## The Waterline News



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We've got you covered across the region with updates from Jam Jerrup, Pioneer Bay, The Gurdies, Kernot, Almurta, Grantville, Tenby Point, Corinella, Coronet Bay, Bass and surrounding areas. Our expanding directory pages will connect you with services, goods, venues and people across the region.

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## Welcome to your October Waterline News

The Waterline News is produced on the lands of Boon-wurrung, Bunurong, members of the Kulin Nation who have lived here for thousands of years.

We offer our respect to Elders and all First Nations People. The Waterline News

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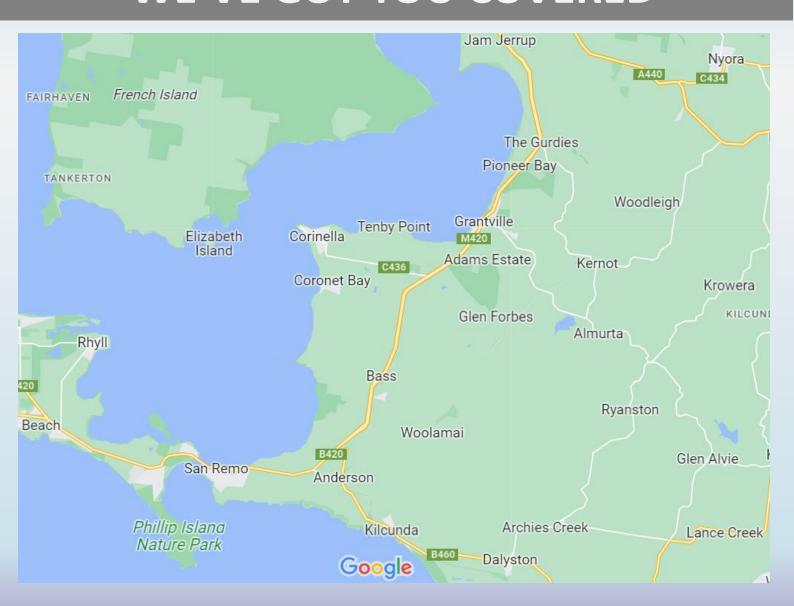
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## WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED





Do you grow veggies on Phillip Island or in the Waterline/Hinterland towns of Bass Coast? Bass Coast Edible Gardens is keen to recruit some new gardens in these areas for our open garden weekend, 10 -11 February 2024.

Contact us: 03 5672 3115

www.basscoastediblegardens.com,

bceg@bcal.vic.edu.au;

We'd love to come over and see what's growing.





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## RIVER CARDEN LITTLE KIDS

Fun, guided environmental activities for 3–5 year-olds!

River Garden and Bass Hall, 2-4 Bass School Road, Bass.

Join us to explore the natural world in fun guided activities for 3-5 year olds, at the River Garden and Hall in Bass. Over 8x Friday mornings starting October 20th, we will cover themes including, Beautiful Butterflies, Wiggly Worms, Wonderful Water Bugs, Super Seeds and Plants, Australian Animals and more. More info: lisa.wangman@basscoastlandcare.com.au 0409366914

## Corinella Community Centre can help!

Do you need assistance with:

- booking in for a vaccine?
- linking myGov with your Medicare?
- navigating MyHealthRecord?
- application for \$250 Power Saving Bonus?

Call us to book in a time for us to help: 03 5678 0777



The CDCC food pantry is supporting an increasing number of local people. Donations of food are always welcome and monetary donations go to purchase much needed staples from charities and support agencies. Donations can be made at any time during opening hours.

Don't hesitate to get assistance from the CDCC food pantry.

No questions asked.



## Who is the most important person in a Community Centre? Why it's you of course!

Without the community we wouldn't need a Community Centre. Corinella and District Community Centre is privileged to serve the Waterline District and share our geography with the Bass Valley Community Group.

Both Centres align with Neighbourhood into the world of junk journ Houses Victoria but provide different services more info on these classes. to the community.

Corinella and District Community Centre attracts people from the local communities including; Corinella, Coronet Bay, Pioneer Bay, Grantville, Jam Jerrup and the Gurdies to name a few, but everyone is welcome. We enjoy meeting out of town visitors too.

What makes our little Centre thrive are the talented tutors who we are delighted to share. They are kind, community – minded people, generously giving their time and passing on creative and informative talents. Everyone is welcome.

#### WE THANK YOU ALL.

Coming up we have our Rainbow Gardening Friends starting the Veggies on the Verge project. If you feel like getting your hands dirty come along fortnightly from 10.30am on Tuesday 3rd October.

We have free information talks on Emergency preparedness with the local CFA getting digitally savvy on 30<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm. Seed saving may interest you with Daniel from Myli on October 12 at 11.00am.

If our native wildlife is your concern then join Colleen on November 18 from 2.00pm to have all your questions answered.

We have creative classes where all the materials are supplied for a small fee.

Create beautiful candles for the home or handmade decorations for Christmas or dip into the world of junk journalling. Ask us for more info on these classes.

While we have new classes each season, all your regular favourites are still running at the Centre. Make friends, have fun, meet our tutors and enjoy a warm welcome.

