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FROM THE  
EDITOR'S DESK  
[editor@waterlinenews.com.au](mailto:editor@waterlinenews.com.au)



Welcome to the July edition of The  
Waterline News.

This month's edition introduces a new look. For the first time, we have 44 pages, and a number of regular features have been expanded and/or moved. Food, Health and Lifestyle is now a combined category, with four pages, starting on page 14. Entertainment and Lifestyle remains and follows on pages 18 and 19. There has been an unprecedented increase in the interest of our history section which has resulted in an increase to four pages, starting on page 30.

The French Island section continues to have the centre page spread, helping to give the island some of its own identity. We have also experienced an increase in the number of community directory listings and announcements we receive each month. We now have over fifty community groups in the main directory, fourteen markets, eight op shops and seven historical groups who have their own listings. Then there are the community centres and various other groups who have regular columns and listings each month.

The Waterline News was started as a community service and we believe that as we approach the end of our fourth year, we have lived up to our original objectives.

We have been asked by quite a number of people if they can have the magazine posted to them and the answer is yes, the cost is \$3 per month, which includes postage and envelope costs etc.

Email: [editor@waterlinenews.com.au](mailto:editor@waterlinenews.com.au)

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*Roger Clark, Editor*

**Grantville GBCA News**

Grantville Business & Community Association



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Vice President: Neroli Heffer  
Secretary: Sandy Ridge  
[sandyr1903@gmail.com](mailto:sandyr1903@gmail.com)  
Treasurer: Lester Harris  
General Committee Members:  
Margaret Boyer, Lucy Cirona,  
Roger Clark, Darrell Egan, Greg Miller  
and Betty Young.

If you are interested in joining the group,  
contact, Secretary, Sandy Ridge:

[Thegbca1@gmail.com](mailto:Thegbca1@gmail.com)

## Sustainable Living Workshops 2018

### Gardening

Saturday 21st July  
10am - 1pm

Backyard and community gardens are becoming more and more important these days, so come to this great workshop and learn about composting, biofilters, community gardening, indigenous plants, weed identification and gardens for wildlife

Saturdays  
10am - 1pm

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18th August  
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Koo Wee Rup

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## SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

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SOS Bass Coast is a Community based organisation which is supported by you, the people of Bass Coast. We would like to share an open invitation for any members of our community to come along and have a cuppa with us on the dates below. We are here to support and assist with what ever we can, individually or as a group. If you or someone you know is struggling with their mental health, please pass on these dates or feel free to contact us personally for a chat.

We are also looking for members of our community to become volunteers and help out where needed. The more we pull together, the lighter the load.

We meet monthly at the Phillip Island Tourist Information Centre in Newhaven at 7pm, every second Tuesday of each month.

13th February	14th August
13th March	11th September
10th April	9th October
8th May	13th November
12th June	11th December
10th July	

Please call Koula on 0414 773 191 or Tanya on 0411 154 839  
or you can email us at [sosgippsland@hotmail.com](mailto:sosgippsland@hotmail.com)

Corinella and District Community Centre Inc.  
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## DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY SELF-HELP SUPPORT GROUP

### Beat the Blues & Jitters!

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Come and help create a safe place where you can share your experiences, thoughts & feelings in a confidential, accepting and warm environment with people who have been through similar experiences to you.

Corinella & District Community Centre, 48 Smythe Street, Corinella  
For more information contact Julie on: 0403 560 552

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# Community Notes



## CORINELLA RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

### 2018 Committee

**President.** Wayne Maschette.

**Vice President.** Peter Tait.

**Secretary.** David Laing.

**Treasurer.** Lyndell Parker

**General Committee Member.**

John Stewart.

Winter is upon us again. The annual pilgrimage to the sun up north has begun for many, but I am one of those who rejoices in the joys of winter, hot porridge for breakfast, a hearty vegetable soup for lunch, a tasty old fashioned casserole for dinner and snuggling up before a cosy fire toasting marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate with the grandkids.

On those lovely sunny winter days in the park, we will finally be able to enjoy the wonderful sculpture' (funded by the council's public arts program) by Joe Donahue, for Corinella "celebrating life on the Waterline" a plaque beside tells about Joe's vision, "the organic shape is a reference to the ever-moving time and tide, inspired by ancient fish traps and the cultural history of Corinella", this arresting piece of art work is also very functional and has a long seat running inside it is a lovely spot to sit and contemplate the beauty of the park and watch the grandkids on the play equipment at the same time.

Friday just before dusk, sitting having a chat with the artist, I was delighted by what a lovely outlook it provides and I will now appreciate the park in a whole new way..... it is my understanding that within the next year the playground will be getting an upgrade as well. Life in Corinella just keeps getting better, and it was already incredibly special!

### Upcoming events:

The CRRA will work with the Corinella Community Centre (with advice and help from the past committees of the Children's Centre and St. George's Church) to run the "Cent Night" on Grand Final eve.

A community fundraising event, the proceeds going towards the Community Centre. Our next meeting is the AGM on 4 August at 10am, Balcombe St entrance of the Community Centre. All welcome. We have very interesting guest speakers, and our councillors are always on hand to give updates and answer questions you may have, the meeting closes with a social cuppa and cake.

Be a part of caring for your town and community, love to see you there!

**Lyndell Parker, Treasurer**

**On behalf of the CRRA Committee.**



**President: Jean Coffey 0419 500 593**

**Secretary: David Pearce 0401 514 339**

"The Tenby Point Winter Solstice Festival of Lights is over and we had a marvellous weekend at the end of June. The weather was kind, the soup and cakes were delicious and, most importantly, the light displays were spectacular.

The atmosphere created by the lights in Marine Road was very special and the path down the to the beach and the floating displays were magic. We all enjoyed chatting around the firepits while drinking hot soup. Around 200 people attended over the three nights, which was quite a crowd for Tenby Point.

The success of the weekend was due, above all, to the untiring efforts of Jeannie Haughton who, with Lisa Burrell, conceived the whole event, created most of the light displays and set them all up with the help of more than 20 residents.

This was the final event in Tenby Point as part of The Edge of Us project and it has been wonderful to see the way the project has brought a new dimension to life in our little village in Tenby Point.

Our next meeting will be our annual general meeting on Saturday 25 August at 10am. All Tenby Point residents are welcome to join for just \$10 per year.

## CORONET BAY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



### 2018 Committee

**President:** David Buckingham

**Vice President:** Kevin Brown

**Secretary:** Stephanie Hartridge

**Treasurer:** Louise Gration

**General Committee Members:**

Mel Gration and Mark Hanrahan

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

During our meetings we regularly discuss the current issues of interest to our community, including planning and development proposals, shared use of our beach, community events and council matters, the latter presented by a local ward councillor. So if you want a say in these matters, why not come along and join our association. Its purpose is to represent you,

our community.

The next CBRRA meeting is scheduled for 11 am on Saturday 21st July at the Coronet Bay Hall. As well as our regular topics we will have a National Broadband Network (NBN) representative attending to answer your questions on the rollout including the scheduled ADSL phase out next year. A Council Planning Officer will also be attending to discuss any issues we have with current and proposed developments in our town.

The CBRRA would be pleased to welcome any new members to the association. Please contact our Secretary Stephanie Hartridge on 0414 370 929 or email [secretary@coronetbayrra.org.au](mailto:secretary@coronetbayrra.org.au) Alternatively, you may contact our Treasurer Louise Gration on 0408 358 374 or email [louisegration@gmail.com](mailto:louisegration@gmail.com).

**Secretary Combined Community Group,  
Sue Quartermain 0408 290923  
or email [susiequa@tpg.com.au](mailto:susiequa@tpg.com.au)**

**South Gippsland  
Support After Suicide**

**Have you been  
bereaved by suicide?**

**Come for morning tea and a chat**

South Gippsland Support After Suicide is a new initiative offering peer support for those bereaved by suicide.

We meet monthly on the fourth Thursday at the  
**Grantville Transaction Centre**  
Corner Bass Highway and Pier Road, Grantville

**from 10am-12pm**  
Dates for 2018

25 January	28 June
22 Feb	26 July
22 March	23 August
26 April	27 September
24 May	25 October
	22 November

These meetings are hosted by trained volunteers who have themselves been bereaved by the suicide of a loved one.

For further details or to RSVP  
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# Community Notes



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**C/- Rhyll Post Office**

**Rhyll. 3923**

President: Judy Lawrence  
Vice President: Carmen Bush  
Secretary: Cheryl Overton  
0427 680 483

Meetings are Bimonthly (1st 3rd 5th 7th 9th 11th) on the 3rd Saturday of the month, and are held in the Rhyll Hall, Lock Road at 10.00 am. **All Welcome.**

## **Bass Coast Branch of National Trust.**

If you are interested in joining the Bass Coast Branch of NTAV, meetings and activities, contact Mary-Lu Burt for information.

mlburt@melbpc.org.au or visit the NTAV website:

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

## **RHYLL COAST ACTION**

Weed of the month is English Ivy (*Hedera helix*), a widely planted ornamental creeper with green sword shaped leaves. Trailing stems form dense smothering mats. Greenish-yellow flowers in autumn are followed by black fruit. Birds, foxes and possibly water disperse the seed, and stems in garden refuse will grow too. Found in most aspects, this European plant is also said to attract European Wasps which attack Bee Larvae.

Environmental weeds threaten the values of our natural ecosystems, they can invade native plant communities and outcompete them which results in the reduction of plant diversity and loss of habitat for animals and birds.

Another environmental weed to be aware of, is Cape Ivy (*Delairea odorata*) which originates from South Africa; a highly invasive climbing plant forms a smothering curtain over smaller plants and trees. Cape Ivy has yellow daisy-like flowers in winter and early spring followed by seed with hairs attached. It is reproduced by seed and from stolons. Wind, machinery, slashing and garden refuse all spread this invader into high rainfall areas, dune systems, woodlands, forests, riparian and neglected areas and roadsides. (Ref. for all the above "Common Weeds of Gippsland"). Find, like and share us on Facebook.

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

## **PIONEER BAY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

Contact :  
Zena Benbow  
pbpa@bigpond.com



**It would be more than fair to say that the last month has had its challenges, testing even the staunchest of volunteers among us.**

We've been in existence for almost ten years.

We've pushed for the roads to alleviate the myriad of issues faced by residents- whether that be disappearing backyards, flooding, speeding vehicles or at one stage the threat of an outbreak of Ross River Fever in the mossie breeding grounds (also known as drains).

We've pushed for natural gas culminating with our views being taken to state parliament and the promise of consideration as the lines expand.

We've supported other projects in the district.

We've supported children at the local primary school to go to camp.

These are but a few accomplishments of the last ten years-completely transparent to those who wish to participate in our community.

We were frustrated and dismayed to see social media posts which got rather nasty and at times personal for participants.

The contact details for this association are here as well as the Pioneer Bay website . Interested in a local issue - Please drop us an email.

**Zena Benbow**

## **ADVICE ON NBN AND HOME PHONES**

18 months after the NBN becomes available, standard copper phone lines and all ADSL connections will be shut down.

Even if a home owner only has a phone, it will cease to work.

An NBN connection is required, the final service will cost no more than the existing phone service, it may be cheaper and there will be no need to change phone number. People should be made aware that emergency alert systems, security alarms and EFTPOS machines will not work by default on the new NBN phone system, they may need upgrading or replacing and they may require a UPS (uninterruptable power supply) because the NBN phone line will not work without power.

Anyone wanting clarification of cut off dates should contact NBN on 1800 687 626

***We will be following up reader questions in coming months with our computer expert.***



[www.u3abassvalley.com](http://www.u3abassvalley.com)  
(PO Box 142 Grantville 3984)

**The 2018 committee is:**

Chairperson : Mark Dunbar  
Deputy Chair : Geoff Guilfoyle  
Secretary : Christine Holmes  
Treasurer : Beverly Walsh  
General Committee Members:  
Vicki Clark and Sue Dunbar.

## **U3A BASS VALLEY - 2018 ENROLMENT**

If you are interested in joining your local U3A community, Bass Valley is now offering the following activities for 2018:

**Art for Pleasure**

**Book Club**

**Creative Writing**

**Gardening,**

**Get Creative**

**Local History (new)**

**Movie & Theatre Appreciation,**

**Tai Chi for Arthritis,**

**Travel & History**

**Welding**

An Annual Subscription of \$30 per person will cover as many U3A Bass Valley classes as you may wish to attend, subject to availability.

Current members of other U3A groups may join U3A Bass Valley for \$15 per annum as an associate member, which will cover as many classes that you may wish to attend, subject to availability.



## **TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS**

Hosted by Vicki Clark  
Held at Coronet Bay Community Hall  
Gellibrand Street  
Every Tuesday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

## **Other U3A Groups in the Waterline News area are at:**

**Cowes (Pical)**

**Phone 5952 1131**

**and**

**Wonthaggi**

<http://www.u3awonthaggi.org.au>

**Ph: 03 5672 3951**



# Community Directory



Send us your Community Group  
Notices by 1st each month  
editor@waterlinenews.com.au

## 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 Mon-Saturday (Judy) 0498 350 634

## 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

## Cape Woolamai Coast Action

Email [capewoolamaicoastaction@gmail.com](mailto:capewoolamaicoastaction@gmail.com)

## Corinella & District Probus Club

Heather Reid 0421 012 519

## Corinella Boating & Angling Club

Website: [www.corinellafishing.com.au](http://www.corinellafishing.com.au)

## Corinella Bowling Club Inc.

Balcombe Street Corinella.

Jacque Carter 5678 0596

## Corinella & District Community Centre

48 Smythe St Corinella. 5678 0777

Website: [www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au](http://www.corinellacommunitycentre.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: Catherine 0416 112 629

## Coronet Bay Adult Social Club

Tuesday 7-10pm Coronet Bay Hall

Ann 5678 0341

## Country Women's Association of Vic inc.

### Bass Group.

Cowes Lorraine 5952 2165

Glen Alvie Libby 5678 3280

Grantville Annie 5678 8037

Loch Val 5659 4268

Woodleigh Vale Carol 5678 8041

## Cowes Table Tennis Group

Social play, coaching available.

Barbara Parrott 0425 885 834

## Grantville & District Ambulance Auxiliary

Contact - Shelly 0417 593 497

## Grantville Business & Community Association

Secretary Sandy Ridge [sandyr1903@gmail.com](mailto:sandyr1903@gmail.com)

## Grantville & District Foreshore Committee

Contact: Barbara Coles

Email: [bacoles@bigpond.net.au](mailto: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](mailto:langlangbowling@bigpond.com)

## Lang Lang Community Centre

Coordinator Marg Hambleton 5997 5704

Email: [llcc@langlang.net](mailto:llcc@langlang.net)

## Lang Lang Cricket Club

Secretary: Sharon May 0459 368 431

## Lang Lang Playgroup

(0-Preschool) Thursdays 9.30am

Contact Bon 0439 886 843

## Lions Club of Bass Valley

First Tuesday each month 6pm

Grantville Transaction Centre then third

Tuesday each month, Dinner at Bass Hotel.

