

## Dunolly Unlocked Success

Members of Dunolly & District Inc. (Dunolly Today Tomorrow), who planned for last Saturday's "Dunolly Unlocked" event, could most likely not have envisaged what a successful day it would turn out to be.

Funded through the Central Goldfields Shire Council's Community Grants Program, it was designed to celebrate the lifting of

restrictions and raise the mood of residents, after nearly two years of extremely trying times.

Four of the eateries provided free food outside their venues and some of our local musicians entertained the crowd.

Businesses and community groups got into the swing of things and the vibe of the day was palpable, with

locals enjoying the fine weather and meeting up in a social situation with friends they may not have seen for a long time.

All the organisers should be congratulated for this great initiative, with thanks going to all who participated and donated their time.

Jenny Scott



Donna Maddison and Jan the Man Rene Fox Gardens.  
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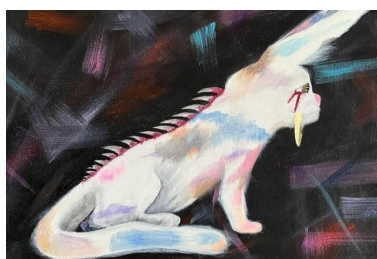


The Staples performing in front of the Post Office.  
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## Rosie's Ramble

So there is another adaptation of Covid on the loose. This seems to be a very smart virus. I think I am learning a few new words of Spanish on the iPad. Somehow or other one of the Solitaire games I play has swapped to a foreign language that looks like Spanish. Just as well there are only about five words to learn and they are "new game" and other simple words.

C. K. cat was mesmerised by one of those large scaly lizards that was meandering along the verandah this morning. Luckily she was on the inside looking out and could not get close. Her eyes were wide as if she could not believe what she was seeing.

I was out in the garden this evening taking photos of my column cactus in full flower. Every year the plain prickly stems burst into beautiful large white flowers that are highly scented and a magnet for pollinating insects.

Rosie

## The Car Door Fairy

These car fairies practise the enigmatic art of arranging the clothes, usually dresses, of car users so that a portion flaps freely outside the closed door. So subtle is their art, the wearer usually has no inkling that the Car Door Fairy is at work.

Tohby Riddle

## Irish Wit

It was his last confession and he didn't want to tell a lie. "Oh Father", he told the priest who was attending him, "my name is Patrick Murphy but I am not Irish at all." "Don't worry" consoled the priest, "when you see St. Peter, give him your name then keep your mouth shut."

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# Letters to the editor

## Dunolly Unlocked

What a lovely celebration of the end of COVID lockdowns last Saturday. Broadway was very busy over lunchtime. People were wandering, sampling the free tastes of Dunolly, listening to the sounds of Dunolly and catching up with friends and neighbours. It was great, after all the empty streets of COVID, to watch people enjoying themselves so much. Well done to the DDI for organising it all.

Vicky Frizzell

## Congratulations

Congratulations to The DDI and our fabulous local cafés and hotel along with local musicians for getting us all together in such a joyous afternoon along Broadway. It was a delight to catch up with locals after so long. It was wonderful. I couldn't get the smile off my face. Well done all. Here's a happy snap of Jan and Anthony having a yarn.

Rachel Buckley



## From the editor

### How to call Santa.

Do you have any children or grandchildren who would like to call Santa to provide their Christmas wish list? With social distancing it's getting harder to find Santa at a shopping centre.

Starting 6th December to Christmas Eve you can call Santa on any Telstra pay phone for free. Just follow these two easy steps.

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Any calls made to Santa this year using the above number will assist the Salvation Army as Telstra will donate \$1 per call. There are more than 15,000 payphones across the country, which are free to use to make calls to standard numbers in Australia.

By calling Santa you could teach your children or grandchildren how to use a payphone, which could help during an emergency. So give it a try!

I did this morning using the Telstra payphone located outside the Dunolly Post Office.

Sharron Fitzgerald  
Editor



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## Life imitating art

“When life imitates art” is a commonly used expression and I was recently able to relate to it. Last week I wrote about the sad death of an aunt of mine and how embarrassed she was having a strange man coming into her bedroom in the middle of the night when she was wearing only a nightie.

That’s how life imitated art for me as the very same night after I had written that story I also had a strange man in my bedroom and I was wearing only a nightie. I did wish, however, that I had been wearing glamorous pyjamas. Instead of a doctor, my night visitor was a paramedic and my embarrassing predicament was that I had fallen out of bed and was unable to get up due to my two replaced knees. It was more of a slide than a fall as Maddie had woken me to let her out and I swung my legs over my slippery, satin doona and down I went like a slippery slide.

After trying and failing, trying again holding on to the knobs on the chest of drawers, I finally gave up. I couldn’t bear to wake any of my friends up at 3 o’clock in the morning, even though I could reach the phone on the bedside table, so decided to press the security button I wear round my neck. I was told they were sending an ambulance which horrified me as I hadn’t thought about help procedures, and it would be at least 90 minutes. That seemed quite a long time to wait sitting on the floor, so I planned my camping out. I pulled a pillow off the bed to prop me up, was able to reach my water, radio and book, so just settled in for a long wait.

When the paramedics arrived at about 4.30am I was more than ready to return to my bed. The man in charge

was a big fellow named Shaun and his assistant was Kelly. They were covered from head to toe in their COVID safe gowns and big masks and so warm and reassuring. Kelly produced a little machine she told me was a pneumatic pump and a thick, folded rubber mat was put under me and here was I thinking they would just thrust hands under my arms and haul me up. As the rubber device became inflated I imagined it would become a stretcher and roll me on to the bed but instead to my amazement this device gradually straightened me out and next minute I was standing upright. The wonders of modern science. Thankyou so much, Shaun and Kelly. I have given Maddie strict instructions to go out before bedtime and I plan to stay on my feet from now on. Of course everybody said they would have come to help me when telling my story to others.

