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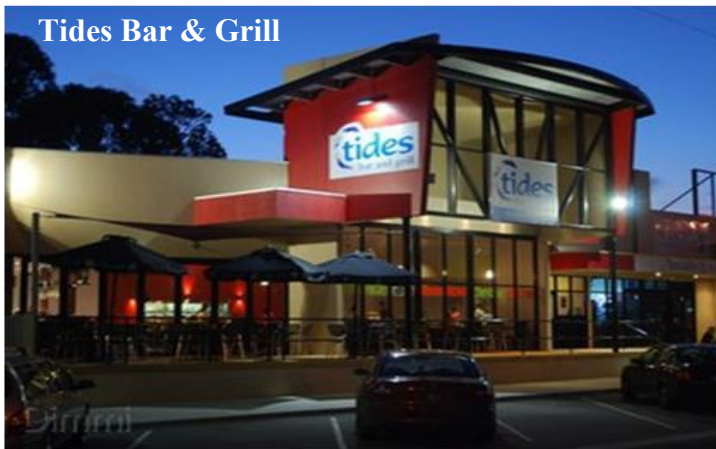
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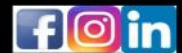
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New Senior School to Open 2018



Newhaven College is gearing up to celebrate the opening of the new Senior School and Art, Science and Technology Wing in 2018.

Originally purchased in 2004, the 82 acres that is now the Phillip Island Road Campus has undergone a planned staged development to transform from farm land into the state-of-the-art independent school that we see today.

The original vision of Newhaven College's founders to provide a comprehensive ecumenical education built on Christian values holds true to this day. This will continue in the future thanks to the leadership of the Board of Directors and College Principal, Gea Lovell, who dedicate countless hours to ensure Newhaven College is the best it can be.

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Places are currently available in Years 1, 2 and 3 in 2018 with a few places remaining at some other year levels across the College.

For enrolment enquiries contact Belinda Manning on 5956 7505 or visit www.newhavencol.vic.edu.au.

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FROM THE
EDITOR'S DESK
editor@waterlinenews.com.au



Welcome to the November edition of The Waterline News.

Here we are with the penultimate edition for 2017 and hard to believe just how fast the year has gone.

This year has seen many changes at The Waterline News, which continues to grow and provide a free service to all community groups to promote their organisations. We also provide encouragement and opportunity for all local writers, poets and artists to showcase their work, some being published for the first time.

Interesting though, the number of community events that we see happening that we do not receive details of. We can only print what we get the details of and encourage all community groups to appoint someone on their Committee whose job is to get details of events to community magazines and local newspapers.

The deadline for our final edition for the year is Friday 1 December.

Distribution will take place during the week commencing 18 December.

As in previous years, we will have a January edition with a 2 January deadline, with distribution expected w/c 15 January.

We are planning to make that edition a Summer Reading special edition as we did last year, so if you've got a story to tell, send it to us.

Why not tell us why you love where you live?

Take care and thanks to the team as always.

Roger Clark, Editor

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Merger



Two into One Will Go!

On 18 October members of the Grantville and District Business and Tourism Association (GADBATA) and Grantville District Ratepayers & Residents Association (GDRRA) met with a common purpose to form the Grantville Business and Community Association (GBCA). While the new association is not an amalgamation of GADBATA and GDRRA, its membership will be drawn from those two, soon-to-be dissolved, associations.

The new GBCA committee comprises:

President: Les Ridge

Vice President: Neroli Heffer

Secretary: Sandy Ridge

Treasurer: Lester Harris

General Committee Members:

Margaret Boyer, Lucy Cirona, Roger Clark, Darrell Egan, Greg Miller and Betty Young.

Among the many stated purposes of GBCA three in particular capture the vision and purpose of the new association:

- Work with and for the Grantville businesses and community.
- Work towards sustainable and sensitive development in Grantville.
- Work to enhance Grantville as a Tourist destination.

If you would like further information regarding GBCA or wish to become a member, please contact Secretary Sandy Ridge on 5997 6127.



The Waterline News

makes space available to all community groups in our distribution area and nearby for letting the community know about their activities and events.

Send us your details

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CORINELLA RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

2017 Committee

President. Wayne Maschette.

Vice President. Peter Tait.

Secretary. David Laing.

Treasurer. Lyndell Parker

General Committee Member.

John Stewart

I have trouble deciding which is my favourite month (in my favourite place, Corinella, ha ha no surprise there!) but the one that brings the black swans back might be it! Graceful, beautiful.....a joy to observe as they glide across the waves so serenely, or mingle with the other amazing water birds along the northern shores, effortlessly fascinating and always enjoyable. I urge everyone who walks their dogs along the shoreline and path to please always have your dogs on lead, as it is terrible to see dogs who are off leash chasing the swans down, there will be lots of cygnets with their parents over the next few weeks, let's all do everything we can to protect and respect their right to a safe place to live. Boating and fishing are hugely popular in Corinella at this time of year, the CRRA would urge everyone to do their best, to show patience and consideration to each other as the very busy days hit.....we all want to enjoy the summer season, working together, thinking of others first, that's a great way to begin.

Christmas is coming. Put Saturday the 16th of December in your diary for a fabulous night of "Carols at the Rotunda", we have some fantastic musicians and singers sharing their talents, Shari Bhatt will be performing "O Holy Night" and other iconic Christmas songs and Carols for us.....we have written to Santa and he has promised to hitch a ride and call in to see the kids at 7.30pm before the big night, for last minute Christmas present requests. We will again have LED candle lights for sale on the night, it is going to be a wonderful community night, celebrating Christmas together. We are hoping to put together a Corinella Community Choir for the night, if you are interested in joining in please email me. If you would like to share your musical talents on the night, also please email.

Looking forward to our big Australia Day Bash held at the Corinella Foreshore Rotunda (ON AUSTRALIA DAY). With such an amazing backdrop view, it just isn't possible for the day not to be amazing! Free sausage sizzle....last year we gave away 350! Every year we hope to make the day more memorable and enjoyable, so watch this space to see what will be happening. If

you have any special skills you would love to share with the community, we would love to hear from you, especially if they are iconically "Aussie", we really want to celebrate being Australians and everything Australian.

The next CRRA special General Meeting will be held on Saturday the 2nd of December. 10am till 12 noon, at the Corinella Community Centre. All ratepayers and residents are welcome, you don't need to be a member to attend, but we invite you to join and play a part in growing Corinella forward in a positive, responsible and caring way. We are all about community, come and meet new people, make new acquaintances and friends.... we always end our meetings with home made treats and a cuppa, or a sausage sizzleand a cuppa! Love to see you there!

Lyndell Parker



President: Jean Coffey 0419 500 593

Secretary: David Pearce 0401 514 339

Our last meeting for the year will be a Christmas lunch on Saturday 25 November at the George Bass Hotel.

All Tenby Point residents are very welcome.

If you are new to Tenby Point, the lunch will be a great opportunity to meet your neighbours and learn about the Association. Please call us for details. Membership of the Association is open to all Tenby Point residents and costs just \$10 per household per year.

PIONEER BAY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Contact :

Zena Benbow

pbpa@bigpond.com



No report this month

CORONET BAY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



2017 Committee

President: David Buckingham

Vice President: Kevin Brown

Secretary: Stephanie Hartridge

Treasurer: Sebastian Nowakowski

General Committee Members:

Mel Gration and Mark Hanrahan

No report this month

Coronet Bay Neighbourhood Watch



See Something, Say Something

Chairperson: Ivan Bradshaw.

5678 0663 – 0414 345 754

Vice Chairperson: Pauline Hiscock.

Treasurer: Joyce Cotter.

Secretary: Sue Linley.

Zone Representative:

Levinus Van Der Deut.

Newsletter Editor/Social Media

Manager: Beck Phelan.

News in brief:

Neighbourhood watch

- The Police report for our October meeting was NO confirmed criminal activities for September in Coronet Bay.
- Christmas Raffle tickets are being sold at the Coronet Bay General Store for \$1 each. The store is generously donating goods for this raffle and we also gratefully accept donations from our community. We give many thanks to the Coronet Bay General Store for their kind help and continued support.
- Thank you to Chris Petrie at Paint 'n Sip for the kind donation of a \$50 voucher for our Christmas Raffle. We also gratefully acknowledge and thank the following for their kind donations for our November raffle:
- Elliston's Mobile Repairs - free minor service valued at \$300
- Mitre 10 Grantville - two solar chargers (phones & other devices)
- Liz Leahy - raised vegetable garden bed
- Pauline Hiscock - 12 pce porcelain dinner set.

Home Safety Tips:

- Consider installing security screen doors to your front and back doors and keep them locked.
- Before opening the door, always ask who's there and only talk to strangers through the locked door.
- If a stranger asks to use your phone, make the call for them. Do not let them inside your home.
- If you feel your personal safety is at risk, call the police on 000 immediately. Check our Facebook page for more helpful information - Coronet Bay Neighbourhood Watch
- Next meeting: December Mon 11th starting 7pm sharp, Coronet Bay Community Hall, Fred Gration Reserve, Cnr Gellibrand St & Bantering Bay Rd, Coronet Bay



Community Notes



Copies of The Waterline News are now available at the Rhyll General Store each month.

TWILIGHT MARKETS:

Jetty Goods Shed to Jansson Road along the Rhyll Foreshore.

4 pm Friday Dec 1, 8 & 22. A new exciting farmer's market offering handmade creations and locally home-made gourmet foods.