Lyn Renner 0416 024 356

## Nyora Youth Group

Contact Michael Felton

Email: [nyorahall3987@outlook.com](mailto:nyorahall3987@outlook.com)

## Phillip Island Bowls Club

Dunsmore Avenue, Cowes.

New members welcome, Free coaching

Contact George Mol 0407 851 065

## Phillip Island Camera Club

Meet at the Heritage, Cowes.

Contact: Susan 0408 136 717

## Centre Phillip Island Community Art & Craft Gallery Inc.

Cowes Cultural Centre Thompson Ave

All Enquiries Call Aleta 0419 525 609

## Phillip Island Indoor Carpet Bowlers

Come and join the fun. Phillip Island Celebration

Centre 6 Lions Court, Cowes

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

Email: [LindaMorrison\\_manager@pical.org.au](mailto:LindaMorrison_manager@pical.org.au)

## Phillip Island Patchworkers

Meet on a Monday night from 7.30.

Contact - Lyn Duguid 0427 593 936

Email: [phillipislandpatchworkers@gmail.com](mailto:phillipislandpatchworkers@gmail.com)

## Phillip Island Senior Citizens Club

Phone bookings 5952 2973

Email [piscc123@gmail.com](mailto:piscc123@gmail.com)

## Phillip Island Squares

Square Dancing, Bass Valley Community Hall.

Bass School Rd,

Contact: Carol 5952 5875

## Phillip Island World Vision Club

Second Wednesday each month 1.30pm

St. Phillip's Church Cowes

Enquiries - Thelma 5678 5549

## Pioneer Bay Progress Association

Zena Benbow [pbpa@bigpond.com](mailto: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](mailto:southgippslandsas@gmail.com)

## Survivors of Suicide

Raising awareness to aid prevention

Jillian Drew 0413 056 165



## LOCAL POLICE NETWORK

Bruce Kent Station Commander,  
San Remo phone: 5678 5500  
email: [bruce.kent@police.vic.gov.au](mailto:bruce.kent@police.vic.gov.au)

Emergency Dial 000

[www.police.vic.gov.au](http://www.police.vic.gov.au)





# Around the Markets & Op Shops

## Community Group Notices continued

### St Pauls Anglican Church Bass

HC at 12.30pm every Sunday  
Contact Sandy Ridge 5997 6127

### St Georges Anglican Church Corinella

1st Sunday each month 11.00am  
Other Sundays 9am  
Free Community Lunch Corinella  
Community Centre Second Friday at 12pm  
Op Shop open Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri  
10am - 2pm Saturday 9am - 12.30pm

### Tenby Point Residents Association

President Jean Coffey 419 500 593  
Secretary David Pearce 0401 514 339

### Woolamai Racing Club

Contact the Secretary (03) 5678 7585

## MARKETS



### Every Sunday

**Kongwak Market** 10am - 3pm  
Retro stalls, food, vegetables, coffee, curries  
30+ stalls  
Enquiries: Jane 0408 619 182

### 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 phone 5657 3253

### 2nd Sunday

#### Rotary Club Market Wonthaggi

Apex Park 8am - 1pm, 50+ stalls  
Walk to nearby Make it - Bake it Market  
Contact: Neville Goodwin 5672 7245  
Garry Sherrick 5672 5812

### Loch Lions Village Market

May - Sept Loch Public Hall  
Oct - April Loch Railway Station Park  
70+ stalls  
Information from Noel Gregg 5627 5576  
Market day phone 0418 500 520

### 3rd Sunday

#### Inverloch Farmers Market

The Glade, Esplanade, 8am - 1pm  
50+ stalls Information: peter@rfm.net.au  
Phone 0439 364 760

### Tooradin Sunday Market

9am - 1pm  
Stallholders wanted, \$20 includes 1 sausage & bread breakfast per stall.  
All Market Enquiries: 0429 188 280

### 4th Sunday (Weather Permitting)

#### Grantville Variety Market

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  
Friday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 12noon  
Bric a brac, cakes, & jams Friday, plus a sausage sizzle on Saturdays.  
Further Information: 5678 5386



## OP SHOPS

### Bass

#### Bass Valley

#### Community

#### Group

#### Hadden House

#### Op Shop

Next to Bass Hall, Bass School Road  
Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm  
Saturday 10am - 2pm  
Phone Enquiries 5678 2277

### Corinella

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

Smythe Street Corinella, next to Church  
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
10am - 2.00pm  
Saturday 9.30am - 12.30pm

### Grantville

#### Bass Coast Community Baptist Church

**Op Shop** Manager Judy - 0498 350 634  
Bass Highway, Grantville  
Open Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm  
Saturday 9.30am - 2.00pm

### Bass Valley Lions Club Op Shop

Situated at the Grantville Garden Supplies  
Open Monday-Saturday 5678 8357

### Korumburra

#### Korumburra Uniting Church Op Shop

Thur-Fri 10-4 Saturday 10-12  
Contact for information 5658 1884

### Lang Lang

#### Lang Lang Community Op Shop

12 Westernport Road  
Monday - Friday 10am - 3pm  
Saturday 10am - 1pm

### Nyora

#### Nyora Op Shop at the Nyora Station

Open Monday - Saturday 9am - 1pm.  
Enquiries to Sylvia, Phone 5659 0089

### San Remo

#### San Remo Op Shop

Back Beach Road.  
Enquiries 5671 9200  
Email: info@basscoasthealth.org.au



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# Community Centres and other local 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) Call: 5672 3731

Become a member of the WNC this term and reduce the costs on LearnShare Activities (LSA) for the rest of the year. Bookings are required for all activities unless specifically stated. Some require a gold coin (GC).

## New Weeklies:

Knit your winter socks: Starts on Thursday 2nd August from 1 to 2pm and is a new weekly event. I don't know about you but hand knitted socks are lovely to wear. Learn how to make beautiful hand knitted woollen socks. The first session will include information on needles, wool and patterns.

## Wild Women Wanderings!

Starts on Thursday 2nd August, 7.30 to 9pm. This is a discussion group for women with inquiring minds. Explore and tune in to the sacred feminine from archetypal mythology to modern feminist thought.

## New activities:

Music makers mayhem: Is on Friday 17th August from 7 to 9pm. This is an opportunity for all acoustic musicians to get together and experience music-making at its finest. Bring along a song to teach if you choose and allow us the chance to add our own improvisation and unique style to the song, making it spectacular. Bring your own instruments, your singing voice and a sense of fun. Let us know beforehand if you're interested in teaching a song.

## One offs:

Vegan mid winter feast!: Is on Saturday 4th August from 6pm to 7pm. If you are vegan or interested in exploring or celebrating plant based foods then come along with a 'pot luck' meal to share with others. Plant based foods have both environmental and animal welfare benefits. It should be a fun evening with a door prize and raffle. Come along and meet some new friends! RSVP 30 July.

## Programs:

### How to Talk to Your Guardian Angels

A 5 week Course: Starts on Tuesday July 24th from 7pm to 8.30pm. Experienced teacher Pip believes everyone has a guardian angel - even if they don't know it. 'Your angel may be helping you in lots of ways.' Call Pip on 0437 670 820 to enrol in her informative course.

### For Health & Wellbeing:

Life force practice: Is on Tuesday 24th July from 1.45pm to 4pm and is a two part class to stimulate your mind, body and soul. The first class is about Taiumba a presentation of basic exercises from Asia and South America emphasising pleasant and worthwhile exercise with fun in a spiritual environment. This leads into the second class which will be meditation. Learn to relax and meditate through guided meditation to calm and quieten the mind.

### Your Asthma in Your Hands:

Is on Saturday 4th August from 10am to 11am. Learn simple techniques to open your lungs and enhance your breathing capacity. LSA

### To support Pre Schoolers:

Tea & Tots Facilitated Play Group is on Mondays 10.30am - 12noon. This is a weekly play group which includes story time with a special guest reader, free play and a healthy morning tea. Call to book.

### For older children:

Tuesday Night Youth Hang Out! Is from 6.30 - 8.30pm and is a weekly get together at the Harvest Centre Shed for young people to drop in, meet with others, relax, share dinner and play board games.

### Social Support:

Multicultural Womens Group is on Thursdays 10am - 12 noon. There is much to gain from sharing different cultural experiences. This new, culturally diverse group meet over a relaxing cuppa and share ideas and experiences. Call Janice Connor on 0401 164 520 for further information.

**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.**



## SOME NEW MUSIC AND ARTS PROGRAMS AT LANG LANG COMMUNITY CENTRE

### Little Music Stars

We are very happy to introduce a new activity on our term 3 program. 'Little Music Stars' is suitable for infants to pre-schoolers. Classes are based on the Suzuki Music philosophy. The program uses an alternating core curriculum of nursery rhymes and folk songs including creative movement and story telling. Starts Wed. July 18th 10am. The first session is FREE.



LLCC will subsidize the next five sessions every Wednesday till Aug 22.

The cost will be \$10 per child.

**Bookings essential 59975704**

### Beginners Watercolour painting

Renowned South Gippsland Artist Maureen Quigley is coming to the Community Centre to teach participants at beginners level the finer art of watercolour painting.



8 Workshops on Thursdays  
Commencing Aug 2nd—Sept 20th  
1.30pm—3.30pm Cost \$160.00  
Additional cost for start up supplies.  
List available at the Centre.

**For all further details and bookings  
( 59975704**



### Phillip Island Community and Learning Centre



56-58 Church St, Cowes  
Centre Manager - Linda Morrison  
**5952 1131**

Email :  
admin@pical.org.au  
Website:  
www.pical.org.au

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# Community Centres and other local news



Do you have some spare time on your hands, do you enjoy working with people, helping out in your community or have amazing skills to share? If you said, yes, yes, yes and yes, we have some spaces available at Corinella and District Community Centre for volunteers to join the team. Meet new people and learn some new skills. We will provide on the job training and support, no previous experience is necessary. We have roles available in office reception, administration, IT skills, gardening, youth drop-in group and bus driving. Call Iain on 5678 0777 or drop into the centre at 48 Smythe Street Corinella.

We have activities and groups running every day; our term program is completed and can be viewed on our webpage at: [www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au](http://www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au). 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 a monthly bus running to Dandenong Market on the first Tuesday of the month, pick up some bargains and your fruit and veg supplies without the hassle of driving. We are commencing running 'Be Connected' which is teaching older members of our community to be digitally connected. Learn how to use a smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer. Our mentors will support you to get the best out of your device. Be Connected is a free service, Call Iain to discuss.

Want to learn how to create beautiful mosaics? We have an enthusiastic group that meets fortnightly, on a Thursday from 1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. where you can work on your own masterpieces amongst likeminded people. On Monday evenings our local Yoga guru, Nikki runs the very popular yoga classes. 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. 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 'Winter Days Social Lunch.' Everybody's welcome to enjoy a light lunch whilst having a 'chinwag' with others, cost is by donation. Each Friday at 1.30 we run a Mindfulness

Meditation session commencing at 12.30. A weekly self-help support group for people who are living with depression runs each Friday at 2.30. Come and join in and help create a safe place where you can share your experiences, thoughts & feelings in a confidential, accepting and warm environment with people who have been through similar experiences to you. 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.

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. Thank you to La Provincia for supporting us. 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 our selection. We have created the 'West Wall Gallery' in the foyer of the centre and are hosting monthly exhibitions of local artists. 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. Did you know that we have rooms for hire, our function room is great for events and celebrations. We also have a smaller meeting room, reasonable rates, call in or call us on 5678 0777, or email: [i.ritchie@cdcc.asn.au](mailto:i.ritchie@cdcc.asn.au) Keep up to date with us on Facebook @CorinellaCommunityCentre. Cheers Iain

Do you need to obtain your certificates in 'Provide responsible service of alcohol' (SITHFAB002) or your 'Use Hygienic Practices for Food Safety' (SITXFSA001) to obtain work or to get work in the future?

Corinella and District Community Centre in partnership with Bass Coast Adult Education Centre will be providing the courses in Corinella. Use Hygienic Practices for Food Safety on 11 September 2018 (10am - 4pm) at \$120.00 and Provide Responsible Service of Alcohol on 13 September 2018 (10am - 2pm) at \$95.00

**Contact: Iain Ritchie**  
**Manager (Tues to Fri)**  
**48 Smythe Street Corinella 3984**  
**Ph: (03) 5678 0777**  
**Mob: 0409 528 543**

## LANG LANG COMMUNITY CENTRE



- Public Internet Access to all members.
- iPad Tuition
- Lifestyle classes including:
- Yoga, Pilates, Cardio, Walking group and Line Dancing, Tai Chi.
- Playgroup for the littlies.
- A variety of Patchwork groups.
- Men's Shed Group.
- Secretarial Support Services including: Photocopying, typing and scanning.
- Book Exchange
- Small offices for hire
- Centrelink Agent with dedicated computer.
- Medicare Claim Service

We have vacancies in our Tai Chi and Cardio exercise classes if you are interested please give us a call



Fridays 12 noon—1.00pm

### BLOKES IN THE KITCHEN

We will continue to offer this FREE cooking program for men

during term three in the Lang Lang Memorial Hall kitchen.

Thursdays: @ 10.30 am

July 19th, August 16th & Sept 20th

Here's a great opportunity for men 50 plus to expand their cooking skills and impress their friends.

Prepare healthy nutritious meals under the guidance of a experienced cook.

The classes are FREE however places are limited.

Bookings essential ( 59975704

Bookings are now being taken for the Mystery Quilt Day with Jenny at the Lang Lang Community Centre.

Sat August 18th  
10.00am — 4pm

Lunch and afternoon tea provided.

Cost \$ 30 per person.

Requirements available from LLCC Bookings essential as this popular workshop will fill fast. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Bookings ( 59975704

Please call us, we open @ 9.30am five days a week.

7 Westernport Rd, Lang Lang 3984

Contact (03) 5997 5704

[llcc@langlang.net](mailto:llcc@langlang.net)

# More Community News



## CORONET BAY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Chairperson:  
**Ivan Bradshaw**  
P: 5678 0663

Email: coronetbaynhw@gmail.com  
Facebook:  
Coronet Bay Neighbourhood Watch

Next meeting: **AGM on Monday 13 August 7pm start, Coronet Bay Hall, Fred Gratton Reserve.**

**All welcome, bring a friend.**

### Police Report

San Remo Stn Cmdr Bruce Kent very kindly gave the report while off duty.

### CORONET BAY:

- \*Assault on police during pursuit of car towing suspected stolen boat. Police car sideswiped. Fingerprints were retrieved. Offender is from Korumburra, known to Police and on the run for family violence.
- \*Attempted theft of tractor
- \*Broken holiday house window.
- \*Red motorcycle rider caught hooning is now waiting for the consequences.

### TENBY POINT:

- \*Theft of tools & outboard motor.
- \*Theft of instantaneous hot water service.
- \*Security cages are available to deter this.

### CORINELLA:

Number plate theft.