Cynthia Lindsay



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# Central Goldfields Shire Council News

## The spirit of Christmas

The Spirit of Christmas has arrived with the installation of Christmas decorations across the Shire.

Central Goldfields Shire Mayor Cr Chris Meddows-Taylor said spreading Christmas cheer, especially after such a challenging year was important to Council.

“I think many of us are really looking forward to catching up with family and friends and enjoying some downtime over the Christmas break.

“This year we’ve been able to invest a little bit extra into our Christmas display with new, additional decorations being introduced across not only Maryborough but Bealiba, Carisbrook, Dunolly, Majorca and Talbot.

## Outdoor Pool Season



Visitors to the Dunolly Outdoor Pool will be able to enjoy a new footpath in Market Street, which stretches from Bull Street to the pool.

A new shade sail has also been installed. Both projects have been made possible

thanks to the Federal Government’s Roads and Infrastructure Program.

Media Release CGSC

## Cr Liesbeth Long

Most of you are probably aware I am a farmer together with my husband out at Timor West. We have commenced our harvest and I thought I would write about that in some detail, as some of you may not actually know what that means, apart from the obvious of removing a crop from its paddock.

You have probably noticed an increase of heavy vehicles on the roads recently consisting of mainly trucks carting grain to the Dunolly Silo, but also the odd header (which is the big machine the size of a Tiny House) or field bin (a mini silo on wheels). Traffic on the road is only a small part of harvest, which is a complex operation with lots of people doing lots of different things all at the same time, to make the process work.

My husband drives the header. It cuts the crop and threshes the grain out. This grain is then stored in the ‘box’ on top of the header. The chaff is chopped up and comes out the back of the header in a cloud of dust and all sorts of bits and pieces, you certainly do NOT want to stand near there, especially if its oats!!! Once the ‘box’ is full I, as chaser bin driver, drive slowly and precisely alongside the header and have the grain transferred from the header into my chaser bin. It is a hairy part of the process, as I need to drive super straight and at exactly the same speed as the header. If I’m too close the chaser bin can hit the ‘front’ which is the big comb that cuts and scoops up the crop. If I’m too far away, the ‘auger’ the big tube that moves the grain via a metal spiral, won’t reach. Not all farmers use a chaser bin. Some just use field bins placed around the paddock and the header drives over to them each time to unload. However, using a chaser bin means that the header never stops as you’re unloading ‘on the fly’. It is much more efficient and means that the job gets done quicker.

Once my chaser bin is full, I drive it to our truck and unload into that. Once the truck is full, our driver Dave takes it to the Dunolly Silo. Once there, it is tested for a heap of stuff such as moisture, impurities (bits of chaff, other seed etc) and in the case of canola, the oil. If the oil is above a certain percentage, we get a bonus paid on top of the going rate. There are a few different ways we can sell our grain; we can take out a pre harvest contract for an agreed price, we can sell on the day of delivery, or we can warehouse it in those big blue bunkers and sell it at a later date. We usually do a bit of all three.

The two biggest challenges of harvest are the weather

and breakdowns. You can’t harvest when it is raining as wet crops won’t thresh. If there is a lot of rain the grain can sprout and then it gets downgraded, and you won’t get nearly as much money for it. The grain can also get ‘stained’ which are tiny spots of mould on it. If a breakdown occurs, you need to wait for parts to turn up so you can fix the machine and get going again. So when the weather is good farmers will go for as long as possible and sometimes we won’t get home till 11.00pm at night. Harvest usually lasts between 4-6 weeks so by the end tempers can get a bit frayed, especially when you work with your husband! And of course, my councillor obligations don’t stop either, nor would I want them to. I bring my laptop and mobile phone with me so I can attend meetings via video conferencing and tend to emails and calls. My tractor cab literally becomes my office and in fact this column was written from the cab. But aside from all this, it is one of my favourite seasons. The three of us work as a team, turning up day after day for weeks, to get the job done in the end.

Liesbeth Long



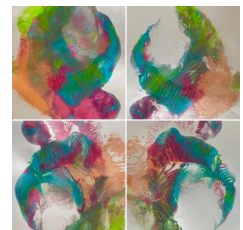
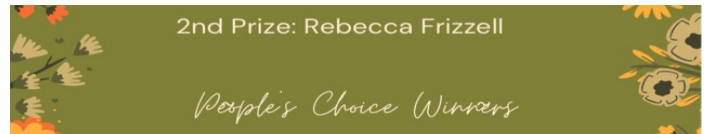
# Dunolly Arts Hub Annual Art Exhibition 2021

Results of People’s Choice Winners in Dunolly Arts Hub Annual Art Exhibition 2021.

A great community participation on all age levels and the quality was very high. Many thanks to all the people who participated and voted online in the People’s Choice.

Also the 1st and 3rd winners are sisters and under 18 which is lovely to see young and emerging artists make their mark and be recognised for their talent.

