

The Dunolly and District Community News

# The Welcome Record

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## ANZAC Day



It was so strange on ANZAC Day this year. No crowds, no parade, no ceremony or wreath laying by local children as has been the format in previous years. But we did not forget them!

In the eerie half-light of dawn many people stood at the end of their driveways with lighted candles to honour our fallen.

At 8 Tweeddale Street, Joseph Lawera stood with his neighbours Jim and Lee (in their own driveway) and some people who were walking their dog across the road and watched somberly as Charlotte and Dean, the children of other neighbours Callum and Nichole, recited *The Ode* by candlelight. Callum, dressed in his tartan, added to the moving moment by playing *The Last Post* and *Amazing Grace* on his bagpipes.

Story Susan Anderson,  
Photo Joseph Lawera



ANZAC Day is a day of remembrance where we give our everlasting thanks to those who died in World War I, and in subsequent wars and conflicts since. We will not forget you.

To the men and women who returned and to their families and friends we thank and think of you as you carry both physical and mental scars from your service to our country. Australia is the wonderful place it is due to your efforts.

Below are some photos I took when I was in Turkey in 2014. Our tour guide took us to Gallipoli in the early morning before the tourist crowds, for which we were most grateful. It gave our small group of 12 time to be alone with our thoughts in this desolate place. Hard to describe how we felt, sombre, sad, thinking of so many lives lost.

Story and photos by Sue Purchas



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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*.



I think I have discovered a totally new form of exercise for the arms. It is called the "Tissue Shake". First you wash a tissue, then you say rude things to yourself for doing that. This is followed by a short walk to the clothes line. Then the real exercise begins — each washed article has to be vigorously shaken at least once to remove the bits of paper. After the wash is dry, more exercise can be had by bending to pick up the "snowflakes" of dry paper that fall on the floor.

I watched one of those slow docs a week or two ago, set in the Cadbury's factory in Tasmania. It showed the process of turning huge amounts of cocoa, cream and sugar into the food of angels. By the time it was over I was half hypnotised by the repetitive motions of the robot machines as they swung back and forth doing the sort of work that would be very boring for people to do.

Got up yesterday morning, toasted my breakfast, took the butter etc. out of the fridge, looked in the cupboard and found I was out of Vegemite. Worse was to come — a forlorn search of the pantry revealed no Vegemite there either. Tragedy! I had to settle for jam instead. Of course, this was followed by a very necessary trip to the local shop.

Don't you love it when a public service notice says (in English) "if English is not your first language, ring the following number". HOW?

I heard a great commotion in the yard on Friday — went out to see a couple of maggies in battle over a familiar green plant. They got short shift when I realised that it was a polyanthus that I had only just planted out into a pot. They had pulled the plant out without doing too much damage, so I replanted it and it seems to be doing OK.

Rosie

**WOMEN'S WIT —**

I hate housework!

You make the beds, you do the dishes, and six months later you have to start all over again.

Joan Rivers



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**Defibrillators available at —**

**SES, CFA, DFNC, Dunolly Bowls Club, Doctor's Office and Dunolly Town Hall.**

**In case of emergency, the defibrillators can be accessed at the above venues when they are open.**

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 **LETTERS TO EDITOR**

**ANZAC Day**



It was poignant, hearing *The Last Post* on ANZAC Day and knowing there were no crowds at the cenotaph or the RSL Hall to pay their respects to the fallen or returned servicemen and women. In some ways it sharpened my perception of the meaning of war. Whole towns and villages deserted and destroyed, and millions

of people, not just soldiers, left displaced, maimed and emotionally crippled. I always pray on ANZAC Day for a future without war.

Vicky Frizzell

**Tragic Loss**

As you are aware, four members of Victoria Police lost their lives in tragic circumstances after they were hit by a semi-trailer on the side of the Eastern Freeway last Wednesday night.

The four members: Leading Senior Constable Lynette Taylor, Constable Glen Humphris, Senior Constable Kevin King and Constable Josh Prestney had intercepted the driver of a separate vehicle who had been travelling at excessive speeds when they were killed.

No one goes to work expecting to not return home to their loved ones at the end of their shift, and these officers were undertaking standard duties through the course of their work when they were killed.

This incident marks the largest loss of police life in Victoria Police history.

On behalf of Victoria Police Force I would like to express my deep appreciation at the expressions of sympathy and empathy shown to myself and Victoria Police after the terrible event last Wednesday night.

Barry Taylor  
Leading Senior Constable  
OIC Dunolly Police Station



**Well-done to *The Welcome Record* Team**

Well done on a great paper last week. I particularly enjoyed the Church page with its Emergency Bible Numbers, the rest of the paper was full of news and views from Rosie's Ramble (always good) through to the photos on the back page.

You are doing a terrific job keeping *The Welcome Record* going during these very trying times.

