

# The Welcome Record

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Welcome to *The Welcome Record* for 2019. We hope that our readers enjoyed the holiday break with family and friends and are ready to face the new year. As always, we value your input to make this a true community paper. Please do send us stories and photos of your celebrations, holidays, funny, or not-so-funny, events that happened over the break. Organisations and clubs, please remember to advise us of any forthcoming events so we can share with the community. Not everyone is on Facebook. So now onward and upward. Let's see what the new year brings.

Susan Anderson

## New Shop in Town



Arriving in Dunolly on a wave of energy, Termina Ashton, her son Max, along with business partner David Hood, had their new shop fitted out and the home sorted over a two-week period for an opening on the 9th of January. On a trip to Victoria from Queensland, Termina and Max met a friendly couple whilst stopping in Bendigo. An invitation to visit them in Maryborough led to a stop in Dunolly. Termina fell in love with the town and, after returning to Queensland, decided to come back to begin a new life in Dunolly.

The rejuvenated shop, which was the old Lions' Book shop for a while, is now sparkling with an eclectic mix of crystals, gifts, books, candles and jewellery. Named - **Wunderfol** - with the 'o' being a Chinese symbol of prosperity, Termina's friendly, open personality is an added bonus to having another place to buy that personal gift or find a crystal that is just perfect for you. Both Termina and David are authors, evidenced by their books on display in the shop. Please explore the wide range available—there is something for everyone. Max, who is a computer whiz and studying, is operating Golden Triangle Computers, offering assistance with technology issues. The service is available Thursday to Saturdays.

For further information look at Termina's web-site at: [www.terminaashton.com](http://www.terminaashton.com) and for the shop: [www.wunderfol.com](http://www.wunderfol.com)

Marilyn Goldie

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*The Welcome Record* aims to present the diversity of viewpoints which reflect the concerns and interests of our community. It will not print contributions which are defamatory or being used as an alternative to a personal approach in dealing with a personal issue. The opinions expressed by contributors are not necessarily those of *The Welcome Record*.

## ROSIE'S RAMBLE

Hello Again!

I hope the New Year will be good to you.

A news report told us that police had pulled over a ute that was travelling erratically and found 18 people in it. Reminded me of a silly fad when I was young, of squeezing as many people as possible into telephone booths, Mini Minor cars and public toilet cubicles. The numbers were very surprising.

You have no doubt heard of the Naked Chef (AKA Jamie Oliver), but have you seen the naked shepherd?

I was coming home from Maryborough one warm day, when I noticed a man shutting a mob of sheep into a paddock near the bridge at Bet-Bet. I thought my eyes were deceiving me, but when he turned around to get into the ute, I could see he really was in his birthday suit. He had a nice even top-to-toe tan too. All that observed in a matter of seconds.

After that very hot day last week, a fairly big wind came through and broke a large branch from one of the gumtrees in the golf course. It hit the ground with a thump and a huge cloud of dust. The cockies and galahs that settled in for the night were not happy—flying about yelling and shouting.

Washing instructions for new sheets—wash in warm water and turn inside out???

Female sports' commentary "The young female girls are very keen".

I have been putting various vessels out and about the garden full of water for the birds and any other thirsty creatures passing by. Yesterday, I went out to check them and found a large shingle-back lizard trying to get a drink from a deepish pan. It was interesting to see it sort of lapping up the water with a forked tongue and tipping its head back to let the water run down its throat. I have put out some shallow plates now to cater for the short legged visitors.

Rosie



Stock photo

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The Welcome Record invites community organisations to apply for a Grant for funding. Please submit an application letter stating the amount required and the purpose of the proposed funds and if there is a deadline.

The applications will be reviewed in due course and selected according to the greater need. Please be aware that the amount you have specified may not be the amount you receive.

We have a limited amount set aside for the Grants Scheme and will allocate until that amount is exhausted.

Applications can be submitted from Wednesday, 16th January until Wednesday 26th June 2019 for the first round. Send applications by email to: [welcomerecords@iinet.net.au](mailto:welcomerecords@iinet.net.au) or drop into the door slot at *The Welcome Record* office.





## LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I was very disappointed to read the defamatory comments about Vicky Frizzell in this week's Welcome Record.

It seems to me that the publication of these letters, and the links to the prospectors' forum, all denigrating Vicky was completely unnecessary. The Welcome Record had accepted responsibility for using a stock photo, which appears to have caused the misunderstanding; and as Bill Schulz, PMAV, stated in his letter Vicky's original claim that the holes had been made by prospectors, was correct.

So what purpose was served by the publication of the letters, and the links to a forum containing further denigrating comments about Vicky?

Surely such a well-liked and respected member of the Dunolly community, who has after all, written a true account of what she saw, deserves an apology from the authors of these letters, the online forum, and The Welcome Record.

Coral Christensen

(Note: this letter was received after TWR had closed for holiday break and is being presented this week.)

### Letter in Response to Story and Follow-up Letters regarding holes in Alice Street road surface

This will be the final statement from *The Welcome Record* in relation to the abovementioned matter.

The original article, published in Vol. 33, Issue 46, 5 Dec. 2018, combined with an accompanying untitled stock photo of water-filled potholes in a road, has been the subject of much comment and unfortunate misinterpretation. As many readers will be aware, a reputable long-time contributor wrote to the paper, as an individual, expressing her concerns as to some holes which had been dug, apparently by prospectors, in Alice Street, Dunolly.

In her letter, Vicky Frizzell noted that she had been a bushwalker for 30 years and that all the holes made by prospectors that she had observed previously, had at least been partially, if not fully, filled in. That statement, in itself, indicated that she was not directing the comment at prospectors in general, only to the individuals who had apparently created the holes in question.

Within Vicky's story, the word 'potholes' was used, in the context that, if neglected, this is what these holes could become. As no photo was available to illustrate the story, the Editor chose to use the stock photo of water-filled potholes.

The resulting confusion manifested itself in several letters to the paper and comments in online prospectors' forums, some questioning Vicky's integrity and ability to discern the difference between holes dug by prospectors and road potholes.

The following week, in Vol.33 Issue 47, 12 Dec. 2018, the Editor indicated that she assumed personal responsibility for the insertion of such photo and her apology was printed. A photo of the actual road, with newly-filled holes was then submitted, together with a

letter from Vicky Frizzell, stating that she had been in contact with Bill Schulz, president of the PMAV, Central Goldfields Branch and that the situation had now been resolved. The holes in question had been filled by Bill and other PMAV members. It had been agreed that they had indeed been made by 'mystery' prospectors and that PMAV members often repair unfilled holes such as these.

