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2nd Annual Christmas Letterbox Extravaganza

The Dunolly and District Lions club is very excited to be holding their second Annual Christmas Letterbox Extravaganza.

It is time to start decorating your letterbox and fill in an entry form for a chance to win one of the great prizes!

This year's theme is AUSTRALIAN BUSH CHRISTMAS; extra points for integrating this theme in to your letterbox design.

The Lions Club will undertake the judging on 21st December and the winner will be contacted shortly after. We had a wonderful show of support for this event last year and it was wonderful to see the community supporting the cause. This is a fun event for the area and we encourage you to have some fun and join in.

Make sure your entry forms are in at 32 Thompson Street, Dunolly (in the letter box) by the due date to be in the running. Entry forms are also available at this address; check in the weatherproof box.

Any questions can be directed to our President, Susan on 0438 148 879.

Luke Williams



Bealiba Concert

The annual Bealiba Christmas Concert was held on Friday 1st December.

As usual it was full of local talent, performing a variety of numbers. The audience enjoyed the afternoon.

Due to illness and the unfulfilled threat of "wild weather" the Dunolly D Sharps were unable to attend. Our apologies.

Susan Anderson

**Important information to all
The Welcome Record readers**

Next week, 13th December will be the last edition of The Welcome Record for 2017.

Publication will resume
on 16th January 2108.

Contributors and advertisers who wish to publicise in the first edition of the new year, please ensure you email us at welcomerecords.iinet.net.au before 16th January.

Thank you.



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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

One's heart went out to those tourists who were stranded in Bali by the erupting volcano; also to the hundreds of thousands who had to leave their homes and livelihood for the same reason.

There is a companion for the Broadway giraffes in Sam's pharmacy—a quite large and fairly cute elephant.

My granddaughter loves elephants, but sending it to her for Christmas seems a bit impractical as she lives in W.A.

During the very hot nights last week we had doors and windows open to cool the house. The amount of night noise is interesting—mostly birds. Do magpies never sleep? The loudest call seemed to be the Willy-wag-tail insisting he was a "sweet-pretty-creature" all night.

Wandered out before I went to bed on Sunday night and was struck by the size and brightness of the moon on Monday night.

Our backyard became the venue for a gathering of galahs one afternoon last week. First a family of three arrived, then a couple more.

Apparently the word was passed around by some birdie Facebook (or perhaps Twitter) that there was something delicious growing in the yard, as it finished up with fifty birds all eating whatever it was.

The local magpies put up a token resistance, but faced by galahs with their crests up, they retreated to the trees. Then suddenly they all left at once.

Cure for Chilblains- (from Spare Corner Book,1932)

Put feet in hot water to which some phenyl has been added. Add hot water as needed. Soak for 10 minutes. Best time is before going to bed.

I reckon you would sleep alone— for those who don't remember, phenyl really pongs.

Rosie



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LETTERS TO EDITOR

Letter to the Editor, The Welcome Record.

Dear Editor,

With Christmas less than 20 days away, I would like to take the opportunity to urge your readers to consider supporting local shops and traders.

Small business is the backbone of the towns across Western Victoria and it's important we show our support.

In this day and age, many people buy Christmas presents online, but every dollar spent online is a dollar that can't be used to employ local young people or improve shops in the local community.

Statistically, almost five million Australians are employed in small business.

Dunolly, Carisbrook, Maryborough and many other towns across the region offer terrific gift shops, butchers, bakers, grocers, restaurants, cafes, pubs and an array of other businesses.

We need to encourage and support them at the cash register.

By supporting small business, you ensure they continue to survive and employ local people in your community.

My message to Welcome Record readers is the same as last Christmas and the one before: please visit your local shopping strips and small businesses and spend a dollar with them this Christmas.

It's important for their survival and it helps to retain valued businesses in country Victoria.

Jaala Pulford MP.
Member for Western Victoria.

Tarnagulla's Talent

On Saturday night Tarnagulla CFA held their 2nd Talent night fundraiser. Not sure what to expect, our family went along to support them and sing a couple of songs. The Tarnagulla CFA welcomed us in as comfortably as family. One lady had even brought her home-made samosas and tomato chutney for everyone. We soon discovered their hidden 'talents'. Janene is arm wrestling champion (with a plaque on the wall to prove it) and quite the storyteller. Dennis sang "*Would you like*

to swing on a star" with his lovely granddaughters, and even 'Liza and Henery' turned up with their '*Hole in the Bucket*'.



The array of singing performances was so interesting. Credit to CFA Captain George Firez, who

organised this and has quite the gift-of-the-gab himself. Whatever you do next year, try not to miss this! Maybe we could have a Dunolly/Tarnagulla CFA battle of the talents!

Shelley Di Biase

TARNAGULLA TALK

Town Talk

Tarnagulla CFA held their annual talent night on Saturday. It was a success with the audience well entertained.

Local talents Wendy Sutton and Russell Dennis wowed the crowd with their rendition of 'There's a Hole in My Bucket'. Russell Dennis also joined with his granddaughters in song. Janene Godden's amazing feats of strength were a highlight as was the surprise performance by Marie Beasy who performed at the Bendigo Blues and Roots Festival. Shelley from the Dunolly D-Sharps gave a wonderful performance on the piano. Money raised on the night will benefit the Tarnagulla CFA.

You may have noticed a large structure surrounding the Post Office. Don't be concerned. Some slate on the roof is being refixed and access is still available.

CFA Awards night will be held this week at 7.00pm on Saturday 7th December. Come along and show your support. See you at the Fire Station at 53 Gladstone Street, Tarnagulla.

School Chatter

Parents and Friends held a fundraiser on Sunday 26th. We invited a portrait photographer to Tarnagulla and she took some amazing photos in the park. The families that took part were delighted with the photos and helped raised some money for the school.

The children are getting excited about finishing up the year and at the prospect of moving into the next year level. I'm sure our year six children are looking forward to moving to secondary school.

We're busy working out the finer details of the end of year activities. Parents and teachers alike are busy with organising the school wrap up for 2017. Don't forget the awards night at 7.00pm on Thursday 21st December. Come and cheer our kids on at Victoria Hall, 69-71 Commercial Road, Tarnagulla.

Linda Kennedy

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Travels with Cynthia

When Liz and I were staying in Florence in a dear little hotel right on the edge of the Arno River, where you could watch the fishermen in their boats right outside our window, we had the loan of a friend's car while we were travelling through Italy. Florence is a city where you are sated with the magnificent cathedrals and churches and of course the famous Uffizi art gallery.

One particular day we decided to go a bit further afield so I went to get the car from the underground carpark and Liz walked up to the Ponte Vecchio for me to pick her up. When I arrived in the street, I discovered it was one-way so I had to turn right instead of left where Liz was waiting. I thought it would be simple to turn up the next street and head back, but without realising it I had turned into another one way narrow little street with cars parked on both sides. Still having trouble driving on the right-hand side, I only realised I was going the wrong way when I saw people frantically waving at me and in my panic my car scraped the side of a parked car. When I got out I was surrounded by a crowd and of course with my limited Italian I had no way of communicating. Then a little man wearing slippers ran out of a house and started hugging his damaged car and almost weeping. Someone ran off and brought back a lady who they said spoke *inglese*. Oh relief, thought I. "Hello, 'ow are you", she said, apparently the sum total of her English. Ever resourceful and now a bit calmer, I found pen and paper in the car and wrote my name, the name of my hotel and the word insured, which I hoped might register. It seemed to have the right effect because now everyone became helpful and directed me to back into a little cul-de-sac to turn in the right direction.