### GRANTVILLE:

lawn mower stolen.

Bruce confirmed a Domestic Violence Unit has been set up to tackle the worst offenders and shared the following:

- \*Victims need to know they have support.
  - \*Police need to be aware before they can act and calls can be made anonymously.
  - \*83% family violence victims are women.
  - \*Victims repeatedly forgive the offender.
- Bruce advised 95% of house crime is to unoccupied premises, so look out for your neighbours. Exchange phone numbers so you can confirm if suspicious events are family member visits or a crime in action.

Bruce stressed the importance of calling 000 and not simply leaving messages at stations. Stations have 8 hour shifts so it can be too late when messages are finally addressed. 000 operators redirect calls to Police who are actively on duty.

Meeting dates for your diary: 13 Aug, 10 Sep, 8 Oct, 12 Nov.

**For Emergencies call 000 (24hrs)**  
**Domestic Violence 1800 015 188 (24hrs)**

## Bass Valley Friends of the RSL

Secretary Trish Thick  
5678 1071 or 0409851599



Is there anyone who knows what happened to the plaques that were at the base of the memorial trees before the road duplication in the 1980's.



Photo - Jan Walker

Bass Valley friends of the RSL are unveiling a Plaque "Saluting the Anzacs of Bass Valley & District" on Sunday 7 October

and we are trying to trace any descendants of these Anzacs to invite them along for the unveiling and would like to hear from them, to find out if they have any photos etc. we could take copies of.

There are over 100 names on the plaque.

**Trish Thick**

## Corinella Community Market



Second Saturday each month

For Bookings & Enquiries:  
marketenquiriesccm@gmail.com  
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Corinella Bowling Club Inc

We welcome new bowlers & invite you to give bowls a try at our Wednesday Social days at 9.30am for 10am start..

Coaching available.

Corinella Winter Tournament for 2018 commenced on Saturday 5 May with our three bowl Triples competition and continues through until 25 August.

Get a team together or single entries are accepted.

### Contact

Dave Burzacott Ph. 0423 593227  
Steve Bray Ph. 0418 316 912

## Probus Club of Corinella and District



The Club meets on the first  
Wednesday of the month at the George  
Bass Hotel, meeting, lunch and guest  
speaker.

For inquiries call President Sandy Ridge  
on 5997 6127 or Vice President  
Rob Parsons 0402 852 300.

## Community Halls for Hire



Grantville Hall

Archies Creek	Mez Oldham	0415 445 215
Bass Valley		5678 2277
Bena	Maureen	5657 2276
Corinella	Paula Clarke	0448 441 046
Coronet Bay	Peter Thick	0429 851 004
Dalyston	Dorothy Slade	5678 7334
Grantville	Pat Van	5997 6221
Kernot	Julie Johnston	5678 8555
Kongwak	Betty Anderson	5657 4317
Lang Lang	Cynthia Gane	5997 5510
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Nyora	Nikki	0421 992 106
Newhaven	Noel Street,	5956 6122
Rhyll	Ring General Store,	5956 9205
Woodleigh	Evan Jones	5 657 7275

**Details not right?**

**Let us know....**

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# More Community News



## CFA NEWS With Michele Fulwell

Last year in Victoria there were 250 house fires caused by faulty or damaged electrical equipment and appliances.

People need to remember that when electrical appliances are left on for an extended period of time they can overheat and have disastrous effects.

So don't forget to:

- Turn off all electrical appliances at the power point when not in use
- Only use certified electrical trades people to repair damaged/faulty electrical appliances, wiring or equipment.
- Ensure monitors, laptops, televisions and other equipment have good air flow around them and are not in confined spaces or covered.
- Use power boards according to manufacturers' instructions, never overload and check regularly for damage.

Fire risk is greatest at night when you are asleep. When we sleep we can lose our sense of smell. Without a working smoke alarm you may not wake up or wake up too late to safely escape.

Fires starting in bedrooms are often caused by electric blankets, candles or smoking in bed. As discussed last month they are also caused by people charging their devices on their bed.

Safety tips include:

- Don't smoke in bed
- Don't use candles in the bedroom and make sure candles are all out before going to bed.
- Turn electric blankets on 30 minutes before getting into bed and turn off once you are in bed.
- Never get into bed with your electric blanket turned on
- Keep electric blankets flat with controls at the side of the bed.
- Regularly check electric blankets for broken and worn wiring.
- Never put weight (people, animals or objects) on your bed while the electric blanket is turned on
- Never fold an electric blanket as it may cause damage to the wiring.
- Never use an electric blanket on a water bed.

For more home fire safety information visit [cfa.vic.gov.au/homefire](http://cfa.vic.gov.au/homefire)

### Volunteers Needed

Local brigades are 100% volunteer and are currently recruiting with Kernot-Grantville

Fire Brigade specifically looking for administration volunteers. They also need firefighting volunteers available during the day and/or living in the Kernot area. All firefighting volunteers are provided with training and personal protective equipment. Contact Captain Andrew Blackney on 0408 863 721 or Training Officer David Cox on 0433 917 768 to find out more or call into Grantville Fire Station any Monday night between 7 and 7.30pm or Sunday morning between 9 and 10am (except Grantville Market days).

### Grantville Branch Country Women's Association



Meets at the Grantville Hall on the second Monday of each month at 12.30pm.  
Followed by afternoon tea.

We welcome ladies interested in joining our branch, for **FRIENDSHIP SHARING and CARING**

Enjoy the company of ladies of all ages, who have similar interests.

Learn new craft skills, exchange recipes and cooking tips.

Craft and chat meet on the 4th Monday of each month at 10am.

Learn new crafts or join us with your current project. Shared lunch.

Social - Days out - Theatre, lunches, shopping trips etc.

We would like to fulfil the needs for ladies of all ages with Social Chatter and learning the services Country Women's Association has provided for the past 90 years.

### Our Current Projects

Knitwear, comfort rugs and toys for Children in foster care.

Knit A Row located at "The Pantry"  
- Scarfs for people in need.

### Important Dates

July 23 Craft Meeting 10am.

Forthcoming events

Monday 10 September

Postie Fashions - Remind your friends of this very popular day.

Country Women's Association is currently celebrating 90 years of service to women and children.

For any information you are welcome to call Betty on 0418 396 863 anytime



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**235 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup**  
**ph: 03 5997 9679 email:**  
**gregorys@krhs.net.au**

**website: [www.kooweeruphospital.net.au](http://www.kooweeruphospital.net.au)**

## A cook's journal



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

Jan shares one of her favourite recipes.

### Pick of the crop



As usual, this year we had a bumper crop of corn. Luckily it is very easy to freeze and does not need to be

cooked. Just remove some of the outer leaves, pop them in a freezer bag and seal. This is a really delicious soup and you can make it as special as you like with a dollop of cream to serve or even some crispy bacon on top.

### Corn and Bacon Chowder

#### Ingredients:

1 onion chopped  
2 garlic cloves crushed  
2 medium potatoes, peeled and chopped  
2 large or 4 small rashers of bacon diced  
2 large or 4 small corn cobs, silk removed and kernels stripped  
2 cups of chicken or vegetable stock  
1 cup of milk or cream  
A handful of parsley, finely chopped  
Seasoning as required

#### Method:

In a saucepan over low heat, gently fry the onion for a few minutes until soft.  
Add the garlic and the bacon and cook until the bacon is starting to crisp.  
Add the diced potatoes and cook, stirring for a few minutes  
Add the stock and stir well, then add the corn kernels

Bring to the boil, lower the heat and simmer for 15-20 minutes until the potatoes are cooked.

If you have a liquidiser or similar, blitz this mixture leaving a few lumps if you like.

Add the milk and/or cream and stir well, adding more if it is too thick

Season

Serve topped with parsley and a small dollop of cream

### Catch of the day

I know all fish lovers will enjoy this recipe. I call it "Dawn's Salmon", because my daughter cooked it for us at recently at her place. Bert and I loved it so much we have it for special occasions now.



### DAWN'S DELICIOUS SALMON

Serves 4-6

#### Ingredients

1 side of salmon or salmon fillets weighing about 1.5kg  
1 bunch of coriander  
4 spring onions finely chopped  
4 limes or lemons halved  
1 tablespoon of brown sugar  
1/3 cup of honey  
coriander for decoration

#### Marinade

3 stalks of lemongrass chopped. Use the white part of the stem only. You can buy lemongrass in most supermarkets.  
1 knob of fresh ginger, finely grated  
4 cloves of garlic finely chopped  
1/2 cup of soy sauce  
Handful of coriander

#### Method

Place fish in a bowl and cover with the marinade for 2 hours or more.  
Heat the oven to 200 degrees.

Line a large baking tray with baking paper. Remove the salmon from the marinade and gently brush away the marinade.

Place salmon on the tray and drizzle over the honey.

Bake for 10 minutes until the fish is pink in the centre.

#### To serve

Heat a frying pan and when hot pour in the sugar.

When the sugar melts add the lime or lemon halves facing down to caramelize them. They are ready when they are soft and have some colour.

Remove the salmon from the oven and keep warm.

Plate up and decorate with coriander and chopped spring onions.

Place the caramelized limes around fish. Serve with brown or white rice with a salad.

### RICE -

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#### Brown or White?

It's just like whole wheat vs. white bread.

Brown rice is a whole grain.

White's not. So brown's got more fiber, vitamins, and other goodies. Its nutty taste and chewy texture make for a hearty meal. Strip out the bran and germ, and you get white rice. Fewer nutrients, but it's easier to cook and won't steal the taste spotlight from other foods. White rice also comes from other whole-grain types, like black, red, and purple rice.



### The Long and Short of It

Stubby and almost round, short-grain rice cooks up soft and sticky. You can pick it up in clumps, making it the go-to rice in Asia where chopsticks rule. Long-grain rice is skinnier and has less starch, so it comes out light and fluffy. It's great as a side dish or when you need a rice that holds its shape well, like in gumbo. Medium-grain isn't as long as long-grain or as sticky as short, making it the perfect in-between.

### Arborio Rice

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## RICE continued

...And in the process, it releases all those starches, making for a rich, creamy texture. Beyond risotto, you can use arborio in a pinch to make paella, the saffron-scented Spanish dish, or to satisfy your sweet tooth in a rice pudding.

## Fine Wine of Rice

Basmati, jasmine, and others with a strong scent are known as aromatic rice. They can smell like popcorn or roasted nuts. They come by their aroma naturally, too. It's from a substance called 2-Acetyl-1-pyrroline. The taste and smell often vary from one year to the next, just like wine. Not only that, but the best ones are aged to let their scent grow even stronger.

## Black Forbidden Rice

Way, way back, you could only get this rice if you were a Chinese emperor. But with a few clicks or a quick trip to the supermarket, now you, too, can dine like royalty. It's a short-grain rice that turns purple when cooked (toss a handful into white rice). The color comes from the same antioxidant called anthocyanin that makes blueberries blue. It's great for giving dishes like paella and risotto a stunning makeover.

## Glutinous Rice

Don't be fooled by the name. Like all rice, it's gluten free. The name is a nod to its sticky, glue-like texture. It's also known as sweet or sticky rice, and it's loaded with a starch called amylopectin. The sweetness makes it popular in desserts, but you'll find it in savory dishes, too. It's especially good when you want to shape the rice, like in Japanese sweet rice balls.

## Basmati Rice

The long-grain "prince of rice" comes from the foothills of the Himalayas. It'll fill your kitchen with a nutty aroma and your mouth with an almost buttery taste. It's standard in Indian cooking like curries. But don't limit yourself. Try it in any dish that calls for a long-grain rice. You can find white and brown versions. Brown ones have a stronger scent.

## Paella's Secret Weapon

If you're crazy for this dish native to Spain's eastern coast, track down some bomba rice. You might also see it as Valencia rice. It soaks up a ton of liquid and still keeps its shape. If you can't find it, don't panic. See if you can get your hands on Sollana rice, sometimes called Calasparra rice. Like bomba, it's a Spanish short grain that holds it together even as it drinks up the liquid from your pan.

## Himalayan and Bhutanese Reds

Bored with browns and whites? Add a little flair with Himalayan red rice. You get a long-grain rice with plenty of curb appeal and a complex, nutty flavor. It's hearty and firm. It stands up well in salads, fried rice, and with seasoned meats. Bhutanese red rice is a short grain with a nice texture. Try it in pilafs, casseroles, or on its own as a side dish.

## Jasmine Rice

Also called Thai fragrant rice, its slightly flowery aroma is unmatched. It also has a little more stickiness than you might expect from a long-grain rice. It's soft and holds its shape well after cooking. You could easily swap jasmine for basmati or vice versa.

Both give your dishes a little more oomph than your average long-grain rice.

## Thai Purple Rice

This one falls more on the sweet side. It's usually served in desserts, but it's branching out and finding its way into savoury dishes as well. Pro tip: If you plan to add other foods to the rice, hold off until the very last minute. It's a lot like beets in that it'll leave dark purple stains on everything it touches.

## Parboiled vs. Instant

Parboiled rice sounds like it's already cooked. Not so. After harvesting, it's steamed under pressure. But that's so it holds on to more nutrients when it gets milled. The process hardens it, so actually it takes longer to cook than white rice. Some swear by it for crockpot recipes since it won't get mushy. For quick cooking, go instant. It's pre-cooked, but some people might find the texture wanting.

## Is Sushi Rice a Thing?

It's just a short-grain, white rice. A lot of varieties will work, but not sweet rice. Too sticky. And forget medium and long grain. Too chewy and not sticky enough. Like some fancy restaurants, you could try brown rice, but you might lose friends over it. Just remind them that back in the day, sushi was a way to preserve seafood. The rice got pasty in the process, so you'd ditch it and eat just the fish.



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## DEMENTIA Rachael Wonderlin

### Logic and Dementia don't mix



#### Logic and dementia don't mix.

What does that mean? It really means that using logic to "explain yourself" to someone with dementia won't work out well.

**So, saying to someone with dementia, "But you can't eat lunch, because you already ate lunch" won't compute.**

They don't remember eating, they still feel hungry, and they think you're making it up! "I want my pills," Molly said. "Can you bring me my pills?" she asked a nearby staff member.

"I already brought them to you, you had your pills this morning," the staff member replied kindly.

"No I didn't, I want my pills now," Molly shook her head.

"But I already gave them to you..." the staff member started.

"Hang on," I offered, walking over. "I have a solution," I said to the staff member.

"Hey, Molly, I'm going to bring you your pills in a little bit!" I smiled.

"Okay, thanks," Molly said, and went back to eating her lunch.

**Instead of arguing or attempting to use logic with this resident, I embraced her reality.**

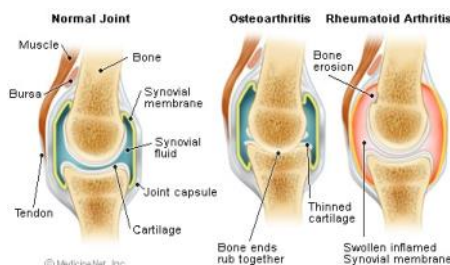
Trying to "convince" her that she already took her medicine wasn't going to work: she didn't remember doing it, and so it didn't happen.