Some of the original responses to Vicky's letter, received prior to the apology and rectification of the situation were also submitted in Issue 47. Lack of space prohibits the publication of all letters, but those chosen were some which had been specifically directed to the paper. One letter also provided a link to comments on a prospectors' forum. *The Welcome Record's* policy on such matters, as stated on Page 2 of each Issue, is to 'present the diversity of viewpoints which reflect the concerns and interests of our community'.

We have now received some feedback from members of the community, concerning our choice in publishing these letters. It is felt that some of the content unfairly reflects negatively on our long-standing contributor and friend, Vicky Frizzell. This is of course, deeply regretted. As will be understood, these letters were based on misinterpretation and assumption that the photo of the potholes had directly related to Vicky's original article.

The consequences which have resulted have been extremely unfortunate and have obviously caused personal distress to Vicky, her family and friends. The Committee sincerely apologises for this and any other misinterpretation and confusion caused.

We have now taken measures to ensure that a situation such as this will not arise again in the future.

Thank you.

The Welcome Record Committee

### Protect this Jewel

A letter from a tourist was in the Weekly Times on 19th December 2018 in a section under "Letters from Readers". I thought it may be of some interest to the locals.

Margaret Davies, Eddington

\*\*\*\* **Editor's note:** Thank you for your letter, Margaret. Due to copyright restrictions I am unable to print the letter in full. I attempted to get permission from the Weekly Times and Copyright Agency; however, the costs involved prohibited this avenue. Therefore, I am paraphrasing.

The letter was written by John Hourihan of Mooroolbark who camps in Dunolly yearly.

John writes of our beautiful cork tree at the Dunolly railway station. He is dismayed that souvenir hunters and vandals have hacked into the tree to obtain cork and hopes that either the railways or the government can list the cork tree as endangered and erect fencing to make it safe and renovate the station. He further suggested that a caretaker family could move into the upgraded station building and maintain the tree. He states that the tree is a hidden jewel and would be a great tourist attraction if this was done.

Editor

## Thrifty on Broadway Turns One!

While you were all on holidays, I celebrated 12 months of owning Thrifty on Broadway.

With a slight change in name, this little shop has evolved into a different and unique place that offers the quirky, the unusual and the downright interesting.

Since taking over the shop, I have focused on building up an impressive collection of 60s and 70s jewellery, brooches and all kinds of books, as well as, some lovely retro pieces. If you want to find something original that can't be found in those mass-produced places, you know where to go.

It's been great being part of the local community too. I have got to know the staff in the various stores much better. Let's face it, there is nothing nicer than walking into the bakery and being asked if you want the usual. Same goes for the other shops and eateries too. The other shopkeepers often drop in and we chat about what's happening in town.

In 2018, Thrifty on Broadway joined the Words in Winter Project and Jenny Scott from Collections and Curiosities, and I started a collectors' club. This year I am making more plans to increase Dunolly's reputation for being a great tourist destination.

My little shop has gone from strength to strength. The hidden garden has been a huge success and brightens up the little area very well. I also have plans to add a special attraction to that area so stay tuned.

I would like to thank all of my customers; some local, others travelling through town. You have all made my Dunolly retail experience something I have not only enjoyed immensely, but felt proud to be a part of.

Susan Day

## Destination 3472 Dunolly

If you've spent your holidays away from our beloved town or you've been taken a break from social media you may have missed a new Facebook page.

Destination 3472 Dunolly is a new initiative designed to showcase established and new businesses operating in Dunolly and surrounding districts. It is manned by Susan Day, Thrifty on Broadway, and Jenny Scott, Collections and Curiosities.

After running Thrifty on Broadway for near on 12 months, Susan found that many people visit Dunolly on their way to other places. Many people coming from St Arnaud, Bendigo or further north travelling south stop at Dunolly for a break. Other travelling north from Ballarat and other areas south of Dunolly stop too. Same goes for those travelling west to east, or the other way round. Many enjoy the bakery, fish and chips or the pub, and then drop into the shops, but only if they have time.

The feedback they give is always positive - 'Oh, what a lovely little town!', 'The buildings here are amazing!' and 'I love the little quirky shops' are phrases repeated often.

There are many more shops opening in Dunolly.

Already we have a fabulous interior designs, artwork, paintings, vintage wares, retro goodies, cards, candles and more. At the time of writing this there are nine great retail shops, all offering something different and unique, and a few more in the pipeline.

There are some wonderful B&Bs and country retreats all needing interesting and fun places to send their clientele. Add to these, the great eateries, and there is no reason why Dunolly can't become a place of destination rather than just a stop-off.

There are many other types of pages for locals on Facebook, but this page is aimed at bringing visitors to our town. If you would like to support this initiative please pop over to Facebook and like Destination 3472 Dunolly. Share the posts with your friends and family, and this will help others see what's happening. While it has only just started, the page will be used to promote the town, offer fun competitions and showcase our wonderful retail, food and Arts community.

Jenny Scott



## Travels with Cynthia

It is certainly not the weather for talking about snow, but thinking about snow might make us feel cooler. Growing up I had never seen snow until I was in my early teens and an uncle took my brother and me to Mt. Donna Buang one weekend where there had been heavy falls. It was very exciting and we did all the usual snowball throwing etc. In our naivety we piled snow on the car bonnet to take home. Imagine how long that lasted when driving down the mountain.

It was many years later before I glimpsed snow again. This time it was in England when my two girlfriends and I were staying in an attic room in Wimbledon. One morning we looked out the window and saw all the roofs sparkling white with a thick cover of snow. My girlfriends were from Sydney and this was their first glimpse of snow ever. We couldn't wait to race downstairs and revel in the whiteness of the street, transformed into, as the song describes, a winter wonderland.

When we moved to London it was almost Christmas and we invited a few friends around on Christmas Eve for festive drinks. Then the doorbell rang and there stood a friend of my parents who had just arrived in England and his coat was covered in snowflakes. We had been told it hardly ever snowed in the middle of London, but there it was, so of course everyone ran down to the street, astonishing passers-by seeing these mad Australians frolicking about catching snowflakes. We discovered later that residents of places where it snowed were not as thrilled as us, because, after all the shovelling to clear pathways, there was the slippery slush at the end of it.

