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# The collecting bug - Royalty

In a bit of a departure from my usual series on my collecting habits over the past 45 years, I will now concentrate on some individual collections or objects and the reasons for their acquisition.

I realise the subject of Royalty is not everyone's cup of tea and even though as a child I loved everything about it and all it stood for, my interest has somewhat waned other than from an historical perspective.

This, however, has not stopped me collecting bits and pieces as I came across them, the first of these being the souvenir teaspoons which were very much in demand at the time of the Royal weddings of the 1980s. They are probably the only items I purchased at the time of release. In recent years, in an op shop, I came across a coffee cup featuring Charles' and Diana's faces, definitely passé in this day and age, but still something to enhance the collection.

A couple of purchases were made at swap meets and garage sales.

One is a fascinating Coronation game which is the size of a golf ball, the other is a small rosette with a metal crown attached, both released around the time of Queen Elizabeth's 1953 Coronation.

My piece-de-resistance in the small collection however, is a 1950s Royal coach, together with its miniature horses, in its original box. My late mother purchased this at a charity shop in Scotland. She was well-trained and had a good eye when it came to buying gifts for me; she very rarely bought anything new.

There are some old books which could probably be considered part of the collection, however ultimately, in the interests of my need to cull my non-sentimental belongings, I may eventually dispose of everything other than the coach and horses.

Oh well, am probably dreaming; many more collections to deal with before that happens!

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Hello again. Winter is here already, and today (Monday 1st June) has been a reality check on the cool weather front. It seems to get dark early — forgot the bins last week and was most surprised how dark it was when I remembered and took them out just after six (pm).

Been hearing some odd grunty sort of noises outside late at night lately. I've come to the conclusion that it must be kangaroos feeding on the "lawn". I don't know what sort of voice they have, but judging by the roo poo left behind, I'm right.

Did you notice that the Queen and Prince Philip in the Tarnagulla golf club ad last week were wearing corona masks? \*Lèse-majesté surely.

Been contemplating some more oddities in the English language. Why do we say a house, a horse, a hostel etc, but then put "an" in front of other H words like hotel, or even stranger — an heroic action?

Daughter Ramble the elder was up overnight last week, and I noticed a habit that could, in the right circumstances, become as big an issue as where to squeeze the toothpaste tube. I scrape the butter along the top very neatly, and she digs holes in it with the knife. See what I mean?

The above mentioned daughter and I were breakfasting in the sun on the back verandah when there was an almighty crash. We were startled to see the hanging plant stand I use to hang my wind chimes on had fallen over across several pot plants. No major damage to the stand, the plants or the stand — and no real reason why it should have fallen. To add insult to injury, while we were picking it up and cleaning up, an extremely cheeky magpie stole the cheese from my crumpet, and made off with it.

Been experiencing the joys of a gravel road in winter. One cannot win — in summer the car is coated in dust, and in winter the mud takes over.

Spotted this number plate the other day — EZI LYF — very clever.

Rosie



#### CATS

Prowling in his own quiet backyard or asleep by the fire, he is still on a whisker away from the wild.

Jean Burden

\*A French term meaning "to do wrong to majesty", is an offence against the dignity of a reigning sovereign or against a state.

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#### LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear Editor

#### Heritage or not

The Central Goldfields Shire has a poor record on heritage. Recently the shire allowed demolition of heritage buildings and have turned a blind eye to other heritage buildings being demolished without permit.

The basic problem stems from the Central Goldfields Shire Heritage Review not being adopted into the Planning Scheme. Some people have gained benefit from this omission. A lot of money was spent last year on a Planning Scheme Review which pointed out this omission. Despite this the shire has still not acted.

Perhaps we should make this a question to intending councillors as it is apparent that the Administrators have no intention of acting on the advice.

John Tully Carisbrook

Dear Editor.

#### An act of kindness

The other day I was sitting on the seat in the butcher's while Matt served an attractive lady with a nice smile. She was buying a great deal of meat and then produced this small, white cotton string bag and started to load it up with her purchases. I watched in amazement as the little bag stretched and stretched and stretched to hold all the mammoth number of parcels.

It was now more than twice its size so I couldn't help expressing my fascination at the capacity of that little string bag. Its owner told me she took it everywhere for shopping and washed it after every use. She left and I went over to the counter to see what delicacy Matt would offer me. Then the door opened and the same lady came in again and handed me an identical cotton string bag, saying she thought I might like it as it was a spare one.

I was quite overcome by this kind and generous gesture from a complete stranger and thanked her profusely.

Neither Matt nor I recognised her as a local but we both hoped she would come again.

Cynthia

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#### THROUGH MY BALL POINT PEN

I meet so many people through my ball point pen unhappy souls, friendly folks Say, you can call me Ken.

As all around this country I meet them here and there we share a love of country we take the time to share.

