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## Serenade is back

The Committee of the Bass Valley Music Festival Inc. is pleased to announce that Serenade at Sunset will be presented at the Grantville Recreation Reserve on Saturday March 11. Once again we will have a great headline cast led by David Rogers-Smith who wowed us with Nessun Dorma in 2015 and the Rising Stars and Support Acts will be just as exciting as ever with a mix of familiar and new talent. The Grantville Recreation Reserve was rated well after the first performance there so it is now our home.

After the disappointment of 2016 when there was not a performance due to financial difficulties, Bendigo Bank has now come on board together with other sponsors and some grants have been obtained also.

Regardless of whether you are able to attend, we would like to ask you to assist us by a simple action that will help us retain the help of Bendigo Community Bank into the future. If you are an account holder at Grantville, San Remo or Cowes branches, would you please ask that your account(s) be noted that you wish to be "aligned" with Serenade at Sunset.

There are no confidentiality issues with doing this and it's similar to "liking" something on Facebook. If you are already aligned to a group, say a football club that is not a problem as you can do both. We will be very grateful for your help here and if you would pass on the request to others that will be very helpful too. If you are not an account holder, you may be considering opening one in which case you can be aligned also.

We hope that those of you who have attended previous highly successful performances will attend once again and pass on the good news to others. Details can be obtained from the website:

[www.serenadeatsunset.com](http://www.serenadeatsunset.com)

concerning ticketing, the program and the performers.

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### Welcome to the February edition of The Waterline News.

Well the first month of 2017 went pretty quickly and it never ceases to amaze me how quickly deadline time comes around. Again I stress the importance of the deadline on all contributors.

**Deadline** (means no later than) 1st of the month.

**Distribution** is usually done on the third Thursday of each month.

I managed to catch up a bit with submissions this month, but am still holding a couple of longer short stories, which I really do want to print, and a few poems and book reviews.

We are pleased to announce we will be starting a new series of E.E (Betty)

Caldwell's musings next month.

Good to see the Bendigo Bank Serenade At Sunset back, at the Grantville Recreation Reserve, on Saturday March 11. (See front cover for ticketing details).

Hope it's a great success.

*Roger Clark, Editor.*

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**President.** Lyndell Parker.

**Vice President.** Peter Tait.

**Secretary.** David Laing.

**Assistant Secretary.** Wayne Maschette.

**Treasurer.** Michael Kelzke.

**General Committee Members.**

Brian Lloyd and Jackie Tait.

What a busy, but exciting month we have had in Corinella.....the committee of the CRRA have been working very hard for the community, we had a very successful Twilight Car boot sale on Wednesday January 18, lots of people sharing their preloved treasures, and picking up some bargains to take their place, enjoy a sausage and onions off the "barbie" and a lovely social time catching up with friends and neighbours as they perused the treasures on offer. Unlike last year's ferocious temperatures, it was a mild and pleasant evening and a pleasure to be out in Harold Hughes Park enjoying a coffee, after those yummy sausages!

Australia Day in Corinella is a special community experience.....that view over the jetty from the Rotunda on the Foreshore is very special, and we love to share it with friends! The kids had a ball .....playing mini golf, jumping in "the castle", getting their faces painted, free lolly bag, Aussie flag and free sausage sizzle..... well who wouldn't enjoy all of that, and not too surprisingly their parents and grandparents had a wonderful time as well ..... the company was great, and the price was right. Thankyou to sponsorship from the Bass Coast Shire. We were very thrilled

this year to have Iconic Australian poetry recitations by Patricia Brooks, what an amazing job she did with a very entertaining and flawless performance, for those who missed it, we have already booked her for next year! Thankyou Michael Keltzie for the classic Aussie music as well, it was a fabulous day.... a great day to celebrate being an Australian and all things "Aussie". We have been trying to help the Bass Valley Children's Centre raise some funds and they held a very successful raffle on the day, a very kind gentleman appreciated the sausages so much, he brought tickets for the ladies working on the stand and they won 1st prize, so thank you to that unknown gentleman, for his thoughtfulness.

The CRRA endeavours to be supportive of activities and groups in the area, and along with other ratepayers and resident groups from our sister towns, we are trying to help promote the Regional Arts Victoria's "Small Town Transformation Project" .....

The Edge Of Us,( it is quite a mouthful!) on April 8, the launch of the first part of the project "Luminous Streets" will happen, very exciting for us as a group of Waterline towns as well as individually. There have already been some creative sessions to fashion all sorts of interesting objects out of recycled materials to be "light sculptures" for the display, at the Rotunda on the Foreshore in Corinella, it is great fun and you don't need any particular skills to have a go, everyone helps each other with ideas and inspiration, check out the Corinella Community Centre or the General Store for session dates and times, the more people creating something the better because that is what this whole project is about, connecting people in new and adventurous ways, and promoting wellbeing by being creative in new and innovative ways.

It has been a very enjoyable summer so far, we live and play in a beautiful part of Victoria, let us all work together to help it stay that way,

**Lyndell Parker. President.**

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### Contact

Zena Benbow

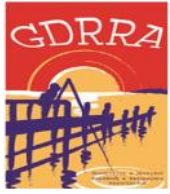
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No Report this month





# Community Notes



## GRANTVILLE AND DISTRICT RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS

### 2016 Committee

**President (acting)** Helen Zervopoulos  
**Vice President** Kat Cox  
**Secretary** Kathy Hopkins  
**Treasurer** Sylvia Harris  
**General Members** Chris Cox,  
**Membership Fees:** \$10 single - \$20 family  
**Kathy Hopkins, Secretary 0439 000 148**

**No report this month**



**President: Jean Coffey 0419 500 593**  
**Secretary: David Pearce 0401 514 339**  
All Tenby Point residents are very welcome. Membership is just \$10 per household per year.  
"The next meeting will be on Saturday 4 March at 10am at the Corinella Community Centre."



**Chairman: Eric Hornsby.**  
**Treasurer - Roger Hayhurst.**  
**Secretary: Dr. David Bourne.**  
**Committee: Ian James, Barbara Coles and Dr. Eric (Tim) Ealey.**  
**Contact: Kat Cox 0422 172 994**  
**<http://www.gadfc.com.au/>**

**No Report this month**



## Coronet Bay Neighbourhood Watch

**Contact: Ivan Bradshaw - 5678 0663 - 0414345754**  
Chairperson. Ivan Bradshaw.  
Vice Chairperson Julie Cameron.  
Secretary Pauline Hiscock.  
Vice Secretary Ivan Bradshaw.  
Social Media Manager Christine Slavin  
Treasurer Joyce Cotter.

Vice Treasurer Tracey Farr.  
Area Supervisor Levinus Van Der Nuet  
Fund Raising Bianca Peters.  
Unfortunately Daniel Leskie resigned as Chairperson due to commitments. We wish Dan well and thank him sincerely for his efforts and input to what's been a fantastic start towards our cause. Dan nominated Ivan Bradshaw who while hesitant to see Dan go, gladly accepted the position. The motion was seconded by Julie Cameron. We addressed by email, safety concerns with BC council re beach signage. Also safety concerns re mini bikes, speeding cars on Norseman's Rd and lack of footpaths. Helen Kennedy donated \$100 in appreciation of the community spirit of Neighbourhood Watch. Helen raised the money through sales of plants. The community thanks you all.  
Raffle tickets for sale at Coronet Bay Store \$1 each.

## CORONET BAY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

### 2016 Committee:

**President** David Buckingham  
**Secretary** Stephanie Hartridge  
**Treasurer** Sebastian Nowakowski  
**General Committee Members: Mel Gration**



At the CBRRA Annual General Meeting held on the January 14, the above mentioned members were elected as office holders:

We are seeking one further committee member and welcome application from CBRRA members.

Please contact our Secretary, Stephanie Hartridge on 0414 370 929 or email [shartrid@bigpond.net.au](mailto:shartrid@bigpond.net.au)  
David Buckingham, President, acknowledged the work done over the last 12 months and thanked Steve Russell and Kevin Brown for their role during this transition period after the retirement of our long term President and Secretary, Barry Hutton.

Over the last 13 years, both Barry and Christine Hutton have dedicated their time and energy to the Coronet Bay community via the Coronet Bay Combined Community Group and its component parts comprising the CBRRA, the Reserves Committee of Management and the Youth and Community Group. Representatives of these three Coronet Bay community groups meet regularly in order to work together cooperatively, for the benefit of Coronet Bay and its residents.

Thank you to both Barry and Christine and we hope they can now enjoy attending the

events that they played a major role in organising and improving over that time. Mel Gration is also stepping aside from the Treasurer's role and we are very grateful for his effort in this role and also with the markets and fairs over many years. The CBRRA would be pleased to welcome any new members to the association. Please contact our Secretary.

The CBRRA meets four times a year and for just \$20 per family per annum you will receive minutes of our meetings, the latest news and regular updates on local issues. Together we can make Coronet Bay even more beautiful and a wonderful, safe place to live and play.

The Combined Community Group organises our markets and fairs. We have a double header at Easter, with a market at the Community Hall on Saturday 15 April and a family beach fair the following day at the Coronet Bay foreshore.

There is a need for more helpers on those days. These events are an integral part of the community but are at risk of not happening in the future without more regular volunteers.

If you can assist please call the Secretary Combined Community Group, Sue Quartermain on 0408 290923 or email [susiequa@tpg.com.au](mailto:susiequa@tpg.com.au)

## LOCAL POLICE NETWORK

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# Community Notes



## Ageing Well

Most of us don't want to think about needing support when we get older, but it's important to know what your options are. Ageing well is about being prepared, having choice and flexibility. If you're interested in finding out more about how we can support you and your family,

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The Kooweerup Regional Health Service has a number of initiatives in place such as the Community Garden, The Men's Shed, Youth Services, the Hewitt Eco-House, recycling actions and a host of workshops that focus on environmentally sustainable practices.

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### Kooweerup Regional Health Service

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email: gregorys@krhs.net.au  
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Why not give the U3A Tai Chi for Arthritis a try? Coronet Bay Hall 9.30am Tuesday  
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Further information:

Laura 5678 0884  
Vicki 5678 8734



## MARKETS

### Every Sunday

#### Kongwak Market

10am - 3pm

Retro stalls, food, vegetables, coffee, curries  
30+ stalls

Enquiries: Jane 0408 619 182



### 1st Saturday

#### Archies Creek Indoor Market

Community Hall

Enquiries: info@archiescreek.com

### 2nd Saturday

#### Coal Creek Farmers' Market

Coal Creek Community Park 8am - 12.30pm

50+ stalls

coalcreekfm@hotmail.com

Contact for information 0459 629 000

### Cowes Island Craft Market

102 Thompson Avenue, 9am - 2pm

In the grounds of St Phillips Church  
60+ stalls Make, bake and grown goods and produce.