Now feeling slightly relieved but very anxious about the damage to the cars, I looked for a two-way street to head back in what I thought was the right direction and of course got hopelessly lost. I thought of poor Liz wondering what on earth had happened to me, so in a

state of panic, now a familiar sensation, I dumped the car in a piazza and started walking. I had to ask directions all the way but finally arrived to find a distraught Liz about to call the *polizia*.

Arriving back at the hotel we discovered that the little man who owned the damaged car had run all the way in his slippers to verify my bona-fides. Luckily the car belonged to a friend of my brother who had a business in Italy and was known to the hotel staff, so the car owner went happily away. I might add it was quite a minor scratch. Then the inevitable question "Cynthia, Where is the car?" "Oh dear", said I, "I think I've lost it". Luckily Liz and I are quite alike so she just laughed, but then we had to go on a car hunt. I had even forgotten the name of the piazza but we eventually found the car. The next step was to ring my brother (Liz's husband) with the news, but I discovered that he was on the golf course so we decided to console ourselves in the hotel lounge with a gin and tonic. When I finally conveyed the news, my brother also laughed, said no harm done, as his friend, owner of the car, would handle it. And so Liz and I went our merry way, over the Ponte Vecchio towards our next adventure.

Cynthia



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Residents can dispose of their garden green waste and organic household waste via a 240 litre green waste mobile bin which is collected twice a month (First and third Friday of the month). The service costs \$72 from December 2017 to November 2018 which is charged separately to the rates on the property.

The collected waste is then processed at the Carisbrook Transfer Station into high quality bagged compost. As a bonus to the service, each participant is entitled to four bags of compost free of charge per month, when available (there is no guarantee of supply).

To request the service you can visit the Council Office at 48 Nolan Street to collect a form or download one online at www.centralgoldfields.com.au Alternatively, please contact Central Goldfields Shire on 5461 0607.

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Phillips Gardens

White Ribbon Day garden bed: Our Gardens team have created a White Ribbon Day garden bed in Phillips Gardens using white petunias. The garden bed was created at the request of the Zonta Club of Central Goldfields who held a special event there last weekend.

The initiative aims to raise awareness of White Ribbon Day and the 16 Days of Activism and the say no to family violence message.



Fountain operational: Have you noticed the fountain in the lake at Phillips Gardens is operational again? Our Gardens team have brought it back to life with a new pump. It hasn't worked for quite a few years so it's great to see it in action again.

Have your say

Central Goldfields Shire Council is inviting residents to have their say on two significant draft plans.

The draft **Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan** and the draft **Domestic Animal Management Plan** were endorsed at an Ordinary Meeting of Council this week.

Both draft Plans will be open for community feedback until Wednesday 20 December.

To read the Plans and provide feedback, visit www.centralgoldfields.com.au or collect a hard copy from the Shire Office, 48 Nolan Street.

Media Statement – Flood recovery funding

Recent media reports suggesting the misappropriation of funds are inaccurate and rejected by Central Goldfields Shire Council.

Central Goldfields Shire Interim Administrator Mark Davies wanted to reassure residents that the funds have been expended within the municipality.

"It's important to clarify that the majority of the \$30.9 million of Federal and State Government funding received has been spent on the clean-up of the floods and the re-instatement of infrastructure. This work is substantial and expensive: \$10 million – flood related clean up; \$14.7 million – road re-instatement; \$3.7 million – bridge re-instatement; and \$1.5 million – drainage re-instatement. Whilst we do know the money has been spent within the municipality, what we don't have is a detailed list of works the money has been spent on – this is due to the Shire's poor accounting systems."

Mr Davies said he had discussed concerns around the Shire's accounting systems and processes with the Auditors. Mr Davies said he and Interim CEO Mr Vince Haining had recently met with members of the Carisbrook community about the process moving forward.

"We have invited members of the Carisbrook community to be part of an Advisory Committee who Council will work with in the delivery of the next stage of funding and works. The Committee will also be asked to identify works that are still outstanding from the 2011 floods. There is \$2.6 million in the current Council budget to be spent on flood mitigation works including \$2 million for the construction of a major levee on the Pyrenees Highway. We are also in discussions with DELWP so that they can provide advice on the preferred solution and whether it is the best value for money outcome."

Energy Breakthrough biggest and best yet

The 2017 RACV Energy Breakthrough has been hailed a success – with a record number of both participants and spectators enjoying this year's event.

Central Goldfields Shire Council Interim Administrator Mark Davies said it was estimated that more than 12,000 people visited Maryborough across the four day event which included more than 8,000 participants.

"It was a wonderful opportunity to showcase our Shire to thousands of visitors and we're expecting that the event would have injected close to \$5 million into the local economy."

RACV Energy Breakthrough Local Planning Coordinator, Martin Mark said the event would not have been possible without the support of the local Central Goldfields Shire community.

"There were more than six hundred volunteers who contributed a significant amount of time and effort towards the event in 2017. The event could not have been the success that it was, let alone even exist financially, without the assistance of these volunteers."

"The large number of entries places a lot of stress upon our volunteer base, but community groups and numerous individuals from the community volunteering their services meant the event was a huge success. In talking to several traders after the event they indicated that this year had been fantastic for business, the best they had experienced in the event's long history."



CGSC News



Dunolly Christian Churches

Invites you to worship God

and welcome you to their services:

Anglican Church Services:

St John's Dunolly Anglican Parish Service

Thursday 7th December

10am Eucharist Father Malcolm

Emu Anglican Services

2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 11.30am

St David's Bealiba

1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 8am

Catholic Church Services:

Dunolly, St. Mary's

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

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

Bealiba St. Patrick's

Mass at 8.30am, 5th Sunday of the month

Tarnagulla St. Francis Xavier's

Mass 11am, 3rd Saturday of the month,

Uniting Church Services:

Sunday 10th December Musical Celebration

Heiner Bauch 9.30 am

Catholic Church St Mary's Muse

Last Sunday was the first day of Advent—the beginning of the new Liturgical Year and the start of the Christmas season.

Christmas gathering and parish council and finance committee meeting on Thursday 14th December at 7.30pm at the presbytery. Members and partners are invited.

New counters are still required — ring Parish office Wednesday and Friday mornings on 5461 1084 for details.

Mass at St. Mary's, Dunolly on Sunday 11th December at 8.30 am.

Mass at St. Francis Xavier's, Tarnagulla on Saturday 16th December at 11am, followed by lunch at the Golden Age Hotel.

R Mcreddy

*May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
send you grace and peace.*

1 Cor; 3-9

Uniting Church Car Boot Sale

There will be no car boot sale in December and January. It will resume again on the second Saturday in February 2018.