Kind regards,  
Coral Christensen

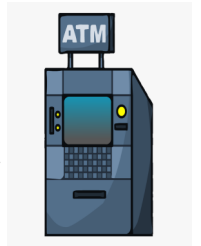
**Editor's Note:** Dear Coral, Thank you for your kind words. You have first-hand experience knowing what it's like to prepare the paper with lots of jiggling and reformatting and struggling for content. Receiving acknowledgement for our efforts is always appreciated. Thanks again. SA

**Important information**

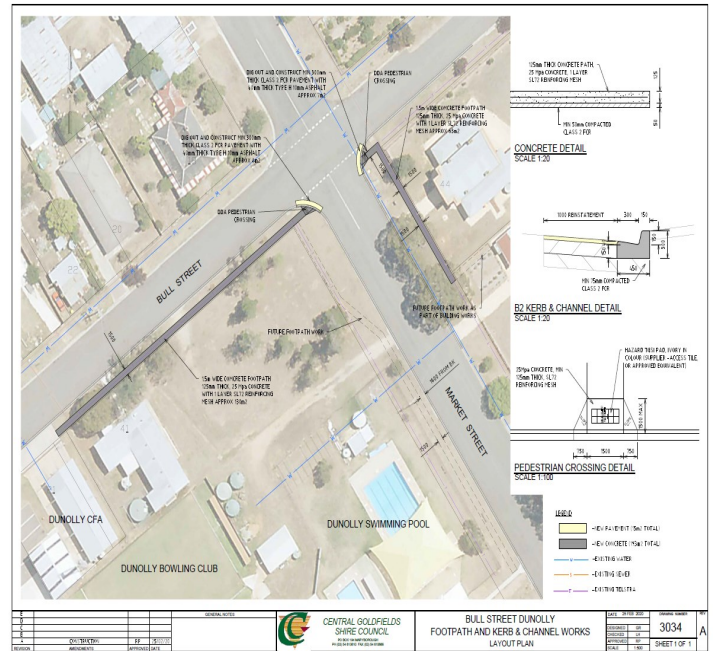
**ATM Update**

The owners of the Dunolly ATM, Cashpoint, have informed the RTC that they are re-negotiating their cash delivery contract because the current contractor, Armaguard, has raised its fee for this job. Consequently, Armaguard has come and collected all the cash from the ATM. We can only hope that Cashpoint has a replacement service operating as soon as possible.

Fiona Lindsay  
For the Dunolly RTC



**New footpath**



The Shire is planning to construct a footpath in the coming months to connect the footpath at the CFA to the proposed library in the old police station. The Shire is requesting comment from the community which can be sent to:

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Phone 5461 0634 or LeighH@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au  
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CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS SHIRE COUNCIL

**BUSINESS UPDATE COVID-19****The Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our local business community is widespread and significant.**

We've put together a dedicated Business Support page on our website to connect businesses with information about local, state and federal government financial support, lease and workplace award relief, training opportunities and external and industry peak body contacts. We're updating it regularly so be sure to check back every few days or you can also subscribe to the page for updates: [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)

**Council's Financial Response Package**

We've developed a financial response package to assist local businesses with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The support includes:

- Payments of local suppliers weekly to improve business cash flow;
- Waived rent for businesses occupying Council buildings and facilities;
- Dedicated business contact officers within Council;
- Dedicated COVID-19 Business Support page on Council's website with a link to local employment opportunities – [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)
- Access to Victorian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Support in partnership with Committee for Maryborough

For full details on what is included in the financial response package, including a copy of the Financial Hardship Policy and application form, visit [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/financialresponsepackage](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/financialresponsepackage)

**Council Business Support Team**

We have set up a Business Support Team to assist our local businesses during this time. You can contact Alisha, Andrea, Lee or Sally via:

- ☎ 0438 868 420
- ✉ [ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)

**Business Database**

We currently have a database of around 550 local businesses that we have been communicating to via email since the COVID-19 restrictions were introduced. If you are a local business owner who hasn't received our emails, and would like to be added to our list, please contact our Business Support Team:

- ☎ 0438 868 420
- ✉ [ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)

**Business Survey Results**

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our business impact survey. Your responses, along with the feedback from direct phone calls, has helped us gain a picture of what is happening on the ground as COVID-19 makes its impact felt. You can view a summary of the 66 survey responses received on our website at [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)

**Economic Response and Recovery Taskforce**

As part of Council's pandemic response, we are setting up an Economic and Recovery Taskforce to work on a response to the economic crisis and to make plans for a strong recovery at a local level.

Council is inviting expressions of interest for the Taskforce with applications required by Sunday 3 May to [ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:ecodev@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)

To find out more and to access a copy of the EOI application form and the terms of reference visit [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)

**Financial Support**

A full list of Federal and State Government support packages are available on our website at [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)

**External Business Support Contacts**

A full list of external business support contact is available on our website [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/businesssupport)

**Be Kind to Business**

We've joined the Ballarat Council Be Kind campaign which aims to band our community together during this challenging time. As part of the campaign, we are featuring initiatives that help support and connect under the following pillars: Be Kind to Business, Be Kind to Others, Be Kind to Yourself and Be Kind – Be Safe. The Be Kind to Business message is available to local businesses and organisations to use too. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page or find out more here: [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/BeKind](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/BeKind)

**Business Training****Digital Opportunities Roadshow**

Thinking about going digital but not sure how? Business Victoria will host a FREE online workshop for the Central Goldfields community on Wednesday 6 May from 10am to 12noon. Learn how to develop your online presence, choose the right digital tools and create a cybersecurity plan to reduce risks. To find out more and to register visit [www.business.vic.gov.au/digitalroadshow](http://www.business.vic.gov.au/digitalroadshow)