Contact for further details 0412 710 276

### 4th Saturday

#### Churchill Island Farmers' Market

40+ stalls. 8am - 1pm

peter@rfm.net.au

Further Information 0439 364 760

### Cowes Market on Chapel

Chapel Street. 8.30am - 2pm, 30+ stalls

Further information-contact 0428 603 043

### 1st Sunday

#### Jumbunna Bush Market

Jumbunna Hall

Further information, phone 5657 3253

### 2nd Sunday

#### Koowe Community Market

Cochrane Park, Rossiter Rd 8am - 1.30pm

Indoor/outdoor Phone 0418 289 847

Email: info@kooweemarket.com.au

### Rotary Club Market Wonthaggi

Apex Park 8am - 1pm, 50+ stalls

Walk to nearby Make it - Bake it Market

Contact: Neville Goodwin 5672 7245

Garry Sherrick 5672 5812

### Loch Lions Village Market

May - Sept Loch Public Hall

Oct - April Loch Railway Station Park

70 + stalls

Information from Noel Gregg 5627 5576

Market day phone 0418 500 520

### 3rd Sunday

#### Inverloch Farmers Market

The Glade, Esplanade, 8am - 1pm

50+ stalls

Information: peter@rfm.net.au

Phone 0439 364 760

### Tooradin Sunday Market

9am - 1pm

Stallholders wanted, \$20 includes 1 sausage & bread breakfast per stall.

All Market Enquiries: 0429 188 280

### 4th Sunday (Weather Permitting)

#### Grantville Variety Market

Grantville Recreation Reserve

Bass Highway, Ample parking.

Weather permitting, Except December which is the third Sunday.

8am-2pm 100+ stalls

BBQ & Sausage sizzle, Coffee Cart, indoor and outdoor, cake stalls plus plenty of home made goodies.

Contact for further details 5997 6221

### Last Sunday of each month

#### Inverloch Community Farmers' Market

The Glade, Esplanade, 50+ stalls

Fresh produce grown and made in Gippsland.

Email:

info@inverlochfarmersmarket.com.au

Phone 0417 370 488

### 2nd Friday and Saturday each month

#### San Remo Cuppa and Chat Market

St. Augustine's Church

Marine Parade San Remo

Hosts a Cuppa and Chat Market every month on a Friday and Saturday.

Friday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 12noon

10+ stalls

Bric a brac, cakes, & jams Friday, plus a sausage sizzle on Saturdays.

Further Information: 5678 5386

## OP SHOPS

### Bass

#### Bass Valley Community Group

#### Hadden House Op Shop

Next to Bass Hall, Bass School Road

Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm

Saturday 10am - 2pm

Phone Enquiries 5678 2277

### Corinella

#### St George's Anglican Church Op Shop

Smythe Street Corinella, next to Church

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

10am - 2.00pm

Saturday 9.30am - 12.30pm

### Grantville

#### Bass Coast Community Baptist Church

#### Op Shop

Bass Highway, Grantville

Open Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm

Saturday 10am - 1.30pm

Phone 5678 8625

### Lang Lang

#### Lang Lang Community Op Shop

12 Westernport Road

Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm

Saturday 10am - 1pm

### Nyora

#### Nyora Op Shop at the Nyora Station

Open Monday - Saturday 9am - 1pm.

Enquiries to Sylvia, Phone 5659 0089

### San Remo

#### Bass Coast Community Health Op Shop

Back Beach Road.

Opening times and all enquiries to Bass

Coast Health on 5671 9200 or Email:

info@basscoasthealth.org.au

### Community Halls for

#### Hire

#### Archies Creek

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0415 445 215

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5678 2277

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Newhaven Noel Street, 5956 6122

Rhyll Ring General Store, 5956 9205

Woodleigh Evan Jones 5657 7275



# More Community News

## Who are we?

Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre incorporating Mitchell House and the Harvest Centre is run by a community based Committee of Management. We aim to provide a positive, welcoming environment where you can meet new friends, learn or share skills, ideas and information. If you're interested in being more involved in your Neighbourhood Centre call in and have a chat to the Coordinator Jan Bourne.

**News from Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre (Mitchell House) To call: 5672 3731**

Term 1 has started, with the newly built playground being celebrated with the Playground Launch on Wednesday 22nd February all are welcome, especially little ones, we've got balloons and fairy bread!

## What else to look forward to:

Here are some one (or two) offs at Mitchell House:

**Gluten Free Chocolate Brownies & cookies** on Saturday 18th February. 2.00 - 4.00pm

Learn how to cook these treats with a great cook Janine Lynch. **Please book.**

**Carers Support Group** on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, the first one is Tuesday 21st of February. It provides an opportunity for carers to meet for social contact and support.

**Card making** project is on Tuesday 21st February. 12.30 - 3.30pm

Learn to make beautiful and unique cards for your family and friends.

**Booking essential.**

**Chronic Pain Support** is on Thursday 23 February. 1.00pm

Chronic pain can be isolating, meet with others to share and have social support. Call to register.

**Community Councillor Catch Ups** is on Friday 24th February. 1.00 - 3.00pm  
Come and chat with councillors from Bunurong and Westernport Wards.

**Black Comedy Night** on Friday 24th February 7.00 - 8.30pm

Join us with select viewings of ABC's irreverent and thought provoking Black Comedy series.

**Please book.**

**Home Decorating to suit all budgets** - Free Introductory Night on Monday 20th February.

Get professional tips on how to make the most of what you have and bringing it together.

7.00 - 8.30pm Please book.

**National Disability Insurance Scheme** - Free Information Sessions on Tuesday 28th February.

**N.D.I.S** What is it and how does it work and how will it benefit your child? 9.30am or 7.00pm

**Call Trish or Kellie on 5623 1033 to book.**



**'Welcome to our Town' Morning Tea** on Wednesday 1st March. 10.30am

Are you new to the town and would like to get your bearings? Even if you've been here a while. Come and have a chat and collect your free 'Welcome to our town' DVD and pack.

**Your Asthma in Your Hands** on

Wednesday 1st March. 10.30 - 11.30am  
Learn simple techniques and pressure points to enhance your breathing capacity. **Please book.**

**International Womens Day Lunch** on Wednesday 8th March. 12.30pm

Join us for a light lunch and share your reflections on the changing role of women today.

**Wet Felting Work shop** on Wednesday 15th March 10.30 - 12.30pm.

Learn how to make beautiful felt flowers using pure dyed Merino wool. **Please book.**

**Fundraising Event** - Tastepoint on Saturday 18th March. 3 sessions: 11.00am, 12noon & 1.00pm

Do the taste test of quality beef samples through The Tastepoint research company and help raise funds for the Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre. Call today to register.

**Vegan 'Pot Luck' Picnic** on Saturday 11th March 11.00 - 12.30pm at Mitchell House/ Apex Park.

Learn about the vegan lifestyle while you eat.

**Seed and veggie / Produce Swap** on Saturday 11th of March 9.30 - 11.30am at the Harvest Centre

**And here are regular fixtures for the term:**

**Meditation** on Tuesdays at 12.30 - 1.15pm. Try it on 21st February.

**Tai Chi for Arthritis** on Tuesdays at 1.30 - 2.15pm. Come along on 21st February.

**Tai Chi for Beginners** on Thursdays at 10.30 - 11.30am. Try it out on 16th and 23rd of February.

**Sing For Fun** on 2nd and last Wednesdays of the month. Come along on 22nd Feb and 8th March

Call Jacqui for details: 0432 934 681.

**Learn Leather Carving** on Thursdays 10.30 - 12noon. Join the 8 week course on 16th February, it will go for another 7 weeks.

**Boomerang Bags** (cotton) on Thursdays 7.00 - 8.00pm. Have a go on 16th and 23rd February.

**Play Dungeons and Dragons** on Sundays at 12noon - 4.00pm come along on 19th February. Old game, new fun.

**Learn to Communicate Better** a 4 week course. Starts Monday 27th February. 10.30 - 12noon. Please Book.

**Dru Yoga** a 6 week course. Starts on Tuesday 21st February 5.15 - 6.30pm.  
From yogic tradition, works on body, mind and spirit.

**Al Anon Family Group Meetings and Al Teen** - support for teens on Mondays 7.30 - 9.00pm.

Additional session for families is on Fridays 10.30 - 12noon. For more information call Bernie on 0412 204 813 or Bernard on 0409 822 036.

**Traditional Sampler Quilts** on Mondays 9.30 - 12.30pm. Try it on 20th February. Please book.

**The 'Short Walk' Group** on Mondays at 11am. Starts 20th February. Please book.  
A gentle weekly walk with a focus on movement for pain relief and social support.

**Adult Bicycle** - Learn to Ride on Mondays 9.00 - 11.00am. Come along on 20th February. Booking essential. Enrolment required.

**Mens Shed** meet Thursdays 9.00 - 3.00pm and Fridays 1.30 - 5.00pm  
and **The Harvest Garden group** get-together every Wednesday at 10.00 - 12noon

**There are many other courses and events available, find out by visiting our Facebook page on Mitchell House Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre and keep up to date with what's going on or just pop in and have a cuppa and a chat, everyone welcome.**



# Community Centre News

## BASS VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP Inc.

Bass School Road, Bass  
Centre Manager:  
Roderick McIvor  
Phone 5678 2277



Firstly, we would like to thank the Waterline News for continuing to give us space in the paper to update the readers on what is happening at the Bass Valley Community Centre.

Last month a wonderful couple turned up at the Centre to volunteer. We met them with open arms and appreciation for what they were doing. We asked them what had made them decide to put their hands up. They said, "Oh, we saw in the Waterline News you were looking for volunteers and we thought we'd come along."

Thank you Waterline News.

Our big upcoming event is the Autumn Festival on March 4th. This is the third year we have organised the event. Last year's was very successful. With very strong support from the Council, we had several hundred people in attendance. And we are hoping for a bigger and better event this year. We are sticking with the flavour of last year's event. So there will be a lot of music, a big range of stalls and a BBQ, beverages and Devonshire Teas. And of course, a range of rides and slides etc for the children. Two of the special items we have added to the Festival this year are the mechanical Bucking Bull and the Top Shelf whiskey wheel. So come along to Bass on the first Saturday in March and you can be assured of a great time. You could also win a bottle of top shelf whiskey or experience a wild ride on the bull. And if any potential market stall holders want to contact us, just ring 5678 2277. One final thing, if you are looking after either a younger person living with a disability or are caring for an older person, don't forget that we have our Friendship Club every Monday and Wednesday. We will come to your house and pick up the person with our community bus and take them in to the Centre for the day. Everyone seems to enjoy catching up with each other and having a bit of fun with quizzes, outings, jokes, games, light exercise and with a lunch provided. So give us a call. We have space in the program right now and are very eager to welcome aboard new 'friends' to the Friendship Club.



## Corinella & District Community Centre

*Spread your wings and fly with us*



Happy New Year! Here we go for 2017... We are your local Neighbourhood House and Adult Community Education Centre. Term 1 is here, drop by and pick up a program to see what's on. Come and join our new mosaic class, computer basics class, exercise classes, art groups and much more...

Calling all artists, we are revamping the Foyer Wall and providing a gallery space for rental on a monthly basis. The months are filling fast, call for further details and costings. Don't forget we have our 9 seater bus for hire at a great rate and the free food pantry that's available for those having difficulty putting food on the table. Call in for further info or like us on Facebook - @corinellacommunitycentre.