As well as tutored classes, we have self-run groups and services on offer. Did you know we offer public computer use and printing services for a small fee? We have a Justice of the Peace and Room Hire should you need it. Other services occupying our building are Gippsland Legal Service, Bass Coast Health and Hearing Australia and there's a local masseuse to ease your aches.

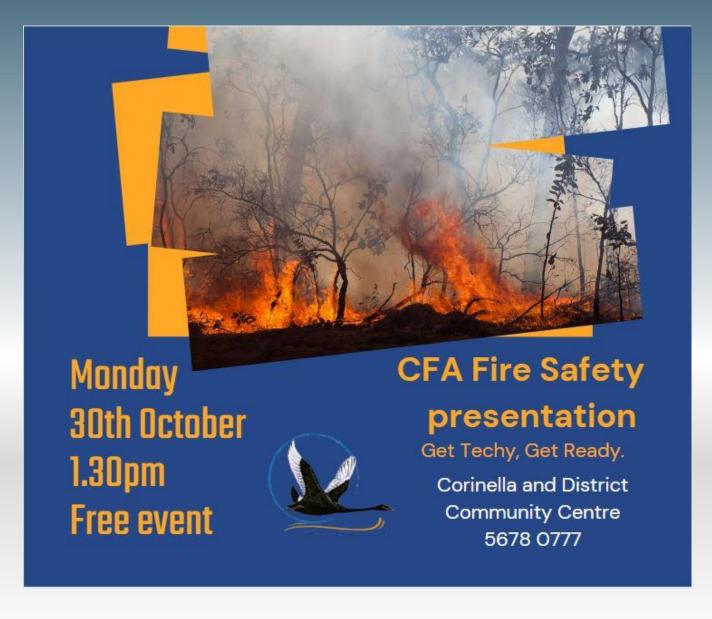
We have collaborative partnerships with Bass Coast Adult Learning, Myli Library, Bass Valley U3A, GippSport, Interchange Disability Services projects with the Bass Valley Primary School. So, we may be a small Centre but we have mighty connections.

We want to continue to reach out to our community as your thoughts and concerns help shape who we are and what we can bring to make a resilient, vibrant community. Feel free to reach out.

Just give us a call in the office on:

03 5678 0777 *Kerryn* 







If slaughterhouses had glass walls, everyone would be a vegetarian.

– Paul McCartney

- 1/ What was the name of Paul McCartney's post Beatles band?
- 1a/ For which Bond film did he write the theme song?
- 2/ What are the FM and AM frequencies of ABC Gippsland?
- 3/ What is Gippslandia?
- 4/ Which make of car is sold in the former Holden dealership in Wonthaggi?
- 5/ What's the highest street number in Tenby Point?
- 6/ Which highway forms most of the northern boundary of Bass Coast Shire?
- 7/ What's the name of the gallery located in Anderson?
- 8/ Where does the drinking water for Phillip Island originate?
- 9/ In what year did the Desal Plant first produce water?
- 10/ In which Waterline town is there a memorial to an Hungarian count?
- 11/ How many McDonalds outlets are there in Bass Coast?
- 11a/ In which towns are they located?
- 12/ What's the name of the chapel in Archie's Creek?
- 13/ What was the previous name of South Coast FM?
- 14/ What were five shilling coins called?
- 14a/ In which years were they minted for circulation in Australia?

## **Bass Coast Shire Council**



**Cr Rochelle Halstead** 

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**Deputy Mayor** 

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Arts and Culture Advisory Committee,

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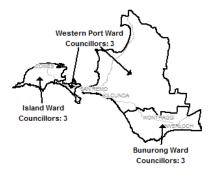
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Piggery Road Permaculture and Produce presents:

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Phillip Island

28/29 October 2023

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Course fee includes hands-on workshops on hot composting techniques, no-dig gardening, site tours and a garden design component.

#### About the teachers:

Penelope Swales trained with Permaculture stalwarts John Champagne and Rosemary Morrow. She is the founder of Piggery Road Permaculture.

Carolyn Rowson is a graduate of Southern Cross Permaculture and founder of the Kongwak Nursery and Community Garden. She is a composting queen!

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Course fee; \$225 full price/200 conc. Pair/couple; \$420 full price/385 conc.

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MR. J. WEREDITH,



TONY Laughton was fairly confident his home wasn't going to topple over the Jam Jerrup cliff and into the water. But there were some nervous moments over the years as he watched the gap shrink between the house and cliff.

In the late 1980s the road to Jam Jerrup started to collapse into Western Port. Local authorities battled Mother Nature until '91 when they abandoned that coastal road and scythed a new entranceway from the Bass Highway. What's left of the original road is now the Jam Jerrup cliff walk. It still links the Lang Lang caravan park with Jam Jerrup but it's a bit narrow in parts. At low tide walkers can use the sandy beach for a return loop.

Erosion is relentless along our coastline. Just over a decade ago, the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) installed a seawall along part of the Jam Jerrup foreshore. At the time the concrete sea wall in Grantville was falling over after being overwhelmed. Rock seemed a better option so that's what they used in Jam Jerrup. Groynes were then anchored between the end of the rock and mangroves that protect the shoreline toward Stockyard Point.

This was a bit of a science experiment but the waters and mud flats of Western Port are a complex system and a long term solution was needed to prevent the tides that sweep in from the port at Hastings from claiming the village. Many years later the results are now evident. The rock worked. Behind it the dune has returned along with native vegetation. That length of Jam Jerrup is safely protected.

