

Dunolly & District Community News



The *Welcome Record*



FLYNN WARD VOTES!



Welcome to our two worthy Candidates for Flynn Ward in the Central Goldfields Shire Council Elections. Both Liesbeth Long (left) and Raymond Sexton (right) will be seeking for your postal votes this October. Check their profiles and plans for Flynn Ward on Pgs. 10 and 11 to help you make your choice on your postal ballot.

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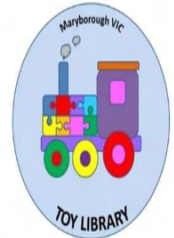
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 **TUES 24th SEP**  **9.30 till 11.00** Stay and Play
Things that go

 **TUES 1st OCT**  **9.30 till 11.00** Stay and Play
Garden Games and active play

 **SAT 5th OCT**  **10.30 till 12.30** 40th Birthday Party - free cake,
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Regional Telco Online Review

Have your say via an online consultation by the Regional Telecommunications Independent Review Committee as its final step in receiving feedback from the public, on connectivity issues impacting them and ahead of recommendations being delivered to the Australian Government.

The Regional Telecommunications Review – held once every three years – plays a key role in reducing the digital divide between cities and regional Australia, with feedback from the public in previous Reviews leading to policy initiatives and programs such as the **Mobile Black Spot Program** and the **National Audit of Mobile Coverage**.

The Committee chaired by the Hon Alannah MacTiernan, will take the feedback from the online consultations and the feedback it has received to date, to deliver its recommendations by the end of the year, to which the Government must respond. ***“We know connectivity is a major problem for many people and we would encourage communities to work together to make these online consultations as accessible as possible, whether that be visiting a friend’s place, a local library, or somewhere else that has a reliable connection.”*** Ms McTiernan said. The online consultations tie off the feedback stage

and noting time differences, the session for Eastern and Central Australia will be held on:-

Tuesday, 1 October: 9:30am – 11:00am AEST.

The views of regional, rural, and remote Australians experiencing connectivity issues have been heard loud and clear with a record-breaking number of submissions delivered through the national survey, public submissions as well as face-to-face consultations across each state.

The 2024 Review engagement has broken records, receiving more than 3,300 submissions from the public – **an increase of more than 400%** compared to 2021. The easily accessible online survey option, utilised for the first time in a Review, drove most of the submissions received, with a total of 3,098 responses.

Reducing the digital divide will ensure communities in rural, regional, and remote Australia reach their potential, such as improving access to online services, education opportunities, supporting local businesses, and being better able to connect with friends and loved ones.

For more information on the Review or to get along to an online consultation, visit:

<https://www.rtirc.gov.au/consultation>

Checking Australia’s Rearview Mirror

National insurer AAMI recently released a special **Decade of Driving Report**, as part of its **Crash Index – looking back at the driving trends of the past ten years and learn how to improve road safety**.

Analysing more than 4.3 million motor claims across the country from 2014 – 2023, **AAMI’s Decade of Driving Report** highlights the country’s most dangerous crash hotspots.

Plenty Road, Bundoora, in Melbourne’s north-east, has the dishonourable title of being Australia’s most dangerous crash hotspot of the past decade.

Leah James, AAMI Motor Claims Manager said, *“What we hope to achieve with our AAMI Decade of Driving Report, is to bring awareness to where, when and how accidents occur, so that Aussie drivers can be better informed and educated on how to drive more safely.*

While there have been many changes, and technological advances, to the types of vehicles we drive since we started the AAMI Crash Index in 1994, the report found that we haven’t changed much about the way we drive.”

Key National insights:

TGI Friday?: Friday was the worst day of the week for crashes (16 %), followed by Thursday and Wednesday. Surprisingly, the weekend (Sunday then Saturday) were the days Aussies were least likely to have an accident.

Beware the afternoon slump: The worst time of day for a crash has not changed over the past 10 years – afternoons between 1:00pm and 4:30pm. Mornings between 9:30am and 1:00pm, followed by late afternoon from 4:30pm – 8:00pm are the other worst times to be on the road.

Nose-to Tail: The most common collision on Aussie roads were nose to tail crashes (26%). Over the past 10 years, drivers were also frequently failing to give-way (19%), and accidentally damaging cars while parked (17%).

Women on TOP: Male drivers (54%) were significantly more likely than females (46%) to have a crash, while older drivers aged 65+ were interestingly the most dangerous behind the wheel, with more than a quarter (26%) of claims being attributed to them.

What's On



Goldfields Music Club, Open Mic and Jam Night

Friday, September 27th

Held the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at the Dunolly Golf Club, Separation Street. **6:30pm—11:30pm.**

All players and public welcome with \$5 entry.

Lucky door prizes, bar, meals available.

CASH ACCEPTED AND EFTPOS IS AVAILABLE

School Holidays:

23 September to 4 October 2024

Hosted by: ● Central Goldfields Youth

- Central Goldfields Art Gallery
- Central Goldfields Visitor Centre
- Maryborough Regional Library
- Maryborough Toy Library

Busking Workshop

Wednesday 2 October

1pm to 2.30pm

Central Goldfields Shire, 22 Nolan Street, Maryborough

Try your hand at busking! Join our Council staff for guidance about the rules and regs.