However the best is yet to come. That same winter we booked ourselves in at a little hotel in Copley in County Durham known for its heavy winter snowfalls. We couldn't have chosen a better time as we were snowed in for two days and loved every minute of it. There was great camaraderie, sitting around a roaring fire with hot drinks and singing songs, playing cards and two people playing piano and mandolin.

It's a long time since I have seen any snow, but it would be quite welcome today.

Cynthia Lindsay

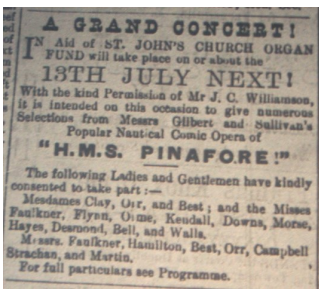




### St John's pipe organ fund raiser 1881

On the 21 June 1881, Dunolly's **St John's Anglican Church** advertised a concert in the Bet Bet Express to raise money for the organ. It was obviously a great success as the Fincham pipe organ is still proudly featured at St John's after all these years. The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St John's Church is to be celebrated this year featuring the organ, where we can pull out all the stops and raise the roof.

There will also be a **Pleasant Sunday Afternoon** concert at St John's in March with details announced soon.



By serendipitous coincidence, the **Dunolly Gilbert & Sullivan** all-stars are presenting a sing-along **HMS Pinafore** for the Queen's Birthday Festival in June and we welcome more friends to come and join us. No auditions, just a good laugh.

Rachel Buckley

### 150 years Celebration The Welcome Stranger Tuesday 5th February 2019

The Dunolly Museum will host a morning at Moliagul to commemorate the discovery of the Welcome Stranger gold nugget 150 years ago. The morning, commencing at 10am, will be at the site of the discovery and will include a walk and a talk by local historian John Tully of the Goldfield's Historical & Arts Society. At 11am there will be a talk and re-enactment of the Welcome Stranger photos. Bring sunscreen, hat and walking shoes. We welcome anyone who may wish to dress in Victorian costume as we will be taking a commemorative photograph in the same style as the 1869 original photo taken by William Parker. All welcome. No charge.

**Note:** Sat 2nd - Sun 17th February - A display at Dunolly Museum of the Welcome Stranger scales on loan from NAB Museum. Also on display will be photos and other items relating to the Welcome Stranger Nugget.

The wonderful cartoon below is by Dunolly-born talent, James Stuart.

Rachel Buckley

Secretary Goldfields Historical & Arts Society





### Error in rate notice barcodes

Due to a barcode printing error on the original 2018-2019 rate notices distributed in September, payments cannot be easily made at Australia Post.

For ratepayers NOT paying by instalments, a replacement rate notice with the correct bar code will be mailed in early January.

To pay your rates at Australia Post, please use the updated replacement notice. If you would like to use another payment method, you may use the previous or updated notice.

Please note due dates are unchanged.

Any queries regarding your rates notice, please refer to [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/property/rates](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/property/rates) or contact Council on 03 5461 0610.

We apologise for the inconvenience and are following up the matter with our rates notice supplier to avoid a repeat of this issue.

### Australia Day

Come and celebrate Australia Day at Station Domain in Maryborough.

Residents are invited to join us on Saturday 26th January at our Australia Day free, family 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 City Brass Band and singers Nicole Fornal and Jaclyn Holland.

Various community groups and organisations will also host Australia Day events at the following locations:

#### Talbot

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

#### Carisbrook

10.30am. Market Reserve – Sausage sizzle and commemorative presentations.

Australia Day Ambassador David Mann AM will address the crowd.

For further information contact George on 0437 977 237.

#### Dunolly

10am. Rene Fox Gardens on Broadway - Live music and free sausage sizzle.

11am. Official address by Australia Day Ambassador Doug Christie. BYO chairs.

For further information contact Marion on 0438 168 634.

#### Bealiba

11am. Bealiba Town Hall – Flag raising followed by an address by a guest speaker. Local entertainment and a free barbecue lunch. For further information contact Pam on 5469 1310.

#### Daisy Hill

11am. Daisy Hill Community Centre - Address by Ms Anne Canterbury. Free barbecue lunch for attendees.

For further information contact Wendy on 5461 1416 or Laurie on 5461 3439.

#### Pop-up Playgroup

Central Goldfields Shire's Supported Playgroup is hosting a Pop-up Playgroup in the Goldfields Shopping Centre (Coles/Kmart shopping complex) from Tuesday 15th January to Friday 18th January, 2019, between 11am and 2pm.

For more information, contact Supported Playgroup Facilitator Trish Ipsen on 0427 702 567.

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## January School Holiday Program about to start

Central Goldfields Shire's Engage! Youth Program and Maryborough Regional Library have put together a jam-packed program of events and activities for the January school holidays.

### MARYBOROUGH REGIONAL LIBRARY

Maryborough Regional Library is hosting free STEAM (Science, Technology Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) sessions from next week.

The sessions will be held on Monday 14 and 21 January from 10.30 to 11.15am and Wednesday 16 and 23 January from 2.30 to 3.15pm.

The sessions are recommended for eight to 14 year olds. To book, contact the Library on 5461 1950.

For more information, visit

[www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/maryboroughlibrary/whatson](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/maryboroughlibrary/whatson)

### ENGAGE! YOUTH

#### Junior program – 11 to 15 year olds

• **Tuesday 15 January, 11am to 4pm**

Pop art workshop (BYO lunch)

• **Wednesday 16 January, 11am to 4 pm**

Face painting and basic henna workshop (BYO lunch)

• **Thursday 17 January, 11am to 4pm**

Outing at the movies and fun summer projects

#### Senior program – 15 to 18 year olds

• **Tuesday 22 January, 11am to 4pm**

Special effects – body and face painting workshop

• **Wednesday 23 January, 11am to 4pm**

Outing at the movies, 11am to 4pm

(please bring money for movie snacks)

• **Thursday 24 January, 11am to 4pm**

Photography for Victorian Youth Week

For more information and for bookings, contact Central Goldfields Shire Youth Worker Penny Wilson on 5461 0610 or 0408 342 580 or visit

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



## Community Voice Panel endorsed

Central Goldfields Shire Council endorsed the establishment of a Community Voice Panel at last night's (18/12/18) Ordinary Meeting of Council.

The Panel will consist of a group of community members with an interest in Council activities, projects and issues.

The Community Voice Panel will improve the way Council consults and listens to residents and extend and broaden Council's community engagement reach within the community.

