

## Annabel's big chop



Last Sunday's freezing weather was not kind to Dunolly's community market, however a sizeable crowd turned up and the focal point was the Big Chop, the much awaited cutting of young Annabel's hair in order to donate it to Hair with a Heart which provides wigs for children with cancer. These wigs can cost up to \$6000 so Annabel started a fund raiser which has now raised more than \$3000.

Brave Annabel sat outside her parents' café while her mother Karmilla took up the scissors to remove her daughter's lovely long, brown hair. First it had to be divided into switches, combed into separate long pieces and fastened with a band. When done, there were four

or five long pieces which were handed to Annabel as they were cut. And lo, Annabel now had a short cropped hairstyle. She looked sad for just a second and then was elated at what she had done. We all clapped and shared the happy moment.

If you would like to help this wonderful cause there are donation tins at All Day on Broadway and at the Dunolly Bakery.

Story by Cynthia Lindsay, photo by Jan Brock

### *Editor's Note:*

*The Welcome Record* was pleased to donate towards this worthy cause.

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## Rosie's Ramble

I have been more or less confined to barracks with a sore knee. I got a bit enthusiastic while watching a video of *Riverdance* and tore a tendon. The first part of that statement is a fib, but the second half is true. It is sore. As a consequence, the ramble will be even sillier than usual.

Rosie

### THE TOAST FAIRY—

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Tohby Riddle

### TWISTED PROVERBS —

If at first you don't succeed, pretend you weren't trying.

It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle if it is lightly greased.

It was a cold wet day when he buried his mother-in-law. Just as the funeral party left the cemetery there was a sudden flash of lightning and a loud clap of thunder. Murphy looked up at the sky and said "Blimey, she's arrived up there already."

Des MacHale



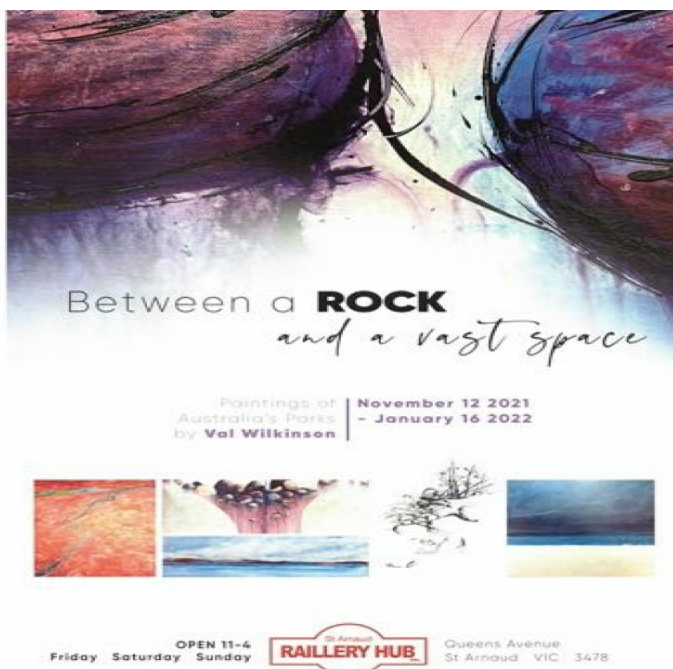
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Jan Brock  
President

## Between a Rock and a Vast Space



Australia has thousands of parks and Dunolly artist Val Wilkinson has explored, photographed and painted more than 600 of them.

In her radically modified 60-series Landcruiser, Val “ticked-off” the parks on a state-by-state basis during what she describes as “the best decade of my life”.

“Many of the most iconic parks are very remote. Access tracks can be badly corrugated, impossible when wet, and a long way from roadside assist even if there was a phone signal which there was not!” However, Val says the hardest to reach parks invariably provided her the most inspiring subject matter to paint and photograph.

With literally thousands of images and hundreds of paintings to choose from, Val narrowed down her selection for this exhibition to the subject matter which invariably awed and inspired her: huge rocks and vast spaces.

The exhibition is on view at The Raillery Hub Gallery, located in the historic railway station in Queen’s Avenue, St Arnaud Friday to Sunday 11am to 4pm. Entry is free!

Media Release



## Cr Chris Meddows-Taylor to serve second year as Mayor



Mayor-elect Cr Chris Meddows-Taylor of Paddys Ranges Ward will be officially elected as Central Goldfields Shire Mayor for the 2021-2022 mayoral term, at a Statutory Meeting of Council to be held next Tuesday, 16th November at 6pm. Whilst the meeting will be held in person, the ceremony will be closed to the public and the meeting livestreamed to Council’s Facebook page due to COVID-19 restrictions. Mayor-elect Cr Meddows-Taylor said it was an honour to be re-elected to the position of Mayor for the next 12 months.

“It is a great honour to be re-elected as Central Goldfields Shire Mayor for the next 12 months. We have accomplished so much as Councillors and Council working closely with our CEO and staff over the past year, but there is still much to do.

“Our community has set a bold, inspiring 10 year vision and we have a focused Council Plan to position Council well to create future success and capture high value opportunities to benefit our Community.

“I look forward to continuing to work hard on behalf of our community and leading our advocacy for our Shire to secure this success with all its benefits.”

CGSC Media Release

# Fill this space

We are constantly on the look-out for local content, something particular to Dunolly and surrounds.

Do you have any stories or articles of interest which could fill this space.

Perhaps you have some historical connections with the town, or an event which you attended and wish to comment on. Or you wish to advise of any event taking place in the future.

Send it to:

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## Arts Hub Annual Online Art Exhibition 2021

November 20 - December 4

You will find exhibition online @ Dunolly Arts Hub facebook page or at the Neighbourhood Centre

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The registration for publishing artworks online has now closed.

# Central Goldfields Shire Council

## Engagement Opportunities

Draft Industrial & Demand Assessment and Strategy

Do you want to provide feedback about the future of industrial land?