See you soon, Iain Ritchie

48 Smythe St Corinella 5678 0777  
Mon-Fri 10-4.00

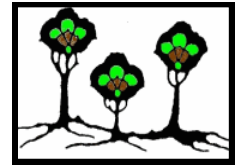


## Phillip Island Community and Learning Centre



56-58 Church St, Cowes  
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5952 1131  
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### Forthcoming events:

Feb 28 - Pancake Day

Mar 1/8/15 - First Aid Cert II & CPR

For further details on all events  
Please call us, we open @ 9.30am five days a week.

7 Westernport Rd, Lang Lang 3984

Contact Coordinators  
Michelle or Marg  
(03) 5997 5704  
llcc@langlang.net

2017 Term 1 flyer out now. If you missed out give us a call.



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# Community



## CFA NEWS With Michele Fulwell

The Waterline brigades welcomed in the new year by assisting at the Coronet Bay fireworks. With a large but well behaved crowd our volunteers spent time chatting to visitors and showing delighted children over the fire trucks.

This was followed by our annual Fire Ready Victoria meeting at Grantville Hall. Over 40 people came to find what they can do to prepare for summer. The main message again this year was prepare your property, have a plan and leave early.

Those attending had relevant questions, many arising from the fires at The Gurdies and on the Grantville Foreshore last year or from the Blackwood Close fire that was burning at the time.

Although January has been fairly benign February to April is forecast to be hotter than average. Stay prepared, have a plan in place, keep track of fire danger ratings and leave early on high fire danger days. If you didn't attend the meeting and would like more information check out the CFA website. To keep informed make sure you are following the VicEmergency and CFA Facebook pages, download the VicEmergency app and keep the VicEmergency Hotline number 1800 226 226 handy. For more information [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

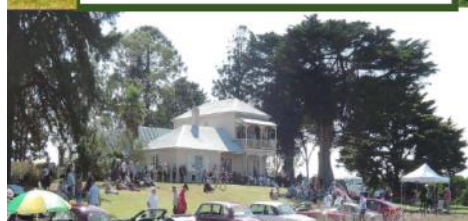
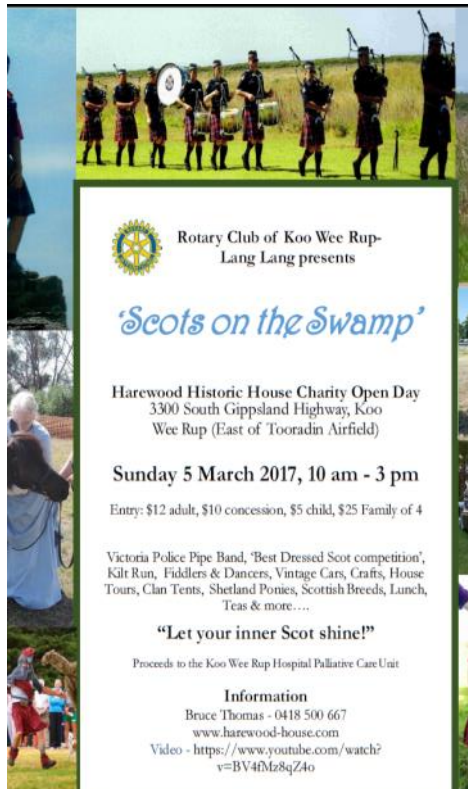
Follow your local brigade's Facebook page but do not rely on them to keep you updated if there is a fire in the area. All local brigades are 100% volunteer and if there is an incident in the area members are usually very busy and do not have time to monitor Facebook pages.

### GRANTVILLE ADVENTURE EXPO

Kernot-Grantville Fire Brigade's major fundraiser for the last few years has been a 4x4 and Ute Show'n'Shine – this year it is on again with a name change and expanded format including live music, kids activities, more trade stalls, food vendors and market stalls plus a live auction and raffle. The display section is also expanded with entrants able to display 4x4's, utes, vans and wagons. Up for grabs are trophies in 29 categories!! Entrance to the display section is \$15 on the day but if you register online and pay before March entrance is only \$10.

There are still limited sponsorship and stall holder opportunities available so if you are a local business contact Jennifer on 0417 055 088 to secure your place.

Keep up to date by liking the Grantville Adventure Expo Facebook page - [facebook.com/grantvilleadventureexpo](https://facebook.com/grantvilleadventureexpo)



## FIREFIGHTER'S POEM

**Marty Boyce is a volunteer fireman in Sutton and he and his mates were recently fighting the Sutton and Tarago fires.**

### BLACKING OUT

The media has packed away no story to report  
The flames have now abated on the ground  
Yet still brigades respond the dirty work is underway  
It's here the tired fighters will be found.  
Mopping up and blacking out ensuring all are safe  
Continuing the works that's gone before  
It is dirty it is sweaty but a most important job  
Continuing all day and often more.  
Putting wet stuff on the red stuff raking coals and hosing logs  
Dragging hoses over filthy blacked ground  
It's not glamorous or thrilling there's no running flames to chase  
But for days it's where the tired crews are found.  
So many never see this side, they see the evening news  
Of firetrucks and fighters on the go  
Of aeroplanes and choppers chasing flareups, dumping loads  
They rarely see the blacking out on show.  
A tiring job that must be done each member does their bit  
They drag the hose and swing the odd rake hoe  
Without fanfare each will carry out this vital piece of work  
As they douse the smoking logs and stumps that glow.

(C) Marty Boyce Jan 2017

**Marty has had several of his poems featured in our Arts, book and writing section over the past year.**



**Country Fire Authority**  
<http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/>



# Food

## RECIPES

### Mushroom and leek filo pie



**Serves: 4**

#### Ingredients:

20g butter, plus 50g butter, melted  
2 leeks, trimmed and sliced  
300g Button Mushrooms, quartered  
1 garlic clove, crushed  
100g baby spinach leaves  
6 eggs, lightly whisked  
½ cup thickened cream  
½ cup (50g) grated cheddar cheese  
50g full fat fresh ricotta cheese, broken into pieces  
2 tsp finely grated lemon rind, plus lemon wedges to serve  
6 sheets filo pastry

#### Method:

Preheat oven to 200°C. Heat 20g butter in a large deep frying pan over high heat. Add the leeks and mushrooms and cook for 3-5 minutes or until browned. Add garlic and cook, stirring for 1 minute. Remove from the heat and stir in spinach leaves, until just wilted. Set aside to cool slightly.

Whisk eggs and cream in a medium size bowl, add mushroom mixture, cheese and lemon rind. Season with salt and pepper. Lay a 50cm long piece of baking paper on the bench. Top with 1 layer of filo pastry, brush with melted butter, top with another sheet of filo pastry and repeat until all pastry sheets are layered on top of each other. Heat an oiled large deep frying pan with oven-proof handle over medium heat. Lift baking paper sheet into frying pan, easing down the edges into the pan. Stir egg and mushroom mixture and pour into pastry case.

Scrunch the pastry edges over the mushroom mixture. Transfer to the oven and cook for 20-25 minutes or until the egg is set and the pastry is golden.

Serve with lemon wedges and freshly ground black pepper.

Tip: Always use fresh refrigerated filo pastry, anything from the freezer will be brittle and break easily.

Recipe courtesy of Australian Mushrooms.

### Flourless plum upside down cake



**Serves: 8**

#### Ingredients:

1 tablespoon sugar  
1 teaspoon ground cardamom  
8 plums, halved and stone removed  
225g butter, softened  
1 cup caster sugar  
3 eggs  
Zest of 1 orange  
1 teaspoon vanilla bean paste  
2 cups almond meal  
¾ cup polenta  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
250g Mascarpone  
1 tablespoon orange zest  
2 tablespoons orange juice  
1 tablespoon icing sugar

#### Method:

Preheat oven to 160C, line the sides and base of a 23cm tin.

Mix sugar and ground cardamom together, sprinkle on the base of the cake tin, place the plum halves cut side down in a circle on top of the sugar until the base is covered.

Place butter and sugar in a bowl and mix with an electric beater until pale. Add the eggs beating in one at a time, mix in zest and vanilla. Fold through almond meal, polenta and baking powder until combined. Spoon batter over the plums evenly and cook for 1 hour.

Mix together mascarpone, zest, juice and icing sugar. Turn the cake out onto a plate plum side up. Serve warm or cooled with mascarpone.

Recipe courtesy of Australian Summer Stonefruit.



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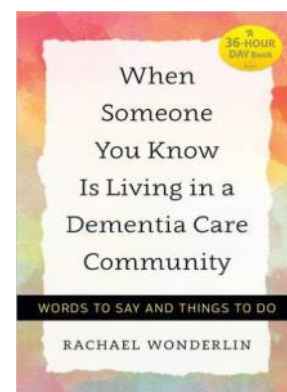
A visitor to my Facebook page recently wrote in and asked me a question about this. She was told by her Executive Director to please put a list together of inexpensive activity and programming ideas that they could implement immediately.

1. Plastic box of baby socks/child socks. Residents can fold and organize the socks.

2. Plastic box of dollar store cups and artificial flowers for residents to arrange.
3. Big puzzles because the pieces are big and easy to hold but the puzzles aren't childish.
4. Plastic box of clothes pins. Residents can clip the clothes pins to the outside of the box. It's simple, but great for dexterity and people who have trouble with much else.
5. Lace and trace kit for residents who are accustomed to sewing.
6. Plastic box of dollar store towels to fold and sort.
7. Acrylic paints and paintbrushes for residents to create art
8. Mind-Start's Finishing Lines is wonderful and I've had a lot of success with it..
9. Mind-Start's Finishing Lyrics is also wonderful. The activity staff can read the

lyrics and the residents can fill in the blanks.  
10. Adult colouring book & markers for residents who enjoy art

Dr Rachael Wonderlin



<http://www.dementia-by-day.com/>



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Grantville

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## How to know if you could have arthritis

Over60



Despite how common arthritis is, many of us don't recognise the symptoms, or know how to treat it.

What is arthritis, and what do you need to know if you think you, or a loved one, may be suffering from it?

Arthritis literally means "inflammation of the joints", and can affect any joint in the body.

Joints are situated where two bones meet, and their role is to enable movement and flexibility of body parts. Joints can move when the tendons and muscles attached to the bones pull in certain directions.

Cartilage covers the end of each bone protecting the surface, and between the cartilage, in the "joint space", is a layer of thick liquid, known as synovial fluid, which acts as a cushion. In arthritis, this area becomes inflamed, causing swollen, painful, stiff and sometimes red joints.

Symptoms that suggest arthritis include: Ongoing or recurring pain or stiffness in one or more joints.

Recurring swelling in one or more joints. Generalised aching, stiffness and fatigue. Weakness and muscle wasting around the affected joint.

Warmth and redness of the skin over an affected joint.

Depending on the sort of arthritis, one or multiple joints can be affected. Incredibly, there are more than 140 different sub-types, so working out which particular type is causing symptoms can be difficult. The most common types are:

**Osteoarthritis (OA)**

Also known as degenerative joint disease, OA reflects "wear and tear" of joints. Typically it will affect either big, "weight-bearing" joints (such as hips, knees

and backs) or joints that do lots of repetitive works (such as hands). As it results from long-term joint "over-use", it is more common as we age, but is also more common in people who do lots of sport or heavy work – I am told many rugby players book in for shoulder, knee or hip replacements the day they retire!