Local growers and artisans will display their goods together with a variety of other speciality products. Bring the family and enjoy an entertaining afternoon on the foreshore. Keep up to date with Rhyll Twilight Markets on Facebook.

RHYLL WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL

With just over 3 months to go, planning for the Rhyll Wooden Boat Festival is well and truly in place.

We do need volunteers, so please come along to the meeting and let us know if you have some spare time you can donate to the festival.

Any questions please contact Judy rwbf@iinet.net.au or leave her a note at the Rhyll General Store.

RHYLL COAST ACTION Inc.

In September and October our dedicated volunteers continued working at the Beach Road cutting site where we have been planting to make an unsightly area more in keeping with Rhyll's natural environment. Contractors sprayed and tried to clear the worst of the many weed infestations, two of which are Wandering Jew and Morning Glory, both environmental weeds which are "often initiated from dumping of garden rubbish" (ref. Common Weeds of Gippsland, pp42 & 27). Old bricks and pieces of concrete, builders' rubbish no doubt, have also been found.

The dumping of garden waste results in rampant weed invasion and most rubbish does not break down into anything useful and altogether results in an ugly mess which makes any clearing and revegetation work expensive and difficult.

Please report any dumping to Bass Coast Shire Council 1300 BCOAST or 5671 2211.

BASS COAST BRANCH OF NATIONAL TRUST

Apart from our annual Heritage Festival Tour, 2018 will see us focussing on the heritage of Chicory Kilns on Phillip Island, Bass Coast indigenous heritage and the Phillip Island 150th Celebration, including the Rhyll Wooden Boat Festival. Contact Mary-Lu Burt for information about NTAV membership, meetings and activities. mlburt@melbpc.org.au or visit the NTAV website:

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/vic/>



Grantville Branch Country Women's Association

Meets at the Grantville Hall on the second Monday of each month at 12.30pm. Contact Betty 0418 396 863



October - Ladies packing parcels for our troops

October Social day Art Gallery - Anderson - great!

November

November Market Day Sunday 26th CWA will be selling tickets and drawing on the day the Big Xmas Raffle - not to be missed.

Also look for the CWA annual stall attended by members and partners - many items suitable for Xmas shopping

CWA needs ladies who like to Share and Care for Fun and Friendship.

We would like to fulfil the needs for ladies of all ages with Social Chatter, learning the services that CWA Victoria has undertaken over the past 90 years. For any information you are welcome to call Betty on 0418 396 863.

Betty Young

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Artists' Society of Phillip Island

56-58 Church Street Cowes

For more information <http://aspi-inc.org.au/>

Australian Red Cross

Woodleigh Vale Branch

Contact Sheila Campbell 5 678 8210

Bass Coast Community Baptist Church

Minister - Barry MacDonald 5995 3904

OP SHOP open Mon-Saturday

Bass Coast L2P Learner Driver Mentor

Program Wonthaggi

Leanne Tilley 5672 3731 or 0467 590 679

Bass Coast Strollers

Contact Liz Hart 5678 0346

Website: <http://basscoaststrollers.org/>

Bass Friends of the RSL

Secretary Trish Thick 5678 1071 or 0409851599

Bass Valley Community Group

Monday - Friday 5678 2277

Bass Valley Landcare

2-4 Bass School Rd, Bass 5678 2335

Corinella & District Probus Club

Heather Reid 0421 012 519

Corinella Bowling Club Inc.

Balcombe Street Corinella.

Jacque Carter 5678 0596

Corinella & District Community Centre

48 Smythe St Corinella. 5678 0777

Mon - Fri 10am - 4pm Keep up to date:

Facebook @corinellacomunitycentre

www.corinellacomunitycentre.org.au

Corinella & District Men's Shed

& Woodies Group Corinella Road

Contact : Ken Thomas 0427 889 191

Corinella Foreshore Committee

Contact Barbara Oates 0427 780 245

Coronet Bay, & Surrounds Playgroup

(0-4yrs) Coronet Bay Hall

Mondays 10am—12noon

Contacts: Becky 0439 638 854

Ann 5678 0341

Coronet Bay Adult Social Club

Tuesday 7-10pm Coronet Bay Hall

Ann 5678 0341

Country Women's Association of Vic inc.

Bass Group.

Coronet Bay Margot 0409 559 047

Cowes Lorraine 5952 2165

Glen Alvie Libby 5678 3280

Grantville Annie 5678 8037

Loch Val 5659 4268

Woodleigh Vale Carol 5678 8041

Grantville & District Ambulance Auxiliary

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Grantville & District Business & Tourism

Association

President Neroli Heffer 5678 8548

Grantville & District Ratepayers & Residents

Association

Email gdrsecretary@gmail.com

Grantville & District Foreshore Committee

Contact: Barbara Coles

bacoles@bigpond.net.au

Grantville Recreation Reserve Committee

Pat Van 5997 6221

Grantville Tennis Club Inc.

Contact Pat Van 5997 6221

Kernot Uniting Church

1040 Loch-Kernot Road, Kernot

Contact Secretary Judy Hogan 0422 094 903

Lang Lang Bowling Club

Ian Painter 5997 6554 M: 0419 646 040

Email: langlangbowling@bigpond.com

Lang Lang Community Centre

Coordinators Marg and Michelle

Phone 5997 5704

Email: llcc@langlang.net

Lang Lang Cricket Club

Secretary: Sharon May 0459 368 431

Lang Lang Playgroup

(0-Preschool) Thursdays 9.30am

Contact Crystal 0473 077 125

Lions Club of Bass Valley

First Tuesday each month 6pm

Grantville Transaction Centre then third

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Nyora Youth Group

Dawn King: Email: cps.58@bigpond.com

Phillip Island Community Art & Craft

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Cowes Cultural Centre Thompson Ave

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Contact Jack 0434 944 380

Phillip Island & District Railway Modellers

Inc.

The Phillip Island & District Railway

Contact Peter 5956 9513

Phillip Island Community and Learning

Centre (PICAL)

56-58 Church Street, Cowes 5952 1131

Linda Morrison manager@pical.org.au

Phillip Island Patchworkers

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Contact - Lyn Duguid 0427 593 936

phillipislandpatchworkers@gmail.com

Phillip Island Senior Citizens Club

Phone bookings

5952 2973

Email piscc123@gmail.com

Phillip Island Squares

Square Dancing, Bass Valley Community Hall.

Bass School Rd,

Contact: Carol 5952 5875

Pioneer Bay Progress Association

Zena Benbow

pbpa@bigpond.com

Probus Club of Corinella and District

First Wednesday of each month at the Bass Hotel.

Contact Heather Reid 0421 012 519

Rob Parsons 0402 852 300

Probus Club of San Remo

Second Monday of the month (except January)

10am at the Newhaven Public Hall. Visitors

Welcome.

Enquiries: Bob Andrews 0437 526 757

Rhyll Community Association.

Secretary Cheryl Overton 0427 680 483

South Gippsland Arthritis Support

Group

Contact: Adam

0408 353 785

Marg:

0417 154 057

Diane:

5658 1443

South Gippsland Mental Illness Carer's

Group

Maggie 5658 1781 Rosemary 5662 4352

South Gippsland Support after Suicide

Phone 9421 7640

Email southgippslandsas@gmail.com

Survivors of Suicide

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St Pauls Anglican Church Bass

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Contact Sandy Ridge 5997 6127

St Georges Anglican Church Corinella

1st Sunday each month 11.00am

Other Sundays 9am

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Centre Second Friday at 12pm

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Tenby Point Residents Association

President Jean Coffey 0419 500 593

Secretary David Pearce 0401 514 339

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1st Saturday
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 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

Corinella Community Market
 Contact details 0435 736 510

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
Koowee 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

Community Markets



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
 Except December which is the third Sunday
 Grantville Recreation Reserve
 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
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 Further Information: 5678 5386

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Grantville
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Community Centre 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

Nut Cheeses is on Tuesday 21st November 10am to 12.30pm. Join Nicky for a discussion on the range of options involved in making nut cheeses and also how to make a simple tofu feta. Please book. **'Welcome to Our Town'** Morning Tea is happening on Wednesday 22nd November from 10.30am. Are you new to Wonthaggi and would like to know about the area, town and WNC? Come along and share a cuppa and pick up your FREE 'Welcome to Our Town' DVD and pack.

End Violence against Women Campaign. To mark the United Nations 1993 Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women

Orange the World: Fence Weaving Day is on Thursday 23rd November 11am - 1pm. The UN Secretary-General's UNITE in this campaign invites us all to "Orange the World" to symbolise a brighter future without violence. Support attending children from Wonthaggi PS in their artwork. Feel free to bring something orange to weave in. **'Mate': Empowering Communities:** Preventing Violence is on Thursday 30th November 1 to 3pm. **'Mate'** (formerly Mentors in Violence Prevention) is a free leadership workshop to empower participants as active bystanders with practical tools to interrupt violence and challenge sexist behaviour. Call Fiona on 0439 377 584 for more information.

Wednesday 'Pop Up' Spring Lunch is happening on the 29 November from 12.30 to 1.30pm. Join us for a delicious lunch (featuring some produce from our community garden) and lots of friendly conversation. Everyone welcome!

Your Asthma in Your Hands is on Saturday 2nd December 10 to 11am. Learn simple techniques to enhance your breathing capacity. Call 5672 3731 to book in.