I decided to get into her world and tell her the truth of her reality: that she'd be getting

her pills soon. Of course, I never brought them to her, but hearing a positive confirmation calmed her down immediately.

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Acupuncture and herbs are traditionally used to free the blocked channels, move Qi and blood, warm or cool down the body and strengthen the immunity. Utilising holistic methods which include diet therapy, exercise and mindfulness we can help bring our patients back to a state of

balance with less pain and more energy. Adding fresh ginger, a variety of berries and high doses of vitamin C to the diet has been shown to aid in the reduction of symptoms in some people suffering with osteoarthritis. Essential fatty acids like fish oils, selenium and zinc supplements and chicken bone broth have an anti-inflammatory effect within the body which may assist in relieving the symptoms of rheumatoid arthritis.

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## Why Your Family Health History Matters



### Why Does Your Doctor Ask for It?

All those questions about your relatives' health conditions can seem like a bother, but they help her know what to be on the lookout for with you. For example, if your father has high blood pressure, she might want to keep a closer eye on yours. Both nature (your genes) and nurture (your family's lifestyle) can have an effect on your health -- and you get both from your parents.

### What Does Your Doctor Need to Know?

You should tell her about any ongoing conditions (like diabetes or asthma) or serious illnesses (like cancer or a stroke) your parents, grandparents, and siblings have or had and how old they were when the health problem started. If any of them have passed away, let your doctor know their cause of death and how old they were when they died. He also may ask about things like your family's lifestyle or diet, because relatives tend to have these in common.

### What Health Conditions Run in Families?

If a close relative had a certain condition or illness, that doesn't mean you'll get it -- your chances may just be higher than other people's. Some issues that can be passed down include:

- Diabetes
- Dementia

- Certain types of cancer
- High cholesterol
- Obesity
- Asthma
- Heart disease
- Blood clots
- Arthritis
- Depression
- High blood pressure



### Does My Ethnicity Matter?

Your doctor may ask about your race because people who have roots in certain parts of the world are more likely to have some conditions. For example, African-Americans have a higher chance of having sickle cell anemia, and Jewish people from Eastern Europe are more likely to be born with Tay-Sachs disease.

### How Do I Get Information?

If you don't know much about your close relatives' health, find some time to ask about it. If they can't help you, talk to other family members -- aunts, uncles, or cousins -- to see what you can find out. And you might find some family trees, baby books, or other keepsakes that could be useful.

### Getting Records

If you have questions your relatives can't answer, death certificates or medical records can give you specifics like age at death, cause of death, and ethnic background. The rules are different for each state, but close family members are often allowed to order copies of these. Obituaries -- often posted online -- also may have some of this

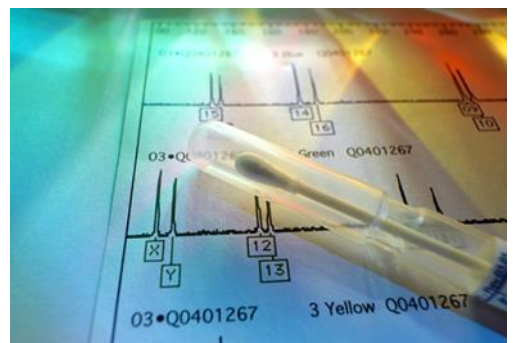
information.

### Ancestry Research

If you don't know much about your relatives and don't have time to research it on your own, there are companies that can help fill out your family tree. Once you know the names of your relatives, you can try to contact them or find obituaries or death certificates if they've passed away.

### Genetics

You can go a step further if you get your genes tested, sometimes called DNA testing. Typically, you send a sample of your saliva to a company and they send you a report. This can tell if you're more likely to get certain diseases or pass problem genes to your children.



### What If I Don't Have the Right Information?

You may not have all the answers, and that's OK. Just talk to your doctor about the information you do have or tell her that you don't know much about your family health history. She can help you sort through it and maybe even tell you where else to look. Even if you're missing some facts, any information you have can be useful.

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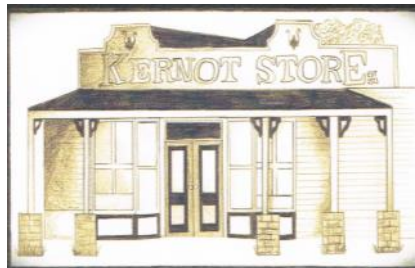


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## BASS GROUP CWA PERFORMING ARTS DAY



**Bass and Gippsland Hills Groups held their combined Performing Arts Day in June at the Corinella Hall.**

Twenty-two items were performed before an appreciative audience, including musical items, skits, recitations and readings.

Highlights were Lill Roberts' (Kardella) recitation of The Man from Snowy River, Kathrine Moss' (Woodleigh Vale) reading of A Letter to Mum and Meeniyen's skit "A Pack of Cards".

Betty Young (Grantville) courageously came on crutches to perform her reading on "Why I am In This State."

The entrants in the Public Speaking were all very entertaining, with the winner being a moving speech by Mary Mackieson (Woorayl) "Sharing the Past", relating her first experience of CWA.

The Gippsland Hills Group Public Speaking Cup, which dates back to 1978, was presented to Mary by adjudicators Avril Van Wamel and John Cocking.

Lunch was catered for by The Bass Group CWA.

There was fun, laughter and fellowship making the day a successful event.

**Carol Young**



## Coming Jazz Festivals

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## Margaret Gardiner remembered



**The Margaret Gardiner Memorial Prize - Still Life.** The winner of the inaugural award was a local artist Jackie Moss, whose beautiful painting of a king protea was called "Sway."

At the 28th Traditional Winter Art Show, Corinella, someone was heard saying who's Margaret Gardiner?

A good question, for as often happens, those who founded and those who nurtured things such as the Corinella art shows are soon forgotten, in our desire to be ever onward and making things better as if nothing had come before.

But pause for a moment, and reflect on the legacy that people like Margaret Gardiner have left with us, for without such people, we would not be now reaping the rewards of their vision and hard work.

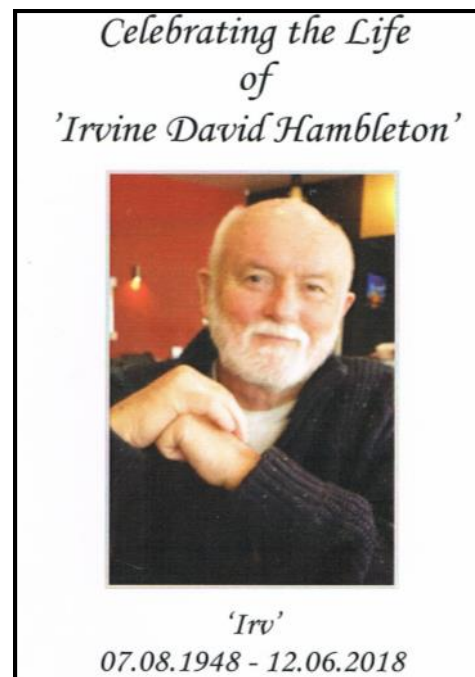
So what did Margaret have to do with the art show? Margaret was the convenor of the art show committee for many years. She and

her small band of helpers gathered artists and sponsors and continued the high standard of work that Corinella has been known for. She also began the non-traditional show in March to cater for photographers, potters, sculptors and textile artists. Her husband Denis, spoke to all the local businesses who helped for many years, and this support continues to this day. Fortunately the Art Show Committee did not forget Margaret, and in her memory established The Margaret Gardiner Memorial Prize - Still Life. The winner of the inaugural award was a local artist Jackie Moss, whose beautiful painting of a king protea was called "Sway." Margaret died peacefully in Adelaide earlier this year. Her family appreciates that her memory will live on in the Waterline community, for she and her late husband Denis loved this area and did all they could to ensure we will benefit from their good works.

Neil Daly



## R.I.P IRVINE HAMBLETON



Almost 300 mourners packed the Lang Lang Seniors Hall on Saturday 16 June for the funeral service for much loved local identity, Irvine Hambleton, who passed away on 12 June after a long illness.

We extend our condolences to his wife, Marg, sons Michael and Paul and their families at this sad time.

Marg is the coordinator at the Lang Lang Community Centre and has a long association with The Waterline News.

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# Western Port Ward Update

## Western Port Ward Update

Crs Geoff Ellis, Clare Le Serve and  
Bruce Kent

JULY 2018



### Slow Down.

Our roads are often shrouded in fog. The twisty bits are crowded with tractors carting hay to hungry cattle. As future milking herds are amalgamated, the odd calf can slip through the fences. We don't know what's around the next bend, eh? And people still speed. Can we please all drive to the conditions? The life you save may be your own. Western Port Ward Councillors do a lot of miles and I see a lot of stupid overtaking by impatient drivers. Leave early or ring ahead that you're running late.

I recently drove to Leongatha for a meeting of our Library Corporation (WGRLC) Board which oversees the operation of Libraries in Bass Coast, South Gippsland and Baw Baw Shires. It's my privilege to be the Chairperson of this much loved organisation.

At this meeting we passed the corporation's annual budget and updated our four year plan. Thanks to streamlining of the organisation and introduction of self-check-outs we are able to fund exciting new initiatives such as a much needed extra day at Cowes Library.

Just to give you a snapshot of our Libraries across the three shires:

We have over 42,000 members. Last year we had nearly 600,000 visits; over 800,000 items were borrowed; there were over 65,000 public PC sessions. We held over 2,500 program sessions, such as baby rhyme time or author talks that were attended by nearly 42,000 people.

To provide the services that our community deserves, the WGRLC has an annual budget of over six million dollars. As well as the annual budget, we have a ten year financial plan, a statutory resource plan and a four year plan. These have all been developed through extensive consultation with our Librarians, our members and the general public.

One of the major projects for this year will be redevelopment of our library website. As well as celebrating our success and laying the foundations for future expansion of the service we also farewellled David Elder. After four years on our library board David leaves behind an incalculable legacy. David Elder was involved in too many projects to list. As a director of Bass Coast Shire, David was a driver of the Bass Valley Children's Centre and, from a Library perspective, he oversaw many improvements that have made our Libraries the great places they are today. Bidding farewell to people is always a sad moment, though, when they are moving on to grasp a new opportunity it is also a time for anticipation.

David will take up a position with Destination Gippsland and I have already been talking to him about increasing promotion and networking of history trails and farm gate based tourism across Western Port Ward and the shire in general.

### "The Shape of Nature."

Within council there are many committees



that ensure BCSC delivers its four year plan. One of the pillars of our plan is liveability. Our Arts and Culture Advisory Committee sits within that strategic framework and one of its many roles is oversight of The Public Art Program, which allocates \$50,000 each year, to deliver a public artwork in small towns across the shire.

Recently it was my privilege to unveil the latest piece from this program, Joe Donohue's the "Shape of Nature". It is an inspiring work that is quickly becoming a landmark in the Harold Hughes Estate, Corinella.

At the opening there was an enthusiastic crowd, which included representatives from the numerous local community groups who contributed, officers from Bass Coast Shire, many admiring locals and a bunch of children who were wondering where their Jungle Jim had gone. Bass Valley Lions continued its tradition of feeding the masses.

Council is working on an upgrade of the

playground equipment in Harold Hughes Reserve and the much loved Jungle Jim will be replaced by even more exciting, and safer, features.

Signage has gone up to remind eager children and 'young at heart' adults that Joe's piece is not meant to be climbed on. The next piece to be delivered through this program will be in the Bass Hinterland and I can't wait to see the early designs.

There is a lot of behind the scenes work that goes into these artworks and I commend everyone involved, including the dozens of locals who committed so much time and consideration to "The Shape of Nature." BCSC's Arts and Culture Advisory Committee includes Crs Larke, and Whelan, and is chaired by Councillor Le Serve.

If you are interested in visiting other public artworks or galleries in Bass Coast I recommend "Arts around the Shire." This is a brochure that celebrates the wealth and diversity of Bass Coast arts by listing art studios, galleries, heritage museums, art exhibitions and public art. It is available from council offices and information centres including the Grantville Transaction Centre, and also on-line.

<http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/>

Here are a few of the items that are of interest to people across Western Port Ward and the entire budget document is available on-line at the BCSC website as well as in hard copy at council offices.

### Capital works:

Further development of the Cowes Transit Centre.

Works and signage for the Corinella Boat Ramp car park.

Refurbishment of the Dalyston Netball Courts and replacement of the Pavilion. Rehabilitation of the Loch-Wonthaggi Road through Krowera.

Upgrade to Bass Netball Courts and lighting.

Community Facilities funding will include our contribution to the Wonthaggi Shared Highball Facility as well as support and management of the rebuild of the Cape Paterson SLSC.

**This update is based on the personal views and opinions of Councillors, Clare Le Serve, Bruce Kent and Geoff Ellis and may not be indicative of BCSC policy.**



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# Council News



## Public Art in Corinella

Work on the new public artwork at Harold Hughes Reserve, Corinella is well underway. The work by Artist Joe Donohue has been funded by Bass Coast Shire Council's Public Art program.

Joe's design celebrates the identity of Corinella from past to present and will provide distinctive shade and shelter for residents and visitors alike. The artwork called "Shape of Nature" will be made of hardwood timber and steel to blend in with the environment at Harold Hughes Reserve. The artwork will be installed in the western corner of the park near the existing playspace. As such, one piece of equipment will be removed. Importantly, Council will be working with the community to plan for the design of a new playspace in 2018/19. For more information on the artwork please contact Rebecca Scott, Arts and Culture Officer on [rebecca.scott@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:rebecca.scott@basscoast.vic.gov.au) or call 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or (03) 5671 2211.

## Council Meetings 2018

All meetings begin at 5.00pm.

- **18 July** – Cowes – Heritage Centre, 89 Thompson Avenue
- **15 August** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **19 September** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **17 October** – Grantville – Grantville Hall, Bass Highway
- **Special Meeting, 14 November** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **21 November** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **12 December** – Cowes – Cowes Cultural Centre Hall, 91-97 Thompson Avenue

Agendas are released to the public at 5.00pm on the Friday prior to the Council Meeting. Agendas and minutes are available on Council's website at [www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/2018meetings](http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/2018meetings) or by request at any of Council's Customer Service Centres.

## Detox your home

Do you have unwanted household chemicals you no longer use?

Council, in partnership with Sustainability Victoria will be running a Detox Your Home household collection program at the Wonthaggi Transfer Station on Saturday, 11 August 2018, from 10.00am to 12.00pm. If you have toxic common household products you no longer need, such as pesticides, detergents and weed killers, you can dispose of them at the Detox Your Home collection free of charge. For a full list of what can be disposed of visit [www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](http://www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome) or contact Council on 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or (03) 5671 2211.