Some have a love of poetry it's a part of our lives and deep within our very hearts contentious word that drives.

We love to scribble on any thing serviettes or in a book on tablecloths, even a hand with pens that's sometimes crook.

It doesn't really matter we'll write down any scene and say "hello" to our new friends around places where we've been.

So welcome to the poet's patch and you can call me Ken yes I surely meet a lot of folks through my ball point pen.

Ken Peake

# The Welcome Record Grants Scheme

The Welcome Record invites community organisations to apply for a Grant for funding.

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Painting the front fence white was a pleasant job in the sun. Dunolly gets plenty of sun which is a warm friend in winter and a tyrant in summer. What I have always appreciated about working in the front yard on any house, is the number of neighbours one meets. The front garden has always been an area of display in Australia. The Greeks shocked us decades ago by growing climbing beans, tomatoes and pumpkins in full view of passers-by.

The front garden's in Australia on the old quarter acre block was like the front room of the house. They were kept mowed and pruned and dusted and polished, for the visitors who were often ghosts. To sit in the front room of my Grandmother's house, was an annual treat. No one was ever seen in the front garden, apart from the snails and gnomes that catch a child's eye.

Australian's have become more conscious of this waste of space and now blocks have reduced and houses grown to consume what land is there. The painting of a front fence invites people to talk because many have not put a face to a house, especially in our case where the house is new to us. It is a little place and perfectly positioned in the town. It has a vast front "lawn" which is mainly weed and same in the back. The house is tiny and sits like a mushroom in a field of green. The front fence was a mute donkey brown, just like the underside of a mushroom. I like the fence as it is a line of boards that acts as a frame for the house but does not put any one off entering. I step over it regularly. Robert Frost's poem comes to mind as I paint:

"Something there is that doesn't love a wall that sends the frozen-ground-swell under it." and "Before I built a wall, I'd ask to know What I was walling in or walling out."

Some say that people have become more kind during this period of COVID-19. I have seen that. Some have become more frightened, angry and walled in. My neighbours at Castlemaine (Dunolly mushroom-house belongs to our son) have removed some boulders from their walls but only to insert the noses of canons! People talk about this time of discovering 'what is important in life', they talk of changing their priorities, becoming less materialistic, turning to sour-dough and the like. Some neighbours have seen this as a time to bolster the defences, store up arms, build bigger and stronger walls! Good fences make good neighbours

The walls and barriers keep some people safely distanced always. The plea to "socially distance" was a most unfortunate and ill-thought through one. To physically distance is what is required. I hardly think Australians need to be told to socially distance. How can we be "all in this together" if we are standing behind walls? How can we help coax each other out again now? We need to show kindness and encouragement. We need reassurance that it is safe, not just safe from a virus but safe to be together again, albeit with air between us — not fences or walls. Welcome back to the outside world. Keep reading *The Welcome Record*. It connects us.

Now to brush cleaning. The worst part of fence painting, don't you think?

**Deborah Coulthard** 

### More stories from Cynthia's Willy Waistcoat Saga

After the fatalities on the Westgate Bridge where Billy lost one of his mates, work had to go on, so Billy stayed on for almost two years.

After that he decided to look for something different in the city. He became friends with the controversial union boss, Norm Gallagher, and Jim Bacon, who was later to become Premier of Tasmania. Billy was given a job pouring concrete on the site of the twin towers and he said it was one of the best companies you could work for. However, Norm Gallagher and Bruno Grollo managed to send this company broke by taking all their jobs.

A short time later one of his friends invited Billy to join him at the beach because Norm Gallagher was building a big beach house. Billy asked him who was doing the building and was told it was Grollo and Watts. That confirmed his suspicion that Norm was taking bribes As a result Billy and the other men formed their own little branch, making sure Gallagher didn't find out about it. They called a meeting, Norm Gallagher found out and turned up and accused them of being white ants sent by Jack Mundey, a union and environmental activist from Sydney, to destroy the union.

Later on Billy was in the union room and was discussing his suspicions of Gallagher taking bribes. Then suddenly Gallagher walked in with five men. He addressed Billy, "Ah Mr Weetman, you have been accusing me of taking bribes have you?"

Replied Billy, "That's right Normie, I have."

"Then here's a piece of paper and a pen. Write it down and sign it."

"I am not stupid," said Billy, "But I do know that you are taking bribes from Grollo and Ian Watts and I know about your beach house." Norm seemed a bit shocked but he threatened Billy before he left.

