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Thank You So Much!

This page is a big thank you to the owners, operators, and staff of Dunolly's bakery, bistro and bar, and hotel.

By Marilyn Goldie Photos from Facebook pages

The Bistro and Bar

Peter, who owns and runs the venue said, "The pandemic and isolation rules have meant that I needed to make many changes to how I operate.

"As with other cafés and restaurants in the area, my main change was to offer all of my food in take-away form.

"Local customers from Dunolly have been very supportive. Customers from further afield, like Bealiba, Carisbrook and Maryborough have started to come back this past week as travel restrictions loosen.

"Trade, and therefore earnings, are down at least 80%, but I feel fortunate weekend trade

has stayed fairly constant. There has been an uptick of through traffic which means business has expanded a little

"From Monday 1st June, businesses can have up to 20 people in for dining. The stay-apart rules still apply. These seating arrangements are not suitable or viable for The Bistro and Bar so I will continue to offer take-away. Check out our latest specials and opening times on our *Facebook* page".



The Railway Hotel

In the current circumstances, Trent and Karyn have been a boon to the town. By opening up the hotel's kitchen as a take-away venue, they have managed to keep their doors open, albeit less days and hours, but open all the same. Their offer of take-away and delivery has meant that families and single folk can enjoy some time off from cooking. Always a pleasure!

Special roast menus, like the one for Mothers' Day, were a big draw.

The hotel has shut down all non-essential operations except for a limited range of wines and beers and the kitchen. Karyn has been cooking and Trent has been doing the deliveries, with some help from friends.

Railway Hotel workers and proprietors would like to thank everyone who has given support during this tough time.



The Dunolly Bakery

Rod and his team from the Dunolly Bakery, have continued to serve Dunolly and surrounding districts throughout the COVID-19 virus lockdown and are looking forward to the day when the bakery will be able to offer indoor dining facilities to customers once again. The friendly bakery sales team has been up to the challenge during these times of social distancing allowing only two customers in the shop at one time, while other customers showed great patience queuing on the footpath and waiting for their turn to enter. They appreciate everyone's willingness to comply with these regulations.

The main difference the team noticed during COVID-19 regulation was the usual buzz missing in the main street during Easter; less time to interact and have fun with customers and the chatter and atmosphere indoor/outdoor dining creates.

The challenge of serving everyone as a take-away became easier as the weeks in lockdown have rolled on and with the support of their loyal customers the bakers have continued to keep on baking through this time of uncertainty.



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The reins have been loosened a little bit more. Hope people keep being sensible. I have come to the conclusion that being literate is not necessary to earn a driving licence. Not only are "give way" signs at round-abouts not understood, but I saw a vehicle whiz round the corner at the WW petrol station, then race into the car-park against the No Entry sign and scream to a halt. Must have been desperate for food!

One can really hear some very strange things said in interviews on radio . A union man (can't remember which one) said he could see sounds and hear things — must be psychic.

Don't you love the song "We are one" on the television in sign language? Apart from nearly going cross-eyed watching so many signers at once, the slight differences in delivery are fascinating. As it is in speech, each signer has an individual style — moving their hands slightly differently and mouthing the words in their own way.

Still don't remember what the "June 3, 11.20" note on my phone pads means. Hope I do soon as I have two other things to do that day.

I counted \$6.50 from a small bowl which has been sitting around for ages. That is a lot of small change to carry around and get rid of.

Did you know — that the Great Fire of London in the 1600s destroyed 13,200 houses, but only killed six people. I wonder who counted the houses, which would have been mainly built from wood and crowded together. (Bet you really needed to know that).

I see that restrictions on lots of stuff have been lifted. One can get a manicure, massage, get your legs or whatever waxed — BUT we still cannot gather for worship. Many small town churches could easily provide social distancing in their churches with their congregations.

Rosie

CATS -

If you are worthy of its affections, a cat will be your friend, but never your slave.

(Theophile Gautier)

As we all know, cats now rule the world! (Anon)



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. The unit at the Town Hall is located in the breezeway outside and can be accessed at any time.

Important telephone numbers

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Local director"s musical makes the cut



Having spent thousands of hours and countless sessions re-working and tweaking, local director Shane Harman's musical *Shifty Crooner* will soon appear on the global stage.

In the pipeline for some 15 years, the musical started its life as a single character, *Shifty Crooner*, before it was further developed in years to come.

While work on a script started around five years ago, it wasn't until coronavirus restrictions left Mr Harman with some spare time to refine and eventually finish the piece which, after being picked up by Maverick Musicals who will sell the musical to schools and community groups across the globe, will be his first published work.

"Shifty Crooner is an idea that I've had for a long time, probably dating back 15 years, so it's been a long time in the process," he said.

"I was lucky enough that the first company I sent the draft musical to accepted it and said "we want this". It feels a bit surreal."

Set in the 1920s, the musical itself is centred around *Shifty Crooner*, a conman who puts together a group of people who believe they're going to perform a musical.

"Shifty manipulates a whole bunch of characters into getting involved in this musical, whether they're investing in it or if they actually want to perform in it," Mr Harman said.

"When you really look behind everything, the whole show is about greed, but it's a funny story that's clever, has comedy and a twisting plot which goes haywire."

Mr Harman said he's proud of what the musical has become and prouder still to be able to publish his work.

