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## Dunolly's own champion



Susie Oh has taken to karate like a fish to water, earning herself a spot on the Australian karate squad after taking up the sport a little over a year ago.

In a mammoth effort, Susie, who has only been competing since August 2016, was selected for the Australian squad after winning her form division at the Australian Martial Arts Championships Australian Title last month.

After making the Victorian state team in May last year, Susie said the squad selection came as a surprise.

"I didn't expect that," she said. "They select the top five from each division and there's a lot of competitors."

The squad travels to a number of countries throughout the year to compete, including Japan, New Zealand and Sri Lanka.

Overseas competition trips are self-funded by competitors and Susie is now focusing on fundraising her travel costs to compete in Japan in May.

"It's self funded, I'm fundraising for it so I'm having my art exhibition in the Maryborough Resource Centre at the moment," she said.

Competition is not new to Susie who has a background in Chinese Kung Fu.

"When I was young and living in Melbourne I did Kung Fu; there were more choices then," she said. "When I moved up to Dunolly in 2010 there was pretty much nothing, it was either Karate or Taekwondo."

She took up a women's self defence class and it was not long before coach Peter Jackson, head of style at Kokoro Kai Dojo in Maryborough, suggested she try her hand at karate.

"Peter said he thought karate might be much more challenging so I tried it one day and loved it," she said.

Competition was a natural step for Susie who enjoyed the competing she had previously done in Kung Fu.

She now competes on average once a month in the form

division, a set routine of movements, and more recently the more challenging weapons division with traditional Sai.

Jackson said he is very impressed with how far Susie has come and that it is the first time one of his students has competed at an international level.

"We've had national champions, but this is the first time we've had someone go overseas," he said. "She (Susie) is gung-ho, she started training with Sai for the first time three weeks before her first weapons competition and she came third. That's the sort of thing Susie gives me." Jackson said, "with so much still to learn, Susie will 'just win more and more'. "If you've done that well this year, next year's going to be even better," he said.

The next goal for Susie will be ensuring she keeps her spot on the state team by competing at the Victorian championships later this year.

After Japan she hopes to compete with the Australian squad in New Zealand towards the end of the year.

To fund her travel Susie is hosting a number of fundraising events in February including a Fitness and Wellbeing Seminar and an exhibit of her Chinese paintings at the Dunolly Arts Hub from 3rd February.

For more information email Susie at [earth2136@hotmail.com](mailto:earth2136@hotmail.com) or donate by visiting [www.gofundme.com](http://www.gofundme.com) and search for World Martial Arts Championship.

Story by Christie Harrison  
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**Happy New Year**  
from the team at The Welcome Record

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## ROSIE'S RAMBLE

Welcome back to the Ramble, and a successful 2018 to everyone.

Bits and pieces from the holidays.

I bought a new roll of plastic wrap just before Christmas to make sure I had enough for the “wrap up the left-overs” season. Extra long pack from the big German—600 metre!! I reckon I could do a Christo on the MCG with it.

One of the reporters at the Sydney to Hobart yacht race was Chris Rowbottom.

First clothes wash after Christmas was interesting—everything had little flecks of red and green and white stuff on it. Worked it out—when I took the table cloth off after Christmas lunch, I put it straight into the machine, complete with a Christmas serviette. That was even worse than an ordinary tissue.

My brother-in-law lives in Bendigo and received “keep yourself safe in the hot weather advice” from the shire. A free personal cooling device was included—a PAPER fan!

Went out the other night just on dark to turn the hoses off when something made me look up. There, perched on the power line, was a frogmouth. I hadn't seen one so close before and was surprised how big it was. The local magpie mafia tried to chase it, but was summarily ignored. It flew away in it's own good time. (No ramble is complete without a nature story).

Good to see that one can stock up nice and early with hot-cross buns. No comment.

Horrible pudding of the really silly season in Coles free recipe book—a cinnamon doughnut trifle!!! Yuk!!!

Rosie



## COOKING HINT

To cook an old fowl—prepare, stuff and season as for roasting. Roll in a floured pudding cloth. Fasten securely and plunge into boiling water; simmer for several hours according to the age of the bird. When done, serve with parsley sauce. (We do have it easy now).

From the Leader Spare Corner Book, 1932

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## LETTERS TO EDITOR

### Indigenous Art Exhibition

Jason Stuart is holding an Indigenous Art Exhibition at Dunolly Arts Hub on 20th - 21st January, and 27th - 28th January from 10am to 2pm.

The Indigenous artworks originate from the Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Anangu Central Desert Aborigines in the APY Lands from Coober Pedy to Alice Springs in South Australia.

We will also be exhibiting paintings by Jason's uncle, Peter Penn Smith, who is a famous artist in Malvern. He has had an art stall at the Esplanade in St Kilda for over 20 years and he regularly judges many art exhibitions. He used to visit Dunolly in the mid-70s up until early 80s when the Tanners used to own the supermarket. He painted one painting per year for his aunt when she turned 99 up until 109.

Entry to the exhibition is by donation as all proceeds will be going back to the Aboriginal community in Coober Pedy.

Susie Oh



### Fundraising for Susie Oh

I am fundraising for my trip to Japan in May for the World Martial Arts Championship as I got onto the Australian Squad recently.

Currently there is a fundraising tin at the Dunolly Bakery. Please donate if you have any spare change. The tin is at the register until. 22/1/18.

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraising Boxes are in the following shops:-

- Fresh on Broadway
- Dunolly Golden Triangle Motel
- Dunolly Arts Hub
- Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre
- Parmalat

I'm also selling raffle tickets at the following shops:

- Dunolly Craft Shop
- Fresh on Broadway
- Dunolly Arts Hub
- Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre

1st prize: - Hamper valued at \$50.

2nd prize: - Terra Essential Oil valued at \$35.

3rd prize: - Chinese print (original painted by Susie Oh)

\$1 for 1 ticket, \$2 for 3 tickets, \$5 for 10 tickets.

Drawn 18/3/18 at Fresh On Broadway. Results published in *The Welcome Record* 21/3/18.

I have a GoFundMe page, link below:-

<https://www.gofundme.com/world-martial-arts-championship>

Also, I am looking for sponsorship or donations from any businesses, so if you can help, please email : [earth2136@hotmail.com](mailto:earth2136@hotmail.com) or ph: 0488 058 690.

Thank you.

Susie Oh

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## AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADOR ANNOUNCED FOR DUNOLLY

The Australia Day Ambassador program sends high achieving Australians to over 300 community celebrations nationwide every Australia Day. Ambassadors are past recipients of the Australian of the Year Awards, sportspeople, scientists, businesspeople, actors and community workers who provide inspiration and pride to Australia Day events and activities.

The Australia Day Ambassador program is an opportunity for all Australians, particularly those in regional areas, to meet and gain inspiration from Australian achievers who come from all walks of life.