The Op Shop will close on Friday, 15th December for the Christmas break and reopen Tuesday January 9th 2018.

Come and take advantage of the Christmas bargains and the \$5.00 bag sale.

Jim McKenzie

Uniting Church News

The 10th December is our Musical Celebration service with Heiner Bauch leading us in song and prayer. This is a time we get together and sing our hearts out. Come in and join us You are most welcome!

Every Saturday at 4pm we rehearse our Christmas Cantata with our conductor. We also practise on Sunday at 1pm and Tuesday at 2pm. This will happen till the night of nights when we will perform on Friday 15th December. We are having Carols as well, which everyone can sing along with. So come and enjoy this wonderful time of the year in our town. Bring your children as it will not be a late night.

Sunday 17th December is our Christmas Morning Tea after our service. Please, would everyone bring a plate of food to share.



Our Op Shop will close on Friday 15th December and will reopen again on 9th January 2018.

Come in and see our stock which you can purchase at **\$5 a bag**.

We have all sizes of children's clothes to large adults size clothes. Our Christmas table has some interesting things on it.

Jean Richardson

St John's Church News

The Parish and the Anglican Diocese of Bendigo helped sponsor a team of four Boys from the Walgett Community College to come to the Energy Breakthrough. They came in 5th overall and were thrilled with the result. It was a great experience for them and they thoroughly enjoyed their time in Maryborough and look forward to coming back next year. Garry and Trina attended the Anglican Cathedral in Bendigo on Saturday 2nd November to celebrate Bishop Andrew's last service and the laying up of his staff. It was a wonderful celebration of his time as Bishop over the last 14 years.

Trina Kay

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE WEEK

*'Heaven and earth will pass away,
says the Lord,
but my words will not pass away.'*

Mark 13:31

Dunolly District Uniting Church

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We would like to invite you to our
Cafe Church on Sunday,
31st December @ 9:30am.

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of casual cafe style church;
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Congratulations Dunolly! The bunting count is in. Total: 640. Which is a fantastic effort by all involved. We will hang them this week, so watch out for the beautiful bunting.

Mosaic classes will continue right through the holiday period, Mondays at the Art Hub 10am-1pm.

Hub Club finishes for 2017 this week until school term starts again in 2018. It has been a pure pleasure getting to know some of the lovely children of Dunolly and we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

The Christmas Party at The Neighbourhood Centre is on this Sunday, 10th December at 6pm. If you have been involved with The Neighbourhood Centre or The Arts Hub this year, please come and join us for the fun. We each bring a salad or a sweet and it's BYO Drinks. If you want to come please give Sharon a ring on 5468 1511.

We will be at the Dunolly Market this Sunday selling raffle tickets for the Christmas Hamper. Come and buy a few. It's an amazing hamper, with all you will need for a rip snorter of a Christmas. We will also have tickets to sell for the decorated Christmas cake, hand-made by Moira Saul, who generously donates the beautiful cake each year.

Lynda Vater
Dunolly Arts Hub



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Dunolly/Bealiba RSL Sub-Branch

Well it is nearly Christmas time. Our members our Christmas dinner is on Friday 8th December at 6pm at the Hall. Members please remember to return your raffle tickets to Debbie, raffle drawn at dinner. Also if you haven't been in touch with us please let us know if you intend to come along to dinner if we don't have numbers for catering you may miss out.

There are no meetings now until February 14th 2018 7pm. The President has asked members over this break to think about committee positions as AGM and elections are in March. If you think you can do something to help out, put your hand up. There is always a need for helpers and nothing is really hard, just a little commitment of your time. To all those that we may not see or who are not feeling the best, have a Merry Christmas, all the best for 2018.

To all the community that have supported our raffles, market BBQ's and the special memorial days, best wishes to you also.

Lyn Gale

The Dunolly Santa Show



The Santa show will be held on **Saturday 16th December.**

We would be grateful for any donations of money or toys.

Please support the children of our community.

To arrange donations, please contact Cheryl anytime on **5468 1666**, or **0427 488 337**

TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ONE AND ALL

WAYAWA CAFE

The Tarnagulla Community Café will be closed the following dates over the Christmas period

Sunday 17th December

Sunday 24th December

Sunday 31st December

Opening again on:

Sunday 7th January 2018



A video which focuses on the carers of people with mental health issues and discusses their experiences as a carer was launched last Friday in Serpentine.

Who are mental health carers? will be officially launched by the Minister for Public Transport and Major Projects, and Member for Bendigo East, the Hon. Jacinta Allan MP. The event will be hosted by the Loddon Healthy Minds Network in partnership with the Bendigo Health Carers Support Program.

Loddon Shire Council Director, Community Wellbeing, Wendy Gladman, said the video highlights who mental health carers are and what their role as a carer means.

"Not all people who are looking after someone with a mental health issue actually identify themselves as carers. Rather it's just something they do," Mrs Gladman said.

"As well as focusing on who a carer is and their role in caring for someone with a mental health issue, the carers featured in the video emphasise the importance of all carers looking after themselves. This includes recognising mental and physical exhaustion, and ensuring a carer has their own support. This may be through their GP, a mental health professional or informal support such as friends or family."

The launch of *Who are mental health carers?* will also celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the Loddon Healthy Minds Network. Formed in 2007, the network is based on the original concept developed by the Swan Hill Healthy Minds Network. It aims to promote and advocate for improved wellbeing and access to appropriate services for people in Loddon Shire affected by mental health issues, and promote emotional wellbeing and good mental health across the Loddon community.

The network is made up of members from a number of organisations including community health services, primary health care partnerships, mental health services and Council. The network also includes community representatives.

Founding member, Ric Raftis, said he had seen many positive outcomes from the Loddon Healthy Minds Network during the past 10 years.

"It's considerably reduced the stigma of mental health issues," he said. "It's still there, but the network has given people the courage to come and say if they have a mental health issue. It has provided people with information on access to support and improved available services that we

have advocated and agitated for. We are trying to make sure that the mental health issues within the Loddon Shire are addressed and people with these issues are represented and their issues articulated," Mr Raftis added.

Who are mental health carers? was launched on Friday 1st December at Serpentine's Janiember Park Recreation Reserve.

Separation Tree to live on in Loddon Shire

It was a great honour to attend a ceremony in Melbourne recently to receive a river red gum sapling from the historic Separation Tree.

The 400-year-old Separation Tree, which was formerly in Melbourne's Royal Botanic Gardens, marked the location where people gathered on 15 November 1850 to celebrate Victoria becoming a separate colony from New South Wales.

Unfortunately, after being attacked by vandals in 2010 and 2013, the Separation Tree died in 2015. However, saplings from the seed of the tree were propagated and are being distributed around Victoria in a partnership between the Royal Botanic Gardens and the Victoria Day Council.

It is with great pride that Loddon Shire Council can now also be a part of the historic tradition of the Separation Tree by planting this sapling in our municipality.

Council staff will consult a horticultural expert about a preferred site for the location of the sapling before making a decision about where it is to be planted.

Loddon Shire News



Damaged Separation Tree after vandals attacked it in 2013.

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Scholarship for 2018 students and apprentices

Are you heading to Uni or TAFE next year? Need a little extra financial support?