"I've been sending material off to companies since I was 15 and I've used so many different techniques to try and get their attention," he said.

"When I sent this musical off, I decided to bide my time and see what happened, but never did I imagine the first people I contacted would get straight back to me and say

yes. I'm really excited that it's being published. I've spent a lot of time on it and it's now very refined It's been an incredible process and I'm proud of what it's become."

Once coronavirus restrictions on crowd gatherings are eased, Mr Harman said he "absolutely" plans to put the show on locally.

"Once restrictions are eased on public gatherings we'll absolutely start rehearsals and can at least have an audience watch it," he said. "I am looking to stage this ASAP and I'd love for people to get in contact with me if they're interested in being involved."

To express interest in being involved with the musical, email: kylieharman@hotmail.com

Story by Riley Upton Courtesy, *The Maryborough Advertiser*



My Giddy Aunt

Most of us have an eccentric aunt or uncle somewhere in the family — this is a story of mine.

Enid, a lady of some substantial means, who would be horrified at being described as eccentric, was always a bit of an enigma to the family, especially when she graced us with her presence. No Hyacinth Bucket, there had been an aura of quality and entitlement around her since birth.

My father had two first cousins, all three born during the Great War and who, as children, became as close as siblings. Their mothers were the three elegant daughters of a respected member of the *Ballarat Courier* team and his wife; there was one younger brother, who had no children.

The whole family always exuded a sense of class; of course we liked to think it was due to their Bowes name having some remote connection with the Queen Mother's family, our branch also originating from Durham, England, the home of the Bowes Museum.

Enid grew up in Sassafras, a beautiful area, at that time on the edge of Melbourne. Upon leaving home she moved to South Yarra and was the darling of the social set until her marriage to an Army officer. He was later posted missing in Singapore and eventually declared deceased.

After he died, she moved to Sydney for a fresh start and from then on, the fun started, as we began to realise what she was like. Already wealthy in her own right and establishing her own dress salon in the fashionable Double Bay, she married a "sugar daddy", some 30 years her senior. His main claim to fame was owning one of the first chains of coffee shops in Sydney, so it seemed they were a perfect match, especially when he bestowed on her a diamond engagement ring of several carats. The fact that in the early 1950s, it cost him £1500, was something she took pleasure in mentioning to her less-wealthy relatives. He was of Russian extraction and his claim to having known Rasputin made him an exotic and mysterious figure. With one of her mother's sisters (my grandmother) and their younger brother both living in nearby Double Bay and Bellevue Hill, also having relocated from Victoria, one may have expected she may have been a regular visitor, however, not to be. Her most-favoured birthday or Christmas gift, sent by post, was a well-wrapped covered coathanger, addressed to each couple, no doubt offloading an unwanted gift of her own. This became a standard joke within the family, comparing notes as to the colour of the coathanger.



Enid"s abodes were always chosen for their superb view of Sydney Harbour, sometimes in Darling Point or Point Piper, however the most stunning of these was the wonderful Art Deco Edgewater building at Elizabeth Bay (famously portrayed in a photograph by the late Sam Hood).



My father, the adored cousin, was the only family member who was invited to visit; children were especially a no no, so I never remember my mother being invited in those early days. For some reason (probably to show off the engagement ring) she chose to visit us once in our north-western suburb of Sydney, taking the chance to admire the view over the Parramatta River. On this occasion, she brought her newly-acquired dachshund (pronounced daaak sooond of course), but it was only allowed to sit on her knee and not venture any further.

I was privileged to have Enid attend my first wedding in 1966; not wanting to appear too cynical, but it just could have been due to the fact that I was marrying someone who was studying law; an inveterate snob, she didn't deign to mix with the other guests, but stood haughtily at a distance, standing out in her elegant Paris fashions. She gushed as she presented us with her elaborately-wrapped wedding gift, revealing that it was a memento from her mother's trousseau and she was pleased that it was staying in the family. When we unwrapped the presents a couple of days later, the 1940s silver-plated muffin dish still bore the gift card inside with the inscription "To Enid and Cyril from..." Of course, we soon realised it was not a family heirloom after all, but another unwanted gift of hers from her first marriage, in the days when re-gifting was somewhat of an insult! The covered coathanger gifts continued over the years, from time to time interspersed with books inscribed with her name, or on occasions, a box of hankies.

During the 1970s, for some reason now forgotten, on one occasion, Enid decided to visit us in Canberra, not staying with my parents, but instead in one of the more luxurious hotels. We were advised before her arrival of her penchant for Courvoisier Cognac, so ensured we were well-stocked. My first husband, children and I were living in a nearby suburb to my parents and we were amazed when Enid accepted an invitation to visit (the lawyer bit came into play again I suspect), however I provided a dinner party worthy of her perceived social standing, with a 12-course silver service dinner at our nine foot double-pedestal table.

Enid declined an invitation to attend my sister's wedding at Duntroon Chapel in the early 1970s, sending a token gift instead. Her sugar-daddy husband passed away not long afterwards.

It was always a great source of amusement to us that all the time she had been married to him, his surname and hers had been Brockner, but after he died, she related to all and sundry that his title had really been Baron von Brockner. We took it for what it was, just another sign of her pretentiousness.



Enid conducted her business in Double Bay for 35 years and getting close to the end of that period, in the early 1980s, whilst in Sydney, my husband and I tentatively arranged a visit. For the first time I was able to see the salon, still on trend, with its black and white striped awnings.

