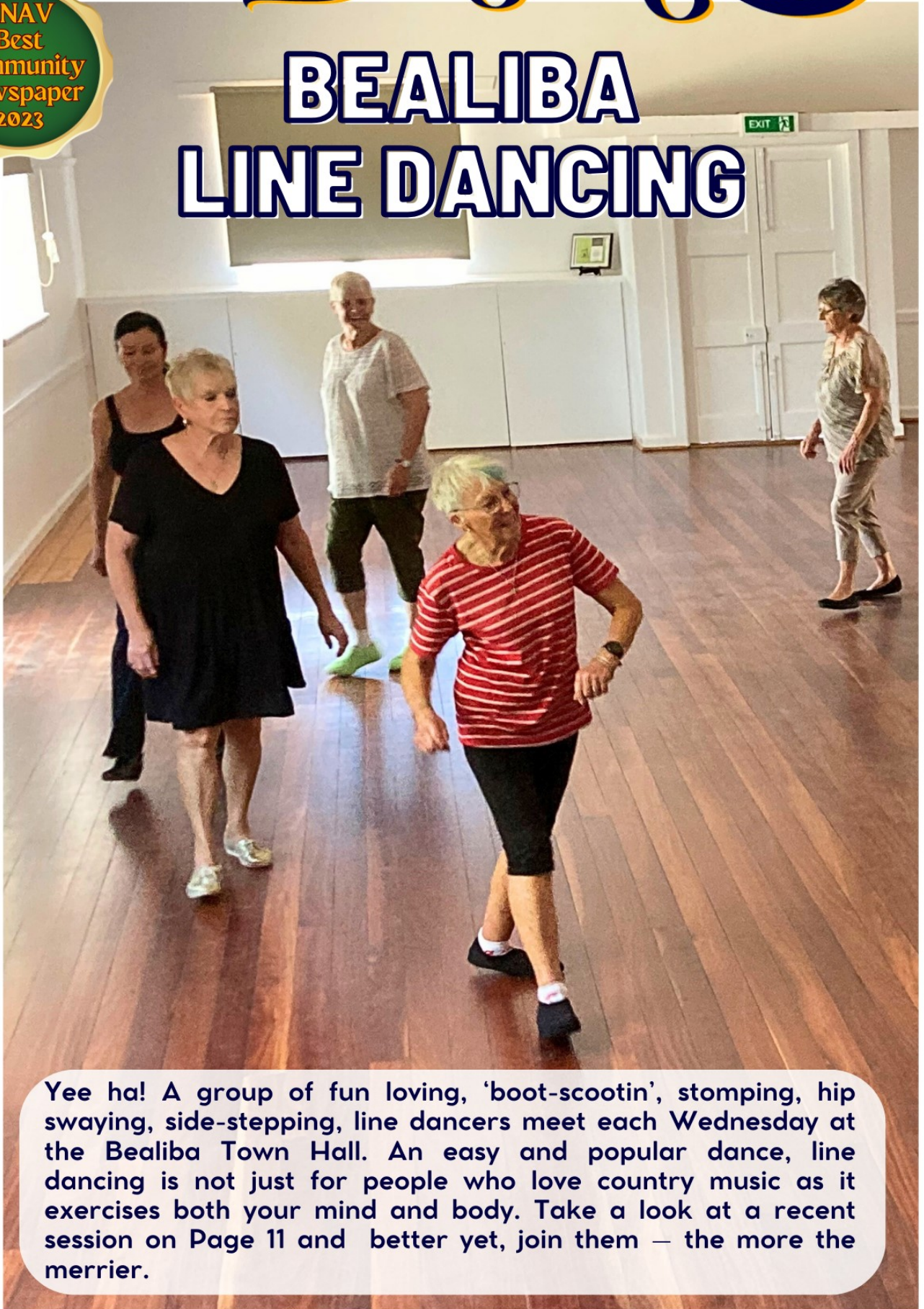




The *Welcome Record*



BEALIBA LINE DANCING



Yee ha! A group of fun loving, 'boot-scootin', stomping, hip swaying, side-stepping, line dancers meet each Wednesday at the Bealiba Town Hall. An easy and popular dance, line dancing is not just for people who love country music as it exercises both your mind and body. Take a look at a recent session on Page 11 and better yet, join them – the more the merrier.