LGBTI Social/Support Group meet on Mondays, this term they are 20th November & 18th December from 7.00 to 8.30pm for an informal, safe and relaxed space to share experiences, friendship coffee and good conversation. Please call Jan for more information.

A Christmas Gathering is on Friday 15th December 11am to 12.30pm. Just an informal get-together to celebrate the end of a year and share Christmas greetings and goodwill. We'll have some lovely mince pies, mulled wine, music and singing to share.

'Open Community Workshop' is on Mondays from 2.30 to 4.30pm. Drop in for expert help if you are stuck on a home maintenance job or project. Very handy. Call 5672 3731 for availability.

From Couch to 5kms Fitness Group (Tuesday & Thursday) is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6am to 6.45am. An early start I know, meet us outside Mitchell House for walking / jogging / running, whichever suits you. Any fitness level is fine and parents with prams are welcome! Please book.

Youth 'Pop Up' Space meets fortnightly at the Harvest Centre Shed on Wednesdays 4 to 6pm. This is a fun space for young people to share games, have something to eat and just relax. Primary aged children will need signed parental consent. To check the dates available, ring 5672 3731

Flourish!: Is on Thursdays from 12.30 to 3.30pm. This is a recovery based self-development program for those living with a mental illness. It is a free program offered by 'Within Australia' a leading provider of mental health and wellbeing services. Call Melanie on 1300 737 412 to enrol.

Free Friday Supported Playgroup is for families with a Health Care Card (or equivalent). Each week Janine our Early Childhood Facilitator will provide fun activities for you and your child to enjoy together. It is from 10am to 12noon.

The Toy Library is open Monday - Thursday 10am to 2pm and Friday 10am to 12noon. Become a member of the Wonthaggi Community Centre and choose from a large variety of toys and puzzles. You select a toy and a puzzle for two weeks, return them and select anew. Call Janine on 0457 834 960.

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.



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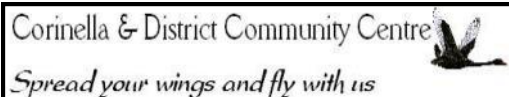
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What's happening at your local community centre in November and December? We have activities and groups running every day; our term 4 program is completed and can be viewed on our webpage at:

www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au.

We have two hosted tours running this term (dates to be advised).

First off is a tour and talk at the Corinella Historic Cemetery and the second tour is a Historic Tour of Corinella. Join our local historian superstar 'Libby' as she recounts the history of the area. Cost is \$15.00 per person, book a spot on 5678 0777.

Want to get back into the workforce or go onto further study? Brush up on your computer skills or further develop your skills, we have the Pre-Accredited Course for you.

We will be running a basic computer course: Intel® Learn Easy Steps program. Call us for further information on 5678 0777.

Want to learn how to create beautiful mosaics? We have an enthusiastic group that meets every Monday afternoon at 4.00 PM where you can work on your own masterpieces amongst likeminded people.

Also on Monday and Wednesday evenings our local Yoga guru, Nikki runs the very popular yoga classes. Join John Adam local talented artist every Tuesday afternoon for art classes.

Get support and help from John to develop your techniques and skills.

The Crafties meet every second and fourth Wednesday of the month, bring along your crafts that you are working on or have not had the time to finish and join a bunch of fellow Crafties for a fun morning out. Every Thursday, local artist Keith facilitates an art group where you can work on your paintings and get some tips from Keith.

Introducing a new service, our local Justice of the Peace, Libby will be available at the centre each Thursday 10.30 - 12.00 for witnessing docs, declarations etc. Call to make an appointment with Libby.

Every Thursday at 12.00 pm, we run the 'Summer Days Social Lunch'. Everybody's welcome to enjoy a light lunch whilst having a 'chinwag' with others, cost is by donation.

Book club is a great group that runs on the second Thursday evening of every month. Join Libby and the group to discuss or debate the book of the month.

The lovely women of the St Georges Church Auxiliary host a delicious three-course community lunch on the second Friday of the month.

Due to popular demand Janice Orchard's 'Smart Art' learn to paint in oils and acrylics

is booked out for November but you can put your name down for the next class in 2018 by calling the centre.

The food pantry is open every day to support people to put food on their table. This free service is designed to provide enough food in emergencies to get through a 24-hour period. We have a range of pantry goods, fresh fruit and vegetables. Fresh fruit and vegetables are generously donated every week by our friends, the Riccardi family at La Provincia in Corinella.

Drop in to have a browse of our free book exchange, grab a book, swap a book or donate a book, up to you. We have a great range available for your selection.

CDCC run regular small bus trips to city markets, theatre shows, hot springs, etc. call us to register your interest and enjoy a day out without the hassle of driving.

We have created the 'West Wall Gallery' in the foyer of the centre and are hosting monthly exhibitions of local artists. November we have Anne Albert and finishing off 2017 will be Lyndell Parker. All of the exhibiting artists are living in the district, support your locals by dropping by and maybe purchase their work. Do you need a small bus to get to events? We hire out the Waterline Community Bus (9 seater) at very reasonable rates. Call us to check availability and prices.

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers, do you have a spare day a week? If so give Iain a call and come and join the team. Volunteer roles are mostly in office administration but if you have special skills do call in and have a chat.

Keep up to date with us on Facebook

@CorinellaCommunityCentre.

Call in or call us on 5678 0777.

Cheers: Iain and our amazing volunteers

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**For further details on all events
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CFA NEWS With Michele Fulwell

We are heading into a busy time of year for our local brigades. We undertake extra training in the lead up to the fire danger period with an extensive practice exercise involving brigades from all over Bass Coast to be undertaken in November.

In the same way as local volunteers and brigades are planning for fire season, now is the time for you to prepare.

Grantville is at VERY HIGH risk of bushfire and The Gurdies EXTREME risk, so residents should have a fire plan in place. When making your plan consider what your trigger to leave may be and where you will go.

The best way to work this out is to understand the Fire Danger Ratings.

Now is also the time ensure you understand the different warnings and to download the VicEmergency App.

Check out the CFA website for more detail or talk with your local brigade. Both Corinella and Kernot-Grantville are in attendance at their local monthly markets.

You can also call the VicEmergency Hotline on 1800 226 226 for bushfire preparation and planning information. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech impairment, you can contact VicEmergency Hotline through National Relay Service on 1800 555 677.

Another great place to get information is at the Bass Valley Primary School Fete on Friday 17th November. Bass, Corinella and Kernot-Grantville Brigades will be there with a some giveaways and to answer any questions you may have about preparing for summer, home fire safety or becoming a volunteer!!

Remember if you are tidying up around your property Bass Coast Shire Council have a green waste amnesty on until 19th December 2017. If you are on a rural property and burning off please register your burn by calling 1800 668 511.

SANTA RUNS

Both Corinella and Kernot-Grantville Fire Brigades are undertaking Santa Runs again this year. Look out for flyers with information on or contact your local brigade for more information.

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DEMENTIA

Dr Rachel Wonderlin



Usually, when I meet people with dementia, they are already in a moderate or advanced stage of the disease process. Most of my experience working in dementia care has been in care community settings, so residents are often not moved into our care until they get to the point where families struggle to provide the amount of care that they require. (And, of course, families often feel very guilty about moving a loved one, so they won't do it until too late.)

When I met Lou, he was in the very early stages of dementia.

I do not know exactly what his diagnosis is, although it looks like Alzheimer's disease to me. Over the last year, though, I have watched Lou steadily decline.

This is new for me: while I have watched many people decline, it is rare that I see someone start in a very early stage of the disease process decline.

Lou is aware of some of his impairment, but it is becoming clearer that he isn't aware of everything.

We were sitting around, talking about an activity we'd just completed. "That's how it goes with the fish," Lou said, laughing. I had no idea what Lou was talking about, but I did what I always do when I'm with people with dementia and I don't understand their meaning: I mirror their body language.

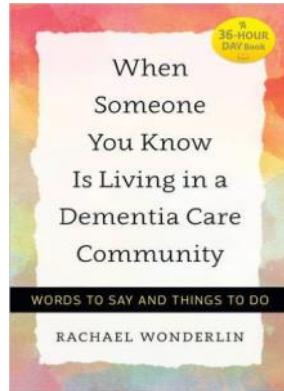
Mirroring Lou, I also nodded and forced a quick laugh, and then moved past it so the others we were sitting with wouldn't have time to ask him what he meant.

Over the last 6 months, it's become clear to me that Lou is dealing with some anosognosia: an inability to understand one's own condition.

In dementia care, this is the best case scenario. Lou doesn't realize how intense his decline has been, and why would he want to? It's a much happier place that Lou is in when he is not aware of his speech-related challenges. Probably, in Lou's mind, his declining speech is not noticeable.

One thing that I've always noticed with people who have dementia is in their eyes. It's a "far off" look that people get, as if their bodies are here, but their minds are somewhere else, occupying a different space. Lou's eyes have begun to take on that look.

While I feel badly for him, and while it can be sad, I am happy that Lou is still living his best life, unaware of his decline.



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Autoimmune disorders: Pressing the reset button

Autoimmune diseases develop when the immune system, which usually protects the body, sees healthy cells as an invader and attacks its own tissue. Common autoimmune disorders include Rheumatoid Arthritis, Lupus, Multiple Sclerosis, Thyroid disease, Diabetes and Inflammatory Bowel disease among others. They can have a debilitating effect on individuals. It's important to understand that Chinese medicine is slightly different to Western medicine and looks at the body in close relationship with the environment, climatic factors, emotional health and lifestyle choices.