These great Australians bring their experiences and stories to local communities, adding another element to local celebrations. Australia Day Ambassadors are also given insight into the local traditions and attractions by the local communities they visit.

Dunolly is honoured to welcome Mr Greg Sassella as the visiting Ambassador at its Australia Day celebrations. Greg was a MICA Flight paramedic at Air Ambulance Victoria in Helicopter Operations for some years and during that time was also involved with international medical retrieval of Australians requiring repatriation.

Subsequent to those operational roles, Greg was appointed as General Manager of Emergency Operations at the Metropolitan Ambulance Service (MAS) responsible for all matters of emergency capacity, effectiveness and response.

After the release of the Ambulance Royal Commission Recommendations in 2001, Greg was appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the MAS, charged with the responsibility for organisational transformation and performance improvement. In addition to organisational efficiencies, research and measurable patient outcomes was a key focus of the reforms.

In 2008, Greg was appointed CEO of Ambulance Victoria and was responsible for the creation of the new service which required the merging of the three existing Victorian ambulance services. The merger also required major organisational and financial reforms to improve patient outcomes on a consistent state-wide basis, and to develop a sustainable financial base for the long term. During the Dunolly Australia Day celebrations Greg will give an address and present the Citizen of the Year award.

Dunolly and District Inc encourage all residents to come along to the Australia Day celebrations. The day will commence at 10am in the Rene Fox Gardens with a breakfast BBQ and entertainment. Come and celebrate the great place that is Australia. Remember bring a chair. For more information contact: Marion Da Costa, Secretary, DDI 0438 168 634.



## Come and celebrate Australia Day at the Station Domain in Maryborough

Residents are invited to join us on Friday, 26 January at our Australia Day free, family friendly event.

A free breakfast and children's activities will commence at 8.30am and official proceedings will start at 9.15am. The celebrations will feature entertainment from the Maryborough Sleeping Star Productions and the Maryborough Brass Band.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it was a wonderful opportunity for the Central Goldfields Shire community to come together to celebrate our great nation.

"Join us as we welcome four new Australian Citizens and announce our Australia Day Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year awards.

"We'll also be presenting medallions to all babies born in the Shire during 2017 and four-year-old children starting kindergarten in 2018 will be presented with a book."

CGSC News

## TARNA GULLA TALK

It was a busy couple of weeks in Tarnagulla during the lead up to Christmas, preparing for many events. In other words, lots of parties, meetings and awards nights. The CFA Awards Night was held on 9th December. I was delighted to be there to see so many great awards handed out. They were as follows –

George Filev – 5yrs

Martin James, Joan James, Steve Rooke – 10yrs

Janene Godden and Louise Dennis – 15yrs

Teresa Bilbrough – 20yrs

Wendy Sutton – 35yrs

John Sutton - 55yrs

Paul Davis, Sid Bilbrough, John Sutton and Barry Condick all received National Service Medals.

Barry Condick, Wendy Sutton and John Sutton all became Life Members. Thank you to all our CFA members for the wonderful work that you do!

On other news, congratulations to Julie and Paul Davis who celebrated 40 years of marriage recently. A huge milestone.

### School Chatter

Congratulations to Amy Freemantle who has been elected as school captain for 2018. She will do a fabulous job in the role.

We joined with other schools for a fun day at Inglewood Pool. The kids really enjoyed it. We hosted our school awards night at Victoria Hall and, finally, Parents and Friends provided a lunch. On the last day of school we had a 'Tim Tams in Jim Jams' fundraiser so were in our pyjamas celebrating the end of school for 2017. Hoping that everyone had a Merry Christmas and New Year.

Linda Kennedy

## Tarnagulla Australia Day Celebrations

5.00pm at Soldiers Memorial Park

Please join us for the Australia Day celebrations followed by a free BBQ dinner in the park. Proudly hosted by Tarnagulla Primary School. Thanks to Loddon Shire for sponsoring this event.



## January school holiday fun for all ages

The Central Goldfields Shire Engage! Program, the Central Goldfields Art Gallery and the Maryborough Library will host a series of events to keep our youngest residents entertained during the January school holidays.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said the January school holiday programs are a great way to entertain the kids over the summer break.

"It's also a great opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and keep their minds interested."

### Engage! January Teenage School Holiday program

Aimed at ages 11 to 18 years of age, the program of free events include:

#### Thursday 18 January

##### New Year planning and goal setting project

11am to 4pm at the Nolan Street Gym

Come along and do some goal setting and planning for your personal life and school. Learn how to plan and set goals and how to achieve them in a time frame.

#### Monday 22 January

##### Ultimate Summer Activities Day 1

11am to 4pm at the Nolan Street Gym

The Ultimate Summer Activities are fun creative summer activities for all ages. We have a range of projects including sidewalk foam paint, inspiring rock painting and fun foods to make. All supplies are provided.

#### Tuesday 23 January

##### Ultimate Summer Activities Day 1

11am to 4pm at the Nolan Street Gym

Ultimate Summer Activities include recycling projects. Activities will include recycled bottle wind spirals and other recycle project to educate participants on Reuse, Repurpose and recycle projects.

#### Wednesday 24 January

##### Outdoor Projects & Scavenger Hunt

11am to 4pm at the Nolan Street Gym

Spend the day outside creating outdoor projects including Eye See You Art Wall and Paper Flower Garden. Prepare for an outside lunch and finish off the end of the Holiday Program with a Scavenger Hunt just for fun.

Bookings essential. Contact Central Goldfields Shire on 5461 0610.

### Central Goldfields Art Gallery January School Holiday Program

The Central Goldfields Art Gallery will also host two free children's art workshops in January. The workshops are part of the National Galleries Victoria Kid on Tour initiative.

#### Friday 19 January

##### Fiona Hall – who lives here?

10 to 11am - 5 to 8 years

2 to 3pm - 9 to 12 years

##### Everybody Play

2 to 3pm - 9 to 12 years

#### Thursday 25 January

##### Nonsense

10 to 11am – 5 to 8 years

2 to 3pm – 9 to 12 years

##### Everybody draw

10 to 11am – 5 to 8 years

2 to 3pm – 9 to 12 years

Bookings essential as places are limited. To book contact 5460 4588.

### Maryborough Library school holiday program

The Maryborough Library will host the following event for children during January.

#### Tuesday 23 January, 10.30am

Back to School Craft session. Free entry. Bookings not required.

## Turnbull cuts funding to Maryborough District Health Service

Labor Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, has expressed concern that Maryborough District Health Service stands to lose \$213,000 in funding because the Federal Liberal Government is refusing to pay more than \$100 million it owes to Victorian hospitals.

Despite conceding late last year that Victoria was owed the money, the Turnbull Government has failed to reimburse the Victorian Government for treating tens of thousands of extra patients.