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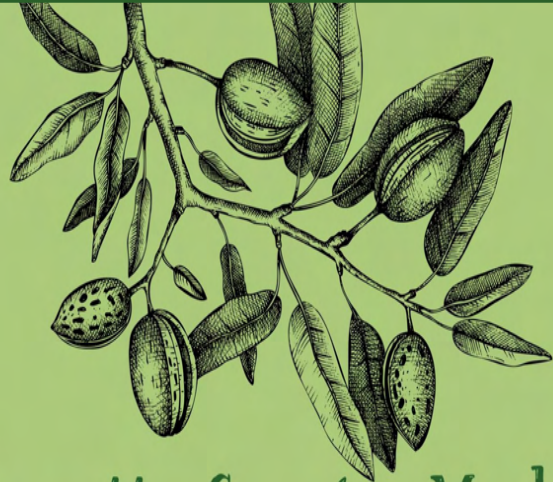
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Dunolly Country Market
4th Sunday of the month
Next market
March 24th

Information & Stall bookings Lynda 0418875453

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New Animal Protection Laws

The draft bill for a new Victorian *Animal Care and Protection Act* has been released for public comment. This is the final opportunity for feedback before the bill for a new Act is finalised.

The new Act would replace the current *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986* which is nearly 40 years old and does not always reflect current community expectations, developments in animal science or changing industry practices.

A new Act would explicitly recognise animal sentience and set minimum care requirements for animals in Victorian law for the first time. The approach to cruelty offences would be strengthened, and the legislation would support co-regulation to reduce the regulatory burden on industries.

Activities like farming, pest control, hunting, fishing and racing would be able to continue under the new laws.

Reforming the laws will protect animals from cruelty while supporting Victorians to continue to interact responsibly with them and will help maintain trust in our animal-based activities and industries.

Regulations setting out requirements for specific species and activities involving animals would support the Act.

A new Act would not come into force for at least 2 years to enable development of the new regulations.

Interested community members, groups and organisations are urged to make a submission and complete a survey about future regulations.

The consultation is open until 25 March. Have your say at [Engage Victoria](#).



Firewood Collection Open

Victorians are able to collect free firewood for personal use from state forest collection areas until 30 June.

Domestic firewood supply in state forests is provided from fallen trees and forest management works.

Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) Director of Forest and Fire Operations, Aaron Kennedy, said people can collect up to two cubic metres per person per day during a firewood collection season with a maximum of 16 cubic metres per household per financial year.

He said firewood collection is only allowed in **designated firewood collection areas in state forests during approved times and for personal use only. Collected firewood cannot be sold.**

Collectors are being urged to play it safe and check local weather conditions as well as their planned route before heading into the forest, especially **after recent flooding, storms and bushfires.**

“When collecting, please drive only on formed roads, be aware of the environment around you and safety of yourself and others as trees may fall or drop limbs without warning. I would encourage people who rely on firewood for heating and cooking to plan their needs early.”

“Firewood collected during the collection seasons needs at least 8-12 months to cure and be dry before use.” Mr Kennedy said.

It’s an offence to collect wood outside designated areas or to leave formed roads to collect or load.

“Most people do the right thing and stick to the collection limits, but people should know Authorised Officers from the Conservation Regulator, FFMVic and Parks Victoria conduct routine, random and targeted patrols of forest areas,” Mr Kennedy said.

Officers can issue fines of \$769 to those caught breaking the rules, and serious offences have a maximum penalty of \$9,615 and/or one year in prison.

The Victorian Government provides targeted energy support and concessions for people on low incomes who buy firewood or need assistance with their energy costs.

This includes tailored support via the Energy Assistance Program, a \$250 rebate for eligible households from the Energy Bill Relief Fund, payments of between \$55 and \$619 per year for eligible households that rely on non-mains energy including firewood for heating and cooking, and up to \$650 via the Non-Mains Utility Relief Grant for Victorians on low incomes who rely on firewood as their only source of fixed heating.

More information about financial assistance is available for people on low incomes who buy firewood - <https://www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood/energy-concession-and-support>

Community members can help by reporting any suspected illegal firewood collection on 136 186.

Maps are available at www.ffm.vic.gov.au/firewood.

Coming Soon...



Goldfields Music Club
Community Meeting
20 March 2024 at 6pm
Dunolly Neighbourhood
Centre.
18 Havelock St. Dunolly

Everyone is welcome to a Community Meeting on 20 March 2024 at 6pm at the Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre to talk about **Vibes on Broadway 2024 – Dunolly's Street Festival on Sunday 27 October 2024.**

We'll be applying again for Broadway to be closed on the day and we'd like to hear from Community & Service Groups, Traders and anyone that would like to participate in the event with us. Come along & let us know what you might like.

Sue Hayman Ph: 0412 549 981
goldfieldsmusicclub@gmail.com.au

Friday, March 22, 2024



Goldfields Music Club, Open Mic
and Jam Night

At the Dunolly Golf Club, Separation
Street. **6:00pm—11:30pm.**

All players and public welcome with \$5
entry.