For those who want to have a go, we also have some upcoming performance opportunities available.

For ages up to 25 years. If you are under 16 you will need to be accompanied by a parent /guardian.

www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1286415

The Art of Gold - Mapping!

Wednesday 2 October

10.30 am to 11.30am

Central Goldfields Art Gallery - 1 Neill Street, Maryborough

Exploring Country through creative map making.

Session for primary school aged children.

\$5 per child – all children must be accompanied by carer. Bookings essential.

Phone: 5461 6600

www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/Whats-Happening/Latest-News/Spring-Holiday-Program-2024

Coming Soon...



Laanecoore Gold Bash

October 11th-13th

**Laanecoore Lakeside
Caravan Park, Victoria**

Only 3 weeks to go until the Laanecoore Gold Bash! Get ready for a weekend packed with Friday night trivia contest, gold panning, treasure hunting, token hunts, raffles, Saturday night auction and family fun in the beautiful outdoors.

Whether you're a first-time prospector or a seasoned gold hunter, this event has something for everyone!

With delicious food - Carisbrook Lions Club and Wild Little Asian Thai street food, and Coffee to Di For, a friendly community of fellow adventurers, it's the perfect way to spend a spring weekend. Don't miss out on the excitement — grab your free registration card and gear up for the gold rush!

Market Day on Saturday 12th - some free stall spots if anyone is interested in selling non-prospecting merchandise.

On-site camping - non powered sites or free camping if you can find a spot around the bushland of Laanecoore Greater area. Consult Parks Victoria for maps.

The countdown is on! Let's strike gold together!



Basket weaving workshop

October 12 — 13, 2024

Venue: Dunolly Art Hub

Learn contemporary raffia basket making.

This spring we are running a 2-day basket weaving workshop.

Learn about basket construction and what materials can be used to create your own unique piece of basket art!

Explore the use of colour, material textures and shaping. Materials are included, so you can take home your own basket!

Contact Lynda 0418875453 for more details!



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NOTICE:

Let's Talk About It with RAYMOND

on Thursday 26th September 2024

Tuesdays and Thursday each week until end of October, 11 am to 1 pm each day.

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Raymond Sexton

VOTE FOR FLYNN WARD

The Central Goldfields Shire Council Elections is via postal ballot packs only. Ballot packs for your Council ward will be randomly mailed across four days from Oct 7-10 2024.



Returned Ballots must be in the post by 6 pm Friday, October 25.

As the mailout will be at random, you may not receive ballot packs for members of the same household at the same time.

If you're going to be away from your enrolled address between Monday 7 October and Friday 25 October, you may still be able to vote in your local council's election.

Ballot pack replacement

You can ask to send a replacement ballot pack to a new address (including interstate and overseas addresses) if:

- you will be away when ballot packs are mailed (from Monday 7 October)
- your address has changed since the roll closed (Wednesday 7 August).

If you have moved within or out of your council area after the roll closed, you must vote for your old address. If you fail to vote, you risk a fine.

Applications open on **Tuesday 15 October**. You can also call the VEC on [131 832](tel:131832) before 15 October for help with your ballot pack or request a replacement vote online via the VEC website: vec.vic.gov.au

Vote in person

If you're away for the entire voting period, you can vote in person or can drop off your ballot pack at your local election office at 53 Burns Street, Maryborough but NOT your local council's offices.

Let us know you're away

If you can't redirect your ballot pack or vote at your local election office, you can let the VEC know that you're going to be away by submitting an 'Away from Victoria' form. It is not compulsory to vote if you are not in Victoria during the voting period.

This form is linked to your enrolment. Please [check your enrolment](#) first, then select 'Away from Victoria'. Keep evidence of your travel, as you may receive an 'Apparent failure to vote notice' early in 2025. This letter is your chance to explain why it appears you did not vote.

[Check my enrolment | Victorian Electoral Commission \(vec.vic.gov.au\)](#) Use *Check my enrolment* to check your enrolment details for Victorian state and local council elections.

You can sign up to [VoterAlert](#), VEC's free SMS and email reminder service when you check your details.

When you sign up to VoterAlert, VEC will send you reminders about elections in your area.

The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) shares your federal enrolment details with the VEC. If you have checked your enrolment with the AEC, you don't need to verify it again. If you are a silent elector please call the enrolment helpline on [1300 805 478](tel:1300805478). Your details will not appear online.

For more information on the local Council Elections: [Home Victorian Electoral Commission \(vec.vic.gov.au\)](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

GSG Off Grid Home Visit

Goldfields Sustainability Group (GSG) is a local group that organizes events related to sustainable living. Whilst there have been few of these recently, it is hoped to plan more in future and the first of these will be on Sunday, September 29th with a visit to an off grid home. How can a home function off-grid and blend into its bushland setting to cause minimum impact? How can planting native plants improve the land?

Goldfields Sustainability Group is arranging a site inspection of an owner-built home at Moonambel which has achieved much of this. Spring is the perfect time to visit the native garden in flower.