Have your say on the Draft Industrial & Demand Assessment and Strategy which makes recommendations for future industrial land planning. Submit your feedback here: [www.engage.cgoldshire.vic.gov.au/industrialland](http://www.engage.cgoldshire.vic.gov.au/industrialland)

Maryborough Shine Project: Retail Recovery Project

How can we help Maryborough businesses recover after COVID-19?

Take the online quiz and tell us how we can best support business recovery.

The quiz can be found at: [www.projectrestore.com.au/shinemb](http://www.projectrestore.com.au/shinemb)

The Maryborough Shine Project is supported by the Victoria State Government through the Regional Recovery Fund.

## COVID-19 Update

Please get tested if you have symptoms, no matter how mild.

To make an appointment at the Maryborough District Health Service COVID-19 testing clinic, call 5461 0300. Council has partnered with MDHS to open a pop-up COVID-19 testing clinic at Lake Victoria, Maryborough.

The pop-up clinic is open from 9am to 5pm, seven days. No appointment is needed. Enter via Lake Road and exit onto Burns Street. Please enter slowly and look out for traffic, pedestrians, and clinic staff. To stay up-to-date on local testing and vaccination clinics visit: [mdhs.vic.gov.au/covid](http://mdhs.vic.gov.au/covid)

## Funding opportunities

Does your community group need funding for a project or initiative? The following funding is available:

- \$30,000 through this year's Community Support Grants program.
- In partnership with the Victorian Government, there is also \$30,000 on offer as part of the CASI Community Recovery Grants program.

Applications for both programs close this Friday 19th November with recipients to be announced in December.

For more information, and to access the online application process, visit: [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communitygrants](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communitygrants)

## Check your letterbox

The Community Update Spring 2021 is now arriving in letterboxes around the Shire.

The newsletter contains the latest information on how we are making our community even better including major projects, engagement outcomes, township updates and investment in people, places and roads.

You can view the latest newsletter online at [www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communityupdate](http://www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/communityupdate)

## Grading update

Grading works are currently taking place in Dunolly, Bealiba, Dunluce, Timor and Maryborough which will be followed by grading in Talbot and surrounds. Works are taking place on roads that have been inspected.

## Dunolly News

Works to construct two new footpaths in Dunolly will be completed this week.

A new 300 metre stretch of footpath is being constructed along Bull Street, between Market Street and Havelock Street and will provide a connection to the entrance of the Dunolly Hospital.

The second project involved the construction of a new 100 metre stretch of footpath along Market Street, from Bull Street to the Dunolly Swimming Pool.

Both projects are funded as part of the 2021-2022 Council Budget.

## Bounce Back

Council is hosting a series of free events to celebrate a return to community activities. Bounce Back is a program of

outdoor community events and will be held across four Fridays from 10am at the Station Domain Amphitheatre, Station Drive, Maryborough. Details are:

- 19th November: Outdoor yoga with Izzy for beginners and experts. Yoga mats will be supplied. The first 20 registrations will receive a free Yoga mat.
- 26th November: Fun Fitness with Brad for all ages and fitness levels.
- 3rd December: Tai Chi in the Park for anyone who would like to give it a try. "Meditation in Motion".
- 10th December: Community Music led by Stella Savy from the Sweet Mona's Choir in Ballarat. There'll be drums, guitars and new and old songs for all.

To book contact the Central Goldfields Visitor Information Centre 0438 868 420.

Bounce Back is presented by Central Goldfields Shire Council with funding as part of the Victorian Government's CASI initiative.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to the Maryborough Community House and Dunolly Neighbourhood House who recently participated in a workshop to explore ways to support our community to recover from the impacts of the pandemic.

The workshops highlighted the importance of maintaining social connections to improve the health and wellbeing of our community.

A big shout out to both groups as the workshops really celebrated the amazing work that both organisations are already doing to improve the health and wellbeing of our community. Thank you and keep up the great work!

The workshops were delivered as part of the Strengthening the Population Health Prevention System program was made possible thanks to Victorian Government funding.

## Retail recovery project set to launch

Council is urging residents to share their thoughts, ideas and local knowledge about shopping, eating and spending time in Maryborough as part of the Shine Maryborough project.

Supported by the Victorian Government through the Regional Recovery Fund, Shine Maryborough is a retail recovery project which aims to investigate creative ways to help local retailers bounce back from COVID-19 and how to work out the best way to make Maryborough shine.

The recovery program aims to support local retail traders by identifying ways to benefit from major new projects in and around the CBD at the Railway Station, Art Gallery, Hospital and recreation precinct.

Ideas for collective branding, marketing and how to retain local spending in the online retail environment will also be developed.

New funding for COVID safe outdoor precinct activation has recently been granted by the Victorian Government, so there are opportunities to get some COVID-safe outdoor events and street infrastructure happening.

This will build on recent outdoor dining installations and support trade while limits on indoor numbers remain.

Community members can provide feedback via a vox-pop at [www.projectrestore.com.au/shinemb](http://www.projectrestore.com.au/shinemb) until 5pm, Friday 19th November.

Central Goldfields Shire Maryborough Ward Councillor Grace La Vella said this project will help Maryborough businesses reach their full potential following COVID-19.

"Shine Maryborough will help our businesses with their recovery into COVID pandemic normal.

"We need you, the resident, to share your thoughts and ideas. We can then work out the best way to help our traders get back on their feet."

While the project will be led by Council, it will be delivered by strategists Hello City and economists SGS.

## Free green waste disposal to help community get fire ready

Central Goldfields Shire is offering free green waste disposal to encourage residents to prepare their properties for the upcoming fire season.

Council is offering free green waste drop off for residents at the Carisbrook, Talbot and Dunolly transfer stations every weekend from Saturday 27th November to Sunday 19th December.