After that Billy decided to move out of Melbourne and then his wife became ill with cancer, which meant many hospital visits, so they decided to go to Queensland where the treatment was free. Once settled, Billy found a job on a building site and was shocked to discover that the lack of facilities was like going back in time: no sheds, no toilets. Billy asked where did one go to the toilet and was told in the bushes. How primitive was that? So Billy took over as union man and managed to have sheds, toilets and better working conditions all taken care of. About three months Into the job one of the men told Billy he was wanted down below to see a union official, some fat guy, he said. Billy looked down and recognised, yes you guessed it, Normie Gallagher. I can't repeat the expletive Billy used but it's easily guessed. Then he thought, "I've got my safety helmet on so he may not recognise me," but of course that was wishful thinking because the site manager said, "This is Bill Weetman from Melbourne. You may know him." Norm stared in horror at Billy but didn't say anything. It turned out he was standing for union election and was canvassing for votes. When Billy returned to work and everyone asked him who was the visitor, Billy told them and warned them not to vote for him. Unfortunately, as history showed, Gallagher still got in but finally brought the Builders Labourers Federation to its knees. Cynthia Lindsay





### **DUNOLLY GOLF CLUB**

Saturday 23rd May, saw us play for the Fred Robertson Trophy, an annual event going back many years.

The Men's winner was Craig Burn on 34 points from Rod Stuart with 33 points.

Ladies' victor was Shenae Hunt. Nearest the pin winners were Craig Burn on the 6th 8th and 13th, Shenae Hunt on the 12th, and Captain Rob Scholes on the 16th. Congratulations to all winners!

Last Saturday we played a Stableford event in sunny but cool conditions. Josh Hunt took the honours from his dad Darren, 35 points to 34.

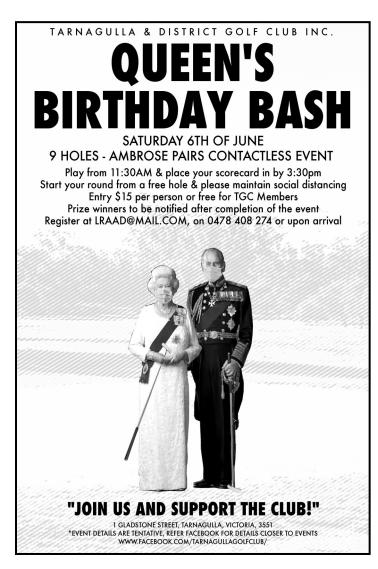
Keeping it all in the family, Shenae Hunt won the Ladies division with 29 points, with Cheryl Lovel next with 24. Nearest the pin went to Josh, who was very close on the 6th. Joe Lovel and Rory Scholes were two of our juniors who scored well, but more importantly continued to show steady improvement.

This week will see us compete for the June monthly medal, our first for the year. We would love to see as many players as possible on Saturday, so please come along if you can.

We will be having a BBQ after play for players and families, observing social distancing and all COVID-19 regulations of course!

Please attend if you can, from 5.30pm on. Social Members are more than welcome.

Ian Arnold







### Victorians to enjoy camping once again

From Monday 1st June 2020, Parks Victoria will welcome visitors back to stay at all 1,348 camping and accommodation sites in Victoria's parks, in line with the latest requirements to help slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19).

Communal toilets will be open, but no other communal facilities such as showers, kitchens, barbecues and water fountains will be available. Accommodation with no shared facilities such as remote camping will be allowed.

Visitors will need to adhere to physical distancing measures and supply all items needed for personal hygiene.

All parks and assets will be open to visitors from 1st June 2020, with the following exemptions to meet physical distancing standards:

- Buchan Caves Reserve cave tours closed .
- Lower Glenelg National Park Princess Margaret Rose Cave closed.
- State Coal Mine underground tours closed
- Point Nepean National Park Fort Nepean, including underground tunnels closed (no access beyond Fort Pearce).
- St Kilda Pier penguin viewing platform is closed.
- Twelve Apostles Visitor Centre and lookouts are closed.
- Wilsons Promontory light station is closed.

These sites within parks will remain closed until further notice as they contain viewing experiences which encourage congregation, congestion and the gathering of visitors at focal points, which don't comply with physical distancing measures.

Please note that across all Parks Victoria managed parks and assets, barbecues, drinking fountains, showers and communal kitchens are not available for public use.

Some parks remain closed due to seasonal closures and for bushfire recovery.

For a full list of park closures, visit:

https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/get-into-nature/safety-in-nature/changed-conditions-and-closures

Bookings for camping and roofed accommodation can be made from midday Thursday 28th May 2020 by visiting www.parks.vic.gov.au or calling 131 963.

The summer ballot for camping at Tidal River in Wilsons Prom will open Wednesday 1st July 2020.

All eased restrictions and the proposed dates are subject to the advice of Victoria's Chief Health Officer and the continued and effective management of the spread of COVID-19.

For more information on park closures and affected visitor sites visit: www.parks.vic.gov.au/COVID19 before you leave home.

Parks Victoria Media Release



#### Action Plan progressing well

Central Goldfields Shire Council received its quarterly update on the Annual Action Plan at last night's (25th May) Council Meeting.