This type of arthritis causes pain and stiffness after a period of inactivity, so tends to be worse after sitting down for a while, for example. Over time, it can cause quite obvious deformities, especially of the hands, and can be very disabling. Keeping weight down, and keeping mobile, is really important for managing OA as any excess weight will put more pressure on joints, exacerbating symptoms. There is no "cure" for OA, but symptoms can usually be managed to an extent with analgesia, exercise or surgery.

**Rheumatoid arthritis (RA)**

Although rarer than OA, it is a really important type of arthritis, as left untreated it will lead to progressive damage, deformity and destruction of joints.

It affects more women than men, and is usually first noticed in the 20-55 year age range. Any joint may be affected by RA, but most commonly hands, knees, feet and wrists, and often in a symmetrical pattern. The pain, swelling and stiffness of RA is classically worse in the morning, and tends to ease a little as joints "loosen up".

RA can be hereditary, and is an autoimmune condition, which means that it can affect other systems of the body too, most commonly skin and eyes. There is a childhood version of RA which affects one in 1000 children. As well as pain relief and exercise, there are "disease modifying drugs" available for RA, which will slow down or halt deterioration.

**Gout**

This type of arthritis is caused by a buildup of uric acid in the blood, and can be triggered by certain foods, medications or alcohol. Acute gout "flare ups" classically cause a very red, hot, swollen and excruciatingly painful joint. Any joint can be affected but most common are big toes, knees and hands. Flare-ups can be treated effectively with anti-inflammatory

medications (such as ibuprofen or diclofenac), but prevention with medication and dietary changes is the better option.

**Septic arthritis**

This type of arthritis is due to an infection in the joint space, and although uncommon is very serious and needs immediate treatment, usually in hospital. It presents suddenly, with pain, tenderness and reduced movement in a joint, and is usually accompanied by malaise or fever. If treated promptly, it shouldn't cause long-term problems.

**Ankylosing spondylitis (AS)**

Typically AS affects men, in the 13-36 age range. It is an inflammatory condition, affecting the joints in the spine, and leads to progressive pain, stiffness and sometimes permanent disability. AS can be hereditary and is associated with the HLA B27 gene that can also cause some types of bowel disease.

Although there is no single test to detect arthritis, if you have any of the symptoms discussed above, it is important to visit your GP or a joint specialist (rheumatologist) to get the correct diagnosis and treatment as soon as possible.

Written by Dr Cathy Stephenson.

First appeared on Stuff.co.nz.

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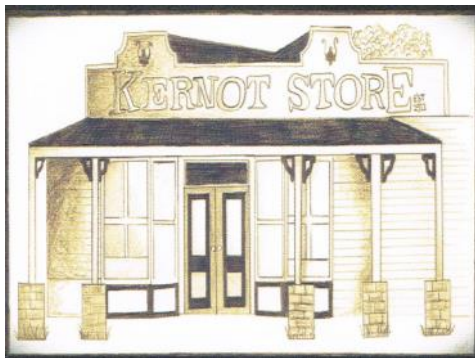
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- 2 I'm Old Fashioned (1942) Kern/Mercer 3:40
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4. I Wish I Could Shimmy Like My Sister Kate (1919) Williams & Piron 2:41
5. J'ai Deux Amours (1930) Scotto/Koger & Varna 4:09
6. Dinah (1925) Ackst/Lewis & Young 4:49
7. Someone to Watch Over Me (1926) Gershwin/Gershwin 6:17

8. Love Me or Leave Me (1928) Donaldson/Kahn 5:03
  9. C'est si Bon (1947) Hetti/Hornez 5:29
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2. What is the highest grossing Australian movie?
3. Who is the longest serving presenter of Playschool?
4. What three movies are part of Baz Luhrmann's "Red Curtain Trilogy"?
5. Who are the actors who play Kath and Kim?
6. Cate Blanchett has received an Academy Award nomination for what movie?
7. What Australian movie includes the phrase "Tell him he's dreaming"?
8. What song played during Scott and Charlene's wedding on Neighbours?
9. Which actor has had leading roles in Pharlap, The Man from Snowy River and Eureka Stockade?
10. Who won consecutive Gold Logie's from 1997 to 2000?
11. Name Australia's western-most point.
12. How much of Australia is classified as desert A) 8% B) 16% C) 25% D) 35%
13. Which is the second largest city in

- NSW?
14. In what state/territory is the Brisbane Ranges National Park?
15. The Tamar River flows to which Tasmanian town/city?
16. What is the tallest waterfall in Australia?
17. What is the longest river in the Northern Territory?
18. The landmark Katu Tjuta is also known as what?
19. What is Australia's largest non-salt lake?
20. What is South Australia's largest island?

### ANSWERS

1. Fiona and Adam. 2. Crocodile Dundee. 3. Benita Olgas. 19. Lake Mackay, WA. 20. Kangaroo Island. 16. Wallamanna Falls, QLD. 17. Victoria. 18. The 35%. 13. Newcastle. 14. Victoria. 15. Lanneston. Lisa McCune. 11. Sheep Point (Shark Bay). 12. D. 7. The Castle. 8. Suddenly. 9. Tom Burlinson. 10. Rouge. 5. Jane Turner and Gina Riley. 6. Elizabeth. 4. Strictly Ballroom, Romeo and Juliet, and Moulin

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## Art in the Foyer



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This month it's Keith Steward's turn so why not pop in and have a look at some great local art.

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### FOFI Project Days

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French Island Community Association

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### EMERGENCY SERVICES

There is no regular police presence or ambulance service on the island. French Island has a Country Fire Authority (CFA).

There is one fire engine stationed permanently on the island, next to the Community Hall on Tankerton Rd. CFA volunteers are able to respond to any kind of emergency.

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## FRENCH ISLAND LANDCARE



About three years ago the Landcare committee were debating just what we could do as an end of year breakup function. After a while we found that it was practically impossible to find a date in December where the majority of the committee could attend just such a function. And so the January "Start Up" was born.

This year we went back to the original type of function and venue, a bring your own raw pizza to cook and share. Consequently between thirty and forty adults and children, and half a dozen dogs, gathered at the Coulter's property to sit in the shade of a couple of old eucalypts, cook their pizzas in the brick pizza oven, have a few drinks and discuss all manner of subjects. The age groups went from "due in a couple of months" to well; let's just say people with a lot of life experience. So to the sound of children laughing and dogs barking an amazing variety of pizzas were consumed followed by pavlova and fruit.

Many thanks to the John, Barbara, Gayle and John for making it such a wonderful day.



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## VALE ROY COX

Henry Roy Cox, known to all as 'Roy', was born in 1953, the youngest of Tom and Elsie Cox's six children on French Island. His mother was Elsie Thompson, and Roy was the great-grandson of Joseph and Ellen Thompson, who settled on French Island in 1893.

The only photo we could obtain shows Roy with a group of his cousins (all bar one) on a pool competition trip to the Bass pub, I think? Ironically the pub where his wake was held!



French Island pub pool competition team 1980s, L to R; Greg Thompson, Phil Spark, Roy Cox, Ron Easy, Noel Thompson, Russell

Thompson.

**The following obituary was written by a French Islander...**

They had a send-off for Roy Cox at the Corinella Hall last month. All the chairs were set out but in the end there were more people standing than filling up the seats. The legendary French Island barge driver had at least as many people turn up for his funeral as my old friend and legendary guitar player Ross Hannaford had had a few months before.

I had seen Roy just before he went into hospital for the last time. We were both going off the Island on the barge as passengers. He must have known he had had it but we talked about something I needed done with his excavator and he reckoned he was just about finished with the hay.

Roy was not just a man of few words... he was THE man of few words. A passenger expecting a trendy "have a good day" from Roy was dreaming.

Roy was self taught. There is a very good mechanic named Chris Coulson here. He was so impressed with Roy's ability as a mechanic. There would be a problem and when Chris got over there to help (Roy being unable to crawl around and upside down as he once had) he'd be there where he'd been sitting nutting it out. It is a great way to learn... knowing if you can't fix it no one else will. There was never anyone else to turn to. The old French Islanders were resourceful and independent. It is easy for some to not see the great intelligence of someone like Roy... they are more likely to see it in the manner of a silvertail who depends for the necessities of life upon people like Roy.

Roy was making a little dam for me and I wondered how he was getting it all level... did he have something set up? Roy pointed out at the Bay and said "that's the level there."

Roy met his wife Lynne at the Corinella General Store and they lived their life on French Island with their children Daniel and Melissa.

Roy Cox did all the things the French Island blokes did. Drank beer (enthusiastically), shot ducks and deer. He had a little fishing boat. And he knew his way of life was being undermined by the 'new people'... the gentrification of even this once very hard place. Yet both he and Lynne had been supportive of me, a relatively new person, as I was trying, but failed, to lead the French Island Community Association to preserve their traditional culture here.

I will never forget Roy's coffin being carried from the Corinella Community Hall with inconsolable Lynne following in her wheelchair, wasted away with motor neurone disease. People handed the MND card at birth know the mockery of the mantra 'everyone is born equal'.

Then we all went to the Bass Hotel where Roy used to go for pool competitions. They won't be making too many more blokes like Roy Cox, although Daniel is a chip off the old block and I hope he holds to his intention of keeping up the French Island place. French Island needs him. Just to be there.

**Paul Madigan, Tortoise Head**

## Corinella to French Island Ferry Barge



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News**



A Snippet from the last Newsletter (December)

## ROADSIDE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

### OUR WORLD

The world of men is reality,  
It's darkness it's fear  
The world is spinning  
The world is changing  
The world is winning -  
Our life needs rearranging -  
Noise, hurry, rush  
Envy, jealousy, hatred,  
Catching up with the Jones  
Before we have time to turn  
To God and his ways  
Which never change,  
Never rush,  
Never rearrange.

We never care, or share  
What is not ours by right -  
Living in darkness  
Under Gods' sight  
Until it takes us by the hand'  
And leads us on  
The path marked right -  
Out of the darkness  
And into the light  
Balm of healing  
Measuring our days  
And straightening  
Our crooked ways.

**Paula Seymour  
French Island.**



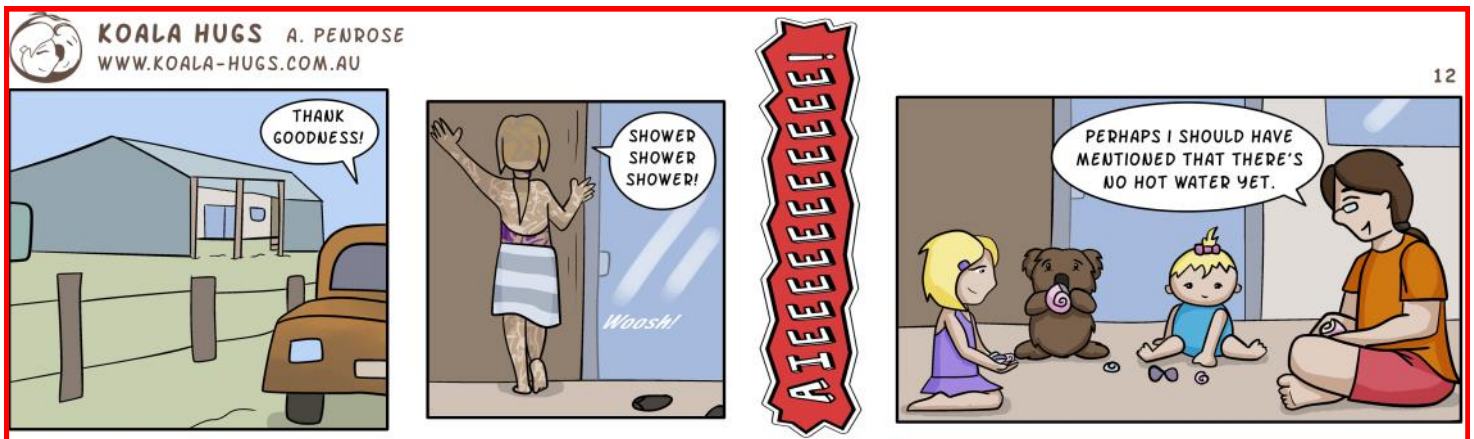
Gaining wealth  
Gaining a name  
Gaining Security  
Gaining fame -  
All out for ourselves  
With no-one else to blame  
For our pleasures  
And our woes.