Lynda Vater



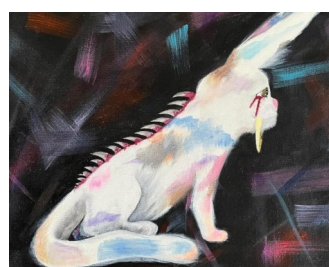
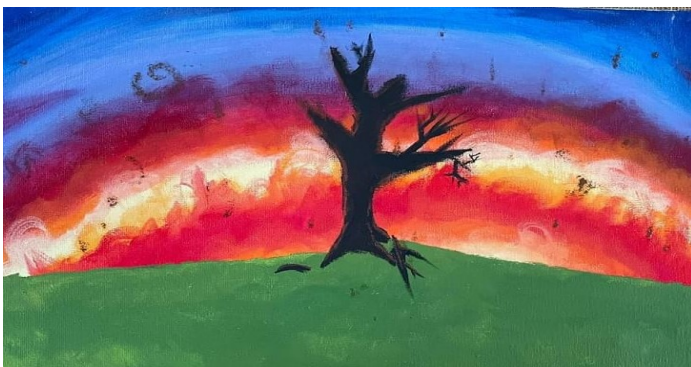
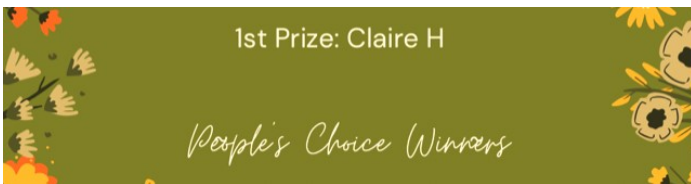
## People’s Choice Winners 2021 Art Exhibition

Claire H: Paintings: 'Fire in the Sky' 'Windy Day' & 'Wild Bunny'  
1st prize with 119 votes

Rebecca Frizzell: Polymer Clay & Found Objects: Tiny Houses,  
'Silver Bush Fairy' & 'Mother Hubbard'  
2nd prize with 118 votes

Emily H: Paintings: 'A bird in the hand' 'Body' & 'The Tree'  
3rd prize with 113 votes

Congratulations to the winners  
Please ring Kath @ Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre  
54681511 to collect prizes.  
A huge Thankyou to all entrants into the exhibition



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Paul Tangey  
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## Central Goldfields Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc

In the first week of December we sent three letters to the council, addressing issues regarding the Disability Action Plan 2021, the shire scooter study and concerns re local road issues.

Within three days we had responses on every issue and all with polite informed replies. This is a fantastic outcome. We are delighted to see this, and hope this form of communication will continue.

We still have three issues sitting with the FOI Commissioner (CEO's KPIs, Carisbrook levee grant application and the Asset Register viewing needs to be finalised). One is with the Ombudsman regarding plans claiming to be used in formulation of key policies at present, and further action on this issue will depend on the outcome of discussions with the Ombudsman.

CGR&RAI believe our well worn track to the Ombudsman and FOI Commissioner is not necessary, and it is a total waste of ratepayers' money and resources. We hope this path will stop and transparency and openness will be used, and the path to restoring belief and trust in the system and council can commence. Of late at several local events we have attended we have been asked what the aim of Ratepayers is and who is our target? There is one simple reply to that.

“Our aim is to work with council and the community to restore belief in the system, and to have our council and councillors working within their own policies. A well managed transparent council will receive the respect of the community. This is not about social positioning or personal targets. This is about our community working together and setting standards for our shire's future, our children and their children's future. Community, trust and respect.

However when deflection, not adhering to transparency and or adhering to policy by council or councillors, instead of throwing our hands in the air and believing it's not worth the effort, CGR&RAI pursue each issue in order to rectify the concern in question, with the hope the issue we have just elevated will be the last.

Our organisation was formed on July 4th 2018 after a group of locals met and were concerned with the direction our of Administrators. Our aim is to have the shire functioning in a manner where the community can feel confident that they can approach the council and councillors and believe their concerns will be answered directly and satisfactorily. We strive for that day.

As the elected President since July 4th 2018, I would like to thank the committee who, without them, I am sure I would have been locked up by now.

I believe some of the community do not understand what a correctly run organisation looks like and the President is really a figurehead.

In a well run democratic organisation all decisions are made by committee and members. I genuinely would like to thank every elected committee member who have been the back bone of CGR&RAI, and also the members who without their support we would not be in this position and those community members who have contacted us over the time.

The stationery, hall hire, phone and internet accounts and registration all need to be met. Membership assists that. We are self funded and do not receive grants or council support. Not to mention the hours and hours of research and brain storming done to make sure every report we

put out is as accurate as we can provide. At VCAT and enquiries we represent ourselves.

Our new elected committee will now be in place and I wish the newly elected committee all the best and only hope their load to carry will be lighter than it has been thus far.

To finish off with the State Government Bill being passed and new COVID variants on our door step, we have stated and will restate — the way through this is understanding, doing the right thing and working as a community. Stay safe and look after each other.

Wayne McKail  
President



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R. Mecredy

*Christmas to me is a gift from above  
A gift of salvation born of God's love.*

Helen Steiner Rice

### Uniting Church, Dunolly

Heiner Bauch will lead worship this Sunday 12th December at 9.30am.

Carols with the residents of the Nursing Home will be held in the church on Thursday 16th December at 1.30pm. Afternoon tea will be served. All welcome.

Op Shop \$5 bag sale continues this week, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Op Shop will close for the Christmas break on 17th December and will reopen mid January.

Linda Pickering

### St John's Anglican Church, Dunolly

Rev Canon Heather Blackman  
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Services are held every fourth Thursday at 10am  
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Esmé Flett

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Luke 1.78-79

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# Deledio Park Pavilion Schematic Design

Here is an the architect's impression of the proposed new pavilion for Deledio Park.

If we are successful in obtaining funding for the project, it will be a huge improvement on the current facility.

The design incorporates features which enable the building to be as flexible as possible, and cater for a wide variety of activities.

The design is the outcome of several years of work by a committee which represents many organizations and

interest groups in the Dunolly and district community.

Please remember to keep the project in mind when you get the chance to talk to politicians, who will definitely be out and about in 2022!