## eNotices - New Paperless Rate Notices

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# The French Island News



**FRENCH ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
Tankerton PO  
French Island, Victoria 3921  
[secretaryfica@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryfica@gmail.com)

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

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

There is one fire engine stationed permanently on the island. 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

## AMBULANCE SERVICES

Ambulance Membership  
Membership Enquiries 1300 366 141  
(Mon-Fri 8am-8pm,  
Sat 9am-5pm).

Membership is advised as Air Ambulance is used from the island. If local support is required ask Ambulance to request CFA support on the island.

## POISON INFORMATION HOTLINE



131126

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Make French Island your next weekend getaway destination, with a free shuttle bus service on weekends and public holidays from the Ferry to the Store your transport needs are taken care of. At the Cafe there's an extensive menu, bike hire available, accommodation and locally made and grown products for sale. You can cycle your way around looking at Koalas and enjoy a day of adventure or cosy by the fire in the cafe for a relaxing lunch.

Visit [www.figsfrenchisland.com.au](http://www.figsfrenchisland.com.au) or Facebook/figsfrenchisland for more information.

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## FRIENDS OF FRENCH ISLAND NATIONAL PARK (FOFI)

Secretary: Meredith Sherlock.  
Phone 0438 077 329 Email:  
[secretary@fofi.org.au](mailto:secretary@fofi.org.au)

## FOFI Project Days

Third Saturday each month  
Membership enquiries and  
More details - [www.fofi.org.au](http://www.fofi.org.au)

## French Island Landcare

For more information on all Landcare activities contact  
[filandcare@gmail.com](mailto:filandcare@gmail.com).



## Landcare Nursery

Volunteers are always welcome at the nursery on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am to noon.  
Contact Terri: 0413 088 527



## FRENCH ISLAND FERRY



<http://westernportferries.com.au/>

## BARGE

Spirit of French Island operate a vehicular barge from Corinella on the eastern side of Western Port to the barge landing on French Island. It accommodates two standard size cars or a larger truck. It is advisable to book as far in advance as possible, as the barge schedule and availability is limited by times and tides. As a guide, the barge runs approximately every half hour for a few hours either side of high tide.

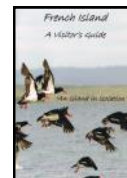
Foot passengers can take the barge but they should arrange transportation at either end as there are no other facilities.

For information about fees and to book the Barge, call 0428 880 729.

## French Island Visitor's Guide

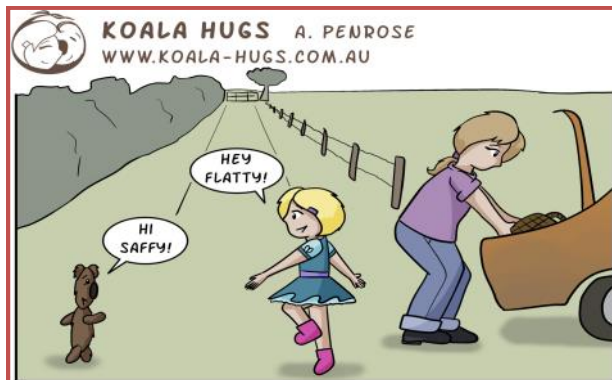
Christine Dineen's French Island Visitor's Guide is a fantastic publication we visit all too infrequently.

Detailed map included is a great reference, for visitors to the island, and anyone who has an interest in the local flora and fauna. available at the French Island General Store, or you can obtain a copy from the author:



Christine Dineen

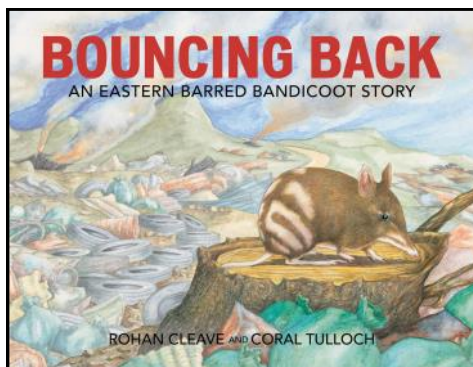
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Notices for the French Island section of The Waterline News should be sent to: [editor@waterlinenews.com.au](mailto:editor@waterlinenews.com.au) - 1st of month.



## Book Review



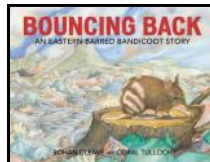
Island Stick Insect, won a Whitley Award for Children's Natural History Book and was an Honour Book in the Children's Book Council of Australia Book Awards (Eve Pownall Information Book category).

**Bouncing Back** is perfect for primary aged readers.

Details on how to purchase a copy of the book can be found at:

[www.publish.csiro.au/book/7771](http://www.publish.csiro.au/book/7771)

## Win a copy of the book



Thanks to Amelia Rockliff, Marketing Assistant at CSIRO Publishing, we have a copy of the book to give away to one lucky reader.

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**Or, write your name and address, and Bandicoot Book on the back of an envelope and post to:**  
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**PO Box 184, Grantville, Vic 3984**

## Cover

This month's Waterline News cover is an original acrylic painting by Vicki Clark, from Grantville, inspired by the book, *Bouncing Back*.

This week we are pleased to have a book review on the recently released, coffee table book - **BOUNCING BACK, An Eastern Barred Bandicoot Story.**

**Bouncing Back** is a beautifully illustrated story of this marsupial's plight and how it was saved from extinction.

The Eastern Barred Bandicoot is one of Australia's most threatened species. When their existence came under extreme threat from habitat loss, predators and human development, Eastern Barred Bandicoots found refuge in the most unlikely of places – a rubbish tip.

This captivating true story details the plight these small, nocturnal marsupials faced, and the outstanding efforts that ensured their protection.

Written by Rohan Cleave and illustrated by Coral Tulloch, *Bouncing Back* shows that even on the brink of extinction, there is hope for the survival of our most vulnerable species.

Rohan Cleave and Coral Tulloch's first book, *Phasmid: Saving the Lord Howe*

## Pittosporum at Blue Gums



*Sweet Pittosporum* (Photo Hansi Wegner)

*(Pittosporum undulatum)* is a serious invasive weed throughout much of Victoria.

It spreads quickly, and its dense canopy and leaf chemicals starve indigenous plants and animals of nutrients, water and sunlight.

There are a number of *Pittosporum* "hot spots" on French Island, including the Blue Gums forest on the south coast. Park rangers have asked us to give this infestation priority over the next couple of years.

Small plants can be removed by hand, but larger ones are lopped at ground level and the stump treated with poison.

The Friends of Daangean are working tirelessly to eradicate this species throughout their reserve.  
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## FOFI News



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# Community Spirit

## Rail Comeback?



**On the 24.7.93 the last regular passenger train service left Leongatha train station.**

Last month, Southern Rail were very pleased to announce that we plan to change that.

Southern Rail are proposing to bring back a regular passenger train service to South Gippsland in conjunction with our tourist railway in 3 stages.

### STAGE 1

Korumburra to Leonagtha (Tourist Railway)

### STAGE 2

Nyora - Korumburra - Leongatha (Tourist Railway)

### STAGE 3

Extend and Connect the railway to the

closest suburban station and start a regular passenger service.

We need your help, so if you want your train service back please email your local MP and demand that you want Southern Rail to bring back the trains! We have the resources to do it.

For Leongatha, Korumburra, Bena & Nyora residents please email Danny O'Brien.

**Danny.O'Brien@parliament.vic.gov.au**

For Loch, Lang Lang & Koo Wee Rup residents please email Brian Paynter.

**Brian.paynter@parliament.vic.gov.au**

**Please also sign our petition here:**

**<https://www.change.org/p/come-join-southern-rail-and-help-bring-the-trains-back-to-south-gippsland>**

**Other enquiries email us at [admin@southernrail.com.au](mailto:admin@southernrail.com.au)**

**This is a very exciting, but we need your support!!!!**



## Railway days of the past

**Last month's coverage of the Nyora to Foster, and Wonthaggi to Nyora railway journeys created a lot of interest.**

Last month's edition of The Waterline News, as with all editions, is available on our website:

[www.waterlinenews.com.au](http://www.waterlinenews.com.au)

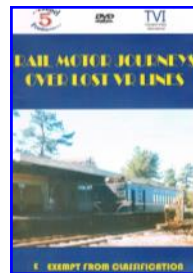
If you are interested we suggest you enquire about getting a copy of this fabulous DVD.

**Channel 5 productions has a great DVD in their collection, titled: Rail Motor Journeys over closed VR Lines.**

**The DVD includes good coverage of the old Wonthaggi Line, with a glimpse of all the stations between Nyora and Wonthaggi.**

**Fantastic Stuff! If you are seriously interested in the history of rail in the local area, get your copy now.**

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# QUIZ?



## Philosophy, Trivia & Quiz,

### Gardening, Food and Drink Special

1. By what name is Lancelot Brown more usually known?
2. Name the world famous gardens situated ten miles outside of London, close to the River Thames?
3. Which popular gardener created Barnsdale Gardens and was the author of many books such as The Ornamental Kitchen Garden, 'Gardeners World' Practical Gardening Course and Paradise Gardens?
4. Which garden is considered to be among the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World?
5. What colour is a Welsh poppy?
6. What colour is a Himalayan poppy?
7. Name the organic gardener who is almost as famous for his long blond plait as he is for his books such as Going Organic and The Gourmet Gardener and his regular appearances on the BBC radio's Gardener's Question Time.
8. Give the alternative name for a Mountain Ash tree.
9. Which kind of bulbs were once exchanged as a form of currency?
10. By which Latin name was Rosa Gallica previously known?
11. If you had Lafite-Rothschild on your dinner table, what would it be?
12. What is sushi traditionally wrapped in?
13. May Queen, Wisley Crab, Foxwhelps and Lane's Prince Albert are all species of what?
14. What is allspice alternatively known as?
15. What colour is Absynthe?
16. What flavour is Cointreau?
17. If you were to cut a hare into pieces, marinate it in wine and juniper berries then stew this slowly in a sealed container, what would this recipe be called?



18. Fried tarantulas, eggs boiled just before they're due to hatch, live octopus, and puffin hearts eaten raw when still-warm are all traditional foods—true or false?
19. How many crocus flowers does it take to make a pound of saffron?
20. Costing around \$2,600 per pound and made only to order by Knipschildt, what is the name of this chocolate truffle?



"Civilization – and by this I do not mean talking cinemas and tinned food, nor even surgery and hygienic houses, but the whole moral and artistic organization of Europe – has not in itself the power of survival. It came into being through Christianity, and without it has no significance or power to command allegiance... That is the first discovery, that Christianity is essential to civilization and that it is in greater need of combative strength than it has been for centuries."

**Evelyn Waugh**

"Takes birth in me,  
also, dies in debris.  
I am a Potpourri.

A mix of dead petals,  
effusing divine fragrance.  
Walking on the journey,  
of controversy.

I am a Potpourri."

**Jasleen Kaur Gumber**

"If you have experienced recurring situations in your life that are unpleasant, know that there is something you are supposed to be getting from those situations that you have not been getting and that the moment you get it, those situations will pass out of your life, not to return."

**Chris Prentiss**

"When you move on in life, you always leave behind some things- some myths and some mysteries, that cannot be fathomed by the heart, without going back to the past and visiting yourself again; in that time, at that place. You can only understand such things and solve such riddles if, in your imagination, you can live the life again and be in that place again, where you left a part of you."

**Q.M. Sidd**

"There are no losers,  
Only those that do not know what they won."

**Anthony T. Hincks**

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What is time? Why is there something rather than nothing?  
Can machines think?  
Do we have free will? Can you be good without God?  
Are we rational? Do animals have rights? What is beauty?  
Is war ever justified? What is the meaning of life?

**Where:** Harry's, 17 The Esplanade, Cowes  
**When:** 12:30 for 1:00 First Friday of the Month  
**Cost:** \$35 (includes lunch)  
**Booking:** gurdies@australiaonline.net.au  
**Contact:** Ian 0407 24 00 24 John 0402 442 284

(Places limited – book early)

### QUIZ ANSWERS



1. Capability Brown. 2. Kew Gardens. 3. Geoff Hamilton. 4. The Hanging Gardens of Babylon. 5. Yellow. 6. Blue. 7. Bob Flowerdew. 8. Rowan. 9. Tulips. 10. Rosa Mundi. 11. Wine. 12. Edible seaweed. 13. Apples. 14. Pimento. 15. Green. 16. Orange. 17. Jugged Hare. 18. True. 19. Up to 75,000 flowers, which is enough to fill an entire football pitch. 20. Chocopologie.

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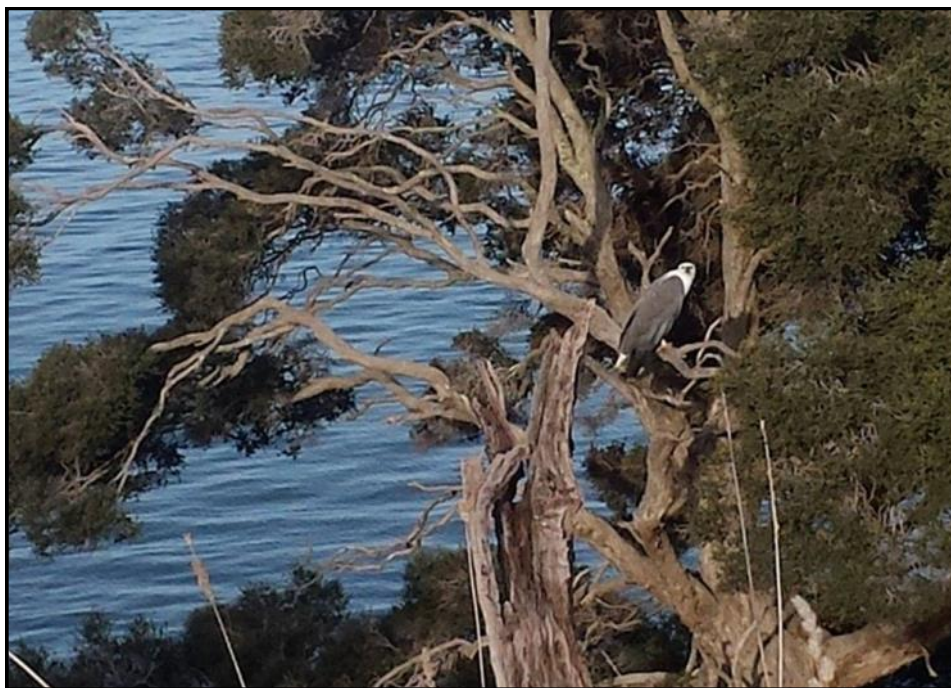
## Bass Coast Post



Online news, articles, columns, photos by and for Bass Coast residents.

### In the footsteps of the ancestors

Gabrielle Mahoney



**TWICE within a month I have felt blessed to walk across two remote parts of Phillip Island normally inaccessible to the public.**

First in May, as part of the 150th celebrations for the island, I was one of a large group co-ordinated by the Phillip Island Landcare Group who walked the wildlife corridor, initially planted 20 years ago.

