

## 75th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War

Excerpts from articles supplied by Joyce Chivers compiled by Susan Anderson

On 15th August, Australia commemorated the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, when Victory in the Pacific was declared.

All Australians were encouraged to remember the service of the more than one million men and women who served during the Second World War, abroad and at home. They fought in campaigns against Germany and Italy, in Europe, the Mediterranean and North Africa, as well as against Japan in south-east Asia and the Pacific.

As a nation we stood together to remember the sacrifice of some 39,000 men and women who died protecting our country during the War in all theatres and campaigns.

The Australian mainland came under direct attack for the first time with hundreds killed — in air raids on Darwin, Broome and across Northern Australia; midget submarine attacks on Sydney Harbour and the sinking, without warning, of the hospital ship *Centaur* off Brisbane, May 1943, with the loss of 260 lives.

The fear of an all-out attack on Australia by Japanese forces was very real and the challenges great. Australia mobilised as a nation to counter the threat in our own backyard, and almost 8000 Australians lost their lives in the Papua and New Guinea campaigns, right on our doorstep.

Australian women played an extraordinary role during the Second World War, from nurses going overseas with the Australian Imperial Force in 1940, to those who worked in industry and agriculture on the home front.

On 15th August 2020, we marked 75 years since the Second World War was officially declared over by then Prime Minister Ben Chifley, with Japan accepting the Allied Nations' terms of surrender.

On what we now know as Victory in the Pacific Day, or VP Day, we remembered and commemorated our efforts in the Pacific including in Papua New Guinea, Malaya, Bougainville and New Britain.

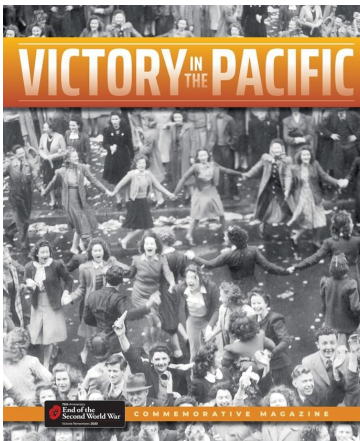
This was a very important commemoration as Australia paused and recognised an extraordinary generation of Australians who defended Australia during the Second World War.

Marking this significant date, DVA has commissioned a special radio series *75 days, 75 stories*, sharing one story a day from a veteran, widow or someone on the home front in the days leading up to 15th August, 1945. Episodes have been made available to Australian radio networks but can also be accessed on the DVA website ([dva.gov.au](http://dva.gov.au)). Media Release

### Recollections

At the time peace was declared, I was working at the Commonwealth Bank Melbourne.

We literally dropped everything and crowded into Swanson Street cheering and applauding with joy.



Actually when I think of Melbourne life, I recall it went on pretty much as usual during the war years.

There were very few cars, except perhaps on weekends when people would go to the beach or other outings. Streets at times were crowded with soldiers. The Americans arrived on 1st March 1942.

When General Douglas MacArthur arrived, he lived for a time at the Menzies Hotel with his wife and son. During that time our girls married American soldiers.

My first husband, Harold Erwin, whom I did not meet until 1949, was a prisoner of war in Japan.

He, along with 40 other officers, was taken in February 1944 at Rabaul PNG and then spent the war at Zentsuji Camp on Shikoku Island, Japan along with Americans and British; approximately 700 men. They arrived there 19th July 1942. They were starved, maltreated and forced to work in the coal mines.

Fearing there would be an invasion, they were transported from there on 26th June 1945. Travelling by train to the northern island of Hokkaido arriving at Nisi Asibetu, and again worked in coal mines.

On 15th August they were ordered to stop work, but they did not know why. It wasn't until 18th August that they were officially told peace had been declared. The American planes then came over and dropped parachutes of food, clothes etc. One parachute broke apart and two Americans were killed by falling goods. How ironic, they survived the conflict of war and hardships as POWs and were then killed by their own people supplying goods to save them.

Joyce Chivers

Photos from internet: Left: Service men join crowds celebrating VP Day in Martin Place, Sydney, 15th August 1945. Above: Commemorative Magazine.



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It is very nice to wake up in the morning and plan what you will do with the day. All set for smooth sailing. It is very strange to sit down at the end of the day and recall what you actually did in the day. Sometimes you have actually done a little bit of what you planned to do.

I know a lot of people are concerned about how their ears will be at the end of this mask wearing time. Depending on the mask, they may stick out more, or be flattened against heads. At least most of us won't get sore ears from wearing masks for long periods of time, as health care workers etcetera do.

There is nothing wrong with me — I am nearly as sharp as I always have been (or so I tell myself). So when I took my card out of its secret pocket in my purse to pay for groceries, it didn't occur to me that it would not work. I tried tapping it and placing it flat, but no go. Then I actually looked at it — and discovered that my library card won't let me get money out of the bank. I must say the young man behind the mask was very polite, even though his eyes were giggling.

