

CURIOS & CURIOSITIES

45 Years as a Collector. Part 7 – Selling Online



I had an interesting start to this now-longstanding venture; although I was vaguely computer-literate by 2001, and had only limited knowledge of eBay and what it entailed, one of my two business partners decided that I should join and consequently registered us and dreamed up a creative User ID, using the first two letters of each of our names. I had a collectables and book shop in my own railway carriage at that stage, so it seemed a natural extension to venture into this unknown territory. It only took a little while to familiarise myself with the process.

I must admit to having sneaking suspicions as to the motives of my business partners, as I was the only one with a fairly broad knowledge of antiques and collectables at the time; unlike today it was a fairly necessary ingredient of successful online selling at the time.

All that aside, once I got into the swing of it, there was no stopping me!

I was able to combine my love of photography, knowledge of the product and tendency to write a lengthy and detailed history of each item, into a very successful sideline. Added to that was the bonus of communication with a diverse group of people from all over the world; some of these remain friends to this day.

Whilst I had an infinite source of stock to draw upon, from my own house, sheds and shop, the idea was also to move on some of the belongings of the business partners, also excess stock from their military and medical museum. This gave me unlimited scope and I always had something 'exciting' lined up ready to list.

It is a bit hard to imagine in these days of Google and widely-available information on the internet, even for me, but back at that stage, the antique dealers were the main people with 'the knowledge' and the general public were generally unaware. Exceptions were of course, the dyed-in-the-wool collectors, who were always keen to add to their stash. This made research and detailed descriptions vital in the online selling process and reference books such as Carters' Antique Price Guides (only available to dealers in the early years) became our constant companions. I still have a vast library of reference books on antiques and collectables; still hard to part with, even though rarely used these days.

For the first few years we listed items for sale internationally; this obviously targeted a much wider audience and allowed for spirited bidding between the local and overseas buyers. Shipping costs were reasonable back then and the cost was always paid by the buyer, so transactions were fairly simple. Many overseas buyers sent USD cash in the mail, amazingly none of it ever went missing. The only inconvenience was having to exchange it, but the local bank was able to accommodate us in that regard. Others paid by Paypal or Western Union, some also by Visa, using the shop's Eftpos account. Ebay's regulations have tightened up substantially since then, but it was all money anyway, so who could complain? It actually made one feel quite worldly, constantly exchanging international banknotes!

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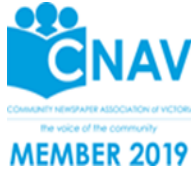
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Quite an ornithological (I had to look up the word) issue in TWR last week.

Was watching a car going through Dunolly on one of the hot days last week. It had a sunroof and undoubtedly the air-conditioner was going flat out. Can't quite see the logic of baking your head and cooling off the rest of your body at the same time.

I went to Bendigo to spend Thursday with my niece in what I thought would be a safer place should fire break out on that bad day. Maybe not very brave, but I'd rather be a live chicken than a roasted chook. As it turned out, there was the same horrible heat and wind as here, and a really big dust storm as well. We spent most of the day at Market Square window shopping and eating. The power was on there, but off in most of Bendigo, and I gather, in lots of other places too.

I had my car parked in the open and while we were away a small amount of moisture fell from the sky — followed by a dust-storm. The car was a different colour when I got back. I had to borrow a bucket of water and a sponge to wash the windows — visibility from inside the car was virtually nil.

There was not as much wind damage to trees on the way home as I thought there might have been. There seems to have been a lot in some other places, and we heard a power pole had blown down outside Bendigo.

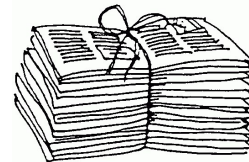
Must get outside and do some watering — the plants are hanging on with minimal water — teaches them to be tough.

Rosie

KIDSTUFF —

- My mum cut her hand! The doctor is taking the knitting out tomorrow.
- Sorry I'm late for school, Miss, but I'm a very slow sleeper.
- In a "bob-a-job" week, we collect old newspapers and dirty books.
- Our vicar must be very poor! His church windows don't even have curtains.

Kidstuff by Roger Goffe 1981



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 **LETTERS TO EDITOR**

Historical corrections

Dunolly has an excellent history information resource but this is repeatedly ignored. People come into our town then write rubbish about its history. This time it's the Gordon Gardens Masterplan Report – September 2019. Michael Smith and Associates prepared the 75 page final report for the Gordon Gardens, only released 6th November on the shire website. There are errors of fact that need correcting lest the world think the citizens of Dunolly are beyond help. The report asserts: "Before gold was discovered, the area around Dunolly had been selected by a Scottish born immigrant Archibald Campbell McDougall."

Correction: Hector Norman Simson had among his holdings a squatting run called Burnt Creek covering this district. In 1845 it was given or sold to Archibald Campbell McDougall who renamed it Dunolly.

And: "The Port Phillip District was a pastoral outpost of the Colony of New South Wales. Within three months of separation of Victoria from NSW, gold was found in 1856 and changed the entire picture of the central goldfields region,..."

Correction: It was July 1st 1851 when Victoria separated from New South Wales.

And: "In February 1859 'The Welcome Stranger Nugget' was found at Moliagul..."

Correction: Found February 1869. Dunolly has a world authoritative website page on the subject.

And: "The Gordon Gardens are named after General Robert Gordon, killed in the opening skirmish of the Sudan War in 1882."

Correction: Gordon was a controversial figure who died in January 1885 after defending Khartoum against a siege that started in March 1884. It seems many thousands died, including those who starved to death. Since the report was supposed to be about the Gordon Gardens this gross error leaves me speechless, which is very difficult to do!

I often make careless mistakes but as yet I have not figured out how to get paid for them.

Stephen Barnham

Surprised reaction

I was very surprised to read in last week's *Welcome Record* the statement : "The reality is that visitors don't visit Dunolly because of the old buildings". I am not certain who made this statement but it came under the general comments of 'council views', so I assume it came from Chief Administrator of the Central Goldfields Shire, Noel Harvey.