This garden uses no reticulated water during summer. There are fruit trees as well. The home is oriented to get the best of sunny days to help with heating during winter, tank water is mostly gravity fed and electricity is from roof top solar and batteries. Weather permitting there will be a short walk through the surrounding bushland to learn about how this is cared for as well. **The visit will take place on Sunday 29th September from 2pm till 4pm.**

Numbers are limited to 20 visitors, so if you wish to attend you will need to book a spot.

More details will be forwarded about car pooling and location etc.

Book via email to goldfieldssg@gmail.com including a contact phone number or send a text to Barry at 0423 822 506 **by Thursday 26th Sept at the latest.**

18 Havelock St
Mon -Thu 9:30 - 3pm
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.

DUNOLLY AND DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

- ◆Mosaics at the Arts Hub from 10am- beginners encouraged- Lynda will guide you.
- ◆Ballroom Dancing at Dunolly Golf Club from 6pm- intermediate skills required.
- ◆Card making with Rhonda: third Monday of the month from 1.30 at the Centre. \$12, all inclusive.
- ◆Hub Club for kids: FULL. Call the Centre to put your child on the wait list.
- ◆Yoga: 10am, fortnightly- Dunolly RSL Hall. Upcoming dates: September 23rd, October 7th and 21st. Bring a mat and light blanket (\$12.50 full, \$7.50 concession).

Tuesday:

- ◆Woodwork in the Centre shed from 9am until 12.30. Open to all!
- ◆Spinning/weaving at the Arts Hub from 10am to 2pm.

Wednesday:

- ◆Table tennis at the Golf Club on Separation Road from 9am to 12pm.
- ◆Craft at the Centre from 10am- bring your own activity.
- ◆Paper Mache at the Arts Hub- 10-2pm. \$5/session, materials supplied. Bring apron/rubber gloves/lidded container.

Thursday:

- ◆Croquet at the Golf Club on Separation Road from 10am. Plenty of mallets available, so come and have a crack!
- ◆Family History: from 7.30 at the Centre.

Friday:

- ◆Dunolly Community Meals- every second Friday, Senior Citizens. Doors open 11.30 for 12.30 meal. Call Nat on 0400 611 655 to book, as places are limited.
- ◆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.

BASKET WEAVING WORKSHOP AT THE ARTS HUB- OCTOBER 12 & 13

Join Lynda and Jo for a two-day basket weaving tutorial at the Arts Hub! Call Lynda on 0418875453 to register your interest.

KATH'S ANNUAL LEAVE DETAILS:

Kath return's to work on Monday, October 14th.
 The Centre will only be open for our regular activities,

DUNOLLY NEIGHBOURHOOD PANTRY HOURS WHILE I'M AWAY: WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 1.30 TO 3PM.

WHOLE TOWN GARAGE SALE: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23rd.

Registrations open on Monday, October 14th when I'm back from annual leave. The cost remains \$5, and you will receive a little pack when you register, with posters for your wheelie bin, streamers, a how-to guide plus little goodies. Speak to you all from October 14th!

Kath Ryan, Co-ordinator.
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Community News

Local groups share Central Goldfields Council Grants

Eighteen Local community groups will share in \$42,998 in funding with the 2024-2025 Central Goldfields Shire Council Community Grant recipients allocated at the September Council Meeting on September 16.

Grants were awarded across four grant categories – Infrastructure, Creativity/Innovation, Community Development and Climate Action.

Central Goldfields Shire Interim CEO Sally Jones congratulated this year's recipients.

"Local community groups and organisations play a critical role in rural communities such as ours and the

Community Grants Program is our opportunity to give back and support those who do so much.

"Whilst our Community Grants might not be large amounts of money, they make a significant difference to these groups, clubs and organisations. Essentially it means they can lead activities, projects and events that might not have been possible without this funding. Congratulations to the successful applicants and we look forward to seeing the benefits these projects will bring to our community."

Sincere Thanks to the Central Goldfields Shire Council for supporting our community groups.

In our district, \$11,000 were allocated for the following community groups:

| Community Group | Project title | Funding amount |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Dunolly Gilbert & Sullivan Society | Swinging Sixties Cabaret & Trivia Night | \$2,000.00 |
| Goldfields Music Club | Vibes on Broadway - Dunolly's Street Festival | \$3,000.00 |
| Bealiba Pony Club | BPC Ready to Ride Safe 'Safe Riding Area' | \$3,000.00 |
| Goldfields Historical & Arts Society | Solar Panels for the Dunolly Museum | \$3,000.00 |

REGISTER YOUR BURNS

As hundreds of thousands of Victorians begin preparing their property for fire season, emergency services are encouraging landowners to register any planned burn-offs online, through the **Fire Permits Victoria website**.

Landowners will be looking to take advantage of the spring conditions and authorities expect a surge in burn-off registrations over the coming weeks.

The quickest and easiest way to register your burn-off is by using the Fire Permits Victoria website at www.firepermits.vic.gov.au/notify.

CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan said the Fire Permits Victoria website is the preferred platform for community members to register their burns.