The Maldon & District Community Bank® Branch is offering a one-year \$2,000 scholarship to support a young TAFE or undergraduate tertiary-course student from the Maldon/Newstead/Dunolly area in 2018.

Applications, open from 1st December, are sought from young people planning to commence a TAFE-based apprenticeship, a TAFE Certificate course, a diploma, advanced diploma or university degree in 2018. Those already studying at TAFE or doing an undergraduate university degree can also apply. Applicants must be aged 25 or under.

Community Bank Chairman Genevieve Barlow said the scholarship is to support a young person from the Maldon, Newstead and Dunolly region wanting to chase their education or work-life dreams.

"What we're looking for is someone who is planning on going to Uni or TAFE. Financial or other hurdles can hinder the educationally-motivated which is where this scholarship will help. It's not a lot of money but we know that at this time of life every little bit helps and we're in the business of supporting our communities and the young people in them. If demand is high, more scholarships could be offered in the future. Check out the details and call us if you'd like to know more."

Applications close on January 29. For details, go to <https://maldoncb.com.au/tertiary-scholarship/>

Applicants should register their interest with **Maldon & District Community Bank®** Branch Executive Officer Karly Smith on 0478 435 110 or executiveofficer@mdcb.com.au



Nick scoops the pool

Nick Myers not only became Dux of year 10 at Highview, but was awarded the prestigious top Masonic scholarship worth \$1,200.00.

After changing to Highview from St Arnaud, Nick, from Stuart Mill, is making the most of the educational opportunities offered at Highview.

The Masonic scholarship which supplies \$600.00 for each year of VCE is offered through funds raised by Freemasons lodges of the Central Goldfields Masonic Group which are within the catchment area of both Maryborough secondary institutions, along with donations from other orders that meet in Maryborough and Cohuna. Funds raised are then matched by the Freemasons Foundation which is the main Freemasons Victoria charitable institution thus providing a total of \$1,800.00 annually.

These annual local scholarships are awarded to students as an incentive to seek excellence in all pursuits, based on academic performance, community involvement and a desire to make an improvement in the Australian way of life. Nick joins a long list of worthy students who have received these incentives and progressed to great achievements.

The second scholarship goes to the best student showing these characteristics from the alternative institution, so one student from MEC is in line for a \$600.00 grant based on \$300.00 per year of VCE and will be presented at MEC Presentation Night.

The newly-introduced Christmas Lights Competition seeks to raise funds to offer more encouragement awards to promising students across a wider level of education where some emphasis may also be placed on a needs basis. That way, Freemasons hope to "Make the Spirit of Christmas last throughout the year," while also providing a spin-off by way of incentive for those people who go to the huge effort in erecting displays and by increasing visitation to our area by people shopping or staying longer. Entries are currently being received with an entry form in the Maryborough Advertiser paper (if more convenient then drop entry off at Addy office).

Ken Calder



Nick Myer and Ken Calder at presentation of Masonic Scholarship

DUNOLLY PRESCHOOL ART SHOW

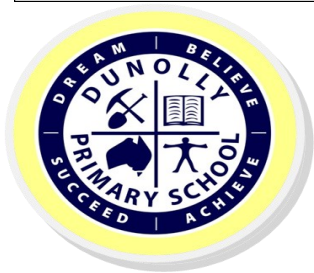
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This week's value in focus is:
Resilience - Determination
 Not giving up after the first go

Around school this week:

We are almost on the home stretch. So much happening at school; teachers finishing reports, students finishing final assessments, transition days starting, preparations for the Community Carols It's an exciting time!

Our first full-school transition day will be tomorrow when all students will spend until second lunch in their 2018 grades, with their new teachers. This is a lovely way to get to know each other and possibly become familiar with new environments. If your child is feeling a little nervous or apprehensive that is absolutely understandable. They need to face challenges. Acknowledge their feelings and let them know it's ok to feel that way, and everything will be absolutely fine. If it helps they could write down some questions they have for their teacher, draw them a picture or write a message.

Encourage the new connections.

A MESSAGE FROM THE RESILIENCE PROJECT

Taking Control of Emotions – In order to improve your current mood, you only need the following for these lengths of time to increase the strength of your positive emotion! Try this with children.

MUSIC – 7 SECONDS

EXERCISE – 30 SECONDS

LAUGHTER - INSTANT

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep/1 – Jaxson Conway & Grace Freemantle
 Year 1/2 – Bailey Osborne
 Year 3/4 – Victoria Heywood
 Year 5/6 – Shenae Hunt & Annie Harman
 Principal's Award – to be announced
 Artist of the Week – Bailey O'Keeffe

Christmas Luncheon

As an end of year celebration all students will be involved in preparing a 2-course Christmas lunch complete with proper table settings, lessons around etiquette and meal preparation.

Junior students (Prep – 2)

Monday December 18th

Senior students (Year 3 – 6)

Tuesday December 19th

The cost per student is \$5.00

Payment is due by Wednesday December 13th.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



PFA NEWS



Christmas Raffle

Raffle books have been sent home today with the eldest child in each family
 There are lots of prizes to be won.
 Tickets are \$1.00 each.

Books due back

Thursday December 14th

All books either sold or unsold must be returned please.

Raffle drawn at the Community Carols on Wednesday December 20th

Delivering faster payments for Wannon small businesses

Small Businesses in Wannon providing goods and services to Government will have their invoices paid faster following an announcement by the Turnbull Government.

Member for Wannon, Dan Tehan said the Government will now be required to pay invoices for contracts worth up to \$1 million within 20 calendar days, an improvement from the current policy of 30 days.

"This will put money back in the pockets of small business, helping them to invest, grow our local economy, create jobs and employ more workers," Mr Tehan said.

"It is a major win for small businesses in Wannon that have contracts with the Federal Government and demonstrates our commitment to these hard-working Australians.

"Small business is the engine room of our local economy, and we are taking action to change the payment culture in Australia and ensure small businesses are not be used as a bank."

The Australian Government is already a proud leader regarding payment times and practices, with the latest Pay-On-Time survey showing Commonwealth agencies paid 97 per cent of their invoices within 30 days.

The Government will also take action requiring its agencies and entities to publish their payment-time performance. This will significantly increase the level of transparency and accountability and ensure agencies meet their obligations consistent with Government payment policies.

Minister for Small Business Michael McCormack said he has heard from hundreds of small businesses about a

range of issues and payment times are a real concern for many of Australia's small businesses.

"Having run my own small business and waited at times for many months to be paid for work already completed, I understand how frustrating and how burdensome late payments can be." Mr McCormack said.

"This is a great outcome for small business, and I hope it will set an example to industry and to other levels of government to come on board with faster payment times." This announcement builds on the Government's strong small business agenda. The Coalition Government understands small businesses are the backbone of our economy and we are backing small business through:

- Our Instant Asset Write-off that means small businesses in Wannon can instantly deduct each and every asset under \$20,000.
- Cutting taxes for small businesses to the lowest rate in 50 years.
- Landmark export agreements with China, Japan, and South Korea that are opening up new opportunities for businesses in Wannon
- The abolition of \$5.8 billion worth of red tape. This includes introducing: simplifying Business Activity Statements; a Small Business Superannuation Clearing House; and hundreds of other decisions that are making life easier.