Having spent at least 10 hours per week for 11 years sitting in what is now Deborah Halpern's studio, I was constantly surprised at just how many tourists came to Dunolly and spent quite a while taking photos of the old buildings and were very interested in discussing them, particularly the old Bendigo Hotel. They often had coffee and cake or a meal and bought items from the craft shop. Many of these tourists had links to Dunolly through ancestors who came here during the great migration of the gold rushes. They were looking to connect with their forebears through the old buildings, diggings and museum. Another surprise was the number of international visitors. Many were from north America and were delighted to see our gold towns were still living towns. Nobody mentioned modern art. They were here for the history and the gold.

If our administrators do not think our history is important economically for Dunolly, then I am not sure how useful they have been for our community. Sadly I am far from convinced that modern art is going to be an economic boon for our town.

Vicky Frizzell

Editor's note: The debate on the placement of the mosaic art sculptures has generated a great deal of discussion, both pro and con. We thank everyone for their input; however, we will not be printing any further letters on this matter. Council is reviewing the situation and appropriate placement is being discussed before installing the final piece.

Disclaimer: This forum is provided for people to express their views. The opinions of letter-writers are personal.

The Welcome Record remains neutral on any topic represented in Letters to the Editor.

Workplace laws

Dear Editor,
Every Victorian deserves to be safe where they work and I'm really pleased that proposed workplace manslaughter laws have passed the first hurdle in the lower house of the Victorian Parliament.

As many as 30 people are killed in workplaces across the state every year, with 20 people having already lost their lives so far in 2019.

Under the proposed new laws, which deliver on an election promise, employers who negligently cause a workplace death will face fines of up to \$16.5 million and individuals will face up to 20 years in jail.

Too many Victorians have had their lives tragically cut short after simply going to work and this new offence will hold employers who don't put safety first to account.

This legislation was developed after extensive consultation with business, unions, industry and victims' families.

I have to say I'm immensely disappointed that local Liberal and Nationals MPs – including Louise Staley and Emma Kealy - voted against the new laws when they were presented to the lower house.

It doesn't matter if you work in construction, retail, administration, a factory or a farm - no person deserves to die at work.

I urge Liberal, Nationals and Independent MP's to do the right thing and pass this legislation when it comes before the upper house in coming weeks.



Jaala Pulford MP
Labor Member
for Western Victoria

Dunolly Bistro and Bar

 **Music Group**
127 Broadway, Dunolly

Open mic Sunday 8th December 1pm to 5pm

All comers welcome to play

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See you there after the Dunolly Community Market — 8am to 1pm



Cont ... from front page

Curios and curiosities

All these administrative tasks, not to mention the endless and sometimes-tedious packaging, did not detract from the excitement and sometimes-humorous situations in which we became involved.

I had occasion to purchase around 600 dolls of all varieties from the estate of a doll collector, so these were some of the first to be listed. My knowledge of these was reasonable, as I had sold many in my previous collectables shop. The discoveries were amazing as I ploughed through them, finding original Barbie dolls and their friends. These, of course, were snapped up at high prices by American bidders, some of these gave sound advice as to the best photography techniques and the dating and identification methods to use. As I had only paid \$600 for the whole ute-load of dolls, the profits were quite substantial. The benefits were so much more than financial though; one of the regular buyers turned out to have bought the house in Sydney next to where my ex-in-laws had lived. She loved her two-storey Edwardian house, but had only ever seen it painted white. She was ecstatic when I was able to provide her with photos I had taken in the 1960s, showing it in its original dark brick splendour. Many other friends and contacts were made and I had great email conversations with people in those days before Facebook.

I had an endless supply of rustic Australiana to list and often found creative ways of photographing these, using the old railway trolleys on the wooden sleepers of the old railway platform, sometimes with the railway line stretching into the distance; no thought of using light boxes or boring backgrounds back then.

One of the business partners in the military and medical museum had an encyclopaedic knowledge of everything military, so with her background and my entrepreneurial skills, we made a good combination. We generally restricted our sales of Australian militaria to within the local market, however on one occasion a Japanese buyer with the interesting User ID of 'mr wonbat', purchased part of a uniform; his joy on receiving it was conveyed in broken English in his email, when he described what fun he was having dressing up in it! Hmm...

One of my friends had a stash of collectables she had brought back after having lived in Canada for many years and it was my pleasure to be able to list them and help her to liquidate some of her assets. The bidding wars on some of these rare items were amazing, but one in particular took the cake.

The computers were set up in the office within the railway carriage, so we couldn't monitor auctions from our homes. One afternoon I had listed an old board game, dating from 1890, with a starting bid of around \$20. Ebay still allowed reserves to be set, so I set it at \$50. My friend was happy with that price, so we all left to go home for the day after it had reached the reserve. The following morning, the first thing I heard were screams emanating from the office after the auction results were checked and the discovery made that the game had sold to a woman in the US for over \$2,000.

I am still selling, albeit on a substantially-reduced scale, after a period of more than 18 years and while the landscape has changed dramatically, with interest and sales dropping radically, it can still be fun.

Jenny Scott

Helping Bealiba kids stay safe in the sun

Bealiba students learning and playing outdoors are set to receive much-needed protection from harmful UV radiation thanks to the Andrews Government.

Labor Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, today announced Bealiba Primary School would receive \$636 towards sun protection items.

Around the state, 77 schools are sharing in almost \$1 million from the latest round of the Andrews Government's School Shade Grants program.

The program provides grants for shade development, including building new shade, repairing existing shade or creating natural shade by planting trees.

In addition, some small grants have been funded to provide sun protective items like hats and sunscreen for students. Shade used in combination with other sun protection measures provide the best protection from harmful UV radiation exposure when spending time outdoors.

Ms Pulford said childhood and adolescence are critical periods during which exposure to UV radiation is more likely to contribute to skin cancer later in life.

"Bealiba Primary School students love spending time outdoors, particularly as the weather starts to warm up. That's why we're taking action so that kids can benefit from more shade and protection from the sun," Ms Pulford said.