Ms Pulford said the \$213,000 owed to Maryborough District Health Service was money needed to care for patients.

"These cuts are creating uncertainty for hospitals trying to plan for future patient demand, and the Andrews Government has had to step in and top up funding while waiting for reimbursement," Ms Pulford said.

"But even though the independent National Health Funding Pool Administrator has provided advice that Victoria is owed this money, Malcolm Turnbull has refused to pay up, putting at risk the treatment of thousands of extra Victorian patients," she said.

"Instead of playing political games from his waterside mansion in Sydney, Malcolm Turnbull should actually come to the people of Western Victoria and meet some of the patients his funding cuts will impact," Ms Pulford said.

The \$104 million owed to Victoria is equivalent to:

- 100,222 more chemotherapy procedures for Victoria's cancer patients.
- 212,964 extra dialysis sessions for sick patients.
- More than 650 extra nurses.
- 54,104 colonoscopies.

The delay comes after ongoing attempts by Malcolm Turnbull to claw back health funding from the pockets of Victorians, and is in addition to over \$1.5 billion in cuts to our hospitals in the Federal Budget's forward estimates.

"This is yet another example of the Prime Minister for Sydney again dudding Victorians," Ms Pulford said.

"Despite being home to more than 25 per cent of the nation's population, Victoria continues to receive just 10 per cent of federal infrastructure funding. In contrast, Malcolm Turnbull's home state of New South Wales receives a whopping 45 per cent and I believe Victorians deserve better than that," she said.

Jaala Pulford

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##### St John's Dunolly Service

No information received at time of printing

##### Emu Service

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 21st, Service with Pastor Joan Hall 9.30am

### Catholic Church St Mary's Muse

I do hope that everyone had a happy Christmas and that the New Year is going well.

St Francis Xavier's Church in Tarnagulla will be put up for sale in the near future.

St. Columban's calendars have been reduced to \$5.00—there are some in the church.

Relay for Life participants are reminded to register to take part in the race. Contact Anne on 5464 2489 or Jsanna on 0409 916 046. New walkers welcome.

Mass at St. Francis Xavier's Church, Tarnagulla on Saturday, 20th January at 11.00am.

Assembly at St. Mary's Church at 8.30am on Sunday, 14th January.

R Mecredy

What will you do this year that's so new?

The choice is yours—God leaves that to you.

Helen Steiner Rice

### Uniting Church News

This Sunday on 21st January, Pastor Joan Hall will lead us in our Service. We hope to see you there.

The other Sunday Rev Youn Kim and his wife Sue came to the Café service. We were thrilled to see them both and so enjoyed the morning with them.

It is lovely to know our past ministers do not forget us.

The Op-Shop is open again for business Tuesday 9am to 2pm, Thursday and Friday 10am to 4pm. We have some lovely summer clothes on the racks for you to browse though and so much bric-a-brac so come in and have a cuppa with the girls.



We would love to see you.

Jean Richardson



### More focus needed on schoolyard bullies, not the victims

Australian parents have called for firmer action against schoolyard bullies rather than focusing on making vulnerable children more resilient.

Just over 50 per cent of parents who responded to a recent UniSA study said their child had been bullied at school and were highly critical of how teachers addressed the problem.

The study, by UniSA bullying expert Professor Ken Rigby, tracked parental attitudes towards bullying and the actions they believe are needed to tackle the issue in Australian primary and secondary schools.

Schools should focus more on changing bullies' behaviour by confronting them and applying appropriate sanctions, rather than encouraging victims to become more resilient, many parents suggested.

Closer supervision of student behaviour in classrooms and the playground is also needed, parents say, as well as better communication between schools and parents.

"Finally, there was a call for schools to address the social and emotional skills of students who become bullies," Professor Rigby said.

Professor Rigby is a former teacher and leading international researcher on bullying in schools, with 25 years' experience in the field.

His most recent study, published in the Educational Review, reveals attitudes from 167 parents of both bullied as well as non-bullied children.

"The bulk of the reported bullying was non-physical, in the form of cruel teasing, being excluded and rumour-mongering," Professor Rigby said.

Cyber bullying came next, followed by being hit, pushed or kicked. Sexual and racial harassment were the least common forms of bullying reported by schools and parents.

"It is clear from this study that parents of bullied children experience considerable distress and frustration regarding the situation at their child's school. They believed that in 40 per cent of cases, the actions of the school to address bullying had either made no difference or created even more problems for their children."

Not surprisingly, parents of non-bullied children were less knowledgeable about their school's bullying policies but also more confident that any bullying incidents would be dealt with effectively.

Professor Rigby said that contrary to widespread belief, bullying in schools is on the decline due to the work that schools are doing to address it. Cyber bullying is increasing, however.

All bullying should be seen in perspective," he says. "Teasing does not kill you but around 30 per cent of bullying is extreme and potentially very harmful.

"The perception that bullying is increasing is because in the past it was hidden and not discussed. Now there is a lot more awareness of it," he says.

Note: How Australian parents of bullied and non-bullied children see their school responding to bullying" is available online in the latest issue of Educational Review.

## Driver shares horror dash-cam footage

When dash-cam footage caught Chris Braden's terrifying crash, he decided to share his story and the footage, in a bid to remind rural motorists how quickly you can come unstuck on country roads.

Chris, who is a Goulburn Murray Water recreation officer and land operations officer, was travelling along Strathfieldsaye Road for the thousandth time, on his way home from work for the weekend late last year. He's been with GMW for around 20 years and helps manage Cairn Curran, Laanecoorie and Lake Eppalock. Approaching a notorious intersection, the dash-cam shows two cars to the right, slowing for the intersection when, inexplicably, the front car accelerates onto Strathfieldsaye Road and into Chris' path. He veers slightly but there's no time or space to avoid a collision. "It lifted the car and we went over diagonally," he said.

"I do remember trying to count the number of times I rolled," he said. "I don't think I lost consciousness but then I don't recall the airbags going off. I do remember the sheer violence of the accident. When it happened, it's not like you think, 'I'm about to die', you're just there for the ride – I didn't even have time to swear." When the vehicle settles, the footage goes ominously blank and the audio is deathly silent. Chris lets out a drawn out breath, he was struggling to breathe. "My next thought was that there was smoke, It turned out to be powder released by the airbags, but I didn't know that. I was able to move my hands and feet and I just wanted out of that vehicle so bad," he said. "When I got out there was this overwhelming feeling of relief. I just thought, 'I am so lucky'." Chris suffered a gash to the head, whiplash, back pain and had a slow return to work. The accident left the other driver shaken but not seriously injured. Chris wanted to share his story for his colleagues at GMW, who clock up hundreds of kilometres across northern Victoria every day, as well as other regional Victorians who travel on country roads. Offering advice to other motorists, Chris encourages drivers to think about investing in a dash-cam. Rather than being harrowing, the footage has helped him to come to terms with the accident and avoid any second-guessing of what could have been done. Chris was driving a brand new vehicle with leading safety technology; he is now replacing an older-model family sedan to get one with a five-star ANCAP rating. "If I had been in that older car I would not be here today," he said. GMW managing director Pat Lennon said the company places a high priority on vehicle safety; however country roads can be hazardous. "We are just so lucky Chris got through this horrific event," Mr Lennon said. "Our staff are everything to this business and I thank Chris for sharing his experience with his work colleagues. We can all learn from his thoughts. Chris' accident emphasises the need to keep on driving down the number of kilometres we do for work."