Lucky door prizes, bar, meals available. CASH ONLY VENUE

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Letters & Notices

URGENTLY NEEDED –

Bus Drivers

The RTC needs volunteer bus drivers for the weekly community bus to Maryborough on a Friday.

You would be rostered on to do the trip once a month.

The bus leaves the RTC at 9.30am and returns at 12.15 from Maryborough.

You will need a Heavy vehicle licence light rigid (LR) to drive.

Please phone the RTC on 03 5468 1205 or call in when the office is open.

Vic Farmers Federation

In response to the recent storm and bushfire disasters that Victorians have been enduring, we've opened applications and donations for the VFF Disaster Relief Fund.

Applications for payments up to \$5,000 can now be made for impacts from storm or bushfires that occurred from 9 February 2024.

The VFF would like to express our gratitude to those who have already donated and thanks everyone who contributes, no matter how big or small.

Our thoughts again go out to those battling the current bushfires which continue to impact communities near Ballarat and those who have been impacted by our recent wild weather.

You can make an application, donate and read more here:

<https://rb.gy/cghnnn>

New Business on Broadway

HORSE RUG REPAIR AND LEATHERWORK

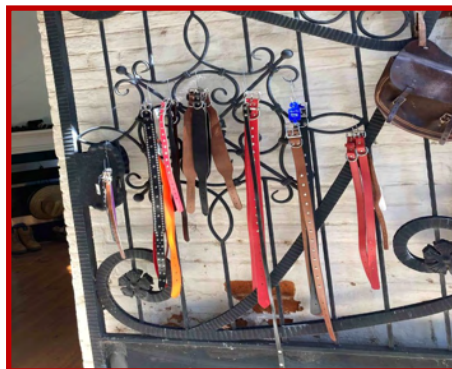
Located next to the Railway Hotel, the shop opened several weeks ago.

Owner, Darrel Harvey, stated that opening days and times would be Thursday to Sunday from 9 am – 3.30/4 pm.

The store sells saddles, offers rug and leatherwork repairs and a variety of leather goods including belts.

Call in sometime and support local small businesses.

This venture is a welcome addition to other businesses along Broadway.



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Dunolly Arts Hub
Corner of Thompson
& Alice Streets.



In the old Nurses' Home beside the hospital on Havelock Street (top of Bull Street).
Monday-Thursday 9.30am to 3.00pm.
The Dunolly Arts Hub is on the corner of Thompson and Alice Streets, Dunolly.

Monday:

- Mosaics at the Arts Hub from 10am- beginners encouraged- Lynda will guide you.
- Ballroom Dancing at Dunolly Golf Club- on a break until early April; intermediate skills required - call Kath at the Centre for further details.
- Card making with Rhonda: third Monday of the month from 1.30 at the Centre.
- Hub Club for kids: FULL. Call Kath to be put on the waitlist for 2024.
- Yoga: March 25th at 10am, Dunolly Golf Club on Separation Road; bring a mat and light blanket (\$12.50 full, \$7.50 concession). Fortnightly.

Tuesday:

- Woodwork in the Centre shed from 9am until 12.30. Open to all!

Wednesday:

- Table tennis at the Golf Club on Separation Road from 9am to 12pm (evening session available if enough people are interested).
- Craft at the Centre from 10am- bring your own activity.

Thursday:

- Croquet at the Golf Club on Separation Road from 9.30am for summer- plenty of mallets available, so come and have a crack! If it's an extreme heat day, players will cancel.
- Family History: from 7.30 at the Centre.

Friday:

- Art group at the Arts Hub- on hold until April.
- Whichcraft at the Arts Hub.

Sunday:

- Golden Triangle Archers meet on the fourth Sunday at 10am, Deledio Reserve on Elgin Street (behind the RL Williams oval).
Covered shoes compulsory, and parents must stay with children

DUNOLLY NEIGHBOURHOOD PANTRY AND AFTER-HOURS PANTRY

The Dunolly Neighbourhood Pantry is open **Monday to Thursday 1.30 to 3pm**, and the after-hours Pantry on the verandah is always available. The Pantry is for community members who may be struggling with rising cost of living pressures, and is a safe and welcoming space to receive support.

Dunolly Neighbourhood Pantry overwhelmed with recent donations:

We would like to thank some local organisations for their recent generosity in making donations to our Pantry- our thanks to local small business Sofoco, and the Dunolly Medical Clinic.

It really takes the pressure off when we receive these kind donations. Thanks also to Lisa Mercer for her generous support recently- Lisa dropped off a very useful collection of goodies including toilet paper, toothpaste and pasta. So helpful. We gratefully accept donations of dry pantry items that are 'in date', as well as hygiene products such as pads, shampoo, and soap.