The full response is available at <https://treasury.gov.au/publication/australian-government-pay-on-time-survey-performance-report/>

Dan Tehan MP



Dunolly Community Market Sunday 10th December 9am-2pm

Stall Enquiries and bookings
Lucinda: 0448681147



Santa Photos from 11:30
BYO camera



Giving back to the community 12:30 at Town Hall

Fire restrictions announced for 2017/18 season

The Fire Danger Period will begin at 0100 Monday 4th December 2017 in CFA's North West Region:

CFA District 02 Operations Manager, Bill Johnstone, said most forecasts indicated an above average fire season. Mr. Johnstone said it is important to prepare your property to minimise any chance of fire taking hold or spreading.

"It is important to undertake mitigation work, including slashing, grading and general property clean-ups before the fire danger ratings increase. Any burning-off requires thorough planning, ensuring there are enough people to monitor, contain and extinguish the burn safely and effectively. Avoid burning off when high winds are forecast – not only on the day of your burn but for the days afterwards".

CFA takes a zero tolerance approach to any unauthorised fires or fires resulting from negligent behaviour subject to police investigation.

A fire started at any time of the year which damages someone else's property is a crime.

For information about burn-off restrictions specific to your area consult your local council.

"Even if you have a permit to use fire over the Fire Danger Period, make sure you read the conditions carefully. Failing to follow just one of those conditions may leave you open to prosecution," said Mr. Johnstone. During the Fire Danger Period (FDP) fires cannot be lit in the open air without a written permit from CFA or a Municipal Fire Prevention Officer. FDPs are based on local conditions and take into account fuel moisture, fuel loads, grassland curing, weather and rainfall.

Victorians can find out "Can I or Can't I?" information at cfa.vic.gov.au/can or by calling VicEmergency Hotline on **1800 226 226**. All burn-offs should be registered with the VicFire Burn-off notification line on **1800 668 511**.

Fire Danger Period information:

- A written permit is required to burn off grass, undergrowth, weeds or other vegetation during the FDP. This permit may be issued by the Municipal Fire Prevention Officer or the CFA District Office. Please check with your municipality in the first instance.
- Lighting a fire in the open without a permit is an offence and can bring a penalty of over \$21,600 and/ or 12 months imprisonment. Barbeques and fires for cooking and warmth do not require a permit, but **must** be lit in properly constructed fireplaces (to view complete conditions visit cfa.vic.gov.au/can)
- The use of an incinerator, chainsaw/lawn mower, welding/grinding equipment and vehicles that come in contact with vegetation and machinery with an internal combustion/heat engine are permitted provided conditions are followed.
- Farmers can find legal guidelines and practical advice at cfa.vic.gov.au/farming – this information is important especially for new farmers, bush block owners or hobby farmers.
- A Total Fire Ban declaration means no fires can be lit for the declared district for that day unless there is a specific exemption or special permit issued. This applies irrespective of the Fire Restriction status for a given municipality. Further details at cfa.vic.gov.au/can

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Burnt Creek Cemetery History

On Saturday 10th November, a gathering of the descendants of the Treble and Colliccoat families took place at the newly restored Burnt Creek Cemetery. Present were Fred Treble and Ivan Colliccoat and members of other families. The pioneer Treble family began in 1857, when the original Frederick John Treble was born at Burnt Creek Village. The first mention of the Colliccoat name was in 1924 when Hilda May Treble married Leslie Joseph Colliccoat. They had 10 children! The youngest, Ivan, was present at the Cemetery gathering.

Ninety year-old Frederick Vernon Treble presented the records of the old Bromley School, which he attended, to Mr Colin Sullivan of the Dunolly Museum. He spoke of his upbringing in Burnt Creek, Bromley. He was born in 1927 and grew up in the Great Depression of the 1930's. He spoke of his walks to school, and how many of his school mates walked to school bare-footed. Fred tried this once, "But never again!" He was familiar with Boot Hill Cemetery; Colliccoat's old dredge heaps and building sites, all of which he passed on his way to school. Fred then thanked those present for their attendance.

Ivan Colliccoat spoke about the Bromley Dredges worked by his family. They lived just over the Bromley-Burnt Creek Bridge next to the peppercorn tree, 150 metres towards Dunolly.

Fred Davies, who, along with the Landcare group, was responsible for so much of the work done on the cemetery, acknowledged all who had contributed.

Murray Hall

Three men arrested over alleged Bealiba burglary

Three men have been arrested after allegedly stealing more than \$50,000 in farming equipment from a Bealiba property last month.

Central Goldfields Crime Investigation Unit detectives and Geelong High Volume Crime Team members arrested the trio following the execution of search warrants in Bannockburn, Hamlin Heights and Lara on Tuesday. During the search warrants, a number of allegedly stolen pieces of farming equipment and several firearms and ammunition were recovered.

One of the men arrested, a 36 year old from Lara has been charged and bailed for a number of offences including burglary and theft, and is expected to appear at the Geelong Magistrates Court on 27th February 2018.

A 49 year old Bannockburn man was released pending summons in relation to alleged firearm offences while a 41 year-old man from Hamlin Heights was also released pending summons in relation to possessing proceeds of crime. The alleged burglary is believed to have occurred between October 29th and November 2nd with the offenders allegedly gaining access to the property by forced entry.

Police were told at the time that the alleged thieves cut a fence before driving several vehicles onto the premises.

Among the reported stolen items were a 2009 Applegate APEL box trailer, a 2015 orange KTM SX 85 motorcycle, a 2016 orange KTM 300EXC motorcycle, a 2005 blue Yamaha WR250140 motorcycle, a camouflage Polaris UForce 800 all-terrain vehicle, a red Polaris quad bike with roll bars and a spotlight and a green John Deere ride-on lawn mower. A number of power tools and equipment were also taken during the incident

Anyone who has information relating to the alleged burglary is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 33 00 or submit a confidential crime report at www.crimestoppersvic.com.au

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Dunolly Australia Day Nomination Form

Criteria

Dunolly Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year recipients are people who have demonstrated through their hard work and dedication that they:

- Provide a significant contribution to the Dunolly community in the current year or over a number of years;
- Demonstrate outstanding skills and/or are a role model for other community members or organisations; and
- Excel in one of the areas of community services, arts and culture, sport and recreation, education or the environment.

Please indicate the award category you are making the nomination for:

Citizen of the Year

Junior Citizen of the Year (Under 18 yrs)

Name of Nominee _____

Areas of Excellence – in what area(s) has the nominee excelled?

For example: Service Clubs, Welfare, Community, Sports, Academic or other specific achievement

Briefly tell us about your nominee

How are they a positive role model? How have they demonstrated excellence in their field and contributed to the community? Explain their outstanding achievements and involvement within the Dunolly community.

Nominated by: _____

Nomination form must be received by 4.30pm on Friday, 6 January 2017 at the RTC.

The Australia Day Ceremony and awards are organised by Dunolly and District Inc. and sponsored by Central Goldfields Shire. A special committee will judge the awards. The decision in relation to the awards is final and no correspondence will be entered into in respect of the awards.