Story by Angela Tucker  
Courtesy, The Maryborough Advertiser



## Grants open to honour the service of veterans in Western Victoria

The Andrews Government will help communities across Western Victoria commemorate the sacrifice of local veterans and educate the wider community about their service.

Labor Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, today announced the opening of three veterans grant programs that will provide support for local projects.

Local residents in Western Victoria are encouraged to apply for the following grant programs:

- **Restoring Community War Memorials and Avenues of Honour** – supports communities to ensure local war memorials, honour rolls and avenues of honour are restored to their original condition or improved to reflect the service history of the local community. Grants of up to \$30,000 per project are available.
- **Victoria Remembers Major Grants** – supports projects or activities that commemorate wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations in which Victorians have served. Grants of between \$30,000 and \$80,000 are available for projects with significant commemorative or educational benefit for Victoria's diverse community.
- **Anzac Centenary Community Grants** – supports projects that leave a lasting legacy for future generations of those who served in World War One, both overseas and on the home front. Grants of up to \$20,000 per project are available.

Ms Pulford said applications for each grant program close on the 12<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.

"Communities across Western Victoria are proud of their wartime legacy and this is one way of honouring our brave local servicemen and women," Ms Pulford said.

"I encourage locals in Western Victoria to consider applying for these grants and help give our veterans the support and tribute they deserve," she said.

"People considering an application are welcome to contact my office on 5332-2405 to arrange a letter of support," Ms Pulford said.

To apply or for more information on these and other veteran grant opportunities visit: [www.veterans.vic.gov.au/grants](http://www.veterans.vic.gov.au/grants).

Jaala Pulford MP

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## Keep campfires contained, warns FFMV

Forest Fire Management Victoria has launched a campaign to remind campers in Central Victoria to follow the rules when it comes to campfire safety.

Forest Fire Management Victoria's Tim Wishart said the body wants to reduce the number of fires caused by neglected campfires by spreading a 'don't let your campfire become a bushfire this summer' message. "We want people to get out there and enjoy themselves but make campfire safety a priority for their trip by knowing what they can and can't do," Mr Wishart said. "In central Victoria, we have had 18 bushfires caused by campfire negligence since January 1, 2017 and this is placing the community and firefighters at risk, as well as potentially damaging the environment and affecting industry and recreational users of our public land. It takes a lot of time, effort and personnel to respond to a fire, so when campfires escape and could have been prevented by following the rules, it's very frustrating."

Parks Victoria director of fire and emergency David Nugent said campfires can only be lit in national parks in designated fireplaces and if there are no designated fire places, then campfires are not permitted. "Our rangers regularly patrol parks, forests and reserves to ensure campers are doing the right thing and to educate visitors on campfire safety," Mr Nugent said.

"Make sure you plan ahead and check the long-range weather forecast. If in doubt on a hot day, don't light your campfire." "We are asking people to be vigilant about campfire safety and if they see a campfire that doesn't look right or is unattended to call 136186 or 000 if they see a bushfire."

Under the Forest Act 1958, on the spot fines of up to \$476 can be issued for people breaching campfire safety rules and a person can face a maximum penalty of up to \$15,872 if the matter is prosecuted in court.

Courtesy, The Maryborough Advertiser

## New grants program for volunteer firefighters

Volunteer firefighting brigades in Western Victoria can now apply for grants of up to \$250,000, thanks to a new \$10 million program funded by the Andrews Government.

The Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, said the program will be administered by the CFA to support vital volunteer brigade equipment and facility upgrades, as well as local initiatives that strengthen volunteerism and brigade culture.

Grants will be provided to projects that address a range of key criteria, including:

- Addressing immediate needs and enhancing operational capability
- Improving culture, diversity and fairness
- Strengthening volunteer leadership skills
- Encouraging recruitment, retention and recognition of volunteers
- Reflecting the evolving needs and demographics of the communities that volunteer brigades serve.

Ms Pulford said the grants program has been funded through the additional \$60 million that the Labor Government announced for Victoria's fire services in October.

"I encourage brigades in Western Victoria to take advantage of this new program and apply right away," Ms Pulford said.

"We are supporting volunteers by providing them with more funding than ever before because that is exactly what they deserve," she said.

Brigades in Western Victoria have until the end of February to apply.

For more information, visit [cfa.vic.gov.au](http://cfa.vic.gov.au)

Jaala Pulford MP



There's no questioning the facts. In a bushfire, most homes burn down due to ember attack.

It's your responsibility to be fire ready this summer, so prepare your property, fire plan and emergency kit now.

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## Tribute to Nita

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the passing of Nita Fish on Christmas Day 2017.

Nita was a former Dunolly Day Support co-coordinator, before she retired in 2016. Nita and her husband Daryl, a "Dunolly boy", and their much loved Kelpie, Dusty, planned to caravan wherever the fancy took them in Australia. Nita was an avid photographer and took many amazing photos of their travels. She was enjoying it so much until she became ill late 2016. Nita, Daryl and Dusty moved back to Nita's home state of NSW to be with family and friends as she battled cancer.

Nita was clever and creative, an excellent needle-woman. She created some beautiful and intricate tapestries for family and friends.

She was devoted to helping the elderly and much loved and respected by clients and all who had her as a friend. Her decorating of the Day Room was always in keeping with the season or any special occasions, such as Australia Day with Australia and her home-made damper and golden syrup. Anzac Day was celebrated with a service read by a local veteran soldier. Nita always recited the poem "In Flanders Fields" with emotion and sincerity. She decorated the room with football scarves during football season; also organised football tipping, which everyone enjoyed. Nita's sister-in-law, Narelle, regularly came to play piano for a happy sing-along.

It was her involvement with the "Buddies" prep children from the Dunolly Primary School which she particularly loved. Each client had a "Buddy" and enjoyed chatting to each other when they visited for morning tea and games. The interaction between the young and elderly was priceless. Our outings and barbies and picnics were her love. Nita celebrated every client's birthday with a home-made birthday cake and card.

Christmas was her special favourite time. She decorated the room beautifully for the Christmas party. Santa came with gifts for all the clients. It was the highlight each year.