Ian Arnold





# Dunolly and District Neighbourhood Centre news

## Christmas break

It's that crazy time of year again, when every week seems to have an overabundance of Christmas celebrations and break-ups! Our table tennis crew have their last catch-up on 15th December; they'll be back up and running on the 18th January. We'd love to welcome more players, so feel free to go along in the new year.

Our dancers will be taking a break as well, and they'll be returning on 17th January. This group is a lovely and relaxed group, and have loved the opportunity to refine their dancing skills lately.

## Art Exhibition at the Hub

Congratulations to the talented winners of our "People's Choice" prizes — first place Claire H, second place Bec Frizzell and third place Emily H; please see Lynda's Arts Hub report. It's so refreshing to see such skill and talent in our community!

## 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.

## Planning for next year

Over the coming few months we'll be planning for next year, so I will continue to meet with community members and find out what you would love to see happen at the Centre in the future. I'll be starting a mailing list, too, so I can keep in touch with interested community members.

Our Whispering Weeders have a planning day in the New Year; 1pm January 17th at the Centre. Come along and help plan a year of visits to remember. With any luck, we can finally book the "Bonsai Man"!

## \$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! This is a one-off payment. Call me at the Centre for an appointment.

## What's on at the Neighbourhood Centre?

The Centre will be closing for the Christmas/New Year break, from December 20th until January 10th.

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 (Tuesday 7pm to 9pm; Wednesday 9am to 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 talented 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 was published on November 20th, 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 3.30 pm to find out more - 18 Havelock Street, beside the hospital. I take my lunch around 11.30, so if I'm out of the building I won't be far.

Kath Ryan, Co-ordinator.



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# Dunolly hobby farm gets council approval

Central Goldfields Shire councillors have voted to approve a planning permit for a hobby farm in Dunolly, despite an officer's report which recommended it be refused.

Councillors moved to grant the permit at last week's ordinary council meeting, citing the decision as one of the more difficult ones the elected representatives had encountered since being sworn in 12 months ago.

The decision relates to planning application 079/21 and concerns a property in Broadway, Dunolly which currently has one ram, six ewes, goats, alpacas, a miniature pony, hens, roosters, cats and caged birds.

According to the report tabled to council, the animals are kept as pets for companionship and are well cared for, with a number of previous visits by council officers raising no welfare concerns.

The report states however that the landholder made the permit application after council received a number of complaints including that animals were escaping the site and regarding odour from a pig that had previously been kept at the property.

The application had been referred to Goulburn Murray Water, who had no objection with the application being granted however required the landholder to ensure animal waste was not disposed of directly into waterways.

Two objections to the application were received from surrounding landowners, raising issues around animals being kept in a residential zone, damage to fences, stock on roads, odour, animals attracting flies, devaluation of neighbouring properties and concerns around the future use of the site if the permit was approved.

The officer's report recommended that given the application was inconsistent with the residential zoning of the land and would negatively impact surrounding residential properties, councillors move to refuse the permit.

During last week's meeting however, councillor Liesbeth Long presented an alternate motion where councillors granted the permit, with a number of conditions attached.

These included a limit to the maximum number of animals kept on the property, with no more than five ewes and one ram on site for a maximum of three years, two alpacas and one miniature pony no larger than seven hands and 10 poultry animals, with all animal feed to be stored in vermin-proof containers and additional fencing to be installed, among others.

Cr Long said the issue had weighed on her mind and she understood the importance of animals as companions, however said council's regulations must be followed to avoid "anarchy".

"As a primary producer, I know how much joy and companionship farm animals can bring to an individual, improving their wellbeing and mental health.

"However, I also know farm animals are not the same as domestic animals — namely dogs and cats, they require different management, care and containment.

"Council rules and regulations are a very important part of council, they exist to allow everyone to live in a safe and harmonious environment and without them, the shire

would soon turn to a place of anarchy.

"In this alternate motion, it is possible for the applicant to keep their animals as pets by reducing the number of animals on the property through rehoming or natural mortality."

Cr Long's alternate motion was seconded by Cr Geoff Lovett, who said councillors had a meeting with the applicant some time ago about the issue which he said left him concerned about the situation.

"I have to say I was left quite distressed and uncertain how I would vote on this issue and I know from a series of emails that were sent (after that meeting), my fellow councillors felt exactly the same," he said.

"My dilemma at the end of the day was that we have a series of council by-laws and there are government instrumentalities who have laws that strictly control things like animal faecal matter into water ways.

"To be perfectly honest and let's say it, we have a farm in a residential area and to me that is the crux of the matter."

Cr Lovett said council had to follow its own rules and regulations and while it would have made sense to accept the officer's recommendation and refuse the permit, Cr Long's motion was fair and reasonable for everyone involved.

"Although there is some personal sympathy for the applicant involved in this, we do have a set of rules we must abide by, they are our rules and if we choose to ignore them for whatever reason, what message does it send to the rest of the community?" he said.

Cr Grace La Vella echoed the sentiments of both Cr Long and Cr Lovett, citing the planning permit decision as an "extremely difficult" decision to make.

"This motion is one of the many extremely difficult decisions councillors need to consider and decide on in their term," she said. In this case we are torn between the sentiment and legislation of local laws, this motion sits under many legislations we must adhere to.

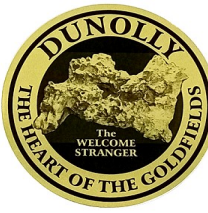
"I believe the alternative motion is an acceptable compromise."

All councillors voted in favour of the alternate motion with the exception of Cr Gerard Murphy, who argued the three year limit on the ewes and ram was too long and should be reduced to one.