We received a letter from John Carter, Port Phillip Roding Planner, on November 21 in reply to our written submission of 17 September on the Draft Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.

Disappointingly, all of our concerns have met with a negative response. Specifically, the Department intends to maintain the existing width of roadside areas that were slashed beyond the recommended limits in 2013 and 2015; individuals and groups wishing to communicate with the Department will be required to send their issues to the French Island Community Association (FICA), who will then be obliged to forward them to DELWP; and breaches by contractors can only be reported after the event. There was no comment on our request that the definition of an ecologically significant roadside be broadened from one that contains an "intact EVC" to those degraded areas with significant remnants that have a good chance of recovering.



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### Man and machine

Bob Middleton



MY FATHER was a quiet man. Not shy, just quiet. His four brothers (there were two sisters) said he was the lesser sportsman of the family but with the sharpest mind. He and three of his brothers won scholarships to Melbourne Uni. The fifth remained at home in Ballarat to assist his father in the family plumbing business. He was my favourite. He was boisterous and burly and threw himself with great gusto into the rowdy games his nephews and nieces devised at family gatherings.

I only retain fragments of memory of my father. Fishing days, help with the darkness of maths homework, being there in the thin crowd to watch my sporting achievements, especially the day I took a towering mark in the goal square for the under 15s only to watch Simon Price grab my "clearing" kick and send it sailing back over my head. Does humiliation ever fade?

My father told me once that when he was born chewing gum had not been invented, or at least hadn't reached Ballarat. I've never checked that out but then I never questioned my dad. During the war years he gave up smoking so my mother could

have his ration of cigarettes, the packets doled out by our downtown barber Mr Belaïre. Dad did not live long enough to appreciate the irony of his sacrifice. I often wonder how he would cope with the world today if given the chance to revisit. Technology has moved on at lightning speed. Automatic transmission and remote locking, smart phones, keyhole surgery.

All these thoughts of advanced technology tumbled in upon me when my partner insisted that I get an expert in to sort out the mysterious logic of my computer software. She was getting a bit impatient with my constant cries for help. Some 25 years ago when a group of us teachers were told to attend computer training for beginners, Frank and I, two of the oldest and slower ones, walked out early, showing our frustration with appropriate loud slamming of doors. We were letting the world know our temperaments were not suited to embracing the ether peripheries of the computer world. Weeks later we were enrolled in a second course with the assurance that this time we would make it to the promised land. Once again doors slammed.

So it was to be many years later when a friend recognised my untapped talent and led me by the hand into the misty world of computers.

Last week during his afternoon visit, my computer expert took me down many new and bewildering paths and I was soon struggling to keep up. Now as I look at this screen before me displaying 51 icons (is that the term for them?) I realise I understand the function of maybe eight. The rest I leave well alone. In the past I have signed up for a membership to a massage parlour, a dating service and

cancelled the house insurance.

As for that scary bit when I am told to type in my password I'm never too sure which one to use as I keep on making up smarter and more complex ones.

Still I can send and receive emails, ask Google some curly questions and fool around with YouTube.

If Dad were to come back and visit one day – and who's to say in this ever-changing world of ours that he won't – I could show him a thing or two that would make him very proud. B.M

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# History

## LOST FAMILY GRAVE FOUND FOR PARKER FAMILY.



Wonthaggi Cemetery Trust received a phone call from a family in Melbourne who wanted to bring their 90 year old father to Wonthaggi to locate the burial site of his father - Graham Parker, a miner that died from black lung disease in 1933, and his infant sister Joyce Kathleen Annie Parker that died at the age of one in 1927.

The Burial Register recorded that his father Graham Parker and sister had been buried in the Roman Catholic section of the Wonthaggi Cemetery. This was a great surprise to the family as they had all been raised as Presbyterians! The location was recorded as RC (Roman Catholic) Section 2, Row B Grave No's 71 & 72. That is where the problem started. Our old maps only number graves up to 64. The only way to find them was to literally walk through the entire RC section and hope that the graves had been marked at the time of burials.

After spending a few hours walking the RC Section and remembering to think outside the square to locate these old burials and considering the Burial Plans showed grave numbers only to 64, and that Mr. Parkers grave was recorded as no.'s 71 & 72 By land marking monuments that did match the Burial Register that were recorded near the Parker Burial sites this grave was eventually located....

When the Parker family arrived on site and were taken to the grave site. It was found unfortunately the infant Joyce's grave was not marked or monumented, but Graham Parker's was, sadly a grave in very poor condition.

This was a very emotional discovery for the family, but was something that Mr Parker

Jnr wanted to do before he passed. He only remembers seeing a photo of a tiny infant mound of dirt and was not allowed to go to his father's funeral. Mr Parker Jnr and his two daughters Jenny & Helen are the last remaining direct family members and are now taking steps to restore the grave and memorialise his little sister Joyce.

As we work through the Burial Register we are slowly able to locate these lost graves and put a name to them.... its a very slow process but with YOUR HELP and family enquiries over this year we have been able to help many families find their lost family graves. The re-numbering of our historic maps in all sections / area will now enable us to locate many family's graves previously not known.

**If you know of a family grave and you can name it in the Wonthaggi Cemetery that is missing the headstone, or you want to locate a family member buried please contact me so as I can help you locate / or have the grave correctly recorded.**

**Please contact Noelene 56724739 or email [noelene@dcsi.net.au](mailto:noelene@dcsi.net.au)**

## Fisherman's Cottage Museum Tooradin



The museum is located in Foreshore Road on the edge of Sawtells Inlet (Melway ref 144 A6) and is open Sundays from 12noon to 4pm, or by arrangement. We open the Museum on Sundays from noon until 4pm.

Entry is \$3 adults, \$2 concession and 50c for children. The phone number at the museum is **0359983643**. If you leave a message we will get back to you. Groups can arrange visits at other times.

**Polly Freeman**

## HOLIDAY ROAD TRIPS 1906

**Libby Skidmore**



**In summer holidays we go on road trips and wander through unfamiliar country, stopping at small towns and experiencing the bush. This is one such trip reported in the "Mornington Standard" on Saturday December 15, 1906. Would it be very different now?**

The horses were harnessed, and, putting on our overcoats, we started off in good spirits, determined, if possible, to enjoy ourselves to the best of our ability.

We passed through Somerville (10 miles), thence from Langwarrin estate to Sherwood (11 miles), where the Cranbourne to Grantville road was encountered, and we made our first night's camp two miles beyond Lang Lang, or 35 miles from Mornington.

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## Lang Lang & District Historical Society



The Lang Lang Historical Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm at the Lang Lang Historical Display Centre, in Whitstable Street, Lang Lang.

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# History

## HOLIDAY ROAD TRIPS 1906 cont'd

Here our party fell into their places like old wanderers, and in a very short space of time we had a tent rigged, horses fed, and a first-rate meal prepared; later a very snug and cosy camp to chat and sleep in.



We obtained a good start, and journeyed on across the edge of the Koo-wee-rup swamp, with Western Port Bay close by on our right hand. At this spot the one time renowned Frenchman's Glue Pot had to be negotiated, and in those days, before the swamp was drained, it was a great source of anxiety until it was crossed.

Owing to its boggy capabilities, there was the probability of only seeing the bullocks horns protruding from the mire when one returned to the scene of disaster.

There was a farm in the vicinity, and, whilst one of our party sought some milk there, we had a chat with a bushman, who said he was almost afraid to work about this swamp on account of the mosquitoes, and when leaving us said, "Well, I must keep going, or they will eat me." It was a wonder to us that he was not helpless from loss of blood from the incessant attacks of those blood thirsty mosquitoes, or knocked-up from keeping going."

On we go to Grantville, thence on to the Bass, crossed the river, and our eyes wander over acres of magnificent land, covered with rye grass and clover. amongst which the cattle browse in perfect contentment, some lying down; their horns only being visible.

We made a mid-day halt here, and after lunch spent a few hours roaming over the paddocks in quest of hares, two of which we secured, and, at the same time, we dispatched three large snakes.

Those reptiles are very numerous in that part. After a short spell we packed up and proceed over the Kilcunda hills, from the top of which we obtained an extensive view of the ocean to the right, and to the left pretty, undulating hills of first-class land, dotted with sheep newly shorn, and glistening white against the dark green background, they make a landscape picture any artist might envy for his canvas.

Our next camp was at the Powlett River, noted for its fine fishing possibilities, but,

owing to the late rains and unfavorable reports received of probabilities of success during flood, we chatted around our camp fire, determined to rise early, and have a turn before breakfast at the hares.

We were successful in bagging several. About 9 a.m. we struck camp, and headed in a very cold wind towards Inverloch, and here we encountered disaster by choosing the most worn, though wrong, track.

We had a few exciting minutes in a black bog, during which time one horse and two wheels were disappearing rapidly.

We regained firm ground, and spent a little time in discussing what might have happened. We reached Inverloch about noon. This is a very pretty place, and resembles Mornington somewhat.

Leaving this picturesque township a few hours later we passed through many miles of poorer country until within 5 miles of Leongatha, where again the once heavily timbered country is encountered, and the home of the dairy herd.

Here one sees the boon and the blessing the cow has been to the settler, and the wonderful strides he has made battling against forest scrub and giant trees.

We had a good look round the town, and remarked upon the air of prosperity that prevailed among the people. Leaving again the next morning for Mirboo, we encountered cold winds and occasional showers, and an exceedingly rough road through deep holes on a bush track, through giant trees in a half gale of wind.

We were thankful, when we saw before us the last of the downhill grades, and the plain country ahead. Should anyone wish to try his hand with the ribbons here is his opportunity, for he has many places where between trees on a downhill track inches are all on either side to give or take, with water ruts varying from one to three feet deep. Our next camp was some six miles from Morwell, where, before breakfast we were successful in dispatching two foxes and six hares. Packing up we crossed the main Gippsland line at Morwell.

After a look around us we held council as to proceeding to the Lakes, however, owing to the inclemency of the weather, we decided to return along the Moe and Warragul road to Drouin, over the old coach road, across the haunted hills. These hills, we were informed, received that name by stock of any kind declining to feed or camp thereon. Here the butter industry flourishes.

Later on we pass Moe, and, halting, we camp near the Moe butter factory, where we have an interesting chat to the manager and a local farmer, who informed us that they turn out seven tons of butter per week.