In total, 93 projects and initiatives are identified in the report, with 45 of these now completed or ongoing, 46 under way and just two not yet started.

Some of the projects under way include: construction of an all access change room at the Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre and implementation of the Gordon Gardens Master Plan, while completed projects include the Your Community 2030 Plans and the Population, Housing and Residential Strategy.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it was great to see nearly all projects and initiatives had been completed, ongoing or currently under way.

"All the items listed in the Action Plan aim to benefit residents in different areas such as economy, community and natural and built environments. This update is testament to staff from across the organisation and the huge body of work carried out over the past 12 months." The Action Plan can be viewed at:

#### www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/councilplans

#### Council removes library fines for trial period

At last night's (26th May) Council Meeting, Central Goldfields Shire Council endorsed that Maryborough Regional Library will no longer — following the COVID-19 pandemic — issue fines for overdue items for a trial period of 12 months.

Previously, Maryborough Regional Library staff issued fines capped at \$5 for each item overdue. This undermines one of the core principles of public libraries — the provision of free and universal access to information. Instead of issuing fines, Maryborough Regional Library will still implement a 'support to comply' program which encourages responsible use aligning with core library principles which includes:

- Promotion of the free flow of information and ideas through open access to recorded knowledge, information and creative works.
- Connection of people to ideas.
- Commitment to literacy, information and learning.
- Respect for the diversity and individuality of all people.
- Preservation of the human record.
- Excellence in professional service to our communities.
- Partnerships to advance these values.
- Suspend or restrict borrowing rights if one item is overdue for more than four days.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said there is no evidence fining patrons for overdue items encouraged continued access of the Library service.

"Public libraries should be available to all community members to use, borrow items and access information free of charge. A fining system could be a discouragement for residents to access the Library service.

"By removing the fines system, this will build a more positive and engaging relationship between Maryborough Regional Library staff and patrons."

At the end of the 12 month period, the changes will be reassessed.

### Council adopts Population, Housing and Residential Strategy

Central Goldfields Shire Council adopted the Population, Housing and Residential Strategy at its Council Meeting last Tuesday night (26th May). The strategy aims to give direction to future residential settlement and ensure there is an adequate supply of land available for residential purposes to accommodate projected population growth for 15 years. For the first time Council has evidence-based data on which to base its decisions.

The strategy responds to the uncertainties of predicting population growth by providing three scenarios based on previous demographic trends and potential future drivers of growth. This will enable a flexible response to residential demand as it emerges.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said while the strategy will accommodate future population growth of the shire, it will also provide guidance on balancing greenfield and infill development while protecting heritage.

"The Population, Housing and Residential Strategy will help ensure the provision of diverse land and housing types across the shire over the coming years while also retaining the historical character of our larger towns and smaller townships.

"As well as managing growth within the natural forest boundary surrounding Maryborough, it will provide direction for residential development in Dunolly and Talbot, including the issue of wastewater management in the latter," Mr Harvey said.

#### Works update

Kerb works in Dunolly: New kerb works are under way in Alice Street from Hardy to Thompson streets. The new kerbing will be approximately 125 metres in length with the works expected to be complete between one and two weeks, weather depending. The project will be delivered by Council's works team and contractors.

#### **Energy Breakthrough update**

The Energy Breakthrough team is currently exploring ways for the event to be held in November which is safe and meets COVID-19 requirements.

Information and advice is changing every day and the team is working hard to use this information to shape our decisions.

If government restrictions allow the event to proceed in November it will be a very different celebration to what we have seen over the past 29 years.

There will be new conditions to meet, to make this a safe event. Under no circumstances will an event be held which would jeopardise the safety of competitors, volunteers, visitors, contractors, staff and the broader community. The EB team is hopeful that an informed decision can be made in July and until then planning continues.

CGSC Media Release



CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS
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RESIDENTS ASSOC. INC.

We would like to start with a huge well done to the shire for their streamed Listening Post. The last listening post is available on the council's *Facebook* site; this was a tremendous idea and was extremely well received. We would like to see this continue and we encourage the community to participate, ask questions and support this initiative.

Another well done to our Federal Minister Dr Anne Webster MP for the \$700,000 grant towards roads and infrastructure. CGR&RAI wonders if the Carisbrook flood levee stages three and four is termed infrastructure?

In the above mentioned Listening Post the Carisbrook flood levee update was given by both Administrators. A brief summary is: the funds to complete the levee stages three and four is still to be finalised. It will consist of one third for Local, State and Federal government funds. Our shire reported they have its contribution, but the agreement between State and Federal for providing grants to the same project has elapsed and we have to wait for that agreement to be reinstated before they can forward their contribution . Please make your own mind up on this reason given. The land acquisition also is still not complete.