Story Riley Upton

Excerpt from *Maryborough and District Advertiser*

**Have you got your sticker yet?**



The funds raised will go towards the running of next year's Gold Rush Festival. The stickers are compact enough to fit on scooters, pushbikes, bumpers, fridges and pencil cases; and they are bright and cheerful with Dunolly, "The Heart of the Goldfields", being the theme. The stickers are available for \$2 each and you can find them in the following businesses: Dunolly Bakery, The RTC, Nik Naks, Railway Hotel Welcome Record, Dunolly Museum.

Gail Boardman

# Loddon Shire Mayoral Column

## Shop local this Christmas

With Christmas time fast approaching now is the perfect time to shop locally – either in person or online, and help small businesses continue to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our community does a great job in supporting our local businesses, and this local support is crucial. Shopping locally means your money stays in the community – helping keep (and where possible, create) local jobs and the local economy to thrive.

You can view the range of local businesses in the Loddon Shire by visiting the Business Directory on Council’s website at:

[www.loddon.vic.gov.au/For-residents/Business-Directory](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/For-residents/Business-Directory)

If you have yet to add your business details to the directory (or need to update your business details), you can do so from the webpage.

It would be remiss of me not to mention The Loddon Shed – a one-stop shop that provides direct access to

high-quality artisan goods from the Loddon Valley. Visit [www.theloddonshed.com.au](http://www.theloddonshed.com.au) to find out more and find that unique Loddon Valley gift.

## Volunteer opportunities

If you’re looking for volunteer opportunities in the community, then the Loddon Visitor Information Centre would like to hear from you.

The Visitor Information Centre is currently seeking passionate and enthusiastic local volunteers within the Loddon Shire to provide visitors with information on the Loddon Valley region. As a volunteer, you’ll receive plenty of support, including familiarisation tours across the Shire twice a year.

For more information: call 03 5494 3489 or drop by the Visitor Information Centre at 24 Wilson Street, Wedderburn. You can also find out more and register as a volunteer online at:

[www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Working-with-us/Volunteering-with-Loddon-Shire-Council](http://www.loddon.vic.gov.au/Our-Council/Working-with-us/Volunteering-with-Loddon-Shire-Council)

# Stories from the Museum — Life in a Scrapbook Part 3

Following on from my previous explorations into this wonderful old 19th Century scrapbook from Agnes Hastings, this time I am focusing on some of the recipes for home-made remedies.

One of these, stated to be a cure for hydatids on the liver, includes the use of hops and goes on to detail the methods of procuring them, either from Cornells’, a chemist in Ballarat, or gathering them in the wild at certain times of the year.

Whether the completed concoction worked is anyone’s guess!

I found the recipe for invisible ink to be interesting, with the use of common oil of vitriol in water.

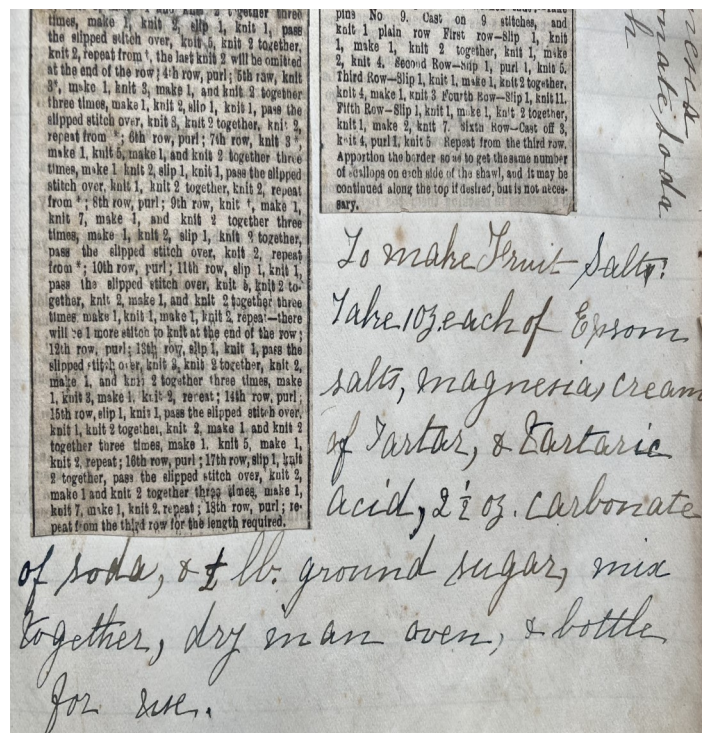
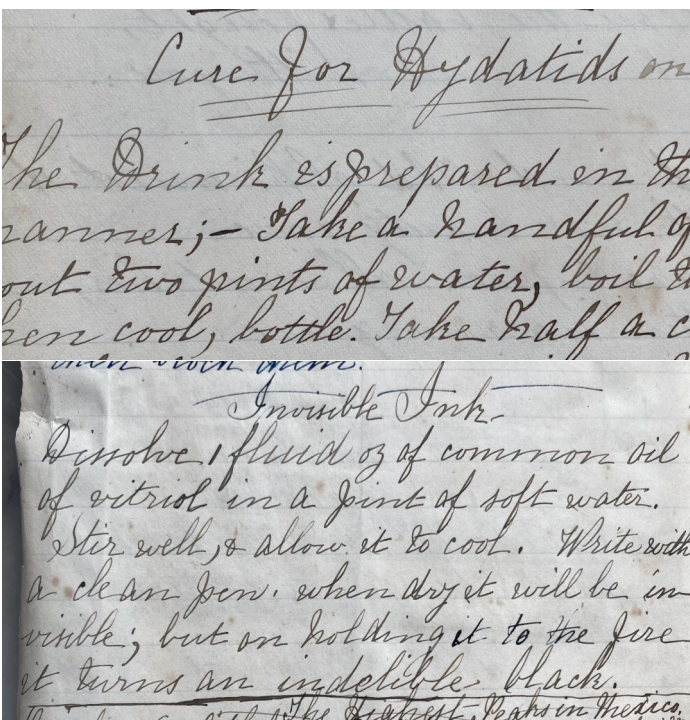
She suggests to write with it using a clean pen, when dry it will be invisible, but on holding it to the fire it turns an indelible black.