**Mental Health Support**

It's a difficult time for local business owners – if you or someone you know needs support there is a range of support services available:

- **Lifeline** – 13 11 14 or [www.lifeline.org.au](http://www.lifeline.org.au)
- **beyondblue** – 1300 224 636 or [www.beyondblue.org.au](http://www.beyondblue.org.au)
- **MensLine Australia** – 1300 789 978 or [www.mensline.org.au](http://www.mensline.org.au)
- **Kids Helpline** – 1800 551 800 or [www.kidshelpline.com.au](http://www.kidshelpline.com.au)
- **Headspace** – 1800 650 890 or [www.headspace.com](http://www.headspace.com)
- **QLife** – 1800 184 527 or [www.qlife.org.au](http://www.qlife.org.au)
- **R U OK?** – [www.ruok.org.au](http://www.ruok.org.au)

**Social Media**

Visit Maryborough, the Committee for Maryborough and Council are regularly updating their Facebook and Instagram accounts to encourage our local community to support local business.

- **Visit Maryborough and Surrounds** [www.facebook.com/visitmaryborough](http://www.facebook.com/visitmaryborough)
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**Committee for Maryborough**

**Free membership offer:** The Committee for Maryborough is inviting all business owners in and around Maryborough to join the Committee as a Support Member for free. For current members, they will waive three months of membership fees. To become a Support Member, email your full name, business and contact number to: [admin@committeemb.com.au](mailto:admin@committeemb.com.au) To find out more visit [www.committeemb.com.au](http://www.committeemb.com.au)

**Made in Maryborough:** The Committee for Maryborough has launched an Instagram page titled [@MadeinMaryborough](https://www.instagram.com/MadeinMaryborough). The page supports local businesses, people, services and products. If you'd like to be featured you can send them a direct message via Instagram.

**For the most up-to-date information** visit our dedicated COVID-19 page on our website [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/covid-19](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/covid-19) or follow us on **Facebook** [@CentralGoldfields](https://www.facebook.com/CentralGoldfields) and **Twitter** [@CG\\_Shire](https://twitter.com/CG_Shire)



## My “Moment of Madness”

I have to confess that while the Neighbourhood Centre had to close and I had to stay home locked up, I was enjoying the fact of not having to go to work every day. But then after the first couple of weeks of watching every movie in the collection and pussyfooting around with a duster, the novelty began to wear off! What shall I do now? I asked myself. That's when my “Moment of Madness” kicked in. I decided to paint the inside of our house!

The lounge room, dining room, bedroom and toilet all needed painting. So with excitement and enthusiasm, the next morning, all dressed up in mask, gloves, overalls, helmet and face shield (I have to protect my vulnerable husband, you understand), I headed out into virus world, clutching the hand sanitiser, to buy paint, rollers, brushes, edgers, stirrers and trays, and everything else needed to do a paint job worthy of inspection, only to find, on returning home, we had most of this stuff, still new, stored in the shed! Anyway, onward and upward! (literally).

The first thing to do was to pile all the furniture in the middle of the rooms; take all the art work off the walls, fill in all the holes, (why is it, when you take one small picture off the wall, you find seven holes behind it?) and wash all the walls down with sugar soap. By this time I was so exhausted I had to have a rest for three days!

You know, the last time I painted the house was about 13 years ago; I was 13 years younger then! I found out very quickly that 13 years makes a very big difference to your knees, arms, back and head when climbing up and down ladders, taping corners and skirtings, cutting in and hanging on to paint pots and rollers! Also moving ladders, tripping over paint trays and trying to clean up spills and spots without making a bigger mess that it was in the first place, can get a tad frustrating!

I also noticed that our adored cat Lucy, loves to play with paint rollers and jump over trays full of paint! (I'm thinking of taking her to the pound quite frankly!) And so, I must say although I am very pleased with the result of my paint job, the next time I have a “Moment Of Madness”, please stop me!

Sharon Hiley



## Linda Jungwirth to Stand for Council



Linda Jungwirth will be standing for the Tarnagulla Ward, Loddon Shire, in October. Linda moved to Tarnagulla three years ago and has fallen in love with the area and the community. She has five children with three still living at home and attending high school.

In 2016 Linda completed a community leadership course which strengthened her skills to achieve strong outcomes in community work. She applied her new knowledge with enthusiasm and effort in every project with which she has been involved and she recently won the inaugural Rivers and Ranges Alumni Achievement Award.

Linda's passion lies with rural communities and strengthening their ability to influence their own outcomes. She strongly believes that communities working with Council to identify their goals can achieve lasting outcomes.

“It is communities that should be guiding Council in their direction, not vice versa.” said Ms Jungwirth. “Listening to the community and providing opportunities for people to be heard is crucial if a councillor is to achieve successful outcomes for our small towns.” For example, Linda believes there is a wealth of knowledge in the farming community, many of whom have been on the land for years and are aware of issues faced in the local area and more recently with a changing climate. Similarly, she knows there is much expertise in the area regarding preserving a rich history and people with innovative ideas to rejuvenate our towns and communities.

With previous experience in small scale farming, living in a tiny town, volunteering on a regular basis as well as being a parent and with firsthand experience of the challenges of raising a child with a disability, Linda believes she can successfully represent all voters in Loddon in an inclusive manner.

