## The Welcome Record

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## Dunolly's historic precinct buildings





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**Dunolly Town Hall** 

**Dunolly Historic Court House** 

Visitors and newcomers to Dunolly are often amazed at our wonderful public buildings and are even more astounded when they venture inside. Our Town Hall in Broadway and the Historic Court House in Market Street both have a rich history, much of which is evident in the well-preserved and restored facades and interiors.

Both buildings, erected in 1862/3, swapped functions in 1890, with the original Town Hall in Market Street being modified to accommodate the needs of a busy Court room. The same applied to the previous Court House in Broadway, also being fitted out appropriately to cater for the requirements of Council, with the addition of a large designated space for theatrical performances.

The original Town Hall building (now the Court House) originally comprised of a 14.5 x 8 metre Council Hall, with two wings, one occupied by the then newly-formed Dunolly Library and its Reading Room, with the other wing being occupied by the Bet Shire Office in 1864. The first Council meeting was held there on 6th March 1863.

The current Court House in Market Street, was actually Dunolly's fourth and was operational as such from 1890 to 1982. It was sympathetically restored to its former glory in 2012, due to the generosity of the community and patrons. Not to be overlooked, the Court House also has two wonderful heritage outbuildings, the Police Stables and Lockup, both completed in 1863.

Many exciting stories abound regarding all these buildings and we will endeavour to uncover some of these in future issues of *The Welcome Record*.

Both buildings are available for hire for a variety of purposes, the Town Hall can be booked through the RTC and the Court House by enquiring through: www.dunollyhistoricprecinct.com.au The Dunolly Historic Precinct page can also be found on Facebook.

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Inside the main room of the Dunolly Court House



Inside the Historic Court House

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## Rosie's Rambles

We are the champions in many sports in this Olympics. Good on the competitors whether they medal or not — they are all doing their best. Some sports seem to need more strength than others.

I was watching the women's canoe slalom and could see all the competitors were done at the end of their run. This armchair athlete was exhausted just watching.

We are all in awe of the front line workers in the COVID battle, but there seems to be one group which does not attract the same attention. These are the people who deal with those lining up to be tested. I imagine it is not the nicest of jobs and probably involves abuse from the few idiots who seem to be everywhere.

My census papers arrived last week with instructions not to do it until August 10th. Why then are we told on the media they can be done as soon as they arrive as long as we know who will be in the house on the correct day? Are we a nation of psychics?

I had an interesting video chat with my WA daughter on Friday evening. Talk about the blind leading the blind. She is more adept at the technology than I am, but it still involved me seeing her and her not seeing me. The ones who could have helped, her girls, were out so there was a fair bit of giggling and "Are you still there?" going on. She had made a video of the really heavy rain they were having and how the river Avon was nearly over its banks. Still it was good to have a nearly face-to-face talk.

Rosie



THE. BOOKMARK FAIRY — (couldn't resist this, Jenny )

These delicate fairies work in subtle ways, gently prising bookmarks free from the pages in which they have been trapped. They are most likely to perform this feat just as the reader is picking up the book to resume reading.

Tobhy Riddle

### Defibrillators available at —

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

In case of emergency, the defibrillators can be accessed at the above venues when they are open. The unit at the Town Hall is located in the breezeway outside and can be accessed at any time.

### Important telephone numbers

Police: 000 Fire: 000

Ambulance: 000

Police non emergency: 131 444 Dunolly Police: 5468 1100 Dunolly Doctor: 5468 1104 Dunolly SES: 5468 1199



## **Loddon Shire Mayoral Column**

**Community Satisfaction Survey** 

Residents in the Loddon Shire have rated Council's overall performance, its customer service and waste management higher than both the state-wide average and small rural council average.

Council's Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey, conducted by JWS Research, collected responses from 400 residents in Loddon on a range of council services.

Council's overall performance scored 63 this year – up from 61 in 2020. This score is higher than the state-wide average of 61 and the average for small rural councils of 60.

With a score of 74, Council's customer service also rated above the state-wide average (score of 70) and the average for small rural councils (score of 69).

Additionally, Council's waste management (score of 73) performed higher than the state-wide average (69) and the small rural council average (68). This rating for waste management is also up for Council from a score of 69 in 2020.

Other top-performing areas according to residents are appearance of public areas (score of 75), recreational facilities (score of 71), emergency and disaster management (score of 70) and elderly support services (score of 70).

At 61, Council's community decisions also rated higher than the state-wide average and the average for small rural councils, with both scoring 56.

While improving on last year's ratings, the survey also revealed that residents perceive more work needs to be done to improve the condition of our roads.

Having mentioned satisfaction with the sealed roads network, it should be noted that the majority of traffic within the Shire travel on State roads (not Council roads), which can alter the overall perception of the condition of sealed roads within the Shire.

That said, Council is continually striving to ensure more work is done on our roads, and would like to hear from residents regarding road issues to help ensure problems are identified and rectified as soon as possible.

If you do identify an issue with a road, please contact Council's customer service team on 5494 1200 so that the problem can be fixed. You can view Council's 2021 Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey at: www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Community-

www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Community Satisfaction-Surveys

#### Community grants funding allocated

At its meeting last week, Council also endorsed the allocation of \$61,683 in grants to Group 1 applications under the 2021/22 Loddon Shire Community Grants Scheme.

Twelve applicants received funding, including Boort Angling Club, Boort Lakeside Croquet Club, Boort Memorial Hall Community Asset Committee, Inglewood Riding Club and Campbell's Forest Hall Community Asset Committee. Other successful funding applicants wer the Arnold Cricket Club, Newbridge Recreation Reserve Committee of Management (two projects), Rheola Public Cemetery, Tarnagulla and District Golf Club, Wedderburn Historical Records Museum, and Wedderburn Mechanics and Literary Institute Community Asset Committee.

Group 2 applications are anticipated to be presented to Council for consideration at its August Meeting.

The Loddon Shire Community Grants Scheme started in the 2000/01 financial year to help recreation, sporting and service organisations deliver projects that improve the quality of life for residents. Since the scheme was initiated, Council has invested approximately \$2.69 million, supporting over 700 community-based projects worth more than \$5.49 million.

#### Projects update

Kerb and channel and footpath works along High Street in Wedderburn are now complete. The works, which took place from near the 24 Karat Café and Wedderburn Produce and Garden store to the police station corner, included new footpath, kerb and channel, underground drainage and landscaping.

Kerb and channelling and associated works will start this week on Lake View and Andrews Street in Boort. The works are anticipated to be completed by October, weather permitting.