In 2017, melanoma was the fourth-most common cancer in Victoria, with 2,993 invasive melanomas diagnosed, and tragically, 270 deaths.

Proper shade can reduce overall exposure to UV radiation by up to 75 per cent when in conjunction with other sun protection measures such as sunscreen, hats, sunglasses and protective clothing.

From the office of Jaala Pulford

Devastating loss in fire at Dunolly Salvage Yard

It is with great sadness that we learned of the terrible fire that demolished a lifetime of collectables by Greg McGregor. The business was built from scratch by Greg more than 40 years ago.

The people of the Dunolly community and surrounds were regular customers, purchasing many items to adapt to the period homes of the area. I know when we were renovating our 100-year-old cottage, a number of pieces came from Greg's yard. It's a sad loss for the town, but absolutely devastating for Greg, who had many of his personal collections destroyed as well as the items in the demolition yard.

Ken Duell, captain of the Dunolly CFA said the fire was fully involved by the time they got there. Being a salvage yard there was a lot of fuel to feed the fire with massive amounts of timber.

After the heat of the day on Thursday, the tired fire-fighters were called to the site just after midnight. There were 18 CFA vehicles from around the district in attendance, along with SES and police. The trucks were positioned so as to control any spot fires. They managed to control the fire and contain it within the confines of the yard. It took more than five hours to bring it under control. Our heartfelt sympathies to Greg and family on this tragedy, but fortunately no-one was hurt.

Susan Anderson

Local eatery announced state winner for best casual dining

The Talbot Provadore and Eatery has been awarded state winner for Best Casual Dining in the 2019 Golden Plate Awards.

This is the third consecutive year the Talbot Provadore and Eatery has won a state level venue award in the Golden Plate awards.

The Talbot Provadore and Eatery was also awarded state finalist in the following categories

- Best Menu of Local Food
- Best Chef— Christopher Howe
- Best Casual Dining
- Best List of local Wines Beers and Ciders
- Best Value

The Goldfields Destination Management Plan has listed Talbot as a Culinary Village. The Talbot Provadore and Eatery is proud to announce that on Monday 18th November they were awarded State winner for Best Casual Dining in the 2019 Golden Plate awards.

The latest accolade marks the third consecutive year that the team at the Talbot Provadore and Eatery has taken out a coveted state award in their dining category.

The Golden Plate awards is an annual state-wide award programme that seeks to give recognition to excellence in hospitality venues located in regional Victoria.

Hospitality venues are 'blind' judged, without notice by two or more independent expert judges, with every aspect of hospitality assessed including; food quality and presentation, customer service, use of local produce, local beverages, coffee quality, ambience and value for money.

The Talbot Provadore and Eatery was judged on two separate occasions during the judging period, with both judges dining on a Saturday evening. Chef and owner Christopher Howe was also a finalist in the Peter Watson Memorial Best Chef award. Held in Melbourne at the Comcater demonstration kitchen, finalist chefs were provided with a mystery box of ingredients from which they were required to present two dishes each of entrée and main course for judging.

In commenting on their experience at the Talbot Provadore and Eatery the Golden Plate awards judges said: "Talbot Provadore and Eatery is all about celebrating the incredible locally grown produce, and wine. Fruit, vegetables, meat, poultry and even the dairy are all sourced almost exclusively from local producers."

The award was sponsored by Comcater, a leading supplier of commercial kitchen equipment and appliances. Prior to announcing the award, Comcater representative Andrew Grieg read the judges' description of the winning venue:

"The chef celebrates local ingredients with respect, creating dishes that are simple, elegant and utterly delicious. It is set in a charming old Victorian building in a picture-perfect village. This is the type of restaurant I would recommend that all chefs eat at, at least once. No pretence and no ego; just great food, impeccably prepared and elegantly presented. Go for the drive, this will be a restaurant you won't forget."

In accepting the award chef and owner of the Talbot Provadore and Eatery, Christopher Howe said: "Thank you very much, as I suspect many of you may not have ever been to the tiny little town of Talbot, which is home to about 300 people. We sometimes feel that we live in a bubble so awards like this are a real validation for what we do. So, thank you very much to the Golden Plate

awards, to the judges, David Veal (head judge), to my wonderful partner Jayne, to our fantastic staff and to all of those who support us." Also accepting the award was co-owner Jayne Newgreen, who added: "We are all about celebrating local produce at our venue, that is what we do; and we love all of our local producers, so thanks to them, we couldn't do it without them."

Speaking on the topic of Talbot, Chris Meddows-Taylor, chair of the Goldfields Regional Tourism Board and President of Talbot Action Inc. said: "The Goldfields Destination Management Plan has listed Talbot as a Culinary Village which really puts us on the map. This is a real achievement and largely due to the fantastic accomplishments and success of Talbot Farmers Market and the Talbot Provadore and Eatery. This past week has seen the Talbot Provadore and Eatery host a degustation dinner for Provenir – Australia's first on-farm processed beef, and also win a coveted Golden Plate award for Best Casual Dining for the third year in a row, well and truly cementing Talbot's reputation as a significant culinary destination."

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Caulfield and Girton reign supreme at 2019 EB

Caulfield Grammar School delivered a fairy-tale finish at the 2019 Energy Breakthrough with the secondary school's pedal-powered team, The Big Cheese, taking out the 24-hour Trial.

It was neck and neck between St Margaret's and Berwick Grammar School and Caulfield, before the latter managed to snatch the win by less than one minute. To make their first ever trial win extra sweet, Caulfield Grammar School also broke an Energy Breakthrough record by completing 646 laps, equalling a distance of 1,020 kilometres. In the Energy Efficient Vehicle category, Girton Grammar School Bendigo's XCEPTION powered to achieve three consecutive overall wins.

During the 16-hour Human Powered Vehicle Primary Trial, White Hills Primary School's EcoRush were crowned champions completing 369 laps, totalling 409 km, on the Regional Roads Victoria Track. This year's Energy Breakthrough wasn't just a test of endurance and innovation; in addition, the event's organisers and volunteers were tested by extreme weather conditions on Thursday.