"By registering your burn-off, it allows emergency services to verify the fire is not an emergency and avoid unnecessary call outs for local brigades. It also allows us to display burn-offs on the CFA website, preventing needless calls to Triple Zero (000)" Mr Heffernan said.

The website allows you to notify emergency services of your burn-off, and also check and apply for a permit, if necessary. However, if your burn is taking place within the next two hours, you must register your burn via the phone line on 1800 668 511.



BEFORE YOU NOTIFY US, MAKE SURE YOU:

- ⇒ Follow regulations or laws by CFA and local council.
- ⇒ Notify your neighbours if the burn will generate fire and smoke.
- ⇒ Check the weather conditions are safe to burn. Postpone your activity if high fire risk conditions develop.
- ⇒ Establish a gap in vegetation or fire break of no less than three metres cleared of all flammable material.
- ⇒ There are enough people to monitor, contain and extinguish the burn safely and effectively. Never leave a burn-off unattended.

For more information about burning off safely, visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au/burnoff

THIS GIRL CAN



We're partnering with *Sports Focus* to put together a calendar of physical activities for all women, girls and non-binary people to celebrate VicHealth's *This Girl Can Week*.

Between October 14 and 27 we'll be offering a range of different sessions that are safe, inclusive and fun! If you or your club are interested in hosting an event as part of *This Girl Can*, or would like more information, please contact our Project Officer Jasmine Mcculloch by emailing: mail@cgoldfields.vic.gov.au

WHIRRAKEE RISE WORKS

Last year we developed a landscape plan to beautify Martin Reserve (previously known as Quinn Street Reserve) to make it more accessible and appealing. Keeping in mind our budget and what components were most important to you, the project will deliver: bus shelter, picnic table and shelter, re-dressing of existing gravel paths, deciduous trees and medium sized shrubs for along the fence line. The project has now commenced and is being delivered by local contactors S. Dell Plumbing and Heenan Home and Construction. The works are expected to Take 4 to 6 weeks.

KITTEN SEASON



Year 5 Quinn and year 6 Zoe from Maryborough Education Centre wanted to help care for animals. So the two girls started making bracelets and selling them to fellow students and friends to raise funds. 150 bracelets later, they have just donated 91 cans of kitten food to our pound – just in time for the upcoming kitten season!

If you'd like to do your bit, you can take advantage of our special offer for cat desexing, microchipping and registration for just \$70. Places are limited. Vouchers are available from this week at our Customer Service Centre in Nolan Street.

Our feline management program is supported by the Department of Agriculture's Animal Welfare Victoria.

COUNCIL MEETING OUTCOMES



The September Council Meeting was held earlier this week (17/09). You can watch the video recording at

www.centragoldfields.vic.gov.au/councilmeetings

Highlights include:

- \$42,998 awarded to 18 community groups as part of 2024-2025 Community Grants Program. Full details at: www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/grantrecipients2024
 - ◆ Reconciliation Action Plan adopted. Full details at: www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/RAP
 - ◆ Draft Carisbrook Independent Levee Review Implementation Plan noted. Full details at: www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au/carisbrooklevee
 - ◆ Event Strategy adopted
 - ◆ Food Systems Roadmap endorsed
 - ◆ Additional funding for Deledio Reserve Pavilion project to be sought through Federal Government's Growing Regions – Round Two fund
 - ◆ An application to be made to Federal Government's Regional University Study Hubs Program for funding to establish and operate a Maryborough Learning Hub



My name is **RAYMOND SEXTON**, and I am standing as an **INDEPENDENT** in **FLYNN** Ward in the upcoming local election for the Central Goldfields Shire Council this October 2024. Some Issues that are important to me are:

- **TOURISM, HISTORY & HERITAGE**
- **ENTERPRISE & EMPLOYMENT**
- **ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE ACTION**
- **SPORTS & RECREATION**
- **ARTS & CULTURE**
- ◆ **EFFICIENT & EFFECTIVE SERVICES**

What issues are important to YOU?

I'm listening so feel free to contact me:
Mobile: 0406 850 709
E: sextonperly@gmail.com

VOTE SEXTON for FLYNN

Authorised by Raymond Sexton Dunoly-Bridgewater Rd. Dunolly 3472

Dunolly Museum Tour



The Dunolly Museum hosts a tour of the Goldfields region every six months hosted by John Tully who always presents a well-researched and popular event. 30 people ranging from locals to day trippers from Melbourne met at the museum on Sept. 16th and carpoled along dusty back roads around Goldsbrough.

We stopped to see the remains of the old bridge built by Harry Deason, to help the school children cross the muddy area from the town to get to the local Goldsbrough School house. We visited the site of the old Susso (sustenance or dole) woodcutters camp, built in the 1930's giving work to locals during the depression.

During the 1940's wartime it was turned into an internment camp for the local Italian men. Some of the tracks we drove along are deeply crevassed and need cars with a high wheelbase. I was lucky enough to carpool with Joe, our local *Welcome Record* photographer who has a four wheel drive. I doubt my little city car would have made it through the deep ruts!

