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# **Sovereigns found in Moliagul**



We've all heard the story of that person out on their very first treasure hunt with a metal detector who hits the mother load.

Well break out your tissues, because it's happened again.

Bev Martin, out on her first adventure into Victoria's Golden Triangle chasing gold nuggets with her metal detector, couldn't believe her eyes when she dug up not one, but fourteen, solid gold sovereigns! All out of the same hole.

The coins are dated between 1842 and 1857 and the total value of these sovereigns is reputed to be around \$11,000 according to Joe Dettling, owner of Wynyard Coin Centre.

"Sovereigns can be worth hundreds of thousands, or as little as zero. It all depends on when they were made, the type and their condition," he said.

Bev, who was on a family holiday in the Goldfields area and only recently took up gold detecting, was surprised to hear her detector blaring madly. On digging excitedly, she was stunned to find the 14 gold sovereigns.

She shared her thrilling news with Detecting Downunder *Facebook* group and the story spread like wildfire, inspiring renewed efforts in gold detecting.

Bev is unsure what to do with her sovereigns, but first step would be to get them properly valued.

"I have no idea how much they are worth, but just the gold value alone would be worth quite a bit," she said.

They say beginner's luck. We say good luck! Well done Bev.

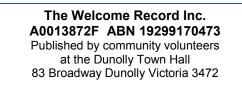
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## Friends of a feather enjoy fresh weather

Maryborough's favourite swan family enjoyed a day on Lake Victoria recently, despite the chilly conditions the region has been experiencing this winter. Frosts have been a feature of the past month, with temperatures dropping below double digits to 9.2 degrees on 3rd July.

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Have you seen the very handsome shiny robot in a front yard up the hospital end of Tweeddale Street? It is quite large and made, I think, from gas cylinders. I noticed this morning that he has a mate — an equally handsome and shiny blue and yellow emoji. They look great — congrats to the maker.

I bought a *Kalanchoe* plant in a pot early in the year and it is still blooming. I am fascinated by the way the heads of flowers appear from under the leaves. I have spent time looking between the leaves looking for buds, but have only seen one. The flowers just seem to appear and they last for ages. I wish I had gone mad and bought two of them, or more even.

Did you know that Tim Tam biscuits are named after an American race horse? Apparently Mr Arnott was at the races in America and saw this horse racing, and decided to name a new biscuit after it. This must be true — it was on *The Chase* — and they know nearly everything.

One of the Coodabeens on Saturday remarked that a relative had said they didn't like the Corona footie. I reckon they are not alone in that.

There will no doubt be a rush for face masks now they are compulsory outside in Melbourne. Equally no doubt the price of said masks will skyrocket even more. Sister Ramble tells me that one can make a mask out of a sock! I presume that is on the internet somewhere. Just in case you are wondering — the heel of the sock fits over the nose. She did explain how it is done, but I doubt there will be a rush on large socks to be turned into protective gear. New meaning to the expression "Put a sock in (on) it ."

I was very disgruntled on Sunday afternoon. I settled myself down at 5pm with a cup of coffee, all prepared to watch one of my favourite TV shows — the *Antiques Road Show*. But as they say, no show — instead the repeat of *Hard Chat* was on. I like Tom Gleeson, but once a week is enough. There was no sign of *Antiques*, no explanation as to where it had gone. I can only presume that someone somewhere pushed the wrong button.

By the way, what is the opposite of disgruntled? By rights it should be gruntled — but it's not in my dictionary. It is a great word for when one is feeling at odds with the world. Keep safe.

#### CATS-

Cats are a mysterious kind of folk. There is more passing in their mind than we are aware of. Sir Walter Scott



KEEP CALM

Aging seems to be the only available way to live a long life.

Kitty O'Neill Collins

Rosie



#### Correction

In Mr Tully's letter to the Editor last week, he erroneously stated that three members resigned from the DDI.

There were two members of the executive who did indeed resign their positions, the third resigned her position on the committee. All three remain as members of the DDI.

Brian Phillips, DDI President

#### Thanks to Dunolly's business community

I am certain I can speak for many others in town in expressing appreciation to our business community for their efforts during these difficult times. Whilst some businesses have wisely decided to stay closed in the interim, others have remained open, with limited services. The operators and staff of all these businesses should be highly commended for their dedication in complying with hygiene, social-distancing and other protocols, in extremely challenging circumstances, helping to keep the Dunolly community and our visitors safe. Thank you.

Jenny Scott

#### ATM removal

The RTC, with great regret, would like to advise users of the ATM, that the ATM will be removed due to unsustainable costs by Cashpoint Payment Solutions, which is the owner of the machine. The ATM will be removed as soon as the border reopens with NSW.

Before the usual complainants come out of the woodwork, the RTC did NOT have anything to do with this decision. Also please remember if it wasn't for the efforts of the RTC, Dunolly would not have had the ATM in the first place.

Rosa Halas RTC Coordinator

## Bookshop and local craft store back in business

Local literary and craft hobbyists will no doubt be breathing a sigh of relief with the Maryborough Lions Club Bookshop and Maryborough Craft Shop throwing open their doors recently. The stores pulled the pin on their usual trade due to the coronavirus pandemic earlier this year but as restrictions have eased, they have reopened to the public.

Both the bookshop and craft shop are run and managed by volunteers and Maryborough Craft Shop Incorporated president Liz Jennings said since reopening it has been doing a roaring trade.

"A lot of our members really wanted to open and the shortened hours we're currently operating with have actually been very good; the return on those hours has been very good," she said.

"I think we have seen more people in because they're looking for a new hobby or something to occupy themselves with. The shop sells the work of our members and some materials. We always keep eight ply yarn on hand and that has been going very, very well since we opened."

The craft shop has around 40 members who volunteer their time to keep it running and while trading hours have been cut back from seven days a week to four, Ms Jennings said having the store open again is a "godsend" for some members. "A lot of our members originally joined because they were new to town and wanted to meet people," she said. "Some of our other members have lost partners and have found the shop a godsend as they get to meet new people and do what they enjoy with their crafts. It is good to be open again, particularly for some of our members because it's giving them something to do that they enjoy and it's a real thrill if someone comes in and buys something you've made."