She insisted on taking us to the 18 Footers Club in Double Bay, although if my memory serves me correctly, we paid for our own lunch!

On the way out, she had pride in showing off her original Ford Capri, with personalised number plates (unusual in those days) and in immaculate condition.

Both my mother and father (now child-free) had later been welcomed to her apartment on a couple of occasions, so we were then privy to some photos of her world.

Over the years, Enid had conveyed to my father that she would leave him a substantial amount in her will, however being the humble and unassuming person that he was, he wouldn't hear a word of it. There were also some cup and saucer sets from their mutual grandmother's trousseau that she promised to bequeath to our family, to complement the sets we already had. From then on it was accepted there would eventually be some sort of inheritance forthcoming to the family; from my own perspective, it was one reason I did not pursue contact with Enid, so as not to give the impression I was just after her money. It was also becoming increasingly evident, as time went on, that her attitude to life and treatment of people who she saw as "beneath her" was diametrically opposed to mine.

Her next venture was to buy an apartment in "Trebartha", Elizabeth Bay, a luxury retirement complex with affiliations to St Luke's Hospital; she relocated her dress salon to the mezzanine level of the block, with some apparent success. Another move within the area resulted in more opportunities for her favourite name-dropping habit; this time being her neighbour, Sir John Collins, the esteemed Naval Commander who had captained the ill-fated HMAS Sydney on its previous voyage prior to its demise at the hands of the German raider Kormoran, with Captain Burnett at the helm, in November, 1941.

My next unfortunate experience with Enid was during 1999, when my father had been flown back to Canberra Hospital after hospitalisation in Adelaide following a fall due to his Parkinson's Disease, in White Cliffs, NSW. Enid flew from Sydney to visit him in hospital; he of course was not able to recognise anyone much, but my mother, sisters and I wished the floor would open and swallow us up as she berated and belittled a young male nurse for some now-forgotten, but insignificant oversight.

My mother later took the opportunity to apologise profusely to the nurse for her behaviour.

On the same visit, Enid deigned to be conveyed in my humble Toyota to the Australian War Memorial. She was apparently impressed that I had previously been a member of the AWM Voluntary Guides and consequently expected me to have an extensive knowledge of all their operations.

Apparently, whilst still in Sydney, she had become aware, in those relatively early days of the internet, that someone had posted an image of her first husband, Cyril, with his war record on the AWM site and she wished to take them to task for not requesting her permission (which she had no intention of granting)!

Fortunately I was not privy to her meeting with a "lowly" attendant and shudder to think of the treatment he may have received, or those others on higher levels of management whom she chose to pursue in search of a result. Surprisingly, she eventually achieved an outcome to her satisfaction, so I was able to breathe a sigh of relief and once again convey her back to her hotel.

From time to time my parents would receive letters from Enid, detailing her cruises on liners of the Royal Viking Line, one containing a disclosure of a dalliance with the Captain of one of these ships. On one other occasion she had to be hospitalised due to falling and breaking ribs when the ship was caught in a typhoon. Once again, these letters were only designed to impress the recipient. In the intervening years, Enid had moved to a retirement village on the Central Coast of NSW and in her usual restless fashion, then to Robina on the Gold Coast. When my father eventually passed away in 2003, she was unable to attend his funeral due to her own ill-health and increasing frailty. She had some contact with my mother over those years and was most incensed when my mother sent her some flowers for her 75th birthday in 2003, stating that she was several years younger. Of course we knew that she had been born in February 1918, 18 months after my father, but there was no arguing with her, as she was always right.

Enid had retained some old family firms of solicitors and accountants since her business days in Sydney.

Representatives from those firms, somewhat "coincidentally" together with a long-lost relative of her father's first wife, formed a barrier around Enid's life in her last couple of years, not allowing any telephone contact. When she eventually came to the end of her life in 2004, we were advised by telephone. The person on the other end was hesitantly forthcoming with the information that Enid had minimal assets, the remains of which had been bequeathed to the distant relative.

Some attempts were made by my mother to track down any of the promised family heirlooms, to no avail. The highlight of the débacle, for me though, was when we later received a small parcel of old family photos in the mail, together with a note mentioning my longstanding family history research. This parcel, to me, was infinitely more valuable than any previously-anticipated monetary inheritance.

Enid had lived an interesting but selfish life, possibly sad as well, although no-one would ever know. My three sisters and I are now the only ones who have memories of her and her antics over the year, but some of our memories may now live on in this story.

Jenny Scott



Electrical Line Clearance Works Tree Pruning Program

Central Goldfields Shire Council will be conducting tree clearance works within the Electrical Line Clearance declared areas of Maryborough after 14 days and before 60 days of this notification. Contractors will be undertaking the works on Council's behalf, and every effort will be made to ensure property access is maintained and minimal inconvenience is caused. For more information please contact Central Goldfields Shire Manager Operations on 5461 0651.

Flood Study Amendment for Carisbrook and Dunolly

Central Goldfields Shire Council is working with the North Central Catchment Management Authority (NCCMA) to update existing planning controls for identifying flood risk in the townships of Carisbrook and Dunolly. The updated planning controls will be introduced through an amendment to the Central Goldfields Planning Scheme known as C031cgol. This amendment will update the planning scheme maps and controls to identify the risk of flooding and flood damage on new development on land in the nominated overlays.