Nominations can be lodged at the RTC until Thursday 5th January 2018

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 – Friday to Maryborough return. RTC 5468 1205
Dunolly Art Group Tuesdays at 10am at the Art Hub
Dunolly Community Garden at Pre-school: Mondays 5pm-7pm daylight saving. Mondays 3pm-5pm Autumn/Winter
Dunolly CWA meetings 1.30pm SES rooms 1st Wednesday each month
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 SES shed
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 Planned Activities Group Tuesday and Thursdays 10.30am to 2.30pm Phone 5468 2907
Dunolly Ninjas Program - (4 to 6 years old) Mondays from 5pm Dunolly RSL hall
Dunolly & District Lions Club
 For details of meetings contact Susan Marney 0438 148 879 Or Luke Williams 0415 104 044
Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch meeting 3rd Wednesday each month 10am—Bowls Club
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 Defense Class Thursday 6pm Dunolly RSL hall.
Maryborough Lions Club Tourist Market 1st Sunday of every month - 8.am - 2pm At the Maryborough Harness Racing Complex.
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
PMAV - 3rd Tuesday of the month, Maryborough Highland Club 7.30pm
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 of the 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 every second month - 2pm in the office

December

Sat 9 & Sun 10 Dunolly Preschool Art Show - The Arts Hub 10am - 4pm
Sunday 10 Dunolly Community Market
Sunday 10 DDNC Christmas Party 6pm
Friday 15 Uniting Church Cantata 7pm
Sunday 31st Uniting Church Café Church 9.30am



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Check Keys – Check Kids during hotter than average summer

As we officially enter what is predicted to be a hotter than average summer, RACV is urging parents and carers to *Check Keys – Check Kids* to prevent accidentally locking children in hot cars. The busy holiday season can mean that momentary distractions by parents and carers could lead to deadly consequences.

Melbourne has experienced the hottest spring on record, with the first-ever seven-day streak of temperatures higher than 28 degrees in November since official records began in 1862. RACV tests have shown that on a day when the outside temperature is 30 degrees, it takes only minutes for the temperature inside a vehicle to exceed 70 degrees.

So far in 2017, there has been an alarmingly high 1,150 call outs by RACV patrols to rescue young children locked in vehicles; this translates to an average of four incidents per day. The majority of these were accidental, and sophisticated locking technology is making accidental lock-ins more likely.

RACV Manager, Road User Behaviour, Melinda Spiteri, urges parents not to give keys to children to play with, and to keep keys secure on a lanyard while on all car trips over summer. Through the *Check Keys – Check Kids* campaign, RACV is offering free car-key lanyards, available at all RACV stores.

“After a long day at the beach, or a backyard barbecue with family and friends, any parent can become easily distracted. The RACV car-key lanyards give drivers a convenient solution for easy key storage, and give parents one less thing to worry about while they enjoy the summer,” Ms Spiteri advised.

Research has shown that younger children are more sensitive to heat than older children and adults, as their body temperatures rise five times faster than an older child’s. This means they are at high risk of dehydration and heatstroke when trapped in a hot car.

“Knowing the dangers vehicle lock-ins pose to young children, RACV treats call-outs of this nature as urgent. However, drivers should be aware that the few minutes it can take for a patrol to reach the scene can make all the difference in extreme temperatures,” Ms Spiteri said.

Tips to avoid locking your children in the car

- Wind windows down in case the car automatically locks.
- Never let children play with keys as they can accidentally lock the car.
- Avoid distraction when loading and unloading the car.
- Have an easy way to hold on to your keys, such as using RACV’s free lanyard, to avoid an accidental lockout.

For more information about *Check Keys – Check Kids* visit <https://www.racv.com.au/on-the-road/driving-maintenance/road-safety/child-safety/check-keys-check-kids.html>



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Across

1. Manual counting device
6. Champion Spanish tennis player, _____ Nadal
11. Holding of position of authority
12. Land mass in ocean
13. Achieve (success, eg.)
15. One well versed in the law
17. Dance popular in 1960s, the _____
18. Propose marriage, _____ the question
19. Encountered
20. Hither
21. Style in which one's locks have been cut and arranged
23. Beer
24. Name shared by cities in British Columbia, Canada and Washington, U.S.A.
26. Aust. poet and literary critic, _____ Murray
27. Charged molecule
28. Full of remorse

31. Girl referred to
33. Process of growing older
34. Blueprint
35. An accepted standard
37. Section of play (bowls or curling, eg.)
38. Did business (in)
39. Having all parts
41. Become expert at
42. Shortly (used in literature)
43. Slender and lithe
44. Samantha Stosur's specialty
45. Judge on *Masterchef Australia*, _____ Calombaris

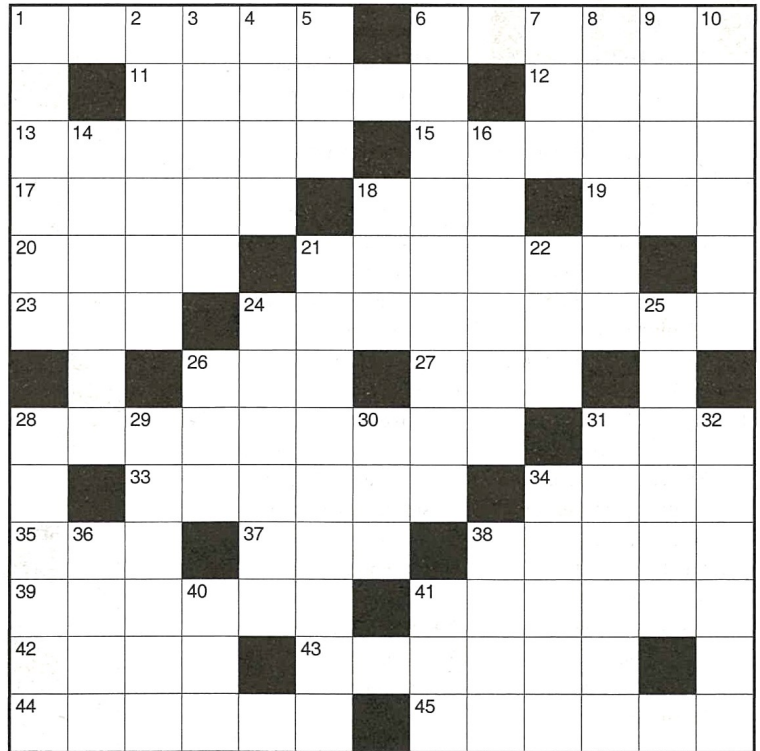
Down

1. Author of *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd*, Dame _____ Christie
2. Apparel
3. Come to an end
4. Suite of rooms
5. Body around which planets revolve
6. Showing great delight
7. Type of conifer
8. Science fiction author, Isaac _____
9. Otherwise
10. Alphabet symbol
14. Number indicated by prefix 'dodeca'
16. Remove (plant) completely from ground
18. Dish used by gold prospector
21. Rashness

22. Insist that debt be paid
24. Decorative layer of wall
25. Emit breath
26. Cricket's on-side
28. Iterate
29. U.S. country singer, Dolly _____

30. As well as
31. Melbourne Storm NRL champion, Billy _____
32. _____ Course of meal
34. Thick uncooked sauce

36. Netball champion and former Aust. captain, _____ Sargeant
38. Valley
40. Small hotel
41. Teenage daughter on television's *Family Guy*



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Last week I wrote a piece about a company called Autumn Star Holiday, suspecting that it could be a scam.