Works to extend the wide seal of Laanecoorie Newbridge Road for approximately three kilometres are also expected to get under way this week. Please note, that the road will be closed, except to local traffic, while works are progressing.

Works to replace Baileys Road Bridge over Bullock Creek in Derby are continuing. The old bridge has been removed and works on the new bridge under way – including the installation of bridge piles. The new bridge is expected to be completed by the end of September.

Upgrade works at the Wedderburn Pioneer Caravan Park, Pyramid Hill Caravan Park and Boort Lakes Holiday Park are nearing completion. The works have included road and drainage works, powerhead upgrades, solar lighting and new amenities blocks.

The final part of the project will be upgrades to three cabins at the Wedderburn Pioneer Caravan Park.

Construction works on new female-friendly change rooms at the Bridgewater Recreation Reserve are progressing, and are anticipated to be completed in October.

Excerpts from

Loddon Shire Mayoral Column 3rd August 2021

## TALBOT BOTTLE GAS

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## Race to register 100,000 people as organ donors



Barb Merrifield is encouraging people to have a conversation with their families and register as an organ donor .

In Australia, there are 13 million people aged 16 and over who are eligible to register as organ and tissue donors, but haven't.

This year's DonateLife Week, which takes place from July 25 to August 1 and is run by the Australian Government's Organ and Tissue Authority, is trying to change that statistic, urging 100,000 people to join the "great registration race" and register as organ and tissue donors.

Clunes local Barb Merrifield was one of the 1800 Australians waiting for a lifesaving transplant until one day, after 10 years, she finally received a phone call that she'd be getting a kidney transplant.

The transplant would mean Ms Merrifield would no longer need dialysis four times a day, seven days a week — something she'd been doing for a decade.

"I got the call on March 18, 2014 and on March 19, 2014 I was going in for surgery," she said.

Born with reflux nephropathy, a condition in which the kidneys are damaged by the backward flow of urine into the kidney, Ms Merrifield's kidneys failed when she was 38. "I went onto peritoneal dialysis, which is one you do by yourself, four times a day, seven days a week. I did that for 10 years," she said.

"Doing dialysis four times a day dramatically changed my life, I tried to go to work at the beginning but it was way too hard, you get very tired, it's very draining.

"There was a lot of emotions when I finally got that phone call. You know someone has just died and you have to try and wrap your head around that, but you're also excited about not having to use dialysis anymore.

"You're meant to be happy about it but at the same time you know someone is grieving, it's a hard thing to comprehend."

Ms Merrifield said it was a phone call she never thought she'd receive.

"I didn't think it would actually happen. There's so many people waiting so when a transplant does become available you just have to be that lucky person who is compatible," she said.

"And then you're not even sure if the transplant is going to take. I actually had something they call a sleeping kidney which didn't wake up for about a week so I still needed a small amount of dialysis. That was scary thinking you went through all that and it didn't work.

"Even after the surgery you're on medication to make sure your body doesn't reject the organ. It becomes this rollercoaster ride of emotions."

There are currently 1800 Australians on the transplant wait list and an additional 12,000 people on dialysis for kidney failure.

The number of Australians signing on to become organ and tissue donors dropped by 16 percent last year as the COVID-19 pandemic grew.

New DonateLife data shows just how many residents in each Victorian local government area registered as organ and tissue donors throughout 2020, with only 80 people in the Central Goldfields Shire signing up.

Ms Merrifield said registering is extremely important.

"People die waiting for organ donations," she said.

"People don't think about it until it affects them. It's so important to have that talk with your family so that they know your wishes so when that question is asked, and it's obviously asked at a very difficult time, they know what your wishes are.

"No one knows what's around the corner, it's important to think about these things and it's such an easy process to register."

Larna Woodyatt, a nurse donation specialist located in Ballarat said her role sees her support families who are in a position when they need to talk about organ donation.

"I talk with families who have family members in intensive care about organ donation, supporting them to make a decision," she said.
"I also spend a lot of time at community events where I

"I also spend a lot of time at community events where I encourage people to think and talk about organ donation so they can make a decision that is right for them.

"It's hard to talk about. Talking about death and dying is tricky, some people are more open about it than others. It can be a difficult conversation to start, but we hope weeks like DonateLife Week are a catalyst for families to sit down and have a chat about each other's donation wishes."

Ms Woodyatt said nine out of 10 adult Australians support organ donation, but that only one in three people are registered.

"We know that people support organ donation and they think it's the right thing to do, but I think registering is kept on people's to-do lists," she said.

"But it's really simple to register, there's an online form you need to fill out which takes less than a minute, all you need is your Medicare card and access to a computer or smart phone and you're registered.

"Organ donation saves lives. It's as simple as that. We know that there are around 1800 people waiting for a life-saving transplant at any one time and the way we as a community can help support those people is by joining the Australian organ register."

Anyone aged 16 and over can register, it only takes one minute at donatelife.gov.au/register

Courtesy *The Maryborough Advertiser*Written by Angela Tucker

## Happy Birthday to some of our lovely ladies at The Welcome Record



Due to COVID-19, many people have missed out on celebrating their birthdays in their usual way. Here, at TWR, we acknowledge each other's birthdays with a card, cake and sometimes flowers if the birthday is a milestone of some sort. To Jan Brock; Susan Rowe and Jenny Scott — wishing you happiness, hugs, lots of friend and family visits and good fortune for the future. (Susan assists with delivery.)

Your contribution to the paper is appreciated.

The Editor

## Stories from Cynthia



### WATER AEROBICS

FOR OLDER ADULTS

Picture from Pinterest website

Drama and disaster have followed me all my life and I have no idea what I did to deserve it.

Today was the first class of aqua aerobics after the last lockdown so I was looking forward to being active again. Halfway to my garage I remembered my mask, so back I went to get it; then, arriving at the car I realised I had forgotten my water, and we are all supposed to bring a bottle to class, so back I had to go again. At the Sports Centre, while I was changing, I put my glasses on the bench and when I went to pick them up I discovered they had half fallen through a slat in the bench and one arm and one lens seemed to be caught firmly between the slats. One, two, and then three people in the change room had a try at retrieving my specs but all gave up, being frightened they might break them, so I sent them all off to the pool and sat forlornly there, wondering what to do next. Then in bustled a lady I didn't know, as she was not in our class, and took one look at my dilemma and with a swift, deft movement rescued the glasses.