We looked at Dodd's Gully with the rich gold reef and stopped at the old swamp which is now a charming dam where the local Aborigines would meet on their way to corroborees at Bealiba and Eddington. It was used for yabby fishing by the indigenous tribes.



After lunch at the Goldsbrough Reservoir, we saw the Queens Birthday Mine and were surprised to see a large flat area of bitumen which had been the 1952 Goldsbrough Tennis Court. It seemed so incongruous in the abandoned gold mining area.

There was also the remains of the library and dance hall, with just the hole for a cellar remaining. It was hard to imagine that the area once had a population of 900 residents. A highlight was the charming brick Kings Birthday Powder Magazine built circa 1879. We also saw the old Eucalyptus still and wooden winch that was operated by the Martin family. We drove along Bakers lane with the house of the

Baker family who were famous photographers of the 1920's. We finished our highly enjoyable day with a stop at the site of the 1878 Railway station which closed in 1958.

The tour finished with hearty applause and gratitude to John and the Museum for this wonderful day's outing. These informative tours are a fun social outing bringing locals together to learn about our wonderful local history. **Look out for the next tour which must be booked online via *Humanitix*.**

Rachel Buckley

*Pictured: - (Left) The powder magazine bunker at the Queen's Birthday Mine #5 site
(Top) John Tully with tour group
(Centre) Goldsbrough Mine Peter Spark coll. Nov 1865-July 1866
(Below) Goldsbrough State School.*

Photos By Joe Grasso



Liesbeth Long



VOTE FOR FLYNN



WHAT DOES A COUNCILLOR DO?

The official line is: "The key aspects of a Councillor's role include participating in the decision-making of Council, representing the interests of the municipality and participating in strategic planning activities."

This is true, but very 'dry'. I see the role as councillor is to have the very best interests of my constituents at heart. I'm a servant leader, so for me it's always been about that. Councillors' role first and foremost is to LISTEN, because without listening, you are steering a ship without a rudder. You must know the issues and concerns, and then work to solve them through advocacy.

WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO RUN FOR COUNCIL?

I was born in the Netherlands. In 2019 I took a gap year to finally reconnect with my European heritage after living in Australia for 37 years. Whilst walking the 800km Camino de Santiago pilgrimage in Spain, during a 40-degree heatwave on a dusty

path to visit a church, I pondered where I belonged. The sun was relentless, bouncing off the gravel road and I'd run out of water.

Then it hit me: I am an Australian and I belong in Australia! Upon my return, I decided that if this is where I belong, I'm going to make it the best place it can be and became a councillor in 2020.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR FLYNN WARD?

My vision is to see Flynn thrive, with community members fully engaged. It's a community that has regular and convenient public transport to keep people connected with friends, family, jobs, shopping and health needs. It's an environmentally sustainable community, where everyone is accepted for who they are, where people can get around, feel safe and look out for each other.

Flynn treasures its countless volunteers that tirelessly give so much, showing up time and time again, to get the job done. Above all, it's a community that values tourism and supports: local businesses, the farmers, sporting clubs, organisations, and schools.

WHAT ARE 3 KEY PRESSING ISSUES/CONCERNS FOR FLYNN? AND WHAT WILL YOU DO?

1. Deledio's new pavilion - the current building is abysmal. Flynn needs female friendly and accessible facilities. With Council's recent \$1M grant funding for a new pavilion and committed council future borrowings, I will ensure this gets built!

2. Flynn needs better Public Transport connectivity. I've been working closely with locals to address this and have made real progress with state government MP's and Ministers to get timetabling reviewed and revised. I will continue this work - because Flynn deserves better.

3. As a farmer I know firsthand how crippling droughts can be. The Southern Wimmera & Northeast Pyrenees (SWNP) rural pipeline will provide water to farm gates where surface catchment has become unreliable. This will 'drought proof' communities, providing significant environmental, social and economic benefits. With the \$150M business case about to go to parliament, I will continue meeting with project champions GWMwater, our 2 neighbouring shires and stakeholders.

WHY SHOULD FLYNN WARD VOTE FOR YOU?

By choosing me to serve as your Councillor for the next term you will get:

- A local, fifth generation farmer who's lived, worked, shopped and raised a family in the area for over 21yrs, ensuring a profound familiarity with key issues and concerns.
- 4 years' current councillor experience — one as Mayor, with ability, knowledge and solid networks in place to continue working hard for Flynn.
- Real, proven outcomes by successfully advocating for Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre's solar panels, Deledio's \$137K electronic scoreboard, almost \$1M worth of new netball courts, a \$1M grant for Deledio's new pavilion build, Bealiba's Town Hall refurbishments and funding to restore and relocate the horse trough.
- An independent candidate - not affiliated with any political party, ensuring the communities needs are prioritized over political agendas.
- A 'down to earth' Changemaker - with demonstrated respectful leadership and plenty left in the tank, the motor's only just run in!



VOTE FOR FLYNN



Raymond Sexton

WHAT DOES A COUNCILLOR DO?