The amendment is now on public exhibition. The exhibition period allows community members the opportunity to make a submission on the proposed changes. There is a number of ways to find out about the amendment, such as online, direct mail, phone calls and videoconference sessions. The proposed maps and ordinance and a FAQ document are available online at: www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/ amendmentsand www.delwp.vic.gov.au/public-inspection.

If Council offices reopen during the exhibition time, the documents will be available. Letters will be sent to landholders who are directly affected by the amendment. Interested community members are welcome to contact Council on 5461 0610 to find out how to participate in the following open sessions:

- Dunolly Zoom conference, 17th June 2020 at 4pm.
- Carisbrook Zoom conference, 18th June 2020 at 4pm.

Dunolly Library project moves a step closer

The development of a new library facility in Dunolly has moved a step closer this week. The tender for the refurbishment of the former Police Station building — located in the Dunolly Courthouse precinct on Broadway has been awarded to FNG Group Pty Ltd with works expected to start shortly. The project has been made possible thanks to \$140,000 in funding from the State Government — Living Libraries Grant which was announced in December last year. Central Goldfields Shire Council Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it was an exciting project for the Dunolly community following many years of campaigning.

"Currently the Maryborough Regional Library offers a visiting library service to Dunolly through its Outreach Van. The new static facility will mean we can offer a larger collection of resources, services and activities as well as an increase in opening hours making it more accessible to the community. With its location in the heart of Dunolly, it will be wonderful to see this heritage building continue to be used by the local community and we thank the Dunolly History Group for their input into the project to date."

The redevelopment project involves the restumping of the existing building and the construction of an accessible toilet, ramp, new shelving, fresh paint and new carpet.

Once complete the Dunolly Library will be home to a larger collection of resources as well as a public access computer, free WIFI and additional children's programming. The facility is expected to be open by September 2020.

To complement the project and ensure accessibility to the new facility Council has extended the footpath network.

The project, funded as part of Counci"s 2019/2020 Budget, provides pedestrian access from Broadway, along Bull Street to the new Library facility CGSC News



MAYORAL COLUMN

Loddon Shire COVID-19 updates

Over the past two weeks we have all enjoyed the opportunity to return to some longed-for social and recreational activities with the gradual easing of restrictions. At the same time, we are asked to use common sense when it comes to taking part in activities outside of the family home.

These include limiting our exposure by continuing to maintain a physical distance when out, keeping up careful and thorough handwashing regimes as much as possible, and remaining at home.

This week we will see school children begin a gradual transition back to normal school routines and many businesses, including those in hospitality are also planning for a phased re-opening from the beginning of June. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that these changes will result in an increase in traffic, particularly in the return to our roads and paths of school children.

Please take care around school crossings and remember speed restrictions at schools apply.

Online store for Loddon Shire businesses

An exciting collaboration aims to put our unique, gourmet products at the fingertips of food lovers and discerning shoppers throughout Australia.

The development of an online store on the *Visit Loddon Valley* website, in partnership with the *Food Purveyor*, will give consumers direct access to the high quality artisan produce of our region, all in one place at one time.

The Food Purveyor is a gourmet hamper e-store delivering indulgent food experiences to customers and corporate clients around the country.

By participating in the store, emerging and established Loddon businesses can promote their products to a wider audience and extend their sales reach as part of the recovery of COVID-19

The store will be accessed via the *Visit Loddon Valley* website www.visitloddonvalley.com.au. Any Loddon Valley business which would like participate in the initiative should contact the Loddon Visitor Information Centre on (03) 5494 1257 or email: loddonvisitorinformation@loddon.vic.gov.au.

Free financial counselling service

Eligible small businesses in rural and regional North West Victoria may take advantage of free financial counselling from Rural Financial Counselling Service.

The counsellors can provide existing and emerging small businesses with the tools to make informed financial and business decisions, including advice on costing, employer obligations, superannuation, taxation obligations, good record keeping and debt management.

To make an appointment or for more information phone 1300 769 489 or visit the website: www.sunrcs.com.au/organisation/smallbusinessfinancialcounsellor.

Wedderburn has talent

Congratulations to 17-year-old Wedderburn Secondary College student Mikala McNeill who recently won *Bendigo's Got Talent* ahead of nine other talented finalists. Mikala

entered the competition playing the guitar and singing the James Arthur song "Say you won't let go".

The competition was run by Headspace Bendigo which switched to an online version in response to COVID-19 restrictions. The event aimed to connect and engage youth from across central Victoria. More than 1500 people took part in the online voting and the top 10 contestants" videos are still available to view online at: bit.ly/BGT2020TheTop10.

Cr Cheryl McKinnon, Loddon Shire



CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOC. INC.

We would like to acknowledge the receipt of grants from the State Government toward two heritage buildings. Any assistance to maintain our heritage buildings is greatly appreciated.

There have been concerns regarding the Council's planning application public notifications. The method we knew of — notices placed in our local papers and on the Council's website, seem to have been discarded, and notices on the property and the notification to some immediate neighbours only has been adopted. The most recent example being Planning Permit Application 121/19 Student Accommodation at 1-3 Nightingale Street Maryborough, in the midst of restrictions when it was illegal to be outside unless on essential business. This application involves the demolition of a heritage listed building. Two small notices were placed on the property in question — not really visible to drivers passing through the intersection and really only visible to pedestrians. However, during lockdown, receiving optimum local coverage was dramatically restricted.