All good, except that erosion was accelerating where the wall ended. The unprotected foreshore was disappearing fast. History was about to repeat. In 2019 it was calculated that the power lines and the road would fall within two years. The obvious solution was to extend the rock but the budget was spent long ago. For several years Tony Laughton, first as a member and then president of the local foreshore committee, led his community's struggle against Mother Nature and Treasury.

They pursued every angle. Grants weren't forthcoming so there was talk of special charge schemes, environmental levees, crowd funding, perhaps even a rate strike but the clock was ticking. During those years of lobbying all and sundry it became apparent to Tony that they needed to take the lead. As talk grew of abandoning the road and creating yet another new road through Jam Jerrup, the foreshore committee paid their own consultants to design the rest of the wall and then they worked out how to fund it. This sent a strong message that Jam Jerrup was serious.

As the scouring worsened and the destruction increased, their images and drone footage provided textbook evidence of what happens due to wave energy at the end of rock walls. Late in 2019, as news spread of the imminent catastrophe, Tony organised an on-site meeting of all the major stakeholders. The evidence was there for everyone to see. Hundreds of metres of the foreshore were strewn with rocks and lumps of vegetation. Bits of the cliff were falling as representatives of council, state government and DELWP looked on.

This was a pivotal moment. Tony knew they couldn't abandon this part of the road although the accountability was as clear as the Western Port mud flats. Council has a legal obligation to provide access to houses. Another road would be a costly option. AusNet needs to preserve its poles and wires and DELWP is responsible for the reshore. The conversation intensified, though lack of money was the full stop.

In 2020 Tony was preparing for the next step when his phone rang. Spring Street calling! Bass MP Jordan Crugnale told Tony the ink was drying on a cheque for half a million dollars. A geotechnical study of the foreshore was about to begin. The photo of Tony on the foreshore best shows his reaction. Joy and relief are understatements for how he felt.

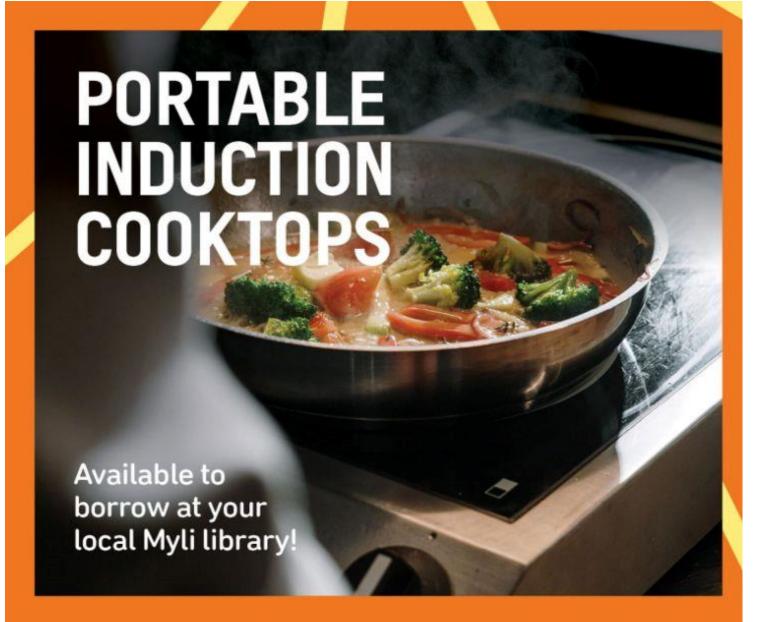
Next month we will run an update from this foreshore committee.



You don't have to return lids and caps to CDS Vic but if you do, make sure they are attached to the drink containers and not loose. Learn more about eligible drink containers on our website. ww.vic.gov.au/container-deposit-scheme

For the last couple of years Save Western Port Woodlands members have used public holidays as an opportunity to placard the Bass Highway and welcome south - bound travelers to the Woodlands. Grand Final Friday 2023 was no exception.







Book now at myli.org.au



## Russell **Broadbent MP**

Federal Member for Monash



## VOICES

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#### Read a Poem Aloud

1st Monday of every Month
WITH ALL THIS TALK ABOUT THE
VOICE, WHY NOT USE YOURS AND
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COME AND SHARE SOME POETRY

If you love poetry like we do at Myli - come to the library on the first Monday of the each month and at any time during the day you are encouraged to 1. go to the Poet's corner 2. pull out the pedestal provided 3. ring the bell provided and 4. proceed to recite a poem aloud for the whole library to hear and enjoy... (just keep it family freindly). All ages welcome.

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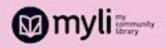


## Baby and Me now at Grantville Hall!



Please note Baby and Me is now being held at Grantville Hall,

1470 Bass Hwy, Grantville Wednesdays 2pm-2.30pm.





November marks the launch of our DIVERSITY SERIES which explores the concept of diversity and will bring us talks from people from a wide range of lives, culture, origins, persuasians...

Bring your an open mind and heart and be prepared to learn and experience un-usual perspectives and hear and understand how people, just like us live and operate their lives.

#### What is diversity?

Defn: the state of being diverse;

variety.

Naturally, diversity is a viewpoint

and it is hard to imagine someone viewing us as diverse

The intention of this series is to explore how diversity a point of view and as humans, we have more in common than we do differences.

