

Joan Ansell – My 90 Years Part 1

Joan Margaret Ansell was born on 21st July, 1930 in the Women's Hospital in Carlton; a long-awaited sister to her five brothers.

During her first 12 months in the family home in Abbotsford, her mother had become ill and thus unable to care for the family, resulting in the infant Joan being sent to the country on her first birthday.

On the family farm at Murphy's Creek (formerly Murphy's Flat) near Tarnagulla, she was well-cared for by her maternal grandparents John and Eliza Graham, together with her aunts and uncles. Her brother Bob had been fostered out, whilst the other boys were cared for at home by their father and a housekeeper. Joan cannot recollect in which type of care facility her mother resided during this time, however her brother Bob remembers that Joan was able to return home at the age of three, after her mother recovered.

Joan however, is somewhat dubious about her stated age on her return home, pondering on the fact that she felt she was older, due to her clear recollections of life on the farm.

Her grandmother, Eliza Graham (née Symons), was the aunt of Lt. Col. William John Symons, the recipient of the Victoria Cross for his gallantry in the Battle of Lone Pine.

Joan recalls having a happy family life on the farm and she developed particularly strong bonds with her Auntie Ag and Auntie Kate.

Some of her memories include being lifted up onto the jinker and also milking Judy, the cow, with her Auntie Kate. Due to illness, Kate had retired from her life as a teacher, so the milking was one of her particular jobs.

Uncle Dave worked on a nearby property, sewing up wheat bags, but on his return each day he had to attend to his normal farm chores. Joan recalls how he regularly carted a 44 gallon drum on a sled pulled by a horse, down to the dam, filled it and then hauled it back up to the house. How the drum was actually filled remained a mystery to Joan.

Over some time, Joan's uncles had accumulated a saucer-full of pieces of gold they had found, described as being the size of breadcrumbs, this saucer being safely displayed on a dressing table. Young Joan, however, wasn't aware of its value and significance and one day she knocked it flying, with the pieces of gold being scattered everywhere. She vividly recalls watching Aunt Aggie searching on the floor and returning the found pieces to the saucer, hopefully all intact, although it is possible that some may have slipped through the cracks between the floorboards.

Following her mother's recovery, Joan, after having been granted a rare opportunity to experience farm life, something not available to many Melbourne children, returned to her family home.

The family tradition was then followed, with Joan attending Lithgow Street State School in Abbotsford, where she describes the staff there as being "extraordinary".



The family home was situated on a large block of land, which included stables and a huge play area, incorporating a climbing rope, makeshift slide, seesaw and tightrope; this was a huge attraction for neighbourhood children whose play areas were limited by their much smaller abodes.

Joan was old enough to witness the family's horses being replaced by trucks, but remembers occasions on which they both were utilised. Her father delivered sacks of flour to McAlpins in Charles Street, Abbotsford on his truck; these sacks were winched from the tray of the truck to an upper-storey window of the building, by the use of a rope attached to a horse which was then led forward, in a successful pulley operation.

Joan recalls her schooldays as running smoothly, with her only instance of corporal punishment being a tap on the hand for attempting to rub out some pencil lettering with her finger. Of course, this was in the time when pencils had come into regular use, however Joan remembers well the earlier days of slates and slate pencils. Some of the later desks had blackboards under the top flap, so they were able to write on those with chalk.

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Still waiting at the moment for Dan to give us the newest bad news. I do wish the other States would stop regarding us as some sort of pariahs — it would not take a lot to restart their troubles.

I have been thinking about the volume of water being used to keep our hands germfree. It is not very long until summer, and as it has been a dry year. I wonder about the need for water restrictions then.

I have rediscovered the joy of porridge for breakfast. I had used those packets of instant oats, but they are not real porridge. Mr Ramble used to call it stir-about — logical in an Irish sort of way. Few things nicer in the morning than a hot bowl of oats, honey and a little drop of cream. I must admit that sometimes a bit more cream comes out of the container than I need.

I wonder what breed of birds settle in the tall palms outside the Royal Hotel every night. Can't see what they are, but they are very, very noisy. One would think they would have worked out their place in the tree by now. Perhaps they are just sharing their day with all their feathered friends.

I heard an American on the radio refer to personalised number plates as vanity plates. Oh dear!

I was enjoying a post-shopping coffee at the back of Princes Park near the swimming pool, when I noticed a swan grazing on the lawn. Suddenly it did the swan equivalent of a gallop and chased a couple of ducks away. When I had a good look I could see its partner and two cygnets busy cropping the grass — bit greedy, there is plenty of food there for everyone.

Some marauding moggies have decided my newly dug and planted garden bed was a good place to dig and drop. Not nice! I had a think about how to discourage them and had a light bulb moment. I spread an old curtain over the bed (the seedlings are still very small) weighed it down and hoped for the best. In the morning there were little cat footprints on the curtain, but no break-in. Problem solved? Keep safe.

Rosie

I have found a little book called "*Fifty Shades of Green*" (with envy). Some entries are wise and some are funny — enjoy.



I envy paranoids — they actually feel people are paying attention to them.

Susan Sontag

KEEP CALM —

Age is just a number.

It's totally irrelevant unless, of course, you happen to be a bottle of wine.

Joan Collins

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DEB'S FUN FOOD IDEAS

Hello everyone, I'm a new contributor here. My name is Deb and I would like to talk about food and sharing budget-friendly recipes which are tasty and, hopefully, different and varied.

Today I thought we could have some fun and introduce you to magic cakes.

These delightful cakes originated in France but don't let that put you off they are really quite simple.