CGR&RAI wondered if notices of all planning applications might be able to find their way back onto the website and into our newspapers.

CGR&RAI also wonder how many applications have been passed without the public knowing, using this present method. The only way this application was published was the fact that two people objected, and therefore it was on the monthly council meeting agenda. Now several more objections have been lodged. Thank you to those original objectors.

An alteration to a Planning Application has also been submitted. Re: Materials Recycling at 3485 and 3590 Pyrenees Highway Carisbrook. The application reference number is: 65/96 A1". This can be found at: https://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/Planning-and-Building/Planning/Advertised-Planning-Applications, and is open for inspection and comment until 16th June or when it is decided on.

Well done to the community for its efforts regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic. We are still heading down uncertain times; however, with restrictions being eased there is a lot of promise. The easing of restrictions has been made due to efforts of each and every one of us. Yes, we are aware we are not the cause of this pandemic. But the first priority is to get through this, then decide our direction. Please maintain distancing, hand-washing and restrict outings where possible just for a bit longer. We will come out the other side of this and we will do this together. Thank you all.

Our monthly meeting has been cancelled for Dunolly 2nd June 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Financial members will receive monthly newletters keeping them up-to-date with present situations. 2020/21 Membership is now due for most. \$10 per year per person — this can be forwarded to PO Box 184 Maryborough or email for bank transfer details cgoldratepayers@mail.com. Visit our *Facebook* site Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Assn Inc or ring on 0419 101 144.

Thank you all and stay safe.

Wayne McKail, President Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Assoc. Inc.

Worm Farm for ASTERIA Services Inc



ASTERIA is thrilled to have received funding from the Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation to assist in the purchase of a commercial size worm farm.

ASTERIA applied through the grant program and was advised that the application was successful in late 2019. The worm farm was then ordered from a reputable Australian manufacturer. The worm farm has now been delivered to ASTERIA's Nelson Street site and after careful preparation of the new home, the worms have taken up residence.

Worm farms are great for the environment as food that might otherwise be sent to landfill is used to feed the worms. Methane is produced when food breaks down in landfill, and it is one of the worst greenhouse gases created. Worms reduce the amount of greenhouse gas generated as they transform organic matter into worm castings.

"The worm farm has had a very positive impact at ASTERIA Services. Our ASTERIA participants are very interested and engaged in learning about what the worms like to eat, as well as keeping the temperature and moisture stable in the unit, and, how we can reuse our food, garden and paper waste effectively," said Annie Constable, Chief Executive Officer. "In time, we hope to be able to produce and sell worm castings and worm tea to the public, and also produce enough worms so we can sell them for bait," Ms Constable added.

This innovation complements the services ASTERIA already provides to the community which includes car wash, gardening, gutter cleaning, domestic cleaning and fencing.

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Rearranging the room

Last Saturday the old computer went to the tip. That was after all the photos had been taken off it by the computer experts in Maryborough. For more than three years it had sat sullenly in my lounge room refusing to go. It had been given plenty of opportunities to reboot but had always been uncooperative.

In order to gain the benefit of free e-waste dumping in the local tip it had to be taken there before the end of June this year. From 1st July all e-waste will have to be paid for. There does not seem to have been much information put out about this, so if you have any electrical or electronic items which you are planning to throw away try and get them to the tip before the end of June.

Anyway, the removal of the computer left a hole in my room so a rearrangement was called for. I sat and looked at it for a few days but nothing really suggested itself. In the end I just pulled out the table the computer had sat on and began vacuuming the accumulated dust-devils which had congregated there over the years. I am not terribly house proud. Once that was done I could see the TV would look better if it was moved onto the now empty computer table. More vacuuming ensued, followed by the surprise of finding so many spiders" webs under the TV. Once it was in its new home a gap now opened up under the photo board. The pretty table my niece had painted and finished with copper foil fitted rather well. Once more the vacuum cleaner had work to do. Much more dog hair in that spot. Interesting. Does the dog spend more time scratching herself there? The sun shines on that spot every afternoon; perhaps that attracts her.

It was all looking much better but the corner of the passage looked rather blank. The big plant stand should look good there and not impede passing traffic too much (though the very first night it was there I managed to

knock it over, but luckily no broken birds). Seeing as how I am not good at looking after indoor plants perhaps my small ceramic bird collection might be the right thing for it. Surprisingly it was. By now I was on a roll. But the space under the TV table had me flummoxed. It was quite a void. Round and round the house I prowled looking for anything to put there. It had to be big enough to be noticeable, but not over fill it. NOTHING!

Time for a break and a cuppa and a think. As I contemplated the table and the black hole beneath it I suddenly remembered the top hat. It had sat quietly in its hatbox for a few years, all but forgotten. When I sat the black hat on top of the black box it was the perfect size and shape, but too dark. A rummage through the scarves revealed two lovely bright ones; a beautiful felted one made by Hazel some years ago, and another bright tiedyed satin one which was also bought in Dunolly some years ago. Now they are sitting between the black hat and the black box and it shows both of them off really well. I should have been an interior decorator.