We climbed fences using platform ladders carried along for the purpose. Walking across the centre of the island from the koala reserve to the Swan Lake car park, we learnt about the positive effects of the massive corridor of trees (from 300,000 tube stock) and the vicissitudes of the land. We also listened to farmers express their commitment of many years to caring for the land.

This week Carmen Bush (a Rhyll Coast Action colleague) and I walked with John Eddy for the first time along the coast at Pleasant Point at the end of McFees Road, Rhyll, named after one of the properties adjacent to the coastline. John's family and ancestors farmed this land from 1912. It is in his DNA, as they say.

We walked in gentle sunshine on silent ancient land, a magnificent steep foreshore cliff where, until the early 2000s, cattle grazed right down to the beach and where the remains of an old fence line are still visible above the water. Before long, John spotted a sea eagle perched in a tree near the coastline. It was a privilege for me to see this magnificent bird for the first time. This significant conservation coastline is home to shore birds and sea eagles.

However, 100 years of uncontrolled grazing and a thriving wallaby population have left the coastline degraded, covered in tall pasture grass scattered with significant remnant vegetation: mainly sheoaks, moonahs, and a couple of beautiful clumps of swamp gum. Patches of native grasses hang on here and there despite the invading grasses.

John's aunt Cherry McFee remembered the banksias, which she called honeysuckles, long since gone. A lone mulberry tree sits in the middle of the paddock above us, a reminder of the orchard planted by the first white settlers to the area before grazing commenced.

As the previous generation of McFees are no longer active on the land, the time was right for John Eddy, one of the island's most active and knowledgeable volunteer environmentalists, to revegetate this beautiful coastal woodland which has been part of his younger life and which he knows so intimately.

With a grant from Coastcare Victoria and the Victorian Government, John is working with Phillip Island Nature Parks, who manage the land, and Rhyll Coast Action members to restore this area to its thriving pre-settlement state.

This project is not for the meek. Most of the planting will be on steep-sloping ground and will be physically demanding. Trees will be protected from the wallabies by the tall wire cages John has prepared. The result promises to be amazing.

**Gabrielle Mahony is a member of Rhyll Coast Action. If any volunteers would like to assist with this revegetation project please email [rhyllcoastaction@gmail.com](mailto:rhyllcoastaction@gmail.com)**





# Maru Koala & Animal Park

## Luminous Galleries - *The Disappearing Tree of Life*

Australia is facing an extinction crisis. More than 1,800 animals and ecological communities are at risk of becoming extinct nation wide. Threats to our native species of flora and fauna vary from human impact, logging and invasive species. We are also facing high regional extinction rates, where a species is thriving in one region but ceases to exist in another region where it had previously thrived.

Here in the Bass Coast Shire we have 80 species of Birds and 15 Mammal species that are currently under threat, including the Rufous-Bellied Pademelon which is considered extinct in our region. Australia wide the same problem is being seen in every community, even in some of our most iconic natives are facing crisis.

The Koala is one of Australia's most renowned marsupials, yet this species is classified as vulnerable by 'The Threatened Species Scientific Committee'. Across Australia 80% of our native koala habitat has been lost, particularly in Queensland and New South Wales. Deforestation is the largest contributor to habitat loss. Logging has increased by 33% over 12 month and due to this threat Koala populations have declined by 53% and this has also had a significant effect on other Australia Wildlife such as the Spot Tailed Quoll and Bush Stone Curlew.

This month, Maru will be partaking in a display for the Luminous Gallery Project. Our display titled "The Disappearing Tree" is to be a voice for Australian Wildlife facing the extinction crisis by raising awareness about similar threats between these species and



to provide everybody with information on how they can contribute to conservation efforts. Featured in the display are a number of threatened species that are local to this region such as the Spot tailed Quoll, Leatherback turtle, Giant Gippsland Earth Worm, Bush Stone Curlew, Australian Grayling, the Koala and the Leadbeaters Possum.

Habitat destruction, urbanisation and introduced species such as cats, foxes and non-native birds and urbanisation are major contributing threats that are faced by all of these species. The display will be made from 100% recycled materials to minimise our impact, and through the display we aim to raise awareness of the plight of these locals who need of our help.

The Disappearing Tree of Life will be on display with the Luminous Light Gallery from Saturday 7th of July through to 29th of July 2018 along the Grantville Foreshore.

*Above: A Leadbeaters Possum*

*Renae White - Senior Keeper.*



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As a local MP, it is always wonderful to see the power of what can be achieved when we join together as a community.

That is why I was thrilled to announce that the Bass Coast Breakers Women's Football Team will receive \$6,780 through the Australian Government's Community Awareness Grants Program to raise awareness for organ and tissue donation on the Bass Coast.

The team has shown incredible initiative to encourage more local community members to discuss organ and tissue donation with their families and register to become donors.

The team will be holding a female football showcase for DonateLife Week, where organ and tissue donation will be promoted;

this will include organised talks with each team to create understanding and awareness of the importance of organ donation.

Running from July 29 to August 5, DonateLife Week gives us all an opportunity to think about organ donation and I encourage all Waterline residents to get involved by supporting local events, having your own workplace morning tea or by registering your decision to become a donor online at [www.donatelife.gov.au](http://www.donatelife.gov.au).

We are making great strides in organ donation and health in general that will improve the lives of all Australians.

One recent change that I am incredibly proud of is that from July 1, pregnant women from across Australia, including the Waterline community, are benefiting from free whooping cough (pertussis) vaccines. Newborns cannot be vaccinated until six weeks of age; therefore the most effective way to protect a baby against the disease is vaccination of the mother during pregnancy. Whooping cough is a vaccine preventable disease and I urge all mums-to-be to speak to their GP's and get vaccinated. Finally, I'm pleased to announce that after

seventeen years in Hastings, my office has moved to Somerville Central Shopping Centre in Somerville.

As with any move, there are new numbers and addresses to learn. If you wish to contact me, you may now do so by any of the following methods:

**You are also more than welcome to contact my office directly at 03 5977 9082 and by email at [greg.hunt.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:greg.hunt.mp@aph.gov.au) at any time to discuss your issues.**

*Greg Hunt*

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# Gardening & Outdoors

## IN THE GARDEN:



## JULY - OCTOBER

### What to sow:

#### July

Beetroot, lettuce, mustard greens, onion, peas, radish.

#### August

Artichoke, asparagus (crowns), beetroot, cabbage (summer varieties), capsicum (undercover), chilli (undercover), eggplant, kohlrabi, leek, lettuce, parsnip, peas, potato, radish, rocket, spring onion, strawberry (runners), sunflower, thyme, tomato (undercover), melon (undercover).

#### September

Artichoke, asparagus (plant crowns), basil (undercover), beans (after frost), beetroot, broccoli (summer variety), capsicum (undercover), carrot, celeriac, celery, chicory, chives, chilli, coriander, cucumber (undercover), dill, eggplant (undercover), endive, fennel, horseradish (crowns), Jerusalem artichoke (plant tubers), kohlrabi, leek, lettuce, mustard greens, parsnip, peas, potato, pumpkin, zucchini (undercover), radish, rhubarb (crowns), melon (undercover), silverbeet, spring onion, strawberry (runners), sunflower, corn (after frost), tomato (undercover), turnip.

#### October

Artichoke, asparagus (crowns), basil (undercover), beans (bush and runner), beetroot, broccoli (summer varieties), cabbage (summer varieties), capsicum, carrot, celeriac, celery, chicory, chilli, chives, coriander, cucumber, dill, eggplant, endive, fennel, horseradish (crowns), Jerusalem artichoke (tubers),

kohlrabi, leek, mustard greens, parsley, potato, pumpkin, radish, rocket, melon, silverbeet, spring onions, sunflower, corn (sweet), tomato, turnip.

### What to do

- Make the most of the rainy days by tidying the garden shed, and oil and sharpen your garden tools.

- Look to be propagating your summer crops of tomatoes and chilies indoors at the end of winter.

- Prune fruit trees and repurpose the offcuts as supports for your winter pea crops. Prune to increase airflow and fruit production.

- Harvest the outer leaves of leafy green crops to encourage more growth.

By harvesting broccoli heads, smaller florets will form as side shoots.

- Cut out any galls that appear on your citrus and dispose of them in the bin, not the compost.

Place yellow sticky traps in citrus trees to catch any hatched gall wasp.

Remove these from the tree after September so you don't mistakenly catch beneficial insects.

It's now a great time to plant bare rooted fruit trees, asparagus and rhubarb crowns.

This month's gardening tips on what to plant and what to do in the garden appear courtesy of:

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## Plant of the Month



### Beaufortia purpurea

**Genus:** Beaufortia

**Species:** purpurea

**Common Name:** N/A

**Flower Colour:** Red

**Foliage Colour:** Green

**Growth Habit:** Shrub 1m

**Flowering:** Spring to Summer



Though the flower colour is listed as 'red' it would be more true to call it a 'red/purple' colour, hence why this variety is called purpurea, which comes from the latin word for purple, purpureus.

This variety is a low growing shrub (maximum height is usually about 1m) which flowers from mid spring to late summer.

This variety is endemic to Western Australia however like many of the other varieties, this one has been successfully grown in other cool and temperate regions of Australia.

The purpurea prefers a rocky or granite based soil and does well on rocky slopes. A great native plant to try in a sloping garden. You can see why this genus is often confused with the Callistemon genus Bottle



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# History



**Bass Valley Historical Society**



*Libby's Corner  
With Libby Skidmore, Historian.  
Bass Valley Historical Society*



## THE OYSTER INDUSTRY IN WESTERN PORT



Oystering was the first commercial fishery to be developed in the Western port region; not for human consumption in the very beginning. In the attempt to establish a European settlement at Corinella shells were burnt to obtain lime for mortar. The very thick shell made the oyster especially suitable for this purpose in the absence of known limestone deposits. Larger quantities of shells were first obtained from deposits found at Shell Island now called Reef Island but also known to fishermen as Stony Island. The lime was obtained by lime burners piling a heap of oyster shells on large blazing logs and according to experts shells were speedily transformed into lime as white as flour.

Oyster shell was used extensively to produce lime for the building of early Melbourne. Once the surface crop was disposed of small vessels were used to dredge for oysters.

Good oysters were discovered at Corner Inlet and commercial oyster dredging began at Port Albert in 1843 when 2900 dozen oysters were shipped to Melbourne and sold for the good price of 2 shillings a dozen. However the fishery was short lived and by 1847 the shipment of oysters to Melbourne had ceased.

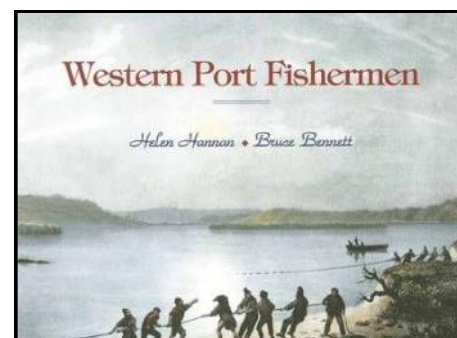
Oysters were obtained in Western Port in great abundance. For five or six years 1852-1858 the oyster beds were exploited and no less than thirteen boats were dredging. A good living was obtained by sending the oysters to Melbourne or Geelong for sale. On average throughout the season each man would forward 300 to 400 oysters a week and they sold on the spot to traders and people from neighbouring stations at sixpence a dozen and brought 1/6 a dozen in Melbourne.

Twelve to fourteen thousand dozen were taken every week and from twenty to twenty five boats gave employment to upwards of one hundred engaged in dredging.

But owing to the want of knowledge and surveillance of those engaged there was very soon a great destruction among the oysters

At one time opposite this village (Rhyll) there were not less than from twenty five to thirty vessels engaged in the oyster trade. The Western Port Oyster Company played a major role in the early development of the oyster industry.

During the 1850's the Company's main interest was in the dredging and transport of oysters from western Port.



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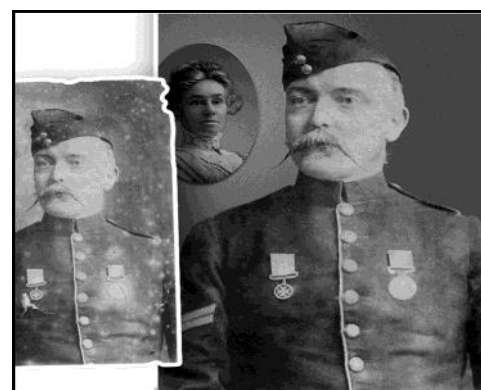
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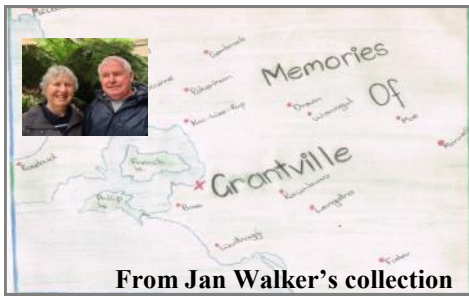
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# History



**This month we have the final excerpt from Kim Walker's 1984 High School paper - Memories of Grantville.**

## The Pattern of Life In The District

Social life in Grantville in the 1800's was limited because of bad roads and still worse bush tracks were restrictive factors with the extent people were able to move about in their quest for enjoyment.

The townspeople were forced, of necessity to provide their own entertainment.

The mode of travel was none other than the horse or a horse drawn vehicle of some type; the buggy, jinker or wagonette, light cart and in some cases a dray or sled.

The coach was always an attraction as it brought in outside news, gossip, the state of the roads and to see who was arriving and leaving.

Being a tight knit community, visitors were always a centre of interest.

It often happened in winter time, the coach would break down leaving passengers stranded until transport from town came to their rescue.



Charlie Williams, the blacksmith, would often work all night to repair the coaches so they could leave on time in the morning. In this day of the horse, people would try to arrange their business to coincide with the market day.

They would come to town in whatever vehicle they owned, take their horse to the livery stable where feed would be provided then perhaps head off to the hotel for refreshments.

The men would go to the cattle or other auction sales and the women would go to Paul's Store for clothing and provisions needed.

They always enjoyed a day in the town, talking and listening to the news in the district.

Grantville, in the early days, offered more than most towns in the way of



entertainment for its townspeople and visitors. The Mechanics Institute provided means for staging concerts, visiting shows and a dance floor.

They travelled to the dances, often walking, or riding through the bush for long distances and even when the tracks got too bad, Brazier, the sawmill owner would lend a horse drawn timber trolley to take the dancers to the hall.

The gala social event of the year was the show, organised and run by the Grantville and Jeetho Agricultural, Pastoral and Horticultural Association.

Every able bodied man and woman turned out dressed in their best and went to the show.

The buggies were polished and they would set off early with their exhibits. The best of the district's produce and livestock was on display and the much admired Clydesdale horses that were sought after by the selectors.

It was a real meeting place where old friends met and news of absent friends was exchanged.

There was always a Show Dance at night where everyone went to enjoy themselves. Brazier's horse drawn wagons, loaded with timber, generally signalled activity.