In a few words, magic cakes are an easy one batter preparation which will give you a beautiful cake with three different layers. The base is very soft and looks like custard, the middle is airy and has the cake texture and the top is lightly crispy. When you take a bite you can taste all three layers at the same time.

Okay, so how do you create the magic in the cake? Or in other words how do you make the three layers with one batter.

Whilst all the ingredients are just your basic cake mix recipe the secret is the oven. The magic happens in the baking process. You need to use a slow bake. The batter must be liquid and you should still see some small bits of egg whites floating on top of the batter.

Even if you think that putting a very liquid batter in the oven is wrong, trust me it will work if you follow all the steps.

Once you remove the magic cake from the oven let it cool for about two hours, in the fridge if possible, before serving.



LEMON MAGIC CAKE

Ingredients

4 large eggs (yolks and whites should be separated)
150 gm sugar (I prefer caster sugar)
125 gm butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
115 gm butter, melted
60 ml fresh lemon juice
Zest from one lemon
1¾ cup lukewarm milk
Icing sugar for dusting the cake

Method

Preheat the oven to 160C. Grease a 20cmx20cm (8 in x 8in) cake tin,

Separate your eggs and whisk the whites until they are stiff. Set aside.

Beat the yolks with the sugar until they are light and frothy. Add the melted butter, vanilla extract and beat for two minutes.

Add the flour and mix until well incorporated.

Add the lemon juice and zest, then slowly start to add the milk, beat everything until it is all mixed together.

You can then start to add the egg whites, one third at a time, gently fold them in using a spatula. Repeat until all the egg whites are in, you should still have some white bits floating in the batter.

Pour the batter into a prepared cake tin and bake for about 50 minutes or until the top has a light, golden appearance and is firm to the touch.

Allow it to cool completely, dust some icing sugar on top.

Enjoy and amaze your family and friends.

If you make this recipe and enjoy it, or not, why not contact me at *The Welcome Record* and let me know.

Debra Sealey

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Library News

Libraries closed from Thursday 6th August

Following the Victorian Government’s re-introduction of Stage 3 restrictions, all Goldfields Libraries branches and agencies will be closed from Thursday 6th August 2020. We expect these closures to be in place until at least Sunday 13th September 2020. This also includes the suspension of all Home Library Service deliveries.

What we can still offer:

Online programs and events — including *Storytimes* (via Zoom, Youtube and Facebook); Library in your loungeroom — ebooks; audiobooks; digital magazines and newspapers; online family history resources; learning at home resources; online movies and TV; online kids’ activities and well-being activities

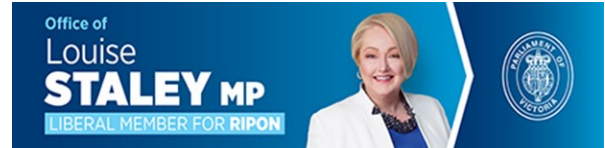
A friendly ear — If you would like to speak to a staff member, please email or call your local library and leave your details and we’ll give you a call back.

Libraries will be open until Wednesday, so make sure to drop by and collect enough reading materials, DVDs and CDs to cover you for the next few weeks. For library opening times click here: <https://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au/libraries>

We understand our libraries provide a vital community service, so please stay connected via our social media channels and check our website for up-to-date information.

We look forward to welcoming you back to the library as soon as we safely can.

CGSC Library News



Grants open to help commemorate veterans

Grants are now open for groups which help support and commemorate veterans, according to Member for Ripon Louise Staley.

Three grants are now open for applications, ranging from the provision of welfare services to returned servicemen and servicewomen, commemorating veterans and educating Victorians about the contribution of veterans, and the restoration and preservation of memorials and avenues of honour.

“These grants will help maintain important connections with our history and ensure we continue to honour those who have sacrificed so much so we can live in a free and open country,” said Ms Staley.

The ANZAC Day Proceeds Fund provides practical support to the veteran community through the provision of funding for a range of welfare-related activities. Funding is provided to assist organisations whose principal objective is to provide welfare to the ex-service community.

The Victoria Remembers Minor Grant provides grants of up to \$30,000 (excluding GST) for projects which honour or commemorate veterans’ service or educate Victorians about veterans’ contributions.

There are also grants for restoring Community War Memorials and Avenues of Honour of up to \$30,000 (excluding GST) for community groups to restore war memorials, honour rolls, and avenues of honour to their original condition, or changed to reflect veteran service in the community better.

“Now more than ever, we must be mindful not just of where we are going but where we have been. By commemorating the fallen and educating our young people about their sacrifices, we can honour our servicemen and servicewomen who have done so much for us,” Ms Staley said.

“And for those still living in our communities, the ANZAC Day Proceeds Fund provides great support to those who need and deserve it most.”

Applications for all three grants are open now. Applications for the ANZAC Day Proceeds Fund grant and the Victoria Remembers Minor Grants close on 31st August. Applications for the grants for restoring memorials and avenues close on 7th September.

For more information, visit <https://www.vic.gov.au/grants-support-and-commemorate-veteran>

Louise Staley MP

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3. In what year did the Australian National Gallery open?
4. Who was the subject of the 2003 Archibald Prize winning portrait?
5. What is the tallest waterfall in Australia

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With the elections nearing and what looks like being a changing of the guard, it's time we as a community worked together. Please get behind all our candidates.

We attended the Go Goldfields community workshop late last year. At that workshop, the outcome was that the four direction approach they had originally selected to do was not working. They were to alter direction to a singular goal and take it one step at a time. Now with Go Goldfield's newly appointed acting manager Carolyn Bartholomeusz taking over we may see stronger results from this organisation.

There has also been a changing of the guard at the Maryborough Hospital with Mr Welch moving on and Ms Allan appointed acting CEO. We wish Ms Bartholomeusz and Ms Allan the best of success, and thank Mr Welch and Ms Hamilton for their service to our Shire.