Hub Club kids decorate succulent pots with colourful, vibrant designs:

Our Hub Club activity this week at the Arts Hub was pot plant decorating with succulent planting! We made a call-out to the community for succulent donations and the response was overwhelming - thanks to our generous benefactors.

The Hub Clubbers enjoyed painting their pots with colourful pictures, and learnt all about potting mix and watering in your plant cutting.

A fun-filled time was had by all!



Kath Ryan, Co-ordinator
Ph: 03 5468 1511
E: admin@dunnhc.com.au

Scam Alert: Seniors Cards are FREE on Seniors Online

Always use Seniors Online to apply for a card, replace a card and update your details. Be aware of unauthorised websites who charge you money for a free service.

From time to time, private companies seeking to profit from unknowing people set up websites to charge people a fee to apply for a Victorian Seniors Card.

These companies advertise using key words so they appear at the top of search engine searches.

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If you have paid for a Victorian Seniors Card and provided any form of identification to these fake websites contact ID Care on 1800 595 160, or visit the ID care website, and contact your financial institution to report the fraudulent transaction.



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If you need support to apply for a Seniors Card:

- Ask a trusted family member or friend to help you to apply online
- Visit your local library to see if they can assist you
- Call the Victorian Seniors Card program on 1300 797 210 Monday to Friday between 9.00am to 2.00pm (excluding public holidays)

New treatment for Chronic Lung Disease

Australian researchers have found that a family of proinflammatory molecules called beta common cytokines control inflammation and scarring of the airways (fibrosis) in severe and steroid-resistant asthma.

The findings, published in the *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*, are a result of a *joint study led by researchers from the University of South Australia (UniSA) and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT), in collaboration with researchers from CSL and S.A. Pathology.

They believe that a human therapeutic antibody called *trabikihart* could be the key to effectively blocking the inflammation and scarring.

Joint study leader Dr Damon Tumes, Head of the Allergy and Cancer Immunology Laboratory in the Centre for Cancer Biology*, says the findings are significant.

"Inflammation and tissue damage in severe asthma is caused by several types of immune cells that enter the lungs due to allergens, viruses and other microbes that interact with the airways," Dr Tumes said.

"In some people, the inflammation is resistant to steroids – the first treatment option for controlling severe asthma.

Currently, limited treatment options are available for severe asthma. New and existing drugs often only target single molecules when multiple overlapping cells and inflammatory pathways are responsible for asthma.

"Targeting multiple inflammatory cytokines with a single drug may be the key to treat and control complex and severe chronic airway disease."

The most recent statistics show a 30% rise in asthma-related deaths (467 people) nationally in 2022, with South Australia recording the most drastic increase at 88%.

According to experts, most of the deaths were preventable and were linked to people not having treatment on hand, or using it as prescribed, especially inhaled corticosteroids.

2022 marked the highest asthma deaths since 2017, partly driven by the post-Covid return of viral respiratory infections which are associated with increases in asthma hospitalisations.

Widespread rainfall, triggering an increase in fungal spores and pollen, is also a factor.

**'Dual inhibition of airway inflammation and fibrosis by common β cytokine receptor blockade' is published in the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.*



SKATE DAY

Join the Skatepark Community Day next Saturday 16 March at the Maryborough Skatepark, 97 Burns Street from 10am. All ages and abilities are welcome and it's free:

- ⇒ Skateboard Lessons - 10am to 12pm
- ⇒ (free for all ages, equipment provided)
- ⇒ Scoot Competition - 12pm
- ⇒ BMX Competition - 1.30pm
- ⇒ Skateboard Competition - 2.30pm

There will be an all-day BBQ where you can buy lunch, and free fresh fruit and water will be provided by Healthy Loddon Campaspe. To participate, please book at:

www.skatepark.ymca.org.au/all-aboard

POOLS UPDATE

Maryborough Sports and Leisure Centre

The indoor pool at the Centre closed on March 4 for a re-tiling project, after 25 years of use. The gym and basketball facilities remain open and will be unaffected by the works.

The pool will re-open in late May 2024.

Talbot and Dunolly Pools

The outdoor pool season has been extended through March until Monday 1 April for free community use. Both pools open from 3pm to 7pm on school days, and from 1pm to 7pm on weekends, school holidays and public holidays when the temperature is 25 degrees or more.

Maryborough Municipal Olympic Pool

In 2022 the heritage-listed Maryborough Outdoor Pool was deemed unsafe for use.

We have received some funding, allowing the re-build of the octagonal pool. We are currently seeking funding to re-build the 50 metre pool so that it can re-open to community use.