Nita was a wonderful, caring and kind soul; dedicated to the people she looked after and devoted to her loving family and friends. Her fun, happy and bubbly personality was infectious. One could not feel anything but affection for her.

Our love and sympathy to Daryl, who was always by her side with her brave battle, and her family.

Always loved and never forgotten. Vale Nita.

Nita Fish – Passed away on Christmas Day 2017

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## Dustdonian Politics

Reg slapped his battered Akubra hard against a fence post. Dirty grit showered from his hat in a cloud and fell to the desiccated ground. "Welcome to Dustdonia," he said, spreading his arms expansively. Meg, his diminutive and stout wife, hurried from the farmhouse with a tea-towel clinging to her hands. She came and stood by her much taller husband. Even Nathan towered over her.

"Hi Nate!" Meg said and stretched on tip-toes to kiss him. "Glad you could come for a visit."

Nathan was a denizen of the far city and it showed. His skin was pasty; his body resembled a pear in shape and his hands were like inflated rubber gloves - thick and blubbery. Curiosity had lured him from the obvious comforts of urban life. Family rumours abounded that his rural uncle had gone completely mad. Nathan had wanted to verify this for himself. The first indication, as he drove up to the front gate, was the freshly painted sign which read: *Dustdonia Passport and Immigration Control*. Nathan could remember when the unprepossessing farm had been called 'Dusty Downs'. Apparently it was a country now.

"Hi Uncle Reg," Nathan said and winced as his squidgy hand was crushed in a handshake.

"Tut, tut," Reg said as he admonished Nathan. "Please call me Mister President in front of the Cabinet. After all, they elected me. You can call me Reg in private."

Nathan looked around for a fine body of men and women but saw no one. "Cabinet?" he enquired.

"How remiss of me, whatever will they think? Allow me to make introductions. This here is Black Angus; Josephine Goat; Marcel Pig and Pearl Sheep." The various animals moored, bleated or grunted in turn as they were introduced. All but Black Angus milled about in the yard - he was confined behind a sturdy fence.

"Right. So okay ... Mister President ... you were elected?"

"That's how it is. I was as surprised as anyone I can tell you. But you know what they say about the hand that feeds you and they know which side their bread is buttered on. And now I have a country to run!"

Some galahs squawked in a high tree-top. For all Nathan knew they were part of the Cabinet too. Black Angus stared at him and Josephine Goat was eyeing him up and down as if appraising his qualities.

"Now, I don't need to give you the grand tour," President Reg said. "You've been here before and it's just occurred to me that I could offer you a position in my government."

"That's a wonderful idea!" Meg exclaimed shrilly.

"Oh! Er ... that's kind of you," Nathan said, taken aback. "But I already have a good job."

"The position comes with a ministerial car," President Reg said with a leathery wink.

A 1967 Land Rover featuring a dent in every panel and a missing windscreen was quietly rusting in a corner. Under current circumstances Nathan assumed that the wreck would be his ride.

President Reg continued, "I can also offer three square meals a day courtesy of the Vice President."

"That's me!" Meg piped up. "In addition to my Vice Presidential role I am also Special Minister for the Home Economics portfolio."

Josephine Goat couldn't conceal the determined glint in her eyes. She was clearly ambitious and did not like this turn of events at all. Black Angus looked like a bully and would obviously relish a bruising political stoush. Nathan had zero interest in politics and the idea of becoming Special Minister for Flies and Mucking Out was appalling. He had to think quickly.

"I've got it!" he yelled. "Er ... I mean I would love to accept your generous offer but, unlike all of you, I wasn't born here on the farm and, therefore, I am not a citizen of the State and cannot be conferred a ministerial or governmental position. Sadly and with regret I must decline."

Josephine Goat immediately shed her hostility and exuded warmth and friendship instead. Black Angus snorted and looked away as if bored or disappointed.

"Bye!" Nathan said suddenly. "Lovely seeing you again but I've really got to fly!" He ran to the car and drove away from Dustdonia as if his tail was on fire. He wanted very badly to get back to the city where there was no dust; no insane relatives and the animals weren't plotting to overthrow him.

Martyn Barnett

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## MAYORAL COLUMN

### Don't swim in channels

As we see the continuation of warmer temperatures during January and into February, swimming, of course, is a favourite way to cool off. With that in mind, Goulburn-Murray Water is reminding our community that swimming in channels is dangerous for both people and pets. Instead, head to your local swimming pool to beat the heat. Swimming in channels poses a range of hidden risks. While a channel might look still and calm, it could have strong undercurrents, hidden pipes, weeds and debris, varying depths, regulator gates that can open and close quickly, drains and submerged trees, sandbars and rocks. For more information on channel safety, visit [www.g-mwater.com.au/recreation-tourism/dont-swim-in-channels](http://www.g-mwater.com.au/recreation-tourism/dont-swim-in-channels).

### Travelling during the heat

In keeping with the weather theme, VicRoads also has some advice regarding driving in extreme heat. This includes not taking unnecessary trips in adverse conditions, leaving earlier or even (if possible) postponing your trip.

If you do have to travel on days of extreme weather, make sure you let someone know which route you plan on taking and how long you think it will take to arrive at your destination. Make sure to carry plenty of fresh drinking water.

Temperatures can rise to dangerous levels quickly in a car. Therefore you should never leave children or pets unattended in a vehicle – even for a short period of time. Children can lose fluid quickly, become dehydrated and suffer from heatstroke. According to Kidsafe Victoria, every year in Australia, more than 5,000 children are rescued after being left unattended in a car.

Children and pets also require additional precautions to protect them when travelling during hot days (the back seat and cargo area can be considerably warmer than the front-seat area). Consider using rear window shades and position air-conditioning vents so they are directed towards the rear of the car.

As vehicle breakdowns are more likely to occur in extreme heat, make sure you check your car before you leave. Do not run the risk of running out of fuel and be sure to check your engine coolant level and carry extra water as a precaution. Do not attempt to open your radiator cap if your car is hot – this can result in serious burns.

If your vehicle does break down, where possible, stop or park the vehicle in the shade and avoid parking on long dry grass (a hot exhaust is a potential fire hazard).

### Australia Day celebrations

Help celebrate what's great about our nation next Friday at an Australia Day event, to be held in towns across our Shire on 26 January.

The day includes the presentation of Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Group/Event of the Year awards and Community Services Award, as well as speeches from Australia Day ambassadors. Celebrations will be held at Boort, Bridgewater, Eddington, Inglewood, Jarklin, Newbridge, Pyramid Hill, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn.

Australia Day competition entries (literature, colouring, photography) will be displayed at Inglewood IGA, Miller's Ag Supplies at Pyramid Hill, Wedderburn Old Milk Bar, Boort BRIC and Tarnagulla Community Centre or on Australia Day at Jarklin and Bridgewater.