The craft shop is in its 30th year of operation this year which Ms Jennings said is a "pretty big achievement".

"We're in our 30th year which is a pretty big achievement for a group that works on commission," she said. "We were hoping to have a big celebration but we'll just have to wait and see if we'll be able to."

While it was closed, the Maryborough Lions Club Bookshop took the opportunity to bring in new, pre-loved stock for the community. Maryborough Lions Club president Lorraine Parker said the store has been busy since reopening.

"It certainly has been busy the last few weeks we've been open," she said. "We had a very generous donation from a lady with about 150 jigsaw puzzles and 35 boxes of books and they've all been absolutely wonderful. Especially with people being isolated, there are a lot of community members looking for something different to do."

The bookshop provides a substantial income stream for the community group and Ms Parker said it's a relief to have things back on track.

"It was quite a shock but we realised we had to close out of consideration for not only our volunteers but also members of the community," she said. "We're very happy to have reopened now but we are observing health measures with hand sanitiser and social distancing in place. Everyone appears to be more than happy to go along with that, we haven't had any issues yet — I think people are just glad to be back."



The Maryborough Craft Shop's Tuaggra Street store is open from Wednesday to Saturday, 10 am to 3pm, while the pop-up site at 89-91 High Street is open Thursday to Sunday 10 am to 3 pm.

The Maryborough Lions Club Bookshop is operating as normal from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4pm, as well as 9am to 1pm on Saturdays.

> Courtesy, The Maryborough Advertiser

## **Looking Back**

I was born at Inglewood on 9th February 1924. As our home at Rheola was 12 miles away and in those days there was only the horse and jinker, my mother Eleanor Catto stayed with her brother Rob Gillespie and his wife Connie at their home just outside of Inglewood.

Well, would you believe my father John Catto had a poisoned hand so he was not allowed to visit, hence he had to wait to see his first-born when she returned home.

I look back to my early life at "Zonnebike" Rheola and think how fortunate I was. I had a younger sister, Barbara, and a brother, Graeme.

We had ponies, dogs, cats, pet rabbits, a possum, a kangaroo (they were scarce in those days), and we even tried to tame foxes; no, we did not succeed. Of course we learned to milk cows and bring the sheep home. I do believe I was very fortunate.

In the 1930s during the Depression, swagmen visited; seeing the woodcutters out in the camps in the bush (all from Melbourne), earning a little.

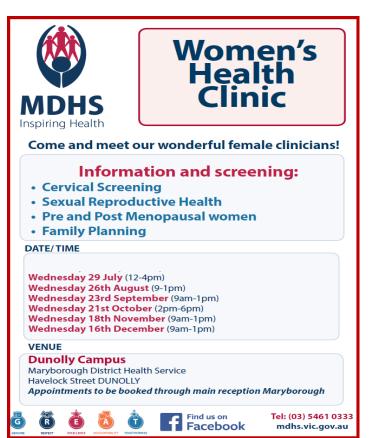
Mum always had help. At times ladies came from Melbourne, leaving their husbands to look after the children. One lady only stayed the week. I do not know the payment they received; sad times.

In 1936 and 1937 I went to Inglewood Higher Elementary School, staying with a family for the five days and home on Friday.

We had a tennis court at home so we all played, as well as many visitors. Great times they were

Well during 1936-37 I played with my Mother. We were in the Rheola team and what times they were. Cochranes Creek, Murphys Creek, Llanelly, Tarnagulla (situated in behind houses) and two players I remember: Stan MacNamee and Len Ramer; Arnold, Arnold West. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could only have as many players playing today. Wonderful times.

In 1938 I was sent to boarding school at Mt Eliza. There were 80 boarders and this was the time of the



polio, so we were living a very locked-in time. No doubt many stories can be told of this virus and thankfully a serum was forthcoming.

Another move in 1939, this time to Presbyterian Ladies College in East Melbourne. I never did find out who was responsible for my movements. I was very happy at PLC; 40 pupils in each boarding house, 600 or more children altogether. I was never a good student; as for French I really got into trouble. I enjoyed my tennis and softball, and the company of all the country girls.

September 1939 was the start of World War II. In November I had to get permission and I went with my Aunt (Mrs Cooper), my mother's sister, and her husband and the four children to Puckapunyal. Here we met my mother, sister and brother; also Mrs Buck, her son Alan, and Harold Poynton. The reason for the visit was to see Bernie and Colin Buck and Will Poynton; all were early enlistments so we had a picnic lunch with them. The two Bucks had worked for Dad from when they left school and Will Poynton was a neighbour. These men sailed in February on the *Ettrick* for the Middle East.

Colin 5th Battalion and Will 8th Battalion went to Greece and were lucky to escape, as hundreds of our men and New Zealanders were taken prisoner; it was the might of the Germans against our poorly equipped troops. All three came home eventually. That was a day I will always remember.

By 1940 the war was now having an effect. The maids in the kitchen at the school left, so some of our boarders had to assist.

During second term in 1940 chicken pox and measles became rife among the boarders. I had already had them in my younger days. The boarders were sent home earlier, catching a country train. In Spencer Street Station you lined up, hoping you would be at a doorway. Great if you got a carriage with a passage down the centre. Unfortunately they had these old carriages; I termed them as dog boxes. In the door no way out, old hard seats sitting opposite one another. You hoped the company would be okay. All right if you had a window seat you could enjoy the scenery and all the small stations. Castlemaine and then the old engine puffing, going up those hills through the two tunnels hoping the windows were closed, otherwise the carriage filled with smoke.

At Bendigo it was all out and I used to enjoy hearing the Station Master saying all the stations which the four trains would pass through as they left for the north. Our Sealake line was always last. Family met me at Inglewood; they managed to get enough petrol. One time they were using the petrol made from barley coming from Minyip or Murtoa.

Next morning my mother received a phone call from Mrs Coutts at Boort to say Lorna (another boarder) had scarlet fever. We had travelled up together. Panic. I can see my mother going over to see Mrs Buck (quite a distance) She had eight children (her boys were at Puckapunyal). Maybe she had the answer. Upon returning we were to collect a white feather, plenty lying about so we didn't have to pluck a fowl. Directions were to dunk the feather in kerosene and paint my throat. I survived and didn't get scarlet fever, and I remember that as if it was yesterday.