The need arose to research the local planning scheme. On doing this, we were staggered by the huge number of alterations which have been made over the past two years.

For those interested, a change of just one word can make a complete difference to one sentence. Here is the link to understand how the planning scheme can be altered: https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/legislation-regulations-and-fees/restrictive-covenants/amend-the-planning-scheme

This is one line in the above link which raised our eyebrows.

"The planning authority must give notice to all owners and occupiers of land benefitted by the restrictive covenant, and it must consider all submissions." Were you ever asked?

Amendments may be viewed online:

https://www.planning.vic.gov.au/schemes-and-amendments/amending-a-planning-scheme/planning-documents-on-exhibition

One example of changes is in the present Central Goldfields Shire Planning scheme in section 15.03-1S HERITAGE. A revamp of the complete wording plus an addition of a "Consider as Relevant" the Victorian Heritage Council, but the addition of The Australia ICOMOS Charter for Places of Cultural Significance.

Heritage Victoria still acknowledges the City of Maryborough Heritage scheme 1992.

In 2003 the Shire commissioned Wendy Jacobs and David Rowe to produce a new heritage scheme Central Goldfields Heritage Scheme 2004. This completed study was presented to the shire, however the previous Council nor the present Council did not adopt this report over the 1992 City of Maryborough study. In a review in 2013, an independent planner touted the 2004 plan as a highly recommended study and in the 2019 review the fact that the 2004 study had not been adopted again was raised. CGR&RAI will be doing an update on planning and heritage situations in future weeks.

We will finish heritage on the note — do we have a Heritage policy yet?

With COVID-19 still a very real issue, we ask each and every one of us to still practise distancing, washing your hands and restrict outings where possible. We are not out of the woods yet. Thank you and stay safe.

Wayne McKail, President Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Assn.

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#### No services at any churches until further notice eg Catholic Church in late June

#### **Catholic Church**

At last some good news on the worship front. Mass is going to return to St. Mary's, Dunolly. There will be 8.30am Mass on Sunday 14th June and Sunday 28th June. Due to isolation distancing, Mass is available to regular parishioners only.

The Rosary is being said at 5pm Tuesday each week.

Be still and know that I am God

Psalm 46: 10

R Mecredy



#### St John's Church

Anglican Church News.

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

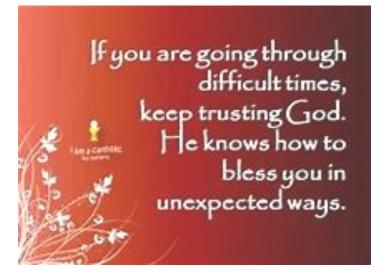
#### Readings this week

Day of Pentecost Numbers 11.24-30 Psalm 104.26-36 Acts 2.1-21 John 20.19-23

'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,' says the Lord; 'and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.'

John 7.38

Esmé Flett



#### **Uniting Church**

It is sad to hear of this town losing one of its old timers, Lin Lovel.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife Marie and family. He has helped so many of us in his line of work as our town's funeral director.

The Op Shop will not be open for a little while yet as we have to protect the people who work in it. New stock must be put out and the place has to be cleaned.

Rev Wild has ideas for a part of it to be made into a place for people to come and meet and share a cuppa. All this takes time.

We had our church service again on line. We are all getting better at it but it is a lot of work for Rev Gordon.

Jean Richardson



The Op Shop is opening again soon with changes to the shop layout and stock updates. Watch this space for the re-opening date.



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#### MAYORAL COLUMN

#### **Loddon Shire COVID-19 updates**

From today we welcome another round of cautious easing of restrictions across Victoria. As well as a return to face-to-face learning in school, outdoor playgrounds, skate parks and outdoor gym equipment have now reopened.

You may now have up to 20 people in your home, including those who live there. Outdoor gatherings have also increased to 20. Limits on significant ceremonies have lifted to allow 20 guests at weddings, 50 mourners at funerals and up to 20 people allowed at other religious ceremonies.

Overnight stays at private residences are now permitted and importantly for our tourism industry, so are overnight stays in accommodation. This will also apply to campgrounds and caravan parks – but not with communal facilities such as kitchens and bathrooms.

A range of other venues will be allowed to reopen with strict limits and requirements imposed.

Individual businesses and accommodation providers will need to examine the guidelines and decide how this impacts on their business. New practices and procedures may need to be implemented in order to operate while some may need to wait until further easing of restrictions.

However, the central message remains the same; in order to stay safe, we should stay home as much as possible. This means those who can work from work home should continue to do so. Limiting how much people move around still helps slow the spread of the virus.



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These changes will be reviewed by the Victorian Government on Monday 22nd June if community transmission rates continue to remain low.

For full details about Victoria's restrictions, visit https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

#### Skills help for small business

Businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic now have free access to top online short courses and training events to gain new skills and knowledge to keep small businesses moving forward.