It's no longer a secret that diet and gut health is essential to physical health and

emotional wellbeing. According to Chinese medicine, energy (Qi) derived from food and water directly affects the strengths and resilience of immunity. The spleen and stomach that are part of the five-element theory represent earth, the element that literally nurtures and supports. The spleen and stomach combination of organs according to Chinese medicine are often seen as imbalanced with autoimmune conditions and one of the first approaches that we take is to get the earth element into good shape.

The Chinese medicine approach will combine a range of diagnostic tools such as questioning, palpation, tongue and pulse diagnosis. Despite genetics being a huge contributor to autoimmune conditions, we consider the environment and climatic factors as significant. Wind, cold, heat, dryness and dampness are external factors in the atmosphere that interact with our physicality. "We exist and live in this environment with its climatic factors, why would it not affect us"? says Brigitte Linder, Chinese medicine practitioner at Safflower clinic.

Once an external factor has an impact and the body is not bouncing back to its natural ability of defense, other internal systems might be compromised, and a pattern of flaring and missing will establish itself. It's a complex situation and often it requires a collaborative strategy between several modalities.

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Summer Health Tips

Always apply sunscreen

It is important to use a sunscreen lotion of at least SPF 30 in order to protect your skin from harmful UV rays. For sensitive skin, a mineral-based sunscreen is best. Don't sit in the sun in peak hours between 10am and 4pm in order to minimize UV radiation. If you are planning to be out in the sun for a long period of time, reapply sunscreen every two to three hours.

Drink plenty of water

During the hot summer months, heat and sweat can leave your body dehydrated. A lack of water is harmful to your body and can also make you crave food when you're not actually hungry. It is incredibly important to keep yourself hydrated by drinking at least eight to nine glasses of water a day. Bored with water? Add some low calorific flavouring to water such as a piece of fruit, or opt for healthy alternatives like green tea or coconut water.

Beware of 'healthy' smoothies

Fruit smoothies are a great way to get your five-a-day and keep refreshed throughout the summer, but watch out for smoothies made with frozen yoghurts or ice cream as they can be extremely calorific. A healthy smoothie should be made with fruit, juice, low fat-yoghurt and ice. Use any fruit you might have or have kept in the freezer, and throw it all in a blender to make a perfect summer drink.

Eat healthy by the pool

When the sun is beating down, the idea of seeking out the nearest ice cream stand is seriously tempting. Stay strong by being prepared, and pack a cooler full of healthy snacks and juices. Fill your ice-box with ice, bottled water, sandwiches, vegetable sticks with hummus, yoghurts and endless amounts of fruit.

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Bass Coast Strollers



On 30 October, seventeen members of the Bass Coast Strollers walked the Anderson to San Remo walking trail, and then on to Newhaven. Rain threatened early in the day, but the entire walk was in dry weather with good coastal views from the vantage points along the trail. A morning coffee at the Silverwater resort was a welcome break. For twenty years Strollers have enjoyed Monday morning walks in and around Bass Coast Shire, from Grantville to Inverloch, and the occasional walk further afield. Monday morning walks usually end with informal outdoor lunches, joined by those members taking a shorter walk option.

About twice a year three to four day camps in interesting parts of rural Victoria have complemented the Monday walks. Recent camps have been to Neerim South Holiday Cottages and Castlemaine Tourist Park. In November a trip to East Gippsland is planned.

A 20th anniversary celebration is planned for next May. Past members are invited to join the celebration of this important milestone by contacting the club, attending the lunch, sharing tales of earlier triumphs or tribulations and rekindling old friendships.

For the schedule of future walks and activities see: www.basscoaststrollers.org

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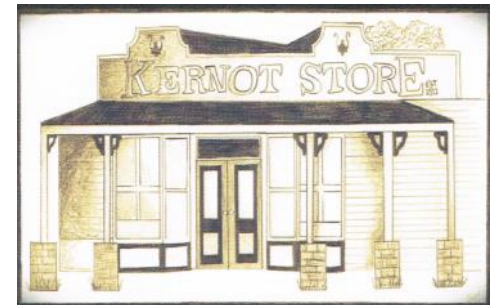
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For Jan Cheshire, good cooking starts in the garden with fresh, seasonal vegetables, herbs and fruit.



Salad with a splash

RECENTLY, I was wracking my brain to find a different but easy salad to take with me to the Woolamai Picnic Races.

I am not sure how this one cropped up, but I thought I had better try it out on Bert first.

Hooray, it was a great success! I don't usually like salads with noodles, but this one is particularly tasty and, of course, very easy to make.

CHILLI CHICKEN NOODLE SALAD

Ingredients

500 grams of chicken thighs
1 jar of chilli jam, from supermarkets
1 packet of cellophane noodles (from the Asian section)
1 packet of bean sprouts from the vegie section

Coriander, parsley, and other herbs if you have them

1 Lebanese cucumber thinly sliced
Thai style salad dressing or make your own with olive oil, red wine vinegar, a splash or two of soy sauce and a small chilli, de-seeded (optional).

Method

Cut the chicken thighs into manageable pieces.

Pierce them with a metal skewer.

Marinate them in the chilli jam, preferably overnight or for a few hours.

Heat the olive oil and char grill or pan fry the chicken turning often until cooked.

Plunge the noodles into boiling water for 2 minutes, drain and cool.

Wash the bean sprouts, herbs and any other salad items.

Mix all the salad ingredients into a bowl.

Add the cooled noodles and cooked chicken pieces and toss well.

To serve, pour over the Thai style dressing.

Garnish with coriander.

A Touch of spice



Shortbread is a bit of a tradition with us at Christmastime, they are so easy to make, taste delicious and are very moreish. You can't have just one, I'm afraid!

These ginger shortbreads are especially delightful.

GINGER SHORTBREAD

Ingredients

250 grams of unsalted butter
125 grams of caster sugar
350 grams of plain flour
2 tablespoons of rice flour (available in supermarkets)
125grams of crystallised ginger finely chopped

Method

Heat the oven to 160 degrees.

Mix together the butter, flours and sugar.

Roll out the dough to about 1.5cm thick.

Cut the dough into 18 fingers.

Grease and line a baking tray and place the fingers on the tray leaving a little space between each.

Bake on trays for 25-30 mins at 160.

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The French Island News



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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.

Calling 000 is always the best option in an emergency.

NURSE ON CALL

For non urgent health issues islanders may utilise the Department of Health's Nurse on Call service: 1300 60 60 24

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POISON INFORMATION HOTLINE

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French Island General Store and Post Office

From bread and milk to plumbing supplies, the store provides so many goods and services, we can't name them all here. In the meantime, whether it's distilled water for batteries or a fuel filter for the car, ring to find out what's in stock. Newspapers can also be ordered from the store with at least 24 hours notice.

Christine Dineen's New French Island Visitor's Guide also available.

289 Tankerton Road, French Island, 3921
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FRENCH ISLAND FERRY

Western Port Ferries, a wholly owned subsidiary of Searoad Ferries, is the new operator between Stony Point, Tankerton and Cowes.

From late September a new, purpose built catamaran ferry has taken over the route.

Note:

Tickets can now be booked online or purchased on board the vessel rather than at the Stony Point Kiosk.

Seniors Card holders continue to travel for free on weekends. FOFI has a number of tickets to help pay for members under 60, generously provided by Parks Victoria.

For more information see:
<http://westernportferries.com.au/>

NO MORE PLASTIC BAGS

FIGS (French Island General Store) has announced that it will no longer be using plastic bags, and asks its customers to bring reusable bags to the store.

This is excellent news for our marine life. Well done!

French Island Community Tip

Working Bee Time: 10am - noon
Got a little spare time this year to help keep the tip tidy?

Here are this year's remaining dates.
December 11

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French Island Landcare
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The French Island News

Eastern Barred Bandicoots

Amy Coetsee



I've been travelling to French Island for a couple of years to talk to residents about a proposal to release EBBs, a species that is now extinct in the wild in Victoria.

I'm now a frequent visitor to French Island, and it's not just the EBB project that keeps me travelling back regularly, but the fabulous people I have met there and the friendships I've formed that makes it difficult to stay away for too long.

I'm a firm believer that to truly understand something you have to see it for yourself. I know I can talk to the community endlessly about EBBs (and I have, just ask any of them), how special they are, how they need our help and how French Island can be responsible for saving this species from near extinction. But seeing free ranging EBBs is much more special than words can ever be, and where better to see them, than Churchill Island, where a trial population was released in 2015.

For a while I've wanted to invite the French Island community to Churchill Island to experience what it is like to live with EBBs.

The challenge has always been getting people there, and home again. Being a nocturnal animal, day trips to look at EBB digs are good, but not really exciting. It's only at night, once the sun descends over the horizon that Churchill comes to life with EBBs, and it's that I wanted the French Islanders to experience.

Westernport ferries tried their best to accommodate this trip, but it was just too difficult to fit in between the normal ferry service.

That's where the Kasey Lee stepped in.

An early spring trip before the clocks changed was important to ensure it wasn't a ridiculously late night, but as every islander knows, spring is fraught with strong winds and ferry cancellations. So locking this trip in for early September was a risk. Would we have to cancel at the very last moment?

The week before the event a cold front passed through Victoria, bringing with it strong winds and almost constant rain – it wasn't looking good. But as the days progressed the forecast began to turn in our favour.

I wasn't sure how popular this event would be, I hoped to get 50 people along but thought I might struggle. I needn't have worried, in the end 98 people signed up!