In those days kerosene was used in our lamps. I also remember my father when marking lambs having a rag full of kerosene and dabbing on the lambs, especially the little male lambs. So maybe we have a cure for the virus. Trusting everyone keeps apart and does as they suggest.

Joyce Chivers

# Willy Waistcoat's Saga

We left Billy in New Orleans and now it was time to return home. First he had to take a plane to Los Angeles. When he arrived at the airport there was no sign of the other crew members, so Billy boarded alone. He was given the very back seat and the lady in front of him kept turning around and asking him silly questions; for example did flowers grow in the snow or on top of mountains. Billy soon realised that this lady was off on another planet, but she just wouldn't stop, and Billy started to get annoyed. Finally the stewardess came down and spoke to this lady, saying, "You leave this man alone." So the stewardess had obviously sized up the situation.

Shortly after this the stewardess came back and handed Billy a pack of cards, compliments of the airline, and sat in the empty seat next to him and asked where he was heading. Billy told her about the barge trip now done and he was changing planes in Los Angeles to take a flight home to Australia. She suggested he should stay overnight in LA and leave the following day. Then she explained that her husband was always away on business trips so she hardly ever saw him. Billy saw where this was leading so he asked her if couldn't she find a bloke in LA and she said no, because they were all gay! Then she told him she was booked into a very nice hotel and Billy could join her and she would arrange another flight for him the following day. Billy could not believe what he was hearing. She was a very attractive lady and naturally Billy was tempted, but then his sense of duty kicked in and, tempting as this surprising offer was, he decided he should go home to his wife and be a good boy. He also had the feeling that this could be a set-up and he could end up dead.

Arriving in Los Angeles he sadly bade farewell to the lovely stewardess and waited three hours to board the plane home. It was half empty so Billy was able to stretch out on the spare seats and sleep his way home.

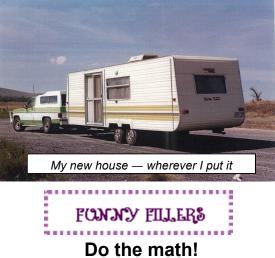
In the next few years Billy sailed off on many trips; then one day when he arrived home, his wife told him to pick up the phone, ring the union and inform them that he was retiring from the sea; otherwise she would leave him. Billy protested that he had no intention of giving up a job that he loved and did not think his wife was serious. Sadly he was wrong. His wife went ahead with her ultimatum, so they sold the house and his wife left.

With very little money remaining, Billy had to decide what to do now. He decided to go back to Melbourne, so he bought a van and filled it with all his belongings and put it on a ship to Melbourne. He knew some of the crew so they helped him out and then Billy flew over to Melbourne. When he went down to the wharf Billy saw his van waiting for him, so he collected the keys and started it up. Then he just sat there.

Finally the man in charge came over to see what the problem was. Billy replied, "Now I have my van, I don't know where to go." The man looked puzzled so Billy explained his new situation and then suddenly made a snap decision. "I'll go to Geelong," he said and off he went. He stayed in a motel the first night and cogitated where he should settle. He didn't want to rent a flat because there would always be rent to pay when he was away at sea. Getting hungry, Billy found a pub to have a counter lunch and while he was eating and having a beer he gazed out the window and spotted a caravan waiting at

the lights. A lightbulb flashed in Billy's brain. "That's what I'll do," he decided, "I'll get a caravan." Suddenly Billy felt really happy for the first time since his life had fallen in a heap. He found a caravan sales yard, chose a 23 foot van, then told the salesman that he would buy the van if he could keep it in the caravan park for him when he was at sea. That agreed, Billy's van was installed in the park and he stocked it with all his necessities and took the rest to the Salvos. And that's when Billy started his new life.

Cynthia Lindsay



Figures can't lie - you must support that contention or be prepared to defend your balance-sheets. That being so, what's wrong with the argument by the Lazy Man:- There are 365 days in the year; eight hours a day, or one-third of the time, I sleep. Therefore, I must save 122 days, or one-third of 365 days for sleep. That leaves me 243 days for work. I ought to play eight hours a day, or a third of that time. Again, subtracting 122 days for play, I have 121 days for work. There are 52 Sundays; that leaves 69 days for work. I am entitled to a half-day off on Saturday; one half of 52 is 26, and that leaves me 43 days for work. I have about half an hour for lunch every day - 26 days for eating lunch. That leaves me 17 days for work. Every honest, selfrespecting, hard-working man ought to have a fortnight's holiday. That leaves me three days for work, and with a holiday for Christmas, and Good Friday, I have one day left for work, and that's Labour Day.

> Excerpt from Institute of Municipal Administration Victoria — 1938



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The \$600,335 upgrade to the Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre is nearing completion.

The indoor swimming pool complex will re-open next week following the completion of the new change room facilities. As part of the upgrade a new Changing Places change room was installed to allow people of all abilities to use and enjoy the Leisure Centre's pool facilities.

The new Changing Places change rooms is fully accessible with a change table, toilet, shower, ceiling-mounted hoist and compliant grab rails.

In addition, the male and female change rooms have been renovated, The upgraded facilities now include new toilets, showers, seating, flooring, improved ventilation, new water efficient fittings, non-slip flooring, new benches to suit people with mobility issues, hand basins and dividing partitioning walls.

The final part of the upgrade will see the Matthew Dellavedova Stadium improved with floor and seating replacements, resurfacing and new line marking to cater for a variety of sports. This is expected to be complete by the end of July.

Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said the \$600,335 upgrade is exciting for the Leisure Centre's members and users.

"The renovations in the indoor pool complex will make the facility much more user-friendly and inclusive for anyone visiting the facility.

"This project will see the Centre become a first class sports and leisure centre for not only those in our Shire but for those travelling to use our facilities from further afield.

"We hope the upgrade encourages more people in our community to get active more often and I'm looking forward to seeing the upgraded facility enjoyed by those of all ages."

The project has been made possible thanks to \$430,000 from the State Government's Sport and Recreation Victoria Community Facility Funding Program, \$113,556 from the Federal Government's Move It Australia Grant Program, \$49,878 from Council as part of the 2019/2020 Budget and \$6,901 raised through community funds at the Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre.