*Upskill My Business* is a Victorian Government partnership with key industry groups and education providers to support Victorian businesses through the impacts of the pandemic.

The online programs, short courses and events offered, cover topics ranging from business innovation to staff development.

Small Business Victoria's Digital Opportunities Roadshow, Small Business Workshops, Mentoring Program and the Small Business Bus have transitioned to online delivery and are being accessed by a wide range of enterprises across the state.

Businesses can find out if there is a program to assist them and their workers at the *Upskill My Business* website: www.upskill.business.vic.gov.au or by calling the Business Victoria hotline on 13 22 15.

#### Community sports survival packages

Local community sporting clubs and associations are able to apply for grants aimed at supporting community infrastructure projects, creating jobs and supporting local businesses.

Eligible organisations will be able to apply for funding under the Victorian Community Sport Sector Short-term Survival Package in order to ensure their ongoing viability and solvency.

This will help a range of organisations and associations ride out the economic impacts of the pandemic and help them to rebound and recover.

For further information and details on how to apply, visit www.sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding

#### June Loddon Bulletin

The winter edition of the *Loddon Bulletin* will be arriving in letterboxes throughout the Shire over the coming days. This publication is a great source of relevant news and information for all residents.

This edition looks back at our very different ANZAC Day, has council news and updates as well as details from the results of the Active Living Census. There is also a feature on Red Dog Chillies – another example of a local enterprise finding a niche market to grow their business.

If you need a copy of the *Bulletin*, you can download a copy from our website https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/ News-and-public-notices/Loddon-Bulletins or phone Customer Service on 5494 1200 to have one posted to you.

#### **Regional Growth Summit**

Last week Council was pleased to be involved in the inaugural Regional Growth Summit. This virtual summit was an opportunity for small and medium business people to engage in a day of free online education, networking and workshops hosted by experienced professionals.

Loddon businesses that missed out on the summit are still able to take advantage of the opportunities to develop strategies and tools to grow their business by registering at Bit.ly/RGSMay2020.

Simply enter the access code *LoddonRGSPass* to make the most of the shared knowledge, advice and resources available for free.

Cr Cheryl McKinnon, Loddon Shire



### This week's value in focus is: Integrity

Being honest and true to myself

#### Around school this week

#### **RETURN TO SCHOOL P-3**

Thank you to our amazing school community for a smooth return to school for our Prep to year 3 students this week. Everyone is very quickly into the routine of drop off and pick up. There have been a few queries about accessing the office. If you need to deliver something for your child, please phone when you are in the car park and we will come and collect it for you. For any other matter that cannot be resolved by phoning the school, please come to the car park, phone the office to notify of your arrival and we will instruct you to come in. These are guidelines from the Minister for Education and the Chief Health Officer of Victoria. We usually love welcoming parents to the school and we certainly don't want to offend anyone with these procedures. Please understand they are in place to protect everyone.

#### **HEALTH AND HYGIENE**

All students and staff are regularly washing and sanitising hands during the day. We have additional cleaning of high touch points occurring in the middle of the day by our fantastic cleaner and also the thorough clean at the end of every day.

#### PARENT AND STUDENT SURVEY

There will be a parent and student survey available shortly to complete on your remote learning experience.

#### **SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**

# Rescheduled to Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup>

Please ensure you keep the envelope which was sent home last term to use to order your child's photos.

#### **Drink Bottles**

Please remember that the bubble taps are not to be used. All students MUST have their own drink bottle.



### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep/1 – Christopher Kurzke Year 2/3 – Oscar Fitt-Gloury

#### Welcome back to school Prep/1/2/3

The Prep/1 class made a zipline



Year 2/3 class







The Victorian Government has extended the deadline for mandatory registration of private pools and spas due to the impact of coronavirus.

Private pool and spa owners now have until Sunday 1st November 2020 to register their pools with Council — an extension from the original deadline of Monday 1st June 2020.

The new deadline is an acknowledgement of the increased pressure on families due to the pandemic.

Drowning is one of the leading causes of preventable death in young children aged up to five years. In Victoria, 40 per cent of drowning incidents in this age group occur in home swimming pools.

To improve the safety of pools and spas, the Victorian building regulations changed on 1st December 2019. From this date, owners of properties which contain a swimming pool or spa are required to register the swimming pool and spa with Council's Building Services by no later than Sunday 1st November 2020.

This requirement applies to all pools and spas capable of holding more than 300mm of water, regardless of whether the pool or spa is permanent or movable. This includes permanent pools, above ground pools, indoor pools, hot tubs, bathing or wading pools and some relocatable pools.

The change in regulations aims to address common reasons why safety barriers fail to keep children safe, such as: a lack of maintenance on hinges and latches, allowing vegetation to grow too close to the barrier, placing climbable objects such as planters or barbecues next to the barrier and allowing fences or alterations to compromise the effectiveness of the barrier.