As a member of the Panel, residents will have the opportunity to have input into Council decision making.

It is expected the Panel will be invited to provide feedback on approximately six topics each year.

In 2019, it is hoped the Panel would be invited to provide feedback on passenger transport, Economic and Tourism Strategy, Rating Strategy, Libraries, Recreation and Open Space Strategy and the Budget.

To be a member of the panel, community members must be 16 years or over and be a resident of the Central Goldfields Shire.

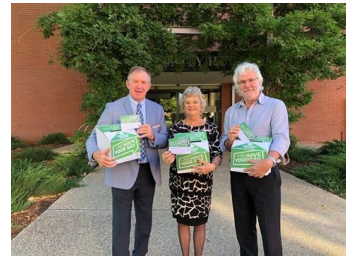
The Community Voice Panel is a key outcome of the Engaging Central Goldfields: A Community Engagement Framework.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said the Community Voice Panel is a key step.

"The Community Voice Panel is an excellent opportunity for members of our Shire to provide feedback to Council on issues that affect the community.

"This exciting new initiative will be to demonstrate how Council and the community can work together to achieve our goals."

To register, visit [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communityengagement](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communityengagement) and download the form or visit Council's Customer Service Centre, 22 Nolan Street, Maryborough.



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Welcome to 2019. We have lots of things planned for you to participate in, see and do this year! Our forward planning day is on Wednesday 23rd January at 11am. The Committee of Management plans out month by month, week by week, what goes on at the Centre and the Arts Hub for the coming year. If you have an idea, or would like to see or do a particular project, please let me know beforehand and we will see what we can do!

#### ARCHERY

The first shoot of the year is on Sunday 27th January at their range behind the Dunolly oval. There is a 25 target field course, practice butts and novelty shots. If you would like to come and try, you are most welcome. Fees are \$20 per year pro rata and \$5 per shoot. Juniors \$10 per year and \$2.50 per shoot. Equipment hire is \$3. There is a BBQ lunch and soft drinks available at a small cost. Archery is suitable for all ages and a great way for families to spend time together!

#### GARDEN CLUB

Preliminary Notice: The Whispering Weeders garden club planning day will be on Monday 25th February at Jan Brock's beautiful house and garden at 11am. You have time to think and jot down what you would like to see and do and where you would like to go in 2019 in the way of all things gardening.

If you would like more information any events at the Neighbourhood Centre, ring 5468 1511 and leave a message if I'm not there, send an email to [admin@dunnhc.com.au](mailto:admin@dunnhc.com.au) or simply drop in. We are the building to the right of the Dunolly Hospital.

Sharon Hiley  
Coordinator

### Collections, Connections and Cocktails is Back!

This Saturday, January 19th, Collections, Connections and Cocktails is back for 2019. Starting at 2pm at 84 Broadway, this fun event will celebrate all that is interesting and perhaps a bit quirky about collecting.

You don't have to be a serious collector to join the fun either. You just need to have a passion for those things that you love to surround yourself with. You may have a fascination with jugs, mid-century furniture or Scandinavian fruit cake recipes - who knows! Whatever it is you'll find other collectors as interested in your things as they are in their own.

The objects in our homes, offices and even cars, allow us to build relationships with others through a shared interest or experience.

The items we surround ourselves with play an important part in establishing who we are. They say a lot about our personalities and our desires. Some people hang on to things that remind them of their precious moments from the past or a need to connect with a time when life was simpler.

Come along to Collections, Connections and Cocktails and enjoy some interesting and retro snacks, non-alcoholic cocktails, and share your story with others passionate about collecting.

For more information drop into Thrifty on Broadway, 84 Broadway or call Sue - 0421 582 067. Susan Day



Welcome to 2019 at the Dunolly Arts Hub. We are really looking forward to bringing you quality exhibitions and workshops throughout the year. Also some special projects are planned to be rolled out this year; the Coat Project, the Literary Lunch hosted by local authors as part of the Words in Winter and we will again be participating in Tiny Towns Arts Trail. We are proud to announce that there will be an official opening of our Story Seat very soon and as usual the Craft Exhibition and the Annual Art Show for 2019. Our regular weekly classes in Mosaics & Tai Chi will start on the week of the 21<sup>st</sup> January and we look forward to welcoming you to the Dunolly Arts Hub.

Lynda Vater

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##### Emu

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##### Bealiba St. David's

8am, 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month

#### Catholic Church Services:

##### Dunolly, St. Mary's

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

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

##### Bealiba, St. Patrick's

8.30am Mass, 5th Sunday of the month

#### Uniting Church Services:

##### Dunolly

No information received at time of print

### Catholic Church

There will be assembly at St. Marys, Dunolly at 8.30am on Sunday 20th January.

New mobile phone number for the Parish is 0466 451 984. Message can be left on the old number for the time being.

R Mecedry

*And be ye kind one to another,  
tender-hearted, forgiving of another,  
even as God for Christ's  
sake hath forgiven you.*

Ephesians 4:32

### Op Shop Specials



The Op Shop reopened last week after the Christmas recess. Racks and shelves are full of new stock at bargain prices.

We have a range of furniture we need to shift at bargain prices -Wardrobe \$20; 5 drawer wooden filing cabinet \$20; single beds \$10; porta cots \$5; kitchen table and four chairs \$20; gentleman's valet stand \$20; golf bag and 10 clubs \$50.

The Op-shop is open on Tuesdays from 9.30am to 2pm  
Thursdays and Fridays from 10am to 4pm

Jim McKenzie



# Probus News

During our Dunolly Club's December meeting, nine members were presented with a card and badge for fifteen years' membership – Margaret Edgcumbe, Frank d'Unienville, Jan Ford, Isobel Hawksley, Jan and Fred Watts, Jenny and Richard Cain, and Carolyn Butler. Shirley Doidge was presented with a 10 year membership. Congratulations all.

After our meeting we had morning tea and then were delightfully entertained by our Dunolly Ukulele Group. Phillip Ashton, Rachel Buckley, Faye Arnold, Carol Dodson, Harold Shipston and Kaye Wyman certainly had my toes tapping. Being so old I knew all the words too which was wonderful. Later when Rachel suggested that I should join the group I told her that my mother reckoned that "I had the right key, but the wrong flat" – ho hum! Those old melodies that we used to sing along with Dad in the back of Uncle Norm's ute on family weekends where the men went off fishing while the girls prepared the lovely salads for lunch, swam and talked. I remember well those long drives, across Tom Ugly's Bridge. I was such a poor traveller that I was not allowed to leave without my dipper. (They may have saved it for burley - \*cheeky grin\* - the catches always fed us all for weeks.)