We will keep our community informed at every stage as we work through the process.

For further information visit:

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/indoorpoolupgrade

RATES NOTICES

Property owners who are yet to pay their annual rates are reminded these are now overdue (as at February 15).

Those who pay by quarterly instalment are reminded that the third instalment was payable by Wednesday, February 28.

If you are having trouble with rates payments, please contact us as soon as possible to avoid any additional charges.

For more information, including payment options, contact us:

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Paris: Impressions of Life
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Bendigo Art Gallery

Opening on March 16, 2024 and exclusive to Bendigo Art Gallery, **Paris: Impressions of Life 1880-1925** is a journey through the streets of historic Paris with more than 170 works of art and artisanal objects from the renowned collection of the Musée Carnavalet – History of Paris.

Across seven themed pathways, visitors will have a unique opportunity to explore the history, built environments and unique character of Paris in the *Belle Époque* period - a time of period of great social change, urban development and artistic innovation which shaped modern Paris during a period of rapid modernisation.



The Exhibition offers a vibrant snapshot of these pivotal years in Western art showing the daring experimentation with light and colour in the wake of the Impressionist revolution, such as master of pointillism, Paul Signac and includes the art of advertising and theatre posters; artistic shop signs from merchants, cafes and hairdressers and Souvenirs, such as fans, a jewellery box and silk scarves.

Complementing art and artisan objects from the Musée Carnavalet is an exquisite selection of haute couture from leading French fashion houses of the era on loan from the National Gallery of Victoria and the National Gallery of Australia.

More than 90 paintings offer diverse and intimate insights into the events, locations, and everyday encounters that have come to define this fascinating era in one of the most famed and alluring cities in the world.

For more information: www.bendigoartgallery.com.au
Images courtesy of Bendigo Art Gallery.

BEALIBA LINE DANCING

Ever wondered just what is 'Line Dancing' and how hard is it to do? This popular dance style has moved on from its Country & Western roots to include various steps from other dance styles.

A line dance is a choreographed dance in which a group of people dance along to a repeating sequence of steps while arranged in one or more lines or rows. These lines of dancers face in the same direction, or sometimes each other, and are not in physical contact with each other.



“One of the best things about line dancing is that you don't need to have a partner, it's great, easy exercise without even realising that's what you're doing, it's fun and for many it's a social outing. Everybody learns at their own pace, some pick it up quicker than others but it doesn't matter, what matters is that you enjoy it and have fun. Some people have trouble telling their left from their right but I haven't met anybody yet with two left feet.”
Chris said.

You don't need to come in Western-style clothing, participants usually dress in casual clothing and wear comfortable shoes.

The class is led by Chris Evans who originally taught line dancing in Mildura 25 years ago when it was extremely popular. Moving to Bealiba 6 years ago, Chris found a class in Maryborough which rekindled her love for dancing. Not long after that, the teacher of that group moved and Chris took over.

The Bealiba group started in 2019 but stopped in 2021 due to Covid, resuming classes again in 2023.

Chris provides clear instructions for every step, encouraging fellow dancers, making it simple and fun – it's clear that if you can walk, you will be able to line dance.

For just \$5, every Wednesday at Bealiba Town Hall, classes begin at 1pm for beginners, 2pm for intermediate & 3pm for advanced.





Drug driving? The consequences will blow your mind.

Police are conducting drug tests across Victoria, which helps to keep our roads safe. Being caught with illicit drugs in your system could result in a minimum fine of \$577 and possible licence suspension. Drug driving? Chances are you will be caught. Anywhere. Anytime. Anyone.



Cultural Diversity Week: March 18 to 24, 2024



Every year in March, Victorians come together to celebrate our state's diverse and powerful multicultural communities.

Our state is home to people who speak 290 languages and have 314 different ancestries.

The Theme for this year is - *Our Shared Stories - Celebrating Together*.

This Cultural Diversity Week celebrates the tapestry of humanity that binds us together through our shared stories.

The week also marks the start of the Taste of Harmony, Australia's largest celebration of cultural diversity through food from March 18 to 19 April 2024.

Taste of Harmony encourages workplaces and volunteer groups to come together to share, discover and learn about each other's cultural heritage.

Check out the tasty recipe below:

BURMESE SCRAMBLED EGG CURRY

A quick and easy curry for weeknight dinners.

Preparation time: 10 minutes. Cooking time: 20 minutes. Serves four people.