Residents should start preparing their properties by:

- Clearing undergrowth and fallen branches.
- Moving firewood away from the house.
- Cleaning leaves from gutters.
- Ensuring that grass is cut.
- Preparing a Fire Plan.

Council is also playing its part in preparing for the upcoming fire season.

Over the past few weeks, Council's slashing crew has been busy cutting grass in the Dunolly, Timor and Bowenvale, Majorca and Bromley areas, with crews to move to Majorca, Daisy Hill, Talbot, Eddington and Carisbrook in the coming weeks.

Central Goldfields Shire Maryborough Ward Councillor, Wayne Sproull, said "No matter where you live in Central Goldfields Shire — whether you're in a town or on a farm — your property is likely to be at high to extreme bush or grass fire risk.

"Take the time to increase your understanding of the fire risk where you live; prepare your property and talk to your loved ones about what you'll do to stay safe from fire."

Council's Fire Prevention Officer will soon be inspecting properties to ensure they are ready for summer. Notices may be issued to property owners who do not properly clean up their properties — if not acted upon, property owners may be fined.

Learn more about how to effectively prepare your property here: [www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare)

Kate Bucknall  
Senior Communications Officer, CGSC

## GOLDFIELDS SUSTAINABILITY GROUP

Goldfields Sustainability Group (GSG) planned its usual monthly calendar of meetings for 2021 but was only able to conduct three of these due to COVID restrictions.

Our fourth event for 2021 invites interested readers to meet with the Central Goldfields Shire Sustainability Officer, Julia Walsh on Saturday 20th November 2-4pm.

In early 2021 Central Goldfields Shire Council appointed Julia Walsh as Sustainability Officer. Goldfields Sustainability Group (GSG) enthusiastically supported this appointment to help council revise its outdated and incomplete "Sustainability Action Plan 2012-2020". The 2012-2020 plan had previously involved community input and included contributions from some current members of GSG. Going forward, GSG had requested community involvement in the drafting of the next plan and is interested in working with council to help achieve sustainability goals.

At the meeting on 20th November, Julia will give an overview of her role and speak about Council's recent sustainability achievements and plans for the future. This will include an update on the "Central Goldfields Climate Action Collaboration" and opportunities for GSG and Council to work together on sustainability issues including Council's "2020 Waste Management Strategy". Since COVID rules apply at the venue, attendance will be capped at 25 people and attendees must be fully vaccinated.

If you wish to attend, please RSVP to GSG secretary, Barry Parsons, 5460 5388 or [goldfieldssg@gmail.com](mailto:goldfieldssg@gmail.com)  
Barry Parsons

## Open flame safety & BBQs



Using items in the home with an open flame can be risky if you don't take care, so this message serves as a reminder about the safety of open flames.

Candles, incense and oil burners are used for social, cultural and religious practices. It is vital when using these items that you do so safely to avoid starting fires.

BBQs are a great way to celebrate when the weather warms up! Did you know that during the fire season there are things you can and can't do when it comes to fire?

Before you fire up your BBQ, make sure you've checked if there are any fire restrictions in place and always make sure it is safe to use.

[www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/total-fire-bans-and-ratings/can-i-or-cant-i](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/total-fire-bans-and-ratings/can-i-or-cant-i)



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# Loddon Shire Mayoral Column

## Looking forward

I'd like to thank my fellow Councillors for electing me Mayor at last Tuesday's Special Council Meeting. It is truly an honour to be elected to such a position for the coming 12 months. I look forward to bringing a fresh new approach to Loddon Shire and take the role of Mayor on in the best interests of the people I represent, as well as working closely with staff and Council's new Chief Executive Officer.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Cr Neil Beattie for his excellent leadership as Mayor for the past year. His leadership and contribution as Mayor to Council and the community has been invaluable — particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

I hope my leadership will help to bring prosperity for the younger generation and make Loddon Shire a great place for future generations to live, work and thrive.

## What if I have to self-isolate?

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions we are now all starting to move around more.

As we do begin to socialise more and attend venues, events and gatherings, we may come into contact with the virus and need to isolate at home for a period of time.

Council is encouraging residents to plan ahead to be ready to isolate at home if this occurs. This includes having some meals in the freezer and a few extra pantry items on hand until food delivery can be arranged, and ensuring you don't wait until the last minute to get any prescriptions filled — having a few extra days' supply of medication on hand.

Council also advises having a few extra days of food available for pets, and chatting to family and friends to know who might be able to help you out if needed.

For more information on what to do if you test positive for coronavirus, visit [www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/what-to-do-if-you-have-covid-19](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/what-to-do-if-you-have-covid-19)

## Belgravia Leisure now recruiting

Belgravia Leisure is calling on people interested in working at a Loddon pool this summer to submit an expression of interest.

There are five swimming pools within Loddon Shire, located at Boort, Inglewood, Mitiamo, Pyramid Hill and Wedderburn. The swimming pool season gets underway this week, with pools due to open this Saturday (20th November).

Council appointed Belgravia Leisure to manage its swimming pools after awarding the contract to the company at its September meeting.

To find out more about working at a Loddon pool and to submit an expression of interest, visit <https://belgravialeisure.com.au/simply-the-best-summer-jobs/>

## Accessing help for young people: parent/carer webinar

Headspace National, in conjunction with Headspace Bendigo are presenting a webinar for parents and carers of young people to learn about what you can do to provide support for your young person around their mental health.

The webinar will present information around mental health awareness, the conversational approach to mental health and well-being, available mental health support services, and practical strategies and resources to support mental health.

The webinar will be held on Monday 6th December from 7pm to 8pm via Zoom. To register go to <https://bit.ly/3Djlq2q> For more information email: [programsupport@headspace.org.au](mailto:programsupport@headspace.org.au)

## North Central LLEN Youth Take Over

If you're a young person looking to get some work experience to help you find a job, North Central LLEN's Youth Take Over can help. The program provides young people with work experience, industry contacts and transferable workplace skills to help when applying for jobs. Current Take Overs available include: Design and create murals for a business and Make a website for local artisans.