I hurried off to the pool and then a short time into our exercises I felt my wedding ring fall off and sink to the bottom. I realised that in my haste after my shower I had put it on the wrong finger where it was too loose. I drew the attention of Barbara, who always stood next to me, and we were both peering in the water when two others came over to see what was going on. Then Lyn, a sporty, but not young woman, dived straight down and came up with my ring, Olympic fashion, as I told her. Hooray! After our group meeting for coffee I headed off to do my shopping, only to discover that I had left my shopping list at home so that wasn't much help. Finally, I went to the hardware to purchase some items and arriving at the register discovered I had left my wallet in the car. Rather embarrassing, but then a pretty everyday occurrence for yours truly. And there you have a typical day in the life of Cynthia

#### Jaala Pulford MP media release

## Safety solution for notorious Craigie intersection

New vehicle detection technology will boost safety at one of the most notorious intersections in the Central Goldfields as part of the Andrews Labor Government's \$1.4 million investment in reducing road trauma.

Labor Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, said that works to install new sensor-activated advanced warning signs are underway at the intersection of Majorca Road and Landrigan Road at Craigie, just outside of Maryborough.

When vehicles approach the intersection from Landrigan Road, under-road sensors will activate the yellow flashing lights on the advanced warning signs to warn the driver to stop.

The lights will keep working until the car moves through the intersection.

The road surface is also set to be widened at the intersection, making it easier and safer for drivers to turn in both directions.

This high-tech solution will warn drivers to stop at the intersection and significantly reduce the occurrence and severity of crashes due to drivers not stopping and giving way.

Since 2011, there have been three major crashes at this intersection, resulting in three people suffering serious injuries.

Work on the pavement widening and installing the signs is expected to take around four weeks to complete.

This life-saving technology is also rolling out at a number of high-risk rural intersections across the state.

## Quotes attributable to Member for Western Victoria Jaala Pulford

"The Andrews Labor Government is very pleased to be bringing this technology into the Central Goldfields for the first time, boosting safety at one of the region's highest-risk intersections.

"Local drivers have told us how dangerous this intersection is – that's why we're taking action to install technology that will help to prevent further accidents.

"Widening the intersection will also make turning easier and safer for everyone, including freight operators, who use travel through this intersection to connect local farmers and manufacturers with trade opportunities."

Media release From the office of Jaala Pulford MP

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Noses are red fingers are blue.

I'm tired of



From Pinterest website

## Central Goldfields Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc. update and news

On Tuesday 27th July 2021, Council held its monthly ordinary meeting online as done since COVID began.

This meeting was a little different. Technical glitches were mentioned. We requested information on aspects of why certain aspects were not shown from Cr Meddows-Taylor, there has been no response as yet.

The online meeting did not give us the complete view of councillors, nor did it give us any idea as to who voted for what. On a scale of one to 10 we would rate this effort a one — very poor.

Since the inception of online meetings we have never had such a poor or unprofessional display.

On a positive note at this meeting, we actually heard several councillors speaking against an item yet we did not see nor was told which councillor voted for what.

This was the first time we can recall where an item has been passed with any from of objection, and not a unanimous decision since the formation of the elected councillors. Several have voted for the item and mentioned they have concerns. Why would one vote yes when they have opposing issues? I will never know. However, good to see a partial discussion or debate and sad we did not see which councillor supported the motion or which councillor didn't.

The 2021 Satisfaction Survey results were whisked through extremely quickly.

A comparison in the actual survey itself of our Shire to small or state wide shires are like this:

"Council performs in line with the Small Rural group and State-wide averages in the areas of waste management and consultation and engagement. On all other service areas, Council's performance is significantly lower than the Small Rural group and State-wide council averages." Understandable why they sprinted past. We hope the council actually looks into the results and learns, and actually do not believe the average excuses they have used thus far. They were below average results followed by a very average response. Look learn and take action to rectify. Looking forward to a positive outcome next year.

#### Item 8.7 Proposed body camera policy for compliance staff

We believe this is a very good thing and believe these will have a positive outcome. Cr Lovett stated that in a trial, the body cams had a huge effect on the community being confronted once they saw these body cams. To us it is a double sided advantage. With the issues reported to us by many locals of Council Compliance officer behavior, we do hope having a body cam will resolve a lot of those concerns too. Cr Lovett may only see one positive from this . We feel there is a huge benefit to both council and community. Totally agree and support this item. A shame it had to be introduced.

Items 8.8 Planning application 113/19 for the development of the land for four (4) dwellings on a lot and construction of fencing at 6 Goldsmith Street, Maryborough. Item 8.9 Application 005/21 – 9 Lot staged subdivision at 104-106 Field Street, Maryborough.

Yes, we agree development is a very important part along with employment, family, health, professional management and tourism, key to a successful Shire.

It was heartening to see differing views actually discussed at the table. Well done on that.

One reason put forward by one councillor, was as they voted to approve the item was quite concerning, which this councillor has used this reason before.

"Going to VCAT is a very expensive thing and I don't believe it's the way to go"

We find this will send a very wrong message to developers and certainly raise a few questions from the community.

We thank you all for your support and would like to remind all members and those wishing to join that membership is now due for the year 2021/22. Only \$10 each. Contact 0419 101 144

Thank you and look after our shire, community and our

Wayne McKail President.

## Dog liver disease cluster update, indospicine found to be the cause

The PrimeSafe and Agriculture Victoria investigation into the cluster of dogs with liver disease in Gippsland has identified indospicine as the cause of liver failure.

Indospicine is a toxin found across Australia in native plants of the Indigofera species.

Dogs are especially sensitive to this toxin. This is a positive step in the progress of the investigation and provides some answers to affected and concerned dog owners.

Indospicine has been previously shown to build up in some grazing animals when they continued to eat these plants.

Indospicine toxicity has not previously been reported in Victoria but has been reported in northern Australia.

At this stage the investigation has no conclusive evidence of how the dogs have ingested the toxin, with pet food sources remaining a primary focus.

This complex investigation is ongoing with multiple lines of inquiry across the pet meat supply chain and testing continuing at laboratories across Australia.

PrimeSafe and Agriculture Victoria advice to dog owners remains that fresh or frozen raw pet meat sourced from Gippsland between May 31st and July 3rd, should not be fed to dogs.

It is understood that various businesses and suppliers have implemented voluntary withdrawals and recalls of potentially affected products.

As dog owners may still have potentially contaminated pet meat we encourage you to check any fresh or raw meat stored at home. Contact your pet food supplier if you are unsure about the origins of their pet meat.