Ingredients

- 8 eggs
- 2 onions, chopped
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, chopped
- 1 tsp ginger paste
- 3 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 tbsp sweet paprika
- ½ tsp turmeric powder
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Cooked rice, to serve
- Coriander for garnishing



Method

1. Heat the vegetable oil in a pan until sizzling hot.
2. Add the onion, garlic and ginger paste. Fry until the vegetables are soft.
3. Add the chopped tomatoes.
4. Add sweet paprika, turmeric powder, salt and pepper.
5. Cook for 15 minutes until soft and smooth.
6. Crack the eggs into the pan and stir gently to split the yolks.
7. Cook until eggs are ready.
8. Take the pan off the stove.

Serve on rice and garnish with coriander.

Recipe originally published on the *Taste of Harmony* website:

<https://www.tasteofharmony.org.au/recipes/burmese-scramble-egg-curry/>



Dunolly Rural Transaction Centre



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Church Notices

Catholic Church, Dunolly

There will be Assembly at St. Mary's on Sunday March 17 at 8.30am.

The Good Friday service will be held at the Uniting Church, Dunolly at 10 am. All are welcome.

We will be celebrating Easter Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's Church Bealiba at 8.30am. as it falls on the 5th Sunday. R Mcreedy

*"Make me know your ways, O Lord ,
teach me your paths.*

*Lead me in your truth. Be mindful of your mercy,
O Lord, and of your steadfast love."* Psalms 25: 1- 6

St John's Anglican Church, Dunolly

Rev Canon Heather Blackman

Parish Office, Nightingale Street,
Maryborough. Phone 5460 5964

Service 10am every fourth Thursday

St David's Anglican Church, Bealiba

Davies Street Bealiba

Sunday Eucharist: 8am 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month. Rev. Peter Downes ph. 0412 957 383



New Horizon Church, Bealiba

Bealiba Public Hall. Every Sunday 3pm

For more information about services and bible studies

Contact Veronica Medlyn: 0427 345 577

Uniting Church, Dunolly

Dunolly UCA notes for this week -

- ◇ Julie Ramsay will lead the Harvest Thanksgiving service on Sunday March 17th at 9.30am.
- ◇ Uniting emergency relief will next be in Dunolly on Thursday, March 21st from 1.00pm.

The \$5.00 bag sale will continue this week at the Op Shop which is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10.00am.

The Good Friday service will be held at the Uniting Church, Dunolly.

Linda Pickering

*"For God did not send his Son into the world to
condemn the world,
but to save the world through him."*

John 3:17



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Rosie's Ramble

Been a tad warm today and there is more. It was 38 degrees on my back verandah at 6 pm on Sunday.

Glanced over at the wood heap the other day and got a bit of a surprise. I could see a head and long neck poking up from the tarp I use to cover the wood. It was a turtle. By the time I got over there it had disappeared into the pile, but there was another one all tucked up in it's shell. I don't remember seeing one in the yard before, let alone two. I can only think they were heading for the dam as our little bit of Burnt Creek is drying up. I rang the reptile lady in Bendigo to find out the best way to move them. She said to get them into and cover them with



an old towel you don't want any more, then tip them out where you want to. They do NOT like to be picked up and carried. In the end I left the gate open and hoped for the best.

As I waited at the Daley Street 'give-way' sign for a couple of cars to go by, I had a bit of a chuckle. The first car was P plater, the second an L plater, and I bought up the rear with my 60 odd (some of them very odd) years of driving .

ROSIE

Just for a Laugh

An irate golfer, on his way to a round of 150 said, "You must be the worst caddie in the world ". Scottish caddie, "That would too much of a coincidence, sir."

McNab was stopped by a beggar who asked him for money .
"I haven't eaten for over three days ," he said sadly .
"What self-control." marvelled McNab." Go on, force yourself."

Tom and Herb were fishing after dark from the jetty on the edge of the lake. " Gosh, Tom these mosquitoes are bad , aren't they?"
"They're not giving me any trouble."
"I don't know about you, but every time one bites me, he passes out straws to all his mates."

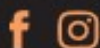


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GOANNA

By Vicky Frizzell



Goannas have always seemed like mythical creatures to me because I had never seen one.

Footprints in the sand on my wonderful aunt's Mallee farm were evidence of their passing. But try as I might to get out of bed earlier to spot them, I never did.



My aunt said it was looking for eggs at her well protected chook house. The footprints did lead that way because I followed them many times. As I got older, I read some great stories about goannas running up the tallest thing in a bare paddock which sometimes turned out to be a man. People said they gave a nasty bite too.

When we moved to Dunolly, lots of people talked about goannas they had seen recently.

They were conversations I was totally left out of, and I was resigned to a goanna-less life. But everything changed recently when I was on my way to Bendigo on a sunny morning.