Agnes’ recipe for fruit salts, by the combination of ingredients, might have been a successful indigestion remedy, with the combination of Epsom salts, magnesia, cream of tartar, bicarbonate of soda, tartaric acid and sugar, however the resulting effects might have been worse than the

original complaint. There are so many seemingly drastic ‘cures’ in this book that it makes one wonder if the person receiving treatment actually survived; the partly-observed toothache remedy being the most obvious, with its use of oxide of arsenic, another ingredient (obscured) and sulphate of morphia mixed with a little creosote.

I will leave that one to your imagination and continue to seek out more of these gems for future instalments.

Jenny Scott.



## Classifieds and notices

### Vale Colin Sullivan

It is with great sadness to relay that our valued member Colin Sullivan has passed away after a long illness.

The Goldfields Historical & Arts Society mourns the loss of a valued member of our team. For many years Colin was the public face of the Dunolly Museum, keeping the museum open during cold winter days and the heat of summer in the days before we had insulation and proper heating. Colin trained many a volunteer and was always respectful and considerate. He always made the visitors and locals feel welcome, and he was dedicated and enthusiastic about the preservation of our local history. As Steve Barnham so succinctly put it; "the world has lost one of those rare low-key gentlemen". I couldn't agree more.

Our condolences to his family. Colin will be greatly missed.

Rachel Buckley Secretary  
Goldfields Historical & Arts Society



### Colin Raymond Sullivan

The President, Committee and Members of Dunolly/Bealiba RSL regret the passing of our member. Our sincere Condolences to his family and friends. *Lest We Forget.*

### Freemasons Family Barbeque 20th December 2021

Members of St George Freemasons Lodge Dunolly have organised an evening barbeque for families set for 20th December starting at 6pm and invitations are available for community members to attend.

This invitation is particularly aimed at new residents who would like to discover more about the community they have decided to reside in and would like to know more about Dunolly and District.

To assist an application for an invitation is welcome by contacting either Ken Calder 0429 431 216 or Eddie Derecki 0417 393 911.

Ken Calder



### Congratulations

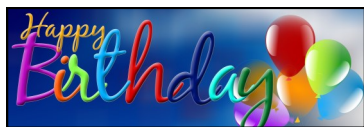
The winner of the Dunolly/ Bealiba RSL Xmas raffle was Allan Brownlie.

"Congratulations" Thank you for participating, sorry not everyone can win.

Secretary Lyn Gale

### Happy Birthday

Happy 90th Birthday Stan Shay with love and best wishes from your family.



### Office Space Wanted

Looking to rent or lease office space to fit large desk and side cabinet on Broadway from February to November 2022. Please contact Charles 0448 105 510.

### Garage Sale

Sunday 12th December 10 Tweeddale Street Dunolly.  
8am to 12.30pm. COVID safe, hand sanitizer provided and sign in register.

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Tim Noy

### Around the schools this week

#### Community Carols



As this is an outdoor event, there isn't a requirement for anyone attending to be double vaccinated. You will need to sign in using the QR code, observe social distancing, maintain hygiene and if unwell at all please stay home. Bring your own chair and picnic tea.

#### Pool Day Year 5/6

Thursday 9th December all year 5 and 6 students will spend half a day at the pool with other year 5 and 6 students from Timor and Talbot primary schools as part of their transition.

#### Students of the week

Prep/1 – Kay-Lee Putkunz

Year 2/3 – Christopher Kurzke & Ruby Redpath

Year 4/5 – Imogen Dukker

Year 5/6 – Kaylah Carrington

Auslan – Ned Crumpton

#### Grade 6 Graduation



Details for the night for year 6 students.

**Date:** Wednesday 15th December

**Where:** Gold and Grain Café and Dunolly Primary School

**Times:** Year 6 students to be dropped off at the Gold and Grain

Café at 5.30pm for a meal with their classmates and teachers.

Parents to pick up their child at 6.30pm and then make their way up to the school for the speeches and presentations which will begin at 7pm.

All attendees must sign in using the QR code, wear a mask and show their vaccination certificate upon entry.



# QUICK CROSSWORD 92

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|--|---|--|-------------------------------|
| 31. Warner Brothers' cartoon pig                     | 19. Relinquish (a right, eg.) voluntarily         | 26. One who glides on ice                            | 32. Holder of asset           |
| 34. Author's occupation, the _____                   | 21. Small salamander                              | 28. Implement to remove lid                          | 33. Two-masted sailing vessel |
| 35. Tiny   | 23. That lass                                     | 29. Large protein which speeds up chemical reactions | 37. Be indebted for           |
| 36. Country  | 25. Peter Weir film, _____ at <i>Hanging Rock</i> |  | 39. Which human               |
| 38. Highest number on a dartboard                    |   |  |                               |
| 40. U.S. actress born Jo Raquel Tejada, Raquel _____ |   |  |                               |