Dog owners should seek prompt advice from their private veterinarian if their dog demonstrates any concerning signs including sudden loss of appetite, lethargy or jaundice in a previous heathy animal, especially after eating pet meat.

Veterinarians seeking to report cases or for further advice should speak with their local Agriculture Victoria Animal Health or District Veterinary Officers or call the Customer Contact Centre on 136 186.

Courtesy of The Maryborough Advertiser 3rd August 2021



## Central Goldfields Shire Council updates and news

#### **Winter Warmer Walks**

Winter Warmer Walks are an opportunity for residents to get out in the air and reconnect with their town and each other. Each 90 minute walk will start and finish at local neighbourhood centres and community houses and will run under COVIDSafe practises.

For dates, times and locations please visit:

#### www.facebook.com/centralgoldfields.

Winter Warmer Walks is an initiative between the Victorian Government, Council, Maryborough Community House, Mill House Neighbourhood House and Dunolly & District Neighbourhood Centre.

#### New water fountain for Bealiba

In response to community feedback, we have partnered with Coliban Water to install a new water drinking fountain at Orme Snowden Park in Bealiba.

### Roadworks in Dunolly

Road re-construction works on Dunolly Avoca Road (between Racecourse Road and Shaw Track) in Dunolly have commenced.

The project includes drainage works, road pavement reconstruction and safety barrier construction.

The road works will be undertaken under traffic. There may be slight delays during the works. For the safety of workers and road users please obey roadworks signage and traffic controllers. It is anticipated the project will be completed in August, weather depending.

The project has been funded by the Victorian Government's AgriLinks Upgrade Program.

#### **Healthy trees**

Did you know there are three trees in Maryborough that are listed on the National Register of Significant Trees? They are the Lemon Scented Gum in the Philips Gardens and the Juniper and Flame trees located in the Princes Park precinct.

To be listed on the significant tree register, trees must have horticultural value; be rare; have age, size or aesthetic value; or cultural or heritage significance.

Recently, for the first time, the Juniper Tree at Princes Park was given a full health check using a "sonic tomographer" – by a professional arborist.

The "Sonic Tomographer" can detect decay and cavities in standing trees non-invasively by tracking the speed of sound waves through the trunk, roots and large branches.

The great news is our Juniper tree is in good condition.

## Council appoints Maryborough Aerodrome Taskforce

Central Goldfields Shire Council has appointed six members to the Maryborough Aerodrome Taskforce at Tuesday night's (27th July 2021) Council Meeting.

The purpose of the Taskforce is to ensure there is community and stakeholder input into the development of an Aerodrome business plan, subsequent review and update of the master plan.

In the 2021/22 Budget, Council allocated \$30,000 for the development of a business plan.

Council received 10 Expressions of Interest from community members who had a range of appropriate skills and experience, enabling Council to appoint a Chairperson and five other members to fulfil the purpose of the Taskforce.

The following members have been appointed to the Taskforce:

- Neil Arbuthnot (Chairperson).
- Neville Boyle.

- Kim Skyring.
- Ian Carfrae.
- Rod Brown.
- Anthony Ohlsen.

The Taskforce will meet from Monday 9th August, 2021. Under the Taskforce's Term of Reference, members were appointed based upon the following criteria:

- · Knowledge of Aerodrome operations.
- Business acumen.
- Community development.
- Community asset management.

The Taskforce's Chairperson was appointed based on the following:

- Extensive knowledge of airport operations.
- Substantial experience in community asset management.
- Relevant technical and management qualifications.
- Familiarity with local government operations.

Central Goldfields Shire Mayor Chris Meddows-Taylor thanked all community members who submitted an Expression of Interest.

"Council is thrilled to have such a high calibre task force driven by community members providing advice on how we take this important asset forward and ensuring Maryborough Aerodrome is planned to best serve our community," he said.

"We made the Aerodrome a priority as a newly elected Council and it is exciting after some months of busy work, we are now ready to take the next critical step in its future."

CGSC News and media release



### **National Missing Persons Week**

An annual week of action that takes place in Australia during the first week of August to raise awareness of the significant issues surrounding missing persons. The week is also used to profile long-term missing persons, and to educate the Australian community.

The disappearance of Tony Jones in 1982 was the catalyst for the establishment of National Missing Persons Week (NMPW) in Australia by the Jones family. The inaugural week took place with a memorial service in Townsville in 1988, where the Mayor of Townsville planted a tree in commemoration of Mr Jones.

NMPW continues to this day, and is supported throughout the missing persons sector and within the broader community to bring much needed awareness and hopefully answers for those left behind.

In support of NMPW, the AFP NMPCC coordinates an annual police campaign with State and Territory police, highlight a different theme each year to raise awareness of the significant issues associated with missing persons, profile long-term missing persons to reduce the incidence and impact of missing persons in Australia.

The annual police campaign compliments other campaigns, events, initiatives and memorial services run by families with a missing loved one, advocacy networks, government and non-government organisations, and members of the public.

National Missing Persons Week 2021 will be held from the 1-7 August. For more information <u>Click here</u> or call 1800 333 00 to report a missing person.

Australian Federal Police media release

## **Dunolly Bowling Club History Part 8**

2000-2005

#### 2000-2004

I would imagine we all waited in anticipation if what would happen on the stroke of 12.01 January 1st 2000.

We all read and heard on social media could our computers, mobile phones in fact all electronic devices be able to handle the change over. I would imagine we all celebrated in the new year with our loved ones, it went smoothly with out a clinch, little did we know what was going to be laid out before us in so many ways. This was also with the Bowling Club.

#### 1999-2000

Mrs M. Shay was elected Ladies Associate President

#### 1999-2001

Mr M. Arnold was elected club president.

It was discussed at the June committee meeting to investigate the establishment of a secretary's office and a storage area for the BBQ. Due to the ageing population of members in the club, discussions were raised about making a number of changes to the forms of play, most requests were for the number of rinks be to reduced. At the club level Dunolly Green Division 3 won the 2000-2001 premiership season Midlands Association Pennant Four Champions for season 2000-2001 from Dunolly were Mr Barry Flett, Mr Ken Howard, Mr I Flett and Mr Brian Harrop \*Midlands Ladies Bowls Association for season 2000-2001. State Pairs winners were lady bowlers from Dunolly unfortunately there was no name with photo if any bowlers know the bowlers please let me know and I will publish the names.

**2000-2001** Mrs Loretta Parker was elected Ladies Associates President.

**2001** The club upgraded the umpires equipment plus a new telescopic sight was purchased. Plans for another extension to the club were discussed.