Up early again we journey on, and, passing through Trafalgar, noticing all the splendid pasture land, we reached Drouin in time to

see the sights of that town. Drouin's output of butter per week is 10 tons. The day being far advanced, we got under way again and steered for Poowong, 18 miles, Here we recrossed the Point Albert railway and steered again for the Bass river, along the Loch road, and descending Sunny hill we crossed the river, where we were so charmed with the picturesque spot, with its tree ferns and silver wattle trees, overtopped with giant gum trees, that we decided to camp. Later on in the evening, having turned over some decaying logs and securing bait, we made our first attempt at fishing, and, by the aid of a candle held in the left hand to show us our floaters, we were successful in landing on the steep river bank enough silver eels for breakfast-a meal that we thoroughly enjoyed. We were loath to leave this, our prettiest camp, but time would not permit of delay, so reharnessing the horses, and again re-crossing the winding river and climbing Nolan's Hill we journeyed on. Here, having almost completed a circle, we halted to gaze eastward across that glorious panoramic view of deep green hills, overtopped, on the sky line, by giant trees, glistening white, and yearly growing more lonely, owing to the settlers persistency of attack and unflinching energy. One who has seen those hills in their native state and cut his way through the undergrowth, the present scene tells what patience over difficulties these lion hearted settlers have displayed in overcoming and conquering this, once great, forest, and bringing the roads to their present state of perfection.

This vast continent may, surely, be proud of such men as these, who have pulled the land through in times of need; and, in the future, may we ourselves seek to establish more industries, seeing what benefits the west in gold and the east in dairying have conferred on this - 'fair, southern land' in honest toil, while legislators fought and lawyers wrangled. Long could we gaze upon this scene, but pressing onwards we soon saw our old friend, "Western Port," again, and soon were on our homeward way. In due time we reach Lang Lang. We wandered over an area of 150 to 200 acres of rye grass, equal to the very best paddocks we had seen in our ramble.

An early start again next morning we reached Mornington, having covered 300 miles, averaging, nearly 30 miles a day in a delightful country. We were all sorry that the termination had come to such an enjoyable outing.

**From the archives of the Bass Valley Historical Society**

**Libby Skidmore secretary and archivist  
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# On the road - places to go

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The train journey follows Stringers Creek to where it joins the Thomson River; then you travel across the historic and spectacular Thomson River Bridge to arrive at Thomson Station where you will have time to explore the area before returning to Walhalla.

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A number of attempts to restore the line, with varying degrees of success, were tried until, in 1991, with only the remains of derelict bridges on the right of way, the Walhalla Railway Taskforce was formed with the aim of restoring the line from Erica to Walhalla. This became the Walhalla Goldfields Railway, Inc., in 1993 and restoration began with the establishment of Thomson Station and its accompanying yard. The railway commenced operations in April, 1994, simply running up and down the Thomson Station yard. Gradually the line progressed, first over the Thomson River Bridge in May, 1994, then to Leachville, over the Three Span Bridge, to Cascade Halt, to Happy Creek and finally, after the construction of the six railway bridges in the last kilometre, into the Walhalla Station yard for the opening of this section of the line on the 15th of March, 2002.



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Cr Rothfield is a fourth generation Phillip Islander, who returned to the Island as a permanent resident 11 years ago. She commenced her working life in a large corporation, Village Roadshow, at the age of 19. Here, having completed a Diploma in Accounting, she learned the disciplines required to work in an executive team of a large structured organisation. Cr Rothfield progressed up through the ranks to take on the executive role of Manager of Acquisitions for Roadshow Distributors. At the age of 28, she regularly travelled overseas negotiating the multi-million dollar purchase of film distribution rights for the territory of Australasia, on behalf of the company.

Today, Cr Rothfield, with her twin sister Judy, owns a large IT company, which they bought as a fledgling business 26 years ago. It is now run by an executive team, which has allowed her to step away from the day-to-day management. Cr Rothfield has two grown sons, Elliot and Blake, and lives with her partner, Raymond 'Rowdy' Jansson.

## Cr Stephen Fullarton



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Cr Fullarton is a born and bred Phillip Islander, and with the exception of a ten year period during secondary school when he travelled and studied, he has spent his entire working life living here.

He runs his own Building Design Company in Cowes, and has worked for the past 30 on Phillip Island and across the Bass Coast, as well as in the metropolitan area.

Public projects he has been involved with include the RSL building, the Cowes Esplanade lookout and beach rest room area at the end of Thompson Avenue, and the amphitheatre on the Cowes foreshore.

He served as a councillor on the Phillip Island Shire from 1983 to 1989, and on numerous community and municipal committees in that time.

Cr Fullarton is a member of the Phillip Island Nature Park community reference group, with a strong interest in the protection of the Phillip Island environment.

He is married to Kerry, and has two sons in their twenties, who live on Phillip Island, and two adult daughters who live in Queensland.

## Cr Michael Whelan



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Cr Whelan is an active musician who convened the Bass Coast Acoustic Music Club and leads the Bass Coast Pickers. With his wife, Mary, his involvement in the lives and interests of their two adult daughters and their families is central to his life.

Cr Whelan is active in the community, and was a foundation member of the Surf Beach Park S86 Committee, the Friends of Scenic Estate Group and the Parks Community Forum. Other interests include music, the arts, golf and gardening. He also has a strong interest in current affairs and writes occasional articles for the Bass Coast Post.

Cr Whelan has strong community engagement experience and sees a stronger role for community in Council activities. Together with Mary, he ran a small business for 15 years, marketing a medical product invented by their consulting business.

He was a CFA officer for nearly 20 years in operational, research and technical roles before being seconded to the Department of Justice coordinating a range of multi-agency projects. Cr Whelan also worked as a Ministerial Adviser in the Cain Government and as an executive in the Kennett Government.

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### ANNUAL

Spinning into spring  
 the wheel of the year,  
 slows axle deep in  
 wattle and song.

Impaling the path  
 of migratory birds  
 on expanding rays  
 of golden sun.

Grinding deep laden  
 into high summer.  
 Swamped by the waste  
 of spendthrift wealth.

Scattering the gold  
 with gathering speed.  
 Autumn abandoned  
 in rainbow hues.

Losing impetus  
 in the depths of winter,  
 Thickets of time  
 shrouded in grey.

Until turned full circle  
 with frightening pace,  
 The year hurls across  
 the lonely sky.

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### Pack Mentality

Barking like frenzied werewolves  
 on a rampage five dogs tore down  
 the quiet road. Their target  
 a lone woman walker  
 emerging from the foreshore track.  
 She stopped abruptly.  
 Statue-still, yet poised for anything  
 she waited, saw a man  
 come over the low hill.  
 Their owner? Her spirits lifted.

In semi-circle before her  
 a big border collie, three other dogs  
 the same size, one smaller  
 barked territorial supremacy.  
 'C'm 'ere!' the man roared.  
 The four biggest dogs raced back  
 the smallest stopped  
 checked out a signpost,  
 barked at the woman again.

A signal to the other dogs  
 they u-turned, charged back.  
 A spotted heeler-type dog brushed

his nose across the woman's knee.  
 Bailing her up again, the five dogs  
 stood barking. She willed  
 their owner to exert control.

'C'm back here,' he roared again  
 'or I'll put you on y'r leads.'  
 The dogs raced back  
 and the woman took a few steps.  
 The man and his five dogs  
 no sign of leads, walked towards her.  
 Like a real estate agent trying  
 to ingratiate himself  
 with a prospective buyer, he smiled.  
 'They're farm dogs.  
 I'm just moving them to the farm.'  
 Glacier-faced, she said nothing.  
 'They won't hurt you,' he said.

**Meryl Brown Tobin**  
 Based on an incident at Corinella, July  
 14, 2016.

### HI-HO SILVER

(On viewing the TV special: The Legend of  
 the Lone Range')

The silhouetted Saturday afternoon kids  
 learning life from  
 flicks in days of old  
 rose in their seats as  
 the 'William Tell'  
 told  
 (pounding feet, were  
 they the horse or the  
 children?)  
 justice was coming, rescue was nigh.  
 Preceding their hero, they let out the cry:  
 'Hi-ho Silver!'  
 - and they understood why.



There were goodies and baddies in those  
 days then,  
 goodies and baddies, when I was ten,  
 good people, kind people and really bad  
 men;  
 you could tell them apart, pick who was  
 who.  
 If some kid arrived late, first thing they'd do  
 was ask (poking an elbow in somebody)  
 'Hey!  
 Who are the goodies?' 'Sshh!' and 'Sit  
 down!'  
 others would yell till the sound track was  
 drowned  
 and the usherette's torch light would flash  
 down to check.  
 But this was expected. You had to take  
 sides.  
 Goodies and baddies were clearly defined.  
 Baddies were cruel, goodies were kind,  
 baddies got beaten, goodies must win.

Now what sort of a world am I in?  
 Baddies are only doing their thing,  
 goodies make choices; so don't mind the

sting  
 of ingratitude. No one can hurt  
 you except your own self; no one dessert  
 or betray or deceive. It's your problem  
 to solve on your own, and no throb  
 of wild horses from out of the west  
 will bring the Lone Ranger to best  
 any baddies for you.  
 So Hi-ho!  
 Sing Hi-ho unto the Lone Ranger.  
 Most life is a fiction, most loving is  
 stranger.

It was that sweetest innocence of clear-cut  
 right  
 that set the tears stinging behind my eyes  
 tonight,  
 watching the legend remade on TV.  
 he'll not rescue me.

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### The Silent Child

Which one is the silent child you may ask  
 It could never be the kid who's top of his  
 class  
 It must be the one who's always in the  
 corner  
 Or that one over there I've never given a  
 thought of

The silent child is not deaf in the least  
 He keeps everything in, just to keep the  
 peace  
 Hearing the cries and worries at home  
 He carries this burden and feels quite alone

Over hearing one night they can't afford him  
 new shoes  
 He practiced and practiced to curl up his  
 toes  
 Sliding into the old shoe, they would go  
 Now always hiding his toes from view, no  
 one would know they are all black and blue

His head slightly down and walking in pain  
 He goes to school and gets soaked from the  
 rain  
 Drying off in the class with a shiver or two  
 He tries not to think of the pain in his shoes

His raincoat does not fit him anymore  
 But he is very pleased that it fits his brother  
 who's now in grade four  
 Mum's been in the op shop and looked all  
 around  
 But money is tight and not one could be  
 found

He wants to learn and does really good most  
 of the time  
 But he's tired and hungry and falls behind  
 The teachers call his parents into school  
 They voice their concerns and say this  
 will not do

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# Writing

## The Silent Child continued

Faced with knowing what will happen when  
he gets home  
He invents many excuses all on his own  
Choked up inside he really can't speak  
And now finds himself grounded for a week

Is this really fair I hear you ask  
Surely this kid must be given a pass  
I will write the school a letter  
As I am sure it will make all things better

What name will you put in your letter  
To make all things better  
This is the silent child who suffers alone and  
in pain  
Tell me how you know his name

You have no correct answer just guesses  
There is no name that you can put in your  
letter  
For the silent child has many names you  
must see  
So many of our children suffer  
unnecessarily

I'm asking if you can spare a dollar or two  
For a new raincoat or a pair of shoes  
Let our children walk with pride  
Head held high and always dry

This is something you can put in a letter  
To make things better  
Deliver it to your school of choice  
Give the silent child his own voice

Cathy Wood

## HAIKU

Thoughts in miniature  
A haiku is untitled and  
unrhymed.