"This year's Energy Breakthrough highlighted students' resilience and tenacity," event director John Stafford said.

While multiple schools were not able to travel to the event on Thursday due to the adverse forecast, there was minimal disruption to the event's schedule with event organisers being able to reschedule and accommodate every school's needs.

Away from the tracks, the Transurban Future of Transport Expo was expanded to include robotic traffic cones and virtual reality activities provided by Transurban and Regional Roads Victoria. Meanwhile, La Trobe University's 'All Kinds of Clever' vending machine tested students' logical reasoning to win prizes.

"Schools came from across the state and beyond —country, city, big and small schools," Energy Breakthrough committee chairperson Hugh Delahunty said. "Congratulations to all participants for a great four days of innovation, determination and passion. After a difficult start due to the weather, we enjoyed a great three days of human endurance."

The Energy Breakthrough is a joint initiative of Central Goldfields Shire Council and the Country Education Partnership and is made possible thanks to support from the State Government, Regional Roads Victoria, La Trobe University, Transurban, Central Highlands Water and True Foods.

CGSC News



MAYORAL COLUMN

How well do you know fire?

By now most people would have seen something of the new Victorian Government safety campaign on television, radio and online, to reinforce awareness of the deadly risks of fire and the importance of planning and preparing for the fire season. While bushfires continue to ravage our neighbours in NSW and QLD, and the risk of fires in Victoria builds as the heat increases, it's time to do your part to reduce the risk to our community. Remember, it's not just bushland that burns; fine fuels, like grass and leaf litter, are generally where fires start and spread rapidly. Council's Fire Prevention Officer has been inspecting properties and where vegetation poses a potential threat to life or property, notices have been issued to property owners to remove long grass and flammable materials. If you have received a notice, please act on this promptly. If property owners do not comply, Council can enter the property and arrange for the risk reduction works to be done at the owner's expense. This work will be taking place over coming weeks, but if you have any concerns regarding fire hazards on private land, contact Council and an inspection can be arranged. Let's all work together to reduce the risk this summer.

Honey bee health survey

The Australian Honey Bee Industry Council wants to find out how healthy Australian honey bees are and what pests and diseases might be causing problems for beekeepers.

In partnership with Plant Health Australia and AgriFutures Australia, they are asking Australian beekeepers to take part in a survey which will provide statistics for use by the industry.

The survey takes only about ten minutes to complete and is open until 31st December 2019. Follow this link for the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KJX69VV>.

Wedderburn Korong Vale RSL celebrates 100 years

Congratulations to Wedderburn Korong Vale RSL which will celebrate their 100-year anniversary on Saturday. This is an amazing milestone and reflects on the value of the service they provide to support local veterans and their families. The celebrations will include a service at 11am on Saturday at Wedderburn followed by a barbeque lunch with music by the bluegrass band Hardrive. RSVP is essential for catering; please call the Secretary, Lyn Chapman on 0455 269 623 or 5494 7445, or email rmclmc15@aussiebb.com.au

Seniors Christmas celebration

Loddon Seniors are invited to join us at our 2019 Loddon Shire Seniors Christmas celebration at Serpentine Hall on Thursday 5th December. For just \$10 per person, guests will enjoy a traditional two-course lunch while being entertained by Mantel. Transport is available by bus from Tarnagulla, Inglewood, Wedderburn, Boort and Pyramid Hill to ensure that everyone is able to attend. However bookings are essential to ensure both catering and transport. To make sure you don't miss out; please call our Community Wellbeing Team on 5494 1201.

Cr Cheryl McKinnon Loddon Shire 18.11.19



Heritage Fruit Tree Register

Dunolly Arts Hub was recently the venue for yet another interesting meeting with Paul Lehmann, aka Captain Compost, from Grampians Central West Waste & Resource Recovery Group. Paul is gathering information on very old fruit trees in the local area, for the compilation of a Heritage Fruit Tree Register. This Register will actually encompass any historic trees, not just fruit trees. On each of Paul's visits, everyone had been invited to bring along cuttings for him to identify and mark the location on the Register. This particular visit concluded with a trip involving quite a few kilometres, in order to view some of these trees *in situ* on our properties. This was exciting for many of us, as he was able to identify the age and variety of the trees, some of which were at least twice as old as most of us were! As on the first occasion, we were all impressed with Paul's extensive knowledge and intrigued with the variety of electronic devices he uses to record all his data and contacts. We look forward to Paul's next visit, which will be advertised on the Dunolly Arts Hub Facebook page (*The Welcome Record* may be in recess), so please keep a note of any old trees you believe deserve a place on the Register. Thanks again to Paul for his valuable time and knowledge; he is such an incredibly busy person!

Jenny Scott

*More stories from Cynthia's
Willy Waistcoat Saga*



Travelling on with Billy on the many ships which took him all over the world, one memorable occasion was docking at the port of Murmansk on the far north eastern coast of Russia on the Barents Sea. It was so freezing cold when the ship docked that the ropes were frozen solid and the Company refused to buy gloves so Billy used to wear socks on his hands. Regulations were strict so Customs came on board and took all cameras from crew going ashore. Living conditions were also strict; articles like biros or anything considered unnecessary for a person's needs were banned. This included chewing-gum as it had no nutritious value. As a result many of the seamen stocked up on this item as they heard that the local children were mad to get hold of the foreign delicacy, chewing gum. Billy put on a suit and a big overcoat and stuffed his shirt full of as much gum as he could conceal. Once off the ship he headed towards the town and rounding the first corner was besieged by hordes of kids brandishing money to buy the wonderful chewing gum. Billy reaped a small fortune, but then as he approached the Seamen's Mission he spotted two guards out the front, so he ducked into a courtyard off the road, spilling some of the gum as he went. Now he had to get rid of the rest; so ever resourceful, he buried it in the snow. By the time it melted he would be on the other side of the world. Down at the Mission everyone was having a great time and half the crew were very drunk. This included one of Billy's mates who could barely walk, so Billy had to carry him over his shoulder to get him back to the ship. As they reached the top of the gangplank Billy's mate suddenly lifted his head which crashed into the bulkhead causing a huge, deep gash. As a result he had to be taken off to the local hospital and the shipping company had to foot the bill.