#### Talbot/Avoca Road works recommence

Stage Two of the Talbot/Avoca Road upgrade project will commence this week. The \$693,000 project will deliver a full reconstruction of the road, including culvert renewal of a one kilometre stretch of the Talbot/Avoca Road, either side of the Amherst Cemetery.

The project is jointly funded by the State Government Fixing Country Roads Program - \$462,000 together with a Council contribution of \$231,000.

The project will be carried out by Council's operations team and is expected to take up to eight weeks to complete. Temporary lane closures may be required during the project and motorists should obey changed traffic conditions. Central Goldfields Shire Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it was great to see the second stage of this project underway.

"Last year Council completed the first stage of this project and these works are a continuation of this," he said.

CGSC News



## MAYORAL COLUMN

#### COVID-19 updates

I am sure that like me, many of you are concerned by the way the number of new COVID-19 cases have been creeping back up, leading to the return of many restrictions and more business uncertainty.

While most of the new cases have been related to the metropolitan areas, it is a timely reminder that all of us have a part to play to slow the spread of the virus, in order to keep ourselves and our loved ones safe.

For regional Victoria, the Stay Safe message is still in place. This means everyone must practice good hygiene, maintain physical distancing, stay home and avoid contact if you are feeling unwell and get tested if you have any symptoms, even if they are mild. You should take care wherever you go and assume others may be carrying the virus.

The Chief Health Officer is now recommending that adults should wear face masks when in public places where it is difficult to maintain 1.5 metres distance from others. This change of message is due to the higher rates of community transmission recently and is an extra precaution to stop the spread of coronavirus.

The face mask is seen to be an additional measure and does not replace the advice on hygiene and keeping a distance as well as staying at home if unwell. Following these guidelines are things we can all do to help keep people in Loddon safe.

#### Social isolation initiative

For many Victorians, physical distancing and social or work -related restrictions have led to feelings of loneliness and disconnection. For those already lonely or isolated before the pandemic, it's been even harder to get help to feel happy and well.

The Community Activation and Social Isolation initiative will expand the Victoria coronavirus hotline (1800 675 398) by partnering with the Australian Red Cross, whose volunteers have been trained to provide emotional support and help callers who may be distressed or anxious.

The hotline will also link people to community connectors for local practical supports and social activities. A Social Support Hub has also been set up for older Victorians, to help them stay connected and participate in social activities. Seniors can find out what is available in their local area at: www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/servicesinformation/social-support-hub.

#### Go local first

As part of the nationwide 'Go local first' campaign, I encourage Loddon Shire residents to show their support for small businesses in their local communities. Our local businesses need our loyal communities to back them now by 'going local first' when they need to buy a product or service.

When you shop locally, your money stays in the community. This helps keep local jobs and helps the local economy to thrive. The pandemic has been very hard on small businesses, now is the time to support our local products, tradespeople and services so that they may not only survive, but thrive as we emerge from the effects of COVID-19.

From the office of Cheryl McKinnon, Loddon Shire

#### All Australians can BUY AUSSIE NOW

Australia's first marketplace for Australian made goods by Australian owned businesses has been launched today following the first successful capital raise in May.

BUY AUSSIE NOW, which started as an Instagram page in mid-March as the nation prepared to shutdown with the Coronavirus, has in just four months transformed and is set to be the online destination for Australians to shop Australian.

To date, more than 2000 small and medium businesses have already registered through our website across eight launch categories – home and living, toys and education, apparel and footwear, jewellery and accessories, food and beverage, pets, skincare and beauty, and gifts, while additional categories will be unveiled in coming months.

Customers will be able to purchase gift cards and participate in a rewards and loyalty program. We are in the middle of finalising a new digital magazine "*Australian Life*." In addition, every Thursday night we hold an *Instagram Live* session with various entrepreneurs and businesses across Australia to showcase their product, brand and manufacturing, and this will be developed further in our magazine and other content platforms.

BUY AUSSIE NOW is entirely free for businesses to upload and promote their products to a wider Aussie audience, and potentially overseas, given the appreciation and love of Australian goods.

Founder and Managing Director Mitch Catlin is thrilled to be bringing this Australian first concept to market.

"My business, like many other Aussies, was hit badly in late March when the marketing sector pretty much came to a standstill. I turned to creating a community of other businesses who were stressed and anxious and I was just so overwhelmed with the number of Aussies who needed help and mateship during a tough time. Thousands of people were, and still are, worried for their livelihoods. This is how BUY AUSSIE NOW was born," said Mr. Catlin.

"I think the thing that surprised me most over the past few months is just how much wonderful product is made at home but many of us simply don't know about it. They do now! BUY AUSSIE NOW will be the one-stop-shop that Aussies can trust to buy Australian," he said.

Chief Executive Officer Chris White is honoured to be bringing this vision to life.

"We want shopping Australian to be a longer-term switch for this country. Let's always make Aussies brands, business and products our first thought every time we shop and not just during difficult periods. This will support the nation, families, friends and local communities and keep jobs and investment here," said Mr White.

"I would like to acknowledge the investment team in our business which is fantastic for us, but more importantly, for the thousands of small businesses and Aussie shoppers who now have somewhere to go. That's why we are all doing it," he said.

Australian businesses who list are only charged when they make a sale, with a transaction fee up to 8%, plus payment processing. However, all non-for-profits in Australia, along with any indigenous owned businesses, will not be charged.

It will be a fully free service as our community partnership. Aussies can register today – both businesses and shoppers – with a "live date" for the BUY AUSSIE NOW marketplace to be announced in coming weeks.

Registration for all Australians is at www.buyaussienow.com.au Follow us on Instagram @buyaussienow



# Workplace manslaughter is now a jailable offence.

As an employer, if a workplace death is caused by criminal negligence, you could face up to 25 years in jail, and fines up to \$16.5 million. If you don't take care of your employees at work, and make sure they can return home safe every day, we'll make sure that you face the consequences.

Everyone. Every workplace.







# Creative writing course for everyone

A six-week writing course will start on Tuesday 4th August at 2pm at The Arts Hub, Thompson Street and will run for two hours.

This course will have a theme and you will expand on it each week. At the end of the six weeks, you should have a short piece of writing that you should be satisfied with.