A seasonal word or  
reference associated with nature should  
appear in the haiku, and contrasting  
images may be used. Usually the first line  
stands alone while the second and third  
connect to give an aspect of that image.

## Urban

harsh roadway fracas:  
fast intentional movement,  
sensed - yet meaningless.

traffic's droning growl  
overwhelming passing people  
yet birds roost above.

sardines in tight tins,  
townhouses crowd old gardens;  
we breathe fuel perfumes.

seeming complement,  
green caterpillar and leaf,  
convert destruction.

## 俳句

## haiku

excitement when my husband booked for us  
to go and 'see' for ourselves.

"It might be a challenge though, getting  
around with you and your white cane AND  
thousands of people?" he said. "I'm up for  
the challenge. It will be fun!" I said in an  
attempt to reassure us both.

Off we went by plane and made our way in  
the heat of summer – in high spirits, with  
adventure in our hearts and with plenty of  
sun-screen on our skin.

For one whole week, we trundled about with  
thousands of other music lovers, all eager to  
welcome in the New Year listening to  
dozens of international and local music acts.  
The music was world class but the heat? It  
was so unbearably hot, even at 7am, I  
thought I would die!

But the real challenge came in the evenings  
when we got caught up in the throng of  
music lovers all plodding along the dusty  
track like cattle as we moved on to the next  
concert. Very few people could see my  
white cane in the dark and even though  
Harry was doing his best as my body guard,  
we got fed up with being bumped and  
knocked around.

"There has to be a better way." He said in  
frustration. and the next thing I knew, we  
had made our way to a market stall selling a  
myriad of LED lights. Within ten minutes,  
Harry had strapped a string of these small  
bright lights to the length of my cane that  
made it light up like a Christmas tree.

With Harry's new invention, folk moved  
around us rather than on top of us and we  
steamed ahead with renewed confidence.

The added bonus was that if I happened to  
get lost, I could raise it in the air and he'd be  
able to see it glowing in the dark above the  
crowd.

I had also packed something that I knew  
would make our lives easier to find our tent  
among nine hundred others – a fake bouquet  
of flowers, to plant at the front of our canvas  
tent. It worked so well, my fake white  
daisies even helped other people to find  
their way to their identical looking tent by  
taking a left turn at the patch of flowers in  
Tent City.

Being at Woodfordia was truly a test in  
endurance, persistence and innovative  
living.

We're still suckers for a great music festival  
(don't ask me why) but the best thing about  
being home is we can have coffee in a real  
bed in the mornings, followed by no queues  
for a shower – ain't home sweet?

"No one realizes how beautiful it is to travel  
until he comes home and rests his head on  
his old, familiar pillow." Lin Yutang

Rebecca Maxwell  
Haiku Group Society of Women  
Writers, Victoria



## Surviving a New Year Festival

Maribel Steel



I had heard a lot about the Woodford Folk  
Festival in Queensland. It's an amazing  
event that music lovers should experience at  
least once in their life time. Imagine my

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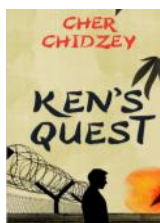
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# Book Reviews

## Ken's Quest



Cher Chidzey

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### About Cher Chidzey:

Cher Chidzey migrated to Australia from Singapore in 1975 and has a Masters of Science from Melbourne University.

She has worked as a teacher in secondary schools and TAFE

colleges. She lives in the northern suburbs of Melbourne with her husband and has two adult daughters. Cher has previously published her memoir, *The House of 99 Closed Doors*.

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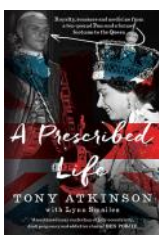
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## A Prescribed Life:

### Royalty, romance and medicine



Tony Atkinson's autobiography,

*A Prescribed Life: Royalty, romance and medicine* is not your usual autobiography.

As the blurb on the front of the book suggests, it encompasses stories about

the British royals from a person who served the Queen, the romance of the subject of the book and his connection with Australia as a ten-pound Pom.

Co-written with Lynn Smailes, the book chronicles the life of Tony Atkinson from when he was born in 1929 to recent times. From the very first line you know you are about to tackle a book about a somewhat bizarre life: 'As a baby I was put in a wire cage suspended out of a sixth storey window out the back of our house.'

Tony's early happy life in a family changed when, aged eight, he was sent to an English boarding school where he endured conditions and experiences which today we would call child abuse. Of this time he wrote: 'We were living in a scenario that William Golding depicted in his 1954 novel, *Lord of the Flies*, with boys forming gangs and cliques.'

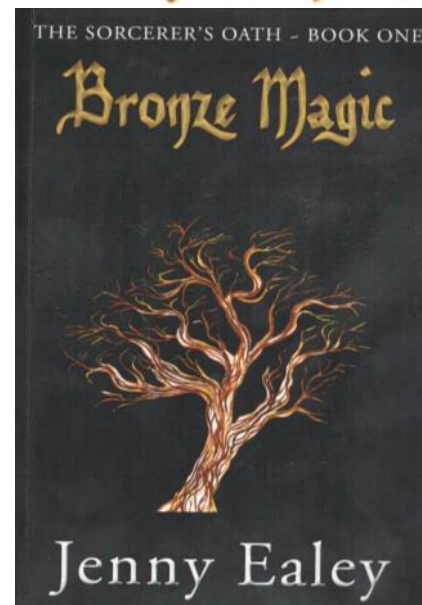
A great name-dropper, Tony told stories of classmates, including Tony Armstrong-Jones. He also wrote about suffering tuberculosis, of the deprivations during wartime and post-war England, and of the various part-time and casual jobs he got as a student. So apart from all its other attributes, the book is also a social history. One of his memorable jobs was as a footman to the Queen and a waiter for others such as Winston Churchill. As the book's cover photo shows, he even attended the Queen on the day of her Coronation. As a young man he was a practical joker and some of Tony's and his friends' exploits were a concern. One could have even led to serious harm or worse.

Tony's love of Terry, the young woman who was to become his wife, and of his four daughters is one of the glues that give the book focus. However, life was hard for his young family as life for a GP and then an anaesthetist involved such long hours that Tony was unable to spend much time with his family.

Apart from telling entertaining stories, Tony also raised serious issues, such as the low payment and dangerously long hours worked by some doctors and issues concerning the behaviour and ethics of some doctors. While he himself showed genuine concern for those in his care, there was the odd one he worked with who did not deserve the title of doctor.

Meryl Brown Tobin

*A Prescribed Life* by Tony Atkinson with Lynn Smailes is a 280 page entertaining read. Published by Affirm Press, South Melbourne, 2016, it is available for \$29.99 from bookstores.



**"Even with the oath, one man against a nation is poor odds"**

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## Mangroves for Grantville – Just ask George... An independent Review:

Grantville Foreshore a timeline from 2002-2016', sets down some of the history associated with erosion mitigation measures in the Grantville area. As part of this ongoing review, the following information may be of interest.

The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) in December 2016 invited community comment on the proposed plan to re-establish mangroves at Grantville. At the inaugural meeting (January 2017) of the new Grantville & District Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management, DELWP spoke about the plan and from questions raised at the meeting, the following 'responsibility model' was outlined.

1. The Minister for Energy, Environment & Climate Change appoints committees to manage Crown land reserves under the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978. The powers and responsibilities of Committees of Management (CoM) are derived from the Act.
2. Representing the Minister, DELWP oversee CoM and the works they undertake.
3. The Grantville Foreshore Reserve (Crown land) commences at the high-water mark of the foreshore (the level reached by the sea at high tide) and extends inland to adjoining private property.
4. The Grantville & District Foreshore Committee of Management (GDFRCM) manages the Foreshore Reserve from Broome Court to Pioneer Bay.
5. On either side of the foreshore land overseen by the GDFRCM, the areas of responsibility are divided between the Bass Coast Shire Council, Parks Victoria and DELWP. A map showing the 'administration areas' is available online from the Bass Coast Shire Council - Coastal Reserve Managers.
6. From the high-water mark out to sea, 'the water' is the sole responsibility of Parks Victoria.
7. From the high-water mark out to sea, the sea bed (which is Crown land) is the responsibility of DELWP and the GDFRCM plays no part in managing this.
8. Together, DELWP and Parks Victoria are responsible for any erosion mitigation measures undertaken from the high-water mark out to sea, and this includes the planting of mangroves and installation of 'floating fixtures' offshore.
9. Any erosion mitigation measures

undertaken from the high-water mark on a foreshore and going inland such as a sea wall, is the responsibility of DELWP and, depending on the nature and / or complexity of the measure, they can authorise a Committee of Management or a Council to deal with the matter.

**Please note, the writer has presented this information in good faith, but suggests it be verified by contacting DELWP.**

**Just ask George...**

## He Hates Science.

**Dr. Tim Ealey OAM**

When we first came to Coronet Bay 20 odd years ago, as a scientist I became interested in the place and sought ways I could help the Bay. I joined the Seagrass Partnership and planted thousands of seagrass plugs, most did not survive. The seagrass is a complicated story. It is currently thriving for the first time on and near our little ramp.

### Why??? I do not know

I placed stakes along the shore to check erosion. Someone pulled them all out!!! Any note I place on the local notice board is pulled off overnight. This has gone on for twenty years. **WHY??? Why???**

I have to place decoy stakes etc. so the fool can pull them out and feel he is doing something but my experiment survives in some other place. I could get information from the decoys also but I have to play this stupid game. I attach notes to stakes asking for reasons for this behaviour.

**Never an answer.** All my work would benefit the people of Westernport. It is not just academic.

My latest work is with barnacles. They swarm in December and smother small mangroves I am trying to find a cheap spray



to kill the young ones before they smother our little plants. The spray must kill the barnacles but not injure the plant or the ecosystem. Barnacles sometimes ultimately cause 100% mortality.

"I have recently been trying various chemicals such as vinegar on barnacles on stones which I carry from the boat ramp with some difficulty. (Vinegar works with Crown of Thorns) My experimental barnacles have disappeared. I am using stones as he has found and pulled out ALL of my experimental stakes.

This activity is illegal. If anyone has a clue about who tries to disrupt my research, PLEASE find out his name and address. I promise I won't tear off his arm and belt him over the head with it as I feel inclined but report this antisocial behaviour to Police. At nearly 90 this activity is very difficult for me but most important"



**Dr. Tim Ealey (Coronet Bay)**

## Dear editor

Please may I have a copy of the Waterline News sent to my email address on a regular basis.

I think the publication is a great asset to the communities which it covers.

I enjoyed my first copy, there was so much information and articles of general interest and much useful information.

Please keep up the good work

Many thanks to all the contributors for the time and commitment put into producing such a professional publication.