A Good Samaritan, our Waistcoat Willy!

Cynthia Lindsay

As we come to the end of the year, I would like to thank everyone who has attended the Hub, exhibited with us, entered one of the exhibitions or shows, or attended one of our regular classes. This year saw the Arts Hub join the modern world of sewerage. We also got a hot water system, and put in a watering system to save water in our small garden.

We, at the Arts Hub, along with the Neighbourhood Centre would like to thank all the folks who joined in with the town-wide garage sale last weekend. We hope you all sold lots of unwanted stuff and enjoyed your day.

Our regular classes of Tai Chi, mosaics and art Wednesday will continue through to the New Year.

This year, in collaboration with Priority One Real Estate, we will facilitate the hanging of the bunting in the next few weeks.

Lynda

**CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS
RATEPAYERS AND
RESIDENTS ASSOC. INC.**

It has been a very busy week. Energy Breakthrough has just finished. Another successful EBT, thank you and well done to all concerned who participated and assisted in making this the world-renowned event it is. Looking forward to an ongoing affiliation with it.

A lot of time taken up with the issues around Dunolly with the locals regarding issues of heritage versus mosaics and placement. So far the shire has agreed to have one of the footings removed, and begin consultation on placement of that particular mosaic. We believe there could be more issues on the horizon. All these issues could have been overcome with correct consultation and planning. This will be discussed at our next meeting.

A question was raised about the issue of green waste collection and Council not permitting rental property tenants to contract for the green waste service. This also will be discussed at our meeting.

Prior to last meeting, we were advised by the Senior Administrator that Council would be putting in a planning application for the Carisbrook western flood levee in the following week. At this stage we have not received any information on that action. We hope we will be able to give an update at our meeting on Tuesday 3rd December.

A meeting with our Federal member, Dr Anne Webster, was arranged by her team for Tuesday 19th November. She came for 15 minutes and stayed 45 minutes. Interesting discussion about State and Local Government accountability, airport, medical, employment and water issues. Not enough time to cover all issues, however, some passionate and robust discussion was held.

Dr Webster stated "we are the first ratepayers group she has met with" and promises "this will be a meeting she will be adding to future visits". Knowing where Federal Government can assist our community is an extremely important part in our development. A very interesting and positive meeting — thank you Dr Webster.

Our next meeting will be at the Maryborough Hub, Burns St, Maryborough in Room 1, starting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 3rd December 2019. All welcome; you do not have to be a member and there is no entry fee.

Wayne McKail
President CGR&RAI

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Round 2 of VicHealth active club grant program now Open

The Victorian Health Promotion Foundation (VicHealth) has announced around \$500,000 in new funding to support sports clubs in Ripon to create new opportunities to get less active Victorians playing sport and improve their health. VicHealth's Active Club Grants, which open today, provide funding of up to \$3,000 or up to \$10,000 to community sport clubs to create more opportunities for women and girls and 'social' or modified sport options. Member for Ripon Louise Staley encourages local clubs to apply for the funding which can support new teams as well as cover the cost of uniforms, coaching staff and equipment so that more Ripon residents become more active and improve their health.

"We want to help more of our community become involved with sport, so it's exciting to see sporting clubs and associations provide more opportunities for people who previously did not get involved with sport," Ms Staley said. "We want everyone to get active and embrace a healthy lifestyle, regardless of their age, gender or ability. I encourage all our hardworking clubs in Ripon to take this opportunity to apply for a grant so we can support you to deliver new opportunities to get more people active."

VicHealth CEO Dr Sandro Demaio said Active Club Grants have supported hundreds of clubs across Victoria to get more people in their community moving in new ways.

"Our latest round of Active Club Grants will support more local sport clubs in Ripon to provide further opportunities for the community to improve their health and wellbeing by becoming more active," Dr Demaio said. "We're putting the call out for a variety of sporting clubs and associations who are offering opportunities for women and girls, as well as a wide variety of people from different backgrounds, who want to be active and live healthy lives.

"These grants will help more of the community in Ripon get involved with social and modified activities where age, ability, background, lifestyle or gender isn't a barrier."

Clubs applying for Active Club Grants funding can indicate if they would like to be considered for an additional \$2,000 grant to promote This Girl Can – Victoria to encourage women in their local community to get active. It's easy to apply! Clubs are encouraged to apply for the funding grants through the VicHealth website before 4pm on Monday 24th February 2020. For further information, or to apply online, visit <https://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/funding/active-club-grants>.

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8.00am Mass 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

Catholic Church Services:

Dunolly, St. Mary's

8.30 Mass every Sunday see below for details

Bealiba, St. Patrick's

8.30am Mass, 5th Sunday of the month

Uniting Church Services:

Dunolly

9.30am Sunday 1st December

Holy Communion, Rev Gordon Wild

Uniting Church

On 1st December, Rev Gordon Wild will be taking Holy Communion at 9.30am. Rev Bruce Gallacher will be holding his last service in Maryborough at 10am on this day too. Rev Gordon has asked us to support him and attend, if we so desire. A light luncheon to follow.

On Thursday 12th December at 10.45am we are holding a Christmas Carols Service for the residents of the Dunolly Hospital. If you come and help us sing, we would love to see you.

Friday 20th December, we are holding a Christmas Carol Service in the Church at 7.30pm.

Our Op-Shop will close for Christmas on Friday 13th December. Come in and see what we have for your pleasure over the Christmas; perhaps a good book to read or a puzzle to complete. We have so many items also and summer clothes in all sizes. There is also a large range of furniture at bargain prices, which needs to be moved.

Jean Richardson



The Op Shop is open on Tuesdays from 9.30am to 2pm, Thursdays and Fridays from 10am to 4pm Final day for 2019 Friday 13th December

Catholic Church

The Parish Council meeting and meal is at 7pm on Thursday 5th December at 68 Bourke St. A salad or sweet to share, please.