The cost is \$18, paid in advance for the whole course. On payment you will receive a course outline detailing each week, elaborating on the theme.

Ring the Neighbourhood Centre on the number below to reserve your place. Bookings are essential as spaces are limited!

#### Table Tennis

A group of enthusiastic Table Tennis players are getting together for a game or two every Monday at the Dunolly Golf Club rooms starting Monday 20th July at 10am until 12 midday. A great workout in a lovely setting. \$3 per person



per session, plus a contribution for morning tea.

#### Garden Club



This is a great one to start the Whispering Weeders off again!

David Allen is a bonsai expert and will show you how to start off your own bonsai plant/tree. He also has some beautiful Bonsais to show you in a display which will be worth

seeing. At the Arts Hub on Monday 27th July at 1pm. You must ring the Neighbourhood Centre if you intend to attend this session.

I know you're sick of hearing it, But ...!

 No more than 20 people can gather in a public building as long as the building/room/hall is big enough to practice social distancing of four square metres between each person.



- Social distancing applies whatever!
- Hand sanitiser is provided.
- Thorough cleaning of our premises is being done prior to and after use.
- Hand washing is encouraged
- Please do not attend if you are unwell.

Thanks so much for your understanding.

Want more information? Ring 5468 1511 or you can email admin@dunnhc.com.au



Sharon Hiley Coordinator CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOC. INC.

The decision to cancel the Talbot Farmers' Market was not an easy decision and we understand that. However, it was a well-received decision and thank you to the Talbot Farmers' Market Committee for listening and acting. The Dunolly mosaics appear to be showing some very unexpected and surprising deterioration. We hope the Shire moves quickly to rectify the deterioration before they get worse. We know and understand how much community effort went into these mosaics, and it would be a shame to have all that effort wasted. We do hope there is a warranty clause in the contract — this could be quite an expensive repair.

Also some concern about the Imagination station for Dunolly — when will that be relocated?

The Carisbrook Western Flood Levee projected figures which were mentioned in the Draft budget 2020/21; we have submitted some concerns regarding the Levee and the answers received from the Shire are available on our *Facebook* page. https://www.facebook.com/cgoldratepayers

We encourage everyone to participate and ask questions. By saying nothing, nothing will be achieved.

The draft Shire 2020/21 budget is now available for community comment in the Council's Your Say web page https://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/Have-Your-Say

Also on that site is the skate park and a few other items for comment.

After the Satisfaction Survey being released and the 2030 Our Community results are out, it is clear our Shire does need a lot of help. That help should come from us, the community.

We can understand there are some reservations about raising matters with the Shire. However, if we do not raise them, there is a good chance the Shire is not aware of it, and how could those issues be rectified if they are not raised? The more people who get involved, the more efficiently our shire will run and the more appreciative people will be.

Moving forward together is exactly that TOGETHER.

Still only two nominations for councillors for this upcoming election, both in the Flynn Ward. With candidate training on 12th and 15th August 2020, and compulsory training yet to be announced, it's time we all took a serious look at the direction for our shire, and how we can be part of our next step.

Please support those who are interested in standing; these candidates will be elected to act on our behalf. This next step is about each and every one of us, and will continue to be exactly that.

With the COVID-19 situation into its second wave, we ask everyone to keep focused and maintain the required precautions. We may not have any cases registered in our Shire, however should someone who has it visits and we are not using the correct precautions, it could be a completely new ball game. Please maintain our high standards for just a little while longer.

At this stage our next meeting which was planned for Carisbrook will not be going ahead. Please keep in contact for updates.

Thank you and stay safe.

Wayne McKail President CGR&RAI



#### Only true Australians know

To me there is no better land That I would rather be Where the big red hills stand In my own true countree. When the golden wattles bloom or the Summer breezes blow out across the valleys loom only true Australians know.

If I'm in the South or North leaving East to travel West it's the country of my birth and I love its dryness best. Under the blue dome up above I must up and go to my Flinders that I love moving to and fro.

I can see the working plough and the furrows on straight course I can rest 'neath gum tree's bough dreaming of the old draught horse. Say! I must be up and away to where wild breezes blow and my footsteps I can't stay to my red country I must go.

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## **Beetroot and Onion Marmalade**

Ingredients:

90g butter 500g onions — chopped or finely sliced 500g beetroot, grated 3¼ cup white wine vinegar 3¼ cup soft brown sugar 1 teaspoon salt Pepper to taste

#### Method:

- Heat butter and cook onions over low heat until softened but not brown.
- Add beetroot, cover and cook for 10 minutes over gentle heat.
- Add vinegar and sugar and cook slowly, uncovered, until liquid evaporates. DO NOT BURN
- Add salt and pepper to taste
- Spoon into jars and seal.

Keep in refrigerator for at least three weeks before using. Serve with cold meats, barbecued meats, cheese etc.





#### Wednesday 22nd July 2020

#### THE WELCOME RECORD



#### Around school this week BEANIES ARE HERE !!

In what was perfect timing, the new beanies arrived yesterday, just in time for the -2° temperature this morning!

They look fantastic and it's great to see so many students wearing them. All students were given one free as part of the Spark Grant thanks to the Maldon & District Community Bank. They are all named, but you are welcome to add your own iron on labels or practise your stitching if you wish.

#### UNIFORM

There are quite a few students out of uniform at the moment. Just to reiterate, students need to be in PLAIN NAVY jumpers, jackets, hoodies; PLAIN NAVY pants, trackies, leggings, shorts, skorts and school shirts. Lots of students are currently wearing black or items with other logos. Please ensure your child is in the School Council approved uniform.

#### STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

There is a separate form to complete and return to school by 9am Tuesday so we can start to timetable the conferences. You can choose onsite or video conference.

#### RETURN TO TERM 3

It is fantastic to see all students back onsite for learning this term. We hope it continues this way. Remember, there is zero tolerance of any students or staff being onsite displaying signs of being unwell. The same arrangements for safe practices during the day as last term apply; designated drop-off and pick-up gates; no parents to be out of their cars at pick up time; students to engage in hand washing as directed by staff; students have their own drink bottles; any parents/carers dropping off items during the day or requiring an early pick up, are to contact the office and someone will meet you at the car or send your child out. Thanks for your cooperation.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK FROM THE LAST WEEK OF TERM TWO



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK Prep/1 – Anders Smith, Year 2/3 – Jack Condie Year 4/5 – to be announced Year 5/6 – Matt Frizzell Wednesday 22nd July 2020



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#### Services as per Church News

## **Catholic Church**

Another brisk morning up on St. Mary's hill even at the later time of 9.30am for assembly.