Please bring a plate to share \$4 donation for CDCC Pantry Thanks to Corinella & District Community Centre for providing the venue

WATERLINELIVINGLIBRARY@GMAIL.COM



Mary Beth update: Last month Mary Beth provided insight for readers about a life lived in some one else's driveway. Despite spending over \$100 on fuel, talking to two potential housemates and looking at two cottages Mary Beth remains one of the 120,000 Australians experiencing homelessness tonight.













## Bass Coast Waterline Life Cafe & Restaurant Food Reviews

BCWL Mystery Diner is searching for Bass Coast's best seafood pasta dish. First cab off the rank is Saltwater at Newhaven. Email us to nominate your favourite and we will go in under cover to check them out for ourselves and report back next month.

## Saltwater Restaurant, Newhaven Seafood Linguine

Pasta: cooked to perfection

Napoli sauce: thick, rich, tangy with a touch of spice. Heaviness of the sauce covered the pasta well without weighing it down.

Seafood: 3 mussels in shell; 4 calamari; 2 good sized prawns and sweet cherry toms.

I'd give Saltwater nine out ten. Lost a point for presentation. I found a dark, smallish bowl a bit unlovely and restrictive.

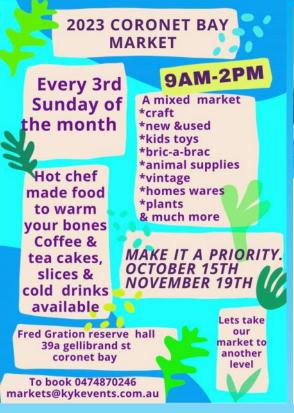
Price: Fair enough @ \$42

Drink: soda water with lime, \$2. The perfect

accompaniment for a Sunday lunch.

#### basscoastwaterlinelife@gmail.com











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Amid the hustle and bustle of a crowded hall, Katie Youens stopped to catch her breath behind the the kitchen counter. She took a look around at all the happy, smiling faces. She couldn't help smiling back at them. "I just love seeing so many people having fun. It makes all our hard work worthwhile" she said as she watched Laurie Faulkner deftly paint more faces.

The Coronet Bay market is held on the third Sunday of each month and has been slowly growing in size and community momentum. The September gathering marked six months of operation. "So we are now in uncharted waters" Katie says between customers. "I've just signed up for another six months. We will run throughout summer and New Year."

The Coronet Bay Market is expanding for the summer season with various indoor and outdoor stalls. "We have amazing food from our chef Stephen and tunes by Ross W McKay," Katie says. Stalls cover a wide range of treasure including craft, plants, lollies, clothes, crystals, Lego, kids toys, specialty notebooks, cheese boards and much, much more.

"Today we had stalls in eight marquees and indoors. I have an event permit and hopes for expansion in summer." There was a lot on the line when the market tentatively opened six months ago. Although Katie had the support of a local committee, her council grant application was unsuccessful so she had to fund the start up with her own money. "I booked and paid for six months unsure how the market would do, now I'm booking another six months in hope that we will continue," Katie smiles.

"For December, I'm booking a jumping castle for the kids. We're definitely in uncharted waters now as we have surpassed the size of the legendary Coronet Bay market." Katie hopes the whole Waterline community jumps on board to support the market. She had multiple people on board from the start and she is glad to have passed the six month anniversary.

"With the school holidays the turnout has been amazing" Katie says "and that makes me smile."



The Coronet Bay Community Garden staged a very enjoyable plant sale at the Coronet Bay Store. Many members were grateful for the opportunity to relax in the good weather and welcome visitors, whose purchases provided much needed funds from the sale of plants, including Menindee table grape vines, herbs, succulents, as well as jams, chutney and olives. CBCG is grateful for everyone who contributed by propagating and potting up the wide variety of plants and helping out on the day.







#### Heike's Okonomiyaki

- 1 cup grated zucchini
- 1/2 cup grated carrot
- 1 small leek, nicely sliced or three spring onions
- 6 eggs
- 1 tbs Tamari soy sauce
- 1 cup ker or natural yogurt
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 2 heaped tbs buckwheat flour organic wheat flour
- 2 heaped tbs millet flour or rice flour
- 2 heaped tbs tapioca or potato starch
- 1/2 tsp baking soda or none (not essential).

Put the ingredients into a large bowl in the above order and briefly mix through or put the veggies roughly chopped into a food processor and blitz.

Then add other ingredients including three cups grated cabbage and briefly stir. Form mix into balls. Add olive or coconut oil, ghee or lard to a medium hot pan and fry in batches.

Keep them hot in a warm oven or griller till all pancakes are fried.

Serve with garlic yogurt (garlic, sea salt and yogurt) or with mayonnaise and soy sauce.



## 24th Annual Sunday 5 November 2023

Fred Gration Reserve - Bantering Bay Rd Registrations from 9am

OR book online at trybooking.com/events/landing/1102454 Adults \$15 Children \$10 Family \$40

15 years and over 14 years and under adults 2 Children

Registrations 9am Race starts 10:30am

## WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP RUN THIS EVENT

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Community Bank **Grantville & Districts** 





## **BASS COAST REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP GROUP**

Maddy Harford reports







"We laugh and cry and celebrate their success. We walk alongside each other, making new friends across the language barrier. It's heart warming to offer a hand to help people on this settlement adventure."