Linda has put herself forward in the upcoming election with confidence in her community-based skills and a keen desire to represent the people of the Ward. She is driven by her passion to work with and alongside people to achieve change. “If elected, I would be honoured to have the opportunity to serve the community as a councillor.”

You can connect with Linda on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/lindajungwirthtarnagulla/> or phone 0418 482 556.

Media Release



**Digital Opportunities Roadshow**

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**Road Upgrade Works**

Works to reconstruct Rodborough and Baringhup roads will commence on Monday 4th May 2020 for a duration of four weeks. The works will take place for approximately two kilometres along Rodborough Road and one kilometre along Baringhup Road. Traffic lights will be used for the duration of the works and motorists are asked to obey all traffic directions. The works will be completed by Doran Earthmoving and is funded by Council, Regional Roads Victoria and Roads to Recovery.

**Community Flu Vaccination Program**

We are awaiting supply of the 2020 flu vaccine. When future vaccine stock is released, Council will provide additional influenza vaccination sessions — more information about future sessions will be communicated to the community as soon as possible.

The following people are eligible for free vaccines which are available now:

- All children aged six months to less than five years (Victorian Government-funded)
- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged from six months
- All adults aged 65 years and over
- All people aged six months or older who have certain medical conditions that increase their risk of influenza disease complications, for example severe asthma, lung or heart disease, low immunity or diabetes
- Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)

If you do not meet these criteria for the free flu vaccine, please contact your local GP or pharmacy to arrange your vaccine privately. For more information on the influenza vaccine visit <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/immunisation/immunisation-provider-information/seasonal-flu-vaccine>.

CGSC News



**MAYORAL COLUMN**

**COVID-19 updates**

Thank you to everyone who is doing the right thing and staying at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. Stage 3 restrictions have created difficulties for everyone, with some businesses forced to close while others have had to radically alter their delivery of service in order to survive.

By now school students and parents have settled into a new form of normal with the beginning of the third week of online learning. We need to remember that while most students are at home, a small number of students are physically attending school and speed restrictions during school hours still apply in school zones.

The message from the Government remains the same — if you can stay home, you must stay home. There are only four reasons to leave home: food and supplies, medical care and care giving, exercise and work or education. The Victorian Chief Health Officer has announced that physical distancing measures and staying at home are working to slow the spread of COVID-19, but we must keep it up.

All details about Council’s COVID-19 Financial Hardship Guidelines and ways in which Council is continuing to provide essential services may be found at the dedicated web page: [www.loddon.vic.gov.au/covid-19](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/covid-19).

To ensure you have accurate and consistent information about COVID-19, including what you can and cannot do under Stage 3 restrictions, check with the Department of Health and Human Services website: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>.

**Anzac Day**

Last weekend we paused to remember the sacrifice of men and women who have served or are currently serving our country during wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations. Despite being required to stay at home, Australians found novel ways to mark this important commemorative day. People in Loddon Shire demonstrated their respect and gratitude on Anzac Day by placing a cut-out poppy on the mailbox. This was an initiative of our tourism team to show solidarity during isolation.

Although the usual Anzac Day service at the Soldiers’ Memorial Park in Wedderburn was not able to take place, I am pleased to report that the planned refresh of the gates and fence at the park was nevertheless completed in time.

From the office of Cr Cheryl McKinnon



**44 Tweeddale Street Dunolly  
Ph: 0429 129 038**

**A new business in town**

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# Gordon Gardens Upgrade

## ABOUT THE PROJECT:

A new bicycle/scooter pump track, outdoor fitness equipment and shade structure will be installed at the Gordon Gardens in Dunolly as part of the Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative. Each of the projects were identified as part of the Gordon Gardens Master Plan which was developed last year.

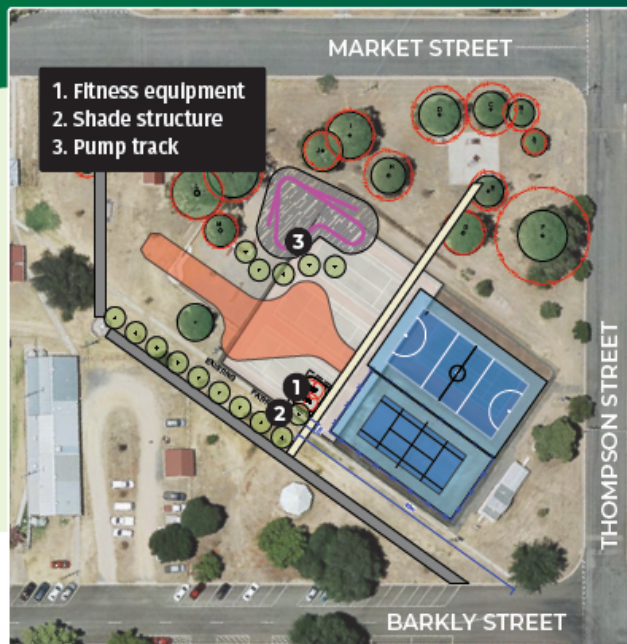
## What will the project deliver?

The bicycle/scooter pump track is a modular system made of timber composite that will form a circular track of about 65 metres. It will be suitable for use from the early stages of riding a balance bike or scooter to larger bikes for young people and adults. It's the perfect playground and play space for all wheels and all ages, providing outstanding health and wellbeing benefits through fun. The image below is a similar facility that is located at Victoria Park in Ballarat.