Further information can be obtained from the Victorian Building Authority website www.vba.vic.gov.au/consumers/swimming-pools/registration-requirements.

To obtain an application form to register your pool, please contact Council's Building Services on 5494 1242 or email building@loddon.vic.gov.au

An application to register a swimming pool or spa may be obtained from Council's website:

www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Forms-and-permitapplications under "Building".

Loddon Shire Media Release

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#### Pick your mushroom

Hasn't it been a wonderful Autumn, plenty of rain, days of sunshine and warm soil? The garden is doing well, not to mention the weeds.

The article on the front page of *The Welcome Record* is timely to remind us fungi isn't always friendly. It is amazing to think of their spores laying dormant until the ideal conditions during Autumn. The ones I see usually push through the toughest, hardest soils physically cracking and moving clods of clay as they explode into daylight. Of course the "Puff balls" literally do explode sending spores into the air. The colour and shapes of wild fungi are incredible from deep brown to fluorescent yellow and orange and also the red spotted with white that grow around pine trees.

A great knowledge is needed to recognise what is safe to eat. I usually pick mine at the supermarket where there is also an amazing range available.

Helen Jesser





### Welcome to Boredom Buster #9 – Is your fireplace safe?

This week it's all about safety around open fires in the home. Below are some additional points to add to social media posts – Before you get cosy in front of your fire -

- Keep children a safe distance from open flames by having a firescreen in place;
- Check to make sure you have put the fire out before you go to bed or leave the house;

Please continue sharing as widely as you can in different ways such as uploading to social media/websites, publishing locally, etc. Hope you're finding these handy as they're assisting with maximising messaging throughout communities.

Stay safe and as always if you have any suggestions or need assistance please just ask. Stay tuned for the next Boredom Buster! Community Advert



#### Former Bet Bet School — Nomination for recognition by Heritage Victoria

A nomination for the former Bet Bet school for recognition by Heritage Victoria was accepted for consideration recently. An assessment of the school building and the original garden site will be undertaken to determine whether the site can be added to the Victorian Heritage database. This means that the building and heritage gardens will be protected, preserved (and in the case of the gardens), restored.

Thanks to community members who came forward with recollections of the school — these helped with the bid. Any community members who have information about the school are invited to contact me by email: (<a href="mailto:rhondahallett@gmail.com">rhondahallett@gmail.com</a>).

A recent photo of the school gardens showing outlines of

the original garden beds is below.

Rhonda Hallett.



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#### Across

- 1. Part of eyeball
- 4. Involuntary audible
- 7. Coat of paint before final coat
- 9. Character of early alphabet
- 10. Take secret look
- 11. Inappropriate
- 13. Cooking with dry heat
- 14. Of inferior quality
- 15. Quickly-rotating star emitting radio waves
- 17. Put decisive end to

- 19. U.S. consumer rights activist, Nader
- 20. Percussion instrument
- 22. To support with object, \_\_\_\_ up
- 23. In merciful manner
- 24. Distress signal
- 25. Participate (in)

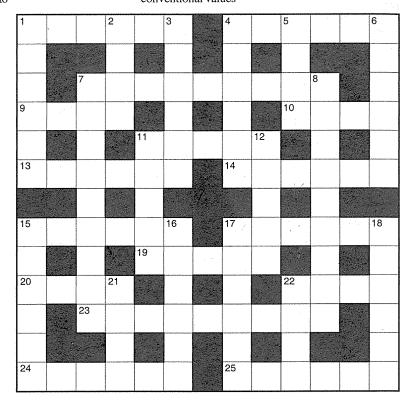
#### Down

- 1. Sweet innocent child
- 2. No part (of)
- 3. The maturing process
- 4. Frenzied
- 5. Boom of thunder
- 6. Mix of blue and red
- 7. Done without expertise (as in 'an \_ attempt')
- 8. Region of Australia, Jervis Bay \_
- 11. Remove barrier to give access

#### 12. Portable light

- 15. Platform of speaker
- 16. Give formal approval
  - - - conventional values
- 17. Porous cleaning pad
- 18. One who rejects
- 21. Alcoholic beverage
- 22. Engine's fuel-igniting

device, spark \_



### Solution for No. 19



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### **Eating in the Fifties**

Tea was made in a teapot with tea leaves and never green. Cubed sugar was regarded as posh. Fish didn't have fingers in those days. None of us had ever heard of yoghurt. Healthy food consisted of anything edible Cooking outside was called camping.



### **CLASSIFIEDS & NOTICES**



#### McCABE, Mark

Many passers-by would have seen and waved to Mark (Scooterboy) as he frequently sat on his verandah in Tweeddale Street. Sadly, no more.