To find out more (including more Take Overs in the near future) go to [www.ncllen.org.au/take-overs.html](http://www.ncllen.org.au/take-overs.html)

From the office of Cr Dan Straub, Mayor, Loddon Shire  
16th November 2021



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# Church News

## Uniting Church, Dunolly

Service on Sunday 21st November at 9.30am will be led by Pastor Miriam Darlow. There will be a meeting of the congregation after the service.

Op Shop will be open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am. New stock is available each week. All welcome.

Linda Pickering

## Catholic Church, Dunolly

There will be Assembly at St Mary's Church, Dunolly on Sunday 21st November .

R Mcreedy

*"Anxious hearts are very heavy but a word of encouragement does wonders "*

Proverbs 12:25

## St John's Anglican Church, Dunolly

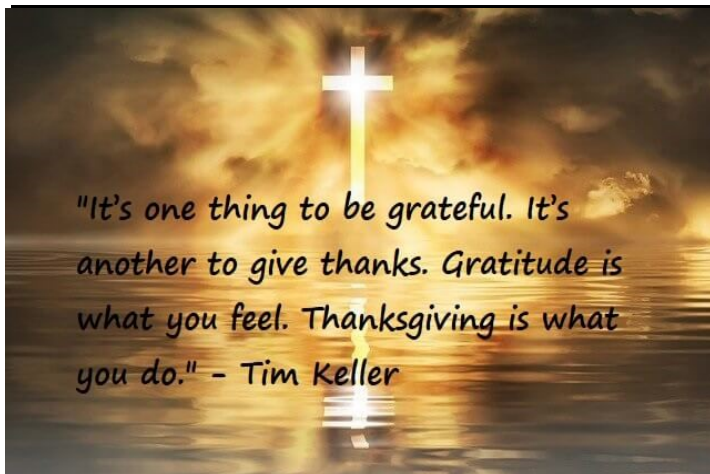
Rev Canon Heather Blackman  
Parish Office, Nightingale Street,  
Maryborough. Phone 5460 5964

Services are held every fourth Thursday at 10am  
The next Service will be Thursday, 25th November  
COVID restrictions permitting.

*"The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;  
he will give strength to his king,  
and exalt the power of his anointed."*

1 Samuel 2.10

Esmé Flett



Happy moments,  
*Praise God.*  
Difficult moments,  
*Seek God.*  
Quiet moments,  
*Worship God.*  
Painful moments,  
*Trust God.*  
Every moment,  
*Thank God.*

## St David's Bealiba 150th celebration

Putting up the 150th celebration sign onto the front wall of the tiny brick church in Bealiba while fine hail was falling made our prayers for good weather look futile. However, at 2pm on Sunday 14th November 2021, the sun shone on our celebration. St David's Anglican church was opened on 12th November 1871. We felt duty-bound to celebrate our brave pioneers' great achievement in building such a fine upstanding church from bricks of local clay and timber gathered from our beautiful box ironbark forests which surround Bealiba.

The ceremony began with a church service; Rev Canon Jan Harper designed a faith affirming simple liturgy. Each member of the invited congregation received a lovely booklet with the service, the words of the two hymns and some lovely colour photographs of some of the special events in which St David's had participated in recent times. Also included was some history of the original Dedication celebration 150 years ago.

The Anglican Bishop of Bendigo, Matt Brain's sermon reminded those present to "Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say, Rejoice" which is a line from a verse in Philippians in the Bible. Bishop Matt dwelt on the words of the Patron Saint of the church, St David — Patron Saint of Wales — the Saint said "Be joyful, keep the faith and do the little things in life." Or so the mid-sixth Century scholars tell us.

Wendy Newitt was welcomed back to Bealiba and played the organ, or rather coaxed the ancient organ, while the congregation sang heartily.

After the service, the weather kindly permitted us to have a group photo with the 150th sign and as the rain fell, all retired to the church hall for the cutting of the cake. We asked Ian Lovel to cut the celebration cake as Betty Lovel is in Ballarat Base hospital, following her operation. Betty has long contributed to the continuation of worship in the lovely old church with her monthly fund raising efforts in Bealiba Community Hall, as well as Pancake Day for Bealiba School children.

Folk were reticent to leave, enjoying the shared memories of Sunday School picnics, recalling skilled, kindly Ministers who had shepherded their flock over the many years of happy fellowship from this tiny little building in the heart of box ironbark forest in Central Victoria.

Heather Cooper





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## Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc

On Tuesday 9th November 2021 we held our first online Zoom meeting. Eleven members were in attendance — so different to sitting at table in person.

This was the first meeting where there was not one councillor present. Twelve months ago several newly elected councillors attended our meeting with much vigour. Unfortunately not one of the issues raised or presented to our councillors (from that meeting) has been resolved, though many other issues have been acted upon. We thank the council and councillors for that. At this meeting we discussed the Carisbrook levee; the recent Ten Year and Financial and Council Plans; the Ombudsman and FOI investigations still active; the Disability Action plan (this one is a doozy — stay tuned); mentions of the Airport; Men's Shed and several other topics.

The ongoing issue around the Carisbrook levee was interesting to see how the council in August 2021 claimed to be waiting for funding. We contacted our federal member and they informed us funding has been made available, then council changed the delay from a funding issue to planning issues.

We have a concern with many community projects which still have not been completed, and pose the question when will they be completed? The Dunolly mosaics desperately need repair, the book seats need final installation, the Youth Hub, and the airport desperately need maintenance, the Carisbrook levee has to be completed — to mention a few. The confidence in the council and the system needs to be improved. Great to see these issues being talked about, but action is required.