The four pieces of outdoor fitness equipment chosen will be in consultation with staff at Maryborough District Health Service and will be used as part of exercise programs for older adults.

A shade structure will be installed above the equipment so users have sun protection. The colours for the shade structure and the equipment will be decided in consultation with the local community to align with the heritage aspects of the park. This equipment will benefit all the community to strengthen muscles without going to a gym – and it's free.



## What is the timeline for the project?

The tender for the project is currently being advertised with a contractor expected to be appointed by the end of May and the project ready for play by Spring, 2020.

## Who is it funded by?

This \$140,000 Gordon Gardens upgrade project will be delivered thanks to funding from the State Government Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative.

## What is the Healthy Heart of Victoria Initiative?

Funded by the State Government, the \$5 million Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative aims to make residents living in Loddon Campaspe communities more active, more often.

To date the Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative has funded the following projects in the Central Goldfields Shire:

- \$51,272 for the Maryborough Community House Kitchen Garden and Community Playground
- \$137,131 for the Goldfields Reservoir path upgrade, nature play park and parkrun, Maryborough
- \$29,647 for Basketball Court in Gordon Gardens, Dunolly

## Who can I contact to find out more information?

You can contact Lynn Waters – our Healthy Heart of Victoria coordinator via email [LynnW@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:LynnW@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au). By phone Mondays to Wednesdays 9 am to 5pm on 0436 814 111. Or visit: [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/healthyheartofvictoria](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/healthyheartofvictoria)





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**Church News**  
**No services at any churches until further notice**

**Catholic Church**

Still nothing on the resumption of open Mass.  
 St. Vincent de Paul op shop is open for buying, but is not taking donations yet. Hand sanitising and social distancing are in force.

Prayer for the sick —

O Almighty, everlasting God, eternal salvation of those who believe, hear our prayers on behalf of your ailing servants for whom we implore the aid of your mercy, that with health restored to them, they may offer thanksgiving to you.

R Mecredy

**St John's Church**

Church Services have been suspended for the time being.  
 Rev Canon Heather Blackman, Parish Office,  
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 Phone: 5460 5964.

Readings this week:  
 Acts 2.14a, 36-41  
 Psalm 116.1-4, 11-18  
 1 Peter 1.13-25  
 Luke 24.13-35

*“Repent and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”*

Acts 2.38-39

In memory of four Police Officers doing their job.  
 Sen Con Kevin King  
 Sen Con Lynette Taylor  
 Con Josh Prestney  
 Con Glen Humphris

Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.

Matthew 5:9



Esmé Flett

**Uniting Church**

Hello to my Church family. I have very little to say this week, but thank you all who have phoned me. I do appreciate it, and I must say I hope you are all keeping in touch with one another. I've even had phone calls from Alison Whelan, Rene Hussey, Jean Anderson, Joy Turner and many more who have left the district.

We all hope Rev Gordon Wild is feeling better and I hope to talk to all the Church Council on our link-up on 30th April. Remember Gordon is only a phone call away on 0413 455 856 or email him on [revwild@mailworks.org](mailto:revwild@mailworks.org). Hope to see you all soon.

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If you are looking for something to do while at home, we are asking crafters to help us out by knitting or crocheting poppies. Our Remembrance Day banner needs an upgrade.

I will leave wool and patterns on your doorstep if you would like to help us out with this project. All you need to do is text me your name and address on this number 0477 666 705.



And/or, if you would like to occupy your time doing a jigsaw puzzle, I would be happy to drop one off to you. We have several at the Centre you could borrow!

In the meantime, stay safe and we'll be back

whenever the government says so!

Sharon Hiley  
Coordinator



An extremely big well done to all of the community with their actions over the past month. Observing how our community has worked together and supported each other is something of which each and everyone of us can be proud. Seeing more home cooking and growing your own food and supporting our children has been extremely heartening.

With the Covid-19 curve looking to have flattened out, there are still cases being detected (albeit very few) and with the possible reduction of restrictions and opening of more shopping outlets, we would still like to remind everybody we all need to continue our distancing and stay focused on requirements needed to protect each and every one of us.

Anzac Day was hugely different this year. Many comments were received with concerns about the fallout this has done to Anzac Day.

It appears the local driveway representation by our community was extremely well-patronised and we look forward to the reports on this. Well done to all who participated in saluting our Armed Forces.

This month's Council Ordinary meeting which was held on 28th March, was streamed by the Council. On Page 40, there was mention of the Carisbrook flood mitigation:

- *timing of year to date budgeted grant revenue including: 1-Carisbrook drainage mitigation construction grant of \$600,000, unlikely to be received this financial year.*

This is concerning. We would like a complete and open update as to the situation of the Carisbrook flood levee so we all are aware of the exact situation with this constant delayed project.

The reports we received from Council on 18th March were quite different to the \$600,000 stated.

Item 8.6 March Financial Report in this month's Agenda is very interesting; looking into the reports on planned budgeted items and the shortfalls. Well worth looking at.

Concerns about the Council's policy on replacement of lost or damaged tip passes have been raised. We would like to see a new Policy adopted for this issue.

Our meeting at Daisy Hill on 5th May at 7.30pm has been cancelled.