The Shire has asked for tenders to the part of the Carisbrook levee (the Pleasant Street /High Street section) between the railway line and the highway. Pleased to see at least some progress of this long awaited levee. Our Treasurer questioned some figures regarding the levee in the draft Budget and already the forecast Shire's contribution \$895,000 has increased now to \$1,105,000. This \$210K was there, just needed clarification. Without a management plan or team and thorough consultation, we feel these figures will increase as well.

On that different note, we also questioned the \$60,000 designated under the skate park as "other".

Apparently that amount is for future sponsors or donation foreseen for this project. All funds still not confirmed.

Our treasurer raised 20 odd points of concern regarding the draft budget.

All were responded to in a manner and alterations were promised to be made where applicable. So well done to the Shire for that. That also demonstrates we all can read the budget and make submissions. Hopefully you will have the success our Treasurer did.

The Shire's Monthly Council ordinary meeting was held on Tuesday 28th July at 6pm. https://www.facebook.com/centralgoldfields/videos/420187345545750/?epa=SEARCH_BOX

Several items were discussed. The 2020 Customer Satisfaction Survey results were glossed over. These results indicated the Shire (on average) dropped four points from the previous year's results. After the issues raised in the 2020 community workshop and the 2020 Customer Satisfaction Survey results pertaining to consultation, planning and Shire's direction, we felt a bit more focus would be given to these points. However, one of the Administrators took a decline in figures as a "fascinating read". Once again a huge well done to our customer service and parks team in the Shire who had the only increase or unchanged results.

There are still questions raised about the Dunolly Imagination Station, the completion plan for the installation of the book seats and also the repairs for the Dunolly Mosaics. These leave a concern over the future direction of community arts projects in the area. Completion, management and consultations on every project have been questionable and most projects still not completed.

The COVID-19 situation we need not make a song and dance about. Our Shire still has a very good result. Please, we ask everyone, to maintain your efforts – there is still a long way to go. A big thank you to those who have been making masks for our community. We will get through this together. Also thank you to everyone who is doing the right thing.

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The Village School

Stories you may relate to from 1944



David Howlett of Shawford, Winchester remembers —

I rather suspect the school which my sisters and I attended, was fairly typical of a large village school in the 1940s.

It consisted of four classrooms, four teachers, and a caretaker. As it also served outlying hamlets and farmsteads, many children of no great age walked long lonely roads in all weathers to gain that so essential tick in the register.

While in the infants class, we counted with cowrie shells, and eked out pieces of broken chalk on screeching slates. Sitting up straight was mandatory, and the dreaded dunce's cap rested on a stool in the corner. I only saw it used twice, and that was for misbehaviour.

For school dinners we marched half a mile to the Parish Hall; rice pudding and American mother apples were my favourites, and we were rightly reminded that men had risked their lives bringing us such food.

At the front of the main classroom stood a giant cast iron tortoise stove, living well up to its name — "slow but sure", sending its precious heat and obnoxious fumes straight to the vaulted ceiling. By midday, those nearest to it were red faced and roasting, while those at the back or near the door carried on freezing.

One day, four boys in my class dared me to start the headmaster's car. My feet scarcely touched the pedals, and I needed the head boy to show me how to stop it. Shortly afterwards, the headmaster appeared to enquire who was the visitor, and why did they not stop. "It must be your imagination, sir," said the head boy. Only he could have got away with that one.

Caning was rarely resorted to, but it was not out of the question. "Where's the caner?" shouted the master. I had

left two full stops off an otherwise acceptable composition. Trying to explain that indentation, and the use of a capital in the preceding paragraph removed the necessity for full stops did nothing in my favour. "It's on the cupboard sir," said the naughtiest boy of the class who had obviously thrown it there.

After much fumbling and dust gathering along the long line of cupboards, the master still could not reach it. The milk monitor, who up to that point I thought a nice girl, provided the master with a chair.

Struggling to reach it once again, the master pushed it further away, and down the back of the cupboard. "I'll get the caretaker to move it all out," said the master.

Realising by now he had gone into overkill, and had a sniggering class on his hands, he tried to establish a better footing on the chair which promptly gave way sending him ungraciously to the floor. "Saved by providence," said the master, "saved by providence."

When air raids occurred, we were hastened into one of the two shelters by teachers more fearful than the children. Once our eyes had become accustomed to the darkness, we sat on low wooden forms to sing long repetitive songs which required concentration, such as *One Man Went to Mow* or *Ten Green Bottles*.

How I longed for an emergency, so I could use the big steel ladder leading to the escape hatch.

Empire Day, and all the classes were marched down the playing field to the school flagpole. "He's coming" would go up the cry, and the local brigadier would make his entrance through the main gate.

A Union Flag would be raised to the strains of *Land of Hope and Glory*, then the Brigadier would tell us of our wonderful empire in far off lands. We then sang *Jerusalem* with gusto, followed by a much quieter rendition of *I Vow to Thee my Country*.

All from tiny tots upwards were then brought to attention for the National Anthem; then, the words we had all been waiting for: "You can go home now"

"I'm taking you for a nature study walk." exclaimed the music master. Next day a crocodile of children made their way up lanes and across fields, and I always trailed behind to pick blackberries, nuts and the odd sloe

"He's eating berries, sir," cried out a voice, "they could be poisonous." I never traced the voice, and was never allowed to walk with the school again. As a born vegetarian, the master failed to realise I had to know more about living off the countryside than he did.

My last day at school, and I stood outside the Infant's class window.

Cymbals and tambourines crashed, triangles tinkled, and tiny voices sang *If All the World Were Paper*.