**2001- 2003** Mr Robert Weir was elected President of the club.

Mrs Marg Davies was elected Ladies Associate President

**2002** Mr P Shay's tender was accepted for the extension to the club. That were discussed the year before.

**2003** During the year the club received a Youth Sport Recreation grant and the club joined the Victorian Green keepers Association, (in 1999 the club approached the Goldfields Shire Council for a loan and they were granted \$12000, for the new extensions. The club approached the council if they could pay part of the loan and the balance at the end of the financial year this was to go towards the new extension.) Building commenced in November 2003 and was completed.

**2004** Mrs Heather Weir was elected the Ladies Associate President for the years 2003-2005.

**2003-2005** Mr Barry Flett was elected the club's President Season 2003-2004.

Mr Glenn Richards won the Midlands Bowls Association Champion of Champions along with the Victorian group singles Midlands. Bowls Association Group Winners for the over "50" bowls triples were Mr P. Mortlock Mr. R Weir lead by skipper Mr Geoff Davis Midlands Bowls Association Triples winners were Mr A. Deason Mr. K Mottram and Mr G. Richards.

Midlands Bowls Association Mixed Pairs for the season 2003-4-5 winners were Mr Geoff and Mrs Marg Davies Midlands ladies Bowls Association Champions were Mrs V Mortlock and Mrs V Flett. Midlands Ladies Bowls Association Silver Tray winners 2004 were Mrs V. Flett Mrs V. Mortlock, Mrs N. Whitehead and Mrs J. Long.

The above information I obtained from the photos on the clubroom walls. Years pre-2000, I tried to send photos along with the segments I had written about, however, the integrity of the photos was often lost.

Hannah Delconte



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## **Church News**

### **Catholic Church**

As the Covid restrictions have been lifted we can return to the usual Sunday roster. Masks must still be worn indoors and out

There will be Mass at St Mary's, Dunolly on Sunday 8th August at 8.30am.

R Mecredy

The bread of God is that which comes down from Heaven and gives life to the world.

John 6:24-35

## St John's Anglican Church

Rev Canon Heather Blackman Parish Office, 6 Nightingale Street, Maryborough. Phone 5460 5964

Services are held every fourth Thursday at 10am. The next Service will be on Thursday, 26th August, COVID-19 restrictions permitting.

Esmé Flett

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:1-3

### **Uniting Church**

Julie Ramsay will lead worship next Sunday, August 8th at 9.30am.

The Op Shop is now operating again after restrictions were eased last week.

Opening days are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. New stock is available each week.

Be sure to visit, you may pick up a bargain!

Linda Pickering



The Op Shop is open —
Tuesdays from 9.30am to 2pm
Thursdays and Fridays
from 10am to 4pm

### **Uniting Church Op Shop bargains**

The Op-shop is open with a full range of winter stock at bargain prices. Other bargains include:

- Two men's bikes as new \$30 each,
- Two recliner chairs \$10 each,
- Collection of older adult and children books \$1 each.
- Two dressing tables with mirrors as is \$5.

Jim McKenzie





## Cr Liesbeth Long Councillor's Message



What a great outcome Council and Coliban Water have achieved for our local Bealiba community.

If you have visited Orme Snowden Park recently, you would have noticed a new addition to the barbecue area. Via a partnership with Coliban Water, Council has installed a new water fountain for local residents to enjoy. This new addition was in response to community feedback to Council and I am really happy to see this project has become a reality.

The water fountain is an important reminder for Coliban Water's 'Choose Tap' campaign https://coliban.com.au/community/choose-tap which encourages residents to choose tap water over bottled water as water bottles can have a negative effect on the environment. According to some researchers, they estimate that due to the PET used in plastic water bottles, it could take upwards of 450 years for a water bottle to decompose.

The new water fountain is the latest in a line of other water fountains in our Shire, including a Coliban Water drinking fountain at the Gordon Gardens in Dunolly, and

more recently in partnership with Central Highlands Water, a touch free water fountain station at Princes Park Maryborough was delivered.

Congratulations to the Bealiba community in their push to get their very own water fountain — I encourage all residents to take advantage of this great new community asset.

In more good news for Bealiba, Council has recently completed a new 140 metre footpath that runs from the north side of Main Street opposite the Town Hall to Davies Street.

During my election campaign listening posts in Bealiba I had residents ask me if it would be possible for a footpath in this location, especially as people walk to the post office daily to collect their mail.

After I was elected this became one of my very first priorities and I am stoked to see that this has now been completed. A reminder that indeed "Your voice matters!". The footpath was funded as part of Council's 2021/22 Budget and will make access to Main Street much easier for all residents, especially our older community members.

It's great to see so many exciting things happen in Bealiba and I look forward to seeing this progress continue.

Feel free to contact me any time via social media: (Insta/Facebook) at #councillorliesbethlong, phone/text 0429108007 or email

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Cr Liesbeth Long Wednesday 4th August

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## **Yellow Dog Vintage**

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The likely lads will be reciting Mulga Bills Bicycle and Clancy of the Overflow plus some of their own works. Saturday 7th August starting at 12 noon to 12.30pm, at the Pop Up Poetry Reading and Book Sale at Yellow Dog Vintage 115B Broadway Dunolly.

Date: Saturday 7th August as part of the Central Goldfields Words in Winter events.

Come and share with us your favourite passage from a book or a poem in the chair out front of my shop, there will be vintage books for sale at great prices, so please come along. Everyone welcome

Lynda Vater

### **Deledio Reserve Scoreboard**

There have been many questions directed towards us regarding the initiative by Ralph Williams, the driving force behind the new supersized electronic scoreboard set to grace Deledio Reserve later this year.

Although we fully support Ralph and the Cricket Club with this project, we are still in discussions with the Cricket club in regards to what we at Dunolly Football Netball Club can financially afford to contribute. The netball courts need to be restructured, and that is our main focus at the moment.

The courts are currently used by approximately 60 local club members from eight years and up, and frequented by the Primary School and community at large, so you can see why they are our priority at this time.

At some point in the next few years we will also need to upgrade the ageing light towers on the football oval.

I should also mention the new clubrooms that we will need to make a significant contribution towards, that will also be a benefit to the whole community.

That being said, I know that some of our sponsors and supporters would consider contributing under the Dunolly Football Netball Club banner, provided that DFNC has equal access in use of the board.