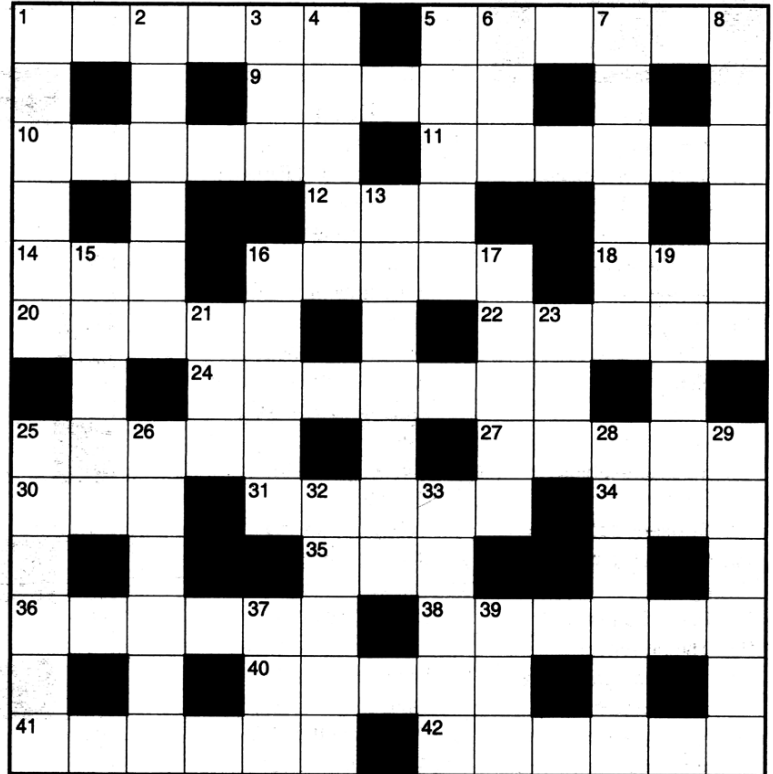
**Across**

1. Small spicy pastry filled with vegetables or meat
5. Soft mineral, plaster of Paris ingredient
9. Radical (of one's opinions)
10. Utensil to assist pouring
11. A worn good luck charm
12. Strange
14. Feel repentance
16. Thick woollen fabric
18. Average of 1.2, 1.7 and 3.1
20. Indolent individual
22. Forwards
24. Destiny
25. Thick sauce made with nuts, basil and cheese
27. Operated car, eg.
30. Irritate

41. One's chosen vocation
42. Husky (of voice)

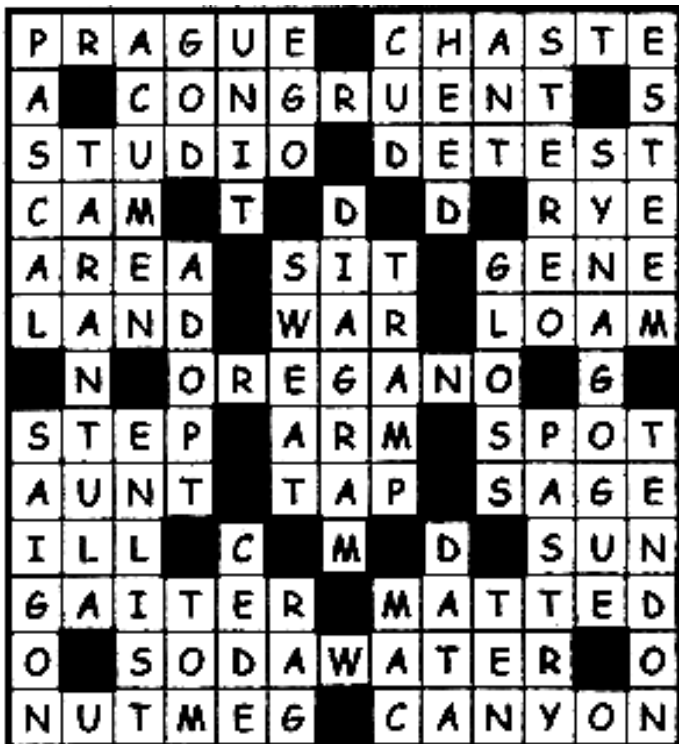
**Down**


1. Overland journey in Africa
2. Adornment around fireplace
3. Take to court
4. To let happen
5. Succeed, make the \_\_\_\_\_
6. Vegetable of warm climes
7. Substance which dissolves in another
8. Logic beneath one's apparent foolishness, \_\_\_\_\_ in one's madness
13. Set of false teeth
15. Cow's milk-secreting organ
16. Group of soldiers
17. Overly fashion-conscious man




Crossword supplied by *The Puzzle Wizard*

## Solution # 91





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## Dunolly Australia Day

### Nomination Form

We have three Categories this year, and please feel free to copy this Nomination form or hand write another, or pick up extra copies at the RTC to choose someone in all three categories.

Our Three Categories are Junior and Senior Citizen of the year, and Best Business or Community Group. If a person or an organization has impressed you continually throughout the year, please nominate them for an award.

**Criteria**

Dunolly Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year recipients are people who have demonstrated through their hard work and dedication that they:

Provide a significant contribution to the Dunolly community in the current year or over a number of years

Demonstrate outstanding skills and/or are a role model for other community members or organisations.

**Please indicate the award category you are making the nomination for:**

Citizen of the Year

Junior Citizen of the Year (Under 18 yrs)

Best Business or Community Group

**Name of Nominee** \_\_\_\_\_

**Areas of Excellence – in what area(s) has the nominee excelled?**

For example: Service Clubs, Welfare, Community, Sports, Academic or other specific achievement

**Briefly tell us about your nominee**

How are they a positive role model? How have they demonstrated excellence in their field and contributed to the community?

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nomination form must be received by 4.30pm on Friday, 7th January 2022 at the RTC.**

The Australia Day Ceremony and awards are organised by Dunolly and District Inc. and partially sponsored by Central Goldfields Shire. A special committee will judge the awards. The decision in relation to the awards is final and no correspondence will be entered into in respect of the awards.