Yes, I would miss the village school.



David and family with twin sister in the foreground
pictured around 1944

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Council adopts revised Priority Projects Plan

Central Goldfields Shire Council adopted its revised Priority Projects Plan at the Tuesday 27th July Council Meeting to help secure government funding for significant new projects.

The revised Plan identifies the Maryborough Railway Station Activation, Carisbrook Levee, Wastewater for a growing Talbot, developing a pathway network, Central Goldfields Art Gallery upgrade (stages two and three), Carisbrook Recreation Reserve (stage two), Deledio Recreation Reserve Dunolly, Maryborough Splash Park and Central Goldfields Youth Hub as the key projects Council will advocate to federal and state governments for funding.

Several of these projects such as the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park, Central Goldfields Art Gallery upgrade (stage 1) and Maryborough Railway Station Activation have already received funding from the State Government.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said a revised Priority Projects Plan was timely to reflect the Council Plan and the 2020/21 Proposed Budget. The Project Plan will also be handed on to the incoming council to support future advocacy opportunities.

“Our revised Priority Projects Plan is an important instrument when seeking support from other levels of government and the private sector to deliver these projects for the community. These projects have all been identified in our council plan and included in our proposed budget.

“The previous Priority Plan was successful in obtaining funding for several projects such as the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park, Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre upgrade, Carisbrook Recreation Reserve upgrade and urgent repair works at the Maryborough Outdoor Pool.”

The revised Priority Projects Plan is available to view:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/priorityprojects

Station Domain playground

Families may have noticed the main slide missing at the popular Station Domain playground recently.

Although structurally sound, the coating on the surface of the fibreglass slide was starting to deteriorate which makes the slide less slippery.

As part of our playground maintenance program, the slide was sent away for coat resurfacing.

The slide will be reinstalled in the coming weeks.

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Have Your Say opportunities

Thank you to everyone who took the time to provide feedback on our previous Have Your Say items including the Proposed Budget 2020/21, public notice of proposed intention to sell Council-owned land, flood study amendment for Carisbrook and Dunolly and Draft Recreation and Open Space Strategy.

We're currently inviting feedback on the following items:

- Draft Governance Rules — which closed on Tuesday 4th August. Council is required to adopt and apply Governance Rules which describe the way it will conduct Council meetings and make decisions. The Draft Governance Rules are designed to ensure good governance by Council through the performance of its role in accordance with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles of the Local Government Act.
- Public Transparency Policy — which closed on Tuesday 4th August. Council is required under the Local Government Act to adopt a Public Transparency Policy to inform the community which information is publicly available and how it can be accessed.

To view the Draft Governance Rules and Public Transparency Policy and to provide feedback visit:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay

July Council Meeting

Our July Council Meeting was held on Tuesday 28th July via a live streaming on our *Facebook* page.

You can watch the Council Meeting recording at:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/councilmeetingvideos or www.facebook.com/centralgoldfields

Let's Stay Connected fund

The Victorian Government has launched the Let's Stay Connected Fund to provide grants between \$5000 and \$200,000 to support community led initiatives.

The program will support innovative, community-led and community-based initiatives which build connection, reduce feelings of loneliness and isolation and can be implemented quickly.

For more information, visit <https://djpr.vic.gov.au/what-we-do/precincts-suburbs-and-regions/lets-stay-connected>

Blue green algae

Goulburn-Murray Water has issued a warning for high levels of Blue Green Algae at Tullaroop Reservoir.

Residents are advised to avoid direct contact with the water and signage has been placed at the site.

For more information, visit Goulburn-Murray Water's website: www.g-mwater.com.au/news/bga

Council Election

The 2020 Council Election will be held in October and is run by The Victorian Electoral Commission.

We have put together a dedicated 2020 Council election page on our website which includes information about key dates, candidate training, wards and enrolling to vote.

You can visit this page at:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/councilelection2020

All other enquiries should be directed to the VEC — <https://www.vec.vic.gov.au/>

Treehouse exhibition on now

The Many Story Treehouse Exhibition is currently on display at the Central Goldfields Art Gallery.

This is an exhibition of Terry Denton's original illustrations, sketches and layouts showing the development of crazy ideas, characters and stories for the phenomenally successful Treehouse series developed with author, Andy Griffiths.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, only 18 visitors are allowed in the Gallery at any one time.

You can book your free ticket to see The Many Story Treehouse Exhibition via:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/exhibitionsandevents

The Art Gallery is open on weekends from 10am to 4pm.



MAYORAL COLUMN

COVID-19 updates

As you will be aware, the number of COVID-19 cases across Victoria continues to increase. Residents of Loddon Shire like all rural residents are not immune to the effects of COVID-19 and we wish to remind everyone to follow the State Government advice to help keep yourself, your family and our community safe at this time.

This includes the State Government direction that it is now mandatory for all of us to wear a face covering whenever you leave home.

Other measures we can take include: limiting your contact with other people, maintaining a good hygiene regime and do not go out or go to work or school if feeling unwell.

The Victorian Government is providing support payments to ensure people can afford to stay home if they are feeling unwell and stay home and self-isolate while they are waiting for test results.

This is in response to the news that people without leave entitlements or income support were putting others at risk by continuing to work while they were potentially infectious.

To find out more about COVID-19 Worker Support payments, including who is eligible, how to apply and how much the payments are, visit the Department of Health and Human Services website: www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus. Here you will also find details about current restrictions, face coverings, testing locations and other health information.

The resources have also been translated into a range of languages to make sure that everyone has access to the information they need.

Stand for council

Victorian council elections are held every four years and give people an opportunity to influence the change they would like to see in their communities by standing for council.