I see a place selling paint is advertising that as this particular paint dries, it absorbs nasties from the air. What happens then, would you be living in a greenhouse gas enclosed home? Really healthy!

I can remember when sticky-tape first came onto the market as a household commodity — one of the all-time great inventions. My older relations did not entirely trust it to hold a parcel together, and packages would arrive with equal amounts of tape and string around them. The girls' Nanna would send birthday presents wrapped up like this — getting into the present was as much fun as the gift itself. Daughter Ramble the Younger sent a parcel which she warned me on the phone was a Nanna parcel. She wasn't kidding — there was no string, but metres of sticky tape. It is a lovely way to remember a lovely lady. Couldn't help noticing how pretty the drive into town is at the moment. The big paddocks are bright yellow with canola, and the bush is full of wattle — a golden glow to remind us the world can be a lovely place.

Rosie

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**KEEP CALM —**

The follies that a person regrets most in their life are those which they didn't commit when they had the opportunity.

Helen Rowland

**ENVY—**

People will always talk about you — might as well give them something to talk about.





## LETTERS TO EDITOR

### Llanely Documentary

Painting in Pictures Pty Ltd, a Sydney based firm which specialises in making boutique type documentaries, recently spent three days filming at Llanely and Tarnagulla. They have been commissioned by the BBC to produce a short film on the Welsh miners who were active in the area in the township of Llanely, many of whom emigrated from Llanelli in Wales.

Film was shot at the old *Cambrian* and *Prince of Wales* mine sites, followed by the Sandstone mine, where the red brick lined winding pit for the poppet head still exists. The former school and Colonial bank buildings were also filmed, as was the site where the two-storey brick Maidentown hotel once stood. Although little of the town still exists, I was called upon to be their guide before they moved onto Tarnagulla where time was spent at Growlers Hill, the local cemetery, and the archives centre.

Many of our readers are probably not aware Llanely was named after Llanelli in Wales as the miners considered it looked similar to their homeland. Incidentally Llanely was once known as New Chum and then Maiden Town before a permanent school was established. Unfortunately, the township died fairly quickly from around the mid 1870s as most of miners had moved onto other rushes, but many of the Welsh miners who remained on the field were involved in deep lead mining; they and the Cornish miners being known for their expertise.

Ken Arnold

### Regarding Candidate's policies and opinions

I have the following questions:-

1. What are your thoughts on the urgent need to establish a Heritage Policy to protect our goldfields architecture and remaining relics?
2. On Tourism — How would you promote the mining heritage of Dunolly, Moliagul, Timor, Bealiba and Talbot?
3. In what way would you strengthen the history of the Welcome Stranger and John Flynn?
4. How would you encourage new business and trades to Goldfields Shire, and in particular to Flynn Ward?
5. Would you consider plans to open night school English classes for non-English speaking migrants, like they did in the 1950s?
6. Who is the candidate for Flynn Ward?

Anne Doran, Eddington

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### Liesbeth Long

It was very interesting to read the article (*The Welcome Record* 8/7/20) about Liesbeth Long from Timor, our new applicant running for councillor for our Flynn Ward (Central Goldfields Shire Council). I found it refreshing to read about her invaluable attributes and achievements to the various group/s within the community. The recent one being a taskforce for COVID economic response and recovery. This combined with her long rural background with now grown up children, would place her in excellent stead, demonstrating that she would have the very best understanding and passion towards our shire. All these outstanding skills and expertise clearly showcases her further strengths in being a brilliant communicator and a person of substance. This is vital for much needed positive growth, leadership, honesty for the shire to build onto, not only for ourselves but for our children, grandchildren and beyond.

It is important that voting residents favourably consider Liesbeth Long as she is the fresh face for Flynn and would definitely be the right person for the job.

Name supplied not printed

### What's in a year?

Hurrah, I find I'm not as old as I thought I was! Not that it helps the mind or body. It started with my older sister hitting the OBE but couldn't celebrate the birthday due to COVID, so a non-event.

Then the younger sister started the build up to her birthday: 'You know I'm 80 next year. I can't do what I used to; being nearly 80 is no fun. I hope a venue has been booked for my big 80 next year.'

After some months of brain-washing I started to believe she was already 80. Being a post-war baby I began counting the years between us and thinking God I hope I am in better condition when I reach 80! As my birthday looms I did a recount — could this be right? I'm not as old as I thought! I still needed two hands to do the count, but I have a reprieve. Yahoo — until next year anyway. My father always pulled this stunt as he included the present year in his tally; apparently it's an Irish trait.

Helen Jesser

### Virtual Town Square Question and Answer Forum

If you want to know more about our candidates' policies and opinions, please take this opportunity to ask those burning questions you have been wanting to ask for ages.