In simple terms a Councillor is the VOICE for the Flynn Community on Council. All organisations need service representatives who engage with customers, in this case, the residents of Flynn Ward are MY CUSTOMERS. I must listen to, and advocate for the community and yet act as a 'Board Director' for the wider shire, balancing local needs with the needs of the residents in the other six wards. I must be visible locally and approachable, after I've had my morning coffee! 😊 I must address each issue with integrity and avoid false or unrealistic promises. Follow through will be key!

WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO RUN FOR COUNCIL?

I'm living in Flynn; I see many of the issues and I believe that I'd make an excellent local Councillor as I am visible and approachable. Having worked in projects, engineering and community engagement for over 4 decades I want to share my

knowledge and expertise to the benefit of my local Community. The role of Councillor is challenging and stimulating, and I believe it will keep my mind active as I get older.

I think I would make a good Councillor as I can deal with people from all walks of life. If not NOW, WHEN, if not me, WHO?



WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR FLYNN WARD?

My vision for Flynn is to have a happy and healthy ward supported by a thriving local economy. With a particular interest in enterprise and employment, I would advocate for Flynn to foster several new business activities. We need local opportunities for young people, young families, and those in mid-career or planning retirement. Make Flynn a 'Go-To' location for Business and a happy and healthy lifestyle. With a stronger local economy, supporting and encouraging community activities becomes easier. 'We need a little more WALL ST, to complement our BROADWAY!!'

WHAT ARE 3 KEY PRESSING ISSUES/CONCERNS FOR FLYNN? WHAT WILL YOU DO?

1. Encouraging Enterprise & Employment is vital for the long-term viability of the rural community of Flynn. Without local opportunities Dunolly, Bealiba, Moliagul and other areas in Flynn will lose their youth to the larger urban centres. To have a vibrant community we need young families living and working locally. Opportunity is a must!

2. Maintenance and Improved Access to Services are critical for life in Flynn. Making ordinary day-to-day tasks as simple and efficient as possible, be it mobile coverage, ATMs, petrol or diesel or in the case of emergencies support from our health service and CFA etc.

3. Securing and Upgrading our Historic Town Centres to facilitate growth in tourism through restoration of key buildings and provision of more visitor accommodation and amenities.

In these three areas I would strongly advocate on behalf of Flynn though some of these issues are not directly the responsibility of Council.

WHY SHOULD FLYNN WARD VOTE FOR YOU?

I'm relatively new to Central Goldfields having arrived just before the Pandemic in 2020. From Ireland originally, I became an Australian Citizen in 1991, and my Melbourne born wife, and 4 adult children are all Irish Australians.

As a Chartered Engineer I've been a Project Manager, Trainer and Consultant for 40 years in both the Public and Private Sectors. I have run my own business for almost 20 years. I love community initiatives, be it: Irish Culture, Planning Disputes, Tidy Towns, Minis Rugby Coaching or Advocacy for Drug Awareness Programmes.

Recently I managed delivery of several Recreation Projects in Mount Alexander Shire including Flood Lighting, Change Rooms and Heritage Building Restorations.

Currently restoring a miner's cottage in Dunolly, I have the flexibility to fulfil a Councillor's role. A newcomer, with unique perspectives, I'm experienced in community and infrastructure related issues.

I'll call out discrimination, ensure proper governance and enhance performance.



PUPPY LOVE

By: Vicky Frizzell

Repairing puppy chewed furniture is great for focussing your thoughts. They focus on how is it, that such little tongues and tiny sharp teeth, manage to **find every imperfection** and unevenness in everything they touch.

One evening the pup was quiet for a long time. When I checked, there was **stuffing on the floor** and the front of the easy chair needed re-attaching.

A favourite old 1950s rocker has been attacked many times now. **It has teeth marks on one arm** which will need re-sanding, staining and vanishing. Not sure that will happen but maybe I will try some furniture wax. That might do the job.

So far, my cushions have been safe but **I don't expect that to last for long**. My last dog punctured one on her first day at home alone. I just picked up all the stuffing and shoved it back in the cushion.

After that I put all my undamaged cushions up a bit and left the damaged one out for her. **It was a snowstorm** every time I got home but it was only ever the one sacrificial cushion.

The plumbers mate kept in the bathroom has brought **hours of fun for the pup**. I am not sure what is so fascinating, perhaps there is a smell, but every night it turns up next to the toilet. The perfect place for an unwary night walker to place a bare foot. It was time for a vet visit last week and the pup **loved being the centre of attention** and lots of pats after the needle went in. When it was time to leave, she sat in the middle of the floor and refused to move. **There is a girl who knows her own mind.**



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Op Shop News

Summer wear is popping up on the clothing racks of the Op Shop this week. Do you have a spare clothing rack in the shed, or in your spare room? **Op Shop would love to have a couple more racks. Please drop them in or give us a call to collect, 03 5468 1318.** The enthusiastic purchasing last week, has given us a little more space.

Winter goods are still for sale at greatly reduced prices. Some really lovely jackets to put away for next year. Although with the weather ups and downs lately.....

We will be open on Grand Final Holiday day, FRIDAY 27th our usual trading hours , until 4pm.