The Bass Coast Refugee Sponsorship Group is very excited by recent developments in Australia's refugee policies and programs.

The Afghan refugee we have been supporting for several years, has had his Bridging visa converted to the new Resolution of Status (RoS) visa, which grants him permanent residency.

He has been one of 19,000 eligible for the new visa. He can now apply for a family Reunion visa for his wife and four children, who fled Afghanistan and are sheltering in Pakistan and we will continue to support him with funds raised over a number of years (family visas are very expensive!)

Our group has also been supporting a Syrian family, who arrived in Wonthaggi in November 2022. The Ali family arrived in Australia through the Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Program (CRISP) being piloted by the Federal Government. CRISP is an innovative model of community groups welcoming and supporting new arrivals at a local level, as they settle in their new country.

The family is already feeling part of the Bass Coast community. The four children are going well at school and Kinder. Like most children, they are acquiring English skills amazingly quickly, learning to swim and making friends. Parents, Khadija and Lukman, are in English language classes at Bass Coast Adult Learning (BCAL) and Lukman has recently started a part time job (he's still looking for more work).

As their 12-month mark approaches, the Ali family will transition from intensive support through CRISP and take more responsibility for their settlement.

Members of our group have made strong friendships with the Alis. Those friendships will continue and it's heartening to see the family making new friends and acquaintances.

Our group is also very excited to be matched with a new refugee family, arriving mid-November. With 12 months' experience under our belt, we are now preparing to welcome the al Habra family. Under the CRISP model, we meet them on their arrival at Tullamarine airport and drive them down to Bass Coast. In the mean-time we will be scouting for accommodation, collecting household goods, alerting schools and health providers, negotiating with banks, Centrelink, telecom providers – it's a long list!

Over the past 18 months or so we have been humbled by the support we have received from our local communities — in the form of financial and material donations, practical assistance and networking. Our group has been strengthened with new members and we have a long 'Friends' mailing list for our regular Newsletter. We trust that this support will continue.

We are also encouraged to know that what we are doing in this CRISP pilot is being replicated across Australia in many local communities. The pilot is currently being evaluated. Outcomes of a similar program in Canada have been successful over many years.

We encourage any group (you need five to commence) to consider joining the CRISP pilot or if you would like to support our work in any way, you can email us on bcrsg2021@gmail.com.



## **BCAS Camera Group**

On our September outing we explored the coastal villages of Tooradin, Warneet, Blind Bight, and Cannons Creek.

We met at Tooradin boat ramp and wandered around the Foreshore snapping away. We then made our way to Cannons Creek to the old jetty.

We got some bird photos then put the drones up with some spectacular results. From there, we finished up at Warneet boat ramp for a few more clicks.

It was a really great day all round, sunburn and all.

Just a reminder that participants need to be financial members of Bass Coast Artists Society to be covered by BCAS insurance.

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info@basscoastartists.org.au

**POSTAL ADDRESS:** 

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Wonthaggi VIC 3995









SAT, OCT 7 AT 11 AM

## Rocking The Fields (Tesselaar Tulip Festival)

Meet there as per map on Camera Club Facebook. Pay for entry on arrival.

Only financial BCAS members are covered by BCAS insurance More information on the BCAS Photography Group Facebook page.

# Green burials and why we dig them

Join Tamsin and Alyssa from Heaven & Earth Eco Burial Products to learn about the beautiful & sustainable alternatives to conventional burials & cremation.

#### Weds 4 October 2023

Ilam - Wonthaggi Library 2pm - Inverloch Library

## Opinion. Letters to the Editor 31

#### Got an opinion to share? The pub's been replaced by social media.

Remember the smoko break? Chats in the lunchroom? Friday drinks at the pub, casual conversations waiting for a tram or bus? People used to write to the newspapers but that option is very limited nowadays. My generation had a lot of time to get know each other through conversations. The speed of life increases exponentially, robbing us of these opportunities.

Where can people go to express or test their views and listen to other people's opinions, which is what a free and democratic society is all about, isn't it?

Social media has grown to fill that space, but everybody knows it can get hurtful real quick. And the algorithm ensures you get views that support your own. Its an echo chamber.

In these very conflicted times, people need to exchange opinions, to ever have a hope of reaching resolution or compromise or whatever is better than yelling across a digital or physical divide.