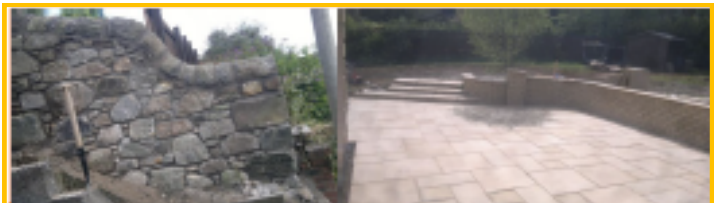
Email: *The Welcome Record* at:

[welcomerecords@inet.net.au](mailto:welcomerecords@inet.net.au) and ask away.

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The Editor TWR



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## Our local hairdresser, Rebekah



Rebekah is the hairdresser in Dunolly. She took over the business in March 2019. Since then, she has set about building a loyal clientele.

The success of her efforts became evident to her during the first wave of the pandemic when she felt it best to close for eight weeks. When she was able to open again she had four and a half pages of messages from people wanting to make appointments. Some had been elsewhere to other hairdressers during this time, but they chose to return to "Bek", as she likes to be called.

Bek is full of praise for the local community and how it has supported her business, and also her landlord who was very understanding during this trying time.

I had seen on *Facebook* that Bek was also home-schooling her three children during this time, and I asked her how she was managing the extra load.

She said that for the most part it was pretty good and the school made it easy for the family to have an organised school day. Not an easy feat for a single mum.

At the moment, due to family obligations imposed on her by the restrictions, she is operating two days a week, but she feels that people understand the limitations we are all operating under at this time.

I have to say the reason I wanted to talk to Bek was because she seemed to be a person who was to be admired for the way she was conducting her business during these trying times and I wasn't disappointed.

A disclaimer here, this is not an advertisement for a business, just a story about a local business doing its best during a very trying time.

Photo courtesy of Dunolly Hairdressing *Facebook* Page  
Debra Sealey

## DEB'S FUN FOOD FACTS

### Cream of Chicken Soup

This old favourite can be ready very quickly, or if you have more time, can take all day; it all depends on how your day is going.

Why would you settle for store bought soup, with all its mystery ingredients when you can easily make this healthier more delicious option? It's an excellent way to use left over chicken.

I will give you some vegetables to use, but really you are only limited by your imagination here, there are no rules.

I have not used cream in this recipe because if you use full fat milk it does an excellent job, combined with the thickening agent of the flour.

I know this isn't traditional, but I like to use some thyme in my chicken soup, not too much, just enough to add a little more depth of flavour, that would be up to you.

### Quick Version

#### Ingredients

1 cup shredded chicken  
1 onion, or leek if you prefer, chopped  
A couple of celery stalks, chopped  
1 or 2 carrots, chopped  
Half a red capsicum  
2½ cups chicken stock  
1½ tbsp flour  
1 tbsp olive oil  
1 tbsp butter  
1 tbsp chopped parsley  
Salt and pepper to taste  
2 cloves garlic, chopped



### Method

Heat the olive oil over a medium to low heat, add the onion and fry until soft, you can then add the rest of the vegetables and cook for about two – three minutes, stirring all the time.

Add the butter and the flour and stir to combine. You probably need to cook this out a bit if you can to avoid the taste of flour.

Pour in the chicken stock and whisk well. The stock should thicken slightly.

Leave this to cook for about five minutes; whisk it from time to time, then you can add the milk and stir it well.

Cook this for about 10 minutes until the vegetables are tender and the soup is thick and creamy.

You can now add the chicken and season with salt and pepper, garnish with chopped parsley.

### Long Version

The long version involves simmering a chook with vegetables for some hours to make a stock, then using that chicken and that stock to make the soup.

It really depends on how you are feeling on the day and how much time you have to spare.

I hope you enjoy this recipe.

Photo courtesy *Google* images  
Debra Sealey



**We need your input**

We are installing five pieces of outdoor fitness equipment in Dunolly's Gordon Gardens and we want your input.

The project was identified as part of the Gordon Gardens Master Plan and is funded by the Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative.

The outdoor fitness equipment comprises a chest press, body pull ups, body twist, leg press and set up station.

We're inviting residents to tell us what colour the equipment should be?

The options are:

- Tickle Pink
- Blue Blaze
- Intensity Summer
- Rainforest Glow
- Silver Pearl

You can text or email your preference to 0436 814 111 or email it to [lynnw@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au](mailto:lynnw@cgoldshire.vic.gov.au)

Feedback closes Wednesday 26th August at 5pm.

For more information on the Gordon Gardens project visit [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/gordongardensmasterplan](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/gordongardensmasterplan)

**Council welcomes**

**Carisbrook Recreation Reserve funding**

Central Goldfields Shire Council has welcomed the news the State Government has committed more than \$2 million for Stage 2 of the Carisbrook Recreation Reserve.

Minister Jaala Pulford MP announced the \$2,157,900 as part of the Community Sports Infrastructure Stimulus Program yesterday (13/08).