Sunday 24th November, was the first anniversary of Father Mark's ordination as a priest. Congratulations to him — we have enjoyed having him as our priest.

Assembly returns to Dunolly on Sunday 15th December and Avoca on Sunday 8th December only. There will be Mass on the rest of the Sundays in December.

Short. Temporary accommodation is required in December for a mother and young son, and in January for a mother and two daughters. Please contact Father John if you can help.

Mass is at St Mary's, Dunolly on Sunday 1st December at 8.30am.

R Mcreddy

*"The more we endure with patience and grace
The stronger we grow and the more we can face."*

Helen Steiner Rice

St John's Church

Canon Heather will be out of the office between 27th November to 12th December.

There will be no service on Thursday December 12th as our celebration for our 150th is on Sunday 15th.

There will be a Fellowship meeting after church on Thursday 5th December.

SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE WEEK

*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud,
O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on
a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

Zechariah 9:9
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Around school this week

2020 Enrolments

This week we welcomed two new students to our school. If you see them around please introduce yourselves. If you know of anyone intending to enrol

for 2020 please urge them to contact the school, particularly if coming into prep so they can join the Step Into Prep program.

FLURO DISCO!!

Dust those dancing shoes off and prepare for a fun night of great tunes, awesome moves, fun and games. See flyer in newsletter for details.

PFA FUNDRAISERS

The PFA do an amazing job raising much needed funds for our fantastic school. There are a couple of great fundraisers coming up that we need some help for. Please see flyer in newsletter for details and check out when you can offer some time to help. The money raised helps subsidise things like the Charlie and the Chocolate Factory excursion, swimming programs, other excursions and much more.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Information was sent home yesterday to families. Don't forget to get your tickets from the office.



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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep – Waylon Gray
 Year 1/2 – Hannah Parker
 Year 3/4 H – Bailey Osborne
 Year 3/4 M – Charlotte Liddicoat
 Year 5/6 – Ruby Lang and Charmaine Soulsby
 Principal's – Charlotte Smith

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Probus News

As our secretary was in Madagascar, Jan Watts stepped down from her Presidency once again to be Secretary, and Bert Spencer chaired the meeting. Thank you both; well done! Dear Jan's voice was not audible and was asked if there was anything in the minutes that we needed to know having attended the last meeting. She kindly perused the rest of the minutes and agreed there was not — saving her voice. She had received a bus tour advertisement to Tasmania, so our tour operator Faye Nicholson asked if anyone would be interested in a trip to Tasmania. Jan Ford's humour came to the fore when she commented that the bus would sink. When Faye recovered and was able to ask again no hands went up.

Barry Cann notified that there will be a Bowls game at St Arnaud on Monday 17th February 2020. Last week in Maryborough, our club supported three teams for the first time and one team came second overall — well done. Barry has to be congratulated on bringing along new members who appear to have been talked into playing for our Probus club, winning, and his insisting on each player joining. At this meeting we were all delighted to have Sandra Caldecoat join our happy club — welcome Sandra, oh for such talent!

Our December meeting will be followed by our finger food lunch and entertainment from the D Sharps and Jan said six singers are practising, so it will be a good wind-up for the year.

Preparations are underway for our 20th Birthday meeting on Thursday 19th March 2020. We are hoping original members who formed our club will attend and also any who joined and left will come along to celebrate with us. You are most welcome and could add some stories we may have forgotten. After this meeting, lunch was at the Railway Hotel.

What a day Thursday was! Before I left for the meeting I closed all inside doors and curtains. My inside/outside kitchen thermometer on arriving home recorded 40.9 outside and 26 inside, thank goodness. The current fires across Australia with this long drought are painful. The ABC was giving details of the fires around here and the wind was to change from north to southwest in the afternoon. There was a big fire reported at Natte Yallock

Put These On Your Calendar for Nov/Dec 2019

NOVEMBER

Thurs 28th Social Support Group Senior Citizens Hall 10.30am

DECEMBER

Tues 3rd CG Ratepayers & Residents Assoc. Maryborough Hub 7.30pm

Tues 3rd MDHS Women's Health Clinic Dunolly Hospital Appt. required

Wed 4th Fire Ready Meeting CFA Station 7pm

Fri 6th Bealiba CWA Christmas Party Bealiba Hall 2pm

Sun 8th Community Market Broadway Dunolly 8am — 1.30pm

Tues 10th Coffee for Craft Shop Members Dunolly Bistro 10.30am

Sun 15th Christmas Party Victory Church Dunolly Pool 4pm — 7pm

west of here, so I checked batteries in the radios, put water in the bath and filled bottles of tank water — then the power went off. So pleased I had. Fortunately the power came back on and the temperature dropped considerably by then, so I went out watering the garden although it was still windy. Please be fire-alert folks, this is too lovely a town to disappear and our residents are all precious.

My very best wishes for your safe, healthy and enjoyable festive season.

Take care and keep smiling,
Carolyn Butler, Publicity Officer



BEALIBA CWA UPDATE

With the branch hosting several events in as many weeks I guess it is fair to say the festive season is well and truly with us. This week we are hosting the East Wimmera Group's Christmas lunch and then, on the following Friday (6th December), it is our annual Christmas Concert for the community. This is a lovely afternoon's entertainment with a variety of acts (carols, musical items, skits and comedy) capped off with a delicious afternoon tea — all for a \$2 donation. As well, we will be raffling a hamper of goods and there will be lucky door prizes. Everyone is most welcome and it would be great to see the Bealiba Hall filled to overflowing.

During the month our Juniors have been getting into the Christmas spirit by making Christmas Cards. The finished products looked great so a big thank you to Barbara Douglass who was standing in for Jenny Lovel as she recuperates from her misadventure.

Christmas is such a lovely time of the year with so many of us imbued with the spirit of giving. To this effect, the branch has decided to make a \$100 donation to the Bendigo Wig Library which provides a valuable service to women undergoing chemotherapy. I'm told by the Breast Care Nurses that wigs can cost up to \$300, so, in a small way, we are helping to fulfil the charter of the Country Women's Association to assist women and children in Victoria.