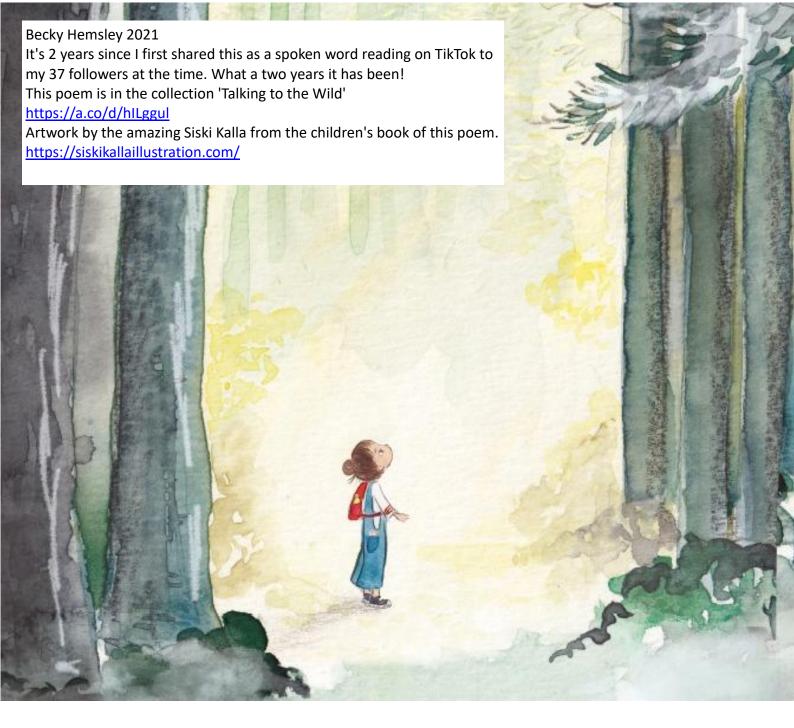
The Waterline News crew have tried to provide a platform within which this can happen. We want to continue to do so, however, recently we have received letters that are unprintable due to legal constraints. And rightly so.

Waterline News is the only publication that concentrates on the Waterline area. We want to keep this forum alive so, we need to introduce a few safeguards:

- We welcome letters to the editor.
- They need to be respectful.
- We reserve the right to decide what's published; our homes are at risk.
- We will edit letters to fit available space.
- Writers details must be provided and will be published.

Thanks folks, **Geoff Ellis**Waterline News





She sat at the back and they said she was shy She led from the front and they hated her pride

They asked her advice and then questioned her guidance They branded her loud then were shocked by her silence

When she shared no ambition, they said it was sad So she told them her dreams and they said she was mad

They told her they'd listen then covered their ears And gave her a hug whilst they laughed at her fears

And she listened to all of it, thinking she should Be the girl they told her to be, best as she could

But one day she asked what was best for herself Instead of trying to please everyone else So she walked to the forest and stood with the trees She heard the wind whisper and dance with the leaves

And she spoke to the willow, the elm and the pine And she told them what she'd been told, time after time

She told them she felt she was never enough She was either too little or far, far too much

Too loud or too quiet, too fierce or too weak Too wise or too foolish, too bold or too meek

Then she found a small clearing, surrounded by firs And she stopped and she heard what the trees said to her

And she sat there for hours not wanting to leave For the forest said nothing, it just let her breathe.

INTRODUCING...

# ENERGY CIRCLES

A series of community-led gatherings where people can ask questions, share knowledge and learn more about renewable energy and energy efficiency!



## ELECTRIC VEHICLES & HOME READINESS CONSIDERATIONS

Bryce Gaton, founder of
EVchoice, will share current
advice and support for people
thinking about an EV as their
next car purchase. Local solar
specialists will talk about
what to consider to prepare
your home for having an EV.

**DATE & PLACE:** 

SUN, OCT 22

• 10.30AM - 12.30PM CORINELLA COMMUNITY CENTRE

Grab a hot drink and pull up a chair.
All are welcome to attend.



Delivered by Totally Renewable Tenby and the Mycelia Energy Collective







Jessica Harrison from the local Cosy Homes Program and Christian Slattery from the Bass Coast Council show how households and businesses can improve energy efficiency.

Jessica shared her insights and stories of how Cosy Homes has helped people across Bass Coast draught proof, install covers over ceiling fans, cover windows inside and out and hot water pipes with special caps. Cosy Homes has also helped people assess their heating, cooling and hot water systems and, through a bulk purchase made the Earthworker heat pump hot water system accessible and more affordable.

Christian Slattery has co-ordinated the bulk buy of energy and water efficiency kits you can borrow from any MyLi library to assess energy efficiency in your own home. These kits come with a portable induction cooktop, if you would like to try out this more efficient cooking option. These portable stoves are available to buy from appliance stores and could make a great alternative to gas cooking, which is not only expensive, but has also now been shown to pollute the air we breathe at home.

#### **Energy Circle events:**

Previous events have focused on electrifying your home and the next event will cover electric cars. Bryce Gaton, will be presenting the latest on electric vehicles in Australia and sharing his experiences with owning an EV and things you might consider before buying an EV.

**About the Mycelia Collective:** 

The Collective is focusing on households doing it tough and which might benefit most from a bit of support.

The Collective also enables sharing of renewable energy amongst households and businesses that do and don't (or can't) have rooftop solar.

It is establishing a community benefit- sharing fund to resource energy efficiency upgrades for households that are locked out of the renewables market and to fund other community initiatives that address the inequities in the energy transition.

Mycelia Energy Collective is made possible through a strong partnership with The People's Grid and Circular Energy, two Australian-owned companies committed to locally owned, distributed renewable energy systems and solutions.

Anyone in Victoria can join the Mycelia Energy Collective and contribute to the work of Mycelia Renewables and the communities they support. Jump online and check out how.

www.mycelia.org.au



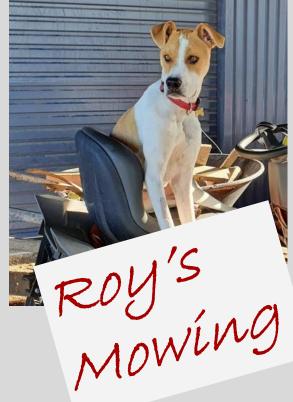


With Bob Wheeler

Looking more like a garden bench than a car, the 1919 **Briggs & Stratton Flyer** was the cheapest 'car' ever made.