Vicky Frizzell



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Half a chance

At a fundraising dinner for a school that serves children with learning disabilities, the father of one of the students delivered a speech which would never be forgotten by all who attended. After extolling the school and its dedicated staff, he offered a question:

"When not interfered with by outside influences, everything nature does, is done with perfection. Yet my son, Shay, cannot learn things as other children do. He cannot understand things as other children do. Where is the natural order of things in my son?"

The audience was stilled by the query.

The father continued. "I believe when a child like Shay, who was mentally and physically disabled comes into the world, an opportunity to realise true human nature presents itself, and it comes in the way other people treat that child."

Then he told the following story:

Shay and I had walked past a park where some boys Shay knew were playing baseball. Shay asked, "Do you think they'll let me play?" I knew most of the boys would not want someone like Shay on their team, but as a father I also understood that if my son were allowed to play, it would give him a much-needed sense of belonging and some confidence to being accepted by others in spite of his handicaps.

I approached one of the boys on the field and asked (not expecting much) if Shay could play. The boy looked around for guidance and said, "We're losing by six runs and the game is in the eighth innings. I guess he can be on our team and we'll try to put him in to bat in the ninth innings."

Shay struggled over to the team's bench and, with a broad smile, put on a team shirt. I watched with a small tear in my eye and warmth in my heart. The boys saw my joy at my son's being accepted.

In the bottom of the eighth innings, Shay's team scored a few runs but was still behind by three.

In the top of the ninth innings, Shay put on a glove and played in the right field. Even though no hits came his way, he was obviously ecstatic just to be in the game and on the field, grinning from ear to ear as I waved to him from the stands.

In the bottom of the ninth innings, Shay's team scored again.

Now, with two outs and the bases loaded, the potential winning run was on base and Shay was scheduled to be next at bat. At this juncture, do they let Shay bat and give away their chance to win the game?

Surprisingly, Shay was given the bat. Everyone knew that a hit was all but impossible because Shay didn"t even know how to hold the bat properly, much less connect with the ball.

However, as Shay stepped up to the Plate, the pitcher, recognizing that the other team was putting winning aside for this moment in Shay's life, moved in a few steps to lob the ball in softly so Shay could at least make contact.

The first pitch came and Shay swung clumsily and missed.

The pitcher again took a few steps forward to toss the ball softly towards Shay. As the pitch came in, Shay swung at the ball and hit a slow ground ball right back to the pitcher. The game would now be over.

The pitcher picked up the soft grounder and could have easily thrown the ball to the first baseman. Shay would have been out and that would have been the end of the game. Instead, the pitcher threw the ball right over the first baseman's head, out of reach of all team mates.

Everyone from the stands and both teams started yelling, "Shay, run to first! Run to first!"

Never in his life had Shay ever run that far, but he made it to first base. He scampered down the baseline, wide-eyed and startled.

Everyone yelled, "Run to second, run to second!"

Catching his breath, Shay awkwardly ran towards second, gleaming and struggling to make it to the base.

By the time Shay rounded towards second base, the right fielder had the ball. The smallest guy on their team who now had his first chance to be the hero for his team.

He could have thrown the ball to the second-baseman for the tag, but he understood the pitcher's intentions so he, too, intentionally threw the ball high and far over the thirdbaseman's head.

Shay ran toward third base deliriously as the runners ahead of him circled the bases toward home. All were screaming, "Shay, Shay, Shay, all the Way Shay"

Shay reached third base because the opposing shortstop ran to help him by turning him in the direction of third base, and shouted, "Run to third! Shay, run to third!"

As Shay rounded third, the boys from both teams, and the spectators, were on their feet screaming, "Shay, run home! Run home!"

Shay ran to home, stepped on the plate, and was cheered as the hero who hit the grand slam and won the game for his team.

"That day", said the father softly with tears now rolling down his face, "the boys from both teams helped bring a piece of true love and humanity into this world".

Shay didn't make it to another summer. He died that winter, having never forgotten being the hero and making me so happy, and coming home and seeing his Mother tearfully embrace her little hero of the day!

Story supplied by Carolyn Butler

Editor's note: I'm not ashamed to say that a tear trickled down my face as I read this. Children can be cruel, but sometimes they can be extremely kind and humane. In this time of COVID-19 I have read many stories of kindness in a number of Facebook groups to which I belong. It warms my heart that in times of greatest adversity, sometimes the best in people shines forth. There is hope for the human race.



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Uniting Church

One of the elder members of our congregation, Rob Weir, was laid to rest from our Church on Saturday morning. It was a private family funeral. Our sympathy to Heather and all the family. We hope to have a memorial service for all the members of this Church who have passed away in this difficult time when we can.

The service last Sunday with 10 people in the Church and some of us on *Zoom* went well. The people in the Church could see who was on *Zoom* on the big screen in the front of the Church. *Zoom* is definitely keeping us in touch with each other and every week we are all learning how to use this new tool better.

Life for some of us who live alone can be very confining and it was lovely to see some of our Church family and talk to them.

We still have Rev Gordon Wild for a few more weeks so please, if you have a problem, you can talk to him on 0413 455 856 or email him on:

revwild@mailworks.org.