The crew set up a delicious lunch that members provided and the band joined us. A very pleasant close to 2018. 2019 has Dine Outs and Bus Trips planned so another exciting year dawns.

Sadly Eva Hartman is leaving us to be with her family. Farewell lovely Eva we shall all miss you and your smiling face and kindness. Enjoy your new life and live it to the fullest.

Susie Oh gave us an interesting talk, demonstration and lots of smelling time at a meeting recently. I have just received an email from her and anyone interested in gleaning from her healthy, safe and *perfumably* wonderfully easy way to relax and really ENJOY life and would like to attend : . . . Doterra Essential Oils workshop in the Maryborough Community House on 7th February 12.30pm to 3.30pm. More details on my timeline on Facebook. Susie Oh.

May peace and happiness prevail in 2019. Take care and keep smiling,

Carolyn Butler



Members receiving their 10 & 15 year badges.

Back row - L-R: Carolyn Butler, Shirley Doidge, Frank d'Unienville, Margaret Edgcumbe, Jan Ford  
Front row - Isobel Hawksley, Jenny Cain, Richard Cain, Jan Watts

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# Poetry

## Old Ladies

Old ladies sit there, amongst their things  
 And think of their pension and the few coins that brings,  
 And she thinks of her children, grandchildren, too.  
 Her great, great, grandchildren,  
 Oh yes, there's much more than a few.

And she looks at her pension and those so few coins.  
 There's Birthdays and Christmas and children need toys.  
 So she sets up her budget, just like last year.  
 She can cut back on food, it's really too dear.  
 She can cut back on power on those cold winter nights  
 She'll save a small dollar if she works with no lights.

And she writes every birthday, or sends a small card.  
 But with the price of a stamp, sometimes it's hard.  
 But she never misses, no, not one single child,  
 Not a son or great-grandchild will go without, in her eyes.

And the old lady sits there on a cold winter's night,  
 Just sits by the phone, just sits in the quiet.  
 And the phone never rings, no, but she understands,  
 Life is so busy to put pen to hand, to pick up a phone to check she's ok.  
 She knows this is so, it's always that way.

And the old lady sits there, her pennies all spent  
 On those that she loves, on her Heaven sent.  
 And I sit there and listen  
 As she boasts they're all so clever.  
 Truly, I ask? Old ladies don't last forever.

And she thinks of her children, grandchildren, too.  
 Her great, great, grandchildren,  
 Oh yes, there's much more than a few.  
 And the old lady sits there, what else can she do?

Harold Shipston



## SMS messages pretending to be from Medicare

Watch out for fake SMS text messages pretending to be from Medicare. These are phishing messages that encourage you to click through to a website and provide personal information to claim a rebate. These fake messages are being sent out in large numbers and are trying to steal your sensitive personal details and use them for malicious purposes. Anyone could receive these messages. SMS continues to be a popular method for criminals hoping to trick you into handing over your money or personal information. These are some simple steps you can take to avoid an email scam:

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- Be suspicious of messages that aren't addressed directly to you, or don't use your correct name.
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- You can also contact Medicare separately to check if they have sent the message.

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## DINNER & LIGHTS TOURS

The whole Christmas spectacle in the Central Goldfields area of Victoria is evolving into a large package with different sections of the community working for the same outcome.

A new initiative to be conducted as a part of the Central Goldfields area Christmas Promotion in 2019 was tested by Freemasons Central Goldfields Masonic Group, who rewarded participants that entered their displays with an invitation to enjoy the inaugural Dinner & Lights Package hosted by Ripples Restaurant and Wattle City Travel.

Those who attended were provided with a tasty two course meal then given a mini-bus tour of entries in Maryborough and Carisbrook which took about an hour and a half. This event was made possible by generous sponsorship of Hartwell Shoes and Sludgebusters.

One participant enjoying the tour stated that he was considering not mounting a display next year but, after seeing how his efforts was part of a magnificent package, that he was now inspired to mount a bigger display.

This evening was provided as a reward for effort made by those participants and to show they were but one part of a larger promotion for the Central Goldfields area, which, along with the shopping and other promotions, can encourage consumers and tourists to visit the area and stay for the Dinner and Lights package. This would improve viability for local businesses thus providing a wider range of shopping opportunity for locals.

Mr Ken Calder, Chairman of CGG stated: "That the evening had proven very successful, as had the whole Christmas promotion and we all must congratulate the Maryborough District Advertiser for the huge effort publicising the Tour and displays culminating in the lift-out section in the edition of Friday 21st December.

"My personal thanks to Natalie Wood for the huge effort for help in meeting deadlines and developing ideas" Ken added.

"With all promotions working more closely together we can make this area one of the must visit areas of Victoria." Freemasons and Maryborough Advertiser are hoping that everyone who enjoyed the tour of the displays donates to help spread the Spirit of Christmas through increased Scholarships provided to students attending local secondary colleges and feeder schools in the area.

Donations can be completed online by direct deposit banking (Bendigo Bank 633-108 A/- 138039904) or placing in the locked Christmas boxes at Advertiser office or Information Centre. All donations may be doubled by the Freemason's Foundation.

Public bookings for Dinner and Lights Tour packages will be included in the 2019 Summer Goldfields Getaway magazine.

Ken Calder

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Picture of Coral and Paul Gothard of 4 Wills Street enjoying the tour



### Where is bric-a-brac?

In Dunolly, with its host of old wares, curio and antique shops, I've managed to procure for the youngest grandson a globe of the world.

He now knows where China is .... But he is still searching for bric-a-brac. Could it be in Africa? Or maybe the Caribbean!.