Mass on Sunday 26th July will be at the usual time-8.30am — still limited to 20 regular attendees

There are two collections at Mass and Assembly at St. Mary's from now on.

We can only pray that this virus does not go on for much longer, and for those who have it.

R Mecredy

Faith makes it wholly possible to quietly endure the violent (and pandemic) world around us. For in God we are secure

(Slightly adapted from Helen Steiner Rice)



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 after Pentecost Genesis 28.10-19 Psalm 139.1-11, 23-24 Romans 8.12-25 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Psalm 86.15

Esmé Flett

## **Uniting Church**

Jan Watts will lead us this week at 9.30am with the 10 people who are allowed in Church. *Zoom* is available to all the rest of the congregation. Last week it was very hard to hear on *Zoom* but James is doing the best he can for us and all we can hope is that it will improve.

Rev Cris Venning is taking the next week, 2nd August, with Holy Communion.

When the Op-Shop will be open again I do not know; we hope soon. Irene and Bryan have written a piece for me to give to you all, but I cannot bring a paper out a month in advance if I do not know what is going on week by week. Sorry, but that is the way it is.

Jean Richardson



## BEALIBA CWA UPDATE

Association Day celebrations were somewhat muted this year. Nonetheless, we did have a lovely day; good food, good company and a few competitions ensured we all left with smiles on our faces – and a little wiser about all manner of things. For example, I now know that a golf ball has an average of 300 dimples and no, my answer of "lots" didn't win a prize.

Many thanks to Pam Brightwell for supplying the prizes and to Shirley Coburn for the birthday sponge — it was yummy.

Several members attended the craft morning in St Arnaud this month and they reported back that craft on the 4th August is still going ahead at this stage. However, members are advised, if attending, they need to take their own car as we are not car-pooling until restrictions are eased. Prior to our next meeting members will be making fabric face masks which might be an essential accessory in the months ahead.

We now have a date for the East Wimmera Craft Exhibition which has been rescheduled for 30th April, 2021. Fingers crossed the Covid19 pandemic will be over by then or we have a vaccine.

Competition results from our July meeting are as follows:

Single Bloom		
First Heather Davis	Second Jenny Lovel	
Multiple Bloom	-	
First Jenny Lovel	Second Heather Davis	
Competition		
First Jenny Lovel	Second Barbara Douglass	
August competition will be a pot holder.		

Stay safe.

Heather Davis



'Once a man was asked, 'what did you gain by regularly praying to God?'The man replied, 'nothing... but let me tell you what I lost: Anger, ego, greed, depression, insecurity, and fear of death.'Sometimes, the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing; which ultimately is the gain."



It's up to all of us to keep our friends and families safe.

- No more than 5 visitors at your home.
- Outside the home, families and friends can meet in groups of up to 10.
- If you do have to see people, keep your distance. No handshakes or hugs. Maintain good hygiene. Don't share food or drinks.
- If you're feeling unwell you must stay home. Don't visit friends and family. Don't go on holiday. Don't go to work. Stay home.

And if you have symptoms - get tested.

This is a wake up call. We cannot be complacent.



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## Search for children in Ripon who follow in Fred Hollows' footsteps

The Fred Hollows Foundation is calling for nominations for the annual Fred Hollows Humanity Award, which recognises Year 6 students who demonstrate compassion, integrity and kindness towards others.

Since 2012, the Fred Hollows Humanity Award has recognised more than 1500 students nationwide who follow in Fred's footsteps by making a positive difference in the lives of others.

"Whether it is helping someone in need, volunteering or fundraising for a good cause, children in Ripon are making a tremendous contribution to our community and the Fred Hollows Humanity Award is a great opportunity for them to be recognised," said Louise Staley, Member for Ripon.

Previous year's nominees included a boy from the ACT who taught himself Auslan to communicate with a profoundly deaf classmate, a girl from Victoria who raised awareness and funds for refugees, and a boy from Tasmania who provided ongoing support to a classmate with a serious medical condition.

All nominees will receive a certificate and be recognised at a virtual presentation ceremony, with a special guest, later in the year.

Each state and territory will also recognise a Junior Ambassador who will be able to extend their humanity by



allocating \$5000, donated by the award's charity partner Specsavers, to one of The Foundation's programs to end avoidable blindness.

"Fred used to say the basic attribute of mankind is to look after each other," said Gabi Hollows, Founding Director of The Fred Hollows Foundation.

"He would be so proud to know The Fred Hollows Humanity Award is recognising students who are demonstrating this belief in their own lives.

"I am constantly inspired by the actions of award recipients and I urge people to nominate a Year 6 student in their area who embodies the values of compassion, integrity and kindness."

Nominations are now open and close 11.59pm, Friday 11th September, 2020.

To see examples of past Junior Ambassadors and to nominate a Year 6 student, go to: www.hollows.org/ fredhollowshumanityaward

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Australians are being urged to watch out for government impersonation scams with more than \$1.26 million lost from more than 7100 reports made to Scamwatch so far this year and in reality, losses are likely to be far greater.

There has been an increase in scams reported during tax time such as text messages claiming to be from myGov or from agencies claiming to help victims gain early access to their superannuation.

"Scammers are increasingly taking advantage of the financial difficulties and uncertainty generated from the COVID-19 pandemic to trick unsuspecting Australians," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

"We are seeing two main types of scams impersonating government departments; fake government threats and phishing scams.

"Both of these scams can be quite convincing and can lead to significant financial losses or even identity theft."

In a fake government threat scam, victims receive a robocall pretending to be from a government department, such as the ATO or Department of Home Affairs.

The scammer will claim something illegal, such as tax fraud or money laundering, has been committed in the victim's name and they should dial 1 to speak to an operator.

The scammer then tries to scare people into handing over money and may threaten that they would be arrested if they refuse.