The project will be ready for construction within six months and the funding will move Stage 2 forward to be completed alongside Stage 1, which will ensure minimal disruption to community programming.

The major upgrades at the Carisbrook Recreation Reserve, which is identified in Council's Priority Project Plan, include two netball change rooms, office space, new show court lighting, car parking and a bowls pavilion with a new toilet block.

Central Goldfields Shire Council Chief Administrator Noel Harvey said it is exciting to see more Priority Projects being funded.

"We recently secured funding for the construction of the Maryborough Skate and Scooter Park and to now have funding for Stage 2 for the Carisbrook Recreation Reserve major upgrades is really exciting. The Carisbrook Recreation Reserve is a hub for the local community — whether it be sports or a community meeting place — and I have no doubt this funding will be welcomed with open arms by the local community."

Council is contributing \$220,000 to Stage 2 of the upgrade.

CGSC News



**Fitness 2020 colours**

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## Proposed Changes to Timber Release Plan & Timber Utilisation Plan

**Community and stakeholder feedback period: 7 August 2020 – 14 September 2020**

VicForests is seeking comment on proposed changes to its Timber Release Plan (TRP) and Timber Utilisation Plan (TUP).

The proposed changes include the addition of new coupes including access roads, removal of unharvested coupes and amendments to existing coupes.

The amended plans are an important part of VicForests’ routine planning process and identifies potential timber harvesting areas in Victoria for the coming years.

Community and stakeholder consultation are key components of VicForests’ operations.

Feedback is sought on specific operational aspects of our proposed harvesting plans including:

- The timing of harvesting operations
- The use of haulage routes
- The proximity of proposed harvesting to private property or public areas
- The identification and protection of forest values

Following the consultation period, VicForests’ TRP and TUP plans will be submitted to its Board for consideration and approval. All operations are required to comply with the detailed regulations relating to responsible timber harvesting in Victoria.

Schedules of proposed timber harvesting areas, maps indicating approximate locations and a feedback form for public comment are available at [www.vicforests.com.au/proposed-timber-release-plan-august-2020](http://www.vicforests.com.au/proposed-timber-release-plan-august-2020) and [www.vicforests.com.au/proposedtup](http://www.vicforests.com.au/proposedtup).

The interactive maps and schedules show detailed information on the coupes including location, forest type, planned area and intended method of harvest.

Submissions can be sent to [vfs.trp@vicforests.com.au](mailto:vfs.trp@vicforests.com.au) or made in writing and sent to:

VicForests, GPO Box 191, Melbourne, 3001 until 5pm 14 September 2020.

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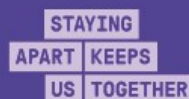


## “Think about who you love, then think about them in ICU.”

For Sarah, who’s been battling coronavirus for nearly 8 weeks, being separated from her two little boys, has been heartwrenching. On top of coronavirus attacking every one of her body systems, intense pain and acute breathing difficulty, she still has no idea when she will be well enough to see her boys. Sarah’s hope is that by us all doing the right thing, no one else will have to experience the heartache her family has.

Please, play your part and help stop the spread of the virus. If you have symptoms - please get tested. Payments of \$450 are available to help you stay home and wait for your test result.

To learn more of Sarah’s story go to [vic.gov.au/CORONAVIRUS](http://vic.gov.au/CORONAVIRUS)



## Willy Waistcoat's Saga

It was now time for Billy to say goodbye to dear old Blighty and return to dear old Aussie, which had become his new home. He farewelled his family and friends in Middlesbrough and travelled to London for a flight to Melbourne. Home to his caravan which was a welcome sight to Billy and he was happy to find it had been well looked after by the park owner. It was now time to find his sea legs again, so down to the shipping office and he was offered a ship called the *Torungen Supplier*, which went down Bass Strait to Barries Beach, a port in Gippsland, and headed to the oil rig there, named the *Maersk Giant* which had been drilling over a Whiting Oil platform on which Billy had worked on a previous occasion.

Billy's ship supplied the rig with provisions, water and anything else needed. As they were tying up, there was a big swell which rocked the ship about. Billy was in the galley and secured the pots and implements likely to go flying about, except for a pot of custard which he was stirring on the stove. Next thing a big lurch sent Billy flying across the galley and the engines stopped. The custard went flying, following Billy. What a mess!

Billy ran up to the bridge and the captain told him to drop the anchor and Billy thought, "Why me, I'm only the cook, and why drop the anchor halfway under the rig?" Billy decided the captain must have panicked, so he walked off the bridge pretending he hadn't heard. Then he went down to check the accommodation and all was well, but then he realised that the mast was moving and their ship was in danger of sinking. Billy wondered what they could do if this happened. Then he saw a platform nearby with a big fat seal sitting on it, sunning itself. Billy said to his mate, Frank, "See that seal over there on that platform. You could swim over, knock him off and we could shelter there." "Why me?" asked Frank. "Because you know karate, so you can do it." Frank just laughed, but the ship was in trouble, beginning to sink and scraping against the legs of the oil rig. Sirens went off and the ship started to drift away, then the engines started again and they managed to hobble into Barries Beach.