The reports of the lack of confidence in the council's Deliberative Engagement have left a lot of question marks

around its processes and outcomes. This is mainly information along the journey with these committee meetings, and council actually heeding and acting for our community. The community participation is commendable, but the council's secrecy and handling is questionable. The latest issue around the airport has been raised with an attempt by council to finally rectify a long term water issue. After last week's 20mls of rain council had to return to the botched work on the previous botched job and sand bagged the area. They now need to build spoon drains to redirect the water to another area. This will possibly be several tens of thousands of dollars wasted on something which should have been done correctly in the first place. Twelve months with the new elected councillors, the fence built and the water issue worked on — and our airport which was given Priority Listing at the councillors' first meeting and it is in the worst situation it has ever been in. Of late, there has been a question raised regarding the CGR&RAI's attention given to the council. The aim of a ratepayers association is to raise issues and be the council's and the community's eyes by assisting council to have a more comprehensive understanding of issues which have been brought to their attention. When council avoid these issues, a good ratepayers association would also raise their presentation to council. This process will continue until there is a confidence in the community with the management of council where a ratepayers association is no longer required.

The involvement of CGR&RAI's existence is governed by the actions of the council and councillors. CGR&RAI looks forward to that time where there is no need for an organisation like us. The increasing communication we are receiving from the community could possibly indicate that sadly local issues and confidence in the council is not improving. A 53% community satisfaction survey result seems to indicate this.

Just three years ago Bass Shire Ratepayers involvement and community support was huge, now they basically do not exist. This is due to the actions of the council and councillors. The CGR&RAI looks forward to being out of a job. Council's working with community, listening to and respecting opinions and visible actions will achieve this. The next Zoom meeting will be held on 7th December 2021. This will be our AGM. All positions will be vacated, nominations called for and proxy voting will be permitted. Please contact CGR&RAI for more information or forms. Only financial members can vote, nominate and be nominated as per the Model Rules.

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### Across

- 1. Official impression on a mailed item
- 7. Explorer, partner of Matthew Flinders, George \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Acknowledge openly
- 12. Of exercises which toughen the cardiovascular system
- 13. Loan security, bill of \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Of great size
- 15. Large ocean fish
- 16. Become more sharply inclined
- 17. Absolute
- 19. Plant (seed) to produce crop
- 21. Contagious disease with red rash
- 23. Sphere-shaped handle

- 25. Indicating two
- 27. Number giving position in series
- 28. Enquire inquisitively
- 30. Month of year
- 33. Reworked (book, eg.)
- 36. Actual
- 37. Baked food item
- 38. List of food items
- 39. Become more elaborate
- 40. Money given to release prisoner
- 41. Sleigh
- 42. Of time

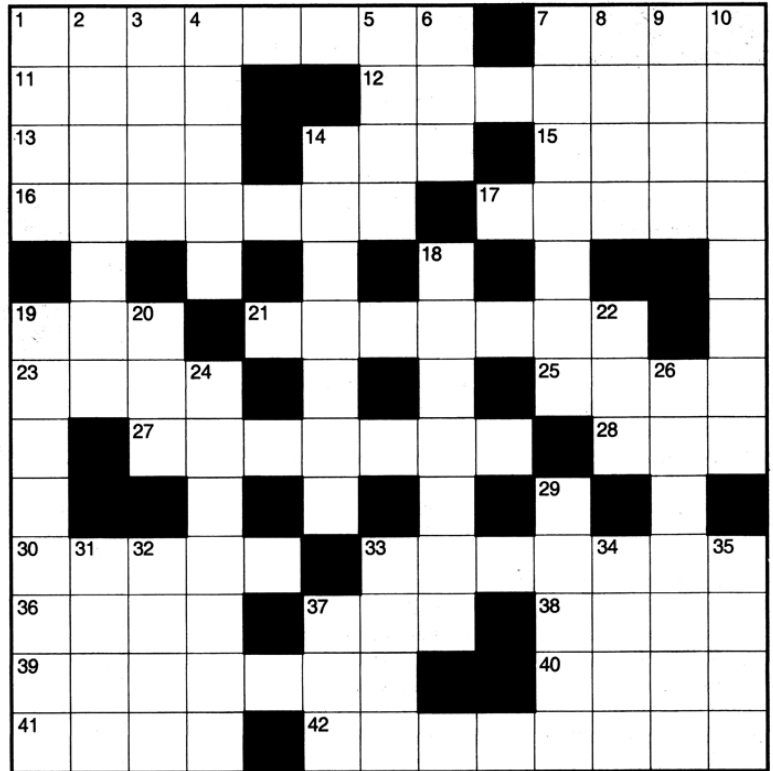
### Down

- 1. To go by
- 2. Prolonged applause
- 3. Base of shoe
- 4. Coarse wool cloth
- 5. Water falling from sky
- 6. Beer barrel
- 7. Restrained (one's anger, eg.), \_\_\_\_\_ up
- 8. Verb which is a musical instrument spelt backwards
- 9. Trigonometric function
- 10. Barely
- 14. An advantage
- 18. One who has broken free (from jail, eg.)

- 19. In the direction of the upper atmosphere
- 20. To court (someone)
- 22. A sip
- 24. Grilled

- 26. Republic of SW Asia
- 29. Dance performed under bar
- 31. Fruit rind
- 32. Speak angrily

- 33. Fully developed (of fruit or grain)
- 34. Burn surface of
- 35. Not bright
- 37. Cooking vessel



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# CLASSIFIEDS & NOTICES

## Notice of AGM

The Dunolly Hospital Auxiliary will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday 6th December in the Neighbourhood Centre at 10am. Interested residents will be welcome.

R Mecedry, Secretary

## Moliagul Reserves Committee of Management

To all those who came along on a very cold Sunday to the Dunolly market, well-done. Thank you for buying a sausage or raffle ticket. The trailer-load of wood was won by Remmie Carless of Dunolly. Sorry we couldn't deliver it to everyone.