Wayne McKail  
President — CGR&RAI



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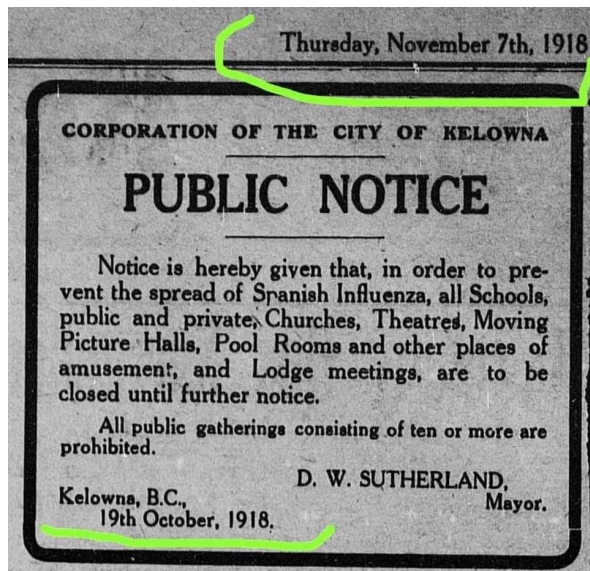


# History Repeats itself — and repeats itself again in 100 year increments

History repeats itself. Came across this poem written in 1869, reprinted during 1919 Pandemic.

## This is Timeless....

And people stayed at home  
 And read books  
 And listened  
 And they rested  
 And did exercises  
 And made art and played  
 And learned new ways of being  
 And stopped and listened  
 More deeply  
 Someone meditated, someone prayed  
 Someone met their shadow  
 And people began to think differently  
 And people healed.  
 And in the absence of people who  
 Lived in ignorant ways  
 Dangerous, meaningless and heartless,  
 The earth also began to heal  
 And when the danger ended and  
 People found themselves  
 They grieved for the dead  
 And made new choices  
 And dreamed of new visions  
 And created new ways of living  
 And completely healed the earth  
 Just as they were healed.



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## Processing Caterpillars

All sorts of amazing things call the Dunolly forests home. There are the bigger things like kangaroos, the smaller wallabies, cute echidnas, and birds like kookaburras, which are rarer around Dunolly but still seen from time to time. The things we probably think much less about are the myriad insects and that amazing lifeform the caterpillar.

The other morning I almost stepped on a snake crossing the track. After a very quick step back I could see it was a very long anorexic snake, no fatter than my little finger. A closer inspection revealed it was a very long line (54 to be exact) of caterpillars. Each one was following nose to tail to the one in front, and the whole procession was completely silent. The leader was working very hard marking the trail for the others. It travelled two to three times as far as the rest investigating the ways around big stones and under fallen branches. The rest pursued it mindlessly, totally ignoring me and the dog even though I did poke one and the dog accidentally stood on a couple but did them no harm.

For more than quarter of an hour I watched as the little creatures made their dogged way over the dry stony terrain and probably covered about five metres. At first I thought they were making for an old ironbark, but they skirted that. Then I thought the little saplings a few metres past the ironbark might have been juicier targets for hungry caterpillars, but in the end I left before I could guess where they were going.

Professor Google comes in handy at times like these. There were some lovely photos of exactly the caterpillar I had seen; much of the following information comes from Google. *Ochrogaster Lunifer*, or the processing caterpillar was first described in 1855, so I haven't exactly discovered a new species. But it was the first time I have seen them "processing". The adult moth has a woolly appearance and can have a wingspan of up to 5.5cm. They only live long enough to mate and lay eggs. I have often seen these moths dying around the veranda and felt sorry for them.

It is worth knowing that both the caterpillars and adults have silken looking hairs which cause skin irritation to people and can apparently cause pregnant mares to abort if they eat grass which caterpillars have "processed" over. Birds don't eat them because of these hairs.

Caterpillars, known as a rolling swarm when moving in formation, can strip their host tree of vegetation and so have to leave to find more food. When it is close to the time for them to pupate they also leave their tree and cover themselves in a silk cocoon on suitable ground.

I don't know why the ones I saw were "processing" but it was a very impressive thing to see. Quiet walks in the forest around Dunolly have greatly increased my understanding of our local ecology. It sure beats a sedate stroll through the park any day.



## For the Man with the Jack Russell Pup

Thank you for the pumpkin. On Wednesday 6th May look for your bag at the place you left it for me. There will be soup, if it turns out OK.

Vicky Frizzell





**Maryborough Hospital not a funding priority for Labor**

It has been almost two years since Labor Premier Daniel Andrews made an election promise that he would provide \$100 million to rebuild Maryborough Hospital in this term of government.

Almost two years since Premier Daniel Andrews claimed his government cared about regional Victoria, that they understood the priorities of rural and regional health and that they were delivering for regional Victorians.

Almost two years and what do we see? Nothing. In the middle of the biggest health crisis our State has seen for a century, there is no money for Maryborough Hospital.

Ripon MP Louise Staley has repeatedly called on the Premier and Minister for Health, Hon. Jenny Mikakos MP to explain why the much-needed Maryborough Hospital redevelopment hasn't been funded and hasn't commenced.

On 27th May last year, Minister Mikakos claimed that the \$100 million redevelopment of Maryborough Hospital is on track.