The damage was inspected and boilermakers and welders were engaged to do the repairs, and the whole crew disembarked and headed for the pub. The publican had heard about the near disaster and shouted them all a free beer. So that was a happy ending. Cynthia Lindsay



Colin, Frank and Billy in the red hat (on the right) with bent mast after going under *Maersk Giant* jack up rig.

### CENTRAL GOLDFIELDS RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOC. INC.

Fantastic to see more potential candidates advertising their intentions for the upcoming election. We had several members of the CGR&RAI attend the VLGA (Victorian Local Government Association). Candidates information session last week and more than 20 attended that *Zoom* session, with more over 15 of those attendees possibly showing interest in nominating.

Well done to those who have already advertised their intentions, and we encourage those who have not to maintain your interest and hopefully we will see you nominate. We are happy to discuss this with you or those who have already shown interest in nominating. Furthermore, we are extremely pleased that some of the already advertised candidates made statements showing their respect for the community's opinion in the past. Satisfaction and 2030 Community survey results, and also stating that Transparency Accountability and Community Consultation are priorities on their list. We do hope this trend continues, we look forward to seeing this happen and we will support those values. This also demonstrates those candidates who have already supported Transparency, Accountability and Public Consultation do listen to the community. Very refreshing. We asked a question of VLGA regarding numbers and candidates: "If insufficient candidate numbers are nominated for wards with multiple candidates, what would the outcome be?" This refers to Central Goldfields Shire having four councillors in Maryborough ward and if only three candidates nominate for election — should this arise. VLGA replied "The candidates would be declared elected, the fourth position would be declared to be still vacant, and steps taken to conduct a by-election some time after the actual council election."

There have been several concerns and reports regarding deferring the election date. This is a barrow being pushed by MAV and some shires, CEOs and councillors. A barrow which has been pushed since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. We hope this is not listened to.

The \$2 million grant from the State Government regarding Carisbrook Reserve we thank the State Government for that. On Carisbrook we are pleased to see the tender for building the Levee north and south of the Pyrenees Highway at Carisbrook has been advertised.

We do have concern with building those levees without having culverts under the highway. If we get a heavy rain event there is a possibility of that southern levee and Pyrenees Highway being washed out, resulting in those houses these levees are built to protect may, in fact, have the opposite happen. The main concern is time. Water culverts under the highway are essential in our opinion. We believe plans have not been finalised for the culverts under Pyrenees Highway and also a grant round has not been declared for the outstanding funds to be applied for. So the next stage of the construction could be some time away. There still are reports to be sorted out regarding the Nurses Quarters 1-3 Nightingale Street building demolition order. There has been another meeting requested prior to the VCAT Compulsory Conference and at this stage no change to March 2021 VCAT hearing.

The COVID-19 situation is still alive and kicking. We ask that we discourage any people who are coming into our area from an area with higher detected cases than our Shire. Still not out of the COVID-19 woods, we just ask all to maintain vigilance just for (hopefully) a short time longer. Distance, wash and mask up. Let us be known as one of the least affected shires which will be a credit to each and every one of you. Our recovery is just around the corner. It's up to us how curved that corner is. Thank you and stay safe.

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

**Catholic Church**

Still no Mass or Assembly for the foreseeable future — maybe longer as the state of disaster has been extended. I had mislaid my key to the church, and no amount of searching found it. I had a word to St. Anthony about it, but no joy. Then a few days later I tried again — this time I got a message to look in my tote bag. Did not act on it straight away, then had a look in the bag. Sure enough there it was — nestled in tissues so it made no rattle when the bag was shaken. Thank you St. Anthony.

R Mecedry

Today, even though loved ones are miles away, remember them with prayers and fond recollections .

Helen Steiner Rice

**Uniting Church**

No information received at time of publication

**St John’s Church**

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 16th August 2020  
11th Sunday after Pentecost  
Genesis 45.1-15  
Psalm 133  
Romans 11.13-32  
Matthew 15.21-28

*Thus, says the Lord, “Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.”*

Isaiah 56.1  
Esmé Flett

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Tara Cramer  
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### Around school this week

As I check over all the tasks that have been submitted since we returned to remote learning, I am extremely proud of the way you have all shown such great resilience to quickly switch back. I know this is not easy but your support helps your child/ren access their learning. The staff is here to help with any issues you may have, so please contact us if you need anything from a pep talk, to help with tech issues, to a rant or a celebration....give us a call !

### TAKE SOME MINDFUL MINUTES

Here's a great activity to do as a family or by yourself to reset or check in – Find somewhere comfortable to sit. Take three deep breaths.



Name **FIVE** things you can see that you like the colour of.