Coming round a bend not far from Tarnagulla, there was a long legged lizard catching the sun's rays on the side of the road. I only had time to register it standing with it's neck stretched up before I had passed it. 'Yes, a Goanna at last' my mind shrieked.

When I looked in the rear vision mirror to get a second glimpse it had vanished. No wonder someone as slow to focus on things as me, had never seen one before. It was bigger than I expected and was such a delight to see.

We are lucky to live in an area with so much forest. It ensures our local wildlife does have a great natural environment to live in.

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QUICK CROSSWORD 48

Across

- Optical instrument used for viewing distant objects
- Third planet from sun
- Annoying
- Powerful aircraft
- Intensify
- Rough edge remaining after cutting
- Projectile of archer
- Replace shoe's base
- Derivation
- Contract signed by landlord and tenant
- Don't cut off your _____ to spite your face
- Ghastly

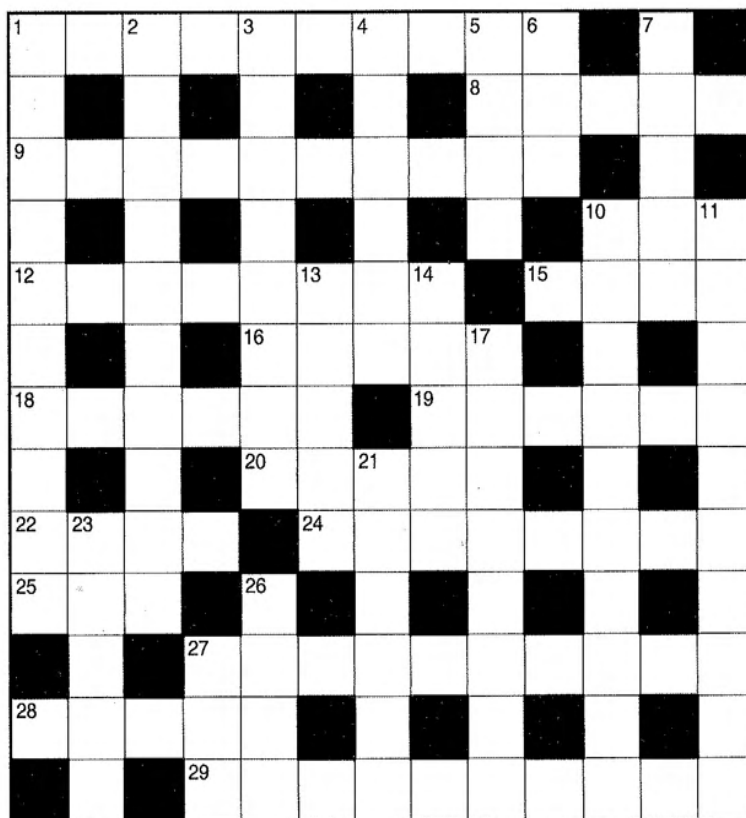
Down

- Talking nonsensically
- Undue interest in and admiration for oneself
- Municipal government building (4,4)
- 'First' is to 'former' as 'second' is to '____'
- Rip
- Hang unevenly
- Synonym of the adjective 'total'
- A powerful relentless force
- One who renders (speech, eg.) in another language
- Plants with which arborists deal

- Loop of lasso
- Remains of something destroyed or badly damaged

- Member of North American Indian tribe
- Further from the centre

- Sweet fizzy drink
- Have short sleep



Crossword supplied by Puzzle Wizard Note: Crossword Solution for previous week's Puzzle is on Pg. 2

Tailings

Newsletter of the Goldfields Historical and Arts Society Inc. No. A9641
Museum 75 Broadway Dunolly, John Tully editor



BENT TREE PAINTING

Recently we received the donation of a painting from Lesley Burgoyne. This was painted by A Powell in 1916 and is of the 'Bent Tree' at Eastville, near Laanecoorie. Lesley's great-uncle, William Barber commissioned a friend of the family to do the painting.



The Bent Tree, Eastville, 1916

The Bent Tree was a landmark of the area and the Barber family obviously had a lot of respect for the tree. It was in the middle of what is now the Maldon Bridgewater Rd, near the Shoot Em Flying Inn, a swamp and Barber's Melrose Farm. Traffic had to go each side of the tree until eventually the shire cut it down.

Yeerep/King Tommy, the last of the Aborigines living in that area used to camp nearby on David Barber's Rose Hall Farm.

A bent branch on a tree can be natural but it can also be man made. Aborigines would tie the branch of a tree to the ground when it was young to make a marker. The exact purpose is conjecture but in NSW they were often near corroboree grounds. In Victoria they can be a mortuary tree.

The direction of the branch points to the miyur of that clan.