For the townspeople it meant the arrival of small coastal ships at the pier to load the timber and leave before the tide went out. Today there are certain organisations that have been set up to entertain the country people.

There is the CWA, Senior Citizens, Card Days, Euchre, a Tennis Club, Gymnasium, Swimming and Water Skiing in the bay. Shiloh Youth Camp, and several other entertainment opportunities as well, but as in all small country towns, the people make their own fun.

**Kim Walker 1984**

**Next month we begin a new series on what you might term Grantville's more modern history, starting around 1984 when Jan Walker, inspired by daughter, Kim's school paper, started collecting newspaper articles and taking photos in and around Grantville.**

This History segment is supported by the

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## The Bass Valley U3A's Local History Group meets monthly in Grantville.

There are vacancies in the group, which requires U3A Membership (\$30 p.a), which also allows you access to all U3A groups, vacancies permitting. (See page 7).

The group has launched the website:

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and has also launched a free subscription e-newsletter. **The Western Port Times**, which is available for download from the website, or emailed direct to you each month.

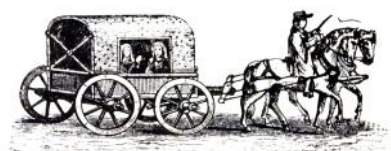


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The July edition of The Western Port Times will feature a special history of the Grantville Hall, and extended interview with local identity, Don Wheatley, by local historian and writer, Tony Hughes.



**The old Grantville Hall**



# History

## Reader's Contributions

### Bird's Bakery, Grantville



In 1943 Hayden Bird acquired the Bakery from his brother Bob. The bakery was an old timber building with a scotch oven, fired by wood, a dough mixer powered by a petrol motor, and everything else was done by hand. Dad would make a four flour dough, then head off on delivery, six days a week. He would get back in time from deliveries to scale off the dough, form the loaves and bake them. In 1953 a new bakery was built behind the Bird home. The concrete bricks for the new building were made by the family and were erected by Newt McLardy from Cowes. The oven was a double deck, fired by coal, supplied by Kilcunda. A conical moulder which moulded the weighed dough was a great time saver. Later on, in 1958, a bread slicing machine was bought. Bread was delivered six days a week to two separate areas. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, the area covered was, The Gurdies, Woodleigh, Kernot, Almurta, Glen Alvie, and Black Forrest. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday was Glen Forbes, Corinella, Bass and San Remo. Bird's Bakery was sold in 1961 and closed two or three years later. The Bird family moved to a much larger bakery in Cohuna and eventually sold out there in 1989. The little bake house was on the back right hand side where Mitre 10 is now and their house was once the Coffee Palace, mentioned in your last edition.

**Cathy Jones**

Cathy later wrote:

Hayden wanted to do a map of his time at Grantville for the paper. He really enjoyed reminiscing about growing up there. He and his brother Bruce played football for Kilcunda Bass and were in premiership teams. Hayden's wife Marlene, grew up at Bass and her parents had the butcher shop there. I live at Cowes and thanks to my Nan Luke,

I love family stories.

Nan and Pop Luke are buried in the Grantville cemetery along with all the Watson connections.

Terry & Jill Watson (my 2nd Cousins) still live at Glen Forbes, right up on top of the hills, which has been in the Watson family for generations.

Hope these little stories are of interest to your readers,

**Cathy Jones**

### A 100 year old mystery.

**Help wanted to locate lost great-uncle who may have lived in Loch in 1927 and**



**1928.**

Here is the mysterious situation as best I know it.

My great-grandmother Edna Josephine Anderson, born in Mauritius 11/1/1875 into the Scottish expatriate community, came to Tasmania with her whole family in 1883.

In her first marriage to Joseph Stearnes on 18/12/1900 she had two daughters, the youngest was my grandmother.

She was widowed, but remarried in 1911 to Emanuel Weitnauer (born in Basel, 1906).

All our formal records show my great-grandmother Edna did not have any further children with her second husband despite persistent family rumours that suggest they had a son together.

But the family historians say there is no evidence.

However I uncovered a letter in my grandmother's papers, dated 1939 and sent to my great-grandmother from a cousin who remained in Mauritius.

The letter was a cover letter for the return of a photograph of a small child with the same name as my great-grandmother's second husband.

The letter references the photograph and states: "What a darling your little Mannie is! What a tragedy to have lost him now! Who knows someday he will return to his

parents you don't mention your husband, if he is still alive.

Cheer up dearie, we must suffer in this world, as we have a better one in store. .... We return to you sweet little Mannie."

The last statement probably means "We return to you the photograph of sweet little Mannie".

On the front of the photograph is written "Mannie". On the back of the photo is written "Emanuel Armadale WEITNAUER, aged 1 yr + 6 months, he was 21 years of age on the 2nd May '38".

The photograph has been taken in a professional portrait studio.

The cover letter, along with the caption on the back of the photo, seem to imply he was not deceased in 1939, but was "lost"!

Here is the problem:

If "Mannie" was 21 on 2nd May 1938, then he must have been born on 2nd May 1917.

But there is no birth certificate on file in Victoria for "Emanuel Armadale WEITNAUER" nor for any permutations or combinations of the name or date as best as I can tell.

What has this got to do with Loch?

Well, the electoral rolls show that in 1927 and 1928 little Mannie's family was living in Loch!

His father is listed in the rolls as "orchardist" and the name of the property where they were living was called "Bassby".

By then little Mannie would have been ten years old and at school in Loch.

Does anyone have any recollection of the Weitnauer family with two daughters and one son who lived in Loch 1927 and 1928?

Are there school records from these years?

Does anyone know where the property Bassby is located?

**Any help finding my lost great uncle would be gratefully received!**

**David Jamieson**

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### Send us your story

If you have a story to tell, we would love to hear from you!

We are looking for any old photographs, or maps of Grantville and surrounding areas we can share with our readers.

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# History

## OUR HISTORY

by Noelene Lyons

Thank You to everybody who has rang me regarding the sorting out of the Niche, it was very much appreciated that you took the time.

Over the many years that I have been compiling and photographing cemeteries, I come across some wonderful stories of achievements and some sad ones.

These stories are our History that these souls achieved and are buried in Wonthaggi Cemetery. Remember we are only here for a short time ....not a long time.

### JOHN (JACK) McDONALD 1894 – 1919



Born in Drouin, Victoria and raised in Wonthaggi by his parents Joseph and Mary Ann (Ringin) McDonald, young Jack McDonald like a lot of our young men in the district answered the COOEE call and enlisted in WW1. He enlisted on the 20th July 1915 at the age of 20 years. He was 5'10" tall and of solid build. Presbyterian lad and working as a Hairdresser in Wonthaggi.

He embarked from Australia 27th September 1915 and arrived in Tel-el-Kebir, Egypt 7th January 1916. He had a total of 22 days of sickness; but was sent back to the fighting lines in France each time. On the 26th August 1918 in France

with the 8th Battalion, he received a gunshot and shell wound in his back, causing paraplegia and burns and wounds to his leg. 15th March 1919, he was returned to Australia aboard the H.S. Kanowna to the No. 11 Australian General Hospital Caulfield. He had terrible pain and cystitis. He died 2nd November 1919 from his wounds, exhaustion and heart failure at the age of 26 years.

The War Department Organised a Memorial Plaque and Scroll on 13th February 1924. Jack McDonald is buried Presbyterian Section 2, Row A Grave 42 next to his mother. We will remember him. His mother had passed away from pneumonia 27th March 1919. Lest We Forget (R.L.)

### A light hearted look at history. Part 1 Darn, I'm older than dirt!!

Someone asked the other day,

'What was your favourite fast food when you were growing up?'

'We didn't have fast food when I was growing up,' I informed him, 'All the food was slow.'

'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?'

'It was a place called 'at home,' I explained! 'Mum cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, & if I didn't like what she put on my plate, I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.'

By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.

Here are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I figured his system could have handled it:

Some parents NEVER owned their own house, wore Levis, set foot on a golf course, travelled out of the country or had a

credit card.

My parents never drove me to school. I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed, (slow).

We didn't have a television in our house until I was 10. It was, of course, black and white, and the station went off the air at 11, after playing the national anthem and a poem about God. It came back on the air at about 6 a.m. and there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people.

I never had a telephone in my room. The only phone was on a party line. Before you could dial, you had to listen and make sure some people you didn't know weren't already using the line.

Pizzas were not delivered to our home, but milk was & so was bread.

All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers -- my brother delivered a newspaper, six days a week. He had to get up at 5 AM every morning.

Movie stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the movies! There were no movie ratings because all movies were responsibly produced for everyone to enjoy viewing, without profanity or violence or most anything offensive.

If you grew up in a generation before there was fast food, you may want to share some of these memories with your children or grandchildren. Just don't blame me if they bust a gut laughing.

Growing up isn't what it used to be, is it?

### MEMORIES:

My Dad was cleaning out my grandmother's house (she died in December) and he brought me an old Royal Crown Cola bottle. In the bottle top was a stopper with a bunch of holes in it. I knew immediately what it was, but my daughter had no idea. She thought they had tried to make it a salt shaker or something. I knew it as the bottle that sat on the end of the ironing board to 'sprinkle' clothes because we didn't have steam irons.

Man, I am old.

Thanks Noelene



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## HAIKU POETRY

Raindrops glistening  
Pale wintry sun glittering  
On the window pane

Shadowy dawning  
Pale wintry sun breaking through  
Ushering the morn

## LIVE IN THE MOMENT

Live in the moment  
Yesterday has now just passed  
The future yet to come

Thanks for gifts given  
Precious moments to be held  
Love given, received

When two people love  
Separate souls dwell within,  
Open to unite

Coming together  
Yet allowing freedom too  
To be who they are.

Interests combine  
To share with much love and joy  
Creating anew

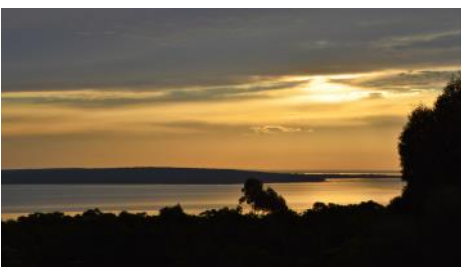
Sometimes minds divide  
Challenging and confronting  
Ideas old and new

Honour and respect,  
Ability to forgive  
Hold the key to love

To give and receive  
Creates balance in our lives  
One need not be alone.

Life is so precious  
We despite its ups and downs  
Live in each moment.

**Margaret Lee**  
**The Gurdies**



The Waterline News July 2018

## MEMORIES

I recall the little garden long ago,  
Where I used to play as a child.  
The pretty flowers all in a row,  
A voice calling - soft and mild.

Butterflies swirling all around,  
Busy bees droning in the air.  
Bunnies burrowing in the ground,  
How happy was I without a care.

A little cottage with snow-white walls,  
The rambling roses creeping high.  
Shiny windowpanes where rain falls,  
I will remember them till I die.

Happy faces round a crackling fire,  
Smell of soup being ladled out.  
To have them back is my desire,  
Just to have my loved ones about.

O make me a child just for a day,  
Let me go back to that fairy world,  
Where pain and misery I could allay  
And life once more will be unfurled  
In joyous love and I'll never know pain.  
For this O God, make me a child again!

**Nalini de Sielvie**

## City to the Bush.

Heading down the South-Gippy highway  
in Korumburra now we stay  
Nyora in swirling dust  
revving machines, where some combust!  
Poowong's, verdant hillsides green  
a lush dairy-machine.

Bass? What no Big-Worm!  
Where's 'Sharkie gone? Let's not squirm  
Picnic-races at Woolamai, six meets a year  
trust your luck, have a beer  
Wonthaggi, wind-farm, birds harm,  
stabilization  
Desalination? Or criminalization.

Travel south, coast away  
here in Inverloch, jazzmen play  
Go westward ho! Kilcunda pub  
Bass Strait views, with great grub  
Nearby bustling Leongatha,  
where busy tradesmen gather.

Logan-Park Raceway  
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Shows  
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Baw Baw Poets and muso's come, perform  
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Gippsland Rail-trails abound  
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Wonthaggi's State Coal Mine  
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of mined coal 'black gold', to State  
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Early October, important date to note  
writers new friendships, or just promote.

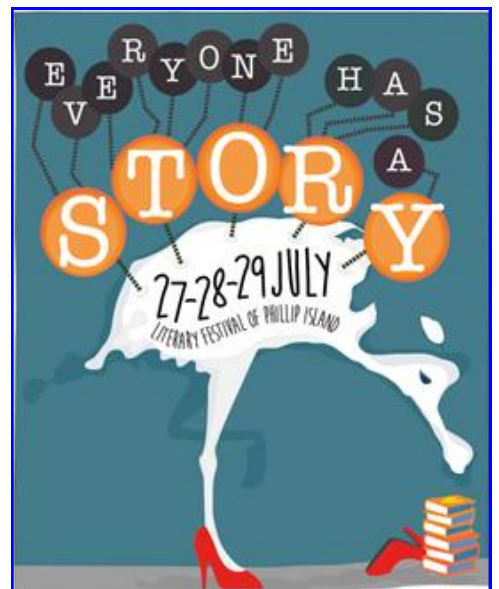
As red-rattlers, in sunlight gleam  
polished-brass, upholstery green  
where once, steam-whistles would blow  
now only, K 169 big engine, black loco  
stepping-back in time  
Black Diamond coal-mine.

Museum plenty on display  
where weekly 200 tons of coal, brought  
only 44 cents a day  
nearby Krowera Church stands proud  
Jeetho's 2690 School-room, once kids  
would crowd  
flying-fox cash-register, at Devlin's and  
more  
here the, families-own General Store.

Mine poppet-head towers above it all  
Hark! Hear yesteryear's miner's call  
this silent living-link with the past  
Coal Creek Village will forever last.  
Radovick's Middle Pub the place to be  
great tucker, fireside warmth, generous-  
hospitality.

Cherie and Maria's Tiny-Teapot Café,  
snack or cuppa, papers each day  
Ah! Gippsland folks always have a laugh  
and a smile  
our nearby cousins, by a country-mile.

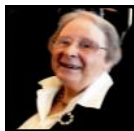
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Another piece from regular Contributor E.E (Betty) Caldwell, with thanks to Maree Silver.



## BARGAIN

Never have I been a bargain hunter. Reject stores, opportunity shops hold no great fascination for me. On asking the price of an article, I accept or decline. There is no prolonged discussion. However, when F W Cheshire was closing down his Little Collins Street bookstore and the office boy returned to work with a volume I fancied, I asked if there was another copy in stock. There was, so I journeyed forth to exchange my two shillings (or twenty cents in today's currency) for my prized possession. Now, some 63 years later, it is still my favourite piece of literature.