Name and touch **FOUR** things within your reach.



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Loddon Shire Council is calling on residents to participate in developing the 2030 Community Vision.

The development of the Community Vision is part of the Loddon Project

which will prepare a new Community Engagement Policy, Community Vision and Council Plan for Loddon Shire Council.

Loddon Shire Council Mayor, Cr Cheryl McKinnon said, "We want to hear from as many residents as possible to develop a Community Vision which is representative of the community's views, aspirations and goals."

The Loddon Project is part of Council's work to meet the requirements of the Integrated Strategic Planning Framework under the new Local Government Act 2020. The Community Vision will articulate the aspirations of the community for the next 10 years.

"We understand community engagement looks a bit different under the current COVID-19 Stage 3 restrictions, but we are committed to using different techniques to ensure people are able to have their say," Cr McKinnon said.

You can provide your input by:

- completing the online survey
- filling out one of the brochure/worksheets located at various locations across the Shire area
- taking part in random phone sampling if you receive a call registering your interest in joining The Loddon Project Community Reference Group by completing an Expression of Interest form.

The Community Reference Group is a new initiative of Council's and is being developed to enhance communications between Council and the community and facilitate deliberative engagement.

The Community Reference Group is the advisory reference committee which will consider information gathered from engagement activities, briefings from Council and other sector information. The group will be representative of our population and work together to provide input to Councillors about strategic planning documents and projects. Numbers are limited to 20 community members, with no more than four residing in one ward.

If you would like to express your interest in joining the Community Reference Group you can read the Terms of Reference and download the form at <https://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Community-Engagement/The-Loddon-Project>

You can be involved and stay up to date with The Loddon Project by: joining The Loddon Project Facebook group.

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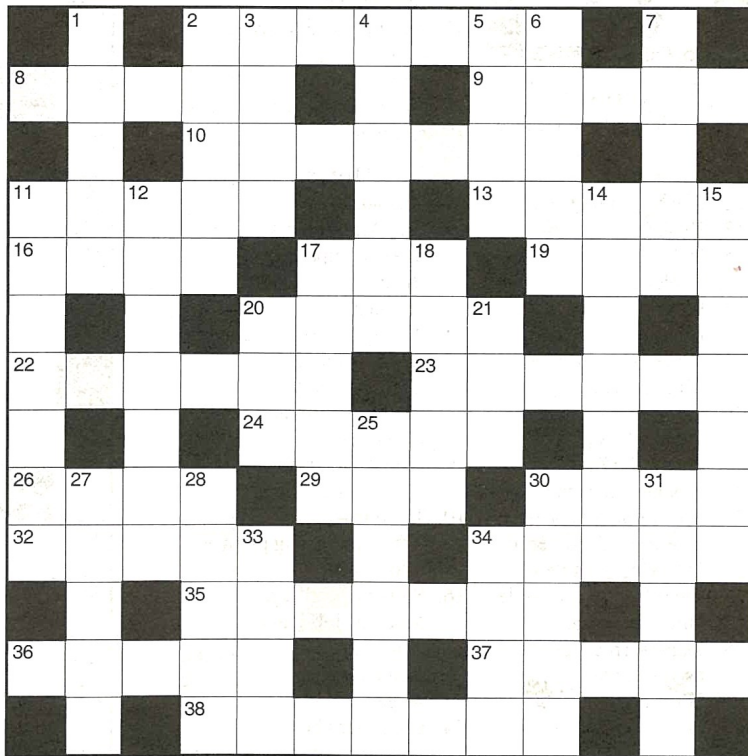
- 2. Octopus, eg.
- 8. Beat rhythmically
- 9. Portable communications device, mobile \_\_\_\_
- 10. Assess worth of (house, eg.) again
- 11. Soapy
- 13. Swift
- 16. Flesh-eating monster
- 17. Definite article used in grammar
- 19. Burrowing shellfish
- 20. Wicked person
- 22. Exquisite-flowered plant of which vanilla is a variety
- 23. Pleasing to the ear
- 24. Peer of low rank
- 26. Oil reservoir of engine

- 29. Name shared by the rules of the state and the study of same
- 30. Low female voice (music)
- 32. Be running last
- 34. Famous, well-\_\_\_\_
- 35. Ancient Egyptian structure
- 36. At no point in time
- 37. The 'T' of 'STD call'
- 38. Sports official

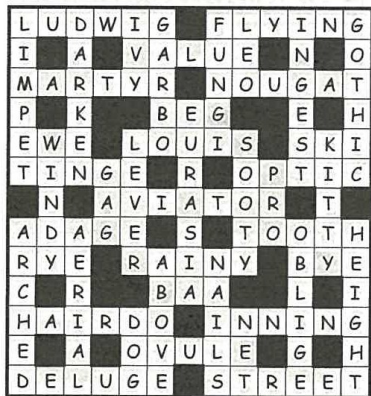
**Down**

- 1. Raise shoulders disdainfully
- 2. Communication system using dots and dashes, \_\_\_\_ code
- 3. Act as one is told
- 4. Abhor
- 5. Motivating force
- 6. As \_\_\_\_ as chips
- 7. Open sliding fastener (on garment, eg.)
- 11. Entertainer who performs unaccompanied
- 12. Former currency unit of Greece
- 14. High-pitched flute
- 15. Clarity of pronunciation