A miyur is the direction that the spirit of a dead person goes before they are taken up into the night sky.

Each clan has a specific direction. Eastville is on Tjanne balug territory, the clan that King Tommy belonged to.

Aborigines were buried with their head towards their miyur. We can surmise by this painting that the branch is pointing about north east.

By a strange coincident when King Tommy died in 1892 he was buried in Dunolly Cemetery with his head to the north east.

DUNOLLY WIRE WORKS

The Hey Presto Products Pty Ltd commenced in Dunolly in the late 1940s.

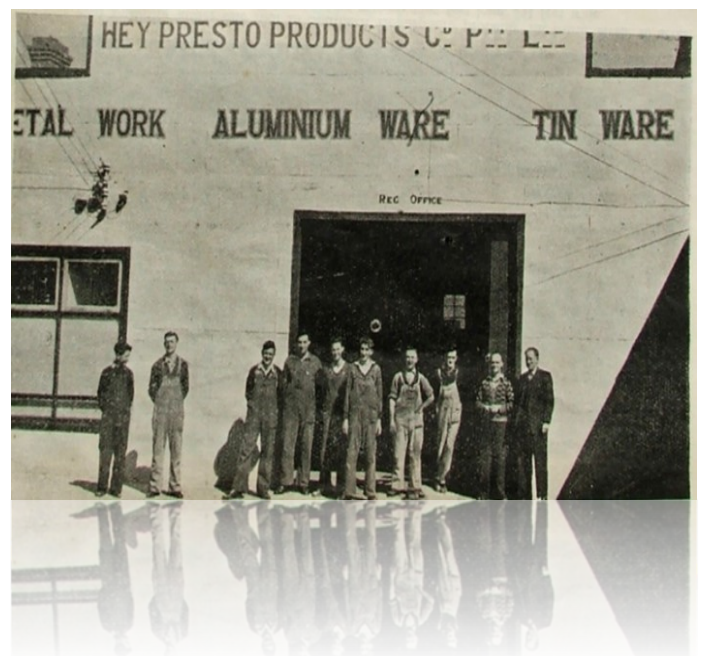
They made strainers and other small household utensils. The factory was located at 87 Broadway and although the frontage has changed the remainder of the building survives.

Hey Presto went into liquidation in 1950 and was purchased by the Premier Wire Works of Richmond. They continued specialising in kitchen utensils.

This company was owned by B A Parker. The business was successful and opened a second factory where the SES building is now.

This second factory was for wood turning and is where the handles were made.

The Dunolly branch of Premier Wire Works closed down about 1960.



SPORTS

DUNOLLY BOWLING CLUB

Results from Tuesday 5/3/2024.

GRAND FINAL - DUNOLLY BLUE vs MHS TARTAN AT AVOCA.

A. Weir 13 defeated by M. Fryar 26.

T. Galofaro 22 defeated A. Brumby 13.

J. Smith 15 defeated by G. Shay 19.

Congratulations to Dunolly Blue for making the finals, unfortunately the scores don't show the spirit in which they were played.

Congratulations to MHS Tartans being premiership winners for season 2023-2024.

Thank you to the Dunolly Bowlers who were able to travel to Avoca to support your fellow bowlers.

Coming Events.

Handicap pairs are held 23/3/2024 at 1.00pm.

Anzac Day is held 25/4/2024 at 1.00pm.

When I receive more information regarding these two events, notices will be placed in *The Welcome Record*, via emails and SMS messages.

CHANGE OF DATE: WEIRS PAIRS ARE NOW BEING PLAYED SUNDAY 14th April 2024 and not 16/3/2024 as stated in email that was sent out.,

Hannah Delconte, Publicity Officer

BEALIBA CARPET BOWLS

"What a shot!",

"What a bowl!", were the exclamations being heard coming from both mats this week.

Competition was tough.

No more so than between David Price and Gary McClelland. David putting a bowl down next to the kitty on the edge of the mat, only to have Gary come along and remove David's bowl and replace it.

Not to be outdone David said "anything you can do" and played the same shot. Was it possible?

Could Gary play the same shot again?



Of course he could. It was the play of the night fella's, well done.

Congratulations to the winning team of Chris Evans, David Price and Lyle Streeter posting the perfect score of three wins.

Until next week, happy bowling.

Chris Evans



2023/24 State Track & Field Championships

Congratulations to Mia Schodde for winning a silver medal at the State Track & Field Championships, on Saturday March 9, in the U/13 high jump, clearing 1.54m!



The Rheola Charity Carnival not only has events to participate in and watch on the day.

There are lots to listen to as well. The St. Arnaud Norman Simpson Pipe Band delighted the crowd at our event last year (2023).

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