## Tuesday 14th December Round 5 Mid-week Pennant bowls teams

Dunolly Blue home v Dunolly Gold — Heather Freemantle (S), Greg Dobbin, Debbie Wintle, Alan Weir, Robyn Fox (S), Chris Williams, Roy Pickering, Raeleen Mebbrey, Marg Davies (S), Tony Galofaro, Alan Parkes, Alice Raven. Manager: Robyn Fox. If unavailable ring Robyn on 0419 595 521.

Dunolly Gold at home v Dunolly Blue — Marilyn Mortlock (S), Jennifer Verhoef, Doris Spiteri, Karen Waters, Sandra Chaplin (S), Karen Stephens, Sandra Caldecoat, Catherine Gordon, Jill Morse (S), Nancy Pike, Hannah Delconte, Heather Davis. Manager: Marilyn Mortlock. Emergencies: Barry Mortlock, Keith Elliott, Wayne Stephens. If unavailable ring Manager Marilyn Mortlock 0448 819 794.

## Saturday 11th December Round 5 Pennant bowls teams

Dunolly Blue home v Avoca Red — Greg Dobbin (S), Peter Waters, Aaron Britten, Steve Wintle, Alan Weir (S), Tony Galofaro, Alan Parkes, Alan Miles, Chris Williams (S), Terry Long, Geoff Davies, Bernie Lanfranchi. Manager: Peter Waters.

Dunolly Gold away v Avoca Gold — Jim Smith (S), Don Mortlock, Keith McKenzie, Andrew Mebbrey, Roy Pickering (S), Peter Freemantle, Ian Flett, Keith Elliott, Barry Mortlock (S), Evan Weir, Paul Zahra, Emmett Smith. Manager: Peter Freemantle. Cars seconds, leave 12:30pm.

Dunolly Green home v MHS White — Robyn Fox (S), Jill Morse, Don Coe, Jim Haigh, Sandra Chaplin (S), Dave Price, Peter Harrison, Graham Cain, Arthur Deason (S), Paul Chase, John Reid, Fabio Delconte. Manager: Paul Chase.

## Dunolly Bowling Club results

Tuesday 30th November — Dunolly Blue 68 defeated Talbot 64; Maryborough Golf 59 defeated Dunolly Gold 39.

Saturday 4th December — Dunolly Blue 68 defeated MHS Tartan 52; Dunolly Gold 62 defeated MHS Black 52; Dunolly Green 59 defeated Maldon 39.

### The following clubs are holding tournaments

- Calivil Bowling Club. Open Mixed 4's Tournament, 1st January 2022.
- Rochester Bowling Club. Ladies 4 Star Tournament, 5th January 2022.
- Tocumwal Golf/Bowls Club. "The Allan Seamer" Medley 4 Tournament, 10th March 2022.

All information regarding the above tournaments have been posted on the clubs notice board.

Dunolly is hosting its last monthly triples Wednesday 15th December.

Afternoon tea will be provided. A list has been put up on the notice board for names or let Barry Cann know.

Our last Pennant will be held Saturday 18th December, this is also our Christmas breakup party. A list has been placed on the inside and outside notice board. Please write your name down if attending. The cut off day is 12th December, unfortunately if your name is not down by the cut off day we will be unable to cater for you.

The Brian Harrop Memorial Medley Day is Sunday 9th 2022. A notice has been placed on the clubs notice board.

Hannah Delconte

## Laanecoorie Dunolly Cricket Club Under 16s

Last Saturday we completed our two day games against Carisbrook at R L Williams Oval. All batters tried hard but we were dismissed for 124.

Considering we only had seven kids available this week it was a very good effort.

The standout for the morning was Joe Lovell making a fine 61.

### Batting:

Joe Lovell 61, Ben Smith 1, Cooper Polinelli 6, Brody Winters 0, Aidan Wickham 6, Dion Flanagan 0, Thang Nguyen 10, Extras 40 Total 124

This Saturday we play the first week of a two day match against Maryborough at R L Williams oval.

Jamie Polinelli



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Jan Brock President

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# Keeping Dunolly Dollars in Dunolly

Dunolly has gone through many retail changes in the last few years.

COVID hasn't been kind, in a way that some businesses have had to close, whilst others have somehow managed; despite the challenges, there also have been some businesses which have thrived.

Thea from Dunolly Nik Naks & Gallery has made it her mission to connect with her fellow retailers to find out how it has affected them.

Throughout the process, what has been more than obvious is that there has been a need for unity.

Most of the traders and retailers have recently formed a group called Dunolly Traders Incorporated.

She reports that by getting together, they have been able to share robust and meaningful exchanges on what their challenges are.

The collaboration will also enable them to have one louder voice when it comes to obtaining more support from Central Goldfields Shire Council and other tourism identities.

The group is also endeavouring to come up with campaigns targeted at our local community, in order to encourage and urge them to buy in Dunolly.

With Christmas so close there are many opportunities to keep the 'Dunolly Dollars' here.

The group asks that each and every one of us explore what the shops have in stock; there is a magical array of choices, both in our specialty shops and the pharmacy.

You will be surprised at the diversity of gift ideas there are

on offer. Gift vouchers from any of the four eateries; the Gold & Grain Café, the Railway Hotel, Dunolly Bakery and Welcome Stranger & Co. or indeed any of the retailers, would also certainly be welcomed by both the businesses and the recipients.

Thea states that Dunolly's shops aren't just here for the tourists, whilst we are of course trying to attract more visitors, they are here for the locals.

When it comes to Dunolly — we do have it all, so please consider visiting our shops in Broadway before venturing elsewhere.

Article and photo by Jenny Scott



## Some more images of Dunolly Unlocked