I sent an email to Consumer Affairs to enquire whether it was a legitimate company as their brochure and website looked very authentic.

I received a written response yesterday from Department of Justice and Regulation (Consumer Affairs Division) thanking me for my letter and the detailed information therein which would "assist to provide a more targeted consumer education and awareness campaign to combat the activities of scam promoters".

While they did not confirm the legitimacy of Autumn Star Holiday, it appears from their reply that they consider the company to be a scam.

Therefore, as previously stated - *if it looks too good to be true, it probably is and don't give your banking details to anyone you don't know.*

Susan Anderson

Cookery Corner

Zucchini cake

Makes two loaves

Ingredients

- 2 cups grated zucchini
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups caster sugar
- 2 1/2 cups SR flour
- 1/3 cup canola oil
- 1 cup walnuts, chopped
- 3 tsp vanilla essence
- 1/4 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tsp ground cinnamon

Method

1. Beat eggs, add sugar, vanilla and oil
2. Beat until it thickens slightly then add all other ingredients
3. Pour into 2 loaf tins
4. Bake at 180° for 45 minutes

Jan Brock



Classifieds and Public Notices

HUGE COMBINED GARAGE SALE

Saturday 9th December from 8.30am.
93 Commercial Rd, Tarnagulla together with Matilda's of Tarnagulla.
Lots of small furniture items, collectables, vintage and retro stuff. Further dispersal from years of hoarding.

Dunolly Hospital Auxiliary

Dunolly Hospital Auxiliary held the last meeting for the year on Monday. The next meeting will be on Monday 5th February 2018. The Auxiliary meets on the first Monday of the month at 11.30am in the PAG room at the Dunolly Residential Communities (ex hospital). New members will be welcome.
PS: It is not necessary to be a cake-stall cook to join this auxiliary.

R Mecredy (Secretary)

Numbers Up

St David's Anglican Church Ladies held a "Numbers Up" at Bealiba on 27th November.
Lucky Door Winner was Linda Tomlinson
Competition Winner was Elaine Palmer
As this was our last "Numbers Up" for the year, I would like to thank everyone who came and supported us during the year.
Merry Christmas to you all and a Happy and Healthy New Year.
Betty Lovel

Post Office Times

The Dunolly Post office will be closed on these dates over the Christmas and New Year season.

25/12/17	Christmas Day
26/12/17	Boxing Day
29/12/17	Friday - Australia Post Authorised Holiday
30/12/17	Saturday
1/1/18	New years Day

Obituaries

BARNES, Don

Passed away last week at Bendigo Hospital after a long illness.

Formerly of Seville Vic, Waanyarra and Tarnagulla.
Former long-time friend of Geoff Harrold and John Kingsford (both now deceased) and good friend to many others in Dunolly, Tarnagulla and surrounding areas. RIP.



DFNC Mini Lotto

Drawn: 1st December 2017
Numbers: 2, 4, 9, 1, 15
No winner. Jackpot \$1,250
\$1 per entry - 5 numbers out of 15.
Envelopes in local shops. Drawn at Bowling Club 7pm Friday.
Support our local football and netball club. Have a go!
T Long



At the Bealiba Hall

This was our last week of bowling for the season. The teams of David Price, Gordon Smith, Jenny Lovel and Joe Battison, Leanne Proctor and Tiger Coburn both had two wins. The next bowling night is on 1st February 2018. We have two members in hospital, Eunice Milley and Sam Whitehead. We wish them a speedy recovery. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

Pam Brightwell



Club Pennant Teams

Saturday 9th December 2017

Dunolly Blue at Dunolly V Newstead

G Dobbin	T Galofaro	C Williams
L Parker	R Pickering	A Weir
G Davies	P Waters	B Cann
J Smith	S Howard	J McHugh

Manager: C Williams

Dunolly Gold at Maldon

B Lanfranchie	T Long	B Mortlock
H Freemantle	P Williams	R Chandler
P Freemantle	A Britten	E Weir
F D'Unieville	W Stephens	S Shay

Manager: T Long

Dunolly Green at MHS Black

K McKenzie	J Haigh	A Deason
M Davies	D Price	B Henderson
K Elliott	A Larpent	R Cain
K Stephens	J Lacey	B Mortlock

Manager: B Henderson

Dunolly Red at Dunolly v Avoca Gold

D Mortlock	S Chaplin	P Chase
D Coe	J Moir	M Mortlock
R Weir	I Flett	G Cain
S Taylor	D Conlan	H Cooper

Manager: P Chase

Emergency: N Pike, D Spiteri, M Shay, E Murphy, N Stevens, H Weir, J Morse.

B Cann

Mid-Week Pennant Teams

12th December 2017

Dunolly Blue V Highland Tartan at home

L Parker	H Freemantle	M Davies
E Murphy	S Chaplin	S Deason
G Dobbin	B Cann	T Galofaro
J Smith	A Raven	J Haig

Manager: H Freemantle

Emergency: D Conlon, A Weir

Set Up: H Freemantle

Dunolly Gold Highland Gold at Highland

J Morse	H Weir	M Mortlock
M Shay	N Stevens	D Spiteri
S Shay	K Stephens	N Pike
H Cooper	W Stephens	A Larpent

Manager: H Weir

Cars: A Larpent

Set Up: H Weir

Saturday Pennant Results 2/12/2017

Round 8

Dunolly Blue 68 d Golf Blue 56

C. Williams 21 d D. Pearce 15,
G. Dobbin 20 lost G. Smith 22,
T. Galofaro 26 d R. Cloke 19.

Dunolly Gold 87 d Carisbrook 58

B. Mortlock 26 d P. Hooper 18,
T. Long 35 d R. Holmes 20,
B. Lanfranchi 26 d R. Baker 20.

Dunolly Green v MHS White

Washed out - Points Shared

Dunolly Red v Golf Green

Washed out - Points Shared

A. Larpent DBC



CREATING HISTORY

At Waanyarra on the side of the road is a neat well tended grave with a painted silhouette of a woman. There is a local story of a prostitute who died and the trustees of the cemetery would not let her be buried within the cemetery. Recently Facebook comments have stated her name was Yvonne and that she was half Aboriginal and that she had one leg. This is all recent information. None of this is backed by historical documentation and it is all made up. There was no known Aborigine called Yvonne in Central Victoria at the time.

I remember the grave in the 1980s before it was restored. It was much smaller and had no stones around it. It was just a mound of dirt. The oldest person I could find who had any recollection of the grave was Bill Barker, the butcher in Dunolly. He told me that in the 1930s he did the meat deliveries to Waanyarra for his father. There were about 200 deliveries on his Waanyarra round. One of these was a miner camped by the creek. When his dog died he buried it beside the track.