The Op Shop Team

Dunolly Country Market
4th Sunday of month
Dates for 2024

October 27 + Vibes
Festival & street closure
8-3pm

November 24
December 22
(Xmas Twilight)



INTERACTIVE STORY PERFORMANCE

@ THE LIBRARY



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Church Notices



Catholic Church, Dunolly

Mass will be at Bealiba on Sunday, Sept 29th at 8.30am . Bishop Paul Bird will be there .
Good to see Father John back home from Spain.

R Mecedry

The Lord upholds my life.

Psalm 53: 3-6

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

Uniting Church, Dunolly

The Lay team will lead worship on Sunday, September 29th at 9.30am.

Uniting emergency relief will next be in Dunolly on Thursday, October 3rd from 1.00pm.

The Op Shop is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday each week from 10.00am.

Linda Pickering

'Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours'

Mark 11:24

New Horizon Church, Bealiba

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Rosie's Ramble

I was inside on Saturday morning, not taking much notice of the usual Saturday sounds motor mowers, and motor bikes up the bush.

When I heard an extra loud engine noise I went outside just in time to see three old planes (Tiger Moths?) flying quite low.

I have been told it was to do with the Battle of Britain commemoration.

I have been watching the artwork on some of the power poles on the way to Maryborough.

I am not so sure about the giant red backs that have appeared lately.

Went to the quilt exhibition at the Senior Citizens rooms, sponsored by the local CWA.

The lady presenter was very interesting, explaining the techniques used on each quilt, mainly patchwork, but certainly not ordinary.

Most of them were artworks made by ladies from all over the world.

Earlier this year I got a notice from my electricity supplier trumpeting that my electric bill would be lower from early August.

Goodie! Another missive arrived this week telling me that due to so many people doing the right thing and

using solar panels, the rebate from them will drop. I think the problem is over supply -who would know. **Talk about right hand not knowing what the left is doing.**

Rosie

Signs

This enclosure sponsored by Free the Bears Fund Inc. (there were bears in the enclosure)

Danger - if you fall in the pond, you will be boiled. (at Japanese hot spa)

If door does not open DO NOT ENTER.

Just for a Laugh

If you ever catch a whale, do you know where to get it weighed?

At a whale-weigh station.

It was cold and wet and windy. Two men met in the street.

"Where are you going? "

"Football."

"You're mad. In weather like this? Why don't you come with me? "

"Where are you off to?"

"Fishing ".



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Landcare Grants Program to Plant Trees

Grant applications ranging from \$5,000 to a maximum of \$25,000 (ex-GST) are now open to apply for funding to help plant 75,000 native trees and shrubs in urban and peri-urban areas across Australia.

The Bupa Landcare Grants Program is open to a wide range of community groups and organisations to plant trees and shrubs that are endemic to the local area, including landcare groups and networks, environmental groups, local governments, and non-profits operating nationally, Traditional Owners and First Nations organisations.

The Bupa Landcare Grants Program aims to enhance both environmental and health outcomes by improving the connectivity of native vegetation and creating new green spaces in urban areas.

Landcare Australia CEO, Dr Shane Norrish said, "This is Landcare Australia's first health partnership of its scale with a national impact, and we're excited to collaborate with Bupa on a program that truly values the connection between human health and environmental restoration. This funding will not only encourage people to get outdoors and engage with their local environment for their own wellbeing but also contribute significantly to the health of their local environment by improving biodiversity, native habitat and landscape restoration."

Bupa APAC CEO Nick Stone added "Through this partnership, we are committed to contributing to the restoration of our invaluable and distinctive ecosystems all aimed at fostering a healthier planet for healthier people."



For more information about the Bupa Landcare Project Funding go to: <https://landcareaustralia.org.au/bupa-healthy-cities-landcare-projects/>

About Landcare Australia:

Landcare Australia is a national not-for-profit organisation established 35 years ago, that supports the Landcare community with funding, capacity-building, on-ground projects, information, networking and promotion of Landcare achievements.

information, please visit: www.landcareaustralia.org.au

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Community News

Bealiba Reservoir Update

The Bealiba Reservoir is a great spot for a day trip or picnic, bushwalking or camping.

Frequented by locals for fishing and swimming, as well as campers from across Victoria and Australia wide, it is a very popular place during school holidays, Easter and over Christmas.

To take care of this fantastic asset, the Bealiba Reservoir Committee was formed and is run by a small group of locals who manage and care for the Reservoir and camping area as well as other Bealiba town issues.

Recent talks have been taking place with the Central Goldfields Shire Council regarding some of the maintenance aspects of the Reservoir site, as well as new signage installations that are required on surrounding roadways and in the town.

A working bee at the reservoir was held on Sunday 15th September, with volunteers carrying out general maintenance as well as planting around 80 trees.

Andrew Borg our local Landcare Network Facilitator, provided us with 40 seedlings with guards and the



Committee purchased another 40 from The Goldfields Revegetation Nursery at Mandurang.

We appreciated Andrew's advice on what plants are indigenous to our Box and Ironbark forest and we based our plantings on the Ecological Vegetation Class Guides produced by DEECA Victoria.