It retailed at less than half the cost of a Model T Ford. In 1925, B&S sold the production rights to Automotive Electric Services Corporation. B&S kept the rights to the motor and used it to power other applications such as lawn mowers and washing machines.





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ONWARDS: ". .then turn left onto the highway. Watch out for a large green highway sign on the right then turn LEFT into the Loch-Kernot Rd, exercise caution as there is a smaller dead end road just before the correct turn . . " Neil Rankine's route instructions were intricate; he left nothing to chance. This lap of the Bass Coast Hinterland had been months in the making.

The Bugatti Car Club wanted somewhere off the beaten track to give some of their cars a run. After considering a few options, they got in touch with local Bugatti and Woodland enthusiast, Neil Rankine, who spent hours reading maps and trialling various routes across the hills and valleys of Bass Coast.

Dozens of Melbourne based cars assembled on a cold Sunday morning before heading for Lang Lang and the start of a very grand tour.

Lunch at Kernot was just one highlight of the day. Many more car clubs are expected to 'do a lap' based on Neil's route.













Bugatti style #2:
An elegant solution to the storage of spare spark plugs.













Over 300 people turned out in Wonthaggi on Sunday September 24 to support the YES vote in the upcoming referendum on The Voice.





Bass Coast Parkinsons Peer Support Group
Don't Go It Alone - Fights Parkinson's

Monthly meetings to share support, access to resources, friendship, ideas and activities.

Friday October 13th
Friday November 10th
1.00pm – 2.30pm
Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre
At Mitchell House
03 5672 3731

Fight Parkinson Vic. 1800 644 189

# OUR QUARTERLY PAPER FOR & BY THE PEOPLE OF BASS COAST FREE BUILDING COMMUNITY

#### From THE CURRENT 2004

When Chris Adams and Phillip Brook-Carter took over the Kernot General Store in November 2002, Phillip joked that the best way to fix it was to burn it down.

In the two years since then, they have transformed it, restoring the exterior to its heritage best and restocking the shelves with the essentials of bread, milk, newspapers and cigarettes.

More importantly, they have rebuilt the spirit of the store: it is once again a real community centre.



Locals call in to pick up the mail and a few stores; tradesmen come in for a hot pie and a coke; tourists and locals alike enjoy coffee and cake on the verandah.

From early September, they also will be able to enjoy a glass of wine or beer as the Kernot General Store is now a licensed cafe bar. Chris says he got the licence at the urging of the locals who wanted to be able to enjoy some city pleasures country style.

The arrival of the licence will be celebrated on Friday, September 3, (2004) with the licensed cafe open from noon until 10pm. (Written by Catherine Watson, edited by Gil Heal)

In case you're wondering how that worked out, suffice to say that no one goes there to buy milk or the papers anymore but crowds of people do go there to mingle, listen to music, share a meal or just soak up the ambience on that legendary veranda.

Of course, there have been changes of ownership over the years, Julie and Paul built up some solid food and music cred and the new owners, are taking it to the next level. The recent incursion through the Hinterland by a couple of dozen classic cars paused at the Store for lunch and the unique vibe enabled everyone to relax and have a good time as those highly strung engines cooled down for another lap of the hills. Below: Kernot when the trains still ran.







## A day out in Bass Coast with Kate

## A day away with a mate to Fountaingate

It's a transitory landscape as we cruise along Dalmore Road, heading for Fountaingate with a mate. Farms and cows are replaced by trucks and diggers. We grind to a standstill waiting to get onto the M1.

This is going to be a massive housing estate with another massive industrial estate beside it and become the new Berwick as the farms are ripped up and concrete buildings take over.

I'm amazed at the speed of development and wonder when enough is enough and how much can we take before it's all gone.



At Fountaingate I purchased a new camera that is simpler to use than my old one and takes better images. We had great burgers for lunch, checked out some giant Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles then headed home via Pakenham which is at the other end of that giant housing development.

I always love driving and seeing open farmlands but they are quickly disappearing.



- Home & Community Care (HACC Friendship Group) Mon & Wed 10am-2pm
- Men's Social Group Tuesday 10:30am-2:30m (in recess)
- Op Shop Mon to Friday 9am-3pm
- Scope Cooking Classes (for Scope clients) Tuesday 10:00am-1:00pm

Weekly Shopping Trips to Wonthaggi Tue 10:30am-1:30pm

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#### NDIS in the Bass Valley

As an accredited NDIS service provider, the Bass Valley Community Centre offers group-based activities to people who are supported by the National Disability Insurance scheme. This also includes persons eligible for service under the Home and Community Care Program for Younger People (HACC PYP) scheme.

If you are an adult NDIS client and are socially isolated (i.e. you have difficulty getting out and about) and reside in the Waterline area (Bass, Corinella, Coronet Bay, Grantville, Pioneer Bay, Tenby Point, Woolamai, or close to any of these locations) then come and join our Monday and/or Wednesday group which also includes round trip transport from your home in our comfy community bus, if required.