One of the graves near Waanyarra Cemetery

As for the Waanyarra Cemetery, there were no regulations prohibiting the burial of anyone. A prostitute could therefore be buried in the cemetery.

Gold was first discovered in the area in 1853 and the Waanyarra Cemetery opened in 1858. So there are several years where it is not known where the people were buried. Some 200m west of the cemetery there are seven graves amongst the diggings. These would date from this early period. When gold was discovered nearby, the miners dug a trench to mark the boundary of this burial ground. They then mined on all sides but left these graves untouched. The trench can still be seen in places. Not far from here was supposed to be the prostitute's grave. This area was reworked in the 1930s and the grave lost.

So all that we actually know about the prostitute is that she died in the 1853 to 1858 period. Her name or ethnicity remains unknown.

MINING NAMES

The Shoots, Dunolly – The rich gold here was not in the main reef but in veins of quartz that 'shoot' off the reef.

Humbug Gully, Waanyarra – A humbug is a trick. It is applied to this gully as the lead was narrow and turned unexpectedly. Thus miners who pegged claims on the supposed course of the lead were tricked and got nothing.

Shicer – A German swear word adopted to represent a hole with no gold.

TIME IN DUNOLLY

When Central Victoria was settled, like other parts of Victoria, solar time was used. The squatter decided what time to set the clocks at for his own station. The shadow from a prominent point on the homestead like a lightning rod, flagpole or finial could be traced along the ground. Its shortest length is both due south and midday. The shadow is shorter in summer and longer in winter but noon is always due south. Once this line was determined a mark could be made along the ground in stone or a post erected. When hit by the shadow it was therefore noon. At Charlotte Plains, a bell was rung at noon which could be heard for some distance. It might be interesting to know if any of the original squatters' homesteads still have a point for determining midday.

When towns were established it was usually the post office that was responsible for determining the time. Clocks in Dunolly were set at about 4 minutes and 58 seconds behind clocks in Melbourne. For most people this was not an issue. If they went to another town they might have to change their watch just a few minutes. This was still solar time but these variations from town to town were usually called local mean time or civil time.

The only time when seconds really mattered was when a mining lease expired. Under the Act a lease expired in civil time. If the lease was east of the town, a smart person could adjust their watch to the exact time for the location of the lease and legally peg it a few seconds before anyone else.

When the railway arrived in Dunolly in 1874 the timetable was set to Melbourne time. Arriving late for a train was a problem. So Dunolly moved their clocks forward 4 minutes and 58 seconds to Melbourne time. Places like Deniliquin in New South Wales were connected to Melbourne by train so they also ran on Melbourne time, whilst some Victorian towns such as Warrnambool, Wodonga and Mildura still kept their own time.

Time-zones were slowly adopted around the world. The Australian colonies and New Zealand introduced time zones on 1st February 1895. On this date all places running on Melbourne time moved their clocks forward 20 minutes 5.8 seconds to Eastern Standard Time.

Places like Broken Hill benefitted greatly with the introduction of time zones. At the time they only had railway connection with South Australia so they chose to adopt Central Standard Time. They have kept it ever since. Before standard time-zones there was great confusion with Broken Hill having three different time systems. The trains were run on Adelaide time, the Post Office and Telegraph were on Sydney time and shops and mines were on local mean time. This meant the clock on the Post Office was set about 39 minutes ahead of the clock on the Town Hall and 51 minutes ahead of the Railway Station clock.

John Tully



Glenmona Homestead on Bet Bet Creek. The shadow from a pole like the one here could be used to determine midday to an accuracy of less than a minute.

Stories from Lightning Ridge by B & I Jackson

McConachie's of Scotland had bought Ghomery station out from Goodooga and they were fanciers of opal. They bought a fine red stone called the "Red Admiral" from McNeill who had a gem patch. This field produced fine quality opal. Cantrell's field was renowned for producing first quality opal and in 1908 received a reputation overseas for its fine quality.

The gemstone buyers overseas had never seen colour so strong in any other stones. Mitch, Maher and Hanlon's claims, along with many others, gave Lightning Ridge its reputation.

Two men started a hole on Bald Hill and had to go to war in 1917. They bottomed that shaft circa 1921 or '22 and bottomed on a patch of opal on the New Field. Phil Brady and his mates dug the "Flame Queen" there and Steadman's stone. The field produced a large quantity of opal.

Germany had meantime gone bankrupt after the war and the market was poor. Big black and orange stones were said to have sold for two to three pounds each.

Bob Austen had just returned from the Klondike dig in Canada and said he was on his way to Krakow Field in Queensland where gold had just been found. Instead he locked and strapped his horse in a sulky and walked over to where the Ewing brothers had been getting some opal in 1915. He picked up a stone and sold it to Jack Francis' father for forty pounds. Therefore, he decided to stay and sank a 60 foot shaft and drove it till the money was gone. He said that halfway along the shaft was a bit of a skimpy *patch**, and when he went back that night he decided to hit the steel band and struck one thousand five hundred pounds worth of opal.

Bob went off to war and didn't return until 1921. He got Billy and Jack Francis to take the toe out and got another thousand pounds more. Bob went seven feet over the boundary and the Mines Department fined him seven hundred pounds.

His neighbours, the Ewing brothers, went to Sydney and bought the Clydesdale horses that hauled the beer wagons and delivered beer to the hotels in Sydney.

The phone line produced a lot of top quality opal. Dominic got a big patch as did Snowy Brown and Tom Irwin.

They unearthed the "Pride of Australia" and were showing it around at the hotel. A poor chap who was checking it out took it outside and dropped it on the concrete where it broke into three pieces. However, they glued it back together. The "Black Empress" also came from this same area.

In 1910 three young men from South Australia came and sunk three shafts on the 3 Mile. They camped in a tent just down the side of the 3 Mile. Doing no good, they moved on to Collarenebri to live. Someone else had a try in the same shaft and also did no good. Later a widow and her son dug into the big patch. When the others returned, they tried to run her off, but the widow sat on the patch guarding it with a revolver. From then on the claim was known as the Revolver Claim.

P & O Jack and the Buchman got a big patch at the 3 Mile Hill but had a split-up after the first patch. They got another claim up near the "Black Hand". They called him the Buchman because it was said he had to lie on his side to take the patch out.

George Bailey got a shallow opal at the pony fence. Another lot got a claim and couldn't find the opal, so they lived on bread and fat, hence the name of that claim - "The Bread and Fat Claim".

Con Smith was digging on black nobbies for some weeks on the hill called Potch Point, but couldn't locate any opal. A young Englishman who was taken in as a workmate was told to dig on the black patch and it almost immediately turned to colour. It turned out to be one of the best patches at Potch Point.

There were a lot of good sinkers here too. They did a vast amount of sinking, Johnny Walker, Bill the Borer, Albert Dominick and Tom Leonard and many, many more.

To be continued.....

* *Potch* is what precious opal is formed on. It can be grey, black or even white in colour.

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PHOTOS FROM DUNOLLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

After learning about the Great Wall of China, the P/1 and 1/2 classes worked together to make the "Great Wall of Dunolly PS." Teamwork, creativity and fun!!