Thank you all for your support.

Secretary, Lyn Gale.

## A home for Jaxon

A Go Fund Me page has been setup for Jaxon Ryan who has cerebral palsy. The funds are needed to make a house wheelchair accessible and a dedicated room for Jaxon who is currently sharing a bedroom with his parents. Also required is the construction of a kitchen and bathroom as at the moment the family are doing it tough using camp stove, shower and toilet. The house was obtained through a hardship grant but is in great disrepair, with the family painstakingly trying to make it liveable on very limited funds. If you would like to assist, please go to the following link: <https://gofund.me/c6203f86>

Ashlie Ryan

## The Cadillac LaSalle Car Club

The Cadillac LaSalle Car Club of Victoria is touring the Goldfields area for four days over the last weekend of November.

Look out for the cars cruising around Maryborough, St Arnaud, Dunolly and Bealiba.

There will be a car display in Bealiba on Sunday 28th November from 2pm onwards in Davies Street, Bealiba.

The public is invited to come and see these magnificent vehicles from the 50s, 60s 70s era.

For more information phone Phil 0439 432 773.



## Condolences

### FRITZE, Wolf

Our sincere condolences to Wolf's family on his passing. You will be greatly missed in Ravens Lane. Now at peace and remembered with love.

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### FRITZE, Wolf

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## Stories from Cynthia

Some time ago I reminisced on the different cars I have owned and the sentimental memories I have had about some of them. I have always named these cars by the license plate numbers and also other people's cars, which is a way of recognising who is driving them. My first car was a Hillman Minx with the plate GLC, so of course that was Good Little Cynthia. When I bought my Sprite it was FAS so of course that was Feisty and Speedy. The red Mazda wagon I drove when the children were young I named Delilah, her number being DIL, and that was a mistake because she behaved like her name. Once when bogged in the creek, a hole appeared in the floor and she drove me to distraction. My present car is OAI which I reversed it to Oh I Am and that causes a problem because I keep misquoting it when asked for license details. The trusty Camry wagon Mike and I had for all the time we ran our business was KUD so of course it was Kicking Up Dust. When my older daughter was first married she and her husband had a big brown station wagon and the numbers were YAY, as all Canberra numbers start with Y. This number really suited them both as she is a very yay sort of person and her husband was a mechanical whiz. He kept that wagon going for years, long after their children were born, replacing the engine more than once and YAY would turn up in Dunolly on many a visit.

When the new numbering system arrived I was nonplussed because they all started with the digit one, instead of a letter, so I decided to convert 1 into "I" so I could continue my little hobby. When my neighbour bought a new car, INP, I teased her and said I hadn't decided on whether to name it I'm a Naughty Person or a Nice Person. I settled for the latter. Years ago I went with a friend to help him choose a new car. When we decided on a nice bright blue Corolla, it had the number plate CAG which I named Carefree and Gay and he loved it because he is gay. A friend's car is IPN which I named I'm a Private Number, which is very apt.

I have a feeling my Oh I Am might be the last car I will own unless I win one in a raffle, but that suits me.

Cynthia Lindsay

**Editor's Note:** This brings back memories, Cynthia. When we were children and travelling for long distances, one of our favourite pastimes was to make funny names from car numberplates. Thanks for the memories.

Just for fun, see what names you can come up with from the plates below. Ed



### Proof of vaccination now required

Due to the current COVID situation in Victoria, the Chief Health Officer has advised that all Neighbourhood Centres must now ask for proof of vaccination for all our activities.

### Whispering Weeders end of year break-up "Arvo Tea in the Park"

Our garden enthusiasts will be enjoying a pleasant arvo tea at the Gordon Gardens, on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Bring a comfy chair, and Faye and Vicky will organise the spread.

### Vaccination certificate help

I know a number of people in the community have had a frustrating time organising their certificates, so I'm happy to offer my help. If you want your paper copy "shrink-wrapped" by my handy laminator, or if you need some help with the digital side of things, give me a call at the Centre and I'll make an appointment time to see you. Some appointments may take a little time, but rest assured I will help you. Just note, I have heard from my sources that some places won't accept the laminated copy- so make sure you keep the original close, along with your photo ID. Remember, too, that Centrelink in Maryborough will be able to help with MyGov- just give them a call.

### \$250 Power Saving Bonus help available



I'm happy to help members of the community apply for this bonus. You'll need your latest power bill and concession card — you must receive a government payment such as a pension to be eligible. This may take around three weeks to happen, but once your application is successful, you'll be \$250 richer! Call me at the Centre for an appointment.

### What's on at the Neighbourhood Centre?

Our Archery group is on hold for the rest of the year, due to the restrictions currently in place. We also suffered a break-in recently, so if anyone has any information, please call Barry at Dunolly Police Station.

Walking groups, the wood work shed Tuesday mornings at 9am, Whispering Weeders garden club on the last Monday of the month, family history Tuesday afternoons, table tennis at the golf club (Tues 7pm-9pm; Wed 9am-12pm), old-time dancing (Mondays at St. John's), craft on Wednesday from 10am and of course our wonderful Arts Hub (cnr Thompson and Alice streets), which has a very clever Mosaic group meeting on Mondays at 10am. More workshops will take place in the new year. Don't forget our Arts Hub online exhibition, which will be published on 20<sup>th</sup> November, through the Arts Hub Facebook page.

Keep an eye on our Facebook pages for updates, or drop in to the Centre Monday to Thursday between 9am and 3.30pm to find out more. 18 Havelock Street, beside the hospital. I take my lunch around 11.30am, so if I'm out of the building, I won't be far.