On Saturday 24th October this year, people will be voting to elect councillors to represent them at the local level to work towards building a better, stronger and more sustainable future.

This year, due to COVID-19 restrictions, campaigning for community support will be quite different and will offer significant challenges. However now, more than ever, we need committed, motivated people, reflecting a diverse range of people, to stand for council because local leadership is vital to drive the recovery of local communities and economies.

Potential candidates can access a range of resources, including training and information sessions, by visiting the Vic Councils website www.viccouncils.asn.au.

The Municipal Association of Victoria is running two sessions for the Loddon community and potential candidates to gain a greater understanding of what is involved in running for council. For information on these sessions and how to take part, visit our website: www.loddon.vic.gov.au/News-and-public-notice/News-articles/Stand-for-Council

The Victorian Government is also hoping to encourage and support more women to run for council across the state.

Currently women account for just 38 per cent of elected representatives in council. The aim is to increase that to 50 per cent at the coming elections. Women play a pivotal role in the leadership of their communities, but this work is often underappreciated and not formally recognised. Women's connections to their community, their skills and their unique perspectives mean they are rich with potential to be terrific local councillors.

Follow this link to view the Women Leading Change sessions and candidate development workshops www.vlga.org.au/advocacy/womens-policy/online-workshops

Rural women to lead the way

On the subject of women in leadership, applications are now open for the Victorian Rural Women's Leadership and Mentoring Program. This program is for rural women connected to agriculture or the agriculture supply chain who want to improve their leadership skills or gain board experience.

The program aims to inspire, resource and connect rural and regional Victorian women to lead in their business and communities. There are 14 funded places across three programs and they will be delivered online until restrictions are lifted.

To find out more, including which program is right for you, visit: www.extensionaus.com.au/VRWNetwork/leadership-and-mentoring-program/

The Loddon Shed

An exciting partnership between Loddon Shire Council and The Food Purveyor is set to put the quality produce and unique creations of the Loddon Valley makers at the fingertips of discerning shoppers through Australia.

I will be launching 'The Loddon Shed' on Tuesday 11th August at 7pm via *Facebook* live stream. This new online store will showcase the best of Loddon food producers, growers and microbusinesses to offer our wonderful local products in one easy shopping experience.

The Loddon Shed will not only be a perfect way for small businesses to extend their reach and sales as part of the recovery of COVID-19, it will also be a fantastic opportunity for our local producers to show the rest of Australia what we have to offer.

You will be able to visit The Loddon Shed at www.theloddonshed.com.au or our *Facebook* page www.facebook.com/Visitloddonvalley

Squirrel Gully Saffron

One of the local companies to jump at the opportunity to expand the reach of their business is Squirrel Gully Saffron. This quirkily-named company makes use of the hot dry summers and cold winters of our region to produce saffron.

Chosen for its potential use as an exciting food product and also because the crop requires little energy to produce, the saffron is grown above ground in tubs. The tubs enable the plants to grow in light, sandy soil, to be watered, weeded and harvested by hand and for minimal water use.

While jars of saffron are expensive, the product is used sparingly in recipes and is extremely versatile. As a chef, Squirrel Gully Saffron owner Rosie delights in producing and sharing innovative and delicious recipes featuring her saffron, as well as other ingredients grown locally. The versatility of saffron is endless and Rosie has highlighted its use with rice, paella, chicken, fish, sweet dishes and cocktails.



Catholic Church

At the time of writing, there have been no changes to church attendance rules.

There will be Mass at St. Mary's, Dunolly at 8.30am on Sunday 9th August as usual.

There are still no weekend Masses at St Augustine's.

I am always a bit amused at the ending of the gospel this Sunday — "Those who ate were about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children."

There could have been about ten thousand people who were fed with the five loaves and two fish.

R Mcreddy

*The hand of the Lord feeds us:
He answers all our needs*

Psalms 144: 9

St John's Anglican Church Dunolly

Church Services have been suspended for the time being.

Rev Canon Heather Blackman
Parish Office, 6 Nightingale Street,
Maryborough. Phone 5460 5964.

Readings 2nd August 2020

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 32.22-31

Psalm 17.1-7,16

Romans 9.1-8

Matthew 14.13-21

Esmé Flett

*The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth.
He fulfils the desire of all that fear him,
hears their cry, and saves them.*

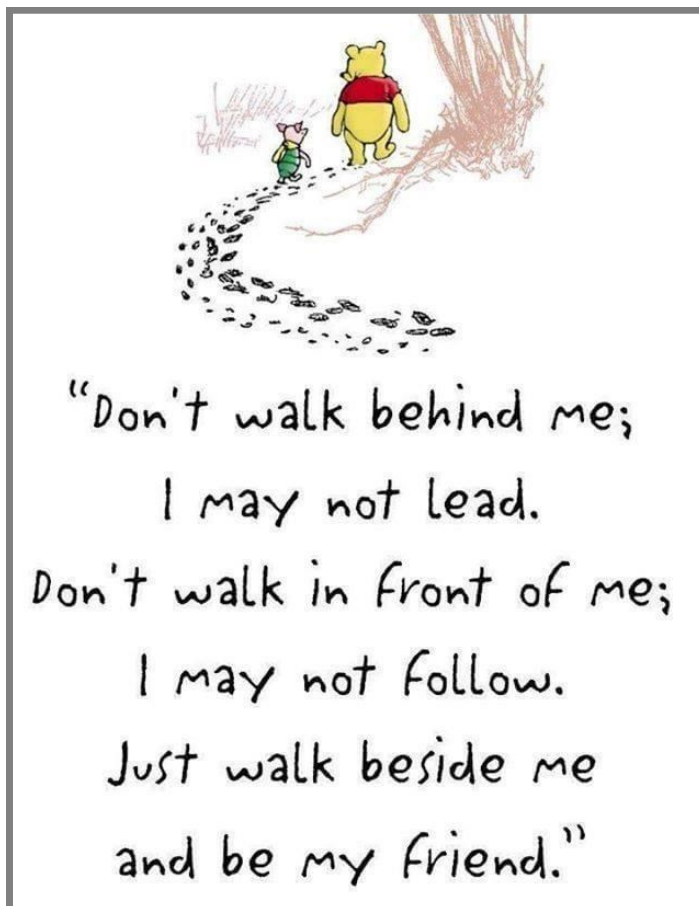
Uniting Church

We are sorry to say we will NOT be having any Church services for the next six weeks due to these new shut down restrictions the Government has said must happen. Perhaps Zoom? We do not know as yet.