My beloved first born son passed peacefully away in Bendigo Hospital on Tuesday 26th May.

You fought long and hard to stay but it was not to be. Rest now my Lovely.

**Funeral arrangements** — An open funeral for Mark will be held at the Dunolly Cemetery at 2.30pm on Thursday 4th June 2020. All Welcome. NB: the funeral notice in *The Maryborough Advertiser* was listed as a private funeral in error. Mark was a friendly soul and had many friends who would appreciate the opportunity to farewell a much loved Dunolly community member.

### TAYLOR, Harold Russell (Scotty) Thank You

A special thank you to Dr Carson, MDHS nurses and staff for the care you gave Scotty. You are a wonderful team. Thank you for the kindness shown by everyone who sent flowers, cards and phoned; it's been much appreciated.

Jill and family.

#### WEIR, Rob

The Dunolly Bowling Club sadly regrets the passing away of Rob Weir.

A life member and past president, Rob was an active member on and off the bowling green for many years. We enjoyed his friendship and acknowledged him as a true gentleman.

Very few would have had the honour to play bowls with his wife, Heather, son, Allan and grandson, Evan.

Members of the club send our condolences to the Weir Family.

"Before we can find the answer — before we can even know the question — we must be immersed in disappointment."

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The Railway Hotel would like to thank all of the people who supported us during this trying time of COVID-19 lockdown.

We would especially like to thank those people who donated money toward providing meals to folks in our community, all of which was passed on most gratefully.

Trent and Karyn

#### Railway Hotel Dunolly — Some dining in

Due to the lifting of some restrictions we will open on Friday and Saturday nights for dining. We can only have a maximum of 20 diners. There will be two sittings.

6pm until 7pm and 7pm until 8pm.

Booking are essential so we can set tables accordingly to be 1.5 metres apart.

The bar is not allowed to open until further notice.

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Our takeaway service and home delivery service is still continuing as normal.

Trent and Karyn

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### Kate completes 500k charity ride by Christie Harrison

Local Dunolly resident and real estate agent Kate Ashton has completed a mammoth 500 kilometre bike ride across Thailand and raised \$10,000, all in the name of charity.

Ms Ashton took on the challenge to celebrate 15 years working at Maryborough Ballarat Real Estate and to raise money for Hands Across the Water, an Australian-based charity supporting disadvantaged children across Thailand.

After making the commitment to the ride in July last year, Ms Ashton jetted off on 25th February to join a group of riders — all involved in the real estate industry from around Australia and the UK — and began the 500 kilometres trek from Bueng Kan.

"It was harder than I had imagined but it was also so emotional, I could actually see where the money I raised was going," she said.

"I don't think you can ever train enough to do something like this. You can do physical training but you can't do emotional training."

The group completed around 100 kilometres per day over five days and Ms Ashton said while the terrain was similar to the Maryborough region, the humidity made it extra difficult.

"The ride was broken into sections of 20 to 30 kilometres at a time and we did five days of riding with one day of rest," she said.

"We did around 100 kilometres per day. The hard part wasn't necessarily the kilometres that was the hard part, it was the humidity and the heat which made it difficult.

"We rode through many regional communities and everyone would be out the front waving and saying hello, it was wonderful."

The ride finished in Homehug, a charity home operated by Hands Across the Water for children aged between two months and 18 years old.

"The kids at Homehug were dancing and singing when we got there and the smiles on their faces were just infectious," Ms Ashton said.

Ms Ashton hit her \$10,000 fundraising target by the fifth day into the ride and said she's already booked in to do the ride again.

"I'm so thankful for everybody's donation," she said.

"There were some very high profile Sydney real estate agents who didn't reach their target, and I got there with the support of this community.

"I booked in for the next ride straight away and the majority of the other riders did as well.

"I'll be doing a lot more training over summer for it. We're aiming on doing that next year but with COVID-19 we don't know when that'll be."

Courtesy of the Maryborough Advertiser



"We did around 100 kilometres per day. It wasn't necessarily the kilometres which was the hard part, it was the humidity and the heat which made it difficult."

— Kate Ashton

#### Above:

Dunolly resident and Maryborough Ballarat Real Estate agent Kate Ashton, completed a 500 kilometre ride across Thailand recently, raising \$10,000 for charity.



#### Right

The group with whom Ms Ashton completed the ride with were members of the real estate industry from across Australia and beyond.



Dunolly's new basketball court in Gordon Gardens. From left to right.

Administrator Karen Douglas, General Manager Infrastructure Assets and Planning Rebecca Stockfeld, Dunolly's Ella Patten and Healthy Heart of Victoria broker Lynn Waters



Dunolly's new library in the old lock-up, part of the Old Court House precinct. From right to left. Coordinator Library Services Maree Stephenson and Administrator Karen Douglas



Photos from Central Goldfield Shire Council 's collection