The Committee are organising a roster for the watering of the seedlings whilst they become established. Anyone interested in helping out or becoming a part of this group please contact President Jenny Level on 0409 936 340. **The Reservoir Committee meets Monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 7.30pm.**

Further details can be found at www.bealiba.com.au

QUICK CROSSWORD 71

Across

1. Afloat and unmoored
6. Take a small amount so as to test
11. U.S. actor, _____ O'Neal
12. Division of geological time
13. Portable canvas shelter
14. Day before special event
15. Former Gold Logie winner, Don _____
16. Scottish-born Aust. actor, Colin _____
18. Dawdle
20. Bushranger, _____ Kelly
21. Tell small lie, _____
22. Subject of movie *Sirens*, Norman _____
25. Bumpy
27. Servile follower, _____ man
29. Short and rounded (of one's body)
32. Device used by football umpire, eg.

36. Pole which propels boat
38. Like her, of her _____
39. Sausage originally from Italy
42. Go by (of time)
45. Prepare text (for publication)
46. Hair-grooming substance
47. Republic of SW Asia
48. Prong (on pitchfork, eg.)
49. Stop working properly (of brakes, eg.)
50. Declare to be correct
51. Antonym of 'improper'

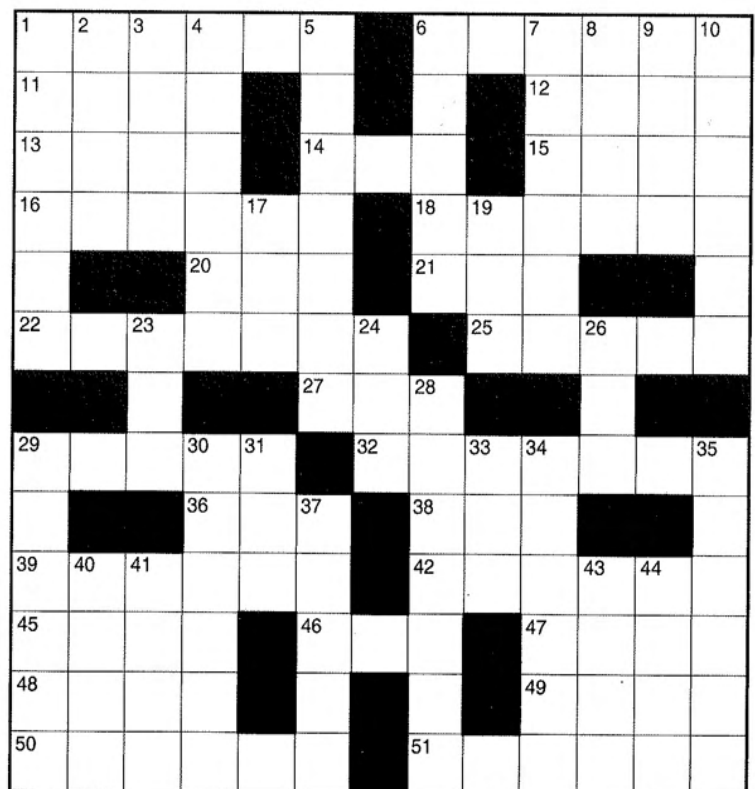
Down

1. Clever in wily way
2. Former radio and TV quiz show host, Bob _____
3. Queen in oriental countries
4. Have in mind (to do)
5. Day of the week
6. Tier of bookcase
7. Light surfboard
8. Decomposed vegetable matter
9. Solo, anagram of 'Noel'
10. Vigour
17. Aust. boxing great, _____ Darcy
19. Engine lubricant
23. Affirmative head movement
24. Tree whose name is a homophone of a letter of the alphabet

26. Came into contact with _____
28. U.S. actress, Brooke _____
29. Former basic unit of currency of Spain
30. Small pointed beard

31. Vegetable of warm climes
33. Unwell
34. Aust. motor racing champion, Mark _____
35. Proportionately

37. Two wrongs don't make a _____
40. Mine entrance
41. Bits of fluff
43. Shortened form of 'perambulator'
44. Travel by ship



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

Can we get to you in an emergency?



Fire trucks come in a range of sizes, with the largest truck being just over 3 metres wide and 3.5 metres high.

Driveways therefore need enough clearance (4 metres wide and 4 metres high).

Driveways also need to be clear of overhanging branches and structures like archways. Trucks will also need enough space to park and open doors.



SPORTS

DUNOLLY GOLF CLUB

Last Saturday saw the completion of the June Level Trophy competition, our Ladies Matchplay competition.

The winner was Julie Hunt, in a very close contest against daughter Shenae.

This was Julie's first season of golf, and she has shown great improvement in a short time. Well done to all players who took part in the Matchplay contest. Other players competed in a one off 7 player 15 hole Ambrose competition.

The winners were Josh Britten and Dave Billingham, who tied with Darren Hunt, Ann Telford and Kenny Brereton with 57 strokes.

Nearest the pin winners were Shenae Hunt, Josh Britten and Ian Arnold.

Next Saturday being AFL grand final day, we will have a 10am start, and we will play a par 3 event.

This means every hole will be a par 3, with the tee markers moved accordingly.

It should be good fun, so we hope to see a few there.

Ian Arnold

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