On Saturday the 9th of September the rain had cleared, the air was calm and almost all of the French Island community congregated on Tankerton jetty. We boarded the Kasey Lee and travelled to Rhyl, from there we went by bus to Churchill Island.

As we arrived the sun had started to set. We searched for EBB digs as we wandered to the shearing shed where Trevor, the island caretaker, welcomed us all to his home and provided his personal account of living with EBBs. Dinner and drinks were then served in the café and people stepped outside to catch their first glimpse of a stripy bottom.

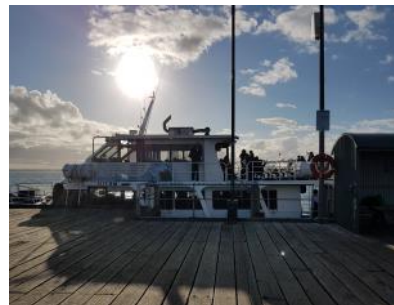
Churchill Island is fox, cat and rabbit free, and EBBs certainly reap the benefits of this. It wasn't long before EBBs were being spotted all over the place. Mother bandicoots and their young at foot, and a number of males chasing females for the opportunity to mate and create the next generation.

Laughter and smiles filled the night. A great night was had by all and I'm pretty sure the little EBB captured the hearts of many that night.

As the almost full moon rose high in the sky we travelled back to French Island on the Kasey Lee.

Thank you French Island for a great night. I enjoyed myself immensely and hope you did to. Maybe one night we can experience a night like this again, but on French Island.

EBBs working hard, during the French Island community visit, to produce the next generation



Boarding the Kasey Lee at Tankerton

Dr Amy Coetsee has been studying Eastern Barred Bandicoots for 12 years and is currently employed by Zoos Victoria to lead EBB projects that will result in securing a future for this species and generations to come.



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Focus on... Corinella

UPGRADE CONTINUES AT THE CORINELLA PUBLIC HALL.



Pictured are the recarpeted hall foyer, and Councillors Le Serve & Ellis together with committee members following the AGM. Barb Oates, Barb Dann, Clare Le Serve Jo Huckett, Paula Clarke, Geoff Ellis, Peter Tait.

The Corinella Hall Committee of Management recently held its' AGM. Bass Coast Shire Council delegate the Committee to operate and maintain the hall on its' behalf. The AGM was attended by both Councillor Clare Le Serve and Councillor Geoff Ellis who oversaw the C of M elections. Elected were Barb Oates (President); Jo Huckett (Treasurer); Barb Dann (Secretary); Paula Clarke (Bookings Officer); Bruce Pryor & Peter Tait (Committee Members); Paula & Jo will share the Vice President role.

In sharing her report Barb Oates highlighted the continued progress the committee has made toward the hall refurbishment. This year the committee was grateful to be the recipient of a BCSC community grant which completed the hall carpet replacement. The hall is now carpeted in the same carpet throughout, where previously each section featured different colours and styles – some dating back to the 1970s! The hall now has a functioning commercial grade kitchen, new floors throughout, new paintwork and updating of the exterior gardens & carpark. In another highlight the committee organised & ran a community consultation project on the Harold Hughes Reserve (the land on which the hall sits). Extensive data was gathered through this process and the council is currently generating a report from it.

Upcoming works to complete the upgrade works include refurbishment of the ladies toilet; cabinetry for a historical display and replacement of tables. A large table setting was recently donated (by Anwyn Martin) for the meeting room & the Committee were recently notified it had been successful in apply for a Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation Grant to fund the table replacement project.



Median Value Houses - Corinella



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What is progress?

Meryl Brown Tobin

AS A member of the Grantville and District Residents and Ratepayers Association, I attended the joint meeting of that association and the Grantville and District Business and Tourism Association on October 12.

The meeting voted that the two associations combine to form a new association, the Grantville Business and Community Association. Congratulations and thanks to all those who served on the earlier two committees and those who will serve on the new committee.

During the evening the word “progress” came up a number of times. What is progress? The Australian Pocket Oxford Dictionary defines it as “forward movement, advance, improvement, development, increase”.

What does progress mean to the people of the Grantville area? To take an extreme view, if developers see the resources we have here as up for exploitation at any cost, and people in the name of progress support such development for short-term gain without counting the long-term cost, we could end up looking like the cartoon on the back page of a Mad magazine I read when a kid. Except for a tiny patch of remnant rainforest in the middle, it showed a planet covered in concrete and high rise buildings. From a tree in the rainforest the big eyes of a terrified possum looked out as a bulldozer



roared towards it.

To me progress means sustainable development. Anything less and we kill the

very things people are attracted to in the Grantville area. Many of us have come here for lifestyle amenity reasons, such as the more relaxed lifestyle, the rolling green farmlands, the coastal areas and safe bay, the native vegetation stands (the largest pre-European native vegetation stands on the eastern side of Western Port) and the animals and birds that live and visit here. It's not enough to expect our fauna to survive in the relatively small protected nature reserves already set aside, and roadside and various coastal strips and other remnant bush.

According to the Bass Coast Shire Council's Environment Sustainability Plan 2008-2013: “One of the most critical local environmental issues for Bass Coast is that there is less than 10 per cent of indigenous bush remaining from pre 1700s. There is research and a common acceptance that if there is 35 per cent cover of native vegetation then 75-80 per cent of species can survive, but below that level extinctions can accelerate rapidly.”

In the Grantville area and throughout the rest of the shire, when thinking about progress, we need to remember that we must protect our wildlife if we do not want it to disappear. We need to increase wildlife corridors to connect our areas of bush, and not allow subdivisions across natural corridors through farmland and remnant bushland, as has happened in our area in the past.

While it is good to see a medical centre, a pharmacy and other shops in Grantville's centre, we must weigh up carefully what else we wish for. Look at Cranbourne, Tooradin, Berwick and Pakenham and other areas being swallowed up by development, progress or whatever name we wish to call the relentless swallowing up of our market gardens and rural land. Ever wondered what happens when we can no longer feed ourselves?

Do we want to see our local identity swallowed up so we are no or little different from other towns along our highways or indeed from suburbia?

Progress means different things to different people. Before deciding what it means to

us, it is worth looking about our area to decide what we value about it and how best to preserve and protect it. I suggest it is by supporting only sustainable development.

Meryl Brown Tobin



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4. What is Hillary Clinton's middle name?
5. Cats were once sacred animals in what ancient culture?
6. What was the name of the rescue ship that picked up Titanic survivors following the disaster?
7. What Zodiac sign is represented by the water carrier?
8. How many events are there in a decathlon?
9. What do Sumo wrestlers throw in the ring before a bout?
10. Where in Russia was the 2014 year's Winter Olympics held?
11. Harry Styles is a member of which boy band?
12. Who did Democrat Bill Clinton defeat in the 1996 US Presidential Election?
13. Which story begins: "All children except one grow up"?
14. What do you call the young of a Leopard?
15. Name the woman who won gold for Britain in the Skeleton event at the 2014 Winter Olympics.
16. What is the codename given to the UK investigation into allegations of sex crimes against the late DJ and presenter, Jimmy Saville?
17. In Star Wars, what species is Chewbacca?
18. What did Thomas Crapper invent?
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20. Which two seas are joined by the Suez Canal?

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Who is the Father of Philosophy?

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If you are asking about western philosophy the most appropriate person to be called its "father" is Socrates.

Socrates wrote nothing himself, but he is credited (whether rightly or wrongly) with the statement "An unexamined life is not worth living" and devoted much of his life to discussing and debating many of the issues that concern philosophers today.

Further, he taught Plato, whose writings form the foundation of western philosophy. Plato, in turn, taught Aristotle, the other giant of ancient Greek thought.

There were Greek philosophers before Socrates, but for the most part these thinkers (commonly called the pre Socratics) were concerned with explaining change in the natural world and so were more early scientists than philosophers, at least as the term is understood today

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The father of philosophy as a discipline that asks questions is Socrates. Philosophy, in fact, is at first a quest of truth, but it would never claim to possess truth itself. Historically, Socrates lived in Ancient Greek Athens, where sophists used to practice "Arete" (excellence, virtue of discourse), to persuade people of their point of view, thus claiming to possess the truth through rhetoric.

Socrates, refusing general dogmas and sophistry, used to criticize his adversaries in a different way: instead of counter-arguments, he would just adhere to his adversaries ideas to show how unfounded they are. Thus, Socrates questioned everything, even the concept of justice, which to him, seemed to be self-righteous. He was condemned to death by the tribunal,

and there is a story claiming that his disciples came to break him free from jail, but he refused because he ought to abide to the laws of the City.

As a man of conscience, he died because he held as principle that there are no absolute principles. Wisdom, for him, was "knowing that one knows nothing".

Socrates never wrote anything, and is mainly remembered for his (sometimes romanticized) discourses through Plato, his disciple. Plato would be considered the one who invented philosophy as a rigorous systematic search for truth. Aristotle extended his works and added new philosophical branches such as logic and ethics.

Thus, philosophy was born out of questions, because one cannot live in a world with no reference without asking "why?". Socrates is the first one to have questioned the truth value of most aspects of life, thus creating further questions, as the term "philosophy", in contrast with "sophism", does not mean that one can possess wisdom, but that one can only befriend it, as "philosopher" means "friend of wisdom".

Toni Kesserwany

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Our community continues to honour the service and sacrifice of those men and women who serve our nation proudly at home and overseas.