- 17. Of the ebb and flow of the ocean
- 18. Supply with certain talents
- 20. Falsehood
- 21. Insist that debt be paid
- 25. Cause extensive damage to
- 27. One who nags
- 28. Wind musician
- 30. U.S. tennis star, \_\_\_\_ Agassi
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**STRAHAN Rodney Leonard  
1/2/1947 – 9/7/2020**

“A man of character and determination, whose adventurous spirit will be remembered by many.”

Rod exemplified all these traits throughout the course of his life. Born on 1st February 1947, Rod was the fourth child for Simon (Tom) and Doris — née Watts. Dorrie was not unfamiliar with the maternity ward of the Dunolly Hospital, giving birth to her seven children: Barry, Edward, Jeanette, Rodney, Dianne, Merrill and six years later, Rosalie. When mum was born in 1956, Rodney, aged nine, turned to Aunt Hazel Watts and said, “Not another girl ... can’t mum ask for a boy!”

Rod developed his cheeky streak at a young age, coming up with all sorts of pranks to catch family members unawares! He was educated at the Dunolly State School and Maryborough Technical School. Rod’s school reports reveal Rod was a good student, conscientious and hard working. These were traits which characterised Rod’s life. His after school job was cutting eucie leaves, riding through the bush accompanied by the family dog, Donny. On becoming a railway officer, he was sent to far-lying stations such as Cope Cope in the Mallee.

Rod became a keen sportsman and played football for Natte-Bealiba in their premiership team. He was a life long supporter of the Dunolly Football Club, following in the footsteps of various Watts and Cole cousins who became A-grade players. Uncle Bill Strahan being the Dunolly Football Club President for the 1969 Dunolly premiership. Rod passed Bill’s Premiership blazer onto the Club as a lasting tribute to Bill.

Rod loved working on the railways, knowing all the timetables and track gauges off the top of his head. He could be the life of the party and simultaneously be at complete ease in his own company. Naturally nervous and a little shy, Rod learned a love for beer and smoking at an early age, I’m sure, in part, to allow himself feel at ease. Light beer was not worth the water it took to make it. Rod became Assistant Station Master at Dunolly and moved back into the family home with Tom and Dorrie.

He would subsequently relieve as Station Master at local stations during a vacancy. Travel became his next pursuit, visiting New Zealand along with exploring Australia and parts of South-East Asia. He made long term friends with whom he stayed in contact.

Rod knew the Dunolly goldfields like the back of his hand. Gold was in his DNA. Gold brought both the Strahan and the Watts families to Dunolly in the late 1850s. He made a substantial find which rested in two hands. Rod sold this piece to an American oil magnate from Texas who appeared at Nanna’s front door sporting a white suit, brimmed cowboy hat and the whitest teeth we’d ever seen. It was like J R Ewing from the TV series *Dallas* had landed in Dunolly! This sale became the deposit of Rod’s new home at 25 Broadway.

Rod would serenade us with Elvis classics: *Are You Lonesome Tonight*, *Blue Suede Shoes* and his party piece for Aunt Hazel – *Hound Dog*. All this was a prelude to a Saturday night at the Railway Hotel!

Racing was a lifelong love. Rod knew every track, jockey and trainer across the country and he had a preference for a wet track. In retirement, Rod took on making his own homebrew beer in the back shed which became known as the “Laboratory”. Rod became a resident of the Dunolly Hospital, making the adjustment he regained some of his spark. A lifelong gardener and lover of vegetables, he tended the hospital garden, feeding the chickens the day he took sick.

Rod was his own man, always was. He could tell a joke with a dry sense of humour and you could bend double with laughter. He was both sensitive and tentative, rarely putting himself forward and at times could sport a keen temper. Self-reliant, the natural world was his best friend. He was always looking for the next adventure.

With Rod’s passing comes an end of the Strahan family name in this district, spanning some 160 years. Rod’s great-grandparents, Simon and Annie Strahan, who originated from Ireland and England, following the gold trail to California and arrived on the Dunolly goldfields in 1859. They were married in St. John’s old church, now the church hall in 1860 and settled at Waanyarra.

We will miss you, Rod and we allow you to be as you have always been with a place in our lives forever.



*Excerpts from Rod’s eulogy which was delivered by recording at his funeral in St. John’s Anglican Church, Dunolly on Thursday, July 16th by his nephew, Ryan Bennett from New York.*

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## TARNAGULLA & DISTRICT GOLF CLUB

Dear Members, Supporters, Friends and Families,  
Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we shall not be holding the "Lucky 5 Golf" event which was due to take place on Sunday 23rd August 2020.