To find out more, including event times and locations, visit Council's website [www.loddon.vic.gov.au](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au).

### Spotlight on Bridgewater for water ski championships

The Bridgewater Water Ski Club will host some of Australia's most accomplished water skiers when the 2018 Australian Masters Water Ski Championships takes place next week.

Starting on Australia Day from 10am and running until Sunday 28 January, the championships feature some of the country's best exponents in trick, slalom and jumps. Around 70 competitors from across Australia (and one entrant from the United States) are expected to take part in the championships.

Highlights will include the world's top-ranked female jumper and record-holder, Jacinta Carroll, from Geelong, as well as the performances of Australia's most skilful skiers.

Spectators can watch all the action from the grassy foreshore.

You can find out more about the Australian Masters Water Ski Championships at [www.bolwsc.com.au](http://www.bolwsc.com.au).

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### DUNOLLY NUGGET?

Very little is known about this nugget that is recorded as being found in Dunolly in September 1857. This lack of information is strange as the nugget appears in the List of Nuggets found in Victoria. It is placed after the Welcome Stranger as nugget number 2. The nugget's gross weight was listed in different records as either 2,844 oz or 2,952oz (88-91 kg) with a gold weight of 1,363oz 18 dwt (42.4 kg). The gold was 'mixed through a rust coloured matrix'. Another description has it 'composed of a dark mottled quartz interspersed with gold'. A third description was 'a most unlovely looking long piece of rust coloured quartz and gold'. It was so interspersed that it broke into two main pieces when the miners tried to lever it out of the ground. There were also a few smaller pieces that were broken off by the miners.

The finders remained anonymous only described as 'a despairing digger at Dunolly'. This description was probably made up by the newspaper. The nugget was kept in Dunolly until litigation was resolved. It was sent by gold-escort to Melbourne in the second week of September. There it was melted down. No photo, sketch or even measurements were made of it. The newspapers simply called it the 'Dunolly Nugget'.

The location of the nugget was never disclosed. James Flett in his book suggested it was found at the top end of the Old Lead. When W H Ferguson was surveying Dunolly in the early 1900s he asked old residents about the Dunolly Nugget. Nobody was able to give him any information.

As it turns out there was no nugget called the Dunolly Nugget. This was just a name attributed to it by the Melbourne newspapers.

The clue to identifying the real story was in the note that it had been held up in litigation. This can be traced back to May earlier in the year when the specimens were lodged in the Dunolly Gold Office. They were not released until the second week of September by an order of the Supreme Court.

On 13<sup>th</sup> March 1857 Charles McCartin and Pat Mulcahy found an 801oz nugget at McIntyres starting a rush there. In May a young man named Walter Palmer was looking for a lost horse on the hill above the rush when he saw gold sticking out of the ground. It turned out to be a specimen containing 129oz 18 dwt. Nicholas McEvoy, who was a partner with Palmer, pegged the ground and a few days later the two found the mass of gold in a reef. They called it Matrix Reef.

These specimens weighed 1,548oz, 1,284oz and 96oz. With the original specimen the total amount deposited in Dunolly by the two was 3,264oz. It seems to have all fallen apart when a man named Cane or Cain and three or four others jumped their claim and took them to court. They argued that they were all members of the one prospecting party yet McEvoy and Palmer did not give them a share. The claim failed but it took until September to resolve and cost McEvoy and Palmer £900 in legal costs.

In Melbourne the Dunolly Nugget was put on display at the Albion Hotel in Bourke St as the largest quantity of gold ever found. They charged 2/- each to view it. The specimens were then purchased by Clarke & Sons who in October melted them down. The total gold obtained was 1,363oz 18 dwt worth about £5,500.

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**AH CHUEY**

*Chuey Ping odd jobs man at the Terminus Hotel*

Ah Chuey appears in the records with many varying names including Ah Chooey, Ah Tewey, Chuey Ping, Ah Ping, Gee Ping, Ping Gee and Pim Chee. Chuey Ping is the name used on the original caption for the photo. Chuey appears to be a nickname for Chee.

Wong Ying was licensee of the Terminus Hotel in Dunolly and in 1882 also took over the running of his uncle's store across the road.

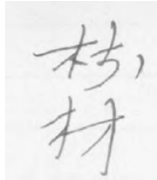
It was at this time that Ah Chuey became licensee of the Terminus Hotel. He ran it for about twelve months handing it back to Wong Ying when he returned from his honeymoon. In 1885 Ah Chuey received treatment at the Dunolly Hospital for a heart complaint. Wong Ying was a subscriber to the hospital which entitled him to a certain amount of treatment without payment. Ah Chuey was treated by the recommendation of Wong Ying.

Later in 1885 Ah Chuey opened a restaurant in the Chinese Camp at Maryborough. He got caught here selling alcohol without a permit. He used a Dunolly solicitor to defend himself but was still fined £25. This venture being a failure he returned to Dunolly. Ah Chuey lived in the Chinese Camp at Dunolly in a hut with the rate valuation of only £6. The modern equivalent to this would be a house valued at about \$5,000.

One of his neighbours in the Chinese Camp at Dunolly was Ah Quong. Ah Quong, died in 1895. Both Ah Chuey and his wife Nellie Ah Chuey were witnesses at the inquest. This is the only reference that has been found for his wife. No record of a marriage or of her death has been located. Perhaps they never married and she died under her maiden name.

Ah Chuey signed his name against his statement at the inquest. His signature translates as Lin Cai and would be his actual Cantonese name, Lin being his family name and Cai his given name.

*Ah Chuey's signature 1895*



The various Dunolly records in which he appears are rates, police, court, inquests and newspapers. In these Lin has been written down as Ping or Pim. Cai is pronounced more like Tsye. In the records Cai is written as Gee or Chee or even Chuey. It all depends on what the writer thought they heard him say.

This multitude of different spellings for Chinese names can make it very difficult for descendants to trace the movements of an ancestor. Furthermore, very few records give the town that they came from. For those that do, it is an English version of the town's name, which may not be able to be identified.

Ah Chuey remained in Dunolly being one of the last of the early Chinese. He died in Dunolly in 1924 aged 80.