DFNC has partnered with The Australian Sports Foundation so that your donations will be tax deductible. https://sportsfoundation.org.au/

The Cricket Club is asking for donations of \$250 towards the scoreboard, and you would have your name in lights every time it starts up — we would love to facilitate that for you if that's what you would like.

However, we do understand that \$250 is quite a lot of money, and any donation will of course be much appreciated.

If you would like to donate to the costs of the scoreboard, please do so by directing your donation to DFNC, indicating that it is to go towards the scoreboard.

If you would like to make a donation for other projects at DFNC you may also use the tax deductible choice through The Sports Foundation.

Dunolly Football Netball Club would like to thank everybody for their continued support. Please feel free to get in touch if you have any queries.

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### **Whispering Weeders Garden Club**

Sadly, we had to postpone the visit from our very own Bonsai Man, David Allen, but we will invite him back soon, so keep an eye out.

This month on Monday 30th, our club will be visiting Squirrel Gully Saffron. This will certainly be a unique experience, as saffron is an exotic addition to cuisine the world over. Meet at the Centre at 1pm; new members encouraged.

### Winter Warmer Walks

Organised by the Council, these varied and interesting walks are a great opportunity to connect with your community, and perhaps even learn a thing or two.

community, and perhaps even learn a thing or two.
The first Dunolly walk will be on Wednesday 11th
August. Hosted by local naturalist Murray Hall, walkers
will meet at the centre at 1pm.

The second walk, hosted by myself, will be on Wednesday 25th August, meeting at the Dunolly Town Hall at 1pm. I will then take walkers over to our magnificent Courthouse. If all walkers behave, I won't leave them in the Lock-Up, but will instead lead them back to the Centre for a bakery treat.

## What's on at the Neighbourhood Centre?

**Walking groups** — Mondays plus Winter Warmer Walks.

**Wood working** — in the wood work shed. Tuesday mornings.

Whispering Weeders garden club — on the last Monday of the month.

Family history — Tuesday afternoons.

**Tai Chi** — at the golf club (10am Tuesday and Thursday) **Table tennis** — at the golf club (Wednesday 9am12noon, and 7pm to 9pm).

**Archery** — (4th Sunday of the month)

Old-time dancing — (Mondays from 2.30pm at St. John's).

**Craft** — at the Centre on Wednesdays at 10am.

And of course our wonderful Arts Hub (cnr Thompson and Alice Streets).

Keep an eye on our *Facebook* pages for updates — <u>click</u> <u>here</u> or drop in Monday to Thursday between 9am and 3.30pm to find out more or call 03 5468 1511

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### **Brendan From Bealiba**

Last Saturday about 11.30am, quite by accident I turned on the radio and caught a show on KLFM called *Off The Bench*. It is a sports show and normally I would have turned it off straight away. But the announcer got my attention when he said, "coming up next is Brendan from Bealiba."

It turned out that Brendan From Bealiba is a comedian and told a number of jokes on air. In particular the termite and the bar tender was funny. Apparently he has been on the show for a while coming up with new jokes every week.

If Brendan From Bealiba really is a Bealiba resident he is becoming well known. I could just imagine him going about his farm work thinking up new jokes, or out detecting while pondering new puns. Keep up your good work Brendan, you certainly made me smile.

#### Phones

Recently, the NBN became available to my end of Broadway. Ten years ago I would have been very excited about this, but it has taken so long to roll out it has all become rather ho-hum. After a bit of thought I decided to ditch the copper wire and go with VOIP. I was sorry to let the phone wire go but my reasoning was once the NBN rollout is completed in Dunolly nobody will do phone line repairs anymore, so once you have a problem you will have to go with VOIP anyway.

The woman at Southern Phone was very helpful and within a few days my new modem arrived. I had been assured there would be some notice before the installer arrived. That was not the case and the dog was very unhappy hearing someone on the roof. An hour or so later he was gone and I was connected. The internet worked really well, not much different to the ADSL I formerly had. But there was no phone. My old phone had been on the way out so I assumed that was the problem. Even after I had put in a new phone there was still no service.

After half an hour on my mobile waiting in the call queue I got to speak to a technician who discovered the phone service had not been activated. How does that happen? Anyway he fixed the problem promptly and life has gone on pretty much as before.

The whole experience got me thinking about our telephone history. My parents always had a phone connected but children were never allowed to touch it. Sometimes our neighbour would come down, pennies in hand, to use the phone. Pretty soon he bit the bullet and got his own. When I went to stay with my grandmother her phone was much more interesting than ours. She was on a party line with four or five other subscribers, but I was not allowed to touch that one either. It was a large wooden box mounted on the wall with an ear piece you picked off a cradle and a speaker set into the front of the box. On one side of the box was a handle you had to turn a precise number of times to connect to various people. It was one turn to connect to the exchange, two short rings followed by a long ring got my grandmother. I was always amazed she did not answer any other ring even though she always knew who it was for, and even when she knew they were not home. I was such a sticky beak I would have loved to listen to all conversations. Right there is probably the reason I was never allowed to touch her phone.

I was a teenager before I was allowed to use the phone. In a town where we once lived it was well known that one of the exchange workers used to listen to all calls. Automated exchanges were a wonderful thing.

The old dial phone we had when we first came to Dunolly must have been well made because we were amongst the last of our acquaintance group to get a button phone. Somehow it never felt like a real phone, too light and not enough volume to the ring. And there was no pleasure in connecting up my new phone the other day. It is even lighter, has a thready ring and is difficult to read without your glasses. How can you put your faith in something like that?

Vicky Frizzell



For those of you who have no idea of what a VoIP phone is — this from *Wikipedia* explains the phone.

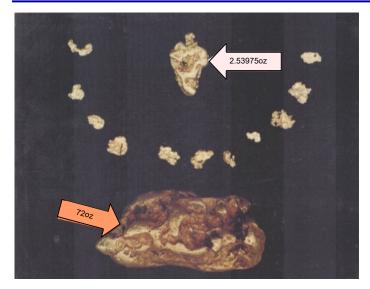
VoIP phones can be simple software-

based softphones or purpose-built hardware devices that appear much like an ordinary telephone or a cordless phone.

A VoIP phone or application may have many features an analogue phone doesn't support, such as e-mail-like IDs for contacts that may be easier to remember than names or phone numbers, or easy sharing of contact lists among multiple accounts.

More information — https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ VoIP\_phone The picture above is of a VoIP — there are many varieties to choose from. The Editor





### Gold detected in the district

It was a nice surprise when Waistcoat Willy turned up at the pub the other night after his big operation, convalescence and lockdowns.