As a community, it is essential that each generation learns about that sacrifice and understands how Australia's involvement in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations has shaped this country.

That is why I am thrilled that schools across Australia received an educational kit in preparation for Remembrance Day.

The educational kit, which was developed

by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA), was designed to help schools plan educational and commemorative Remembrance Day activities.

The kit included a Remembrance Day commemorative poster, the 2018 calendar, an educational resource and flyers promoting new online publications about Australian peacekeeping and the 2018 Anzac Day Schools' Awards.

A key part of this year's educational resource was the sixth instalment in the Century of Service series. The book, *Comradeship: Stories of friendship and recreation in wartime* explores the stories of Australians finding joy and laughter in simple pleasures, like sport and music, amongst the horrors of war.

It is a fascinating read and I hope many students and teachers alike will take the time to discover some of these incredible stories.

I'm also pleased that more than one thousand part-pensioners in the seat of Flinders had their Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) reinstated last month.

These former part-pensioners lost the card in January as a consequence of reforms to the pension assets test, which were designed to make the pension system more affordable

and sustainable for the future.

In reinstating the PCC, the Turnbull Government is ensuring that these 90,000 former part-pensioners, including 1039 in the seat of Flinders, will be able to access those benefits again in the future.

If I can be of assistance to you in any way please feel free to contact me:

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Cranbourne Shire Historical Society
Tooradin - Fisherman's Cottage Museum
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.
Contact - Polly Freeman - (03) 5998 3643

The Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society.
Meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at Mallow house in Rossiter Road, corner of Henry Street. New members welcome. The Museum is generally open the second and fourth Sundays from 1.30pm until 4.30pm or by appointment.
Heather Arnold 0407 521 637
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Lang Lang & District 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. The Centre is open each Wednesday 11am - 3pm or by appointment
Secretary Peter Hayden 5997 5114

Phillip Island & District Historical Society
Phillip Island Heritage Centre,
89 Thompson Cowes.
PO Box 816 Cowes, Vic 3922
Contact 5956 8501, 5956 9214
or 5952 3279



Railway Station Museum
Murray Street, Wonthaggi

www.wonthaggihistoricalsociety.org.au
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Secretary: Irene 03 5672 1830

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Many thanks to Peter and Jan who passed this and several other old newspapers on to the Bass Valley Historical Society. If you have or find old newspapers, documents or letters we would be happy to store them safely in our archives room at Corinella

Libby Skidmore Archivist
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BASS VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Salt pans and water channel on left, formed by Samuel Anderson in 1848. (South Gippsland Photographics, Wonthaggi)

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History

Happy Birthday Cobber



COBBER – the Wonthaggi State Coal Mines Pit Pony has just celebrated his 38th birthday.

He was born Wednesday 1st August 1979 and had quite a few people bring him chopped up fruit and carrots to celebrate (he has not got many teeth left).

Friends of the State Coal Mine have been doing some research into Cobber's breeding and to find out how old he is.

According to his branding 6 / 9 – and GG over a lazy S which was registered with the Australian Pony Stud Book Society he was bred by Mr. G.K. George of Lot 102A Alston Rd, Narre Warren East, who was a registered breeder of Sec A. Welsh Mountain Ponies. The breeding code of 6 / 9 we were told, says that Cobber was Pony No 6 bred and 9 is the year. So this makes Cobber 38 years of age.

According to the researchers most Sec A Welsh Mountain Pony only ever reach the age of 31 years, So Cobber is recorded as the oldest one. He is truly a remarkable and very well loved Pit Pony at the State Coal Mines.

Thanks must go to Marion Costello – Historian at the Austn. Pony Stud Book Society – Suellen Deane – Llanfairbryn Stud and Friends of S.C.M. & Wayne Loughnan.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COBBER from all your friends at the Wonthaggi State Coal Mines.

Wonthaggi Cemetery Celebrates



Its been 106 years and Wonthaggi Cemetery finally has "Denominational" Signs for all Burial Sections.

Friends of Wonthaggi Cemetery are pleased with this, and also many of our other achievements around the cemetery.

Please come and visit the Cemetery and view our great signs.

Please also note that although our internal roads are a disgrace from the wet weather, they will be regraded and re stoned sometime in November to January 2018 depending on weather conditions.

Noelene Lyons

Can you help?

Are you a descendant of John Burns McLEOD & Harriett McLEOD

At Wonthaggi Cemetery we have many problem graves. In the Presbyterian Section 5 (first driveway entrance) the Burial Register has recorded Harriett & John B. McLeod burial in Row A. But a plot number was never recorded.

I am hoping some family members can help us place the burial grave.

McLEOD HARRIETT died 11.11.1956 - buried 13.11.1956 86 years Main Street, Nyora.

McLEOD John Burns died 10.06.1967 - buried 11.06.1967 78 years Preston

In Presbyterian Section 5 Rows " B " & " C " we have many graves but sadly we have the same problem as Mr. & Mrs. McLeod with no burial area recorded.

If you have family in this section and you could spare a few minutes to ring me, Noelene 56724739 or email me with the details, noelene@dcsi.net.au it would be much appreciated.

Noelene Lyons

Cora Lynn Cheese Factory



The Cheese Factory at Cora Lynn is a prominent landmark, and as you can see by the date on the factory, it was established in 1910.

This photograph was taken in 1998 and it has since been refurbished. I have tried to find out the exact date of the opening, but can only conclude from the following newspaper reports that it was either December 1910 or January 1911. The factory was extended in the 1930s and in 1932 had around 500 regular suppliers; however it was closed in the late 1940s.

The first mention I found was on August 3, 1910.

CHEESE FACTORY AT CORA LYNN.
BUNYIP, Tuesday.—Some months ago the shareholders of the proposed cheese factory at Cora Lynn asked the Lands department to sell them some land on which to build a factory. The department put an upset price of £50 per acre on the blocks, and this was considered too high. A few weeks ago the land was offered at auction in Melbourne, and, it is understood, that there was no bid for it. The shareholders have now received an intimation that the department has reduced the price to £30 per acre, but as several shareholders consider that the price is still too high, and that a large quantity of the season's milk flow would be missed, it is likely that the erection of the factory will be delayed.

Summary

The Cora Lynn Cheese Factory opened some time after December 7, 1910 and before the end of January 1911, but I cannot find any reference to the official opening date in either The Argus, the Pakenham Gazette or the Bunyip & Garfield Express.

Heather Arnold. The Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society.

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GRANTVILLE HISTORY



Last minute preparations at Maru Craft Cottage before opening to the public were being made by (left) Ian, sister Marilyn Norris and baby Sam, Ruth and (seated front) George Heffer.

Craft is a family affair

It's a case of the whole family being involved in Maru Craft Cottage, Bass Highway, Grantville, which opened its doors to the public recently.

It's operated as a partnership between Ruth and George Heffer and their son Ian.

Among the goods for sale are dolls' furniture made from clothes pegs by nephew Craig Heffer, aged nine and his sister Sonya, 13, has contributed lavender bags and crocheted clothes hangers.

It all began seven years ago when George and daughter Marilyn Norris, of Frankston, took up pottery.

Ruth became involved and that led to their first craft shop at Numurkah. Until the Heffers moved to Grantville last year, Ruth taught ceramics

home beside it, the cottage nestles among a grove of pine trees and was made from timber cut on the 10 acre property.

It's to be a mecca for selling local craft.

Just some of the contributions are paintings by Peg Killeen, of Corinella, and Bev Barnes, of Pioneer Bay; homespun knitted goods

and frothy lace pillows made by Val Mansfield, and daughter Marilyn has made colored scented soaps.

While browsing through the shop the pleasant scent from ceramic bottles of aromatic oils fills the air.

These oils are packaged by the Heffers and sold as far afield as Queensland.



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Meet the Walkers



Regular contributor Meryl Brown Tobin took this photo of Jan and Harry Walker for us last weekend. They are long time friends and local identities, who have all made a major contribution to The Waterline News over the last three years. More about Jan and Harry in a special feature on their life in and love for Grantville, in our December edition.



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Bass Coast Shire News

Funding announced: Things taking shape for Bass Coast Key projects identified in Help Shape a Better Bass Coast community engagement for the Bass Coast Shire Council Plan 2017-2021 have successfully received State Government funding to the value of \$33.3 million.

In partnership with the community, Council's continued focus on advocating for our community has resulted in major funding being announced for Bass Coast. At a Ministerial visit to Wonthaggi Secondary College on Friday, 27 October, Premier of Victoria, The Honourable Daniel Andrews MP, announced \$25 million of funding towards the construction of the new Wonthaggi Secondary College campus and education precinct, and \$6 million towards the Wonthaggi Regional Highball Stadium.

In its Annual Budget 2017/2018, Council included the provision of a \$1.5million contribution to the Wonthaggi Shared Highball Facility. A provision it will now be able to commit to the project, to see the facility come into fruition. The New Senior Campus and Wonthaggi Highball Stadium form Stage One of the Wonthaggi Education Precinct project.

In addition to the Premier's multi-million dollar announcement at Wonthaggi Secondary College, Member for Eastern Victoria Harriet Shing MP announced a further \$2.3 million shortly after at the Cape Paterson Surf Life Saving Club. This funding will be boosted by a \$600,000 contribution from Council and \$500,000 from the Club, allowing a complete refurbishment of the Surf Lifesaving Club building.

Bass Coast Shire Council Mayor, Cr Pamela Rothfield explains the announcements follow years of lobbying from the community, Wonthaggi Secondary College, Cape Paterson Surf Life Saving Club and Council.