Once at a meeting of the Society of Women Writers the guest speaker asked the ladies to nominate their favourite book. Overwhelmingly *Pride and Prejudice* was the standard fare. Not having read it or desired to do so, I was appalled at the lack of variety in their answers. Unwittingly, I caused a humorous reaction when I put forth my submission – the Pulitzer Prize winning work in the 1928 poetry section. Stephen Vincent Benet spent two secluded years in Paris researching, writing and revising his mammoth masterpiece. Never before or again was my twenty cents so well invested. I frequently read, re-read and continue to discover new aspects of the American Civil War in Benet's magnificent narrative, *John Brown's Body*.

E E Caldwell

## THE NEW PIONEERS

Margaret Pearce

Henry Lawson once wrote a short story called 'Settling on the land'. It narrates the trials of a determined idealist trying to come to grips with the sunburnt country.

The settler battled the hostile neighbours and dogs, the inhospitable countryside and the droughts, floods and plagues. He and his sworn enemy the squatter are shown driven to a truce and recuperation in the Parramatta Lunatic Asylum by the frustrations of fighting the land.

By today's standards, Lawson's story is dated, but if you take a look around you will notice that the descendants of that settler are still carrying on the good fight with the sunburnt country.

The number of Australians who have wiped the smog of city living off their feet to follow the Great Australian Dream and settle for country living is growing. They are not to be confused however with their neighbours, the long established locals. The division between the old settler and the new

pioneer is wide and impassable.

The old settlers are veterans of rural survival and have come to terms with the land. Their properties are unassuming fortresses where energy, money and farm implements are conserved for the next outbreak of hostilities. Their homes lack the garish newness that is the stamp of the new pioneers and are almost invisible to the passing real estate agent's eyes.

They slump into the hillside with age, unpainted over generations of bad seasons. Their transport matches their environment, mud coloured like the roads with deep dints and humps to fit the potholes.

Our new breed of pioneer has flung himself at the countryside in a rash of high mortgaged brown, grey, cream and blue brick veneers. Spanish Mission, Early Colonial, Cape Cod and Pseudo Tudor flaunt themselves up and down the back hills of the new subdivisions, chasing rustic isolation and a few acres to raise stock.

Our idealist has come out fresh and fighting and even affluent from his established home in civilisation, where the toilet has flushed for generations and power and water are an uncomplicated tap and switch away. Now, all over the outer metropolitan area he is facing the battle of settling on the land like a true descendent of Lawson's settler.

The transition from suburbia to rural living presents problems undreamed of in well protected suburbia. Country living means that our new pioneer doesn't have to rub shoulders with his city cousins any more, except on week days when he spends hours commuting to his bread and butter.

However his city cousins like to spend a couple of hours every weekend commuting to the country where they can take their recreation. They do this by trespassing on private property, leaving gates open, shooting up cows in mistake for rabbits and picking the property owner's mushrooms, fruit and vegetables. When they get bored with this, they ride trail bikes up and down conservation areas and light fires all over the place.

One of the delightful pleasures of country living is the isolation, except when you are in the middle of it. If the new pioneer and his wife have children, they will have to be chauffeured to school, music, Brownies, Guides, Cubs, Scouts, football, basketball, netball, cricket and all the other social events including pony club.

In fact they will have to be anywhere else but home most of the time. Passing them so frequently on the road you could be excused if you came to the conclusion that they lived permanently in their transport like earlier nomads.

If you don't see them coming, loaded down with children, you will see them going, equally loaded down with children at any time of the morning, afternoon or evening

seven days a week.

Even without children, transport has to be reliable to get them out of that delightful rustic isolation to work, which is always a long way away on the other side of the horizon, shopping and the local garage.

The fact that they are such good customers of their hard working mechanic brings up the uncouth problem of the roads.

The charming back roads that lead to the isolated rustic properties are always in one of two states. They are either in a state of disrepair because the Country Roads Board hasn't got around to doing anything lately, and are full of corrugations, potholes and other menaces to shockers and springs. Or they are in a state of disrepair because the Country Roads Board are doing something. They can be widening, raising, lowering, straightening or curving the roads, so as well as corrugations and potholes there are unexpected hills of metal and huddles of road-working machinery to navigate. All of which is disastrous to shockers, spring and front ends. So the garage owners are kept busy and the car owners kept poor.

It is a safe fact that rural areas are rich in animal life. This can cause hang-ups to the new pioneer not over well-endowed with steady nerves and a philosophical disposition.

As one of the ambitions of the new pioneer is to keep his kitchen supplied from his own garden he starts a vegetable patch. This is always considered an open invitation by every rabbit and possum in the district so it never develops past the very well pruned stage.

There is a large population of dogs in the rural areas. Dogs and country living go together. The new pioneer's dog fed and tended at great expense to guard the property and keep off trespassers is either a welcome committee to all, or permanently missing; seduced by the rumour of an available lady a long way away. He usually hits home once a week to rest his sore feet, catch up on his food and sleep before vanishing again.

The visiting dogs dig holes in the vegetable patch, break down fences, chase and sometimes kill stock and leave their territorial marks all over the front patio. And the only thing they have in common is that they always belong to someone else.

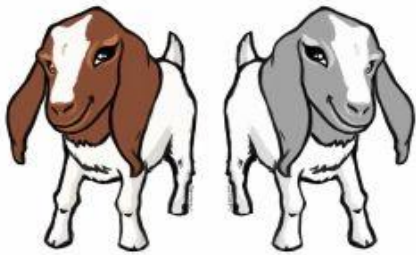
Sometimes the new pioneer is tempted to shoot them. Then he has to remember that as well as being a damn nuisance, they are expensive and pedigreed and is it cheaper to build stronger fences or pay compensation if he kills them?

Goats are another educational menace of country life. To the inexperienced eye goats are dangerous monsters.



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## The New Pioneers.....continued



They have horns, beards and baleful yellow eyes. Goats like to visit and with or without an invitation it is always the new pioneer they choose to visit.

They are indifferent to fences. They don't mind going under, over or through them. Their palates are impartial. They can chomp down an avenue of new trees and half a line of washing in the time it will take the female new pioneer to screech 'get out'.

One of the pleasing symbols of ownership that show the status of a new pioneer and separate him from the old settlers are the fences. They are expensive but not very long lasting. To be really permanent they would need the thickness of the Great Wall of China and with the sort of custodians that high security prisons have.

Fences, like rules are made to be broken. Our new pioneer therefore fills in his time mending fences. Either his stock is going to break out and does, or someone else's stock is going to break in and does.

Horses, cows, goats, children, dogs and trail bikes go through fences instead of around them and city dwellers taking short cuts don't see them either. After a while, rather like a frequently weakened tooth, fence posts get a discouraged lean that spoils the geometric symmetry of the new estate.

Although the new pioneer doesn't know much about stock, it is a form of animal life he is prepared to come to grips with. Cows give milk, sheep can be shorn and horses pay rent for the privilege of keeping the grass down.

Our new pioneer is hopeful about making his property self supporting by grazing. At the beginning of summer, the grass is rich and luxuriant. However when the growth is so luxuriant in his property it is everywhere

else, so the other stock owners graze their stock on vacant blocks or along the roads instead of in his paddocks.

As summer progresses this luxuriant drying off grass arouses unfavourable attention because it contravenes fire regulations, so has to be burnt off, mowed down or chewed up.

By winter, the hoped for money making acres are dejected bare hills of slippery mud and there is no feed anywhere so our new pioneer has to buy feed. In the spring, our new pioneer takes all the agistment he can get. He is beginning to understand that the sunburnt country isn't always bountiful and lean times could be around the corner. Then the local Council, not sharing his insecurities, catches up with him for carrying too many horses per paddock and fines him. After over grazing, his precious rolling hills get infested with worms. A case of Strangles ambles past his inexperienced eye to drink at the communal water trough. Then our new pioneer has to puzzle out why his rolling well grassed hills have suddenly become socially unacceptable to every horse owner in the district and what has he done personally to be treated like the village leper?

The pressure of peaceful country co-existence and their problems often causes complete disintegration, and our new pioneer from the outer metropolitan areas goes down fighting. He chases goats, shoots dogs, sues trespassers, argues with the Country Roads Board and stands frothing at the mouth at his imposing gates demanding compensation from passing travelers for disturbing the peace.

The menace of the Great Australian Dream lurking in the rural areas is ready to pounce on the unstable idealist. So it is understandable when our brave intrepid and idealistic new pioneer suddenly snaps and flees back to suburbia.

The sunburnt country wins another round! Even if the Parramatta Lunatic Asylum is disused Henry Lawson still might not be that out of date after all.

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## All About..... Jenny Taylor

**Jenny Taylor has a 30 year career as a teacher performer writer and community artist.**



She has worked for ABC TV and her songs have been performed by massed choirs and played on Melbourne community radio and ABC regional radio. She has worked with numerous choirs including three years as co-founder of the choir that was "Choir of Hard Knocks".

And she paints pictures. loves gardening, the Australian bush. and old growth forests. She dislikes Coal Seam Gas Mining, and coal mining generally. She holds a BA (Music) and Dip Ed.

### Career highlights

- Release of debut album "All Is Well" in 2017
- Over 100 shows, 3 CDs and founding the training choir for Choir Of Hard Knocks
- Starting not one, but two separate riots during her outback solo career in the 1990's
- Hearing Christmas Is Coming performed by Darebin massed choir each Christmas.
- Having the song "Who Will Be There" in the top 20 shortlist for a Joe Cocker album.
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# Our Environment

## Grantville Foreshore Committee



The Committee continues to do what it can to preserve and protect the foreshore reserve north of Grantville as far as Pioneer Bay. The main items to note so far this year:

Contractors have sprayed the weeds, mainly blackberry.

The public access step to the beach at Stewart St has been redesigned to make it more user friendly.

The next meeting is set for the 9 August at 6 pm at the Transaction Centre. We are hoping to welcome Mr Rodney Croft, the new DELWP program manager responsible for this area. All welcome.

The foreshore reserve managed by the Committee has been buffeted by high tides and winds in recent weeks resulting in some tree damage. Funding is being pursued so that an arborist can deal with problem trees.

**Eric Hornsby**  
**Chair 0417 222087**

## The Friends' Group Western Precinct - Corinella

The Friends' Group Western Precinct (FGWP) would like to add its support to the Corinella Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management's attempt to stop the senseless vandalism of trees, the setting up of makeshift camps, and the dumping of rubbish in the Corinella Foreshore Reserve. The FGWP has progressed since its first gathering some eighteen months ago, and is made up of people who live and holiday in Corinella. Its aim is to offer a community forum for those concerned about the environmental changes affecting the Corinella Foreshore Reserve, and to facilitate discussion and present proposals on ways to nurture the foreshore's fragile ecosystem while maintaining

its sea side appeal as a holiday destination.

**If you would like to contact the group, please call: 5678 0592.**

## Letters

### Driven to act

Recently a Scandinavian car manufacturer sent me another email – ah, perhaps one day! Poised to delete, I glanced at the subject heading – this was different: “A first glimpse of one of the world's largest Living Seawall.” A car maker and a seawall seemed incongruous, but intriguing.

Their message and their role in helping to create the “Living Seawall”, had been released to coincide with World Environment Day, 5 June 2018 and the unveiling of “the first prototype of the world's largest Living Seawall in Sydney Harbour. Made from concrete reinforced with 100 percent recycled plastic fibres, it aids biodiversity and attracts filter-feeding organisms that actually absorb and filter out pollutants – such as particulate matter and heavy metals – keeping the water ‘clean’.”

Given Grantville is facing ongoing erosion issues and potential inundation of low-lying foreshore land, I went looking for other examples of the “Living Seawall” online; this opened up a range of pictures, video clips and information about the subject.

For example, the “New Living Sea Wall on the Suncoast - SNN TV” report, gives an insight on how one community is tackling their erosion problems; another site tells you how to build one (University of Washington - Conservation); while another says “Forget seawalls: There's a cheaper, more effective way to protect shorelines.” – this talks about creating “living shorelines”: a design that uses stones, wetland plants and other natural components such as mangroves. But whatever your ‘erosion mitigation’ preference, it seems a long time ago since the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) ran its ‘erosion workshop’, and any moves to continue the conservation have stalled. However, have a look at what the future may bring, for these are the sort of things that could help the Waterline community find a compromise approach to reducing erosion along its foreshore and even drive DELWP to act.

**Just ask George**



## Corinella & District Men's Shed & Woodies Group

Going strong .....

It's now been six years since the opening of the Corinella & District Men's Shed, or, as they are now affectionately known as, “The Woodies.” For most of the dozen or so guys that meet each Tuesday morning it is something that is very much looked forward to. When new guys come along they quickly realize that there's a lot of good fun, and it's not just the jokes shared at morning tea.

Over the years the ‘projects’ have been as diverse as making pens and bowls, artist's easels, model planes, the restoration of chairs and display cabinets, shelves for laptops, and mini bridges as examples of the less bizarre of the range. The joy is that everyone is there to help as it is needed. Not all come from trade backgrounds as amongst the ranks there are ex truckies, electricians, teachers, instrument fitters, heavy machinery mechanics and tram builders. Where one has skill and knowledge in one area, another can contribute in another. It's a very unique group that appreciate and build on the respect and affection that continues to grow.

At the beginning of the day there is a focus on preparing for the Bass Valley Primary students. They have always been a priority. The buzzing, sawing, cutting and drilling fills the shed like Santa's workshop, to make sure that everything is in place prior to their visit. The sense of pride that fills the young faces is priceless. Their fine motor skills, listening and problem solving as they create from the templates provided is enough motivation to ensure that their positive experience remains paramount. It is not unusual for the greater community to call on the group as well. There have been numerous opportunities to repair and create. In kind, donations of wood and machinery arrive from time to time. The Woodies is about support on a whole lot of levels. Specific technical advice as needed, camaraderie and friendship, sharing the best fishing spots, accessing the small library of books sitting on the ‘crib’ table, or just catching up on what's going on in and around the community. All men from 18 to 88 are welcome!

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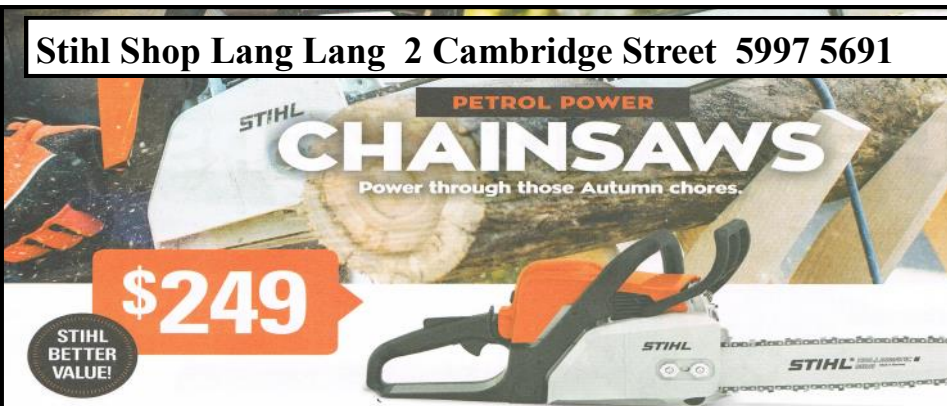
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