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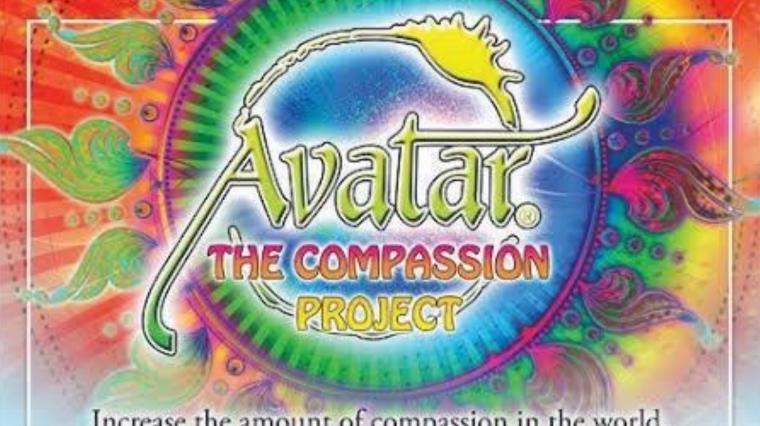
## OF THE R.S.L.

Invite you to the Remembrance Day Service
and unveiling of plaques
On Saturday 11th November
Commencing at 10.15 am
At the Memorial Gardens
Cnr Pier St & Bass High Way, Grantville
Followed by light refreshments





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Increase the amount of compassion in the world.

## Compassion Exercise

Instructions: This exercise can be done anywhere that people congregate (airports, malls, parks, beaches, etc.). It should be done on strangers, unobtrusively, from some distance. Try to do all five steps on the same person. Expected results are a personal sense of peace.

STEP I With attention on the person, repeat to yourself: Just like me, this person is seeking some happiness for his/her life.

STEP 2 With attention on the person, repeat to yourself: Just like me, this person is trying to avoid suffering in his/her life.

STEP 3 With attention on the person, repeat to yourself: Just like me, this person has known sadness, loneliness and despair.

STEP 4 With attention on the person, repeat to yourself: Just like me, this person is seeking to fulfill his/her needs.

STEP 5 With attention on the person, repeat to yourself: Just like me, this person is learning about life.

#### **Variations:**

- 1. May be done by couples and family members to increase understanding of each other.
- May be done on old enemies and antagonists still present in your memories.
- 3. May be done on other life forms.

When the seven-year old John Tolkien proudly showed his story, 'The green great dragon' to his mother, Mabel, she told him that you can't have a green, great dragon, it must be a great, green, dragon.

He was so discouraged that it took him years to write another story. This tale tells us two things:

**One** - be careful what you say to your children, you might be stifling a genius (or not!)

**Two** - every day we use words that we may not know exist. One of those rules is called 'hyperbaton' which is the rule for putting words in the correct order.

English is used by over 1.5 billion people or 17% of the world's population. One of the reasons for this is because, along with 100 base words (like, be, get, make, know) and a couple of hundred more specialist words, you can make yourself understood enough to trade, buy or sell.

We like to think that English doesn't have all those stuffy grammar rules that we had to wade through and indeed, English is so sloppy about word order and tolerant of grammar 'mistakes', that non-native speakers can usually still make themselves understood with very few words.

But this is where Adjective Hyperbaton strikes.

Young John Tolkien fell foul of a rule that nearly all of us know nothing about but use every day. When we don't follow this rule, we risk sounding either stupid or deranged.

Adjectives must be listed in this order: opinion, size, age, shape, colour/decoration, origin, material, purpose and then the NOUN being described.

#### Examples:

A beautiful, tall, old, slender, purple, Irish, crystal, flower VASE.

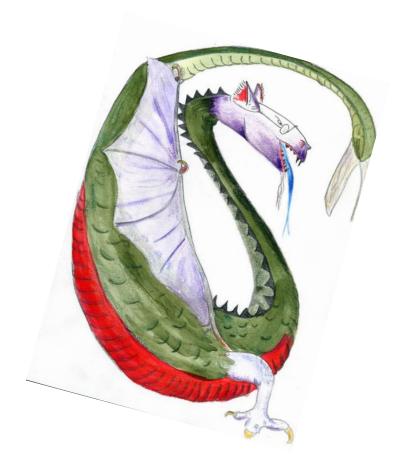
A lovely, large, ancient, squat, hand painted, Japanese porcelain, herbal TEAPOT. Try saying 'a herbal, Japanese, squat, large, lovely tea-

pot'. Or a 'crystal, flower, Irish, tall, vase'.
Sound a bit mad?

But English is tricky. Young John could have made his mother happy by writing 'A green Great Dragon'. This could imply there are Lesser Dragons, or more than one colour of Great Dragons. Maybe we could then have had more books from Tolkien but, on the other hand, he may never have become a professor and never written Lord of the Rings. What a loss that would have been!

So, maybe Mabel did the right thing after all.

Or, maybe, we should use no more than a couple of adjectives in a row to avoid the whole problem.





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Armchair TravelWaterline Library

At the latest Armchair travel gathering, Helen Zervopolous shared her personal insights and experiences of a family trip to Greece at the Waterline Library in Grantville on Saturday Sept 26. Helen narrated an amazing slideshow, provided authentic Greek food and had the audience up and dancing, Greek style.

A great time was had by everyone.











## CANARIES TO THE RESCUE!

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