**Margaret Boyer, Grantville**

**Hi,** I've just discovered your great little magazine. Would you please add me to your database so that I may receive a copy via email. Many thanks, **Jacinta.**

## To The Editor

Dancers from local areas, Melbourne and interstate took to the stage with enthusiasm at the Cowes Cultural Centre on 28 January, hosting the first Beyond Dance – proudly supporting beyondblue charity fundraiser. The day raised almost \$3000 with great success and praise from those attending, with many local businesses also thanked for their support. The event however was more about raising awareness for this important mental health service than it was about a dance competition and was certainly focused on fun for all involved and planning a return next year. <http://www.beyonddance.com.au/>



# Greg Hunt says



**Greg Hunt MP**  
**Federal Member for Flinders**  
**Minister for Health.**  
**Minister for Sport.**

It was a privilege to attend Australia Day activities across the electorate and particularly to welcome our newest Australian Citizens who took the pledge of allegiance to this country and its people.

Watching the new citizens take the pledge and receive their citizenship certificates is a special occasion. These people come from a diverse range of backgrounds and circumstances but they have all chosen to adopt Australia as their homeland.

We live in one of the world's most successful multicultural societies and in the electorate of Flinders it is humbling to know that people, originally from more than 120 different nations, now call this beautiful part of the world home.

On Australia Day I also had the pleasure of participating in Reclink Australia's Great Peninsula Paddle, which raised funds to reinstate the Western Port Warriors Football Team for disadvantaged youth in our region.

I am pleased to announce that community groups and organisations across the Waterline area are now able to apply for the Federal Government's Building Better Regions Fund. This new grant program will have two streams of funding – one focusing on infrastructure projects of all sizes and the

other focusing on investment into community events or activities. If you would like more information on this funding please contact my office.

Lastly, I would like to say how honoured I am to have been appointed the new Federal Minister for Health and Minister for Sport. I look forward to working with our excellent nurses, doctors, researchers, and all our healthcare and sporting professionals.

Mental health is an issue that is particularly close to my heart, as it is for so many families throughout the Bass Coast. I want to be a strong advocate for greater understanding and community awareness and ensure we have the necessary resources to help deal with this very important issue.

I wish everyone a safe and prosperous year ahead and look forward to working collaboratively with the community on various projects to help make our region even better.

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## FISHING with Craig Edmonds



We have now had a delivery of rated Dee Shackles for your trailer after getting clarification from the road safety and how to understand the regulations. If you are not sure drop into the shop and I will explain it as it has been explained to us and clear up the confusion between lifting and breaking strain rating. As I have said before, to me it makes little sense to need rated Dee shackles when you can use welded galvanised non-rated chain and connections to the trailer are even weaker, but I guess smarter people than me write these rules.

Bit of a mixed bag the last couple of weeks with it starting very slow and very few people around but improving as the week went on into the weekend. There is still the odd land based angler around with mostly locals now and visitors back at work.

The calamari reports have been very ordinary for the last 3 weeks or so and only the odd one being caught despite there being some good tides at the right time of the day. The reports improved recently and we started to see more caught from the jetties and the beaches, still not as good as it was a month ago, but hopefully on the improve. Very early morning a bit better than late evening and even a couple from during the night, especially from San Remo jetty. We had the odd report from every jetty around the island and both Ventnor and Cleeland Bight beaches. Although several were caught it was more people catching one or two each rather than one or two people catching several each and plenty that didn't see one at all.

Not a lot different from the boats or kayaks with the yaks having slightly more success. Around Ventnor and in Cleeland Bight the best with a few from reef island and some good reports from those fishing both sides of tortoise head.

Several reports have also come from those fishing offshore catching calamari up to 4 or

5km's out to sea.

Offshore again, when the weather permitted has been the place to be with plenty of variety and plenty of fish to take home for the table.

There are some very big schools, mostly of salmon swimming around and when you spend some time following them you will also notice the odd kingfish swimming with them.

Some of the salmon are big and we have had them reported to almost 3kg but not the easiest to catch. It is worth persevering with different lures especially if you are going to use some lighter gear because pound for pound they are a very good fighting fish. As for the kings with them, good luck as many have tried all sorts of things and been unsuccessful in coaxing any of them onto a hook.

The divers are still seeing plenty but no one has been in telling me of one caught on a rod and reel.

The flathead reports have been excellent and the reports have been very similar to each other. When you hook a flathead, you will have a tug of war with a squid to get it back to the boat but before you hook a flathead you need to get a bait past the couta.

The couta is very thick and can be very frustrating and if you are heading out for a flathead drift I suggest you make up plenty of rigs to take with you.

There are plenty of slimmeys still and of course with all this food around there are plenty of larger predators.

Makos, Threshers, Bronze Whalers and Blue Sharks were all reported with one customer fishing out of the western entrance telling us he had about an 8' white around the boat for 10 minutes or so.

Most of the Makos reported this week came from west of Cape Woolamai while other sharks including a couple of gummies over 10kg from east of the cape but still east or west the majority from 40m to 50m of water.

Finally, after 3 very quiet weeks whiting started to appear in numbers again but you needed to be out of bed very early because the best fishing was before breakfast.

Those who reported good numbers were on the water before the sun was up and heading home just after sunrise.

The best spot was in Cleeland Bight for the very early fisherman.

We did get other reports from around the bay from those fishing the tide changes but the numbers were far less. The best of the other areas was around tortoise head with Ventnor, Rhyll and Dickies Bay all producing whiting at some stage.



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## UNDERSTANDING YOUR GARDEN

James Middleton

### Buying Gardening Tools - Part 3



#### Tool 3 - Loppers

So far I have discussed how secateurs and hedge shears are good for trimming or pruning the skinny limbs of plants but there are times when pruning involves the removal of limbs thicker than your thumb. If you trim these with secateurs or hedge shears you risk damaging the tool and it is for this very reason that loppers are a must-own tool for you.

#### Types of loppers

Similar to secateurs, there are a few kinds of loppers but, once again, the most prevalent are called bypass loppers, named after the style of the blade used.

However, there is another decision to be made with loppers and that is whether to buy loppers that have a ratchet action or not.

Ratchet loppers basically cut the limb in stages, allowing the best leverage possible with minimal effort. If you plan on regularly cutting decent width limbs or if you don't have a lot of strength in your hands then I strongly recommend looking for loppers with a ratchet action. This is more costly but will save you a lot of time and effort.

#### What to look for in a lopper

The two most important things to take into account when buying loppers, after

you have decided which type you want, is weight and handle length. What you want will depend entirely on your circumstances. If you plan to trim plants with limbs that are quite high up then you will need to buy loppers either with longer natural handles or with the ability to be lengthened. You will want to have light handles, probably made of a slightly strengthened aluminium, so you don't tire quite too quickly while working. Make sure you check that the blade is sharp. Again, check this very carefully with your thumb. The very edge of the blade should not feel smooth but should feel sharp. It should almost feel like if you were to push harder it could cut you.

#### Cost of a lopper



Garden loppers normally range in price from \$15 to \$150, but I wouldn't touch a pair cheaper than \$30 and would probably look at the tools in the \$50-\$60 range.

If you make the right decision with lopper purchase, the tool quite possibly will last you for life. Good garden loppers that are not made of metals that are likely to rust really do tend to handle the life of a garden tool well.

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## March Gardening Tips

Though the weather can still be very warm, March is the month where the temperature generally does start to cool down, especially overnight. This makes the garden a cooler place to be in the morning which makes many gardeners much happier people to be around. Just as you needed to in February, keep an eye out throughout March for bugs trying to take over your plants that have fought hard to survive all summer. Treat quickly when found.

With March also marking the beginning of autumn, it is a good time to start thinking about what you want in your garden in spring and what needs to happen for that over the next few months. Yes, winter comes and goes first, but an ideal spring showing requires forethought. From about mid-March to May you'll want to get any winter/spring flowering bulbs in the ground, so perhaps start preparing your bulb garden beds now so that they are ready to go when the time is right.

March is a good month to check out how the mulch is going in your garden. Over the summer your mulch will break down and so you may need to top it up during either March or April. You should only need a top up now given that most of the hot weather is behind you and you'll want good drainage in winter. The upside to laying a good layer of mulch now is that it will minimise how much you need to add when it comes time for the following spring and summer.

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# Self Sufficiency

## March Gardening Tips

Late March is a really good time to try your hand at growing your own garlic.



Winter lettuces will also thrive throughout autumn and winter. Planting some spring onions now would also be a good idea. A trick with spring onions; if your supermarket sells them with the roots still attached you can just buy those, plant them and you'll have immediately mature spring onion plants. March is also a good month for sowing carrots, spinach, broad beans, and peas.

If you have perennials that have taken over your garden in spots over the summer, and are coming to the end of their flowering season, give them a good trim. Some perennials do this better than others, the best way I've found to learn is by trial and error so give it a go. Just remember, try and leave one section of the plant as undisturbed as you can while removing and transplanting the other section. This tends to help both plants survive the separation process. However, not all plants should be pruned yet. Some people make the mistake of pruning their roses too early. Autumn is still too early for roses because, if you prune them now, they'll start growing back too soon and won't perform as well. Save your roses for June-August pruning. Continuing to dead-head roses is still important, though.

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### Basic Household Alternatives

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### Vinegar

#### Uses:

**White:** Cleaning, Disinfecting, Deodorising, Anti-bacterial agent, Culinary, Insect Repellent, Preservative.

**Cider:** Hair conditioner, Skin astringent, Personal Deodorant, Therapeutic Uses.

**Location:** Supermarket (Tip: Cheaper if purchased in bulk. Use cheaper vinegar for cleaning & more expensive cider vinegar for personal use).

### Bicarbonate Soda

**Uses:** Abrasive Cleaner, Deodoriser, Whitener, Stain Removal, Teeth cleaner. **Location:** Supermarket (Tip: It's much cheaper from bulk supply stores).

### Pure Soap (bar of soap)

**Uses:** Cleaning/Cleaning Products, Personal Cleaning, Garden Spray (insect repellent), Deodorising, General Household use. **Location:** Supermarket and other retail outlets. (Tip: Any bar of soap will do. Choose soap that best suites you & your budget).

### Oatmeal

**Uses:** Mild abrasive cleaner, Skin Cleanser, Water Softener, Culinary, Hair-care, Soap alternative. **Location:** Some supermarkets or health-food shop (Tip: Grind rolled oats in food-processor for a cheaper alternative).

### Herbs

(examples of common herbs: rosemary,

thyme, sage, parsley, lavender).

**Uses:** Skin care, Hair Care, Personal Deodorant, General Deodorising, Oral Care, Cleaning, Mild Disinfectant, Insect Repellent. **Location:** Garden, Supermarket, Greengrocer.

### Rice-flour

**Uses:** Personal Care Products, Deodorant, Talc alternative. **Location:** Supermarket.

### Eucalyptus Oil

**Uses:** Stain removal, Deodorising, Disinfecting, Cleaning, Therapeutic, Insect Repellent. **Location:** Supermarket or health food shop.

### Beeswax/Honey

**Uses:** Emulsifying/healing agent (for skin creams & products), Sealant, Preservative, Polish. Therapeutic. **Location:** Honey: Supermarket/Health-food Shop (raw honey is best). Beeswax: Beekeepers. Specialty shops or The Self-Sufficiency Shoppe.

### Salt

**Uses:** Abrasive Cleaner, Disinfectant, Soot remover. **Location:** Supermarket.

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