Jean Richardson

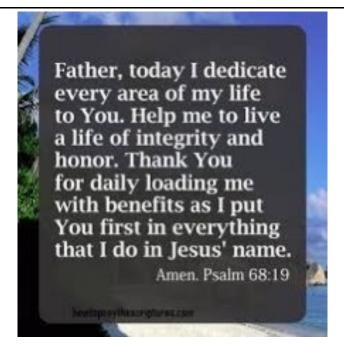
St John"s Church

Church Services have been suspended for the time being.
Rev Canon Heather Blackman
Parish Office, 6 Nightingale Street,
Maryborough. Phone: 5460 5964

Readings this week Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1.6-14 Psalm 68.1-10, 32-35 1 Peter 5 John 17.1-11

"This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent". John 17.3

Esmé Flett



Catholic Church

No services until further notice.

R Mecredy



DUNOLLY CWA UPDATE

Dunolly CWA will be holding its first meeting since April on Wednesday 3rd June at 1.30pm in the SES building. We are all looking forward to catching up with each other, and CWA business too (of course).

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Primary School—school terms

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2nd Monday monthly, 1pm

Maryborough Target to close

Maryborough's Target Country store will close next year as the retailer undergoes a reduction in size, leaving another High Street building empty. Parent company, Wesfarmers, announced last week up to 167 Target and Target Country stores will close or be converted to Kmart stores in an effort to shrink the business. Wesfarmers said it will convert 10 to 40 Target stores into Kmart and close a further 10 to 25 while Target Country, which has stores concentrated in regional areas such as Maryborough, will have 52 of its stores converted and the remaining 50 shut down. Some stores around the country will be closed from as soon as next month while the Maryborough store will close its doors as of early to mid next year.

Managing director of Kmart Group, which includes Target, lan Bailey said Target will move to a stronger online presence in addition to the closures and conversions.

"We continue to believe Target has a future as a leading retail brand in Australia and is much loved by many customers, but a number of actions and changes are required to ensure it is fit for purpose in a competitive, challenging and dynamic market, including a smaller number of stores and a stronger online business," he said. Rumours of Maryborough's Target store closing had been circulating last year but Target dispelled the rumours, telling *The Advertiser* in September that it was "business as usual" locally.

Confirming on Monday the Maryborough store would close, a Target spokesperson said impacted staff members will be supported. "Across the Kmart Group we have made a significant effort to avoid store closures and retain our people and for impacted store team members we have the benefit of time to help find alternative employment opportunities," they said.

"All team members in Target stores scheduled for conversion to Kmart will be offered the opportunity to join the growing Kmart team. As for other affected Target team members, we will work with them to identify and offer other redeployment opportunities in Kmart, Catch, Bunnings and Officeworks as these businesses continue to grow."

Story by Riley Upton Courtesy, The Maryborough Advertiser



Willy Waistcoat's Saga

Now happily settled back in Australia, Billy started work as a rigger, restoring the Westgate Bridge after its horrific collapse during the initial construction. He started working on the falsework, which is a big section of steel propping up the bridge. Over the years this structure started to sag so it had to be propped up again with huge jacks. Joe, one of Billy's mates, was working underneath on the scaffold when the crane dropped its burden too quickly and broke the scaffold. Poor Joe fell 150 feet to his death. Another man had a broken pelvis and one further up survived but thought his back was broken, so Billy asked the doctor to come up top to examine him. The doctor said he couldn't go up there, far too dangerous, so the Port Authority called the Rescue Squad who brought the man down in a cradle on the crane. Apparently he recovered but never returned to the job.

The crane driver who was responsible for the accident was given notice but a week later he returned to ask for his job back. He was told if the riggers wanted him back he could have the job but Billy and his mates certainly did not and chased him off.

Then Billy was offered Joe's job and he accepted and continued putting the jacks in. Once the bridge was level, the top plates began to buckle and they had to be renewed

The riggers paid for a plaque to be installed at the end of the bridge to commemorate the men who lost their lives working on the bridge and every year on 15th October they meet there for a memorial service. This year will be the 50th anniversary.

Memorial plaque

A memorial plaque was paid for and erected by bridge workers, and unveiled on 15th October 1970 in honour and memory of their 35 comrades who died as a result of the bridge"s collapse.



The inscription reads:

Construction workers employed on West Gate Bridge erected and dedicated this memorial to their 35 workmates who were killed when a span of the bridge collapsed during construction at 11.50am on 15th October 1970.

Our comrades who lost their lives were:

Royvin Barbuto — Boilermaker Ross Bigmore — Carpenter Amadeo Boscolo — Carpenter Bernard Butters — Boilermaker During this time Billy got married and one day he suggested to his wife they take a trip to Dunolly as he had heard there was gold still to be found there. They could buy a detector and prospect for gold. Billy's wife thought it a stupid idea, but not deterred, Billy went ahead and tried to find somewhere selling detectors and finished up sending to America for one and they sent him the address of an agent in Melbourne. So Billy went there and found the man had two detectors, one not considered ideal and the other Billy decided to take. There was only an on and off switch on the detector and it continually buzzed.

He then set off for Dunolly with his wife and they booked into the caravan park before heading for Moliagul. Heading into the bush, Billy encountered a man with a metal frame on his shoulders with a propeller on top. The man wearing this strange contraption asked Billy what he was doing and when told he was looking for gold, the man said he wouldn't find any in that spot, but what he needed was the device he was using. He told Billy when you stood over a spot where gold was hidden, the propeller would spin and then offered to equip Billy with one. Billy politely declined, obviously wondering whether he might be an escaped lunatic. He assured Billy that detectors wouldn't work, but later Billy's detector did work and he found a small nugget.