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# Regular Community Gatherings

Community Group	Date / Times	Venue
Bealiba Bingo	Bealiba Hall	2nd Monday monthly 1.30pm
Bealiba CWA	Bealiba Hall	3rd Thursday monthly 1pm
Bealiba Playgroup	Primary School—school terms	Every Friday from 10am to 11am
Bealiba Progress Association	Bealiba Hall	2nd Monday monthly 7.30pm
Bealiba Indoor Carpet Bowls	Bealiba Hall	Every Thursday night 7.30pm
Central Goldfields Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc.	Dunolly Community Hub	Regular meetings - 7.30pm
Collections Connections & Cocktails	Thrifty on Broadway	3rd Saturday of the month - 2-3.30pm
Community Bus to Maryborough	RTC side street	Friday 10am leaves - be there 15 minutes before departure. For return trip call 5468 1205
Dunolly and District Probus Club	Senior Citizens Hall	3rd Thursday monthly 10am
Dunolly and District Inc.	Dunolly Town Hall	2nd Wednesday monthly 5pm
Dunolly Community Garden	Pre-school Maude Street	Mondays 5pm-7pm daylight saving. Mondays 2pm-4pm Autumn/Winter
Dunolly Community Market	Broadway (Main Street)	2nd Sunday monthly 8am to 1pm
Dunolly CWA	SES rooms	1st Wednesday monthly 1.30pm
Dunolly District Hospital Auxiliary	PAG Room	1st Monday monthly at 10am
Dunolly Field and Game	SES shed	1st Wednesday monthly 7.30pm
Dunolly Fire Brigade	Fire Station	3rd Monday monthly 7.30pm
Dunolly Historic Precinct Committee	Town Hall	4th Monday monthly 1pm
Dunolly Karate Club	Dunolly RSL Hall	Mondays 5.30-6.30pm and 6.30-7.30pm Pee Wee/Junior/Senior (7+ years)
Dunolly Masonic Lodge	Masonic Lodge Havelock Street	3rd Monday monthly at 7.30pm
Dunolly Museum	75 Broadway	3rd Monday monthly 2pm. For website Google: Dunolly Museum Site
Dunolly Neighbourhood Watch	CFA rooms	3rd Wednesday monthly 10am
Dunolly Ninjas Program	Dunolly RSL Hall	Mondays from 5pm (4 to 6 years old)
Dunolly Planned Activities Group	Call 5468 2907	Tuesday and Thursdays 10.30am to 2.30pm
Dunolly RSL	RSL Hall Dunolly	2nd Tuesday monthly - 7pm
Dunolly Senior Citizens Meeting	Senior Citizens Hall	1st Monday monthly 10am
DSC Card Playing	Senior Citizens Hall	Each Tuesday at 1.30pm
DSC Carpet Bowls	Senior Citizens Hall	Each Monday 1.30pm
DSC Luncheon	Senior Citizens Hall	3rd Wednesday monthly 12.30pm
Dunolly Social Cyclists	Call Neville for info: 5468 7295	Meet fortnightly
Dunolly Supported Playgroup	Dunolly Preschool	Wednesday 9.30am to 11.30am
Dunolly Unit Vic SES	SES rooms	3rd Tuesday monthly 6.30pm. Training every other Tuesday
Golden Triangle Archers	Behind Deledio Reserve	4th Sunday monthly 10am
Maryborough Lions Club	Alma and Nolan Streets	1st Sunday monthly 8am - 1pm
Tourist Market		Maryborough
Mother Goose Program	Dunolly Primary School	Every Friday during school term 9.30-10.30am
Newbridge CWA	Newbridge Hall	3rd Tuesday monthly 1.30pm
Old Time Dancing	Anglican Hall, Barkly St Dunolly	7.30pm Mondays
PMAV	Maryborough Highland Club	3rd Tuesday monthly, 7.30pm
Red Hat Society	Ripples On The Res	2nd Thursday of the month, 11.30am
Tai Chi	Dunolly Arts Hub	Tuesdays at 10am
Talbot Farmers Market	Talbot streets	3rd Sunday monthly 9am to 1pm
Tarnagulla Action Group	Community Centre	3rd Monday monthly 7.30pm
Tarnagulla Playgroup	Behind the Tarnagulla Hall	Thursday 10.30am-12 noon
Tarnagulla Senior Citizens	Victoria Hall	1st and 3rd Monday monthly, 11am-12.30pm

## Put These On Your Calendar for January 2019

**Saturday 26th**      Australia Day Celebrations - Rene Fox Gardens      10am



### AUSTRALIA DAY IN DUNOLLY

Dunolly and District Inc invites 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.

Dunolly is honoured to welcome Mr Doug Christie, Managing Director of the Focus Communications Group as the Australia Day Ambassador. During the Dunolly Australia Day celebrations Doug will give an address and present the Citizen of the Year and Junior Citizen of the Year awards.

Marion Da Costa

## Horses for Courses

"I'll race you to Queenie!" Sally exclaimed and took off like a Saturn V rocket (minus the fire and fury). Her blond bob bounced in time with her steps. Her floral-print dress and a beach-towel clutched in one hand billowed and flapped respectively in her slipstream.

Gary and Dirk exchanged looks. "Of course she will," Gary said. Sally was the most athletic of their trio and smart too. It didn't discourage the boys from attempting to best her, even if it was an ultimately futile exercise. They set off in hot pursuit, their brown leather sandals slapping loudly against the hard ground.

Queenie was an aged chestnut roan Clydesdale. She had seen many years in Melbourne pulling milk carts around the inner suburbs. She was now residing in a paddock situated on the main street. Mature and sturdy peppercorn trees provided abundant shade. It was a thoroughly deserved retirement in the countryside, bestowed upon her by grateful owners of the dairy.

Sally was lounging insolently against the slab-sided wooden railing. "What took you?" she asked brightly. The two boys were puffing after their exertion. If it wasn't for the spread of freckles on Gary's sun-tanned face and a hint of ginger in his hair, it would have been difficult to tell the boys apart. Dirk ignored the jibe and called out to Queenie. She was well-used to people and lumbered over anticipating a treat. The trio took it in turns to give her a pat and gaze into the depths of her huge placid eyes. When it was Dirk's turn, Queenie suddenly sneezed explosively showering him with mucus. Sally and Gary burst into gales of laughter as Dirk tried to scrape the stringy, sticky stuff off. He gave them a rueful smile, "Guess we should have brought Queenie an apple or a carrot, huh?"

When Sally's guffaws had reduced to a mere giggle she said, "Race you to the pool!" With that, she sprinted away again.

"I don't think so, do you?" Dirk asked.

"No," Gary stated flatly.

The boys took their time as they dawdled toward the southern end of town. They were safe in the knowledge that Sally would secure a spot for them on the grass amidst the other kids and parents. As expected, Sally's towel was laid out on the springy lawn and she was already happily splashing in the blue water. The smell of pool chlorine hung heavily in the air. The boys shook out their towels and removed their grey shorts, revealing swimming trunks worn underneath. They joined Sally in the inviting water.