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## New Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer Kymberley Williams



Maryborough District Health Service is pleased to introduce our new Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer, Kymberley Williams, and is hosting two yarning circles to bring together members of the First Nations community to discuss their local health needs. In brief:

- The yarning circles are facilitated by our new Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer, Kymberley Williams.
- They aim to start the conversation to help shape local health programs and services to meet local needs to help close the gap and improve the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait people in our community.
- The family-friendly drop-in sessions will be held on Tuesday 16th November and Thursday 25th November at Go Goldfields on Nolan Street in Maryborough.

What: MDHS Yarning Circle

When: 10.30am to 12 noon, Tuesday 16th November  
1m to 3pm, Thursday 25th November

Where: Go Goldfields, 91 Nolan Street, Maryborough  
(near Maryborough Regional Library)

### A little about Kymberley

Kymberley Williams is a proud Narungga woman. She's originally from the Yorke Peninsula coast of South Australia and grew up in Bendigo, travelling back and forth throughout her childhood.

Kymberley is inviting the First Nations community to meet up for a yarn about local health needs. Sometimes it can be difficult for members of the mob to speak about their health or ask for help. Kymberley is here to support Koori and Torres Strait Islanders and hopes to be the person to close the gap between the hospital and the mob, making them feel comfortable to come forward and talk about health issues in a safe and comfortable environment.

Since starting her job in August, Kymberley and CEO Nickola Allan have met with local elders like Aunty Marilyne Nicholls to talk about a local reconciliation action plan, identifying the needs of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to help shape local health programs and services.



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## Funds provide major boost for regional tourism recovery

The Andrews Labor Government is backing compelling local tourism projects that will drive the recovery of regional tourism and grow jobs.

Labor Member for Western Victoria, Jaala Pulford, today welcomed the launch of the \$100 million Regional Tourism Investment Fund, encouraging great projects to be put forward.

The Regional Tourism Investment Fund will support the creation of new experiences and attractions and the reimagining and revitalisation of existing favourites – focusing on nature, epicurean, arts and culture, and First Peoples' experiences.

The Fund will deliver grants of up to \$10 million per project, with a minimum funding amount of \$150,000 per project.

Applications are encouraged from private sector businesses, local and state government entities, incorporated associations, not-for-profit organisations, Traditional Owner Corporations and Aboriginal organisations and groups.

The \$100 million commitment to the Regional Tourism Investment Fund is part of the \$633 million Visitor Economy Recovery and Reform Plan, a strategy to grow annual visitor spending to \$35 billion and support 300,000 jobs in the sector by June 2024.

For further details on the Fund and to register your interest visit: [business.vic.gov.au](https://business.vic.gov.au).

"This has been an incredibly challenging period for our tourism businesses and that's why we're backing great projects that can elevate Victoria's renowned and varied regional offerings," said Ms Pulford.

"The Regional Tourism Investment Fund stands to play a key role in bolstering local tourism appeal, attracting new visitors and supporting job growth."

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# BOUNCE BACK

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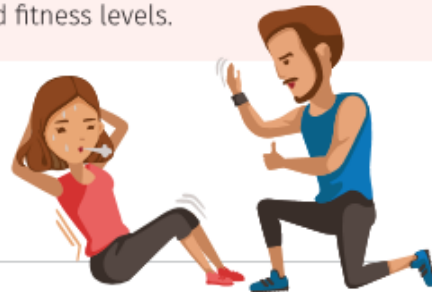
### Friday 19 November

**Outdoor Yoga with Izzy**  
for beginners and experts.



### Friday 26 November

**Fun Fitness with Brad** for all ages  
and fitness levels.



### Friday 3 December

**Tai Chi in the Park** for anyone who would  
like to give it a try. 'Meditation in Motion'.



### Friday 10 December

**Community Music** led by Stella Savy  
from the Sweet Mona's Choir in Ballarat.  
There'll be drums, guitars and new and  
old songs for all.



- The sessions will be held on Fridays at 10am at the Station Domain Amphitheatre in Maryborough.
- All sessions followed by free refreshments at the Railway Station Café and Tracks Bar.
- The first 20 registrations will receive a free Yoga mat.
- Everyone who participates receives a free drink bottle.

To book contact the Central Goldfields Visitor Information Centre 0438 868 420

All sessions will be run under Victorian Government CovidSafe guidelines with vaccination certificates required on entry.

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A warm welcome to Steve and Debbie, Alan and Wendy, Karen and Catherine.

Tuesday 2nd November we held our Melbourne Cup day. What a perfect day. At 12.30pm bowlers started to arrive, greeted with a complimentary glass of champagne and canapés. Our club room has been so very quiet over the past few months and some bowlers hadn't seen each other since last season. It was not long before the room was abuzz with the sounds of merriment. The food was ongoing all afternoon. A friendly game of bowls was played and the winners of the day were Jim and Robyn Fox. Wayne Stephens won the fashions on parade. We had a surprise entry for the fashion parade; Miss Frankie, dressed in a tight shimmering white chiffon with lace around the neck and hem, handbag and shoes mismatched. Miss Frankie's long platinum blonde hair beautifully styled by Jill. Miss Frankie strutted her stuff catching the eye of most male bowlers who were dazzled by Miss Frankie's beauty. At 15.00 hours, there was a roar in the room. The race that stops a nation also stopped all in the clubroom, each cheering on their lucky sweep number. Slowly the day was coming to an end.

I would like to personally thank all who helped me with the catering during the day; to the bar attendants who kept all hydrated and a huge thank you to all who came along to make our Melbourne Cup Day the success that it was.

Tuesday 9th November, Mid Week Pennant Bowlers had the last practice before the first game for the season 2021/2022.

In the clubroom you will notice we are once again asking bowlers to donate an item towards one of our many hampers. (Please donate any items you would also like to receive).

Coming event Saturday 27th November, 75th Anniversary. All information is on the inside and outside noticeboards. Please write your name down if able to attend. This is for catering purposes.