Our sympathy goes to the family of Ann Peck who was the wife of Len Peck who worshipped in our church years ago when it was a Methodist church. Anne's funeral was held on Monday morning.

Church life as we know, is very hard on all of us but we thank God that he knows what is happening in this world and will look after us.

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A Martial Arts winner in our midst — Jason Stewart



Sunday 2nd August was Round 3 of the World Martial Arts Championship International Online Tournament. Jason has done it again by winning — first place in Extreme Weapon; first place in Extreme Form; third place in Veteran Form, and fourth place in Traditional Weapon. He also qualified for Victorian State Title.

Jason has been learning martial arts for the last 37 years. His main style is Wing Chun (the style made famous by the late Bruce Lee), he learnt it from the Cheung's brothers but his first teach was Grand Master William Cheung, direct lineage from Yip Man system. William Cheung is a Wing Chun kung fu practitioner and currently the Grand Master of his lineage of Wing Chun called Traditional Wing Chun. Cheung is responsible for introducing the late Bruce Lee to his master Ip Man when they were teenagers in Hong Kong.

Jason later learnt Tai Chi under Master Tang Lai Wei, who is a Wushu and Tai Chi practitioner and teacher. Tang started training at the age of seven years old at the Beijing Sport Academy under Grandmaster Wu Bin, a pioneer of modern Wushu.

He was the youngest male team member of the Beijing Wushu Team when it was formed in 1974.

The Team went on to win 12 consecutive China National Wushu Championship. His famous alumni include the movie star, Jet Li. Under Master Tang. This was when I first met Jason, even though I was with William Cheung school when Jason was there, we never crossed paths.

We both went on and learnt Wushu and Tai Chi under Master Shao Zhao Ming several years later. Dr Shao is a specialist whose skills are unique in the Southern Hemisphere. Formerly an accomplished professional Kung Fu / Wushu athlete in China, he began learning Qigong after suffering a severe back injury at the age of 15. By the age of 21 after healing himself by Qigong, he had made a remarkable recovery and went on to win the National Championship title back to back in 1989 and 1990. Thereafter, he was sought by Beijing University of Sport to coach the Kung Fu Wushu team.

Jason is proficient in many Chinese Kung Fu styles and has been teaching Tai chi in Dunolly and Maryborough for the last few years, however, due to current COVID-19 Stage 3 restriction, the class has been postponed until further notice.

Susie Oh



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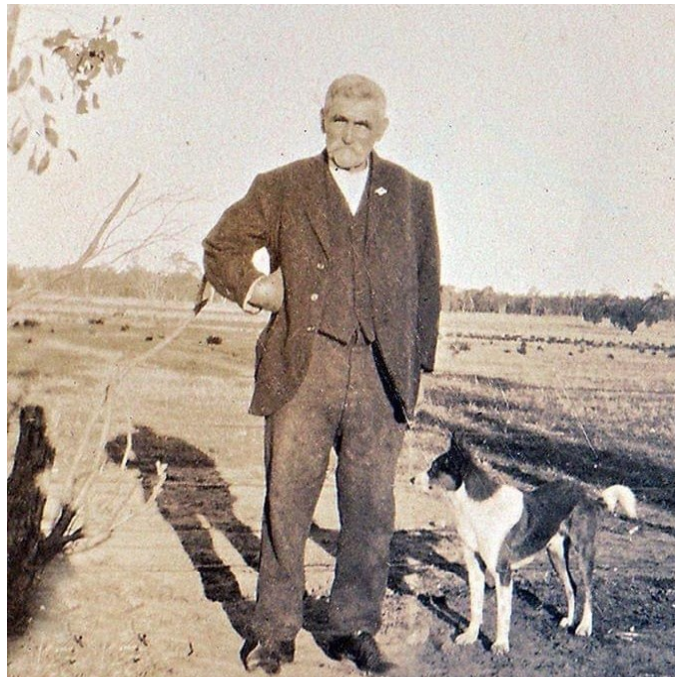
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One teacher is recalled for her ingenious way of keeping the class in order; she used what Joan describes as a “puff squeaker” which squeaked when squeezed, apparently this was enough to gain the children’s attention; not an approach which would be successful these days! If you were “naughty” you had to stand on your seat, but if you were “good” you received cough lollies as a reward.

Following her State School education, Joan progressed to University High School in Storey Street, Parkville. It was here she met her lifelong friend, the then Noni Wright. Worthy of a book in its own right, this friendship has so far extended over a period of 79 years, with both always maintaining contact during their travels overseas and in many parts of Australia. Thankfully, a few years ago Noni and her family moved to the local area, so Joan and Noni have been once again able to meet up on a regular basis, becoming well-known patrons of local cafés.

More to follow.