"Don't be pressured by a threatening caller and take your time to consider who you might be dealing with," Ms Rickard said.

"Government departments will never threaten you with immediate arrest or ask for payment by unusual methods such as gift cards, iTunes vouchers or bank transfers."

In a phishing scam, victims will receive an email or text

message claiming to be from a government department, such as Services Australia, requesting personal details to confirm their eligibility for a government payment or because the person may have been exposed to COVID-19.

The emails and texts will include a link and request personal details such as a tax file number, superannuation details or copies of identity docum ents.

"Don't click on any hyperlinks in texts or emails to reach a government website, always type the address into the browser yourself," Ms Rickard said.

"Do not respond to texts or emails as the scammer will escalate their attempts to get your money.

"If you're not sure whether a call is legitimate, hang up and call the relevant organisation directly by finding the details through an independent search," Ms Rickard said.

More information on scams is available on the Scamwatch website, including how to make a report and where to get help.

The ACCC also recommends that you report the scam to the government department which was impersonated.

#### Background

So far in 2020 (1 January-5 July) Scamwatch has received:

- 67 reports of scams involving impersonation of the Department of Health, or state Department of Health and Human Services, with losses more than \$8700
- 443 reports of scams involving Australian Federal Police impersonations with losses more than \$176,000
- 1,070 reports of scams involving Services Australia impersonations with losses more than \$94,000
- 1,638 reports of scams involving myGov impersonations with losses more than \$105,000
- 2,016 reports of scams involving Department of Home Affairs impersonations with losses more than \$99,000
- 2,389 reports of scams involving ATO impersonations with losses more than \$905,000. Scamwatch



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- 6. Firm (of object)
- 9. Least powerful
- 10. Twist abruptly
- Rock-and-roll singer/guitarist, \_\_\_\_ Presley
- Dark compact organic rock
- 15. A nonconformist, especially of 1960s
- 16. Sweltering
- 17. Triumphed
- 18. Nought
- 20. Move with lever
- 22. At all times
- 23. Pertaining to the back
- 25. Group of three
- 27. Small insect

- 29. Word meaning both 'no longer fresh' and 'side of cricket field'
- 30. Vigorous dance
- 32. Tapering to a sharp tip
- 34. Fish of warm waters35. Trademark
- 26 Short langed d
- 36. Short-legged dog37. Plant related to
- marjoram used as food seasoning
- 38. To laud
- 39. Absorbent cotton fabric

#### Down

- 1. Female dog
- 2. Perspire
- To repair naturally (of injury, eg.)
- 4. Ox of Tibet
- 5. Commences
- 6. Single stride
- Bank built to avert flooding
- 8. Club for dancing
- Made of fabric produced from sheep's fleece
- 13. Chameleon, eg.
- 15. To raise mechanically
- 17. Humorous in ironic way
- 19. Recital of written
- material

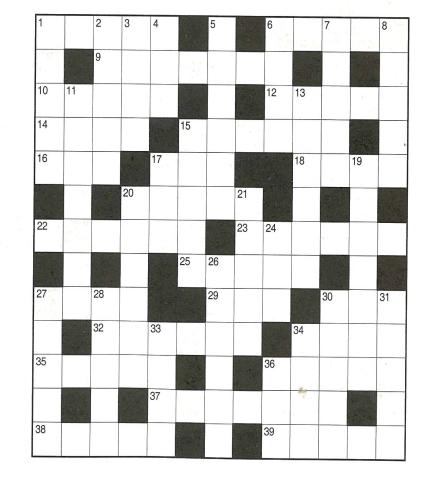
- 20. U.S. general of WWII,
- George \_\_\_\_\_ 21. Enlighten or inform
- 24. A fool
- 26. Undergoing decay
- 27. U.S. actor, Clark \_\_\_\_\_\_28. Other than, \_\_\_\_\_ from30. Member of panel

considering court

evidence

- 33. One greatly admired34. Sound quality
- 36. A feline

31. Happily



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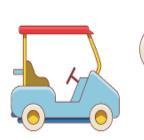
# DUNOLLY GOLF CLUB

Cool, but fine, conditions greeted a field of 20 for Saturday's Stableford event. Without doubt the highlight of the year occurred when former club champion and district representative Craig Burn shot a course record! Craig returned a remarkable score of 61 off the stick, yielding him 45 Stableford points and a runaway win. Craig complained of being in poor form before the round, but he is obviously back in town! Congratulations Craig.

Winner of the Ladies' section was Shenae Hunt, who returned to form with a score of 39 points. Rory Scholes underlined his potential with a fine 35 points to take out the junior division.

Thanks go to Mark Lovel and his band of helpers, who have supplied us with sufficient firewood for the remainder of the season. Well done guys!

This Saturday sees another Stableford round in prospect, so I hope Craig's exploits serve to bring out some more of our ex champions and would-be champions to have a hit. Ian Arnold







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#### REEFS AT BURNT CREEK AND SOUTH-EAST DUNOLLY Part Two

**Bet Bet** — The Bet Bet Reef about 1½ miles NNW of Bet-Bet Bridge on the west side of Dunolly road was discovered in 1854. The prospectors whose names are unknown took out 47 pounds of gold but were swamped out at 40 feet.

In June 1857 Geo. Hutchison, the Burnt Creek publican, took up the reef and sank 100 feet, and in August, took out two cwt. of stone so rich, it was advisable to take it home for custody, getting 300 ounces from 15 tons, which caused a great rush to the reef in August 1857.

Mr. Sutton, partner of Sutton & Claque, wholesale storeman in Dunolly, had the next claim to the prospector. In 1858, Green Bros., with Sutton and Hutchison, formerly the Bet Bet Reef Co of which David Kirk was chairman and C Francis of Dunolly was secretary, but they can hardly have done any good, as in 1859 the reef was entirely idle. It was taken up by the Caithness Co. who brought a 30hp crusher there from Inglewood, then known as a Berdan Machine. This crusher, in which a huge iron ball rolled on the quartz, was later discarded. The Caithness Co, starting in June 1861, got a lease of 1500 yards of the reef in 1862.

The reef was about eight feet wide and the company, of which JC Patterson, who wrote the book "Goldfields of Victoria", was a director with David Kirk, did well from the reef, taking out an average of 100 tons of stone a month that averaged nearly an ounce to the ton; 20 men were employed.