What with level three restrictions in our beautiful country areas and level four restrictions in Melbourne and surrounds, we all want to "play it as safe as we can" and not hold this fun-filled event — even with a staggered start time.

The golf course is looking magnificent and is a treat to play on. Please come and enjoy the golf course any day you wish. Just turn up at the club and play. No bookings needed. Play is free to members and is \$5 per day for non-members. (Children are free — of course.) We've had such sunny weather and the course is dressed in its greenest and lushest finery. The fairways are all mown for you to do your best drives and the sands are ready for you to do your best putting.

Just come along and enjoy the exercise, walking, fresh air, the great outdoors and good practice. We have seen many people playing and that is wonderful. It is your community course and this is a real chance to enjoy it.

Remember to practice social distancing with anyone you're playing a round with. Even at 1.5 metres distance apart, you can still share the fun and joy of any good shots. And yes, you can both laugh at shots that may have a "mind of their own". Ha. (I do laugh a lot when I play as I am quite inconsistent!)

No matter if you're feeling a bit stressed when you start your round, I'm sure you will feel relaxed and self-satisfied at the end of your game.

We have met such good people at the golf course and the unifying theme is that "Golf at Tarnagulla is a Treat". We are so lucky to have the golf course in our district and community and it is there — all ready for you all to enjoy — at your own pace and leisure.

So, we won't have the 23rd August event, but as soon as we can, we will arrange a fun-filled event to look forward to. Everyone, keep safe.

Mary McNamee, Secretary



## DUNOLLY GOLF CLUB

Beautiful weather greeted 20 players last Saturday for another non competition round of golf.. Big shout out to Josh Hunt for mowing the course whilst others were very busy during the week. Thanks Josh!

Welcome to Chloe Goodwin and Aisling Eddy, who played their first Saturday golf on the weekend. It is great to see another two juniors joining us, and even better that they are girls, as we are a little light on for female players at the moment. Any other beginners out there are most welcome, and right now is a great time to play with no pressure of competition — you can just play and learn as you go. Play begins at 12.30 each Saturday.

It was nice to welcome back the Templeton brothers on Saturday, as Tyson, Jayden and Brady had their first hit for the year, although it seems that they had been out practising during the week judging by the excellent shots they were seen to play. If you can only play every now and then, that is absolutely fine. We would rather see you a couple of times per year than not at all. If you cannot play on a Saturday, the course is open every day for your convenience. If the clubhouse is shut, just pop your \$5 in the box at the front door.

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Ian Arnold



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If you're a pet lover, then this new wine is pawfect for you! Sit Stay Society wines has launched three new half bottle varieties – Ruby's Rosé, Violet's Grüner Veltliner and Mario's Mataro Montepulciano. Fifty cents of the sale of each bottle will be donated to PetRescue's free adoption programs and services to help save the lives of pets in need.

"We're absolutely thrilled Sit Stay Society has launched three new varieties to help pets in crisis. Since the range launched last year, it's been incredibly popular and has raised much-needed funds to help rescue pets find a new, loving home," said Vickie Davy, PetRescue co-founder and joint CEO.

Vickie said last year the donations from Sit Stay Society contributed to PetRescue's national fundraising efforts helping 71,933 pets to be adopted, \$731,167 worth of food to be donated directly to rescue organisations, 13 free Jetpets flights to transport pets to their new home and 7423 calls for help to be resolved.

"With more than 100,000 pets still killed in pounds and shelters in Australia every year, it's heartening to see pet

lovers who enjoy a nice glass of wine can also be supporting a future where every pet is safe, respected and loved," she said.

The 375ml bottles of wine are available exclusively through Dan Murphy's and BWS.

"Since launching Sit Stay Society last year with Max's Cabernet Malbec and Toby's Shiraz Tempranillo, we received such fantastic feedback, we decided to extend the range. Now pet lovers who enjoy a refreshing glass of rosé, a crisp Grüner Veltliner or a delicious glass of Mataro Montepulciano, can help raise further funds to find homes for these pets," said Pedro Da Costa, head of merchandise, BWS.

Sourced from the Clare Valley in South Australia, a wine region renowned for its award-winning wines, Sit Stay Society pays homage to our best friends: Ruby's Rosé features a regally bejewelled Moodle label design, Violet's Grüner Veltliner features a perky Schnauzer and Mario's Mataro Montepulciano features a dapper greyhound.

Ruby's Rosé is full of juicy cherry and strawberry notes with a crisp palate through to a long finish with vibrant acidity. Violet's Grüner Veltliner is aromatic with florals, spices and hints of pear with a wet stone backing and a crisp, mouth-watering finish. Mario's Mataro Montepulciano shows luscious flavours of dark berries balanced by spicy hints of cedary oak and long lingering tannins.

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