After their return to Dunolly, Billy suggested to his wife that he thought Dunolly would be a nice place to live, but it didn't appeal to her. So back they went to Melbourne. However, I have a sneaking feeling that he did not finish up staying in Melbourne forever. We will see.

Cynthia Lindsay

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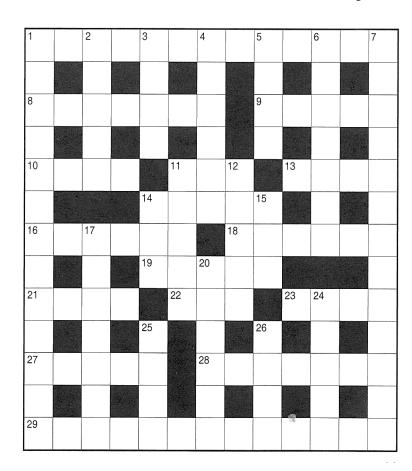
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- 8. Landlocked European country
- 9. Of major Indian religion
- 10. Trigonometric ratio abbreviated by simply removing the last letter
- 11. Flesh in which teeth stand
- 13. Use whip to strike
- 14. To separate forcefully into parts
- 16. Verging on impropriety
- 18. Agricultural tool with curved blade

- 19. Unrelenting tormenting force
- 21. Wan
- 22. Beer barrel
- 23. One from country of U.K.
- 27. Language of Europe
- 28. Taste of food
- 29. In a direction 135° anticlockwise from east

Down

- 1. A written copy (of speech, eg.)
- 2. Brittle resin
- 3. An accepted standard
- 4. Not transparent or translucent
- 5. Pallid
- 6. To plunder
- 7. In the direction which is to the lower left on most maps
- 11. Welcome warmly
- 12. Stoneworker

- 14. Stop something in early stages, nip it in the army member
- 15. One's relations
- 17. Name shared by a type of ant and an
- 20. Deaden (noise)
- 24. Singing group
- 25. Title of former Iranian ruler
- 26. Remain in being



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Missing Cat

Male Ragdoll Cat: white with brown face and tail. No collar. Missing since Sunday 17th May from Tweeddale Street, Dunolly. If found, please call 0407 865 581.

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Fox baits planted in regional forests

Residents are being urged to keep their dogs on a leash when walking in state forests over the coming weeks as around 50 fox baits were temporarily planted in the Maryborough region last week.

The 1080 poison shelf-stable baits were buried last Wednesday by Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMVic) and will be in place for four weeks.

Regional manager of fire Paul Bates said the baits were set in three local state forests and said while there have been no recent incidents of pet dogs consuming the baits, owners should be mindful when walking in the areas.

"There were around 50 baits put in the Lillicur, Bung Bong, Wareek and Mount Hooghly forests," he said.

"The baits are buried and set as per the instructions but the biggest risk is any wandering dogs. If you"re walking your dog in those areas make sure they"re on the leash or well under control. Owners need to be mindful, although I can"t think of any recent issues we"ve had with dogs eating the baits.

"People also need to remember that while baits are in state forests there are also many private landowners baiting at the same time."

Mr Bates said the baits present a low risk to native wildlife.

"It"s not really an issue, we lay the baits according to label directions and also the directions from the Victorian Government," he said.

"They"re laid in a way that absolutely minimises the risk to any non-target species."

FFMVic forest and roading officer, Joseph Rogasch said

foxes are a threat to biodiversity and linked to the decline of many ground-dwelling native animals.

"They also hinder threatened native species recovery and re-introduction programs," he said.

"In addition to preying on lambs, poultry and goats, foxes carry disease and increase the spread of weeds in state forests by carrying seeds in their scats and fur.

"Foxes are a declared pest animal in Victoria and there is a legal responsibility to control pest animals on both public and private land."

Mr Rogasch said the bait stations will be regularly monitored and signage has been placed

"The baits were buried on 20th May and will be monitored regularly for four weeks then removed on 17th June. They will be replaced if taken during the baiting period," he said.

"We ask nearby landholders to ensure their dogs and other pets are confined to their property during the baiting period. Adjoining neighbours have been notified directly by mail to ensure those with dogs are able to carry out precautionary actions.

"Signs have been placed at entrances to the areas

which are part of the program so people using the forests are aware of the baiting program."

Story by Christine Harrison Courtesy, The Maryborough Advertiser



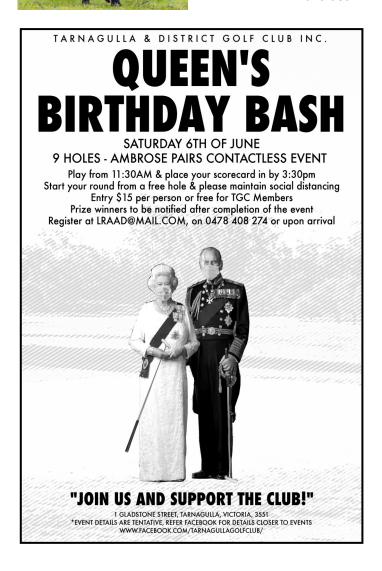


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Dunolly Primary School budding artistsBelow is a random selection of some artworks by our children from a remote learning lesson. "Cityscapes in the style of James Rizzi". Our kids just keep amazing us with their talent.