In February this year, Ms Staley raised funding for Maryborough Hospital again in the Parliament. Ms Staley asked the Minister for Health to ensure that the full \$100 million promised by Labor for a new Maryborough hospital will be allocated in the upcoming Budget.

In Parliament, Ms Staley said, "In last year's budget the hospital was not funded, and so it must be funded in this year's budget in full if the government is to fulfil its promise to deliver the \$100 million hospital to the people of Maryborough in this term of government.

"Last week I finally received a response from the Minister, a response that simply said that planning had been done, but did not commit to constructing the hospital."

"Yet again the Minister is refusing to promise that the hospital will be funded. Hospitals are not built overnight, and unless construction money is made available, this project will not be finished by the next election and the Premier's promise will be broken," Ms Staley said.

Media Release

**Hunting Licence Extension good news for Ripon hunters**

Last week's news that Victoria's 50,000-plus recreational game hunters will be compensated for lost hunting opportunities with an extension to current game licences by one year has been welcomed by the Member for Ripon, Louise Staley.

Under the State Government's mandatory social distancing measures, game hunting has been banned. The game hunting seasons for hog and sambar deer, stubble quail and gamebirds have already been impacted and the upcoming duck hunting season will only be allowed on the property that you live on.

Ms Staley was pleased that the expiry date of all current game licences administered by the Game Management Authority will be extended by 12 months, allowing hunters to get the full value of their licence fee.

"Ripon has many local hunters, and this announcement will ensure those hunters can resume their sport when it is safe to do so," Ms Staley said.

"Disappointingly though this decision has taken far too long to come. I have received many emails and calls from frustrated hunters across Ripon wanting to know what is happening with the season, their licences and whether they can legally hunt.

"Game hunting is a sport that many people in Ripon participate in and enjoy every year. I know this year has been challenging and frustrating for many people.

"I remind all hunters that Victoria's Chief Health Officer has advised that to help slow the spread of coronavirus, people must not leave their property to go hunting."

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glaciers which was quite spectacular. He decided it was one of the best straits he had ever been through, so forget about the Cape. Back they now went past Argentina again to Buenos Aires on the Rio de La Plata, otherwise known as the River Plate, and into the River Parana, past Rosario towards good old Santa Fe which we have all heard about in films and songs. Billy was on the wheel and suddenly they went aground as the water was too shallow. They had to wait 24 hours for the water to rise on the sandbank and finally got into Santa Fe.

At this stage the crew were desperate to go ashore and togged themselves up looking forward to a cold beer. They were warned to be careful as they could easily be robbed so Billy put his money in his shoe, reserving a few dollars in his pocket. As he went out the gate a sailor walked over carrying a sub machine gun. He asked Billy for a cigarette so he gave him one, but then the sailor handed Billy one cigarette and took the packet. Then he rammed the gun into Billy's stomach saying, "Money, money". Rather nervous, Billy gave him the few dollars from his pocket and was let go, shoe money intact. Whew!

Feeling greatly relieved Billy found a bar and ordered a lovely cold beer and all was well with the world.

Cynthia

Last time we left Billy aboard the *Stefano*, supposedly heading for Singapore, leaving the Persian Gulf and sailing through the Indian Ocean. They were then told they were no longer bound for Singapore but were now heading for Japan to load pipes to take to Argentina. Billy realised that it was a very long way to Japan all the way across the Pacific to get to Argentina. They finally arrived at Wakayama in Japan where Billy was assigned as night watchman, so he had his first glimpse in the early morning of the most beautiful wharf, with leafy trees and ponds; such a contrast to the usual dreary looking wharves in the West.

Next thing Billy heard music and out from the sheds came the wharfies all dressed in the same colourful robes. They lined up and starting doing exercises with a woman's voice calling out from a loudspeaker for the men to follow instructions. Billy thought he was dreaming. Finally they came on board and each one in turn whacked Billy on the belly and told him it was too big and he would have to lose it. Billy, rather taken aback, was wearing trousers with a cummerbund, so he tightened it to pull in that embarrassing belly.

After a few days the loading was finished and the ship headed off back through the Pacific. On the sixth day they got a call from the Americans asking, "What the hell do you think you're doing in that area?" Apparently the ship was right in the middle of their rocket range! The ship's captain had no way of knowing that, but they were told to get out of the area as quickly as possible. They then had to turn south and head across to South America. The captain decided they were not going round the Cape, which was a disappointment to Billy as he had been looking forward to seeing that part of the world.

Instead they were going through the Straits of Magellan, down to the island of Tierra del Fuego, translated as Land of Fire.

Navigating the entry into the Straits they became lost at one stage, as they were using only sextants; however, all was well and they arrived safely. When they arrived at this island it was absolutely freezing with ice everywhere. Billy said the ice coming down from the mountains formed

## Emergency services attend crash in Dunolly



Two people were taken to hospital in a stable condition after their car flipped onto its roof in Dunolly on Friday. Emergency services were called to the intersection of the Dunolly-Avoca and Dunolly-Timor roads just before 10.30pm on Friday night, where the vehicle was located on its roof.

Paramedics attended the scene and transported a woman in her 60s and a primary school aged child to the Bendigo Base Hospital in stable condition.

The woman suffered injuries to her upper and lower body, while the child suffered minor injuries.