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### Saturday Pennant Results 13th January 2018

#### Dunolly Blue 81 d Talbot Gold 67

C. Williams 23 d P. McLoughin 22,  
T. Galofaro 19 lost P. Fletcher 22,  
G. Dobbin 39 d J. Beer 23.

#### Dunolly Gold 81 d Talbot Brown 73

R. Pickering 15 lost C. Crossley 26,  
B. Lanfranchi 32 d I. Hall 23,  
B. Mortlock 34 d L. Smith 24.

#### Dunolly Green 57 lost Avoca Gold 87

J. Haigh 32 d J. Farnsworth 12,  
A. Larpent 16 lost F. Shannon 29,  
A. Deason 9 lost T. Howell 46.

#### Dunolly Red 61 lost MHS White 80

D. Mortlock 19 lost J. Tansley 27,  
P. Chase 14 lost L. Wadeson 25,  
S. Chaplin 28 drew I. Lambert 28.

On Friday 26th January the Phelan's Funerals Australia Day Combined Fours will be held. Three games of 10 ends. Please enter your team on the list by 12.00pm for 12.30pm start. Any combination of Ladies and Men. Please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

A. Larpent DBC

### Mid-Week Pennant Teams Tuesday 23rd January 2018

#### Dunolly Blue V Carisbrook at home

L Parker	H Freemantle	M Davies
E Murphy	S Chaplin	M Mortlock
N Pike	A Weir	T Galofaro
J Smith	A Raven	J Haig

Manager: Heather Freemantle

Emergency: Peter Freemantle

Set up: Loretta

#### Dunolly Gold plays Golf Gold at Golf

J Morse	H Weir	L Whiley
M Shay	N Stevens	D Spiteri
S Deason	K Stephens	A Larpent
S Shay	W Stephens	H Cooper

Manager: Heather Weir

Emergencies: Keith Elliot

Cars: Mavis Shay, Alan Larpent at 8.45 am

#### O'Halloran pairs to be played on Wednesday 31.1.2018 at 9.30am.

S Chaplin, H Cooper versus H Weir, A Raven.

Others come 10.30am, 3 bowls, 8 ends

DBC

The Dunolly Football Netball Club held a successful BBQ at the Dunolly Community Market on Sunday. The Club will field both U11.5 and U14.5 teams this year and is holding a Family Day on 25 February 2018. The Club encourages families to attend.



### Pennant Teams

Saturday 20th January 2018

#### Dunolly Blue At Dunolly V MHS Tartan At Dunolly

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

Manager Chris Williams

#### Dunolly Gold At MHS Red Cars Leave 12.30 Car

B Lanfranchi	T Long	B Mortlock
H Freemantle	R Pickering	L Hunt
P Freemantle	E Weir	K Elliott
F D'Unieville	W Stephens	S Shay

Manager Roy Pickering

#### Dunolly Green At Dunolly V Dunolly Red

K McKenzie	J Haigh	A Britten
J Moir	D Price	A Deason
P Mullins	A Larpent	B Henderson
K Stephens	J Lacey	R Cain

Manager Bob Henderson

#### Dunolly Red At Dunolly V Dunolly Green

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## January

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Friday 26th - Australia Day celebrations - Rene Fox Gardens 10am  
Friday 26th - Twilight Market 3pm - 8pm

### Bealiba CWA

Meetings 1pm Bealiba Hall, 3rd Thursday of month

**Bealiba Playgroup** meets every Friday from 10am to 11am

in the Primary School during school terms

**Bealiba Progress Association** meeting,

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month 7.30pm Bealiba Hall

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month

**Community Bus** – Friday to Maryborough return.

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**Dunolly Community Garden** at Pre-school:

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**Dunolly CWA** meetings 1.30pm SES rooms

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

**Dunolly District Hospital Auxiliary**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month at 11am in PGA Room

**Dunolly Community Market**

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

**Dunolly Field and Game** meeting

1st Wednesday each month 7.30pm at 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

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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

**Dunolly St George Lodge**

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

**Dunolly Social Cyclists**

Meet fortnightly. Call Neville for info: 5468 7295

**Dunolly Historic Precinct Committee**

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

**Dunolly Unit Vic SES** meeting 6.30pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month. Training every other Tuesday

**Dunolly Uniting Church Messy Church**

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

**Golden Triangle Archers**

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

**Ladies Only General Exercise Class**

Thursdays 5.15pm Dunolly RSL hall.

**Ladies only Self 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

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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

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

**Senior Citizens Luncheon**

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

Senior Citizens Card Playing

Each Tuesday at 1.30pm

**Talbot Farmers Market**

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

**Tarnagulla Playgroup**

Thursday 10.30am-12 noon – behind the hall

**Tarnagulla Action Group - Community Centre**

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month 7.30pm

**Tarnagulla Senior Citizens - Victoria Hall**

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

**Welcome Record Committee**

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



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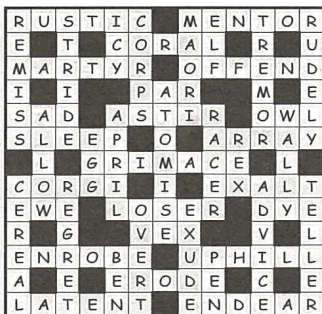
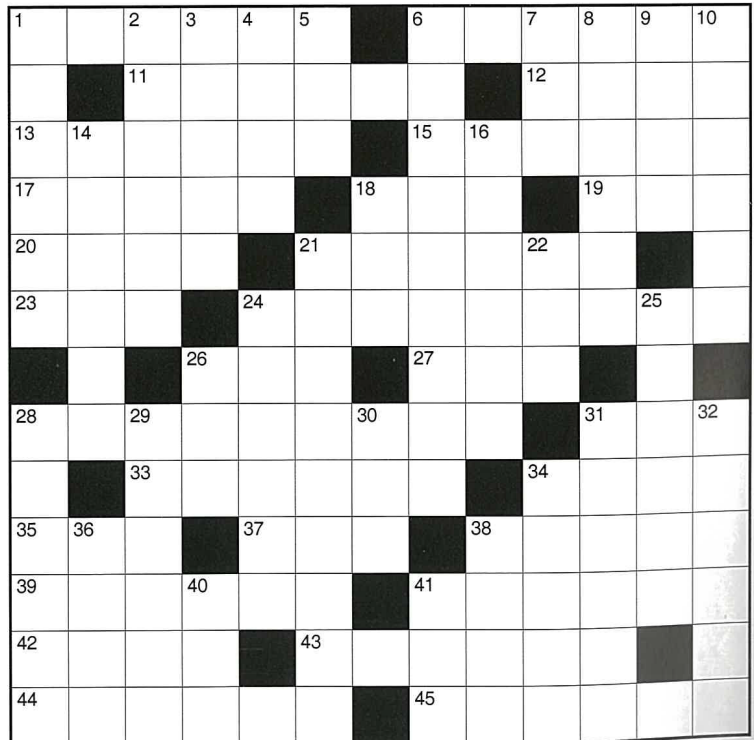
1. Crime-fighting partners, \_\_\_\_\_ and Robin
6. Line on meteorological chart
11. Spiritually refreshed
12. Without weapons or tools, with one's \_\_\_\_\_ hands
13. Tarantula, eg.
15. Name of vessels travelling between Victoria and Tasmania, \_\_\_\_\_ of Tasmania
17. Southern Asian country
18. Mate of stag
19. Bleat of sheep
20. Object of religious worship
21. Vendor
23. Say or write further
24. Precision weighing apparatus
26. Insect which collects pollen
27. Born (used with surname)
28. Bring back into operation
31. Show no emotion, not \_\_\_\_\_ an eyelid