Later they lay sprawled in the sun noisily slurping on Sunnyboys. "Best seven cents I ever spent," Gary stated. Sally and Dirk nodded their agreement. Dirk looked out over the cars parked in the street opposite the pool. Holden Toranas and Chrysler Valiants gleamed brilliantly in the sunshine. "I've driven a car you know," he said.

"No you haven't!" chorused Gary and Sally automatically. Dirk was well known for his tall, less than completely true stories.

"Well, when I say drive, I mean I started it up."

"When?" Gary demanded.

"One day when dad was away somewhere I sat in OUR car and I noticed the chrome bit where the key goes in. So I wondered what would happen if I grabbed hold of it and gave it a turn. The engine started up but the car didn't go anywhere, so I think you must have to do something else"

"Brakes and gears," Sally interjected.

Dirk gave her a withering look. "Yes, thank you. We all know how clever you are, no need to be going showin' off about it." Sally looked contrite but was secretly revelling in the back-handed compliment.

"My dad would kill me if I did that," Gary said.

"Mine too," Sally agreed.

"Lucky he doesn't know about it then, eh?" Dirk said.

"Ow!" he suddenly yelped, slapping at his arm. "Bloody horse-fly. Look at this!"

They inspected his proffered arm and the livid red welt left by the horse-fly. "Looks painful," Sally observed.

"It is," Dirk confirmed but then a calculating look stole across his face. "You know, I could save this for Show and Tell."

"How are you going to do that?" Gary asked. "The holidays don't end for weeks yet."

"I'll just keep picking at it so it doesn't heal up," Dirk said. "I can see it now." He spread his hands expansively. "I'll call it: Dirk Donnelly Rides Again."

"What!" spluttered Sally. "You got bit by a fly. A horse-fly sure but still a fly."

"Yeah an' snotted on by a big actual horse," Gary contributed.

Dirk fixed them with a knowing stare and said, "It's not what you say, it's the way you tell it!"

Martyn Barnett



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### Across

1. Small angel depicted as chubby-faced winged child
4. Pertaining to ants
7. An assessment of the worth of property, art, etc.
9. Light in colour (of hair, eg.)
10. Minor argument
11. Quick (in duration)
13. Seldom
14. Male relative
15. Ranking
17. A boisterous laugh

19. Postpone
20. Wintry precipitation
22. Stopper in sink
23. Pertaining to the night
24. Cheap and showy
25. Cause to be beloved

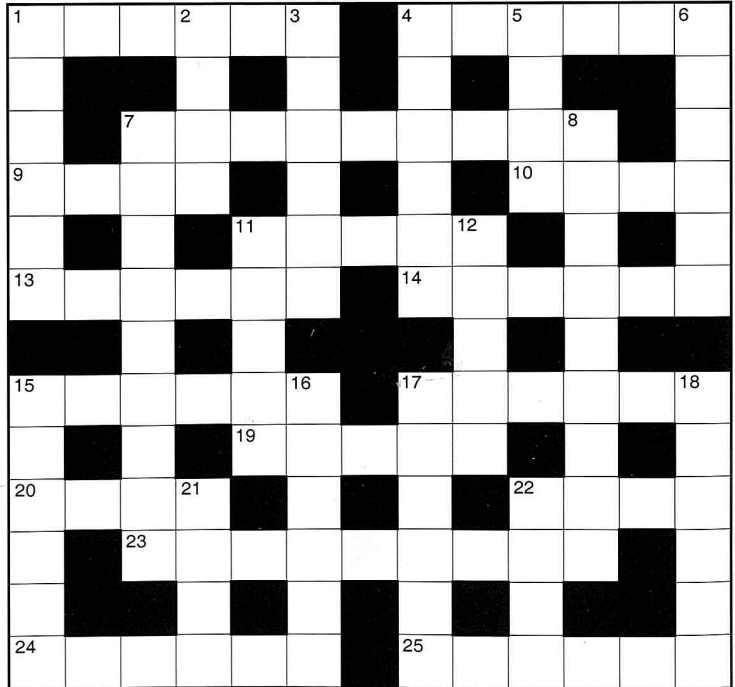
### Down

1. To grant (a title, eg.)
2. Raise (child)
3. Indistinct
4. Make plump
5. Disturb the peace in unruly manner
6. A rule restricting late-night activity
7. Shaking motion
8. Dusk
11. Mix together
12. Bone of the leg
15. Feel bitter toward

16. People of high social standing
17. King 1936-52, \_\_\_\_ VI

18. Composer of opera *The Flying Dutchman*, Richard \_\_\_\_

21. That eaten by termite
22. Compensated



## Solution No. 47

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## Triv?da

Questions for 16.1.2019

1. Name the film noir actress who starred in *I Married a Witch*, *The Glass Key*, *So Proudly We Hail!* and *Sullivan's Travels*.
2. Which actress has won the most Oscars?
3. Which actress said, "Fasten your seatbelts. It's going to be a bumpy night," in *All About Eve*?
4. Name the director of the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy?
5. Who played Neo in *The Matrix*?
6. Name the actress whose career began at the age of three and who went on to star in films such as *Contact*, *Maverick* and *The Silence of the Lambs*?

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J McHugh	A Parkes	C Williams
G McHugh	S Howard	B Cann

*Manager: C Williams*

#### Dunolly Gold at Maldon cars leave 12.30

B Lanfranchi	T Long	B Mortlock
H Freemantle	R Pickering	G Davies
P Freemantle	I Flett	P Harrison
J Smith	W Stephens	S Shay

*Manager: R Pickering*

#### Dunolly Green at Dunolly V Avoca Gold

A Britten	J Haigh	A Deason
E Weir	D Price	P Chase
K McKenzie	S Whitehead	M Davies
E Smith	J Lacey	R Cain

*Manager: P Chase*

#### Dunolly Red at Golf Green cars leave 12.30

S Chaplin	D Mortlock	K Elliott
H Weir	J Morse	D Spiteri
B Mortlock	D Coe	G Cain
R Weir	S Taylor	F Delconte

*Manager: S Chaplin*

*Emergency: E Murphy, C Kerr, S Deason, M Shay*

### Mid-Week Pennant Teams

**Tuesday 22nd January 2019**

#### Dunolly Blue V Carisbrook at home

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

*Manager: H Freemantle*

*Emergency: R Pickering, T Long*

*Set Up: Loretta*

#### Dunolly Gold V Highland Tartan at home

L Whiley	H Weir	J McHugh
H Cooper	M Mortlock	N Pike
S Deason	W Stephens	M Shay
C Kerr	D Spiteri	H Davies