The incident came exactly one month after a tragic single-vehicle collision in nearby Moliagul claimed the life of a 35-year-old woman, while a 12-year-old passenger was airlifted to hospital.

Story by Riley Upton

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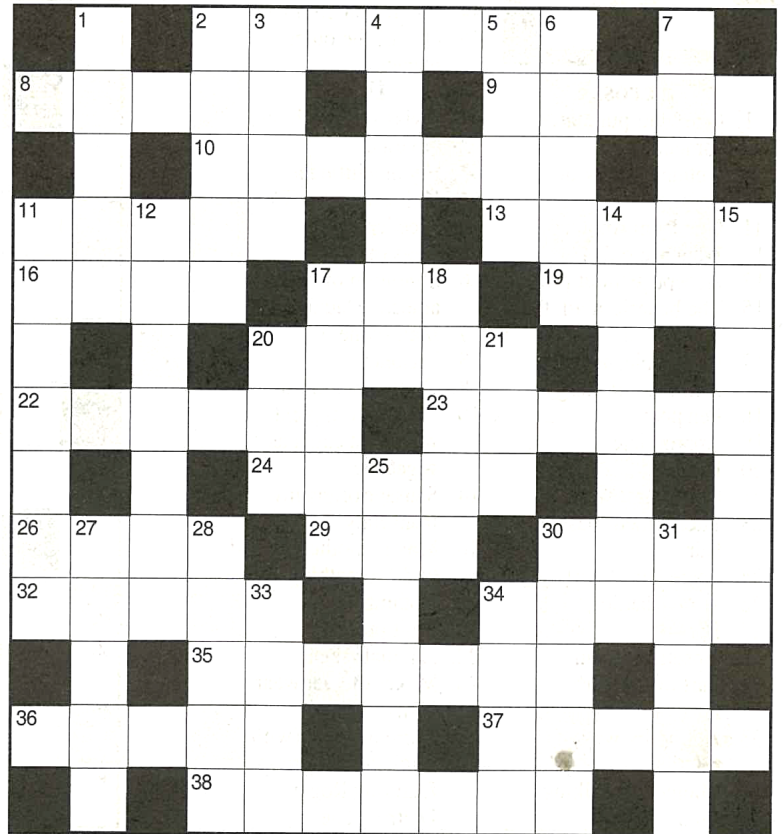
- 29. Lacking rainfall
- 30. Boxing or wrestling contest
- 32. Man disposed to love
- 34. Put into practice again
- 35. Narrow-minded
- 36. Echidna, \_\_\_ anteater
- 37. Car seating four to six
- 38. An extract (from speech, eg.)
- 25. Awaken from sleep
- 27. Cosmetics entrepreneur and 1995 Young Australian of the Year, \_\_\_ King
- 28. River which flows through Paris
- 30. Brimless felt cap
- 31. Habitual
- 33. Gemstone with bands of differing colours
- 34. Rough file

**Across**

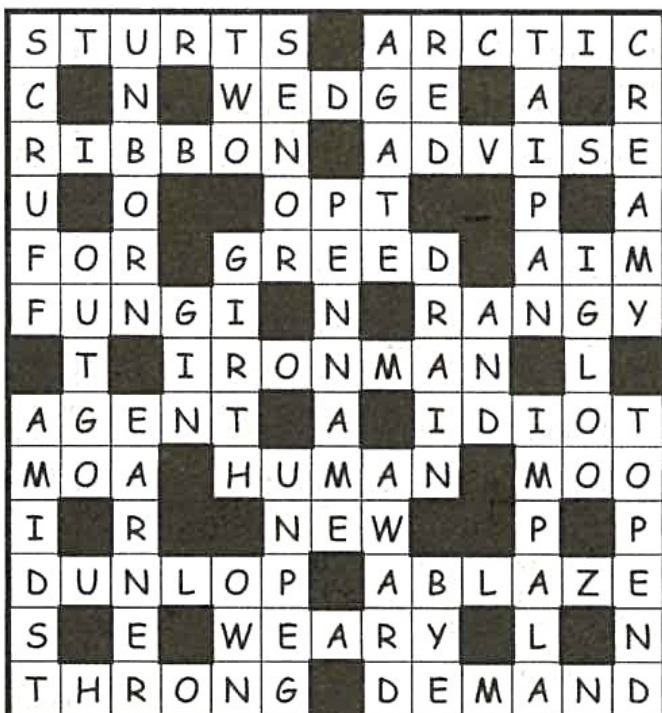
- 2. Herb cultivated for fodder
- 8. Yellowish earthy pigment
- 9. Make less severe
- 10. Musician of distinction
- 11. A brook
- 13. Blend of coffee
- 16. Perused
- 17. An attempt to gain power
- 19. Speedy
- 20. As \_\_\_ as a rock
- 22. Fiery intensity of feeling
- 23. Of various ethnic groups
- 24. Fleshy
- 26. Most important work of writer or artist, magnum \_\_\_

**Down**

- 1. Player's or team's tally
- 2. Equipped with weapons
- 3. To seep
- 4. Descend slope by rope
- 5. Land used for agriculture
- 6. Distant in manner
- 7. Swimming pool for public
- 11. Originator
- 12. Membrane in hearing organ
- 14. Large deer of Arctic regions
- 15. One in track and field events
- 17. Drilled
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