Please remember, to play bowls or to be a spectator, you must be double vaccinated. If asked to show your proof of vaccinations to an official, be mindful they are also following the rules and regulations.

Hannah Delconte

**White Hills Bowling Club.**

- Thursday 2nd December 2021, Mid Week Annual Tournament.
- Sunday 12th December 2021, Gold Letter Memorial Cross Over Pairs.

**Kyabram Bowling Club.**

- Monday 6th December 2021, Open 4's Tournament.

**Euroa Bowling Club.**

Tuesday 28th December 202, Euroa Men's Pairs.

**Nagambie Bowling Club.**

- Sunday 23rd January 2022, Australia Day \$1000 Tournament Triples.

**Kangaroo Flat Bowling Club.**

- Tuesday 1st February and Wednesday 2nd February 2022. Two day bowls triples.

The above tournament notices have been put on the inside notice board.

Hannah Delconte

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**Results from Saturday 13th November 2021**

**Dunolly Gold travelled to Maldon against Maldon.**

Skippers.

Barry Mortlock	8 v	Peter Sedgwick	29
Peter Freemantle	27 v	Kevin Simpson	14
Jim Smith	22 v	Jim Brookshaw	18

Results Dunolly Gold 57 Maldon 61

**Dunolly Blue played at home against Newstead.**

Skippers

Chris Williams	16 v	Bill Burnett	13
Alan Weir	33 v	Rod Jackson	15
Greg Dobbin	28 v	David Cobden	19

Results Dunolly Blue 77 Newstead 47

**Dunolly Green played at home against Avoca Gold.**

Skippers.

Arthur Deason	17 v	Ann Loosemore	19
Jim Haigh	22 v	Geoff Loosemore	14
Keith McKenzie	19 v	Lorelee Field	29

Results Dunolly Green 58 Avoca Gold 62

Bowlers, some dates for your diary Try to attend some tournaments as we would like our tournaments to be supported.

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# Local author launches new book

Last Thursday, 11th November, a group of ladies attended the Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre to congratulate Em Goldy on the launch of her book of poems, *Invisible Connections*. Em described how the idea of our connectedness had been brewing for a number of years and finally she decided to create a book showcasing the poems she'd dedicated to the topic. The ladies were intrigued, and discussion was entered into on how to promote the book further, as it is of importance to sustainability.

The theme of the book is how we are all connected and how we should all be aware that our actions and reactions have an impact, whether benign or catastrophic, on planet Earth. The emphasis is that Earth is our home and the giver and supporter of life, and we should respect and care for it with due diligence.

With each poem Em takes us on a journey, beginning with looking on earth from far out in space and coming closer to see our land masses and oceans, but nowhere are there any divisional lines or borders. These are man-made. In the grand scheme of things, we are not divided, but connected as a whole species on the planet. Her poem *Borders and Divisions* (right) reflects on the whys. Further on, her poems delve into the elements, earth and water pollution, and resources, sustainable and renewable. Each poem is prefaced with an "Action", asking questions, making us think.

Em has also laced the book with pertinent facts to reinforce her meaning which is: each and every one of us is responsible for our planet, our home. We are all connected and what affects one affects all. Enhancing the book are many paintings by artist Geoff Forster.

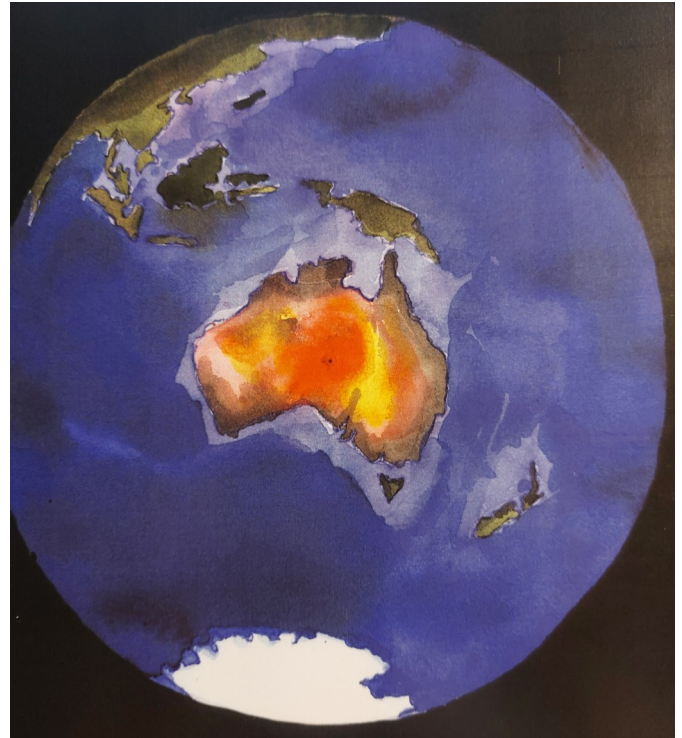
Thank you Em for this insightful and interesting take on saving our planet.

Story and photos by Susan Anderson



Em Goldy with her book *Invisible Connections*

## Borders and Divisions



Artist Geoff Forster's depiction of earth from space

As we hover 72 kilometres above the Earth,  
Land masses are now clearly seen.  
Watch out for your country, the land of your birth.  
Can you see other places you have been?

But look! Where are the red lines which divide  
the continents, islands and seas  
where billions of people work and reside?  
You'll only find them on maps.  
What does this mean?

What's that you say?  
No lines are to be found?  
You can search and search forever  
from this place on high.  
There are no lines to be found,  
and do you know why?

Borders and divisions are man-made,  
Drawn to possess resources  
and keep people apart.  
Fear and perceptions of differences  
between humankind,  
began creating separation.  
How did it start?

We forgot there is only one Human family;  
one species, that is all!  
And one celestial home, our beautiful Earth.  
So fighting over resources, food, water and land,  
Is kind of dumb, destructive and of little worth.

By Em Goldy