*Manager: H. Weir*

*Emergency: Keith McKenzie, Jim Haig, Mavis Shay*

*Set Up: Jenny*

*Roll-up 9.30am*



# Dunolly

**JANUARY 26th**  
**2:00PM TO**  
**7:00 PM**  
**BOOKINGS**



**TWILIGHT**  
**MARKET**  
**1st FOR 2019**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**LOTS OF STALLS**  
**LOTS OF SHOPS**

# Community Market

Phone 0474 008 121



# CLASSIFIEDS & NOTICES

## The Trefoil Guild

The Girraween Trefoil Guild will hold an afternoon tea at the Geoka Gardens (Carisbrook) on Monday 28th January 2019. New members are always welcome to this friendly branch with a variety of social meetings each 4th Monday of the month.

For further details, please contact:

Thea Allen 0428 590 405

Jan Watts 5468 1731

Edna Jarvis, Publicity Officer

## Senior Citizens Raffle

Drawn at our Christmas Luncheon

Winner: Glenys Collins

Consolation prizes: Marlene Maher, Glenys Collins, Dorrie Hunter, Lyn Neill, Gwen McKenzie, Carol Haddon, Alice Pike, Marlene Maher, Sandra Caldecoat, Sandra Collier, Evelyn Wiseman.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Cheryl Lovell, Treasurer

## Dunolly/Bealiba RSL Sub Branch

At our annual Christmas Dinner the winning tickets were drawn for the hamper, military style pen set, and a pair of embroidered towels.

The winners were:

1st prize Don Coe

2nd prize Belinda

3rd prize C Brownlie

Our sincerest thanks go to:

Halls Garage Dunolly Bakery  
 Dunolly Quality Meats Dunolly Pharmacy  
 Railway Hotel All Day on Broadway

Also many thanks to the ladies of the RSL Craft Group who donated to the hamper and to all the members of our RSL and community for donating, selling and buying raffle tickets. Thanks also to Millie and Craig from All Day on Broadway for allowing us to display the hamper in their shop window.

The winner of our raffle, Don Coe, would also like to thank everyone who donated and made the raffle a great success. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

D Vernon  
 Dunolly/Bealiba RSL Sub Branch

## Answers to trivia quiz 16.01.2019

- |  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| 1 <i>Veronica Lake</i>                                       | 4 <i>Peter Jackson</i> |
| 2 <i>Katharine Hepburn, with 4 Oscars and 12 nominations</i> | 5 <i>Keanu Reeves</i>  |
| 3 <i>Bette Davis (as Margo Channing.)</i>                    | 6 <i>Jodie Foster</i>  |



Veronica Lake  
 Internet stock  
 photo

# DFNC MINI LOTTO

Drawn: **14th December 2018 - 11th January 2019**  
 Numbers: 6, 9, 12, 14, 15 7, 9, 11, 12, 14  
 No winner: Jackpot \$1,750  
 Build the Jackpot \$1.00 per entry.  
 Quick Picks available. Envelopes available at local shops.  
 Have a Go! Help our Club. Good luck!  
 T Long

## Notice of Resignation

I, Ricky Young, have resigned from the Santa Show. I feel I have not had the backing of the committee. Without team effort and support, I feel I cannot continue as President.

Ricky Young



## Australia Post delivers record Christmas volumes as online shopping booms

For the first time ever, Australia Post delivered more than 40 million parcels during December, making it the biggest ever month for parcel volumes for the organisation.

The growing popularity of online shopping and online sales events, as well as strong Christmas Eve and Boxing Day sales, contributed to an 11.7 percent increase from the previous December.

Australia Post Chief Operating Officer, Bob Black, said it was all hands on deck over the Christmas period with more than 3000 extra staff employed across the network to handle the huge volumes.

"We made more than 40 million parcel deliveries in December, and our hardworking posties delivered more than 40 per cent of these as well as more than 210 million letters," Mr Black said.

"Our busiest day was Monday 17 December, when we delivered a record three million parcels across the country – by far the biggest day in our history.

"What we didn't expect was to have a lot of shoppers race to the finish line to post their festive parcels, with our people delivering a whopping 2.7 million items on Christmas Eve – our next busiest day of the month and equal second busiest day in history."

Mr Black said Australians were embracing online shopping like never before, with Australia Post revealing last year that online purchases had grown by almost 20 per cent in 12 months.

"Our research found that people were buying up to 19.2 per cent more items online. By 2020, we expect one in 10 items will be bought online.

"Online shopping is building momentum as a channel of choice, where customers can make the most of online deals and choose customisable delivery options with Australia Post. This means online shoppers can buy the brands they love no matter where they live," said Mr Black.

Media Release

## GRAEME RAVEN CELEBRATING HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

Today it was my pleasure to be asked to take a few photos of a birthday cake.

The recipient of this 80th birthday cake, was Graeme Raven.

Alice and Graeme's daughter, Leanne Fankhauser, created this incredible work of art. It's made from mud cake and decorated with butter icing and not to be cut.

It is a replica of a truck once owned by Graeme's father, which is still used today by Graeme himself to cart wood.

It's a 1969 Toyota Stout. Note the details of this replica, which includes the chainsaw and wood sitting on the pressed metal tray, as well as number-plates and tail lights.

All this includes his little dog, Tammy, standing up at the window. Sadly, after many trips in the truck, she passed away last year at 18 years of age.

In my opinion, Leanne well deserves a big First Prize, for not only the spectacular cake, but the love and thoughtfulness, that went into it.

See Ya!  
Maz



Story & photos by Marion Edwards

## *A Sense of Place .....*

Dunolly - Sense of Place community sculpture project led by Deborah Halpern is now in its final stages of completion.

We are waiting for the four pieces to be integrated into the final landscape designs for the Gordon Gardens' makeover.

It will be an exciting day when we can see these magical sculptures installed in the gardens.

These pieces were created from drawings by the Dunolly school children, interpreted by Deborah Halpern and built and decorated by artists and makers from our community.

Funded by Creative Victoria and the Regional Centre for Culture 2018, and supported and managed by the Dunolly District Inc. ... YAY US! Watch this space for more news and sightings ... perhaps over the Tiny Towns Arts Trail in April .

Judy Meldrum