"It is difficult to describe my current mix of pride, relief and excitement," Cr Rothfield said.

"Today's announcement is the result of a solid team effort which involved persistent advocacy from Council, relentless petitioning and support from the community, and the dedication and passion

of several key individuals.

"This is the perfect example of what we can achieve when working together towards a shared goal."

The Wonthaggi Secondary College new Senior Campus and Wonthaggi Regional Highball Stadium were projects which featured heavily through the community engagement process in the development of this year's Council Plan 2017 – 2021.

Consequently, these projects are at the forefront of the Council's priority list and are included as key projects in phase one of Council's Advocacy Strategy.

The current nature of the Wonthaggi Secondary College senior campus has long been substandard. The provision of a quality education precinct in Wonthaggi has been a key priority of Council and our community. Wonthaggi needs quality education facilities in order to fulfil its function as a regional centre.

Bass Coast Shire Council have been advocating to the State Government on the necessity to begin Stage One of the Wonthaggi Education Precinct. This included a recent state government submission which outlined that the Education Precinct Project was shovel ready, with Crown Land allocated and a Masterplan prepared, and highlighted the need for the \$25 million investment towards the new campus.

"We have been ready to begin this project for some time and I am thrilled that we are now able to start turning the soil and putting into action the plans and preparations for the Wonthaggi Education Precinct, a project which will truly change the shape of Bass Coast's future."

"Council has been very vocal in its commitment to help shape a better Bass Coast. What better way to start than having a new school to help shape our children's future."

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Scenic Estate stage 2



A new boardwalk section will be constructed as part 2 of the Scenic Estate Conservation Reserve development.

A new viewing platform and walking path will be included in the stage two development of the Scenic Estate Conservation Reserve on Phillip Island, which will begin works this month.

Bass Coast Shire Mayor, Cr Pamela Rothfield, explained the installation of a viewing platform in the north-west corner of the reserve will provide a secluded vantage point to look out across panoramic views of Western Port Bay.

"An alternative walking path will also be constructed which will allow visitors to access more areas of the reserve, and experience its diverse habitats and landscape," Cr Rothfield said.

"The pathway will include a timber boardwalk through swamp scrub, allowing access while keeping visitors out of the low lying areas during the wetter months, and protecting the vegetation."

These works are being undertaken in partnership between Bass Coast Shire Council and Phillip Island Nature Parks, each contributing approximately \$50,000. During the works traffic and pedestrian management will be in place and there may be some disruptions for visitors to the reserve.

Walkers are advised to take care during the period of construction.

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A Piece of life

They throw it a piece of flake.
Nine or ten teenagers,
nine or ten seagulls
one flock laughing, sharing,
one flock squabbling, instinctive,
scrabbling and grabbing,
missing and pecking,
dropping and squawking and flapping
and flying and running
grey-and-white
zig-zag over the road.

Sharing a piece of life.

A car slows, veers from its course
to let nature take its course
on the bitumen.

Grey-white-and-red
spread on the bitumen
last off is lousy,
last off is dead.

Showing a piece of life.

Joan Katherine Webster OAM

Beach Holiday

I dived again into that rock pool,
Sliding past the kelp covered rocks,
To blurry patches of sand stirred
Into movement by the reminder of tides.

And rediscovered the magic
As it sparkled through me,
Washing away the boredom of adulthood
And reviving that first time feeling.

The first time I saw surf,
Green and high and fringed with white.
A remorseless elemental, rolling
Forever into clean washed sands.

The musty smell of a holiday house,
The strong smell of salt and fish
Invading and conquering.
The alien dust of unpacked cases.

The unaccustomed feel of sand on lino.
Sneaking across the floor.
From the darling intrusive beach
Encroaching into house and food and
clothes.

The news blaring from the wireless,
Always the cautious victories of war,
Mingling with the smell of bought meat
pies.

November 2017

Tomato sauce on flaky pastry and deep rich
gravy.

The delights of rock pools and ponies,
Of sand dunes and fishing,
Exploring the limitless space
and the boundless time of holiday.

The pale pale bowl of sky;
Where the days were so long
The sun paused and lingered
For untimed hours of dreaming.

The savoury smell and feel of the heavy
rope,
As we pulled the fishtrap from beneath the
pier,
The water slapping against the wood as it
fled out,
Leaving stranded, the gasping fish.

The first time to catch a fish,
The first time to clean it
And the different taste when
Immediately fried golden brown.

The pale pale bowl of sky;
Where the days were so long
The sun paused and lingered
For untimed hours of dreaming.

And every pink dawn witnessed,
The low sleeping sandbanks rise
Out of the untroubled wash of the sea
And the seagulls' shrieking challenge.

A brand new world to explore,
A precious gift, concrete and real,
New washed and promising
Every single morning.

My memories caught in an escape of flight.
Returned to a childhood of sheer delight.

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Sea Country Port Albert, Victoria

Salt marshes adjoin inlets,
sunlight glints from wavelets

Mangroves and sea grass
conceal marine creatures
The coastal park shelters
rare birds and orchids

Migrating Siberian seabirds
find refuge

Fish and chips
enjoyed overlooking
the bay's glassy water

A small dog befriends,
my foot provides comfort
for his arthritic hip

Warm north wind
gusts around us

On nearby hills
wind tower blades
spin power to grid

Afternoon break –
homemade cake and
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Writing



The Writings of E.E. (Betty) Caldwell.
with special thanks to Maree Silver who has done all Betty's typing for her.

Another Hero

Have you heard, perchance, of Anthony Ashley-Cooper, better known as the 7th Earl of Shaftesbury? There was at least one other of this name but it's the 7th Earl who so thoroughly commands respect.

If you've ever wandered into London's Piccadilly Circus and paused to admire its central figure, the much photographed Greek god, Eros, maybe you stopped to read the inscription. He was placed there as a memorial to the 19th century philanthropist. The common Englishman certainly had cause to pay tribute to this aristocratic gentleman but to others of his class he would have been branded a traitor. After all, in the mid-1800's not too many of them would have concerned themselves with the working conditions existing in the factories and mines. So long as profits were maintained, what did it matter that children as young as four slaved underground for many hours each day?

It was in 1842 that the Mines Act, thanks to Lord Ashley (not yet an Earl) passed through parliament. No longer was it legal to employ women and girls to work below ground. Boys under ten years were also barred. Within a couple of years this led to the Coal Mine Inspection Act and the founding of the Royal School of Mines which, in turn, gave way to Mechanics Institutes and ultimately technical schools. The Factory Act of 1819 had made a start by banning children under the age of nine from being employed in cotton mills while those whose ages ranged from nine to 16 were restricted to no more than 12 hours per day. There was a little tinkering with the rules until Shaftesbury's reforms took place. After enforcement inspectors were introduced, there was a maximum 48-hour week for children aged 9-13 and a 68-hour week for those under 18. By 1853, textile factories could be open for only 12 hours, thus easing the lot not only of women and children, but also the men.

It wasn't easy for the Earl of Shaftesbury to prevail against the ruling class, he must have exercised enormous persistence to improve the worker's conditions, but finally he triumphed against the establishment. So when next you're in Piccadilly or merely looking at a snapshot of the aluminium god, please spare a thought for the flesh and blood crusader that Eros is so magnificently honouring.

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Short Story

Hear Me Roar

Ebony dived under the table with the longest cloth, hoping to wait out the Halloween party undetected. She hated parties at the best of times but this one was particularly trying as some bigger boys had decided she made the best target for their scare tactics. Their zombie costumes didn't phase her at all, (she didn't mind scary stuff in movies or books), but the noise they made and the way they got into her space was intolerable with her heightened senses.

She was dressed as princess Leia and her Mum had cleverly designed ear muffs covered in Leia's trademark braids so Ebony could get some relief from the onslaught of party sounds. Now she sat cross legged in the shadows, gripping them tightly to her ears. She risked removing one hand to dip into her lolly bag and remove a monster lollipop which she eagerly unwrapped. Something caught her eye in the very darkest corner and she lifted the tablecloth ever so slightly to reveal a kindred spirit cowering in the shadows nearby. Recognising her Auntie's very pampered puppy Moocher, and seeing him trembling slightly she took the lollipop from her mouth and offered to share. This got his attention and he sidled up to her and gratefully licked the treat.

Normally Ebony preferred solitude at times like this but she adored animals and so she stroked Mooch's head and his shaking subsided. They would have happily sat there together for the duration of the party but just at that moment her tormentors entered the room. They had gathered a decent stash of candy and decided to seek

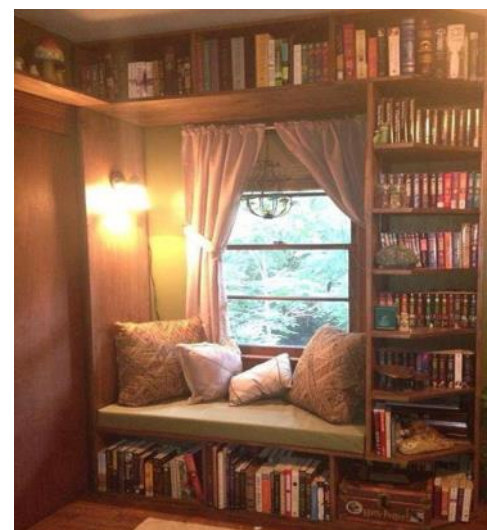
out the 'wimpy Princess Leia kid' and see if she had any they could scare off her.