Some friends who have moved to Dunolly in more recent times were both amazed and impressed to see the huge nugget hanging round his neck. but we more long term residents were most familiar with this adornment. On their request, Billy retold the story of the discovery.

One of his reasons for choosing Dunolly as his home after his many seafaring years was his keen desire to find gold. He bought an SD2000 detector but had to go back to sea before starting his prospecting.

His shipmates had laughed at the idea and told him his chances of finding gold were one in a million. Of course Billy ignored them and when home again he told Rosa he was off detecting and she suggested he try Cockatoo Flat where a friend had found a nugget. Off he went but found the area very wet and had to wade through it. Every target he tried beeped but he decided it was only ground noise, so he decided to go further up the hill. When he stepped over a branch the detector beeped but he ignored it, thinking the same thing but then he suddenly decided he should go back and make sure. He went back and started digging down a few inches when he encountered a tree root so used his axe to remove it and the beeping was louder and then he saw some gold.

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Noelle Mason R.N.



03 5464 7329 / 0429 333 321 marriage@noellemason.com.au He tried pulling it out with his hand but it wouldn't budge so he used a file to scrape away and when it appeared Billy was amazed to see its size. It was nearly 5pm so Billy decided to go down to the pub and show the blokes. That nugget was greeted with whistles at its great size and when it was weighed it was 72 ounces!

Billy craftily told them he had found it at Wanyarra and next morning the place was like Bourke Street, all the prospectors hoping to strike gold.

The following morning Billy returned to his lucky spot and 20 feet away from his first find he dug up another nugget, not quite as big as the previous one but still pretty amazing at 72 grams. It was next to a tree stump, coated with mud and only about six inches deep. There was a lot of dirt on the coil so he started to clean it off and then the nugget disappeared. He started to look around and Rosa, who had been sitting nearby reading a book, asked him, "Are you looking for this?" and held out the nugget.

"Thank goodness, I thought I had lost it," said Billy. "Oh no, it's mine now, you threw it away," laughed Rosa. That is the nugget Billy wears round his neck.

Now everyone who reads this will be off to Cockatoo Flat to make their fortune.

Cynthia Lindsay



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## Around school this week

Welcome back .... AGAIN!



We are so happy to have students back on site. We would like to truly thank the parents/carers for trying your very best to ensure your child continued their learning during lockdown 5.0. But nothing beats seeing the students coming through the gates each morning!

### **Current Restrictions**

No parents/carers on site unless absolutely necessary. Please phone ahead.

All adults to wear a mask inside and outside.

Camps and excursions can go ahead with single schools attending only. Year 5/6 camp will proceed as planned

Library can resume and the borrowing of books.

Morning Munch is considered essential so will be on each Monday and Wednesday from 8.15am.

No transition programs yet. We will advise when Step Into Prep can start.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Held over from July 15<sup>th</sup>, the winners who were not presented with their awards due to lockdown.

Prep/1 – Henry Deason
Year 2/3 – Dean Liddicoat
Year 4/5 – Mia Schodde
Year 5/6 – Zoe Nurse
Principal's – Ryan Redpath
and Elliott Hallworth

## 2021 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey

We want our parents/caregivers/guardians to tell us what they think!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All of our of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **now until Friday September 3**<sup>rd</sup>.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time up until the survey closes on Friday September 3<sup>rd</sup>. You can access the survey on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. **All parents will be emailed the link to the survey.** The survey results will be communicated to School Council and also summarized on our Facebook page and through the school newsletter.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.



Some of the Olympic Rings artwork from students during lockdown.

Lots of creative ways to represent the Olympic Ring

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## Birth of a new era

THE WELCOME RECORD

The 60th anniversary of the arrival in Australia of the Pill — the tiny tablet which revolutionised women's lives in the second half of the 20th century.

In the dawning days of the Australian federation, birth control was seen as a direct threat to the nation's future. Population growth was considered so key that the sole reliable method of contraception in the early 20th century abstinence — was only recommended for women in extreme cases, such as paralysis or insanity.

Matters had not improved by the 1940s, when a Sydney branch of the ALP demanded that all birth control be banned. "Stop this evil canker which is undermining our national life, and can lead only to our extinction as a people," they implored.

But over in the US, scientists backed by women's health activists were busily developing an oral contraceptive pill. It was approved for use in the US in 1960, and on 1 February 1961, Australia became only the second country in the world to usher in the Pill.

It went on to transform women's lives. Smaller, planned families gave women the freedom to pursue careers. They reaped the benefits of better health by avoiding unwanted multiple pregnancies and the dreaded backstreet abortionist.

The Pill also ushered in sexual freedom for both men and women, and banished forever the certified passion killers of contraception methods from times past, including crocodile dung pessaries, sheep intestine condoms and acid douches.

But there were some initial setbacks. In Australia, it was officially only available to married women.

Then there were the side effects of the original Pill, which contained high levels of oestrogen and progestogen that could lead to nausea and vomiting, and even strokes and heart attacks.

The cost of the Pill, which was subject to a hefty 'luxury tax', was another draw-back and at the International Women's Day march in Sydney in 1972, protesters demanded: "Free the Pill from the till!" Prime Minister Gough Whitlam complied, abolishing the luxury tax and reducing the price of the Pill to a dollar a month. The revolution was finally underway — and Baby Boomers in their teens or planning a family were the biggest beneficiaries.

The Pill is now by far our most popular form of contraception, and clinical trials for the male birth control pill continue, with some positive results to date. Australia was a world leader back in 1961 — but will the male pill be too much for us to swallow?

