maryborough Advertiser to learn of events that are

happening in Dunolly. I realise that this is to promote our town to a greater extent, as the Addy has a larger readership, however, quite a few people don't get the Addy but **do** get TWR. So please drop us an email or a note through the mail slot in the door of the office to let us know when something is happening so we can let the community know. Remember this is your paper, so please make use of it.

Australia Day is on Thursday 26 January 2017. We're kicking off at 10am at Rene Fox Gardens with live music and a free sausage sizzle.

AT 11am the official proceedings will commence with an address by Australia Day Ambassador, Tony Murphy EMV Deputy Commissioner. BYO chairs. For further information Marion 0438 168 634.

With best wishes to everyone, lets hope 2017 is a great year for all.

Susan Anderson

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