Dates for the Diary

Friday, 29th November — Group Christmas Lunch
Tuesday, 3rd December — Craft, St Arnaud @ 10am
Friday, 6th December, Christmas Concert,
— Bealiba Hall, 1pm, cost \$2.

Thursday, 19th December General Meeting at 10.30am followed by

Competition Winners for November

Single Bloom First: Barbara Douglass
Second: Betty Lovel

Multiple Bloom First: Heather Davis
Second: Alice Pike

Competition An article beginning with "N"
First: Shirley Coburn
Second: Heather Davis

Competition for December — a star shaped decoration

Finally, a Merry Christmas to all our readers and may the peace and joy of the festive season be with you.

Heather Davis

POUNY FILLERS

Murphy says to Paddy ...
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Paddy replies, "I'm sendin an email, ya fool?"



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- 1 sheet of frozen ready-rolled puff pastry, thawed
- 6-8 asparagus spears, Olive oil spray, Shaved parmesan, Baby rocket leaves

METHOD

Preheat oven to 220°C. Combine finely chopped ham off the bone and 250g (1 cup) fresh ricotta. Halve a just thawed sheet of frozen ready-rolled puff pastry. Spread with the ricotta mixture, leaving a 2cm-wide border. Top with 6-8 asparagus spears, woody ends trimmed. Spray with olive oil spray. Bake for 8 minutes or until puffed and golden. Top with shaved parmesan and baby rocket leaves. *Taste.com*

Supplied courtesy : The Puzzle Wizard

QUICK CROSSWORD 46

Across

1. Victorian skiing site, Mount _____
6. Spanish celebration
11. Fresh version of old movie
12. Sediment of drink
13. Cell of nervous system
15. Lethal
17. Eucalyptus tree
19. Word meaning both 'to try to delay' and 'selling booth'
20. Country invaded by U.S. and allies in 2003
21. Having a soothing sound
23. Male child
24. Forbidden to general use
25. Tree bark used medicinally, slippery
27. One being spoken to

28. Humorous in ironic way
29. Small vegetable
31. Yet to become solid
33. Creamy mixture eaten with chips, eg.
35. Zone of military operations
37. Power to reject legislative bill
38. Muslim name of the Supreme Being
41. Convened
42. Make clean and tidy
44. Enticement
46. Grass which yields sugar
47. To harm
48. Entice into difficulty
49. One with high level of knowledge in a field

Down

1. Swiss tennis star, Martina _____
2. Former president of U.S., Harry S _____
3. That lass
4. In a confused state
5. A grown male
6. Dined (on)
7. Make very happy
8. Calm-mannered
9. Inform
10. Place of refuge
14. Continent of northern hemisphere
16. Partner, anagram of 35 across
18. Lion's young

21. Intimidate
22. Move (object) down
24. Word acknowledging a clever, retaliating remark
26. Dawdle
29. A proud gait


30. Oblique
32. Grassy piece of uprooted ground
33. Artificially shy
34. Mighty
36. One having a feed
39. To slope

40. Plant from which linseed oil is extracted
43. Small measure of alcoholic drink
44. Baboon or gorilla, eg.
45. To mime (song, eg.), _____-sync

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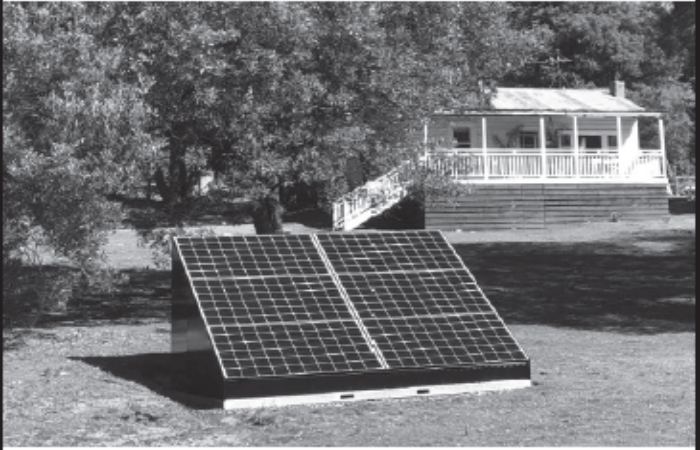
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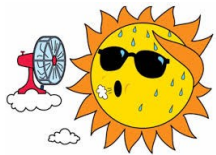
Where: Corner Nolan and Alma Streets, Maryborough 3465
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Drawn: 22nd November 2019
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 Have a go! Envelopes in local shops.
 Good luck !

Chris Williams

Crouch Fishing Reel — Part 3

A brief history of the Crouch Fishing Reel as written by Arthur Crouch in December 2015.

Continued from last week — where final paragraph states that cheap imports were flooding the market around 1966.

For the first 15 years it did not seem to be such a problem because we had plenty of work, but it was very hard to chase up other subcontract work from so far away. I kept going for a couple of years with less and less employees but in 1968 I decided to shift back to Melbourne where I continued to sell the remaining stocks of the reels until about 1971. Since then I have repaired Crouch reels and supplied spare parts when required. Over the years the majority of the reels would have been sold in Victoria and Tasmania and in the Albury- Wodonga area. In the early years a lot went to New Zealand but import restrictions were imposed there and that market was lost. Later, with the Crouch 77 Reel I appointed agents in all the other states but their sales figures were not great. I estimate that over the years we probably sold about 30,000 reels. I wonder how many of them are still being used."

The end plates and plastic fittings for Crouch fishing reels were manufactured by TAMCO West Heidelberg, Victoria. Arthur's description of a Melbourne Crouch Reel:

*Brake spacer is rivetted in.

*Body diam (3 7/16") is smaller than the Side plate knurl (3 1/2") *Stamped "J.T.Crouch Maker Melbourne" on Sideplate.

*Sideplate has tapered centre boss.