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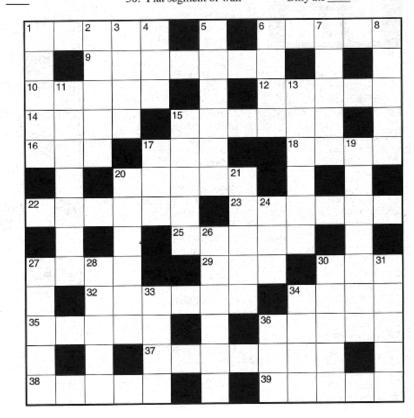
- 1. Sentinel
- Large feline
- 9. Woman without obligations to others, lady of
- 10. Rectify
- 12. Sharply sloping
- 14. Town or city with harbour
- 15. Playing position (rugby, eg.)
- Spicy
- 17. Cylindrical glass container
- 18. Object of worship
- 20. Lively dance of Brazilian origin
- 22. River which flows through Vienna
- 23. However
- 25. Added lubrication

- Superlative of 'well' (as in 'she performed
- Large marble used for shooting
- 30. Swine
- 32. U.S. agricultural state
- 34. Taper off
- 35. Instrument played by Stevie Wonder
- NBL team, Sydney
- 37. To use
- 38. Unwanted residue
- 39. To probe (for information)

#### Down

- 1. Numerical information chart
- 2. A warning
- 3. Lease payment
- 4. Executed (action)
- 5. Of highest quality
- An experiment
- 7. Gluttony
- 8. Ward off (attack, eg.)
- 11. Charge for anchoring
- 13. Three-legged support (for telescope, eg.)
- 15. Famous actor's brief role
- 17. Short punch

- Continuing to take force place
- 20. Muslim ruler
- 21. Champion bodybuilder, Charles
- 24. Chop (wood, eg.) with 31. Kind gesture, beau
- 26. Sloping type
- 27. Having two feet
- 28. Shoe used on ice
- 30. Flat segment of wall
- 33. Common sense
- 34. Judicious
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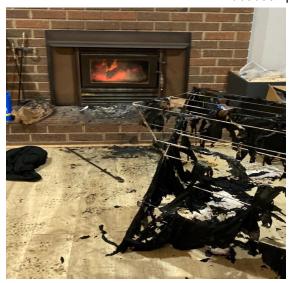


Agents working on behalf of Forest Fire Management Victoria will begin planting poisonous chemicals throughout the Bung Bong, Mount Hooghly and Wareek state forests in August and September.

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Community Engagement Coordinator



## SPORTS

## **Dunolly Football Netball Club**

What an interesting few weeks it's been in the world of our footballers and netballers lately.

With restrictions in and then out again it's provided us (and other clubs I am sure) some topsy-turvy times between games being rescheduled and events and needed fundraisers having to be tweaked and twerked or cancelled all together. This season has certainly been unlike one we have seen before.

In a league meeting held last Monday, clubs agreed to proceed without crowds this weekend.

Therefore, yes, all teams are playing Maldon at Deledio Reserve this Saturday but sadly under current restrictions it means no spectators may attend.

We are hoping soon we will have the current restrictions lifted and we can see you all back at the ground.

The remaining rounds are as follows: Saturday 7th August — Dunolly v Maldon (Deledio Reserve).

Saturday 14th August — Dunolly v Navarre (Deledio Reserve).

Saturday 21st August — Royal Park v Dunolly (Hedges Oval).

I would like to thank all our players who have shown great strength and commitment to our club during this tough time. Many rallying and finding unique ways to train when it's been difficult to get a team together as a whole.

From our young eagles to our senior ones I am proud of what our club has been able to show. This week will be a much welcomed return to sport for us all and I know our club cannot wait to get back out there and finish on highs.

Thank you to our wonderful sponsors and supporters who have travelled this road with us unwavering. Your ongoing support has helped keep us all going. Good luck everyone; bring on a fantastic weekend of sport.

Sam Wakeman President

## **Dunolly Golf Club**

Saturday saw a return to play after a COVID break. The course played very well, and some good scores were produced. The remarkably consistent Shenae Hunt again came out on top in the Women's event, winning with 37 points, from Cheryl Lovel some way behind. The Men's section was taken out by Alex Lovel on 39 points, from Josh Hunt and Ian Arnold tied on 35.

Nearest the pin winners were Rory Scholes on the 16th, and the ever reliable Rick Lovel on the 13th.

The next three Saturdays will see the DGC Annual Championships held. This is a very important part of our syllabus, with play to take place in A Grade, B Grade and Juniors. We would like to see as many players as possible turn out to make the event as exciting as possible. There is a chance to get your name up on the honour board, so come along and give it your best shot!

Ian Arnold

## In The Vegic Patch



Spring is in the air now. But don't get carried away with a few nice fine days, as we can get some very cold and frosty weather at this time of year. There is still three months of sowing and planting time left. The main garden job for now is to prepare for spring planting. Before planting again this season, remember where plants were last season. The most effective way to keep the soil fertile and prevent the build up of pests and diseases, is to rotate the crops. Keep a diary to remember where last seasons plants had grown.

Any gardeners who prefer to sow their own tomato seeds, this is the best month to start. Tomato seeds need good warm conditions to germinate and once they surface, then it is time to gradually harden them off. If young plants are left too long in warm conditions, they will grow tall and fall over. Dwarf peas can be sown this month, the early varieties, like Melbourne Market also known as William Massey are the best for early sowing. Green feast is better left until mid September to mid October, as they like warmer weather. Peas need lime and fertilisers at sowing time, or before hand.

Other seeds to sow now are carrots, parsnips, beetroot, lettuce, silverbeet and spring onions. Carrots and parsnips grow all right sown this month, in fact parsnips will grow better than carrots when sown early. When sowing parsnip seed, form the rows and treat the soil with boiling water, to retard pests. It gives the seeds a chance to germinate and grow before the pests start to recover again. All seasons carrots are less likely to run to seed than any other variety.

Long keeping onion plants, not seeds, can be planted out now until the end of September. It is not wise to plant out the full crop yet, as some of the early planted ones could bolt to seed if there is good growing weather conditions during late spring months.

All frost tender plants are better left until a later date.

### **Fruit Trees**

Grafting can be done this month, as the buds will be starting to show by now. Grafting must be done before the buds show any sign of swelling or else the new growth has nothing to feed on once they open. Pruning citrus trees is better left until next month. Early pruning encourages early growth, that could be burnt off with late frosts.

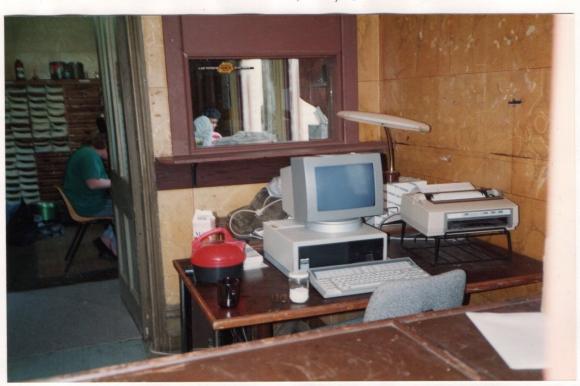
Keep an eye out for aphid on stone fruit trees, as they are very active from now until the hot weather sets in. They breed at the base of the tree, and can do much damage to the foliage before being noticed. Soapy water poured over the tree base can eliminate these pests. Happy Gardening.

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