The Caithness Co held the lease of this reef until 1872. The best yields were in 1865, but the company later let it out on tribute and the yields in 1869 were unprofitable.

**Brilliant** — On the south of and slightly to the west of the Bet-Bet Reef line, this reef was opened by J W Wilson and J Boag, about 500 yards from the Caithness plant in October 1862.

**Consolation** — Half a mile west of Timor Road and Patchy Flat 27 tons of stone produced 30 ounces of gold in December 1860. Henry Reed, who had a crusher at Goldsborough in 1858, had this reef in 1862. It was then 12 to 18 feet wide. Peter McBride, W H Cooke and Robartes had a lease on this reef in 1869.

**Cheshire** — Situated in the "centre of the Old Workings at the back of the "Old England" Hotel at Burnt Creek." (This was apparently near Kirk's Bridge at the foot of Quaker's Gully. The hotel was kept by Murrell, who got a life sentence for murdering his wife in 1861.) The Cheshire Reef was discovered in April 1859 by Geo. Nixon and party. Nixon sold out in November. From 1½ ounces to three ounces per ton was the yield in January 1860, and it had been better than that. Its lode was famous in 1862. Hutchison of Burnt Creek worked it in May 1871, and reported then that it was at "back of Kirk's".

**Calders** — Near Patchy Flat, half-mile north-west of the Bet-Bet Reef in 1862 was discovered by J S Ross. 2oz.

8cwts. per ton from a small crushing at Caithness Co's Battery in December 1862.

**Caledonia** — A & Calder worked this reef in October 1862, on Windmill Hill. It went one ounce to the ton (Calders) in 1870. The Reef then was two feet thick and went  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ounces to the ton in 1871.

**Cairns** — Discovered in 1933 by R Cairns and worked for a time by three Cairns brothers who sold the reef to a company which put the shaft down to 100 feet, but later abandoned it when the Cairns brothers again began work with George Flett and Tony Polinelli in partnership when 100 ounces was recovered from  $2\frac{3}{4}$  tons of stone. In March 1942, Flett and Polinelli bought Cairns Brothers out and in August 1942, good gold was found. The total yield for the five years from 1942 was 2087 ounces from 3679 tons of stone. In 1947, they sold out to the Chewton Gold Mining Co, who sank another shaft south of the creek. The spent  $\pounds$ 20,000 for 3000 pounds worth of gold and gave up the plant about a year or two afterwards.

**Calvert's** or **Windmill** — First known as Lee's Bridge Reef and worked in 1857. It was taken up by a party of Germans at the end of that year, who got 120 ounces of gold in February 1858, and were getting eight ounces to the ton in April of that year at 110 feet depth. After this it was abandoned and a company — the Calvert's Reef Co, comprised of Alex Cairns, A Amos, J Randall and son, W B Thomas, the Dunolly saddler, Andrew Gay and Chris Cairns, took over the reef on 3rd October 1859. They were in rather poor shape for finding the money necessary to provide machinery, but the reef being on a hill, it was decided on Randall's design to build a windmill to provide the necessary power for winding and crushing.

It was completed on 16th March 1860 and was 80 feet high, with huge vanes and the whole of the moving parts of wood. A great crowd arrived to celebrate the opening, and as the wind blew and the great canes went round the crushing gear was tried out.

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# **Grade P/1 Winter Senses Poetry**

Winter looks like the icy leaves Winter looks like cold mornings on the trees Winter sounds like Winter sounds like rain on the ground chainsaws chopping wood Winter smells like smoke from the fire Winter smells like hot chocolate Winter tastes like hot cocoa Winter tastes like pumpkin soup Winter feels like the ice is freezing Winter feels like a hot water bottle By Waylon my fingers By Anders Winter looks like cold icicles Winter looks like the leaves Winter sounds like the cold, frosty wind falling down Winter smells like hot smoke Winter sounds like the bees Winter tastes like sizzling are buzzing hot chocolate Winter smells like daisies Winter feels like white, fluffy snow Winter tastes like chocolate milk By Ruby Winter feels like icy leaves By Kyzer Winter looks like icicles and snow Winter looks like frost in my backyard Winter sounds like a crackling fire Winter sounds like the rain falling Winter smells like smoke Winter smells like fresh Winter tastes like milo Winter tastes like hot milo and mini-marshies Winter feels like cold fingers Winter feels like fluffy snow on my feet By Chevy By Addison Winter looks like fluffy snow Winter looks like white, glittering frost Winter sounds like the ice melting Winter sounds like the cold breeze Winter smells like chilly wind blowing Winter smells like the wind Winter tastes like hot chocolate blowing past with marshmallows Winter tastes like hot chocolate Winter feels like hands in front with marshmallows of the fire Winter feels all watery By Jack By Elliott Winter looks like frosty grass Winter looks like glistening frost Winter sounds like crunchy grass Winter sounds like lightning bolts Winter smells like cat fur Winter smells like hot chocolate Winter tastes like cold ice Winter tastes like delicious Winter feels like patting my cats marshmallows By Blake B Winter feels like snowballs By Blake D Winter looks like really crispy, cold ice on the water Winter looks like the fluffy, white snow Winter sounds like me singing Winter sounds like teeth chattering in my head in the morning Winter smells like hot chocolate Winter smells like my mum making Winter tastes like hot carrot soup my breakfast Winter feels like my nice Winter tastes like warm, warm dressing gown yummy porridge By Natalie Winter feels cold on my fingers By Aurora Winter looks like stars in the sky Winter looks like cold ice Winter sounds like dad chopping wood Winter sounds like cracking ice Winter smells like fresh air Winter smells like chocolate cookies Winter tastes like hot milo Winter tastes like rainbow ice cream Winter feels like cold nights Winter feels like ice in my backyard By Emily By Jordan Winter looks like fluffy snow Winter sounds like snowballs Winter looks like ice and wet grass going "splat!" Winter sounds like the fire crackling Winter smells like cocoa with

Winter smells like dinner cooking

Winter tastes like baked bread

Winter feels like my blanket

By Bailey

marshmallows

Winter tastes like snow cones

Winter feels like fluffy cold snow

By Lilah