Compiled by Jenny Scott
On behalf of Joan Ansell



Maternal Grandfather John Graham



Photos from the Graham family album, courtesy of Harold Shipston



Maternal Grandmother Eliza Graham

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Tender applications open for Carisbrook Levee project

The tender for Stage 3 of the Carisbrook construction project was advertised in *The Maryborough District Advertiser* and Council's website on Friday 31st July 2020.

At the February Council Meeting, Council determined to issue a Notice of Decision to grant a planning permit for the Carisbrook Flood Mitigation Levee works — stage 3 and 4.

The planning permit involved the construction of a flood levee, associated earthworks and infrastructure and utility installation.

Council is now in a position to tender for construction of part of the levee — Stage 3, with design work completed for tender documents.

The tender will include the construction of the Levee being the section of Pleasant Street from the Pyrenees Highway to the railway line and High Street from the railway line to Church Street.

The works involve building up, and constructing a sealed road and associated open drainage works. The works associated with the Railway line and Pyrenees Hwy culverts will be undertaken in the future stage.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said the release of the tender marked another key milestone in the Carisbrook Flood Mitigation Levee project.

“Stage 3 and 4 are the final stages of the flood mitigation works which will see the construction of the levee.

“Since we commenced as administrators, this project has been a major focus and we’ve remained committed to supporting the Carisbrook community in managing flood mitigation.

“We acknowledge it’s been a long process for the community of Carisbrook and we are obviously very happy to see this project move to the final stage.”

The levee project has been designed in response to major floods which occurred in 2010 and 2011.

Significant consultation with the Carisbrook community has been undertaken over a number of years as well as consultation with referral agencies, public and private land owners prior to the planning application being lodged.

Tender applications close on Wednesday 26th August, 2020.

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More stories from Cynthia's Willy Waistcoat Saga

Billy is soon to embark on another chapter of his saga. Returning from his stint on the *Wiltshire*, he returned to the caravan park, now that his new caravan was his home. He met compatible people in the park and felt nicely settled. However, never still for long, Billy decided it was time to pay a visit home to England to see his family and old friends. This time Billy didn't choose the good old bounty, too much like a busman's holiday, so he flew to London, then hired a car. Driving homewards, by the time he arrived in Nottingham he felt too tired to go much further, so he drove through the city and a short time later he spotted a large building with a sign The Manor Lodge, a very old, interesting looking place. Billy decided it looked a promising place to stop for the night. There were a couple of cars in the car park so he went in and saw some men in the bar and joined them. He asked the owner for a bed for the night and that was no problem. After a few beers with the other patrons, Billy went up to his room. The stairs were well worn stone and he was very impressed with the room, which had huge, exposed beams, paintings of cavaliers on the walls which gave Billy the feeling of stepping into the past. In the morning Billy was asked if he wanted breakfast and was shown into the dining room. The owner came in and Billy asked for a full English breakfast and then asked him where was everyone else, only to be told that he was the only one there. What. In this huge Lodge! Billy decided he would never have stayed there if he had known, but seeing the people in the bar he believed they were also guests. The man brought some toast and tea and told Billy his mother would be in soon to cook his breakfast. Finally mother arrived and she looked about 90 and Billy realised they were the only ones there in this great big place. Billy freaked out, his imagination running wild, thinking of *Psycho* and wondering what was in store for him. However, the breakfast came and was very nice. Billy thanked them and couldn't get away fast enough. On the way, Billy rang his father to tell him to have some cold beer ready for him and was assured it would be there. When he arrived back home, he was warmly greeted by everyone.

Upon going down stairs, Billy soon discovered that his old bedroom had been turned into a bar and he was handed the welcome home beer.

The first sip came as a shock because the beer was warm and when he complained his dad said, "How could it be; it's been on the window sill all day with the window open." "Haven't you got a fridge?" asked Billy. It seemed that they did but considered beer did not need such a low temperature, so Billy chilled the beer in the fridge, then gave his dad a cold glass and his father complained that it was far too cold. Billy had been in Australia too long to remember that the British drank warm beer.

They decided to go on a sightseeing trip to York, so Billy, his dad, and his brother Colin got in the car and away they went. On the way they spotted a gypsy caravan stopped in a layby and Billy asked them to stop so he could have a look and take a photo. A gypsy came out and she asked Billy what he was up to and he explained why they had stopped. He told her that he was on holiday from Australia and wanted a photo to take home. Then a voice from inside the caravan called out, "What part of Australia?" Billy told him from Melbourne and the answer came back, "I'm from Footscray." Billy couldn't believe his ears — out from a gypsy caravan came an Australian voice. The gypsy woman then offered to sell Billy a lucky charm, choice of one, three or five pounds, and Billy chose a three pound one.

They set off again and a short distance on, Billy said, "We've got a puncture." "How do you know?" asked Dad. "So what do we do now?" he asked. It turned out that he had never owned a car, so Billy explained that he would get out the spare and change it. He threw the flat one on to the side of the road and once the spare was on went to get the flat one, but it had disappeared.

Colin said he had thrown it over the hedge because he thought it was no good and was amazed when Billy told him it could be repaired. Poor Colin had to go through the farmer's gate and walk around to hurl the tyre back over the hedge and that was his first motor car lesson.

One wonders where was the luck from that lucky charm then.

Cynthia Lindsay



"I did not know I was the only one staying that night, or I would not have stayed," said Bill.

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Due to covid-19 most events and community groups have cancelled their sessions.