Unfortunately just a tiny hint of Ebony's robe was protruding from under the cloth and the boys zeroed in on it and, after tacitly counting back from three to one, they flung the cloth up and shrieked "Trick or treat" in a blood curdling war cry. Nobody in the room was quite sure what happened next as Ebony squealed in fright and Mooch, who didn't appreciate the disturbance, sprang out at the attackers, fiercely protecting his little friend.

The boys retreated screaming into the backyard and scaled the tallest tree they could find with Mooch in hot pursuit. "Lion!" wailed Crispin, (the ringleader), tears pouring down his face. Everyone in earshot turned and started laughing hysterically at the sight of Mooch propped up at the base of the tree with his fuzzy mantel draped crookedly over one eye, growling at the three large lads gripping a swaying pear tree and wailing at the sight of the bull mastiff in costume, barring their escape home.

Eventually Mooch gave up the game and returned to help Ebony with her red lollipop, the traces of which looked suspiciously like blood around his mouth.

Julie Rochforte



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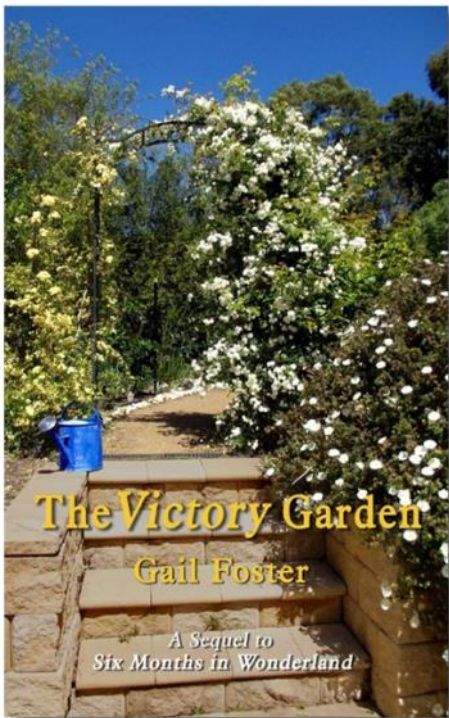
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Book Reviews

Two NEW books are now available by Tasmanian author, Gail Foster!



A Sequel to Six Months in Wonderland

“But only children bully,” stated the local mayor as I tried to explain my dilemma. Dreams of verdant abundance and bountiful crops interrupted only by chortling of bird song, had become a nightmare of earth shaking doof doof music, hurtling cars and the constant whine of air conditioners. A neighbour’s indiscriminate water usage resulted in a moat around our new dwelling. I had begun to refer to the house as ‘migraine mansion’.

Would we overcome the torment of our surroundings to achieve a peaceful garden paradise?

Would our recent marriage of opposite personalities survive the battle?

The struggle is interrupted by a European holiday. As ‘Two Tassie Travellers’ we visit 5 countries over 6 weeks. Hilarity, sulks and adventure follow when an upbeat, ‘let’s do it’ nature is combined with a ploddy, reserved character.

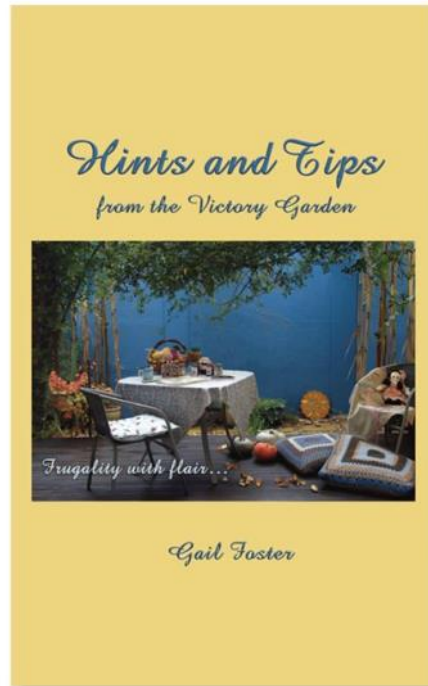
The weary travellers return to the enemy onslaught.

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This book is for those who have had their domestic tranquillity supplanted by neighbours from hell. It is for those who have been told that “only children bully”, “it’s just a domestic”, or “we don’t have any trouble with our neighbours”. This last comment is completed with a look which is both supercilious and pitying.

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Hints and Tips from The Victory Garden illustrate skills and tools that answer the question, ‘What can I do?’ There is always something we can do. Need a wall hanger? Try a toast rack from the tip shop. Turn an old barbecue into a water saver garden sink, a 10kg onion bag is perfect for a compost tea bag. Recycle sheets and towels for further domestic use. Keep cuddling that old favourite jumper as a water bottle cover.

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Lucinda Sharp

Director, Forty South Publishing

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Megg Miller

Editor, Grass Roots Magazine

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Endangered Bandicoots call Phillip Island home

Sunset over Phillip Island on Friday 20 October brought so much more than the usual nightly arrival of the famous little penguins. It also heralded the release of a small population of the critically endangered Eastern Barred Bandicoot onto the Summerland Peninsula as part of continuing efforts to save this unique marsupial from extinction in the wild.



Researchers from Phillip Island Nature Parks, Zoos Victoria and the Eastern Barred Bandicoot Recovery Team released a total of 44 individuals onto the Summerland Peninsula, located at the western tip of Phillip Island. This area is well known as the site of major conservation activities over several years as it was rehabilitated from a former housing estate to a natural environment which is now home to a thriving colony of little penguins, migratory short-tailed shearwaters and if this release proves successful, Eastern Barred

demonstrate to the community what they might expect from an EBB release. This population increased to approximately 120 individuals in 2 years and has stabilised around this number. This release demonstrated that EBBs can successfully establish in island environments and have positive impacts such as reduced soil compaction, and improved nutrient and water infiltration, with no observed negative effects. Combined with the recent declaration of Phillip Island's fox-free status, this has given us the confidence to release them here on the Summerland Peninsula.



The EBB Recovery Team includes representatives from (in alphabetical order): Conservation Volunteers Australia, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), Mt Rothwell Biodiversity Interpretation Centre, National Trust of Australia, Parks Victoria, Phillip Island Nature Parks, the University of Melbourne, Tiverton Property Partnering and Zoos Victoria.



Bandicoots (EBBs).

A trial release of 20 EBBs was conducted on Churchill Island in 2015 to evaluate the suitability of local conditions and to

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Picnic Racing time



The 2017-18 Picnic Racing season has already started and the Woolamai Racing Club will conduct it's first meeting for the season on Saturday 25 November.

The Woolamai Race Course is in a pretty country setting at the foot of the hills with views over the surrounding farmland. It is a nice easy drive from Melbourne and a wonderful area to stay for the weekend with the coastal resorts on Phillip Island and along the coast to Inverloch, all within a 30 minute drive.

The Public are lucky to have a large shaded area under the lovely old elm trees. Picnic tables are available if you are one of the early arrivals or you can bring a rug and sit on the lawn area.

The children are entertained with 'Pockets the Clown', Jumping Castle and Face Painting, plus it is a great place for them to run around and have some fun. We also have 2 bars and 2 kiosks, run by local sporting and community groups, that sell a wide variety of food and drinks at reasonable prices.

Come and enjoy country coastal racing at its finest, at Woolamai!

The 25 November meeting will be the club's traditional Christmas meeting.

Further scheduled meetings for the season will be held on:

Sunday 7 January

Saturday 20 January

Saturday 10 February (Cup Day)

Saturday 24 February

Saturday 17 March

Woolamai Racing Club
Trew Rd, Woolamai 3995
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There are a number of other picturesque picnic racing clubs within easy driving distance, well worth considering:

Saturday 2 December - Healesville

Saturday 9 December - Balnarring

Saturday 16 December - Healesville

Tuesday 26 December - Drouin

Saturday 13 January - Healesville
(Cup Day)

Sunday 14 January - Balnarring

Friday 26 January - Balnarring

(Australia Day)

Saturday February 2 - Healesville

Sunday March 11 - Balnarring

Saturday 31 March - Balnarring

Saturday 7 April 7 - Healesville

If you are planning to holiday elsewhere in Victoria over the Christmas-New Year period, there are a number of other tracks well worth a look and you can find full details at:

<http://www.picnicracing.com/>



Pumpkin Planting Guide



Pumpkins are easy to grow but do take up a bit of room in the garden. Pumpkins come in a range of shapes and sizes and each will have a slightly different flavour. Sow Pumpkin seeds direct into the garden from Spring to Summer. Harvest when the vines die off and the pumpkins' stalks are dry. Leave a small piece of stalk attached to the fruit to prevent damp causing rot.

HOW WILL YOU START YOUR SEEDS?

Starting Seeds Outside

Pumpkin seeds will germinate faster in warmer soil and won't germinate in cold soil.

Pumpkins need a LOT of space so make sure to leave about 90 to 100cm between rows

Sow 4 to 5 seeds, later thinning to the 2 strongest seedlings

When the young plants have 5 or 6 leaves pinch out the growing tips to encourage growth of side shoots

Starting Seeds Inside

Start indoors using punnets or pots, transplanting the seedlings to the garden when strong enough.

Use Jiffy pots or pellets to limit the symptoms of transplant shock. Plant the seed with pointy end down, as this is where the roots start growing. This is not an issue when planting in the garden, but in small pots it becomes more important. Make sure you acclimatise your seedlings slowly to outdoor conditions before transplanting.



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