*Thread on Centre Spindle is near gear (.266" diam x 40 TPI) *Gear has 16 teeth.

*Winding gear is solid brass and has 33 teeth. Spindle has a very deep oil groove (0.035" deep x 1/8" long) *Eccentric bush is fibre block type and has the word "oil" stamped above the oil slot which indicates that it was made before we started using the oil cover.

*Domed washer is loosely riveted to the adjusting nut, which is 5/8" hex. — not knurled.

*Aluminium sand cast body.

*The Centre spindle pivot on the Sideplate end is larger than the Body end pivot as in later years."

From the Australian Fishing Museum
 Researched by Esmé Flett

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DUNOLLY BOWLS

Pennant Teams Saturday 30th November 2019

Dunolly Blue plays Dunolly Gold at Dunolly

Greg Dobbin	Alan Weir	Barry Cann
Peter Waters	Tony Galofaro	Alan Parkes
Heather Freemantle	Jenny McHugh	Loretta Parker
Wayne Stephens	Sheryl Howard	Jim Smith

Manager: Barry Cann

Dunolly Gold plays Dunolly Blue at Dunolly

Terry Long	Bernie Lanfranchie	Barry Mortlock
Aaron Britten	Roy Pickering	Geoff Davies
Evan Weir	Ian Flett	Peter Harrison
Emmet Smith	Keith Elliott	Stan Shay

Manager: Roy Pickering

Dunolly Green plays Dunolly Red at Dunolly

Don Mortlock	Jim Haigh	Arthur Deason
Marg Davies	David Price	Paul Chase
Graham Cain	Nancy Pike	Peter Freemantle
Karen Stephens	Don Coe	Joe Lacey

Manager: Paul Chase

Dunolly Red plays Dunolly Green at Dunolly

Sandra Chaplin	John Pinkard	M Mortlock
Doris Spiteri	Heather Weir	John Moir
Richard Cain	Fabion Delconte	Hanah Delconte
Sandra Caldecoat	Rob Weir	Bob Mortlock

Manager: Sandra Chaplin. **Emergency:** Fred Watts

Mid-Week Pennant Teams Tuesday 3rd December 2019

Dunolly Blue plays Talbot at Dunolly

Loretta Parker	Heather Freemantle	Marg Davies
Nancy Pike	Sandra Chaplin	Marilyn Mortlock
Roy Pickering	Greg Dobbin	Tony Galofaro
Alan Weir	Barry Cann	Alice Raven

Manager: Heather Freemantle
Emergency: Chris Williams, Jenny McHugh
Set Up: Marg Davies

Dunolly Gold BYE

UNAVAILABLE LIST IN GLASS CABINET
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At the Bealiba Hall

A good roll up for our last bowling of the year. The teams of Gordon Smith, Shirley Coburn, Keith Brightwell and Gerri Delgado; Heather Cooper, Betty Lovel, Chris Evans and Ian Lovel; Joe Battison, Sam Whitehead and Pam Brightwell all recorded two wins.

Supper followed the bowling and the winner of the raffle was our new member Malcolm Campbell.

Next week will be our Christmas breakup commencing at 6pm.

Thank you everyone for a great 2019 and let's look forward to some great bowling in 2020. Have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Chris Evans



Tis the season for online shopping scams

Australians have already lost more money to online shopping scams in 2019 than in the entire previous year, and Scamwatch is warning people to be cautious of online shopping scams in the lead up to the holiday season.

So far in 2019, reported losses from online shopping scams are over \$4 million, well in excess of the 2018 total figure of \$3.28 million.

"Scammers often try to take advantage of people doing their Christmas shopping including in the upcoming Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

"Reported losses have tripled over the last three years and it is concerning that losses from this year are already so high."

Watch out for these common online shopping scams:

Fake websites/stores: scammers will set up fake online stores, on websites or social media, which can look like genuine online retailers. Many of these offer luxury items at very low prices but you may receive a fake item or nothing at all.

Fake sellers: scammers may pose as genuine sellers on classifieds websites. The scammer may claim they are travelling and an agent will deliver the goods once you have paid, but you

won't receive the goods and will be unable to contact the seller.

"Some of the most commonly reported products that scammers are attempting to sell this year are shoes, smartphones and tickets to events, with losses from these items so far exceeding half a million dollars," Ms Rickard said.

"Warning signs for online shopping scams include extremely low advertised prices and requests to pay through direct bank transfer or cryptocurrency."

"We encourage everyone to do their research before making an online purchase and if purchasing expensive goods, not to make payment until they have inspected the product." Ms Rickard added that spreading scam warnings with loved ones over the holiday period can help protect vulnerable consumers.

"Many people enjoy the convenience of online shopping but it is important to remember that there can be risks involved."

"If you do think you have been scammed, contact your bank as soon as possible," Ms Rickard said.

Further information about scams is available at

www.scamwatch.gov.au.

People can also follow [@scamwatch_gov](https://twitter.com/scamwatch_gov) on Twitter.

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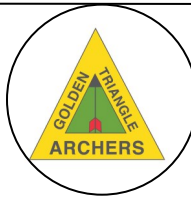


News from
the Dojo



Monday 25th November was our last official session here at the Dunolly dojo for 2019. It was fantastic to see all of our members come together for one last session here at Dunolly for this year. Everyone had a laugh and lots of fun and it was terrific to see lots of people wearing a MO for MOverment. Even though MOverment is to raise awareness for men's health, and a focus on mental health, it was timely reminder to all of our members. We are very lucky here at Kokoro Kai. We really are one big karate family!

That goes for everyone. Check in on your mates. Especially over the break!
Karate 2020: We don't officially kick off until February (except our water session in January). So, arrange a catch up. Christmas/New Year isn't about presents — it's about people! It's about spending time with family and friends! We hope everyone enjoys the break and has a very merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.
Written by Kokoro Kai Members



The Golden Triangle Archers had a wonderful day at their Christmas Shoot. Some budding young archers took bow in hand and shot for the targets. Below and left are the littlies with their bows and encouragement awards.
From Facebook page