Community Group	Venue	Date / Times
Bealiba Bingo	Bealiba Hall	2nd Monday monthly 1.30pm
Bealiba CWA	Bealiba Hall	3rd Thursday monthly 1pm
Bealiba Line Dancing	Bealiba Hall	Every Tuesday 7pm - 9pm
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
CG Ratepayers Association Inc	Various locations - TBA	1st Tuesday monthly - 7.30pm
Community Bus to Maryborough	RTC side street	Friday 10am leaves on-time
	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	Every Monday —Summer 5pm to 7pm Winter 2pm to 4pm
Dunolly Community Market	Broadway (Main Street)	2nd Sunday monthly 9am to 1.30pm
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	1 st 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 Pigeon Fanciers Inc.	Poultry Pavilion, M&DAS 337 Bucknall Street, Carisbrook	1st Tuesday monthly 7.30pm Between February and November
Mother Goose Program	Dunolly Primary School	Every Friday - school terms 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 and Women Self Defence	Dunolly Arts Hub	Tuesdays at 10am and 4.30pm; Thursday 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
The Welcome Record Committee	TWR Office	2nd Monday monthly, 1pm

If any of these details have changed please let us know.

Apologies, this was meant to go in on 29th July 2020.

The Editor.

Updated 14th April 2020



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Across

- 1. Area of darkness caused by blocking of light
- 6. Have a very good outcome, come up ____
- 11. Writing desk with drawers
- 12. Cleansing product
- 13. Suspended on surface of liquid
- 15. Name shared by one office of a large business and part of tree
- 17. Homophone of a digit
- 19. Be of like opinions
- 20. Cultivated produce of the land
- 21. SE Asian island
- 23. Folded edge of fabric
- 24. Overreact excitedly, hit the ____ button
- 25. Organ of sight
- 27. Small child
- 28. Fish's organ of balance
- 29. Move up and down (on water surface, eg.)

- 31. Universe
- 33. Printer's liquid
- 35. Street lined with trees
- 37. Disassemble
- 38. Register as a member
- 41. A small number
- 42. Not completely
- 44. Aust. marathon great, ____ de Castella
- 46. Duelling sword
- 47. Departure of large number of people
- 48. Second selection of winner
- 49. To present (an honour, eg.)

Down

- 1. Grab suddenly
- 2. Abounding in flowers
- 3. Twosome
- 4. Of spoken words
- 5. To soak
- 6. Laundry sink
- 7. Act of implementing
- 8. Former U.S. president, James ____
- 9. Harness-racing horse's gait
- 10. Ball-shaped object
- 14. Occur before
- 16. Stale (of food)
- 18. Molecule with electric charge
- 21. Relay runner's carried bar
- 22. Long-barrelled firearm
- 24. Former leader of Aust. Democrats, Janet ____

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Last Saturday was a magnificent day for the opening round of the 2020 Championships. A great turnout of 25 golfers came to show their skill. Experienced players could not remember the course being so dry for this time of the year, and all players found approach shots difficult to judge. Consequently scoring was not particularly low, but the scores are so close, you could throw a blanket over the field in all sections. It should make for exciting play this week.

Nearest the Pin winners were Rob Scholes on the 3rd, Greg Dobbin on the 5th, Ian Arnold on the 6th, Cooper Polinelli on the 8th, and Josh Lacey on the 18th.

Speaking of this week, a number of changes will have to be made to meet the new Level 3 COVID-19 restrictions. All players must wear a mask at all times, we will play in pairs instead of groups of three or four, and the clubhouse will have restricted access.

In addition, sadly we will not be able to conduct our Maldon and District Community Bank junior clinics for the foreseeable future. This is great pity, because we had a terrific start last week with 13 juniors in attendance.

We will postpone the rest of the program until restrictions are lifted, which we hope will be sooner rather than later. Jamie will contact parents this week to explain the situation.
 Ian Arnold



PESTS

A newly discovered fly species named after a comic book hero could be buzzing around the area, and residents are being asked to keep an eye out for any specimens.

The newly discovered robber fly was dubbed "Deadpool" by the CSIRO which is now calling on citizen scientists to keep an eye out for the species which likely frequents central Victoria.

Entomology student Isabella Robinson works with the CSIRO's National Research Collections Australia and chose the Deadpool name for the fly species which she said was inspired by her two passions.

"I'm a comic artist as well so it was a way for me to draw my two loves together."

Ms Robinson said the fly could be in the local area and encouraged residents to keep an eye out for it.

According to the CSIRO only a quarter of Australian insects are known to science and residents can play a big part in helping discover where insects live or discover a new species.

To find out more about becoming a citizen scientist visit: <https://inaturalist.ala.org.au/>

An excerpt — Written by Christie Harrison
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| Trivia Answers | 1. | Professor Graeme Clark |
| | 2. | 9th May 1988 |
| | 3. | 1982 |
| | 4. | Richard Flanagan |
| | 5. | Wallaman Falls, Queensland |

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep/1 – Lilah Columbine
 Year 2/3 – Grace Freemantle
 Year 4/5 – Kayley McArdle
 Year 5/6 – Lachie Condie & Hannah Freemantle



Around school this week

101 days of learning

What a wonderful celebration for the Prep/1 students this week ... 101 days of learning. Thanks to Mrs P for organising a lovely day and to all the students joining in the celebration.

Student led conferences

Thanks to all parents/carers who came along or joined via video link so their children could share their learning. They really love the opportunity to do this. If you weren't able to come on the allocated days please contact your child's teacher so they don't miss out.

COVID-19

Given the increase in more localised cases there is an increased awareness by students. Please ensure you are keeping adult conversations away from children. They hear more than we realise and without the additional knowledge or maturity, they often struggle to process the information. Also remind your children not to be discussing "possible" reasons for students being away from school. Creating rumours isn't helpful to anyone and students can be away for many legitimate reasons. Sometimes that may be for a cold and therefore they do get tested as a precaution. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support by keeping your children home when they have any symptoms of being unwell.

LAST WEEK'S STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