33. Small predatory mammal
34. Star in *Unforgiven*, \_\_\_\_\_ Hackman
35. Increased by
37. Outdated, \_\_\_\_\_ fashioned
38. Succeed, make the \_\_\_\_\_
39. Fashion designer who lived from 1946 to 1997, \_\_\_\_\_ Versace
41. Biblical mountain of Turkey
42. Female voice of lowest pitch (music)
43. Comfort received during distress
44. Pointer on compass
45. To rise from water


**Down**

1. Republic of SE Europe, \_\_\_\_\_ and Herzegovina
2. Three-legged support (for telescope, eg.)
3. Metal award given as distinction
4. Adam and Eve's son
5. And not
6. Haughty disrespect
7. Sash as part of Japanese national costume
8. Oscar-winning U.S. actress/singer, \_\_\_\_\_ Streisand
9. Instrumentally-accompanied solo vocal piece
10. Impede
14. Travel about, selling (goods)
16. Small dense ball
18. Name shared by three British rivers

21. To free from bacteria
22. Centre of cyclone
24. Address delivered from pulpit
25. Country whose flag, formerly featuring a large 'R', was replaced in January 2002
26. Thorny seed vessel
28. Former U.S. president, Ronald \_\_\_\_\_
29. Calm in manner
30. Having nothing to do, at a loose \_\_\_\_\_
31. Presenter of cheque
32. To cut one's biting structures
34. Prayer before meal
36. African river
38. Millionth of a tonne
40. Gesture indicating 'yes'
41. Alcoholic beverage



*Solution*  
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### Looking for The Dunolly Book

Anyone who may have purchased The Dunolly Book please advise if it has a picture of the Goldsbrough School with the extra room. (circa 1920).

If you have any information or pictures please contact Bill on 0419 594 303.

## Thank You

Thanks to the amazing people I have come to know while being at RetroFlex, especially those attending on Mondays and Tuesdays. The friendly chats filled with laughter will be truly missed. I am extremely grateful for the well wishes and support given to me and my family. I truly wish you all happiness and health.

Yours sincerely  
Nicole Liddicoat

### For Sale

Entertainment Unit 180 x 180 x 38cm.  
Cupboard with 3 sliding doors on the bottom, 3 shelves with mirror and sliding glass doors. \$40.

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Phillips 105cm flat screen television and Toppro box with all connections.

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### DFNC Mini Lotto

Drawn: 12th January 2018  
Numbers: 1, 4, 10, 13, 15  
No winner. Jackpot \$1,425  
\$1 per entry - 5 numbers out of 15.  
Envelopes in local shops.

C. Williams



## Learmonth's Place - an authentic country farmhouse



An authentic country farmhouse north of Bendigo, updated to provide all creature comforts, provides an option for people seeking an undisturbed getaway.

Learmonth's Place, located 7km from Bridgewater, is a fully renovated Edwardian weatherboard home catering for up to three couples or two families.

It can accommodate up to nine people, with three bedrooms (the main with ensuite), central bathroom, lounge, kitchen and a return verandah.

Owner Julie Riley said the property had been in her family for four generations, since Thomas Learmonth and wife Caroline settled there in 1906.

"My grandpa was born there, my parents lived there and it's where I grew up," she said.

"The farm was once 620 acres, but when Mum and Dad moved into town, my brother and I bought the remaining 50 acres from them.

"In the past, it's been a dairy farm and we've had wheat, sunflowers and sheep.

"The house was in poor condition when we took it over, but we've restumped, added the ensuite, repainted, reroofed and fitted new kitchen and bathroom." The

property opened for accommodation bookings in 2011 and has since seen a steady flow of visitors. "People can enjoy our plentiful birdlife and the Loddon River is about 400m away, with a flat section which offers easy access to the water from our land," Mrs Riley said. "It's a peaceful place, with the stars at night a particular highlight for many city visitors. "The local area offers wineries and water skiing at Bridgewater, or guests can simply wander our 50 acres at will."

For more information, contact Julie on (03) 5442 6098 or visit <http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Visit/Accommodation/Self-contained/Learmonth-Place>

### Loddon Shire to come together and celebrate our nation

Volunteers are working tirelessly to put together the final details for this year's Australia Day celebrations, which will see towns across the Loddon Shire come together in celebration of the nation.

Loddon Shire Council Mayor Cheryl McKinnon said a range of fun, family-focused events were planned for the day.

"The Loddon Australia Day Committee has worked hard to again bring a range of Australia Day events to our residents across the Shire.

"From breakfasts, morning teas, barbecue lunches and teas, swimming carnivals, merry-go-rounds and more, this year's Australia Day celebrations will once again provide a great atmosphere to celebrate this special day," Cr McKinnon said.

Celebrations will be held at Boort, Bridgewater, Eddington, Inglewood, Jarklin, Newbridge, Pyramid Hill, Tarnagulla and Wedderburn.

Cr McKinnon added that one of the highlights of the Australia Day celebrations each year was the announcement and presentation of awards, which acknowledged the outstanding contribution made by community members across a range of categories.

"This includes the presentation of Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Group/Event of the Year awards and Community Services Award," Cr McKinnon said.

"These awards are a great opportunity to recognise the hard work of those who give so much back to our community."

Australia Day ambassadors will also speak at events, which will feature a special flag raising ceremony and national anthem rendition.

Australia Day celebrations will take place at:

- Nolan's Park in Boort at 9.15am
- Sloan's Park in Bridgewater at 8am
- Eddington Community Centre at 8am
- Inglewood Swimming Pool at 11am
- Jarklin Hall at 8.30am
- Newbridge Hall at 11.15am
- Pyramid Hill Hall at 6pm, including a citizenship ceremony
- Soldiers Memorial Park at Tarnagulla at 5pm
- Jacka Park in Wedderburn at 5pm

Loddon Shire Australia Day Committee Secretary Shannon Brown said that in addition to the planned festivities, prizes will be awarded for the Australia Day competition entries.

"We once again had a fantastic variety of creative entries for our literature, colouring and photography competition. This competition is organised in partnership with primary and secondary schools across the Shire," Mrs Brown said.

"There's a wonderful range of entries produced around the theme of "Energy" for the photography exhibition and the theme "Volunteer Groups in the Loddon Shire" for the literature competition."

A selection of the Australia Day competition entries for literature, colouring and photography will be displayed at Inglewood IGA, Millers Ag Supplies at Pyramid Hill, Wedderburn Old Milk Bar, Boort BRIC and Tarnagulla Community Centre. Entries can also be viewed on the day at Jarklin and Bridgewater.