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KERNOT MEMORIAL CHURCH Geoffrey Ellis

“To the Glory of God and in loving memory of those who fell. Lest we forget.” Just over sixty years ago the tender called for a plaque with “imperishable raised letters. To fit a space 3-4 bricks high, one and a half to 2 bricks wide.”

The Bass Highway can seem like a speedway. Cars, trucks, motorbikes, pedestrians; you have to wait for the lights in Grantville. Nine kilometres inland from the hustle and bustle Kernot is still only a 70 minute drive from Melbourne but it lies in a picturesque position on a designated tourist route. The road from Loch meanders through Woodleigh, Kernot and Almurta following the route pioneered by carts of milk churns heading for the butter factories.

Population growth in the area was strong from the 1880s to the 1920s then remained static until the late seventies. Forty years ago each of those three towns consisted of a station, shop, hall and church. They were all well frequented until population numbers started to dwindle due to the loss of the rail line and mechanisation of dairy farming.

Named after a Consulting Engineer in the Victorian Railways, Kernot sprang up when the rail line came through in 1910. The Kernot General Store was built in the same year. New families are tree changing into the area now though the majority of farms are occupied by the third or fourth generation descended from the original Settlers.

As reflected in the imperishable words of



that foundation stone, resilience could be the motto of Kernot. This community has twice rebuilt their hall, once after a hurricane. Funds were raised by their weekend market and the sale of the old school. The third hall opened in 1993.

The General Store is now a café/restaurant, busy on the weekends when customers fill an undercover dining area that defines the bend in the road. Across the bitumen, in the Kernot Reserve, the overgrown railway station platform defiantly reminds of us of the past. A pleasant stroll from the store takes you past the tennis courts, the Community Hall and the C.F.A. The edge of Kernot is the Kernot Memorial Uniting Church. Built with clinker bricks sixty years ago the Church stands on half an acre of land donated by the Henry family.

Bruce and Sheila Campbell are involved in

many community groups, including Red Cross and the CFA. They recently took time out of their busy schedule to talk about the Kernot Memorial Church which is part of Loch, Poowong Parish and Korumburra Parish. Kernot Church members worship at Loch when necessary.

Sheila is Secretary of the Church and President of the Ladies Guild. Bruce is the President of the Church and a Church Elder. They are custodians of the minute books and other documentation that records the building and the running of the church. The hand written minute book informs us that Sheila became secretary of the Ladies Guild in 1962. Back then Kernot had a telephone exchange, a railway station and a General Store.. The books smell musty when they are carefully removed the safety of their plastic containers.

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The Waterline News - May

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

editor@waterlinenews.com.au

Welcome to the May edition of The Waterline News.

Once again space has become my enemy, as the number of contributions continues to grow along with our distribution growth, and our increased readership.

This is all great, however, I must apologise to those contributors who have missed out, we will make these priority for the June issue.

Again my plea on the deadline went largely ignored, but I did put it down to the Anzac Day long weekend and am looking forward to receiving all of your submissions prior to the last day of this month for the June issue.

Particular thanks for this issue go to Geoffrey Ellis for his front page special history story, and part time Grantville resident Dr. Jane Hendtlass for her two part history special, Family Search which concludes this month, on page 14, although I think there could be more to come from this story as we continue to search for the rightful owners of the Dead Man's Penny.

Quite a few new Community notices as well this month, which is always good to see.

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I can't help saying - what glorious Autumn weather we have had, I almost feel guilty for enjoying it as we badly need some good soaking rain.....the people of Corinella have been out and about the town....

walking, boating, fishing, just appreciating what a wonderful legacy we share in the town. When George Bass first set eyes on Western Port he could never have envisaged the changes that would come.

History tells us that the traditional owners of the land were the Bunerong people and the Aboriginal name or word "Koorinella" which means "place where kangaroo drinks" in reference to the mobs of kangaroos that were always found in the area. In a walk down memory lane, Corinella was originally named Red Point, then later Settlement Point before finally becoming Corinella. The first settlement in 1826 by a group of soldiers, convicts and a few settlers, was followed two years later by the first permanent settlers and a few years later a dozen permanent homes and so, the changes kept coming, farms grew and a thriving fishing industry blossomed. The Jetty was completed in 1884 and it is amazing to think of the huge boxes of fresh

fish and oysters being carted to Melbourne to sell. A school was built, a church came, families flourished, children grew up and the cycle continued. The 1960's and 70's saw big changes yet again as more houses popped up, the population exploded (so to speak) and the community pulled together fundraising and put up a Public Hall, Bowling Club and Tennis Club and Children's Playground on Bushland donated by the Late Harold Hughes, moving these from the reserve at Settlement Point where football, tennis, cricket and the annual gymkhana, complete with wood chopping and potato races used to take place.

As I read and re-read the rich history of the town, just as the tides come and go every day, so do people and places. Now the old Hughes Farm is taking on taking on a new "life"the old house is to be restored to the style of that bygone era and potentially, become a cafe/ bistro surrounded by an acre of native garden, and the farmland as it is developed, will bring new settlers to Corinella. We will all be involved in another chapter in the history of Corinella, as we also live, work, play and "be" a part of Corinella.

The next meeting of the CRRA will be on Friday the 3rd of June at 7pm, come at 6.15 if you would like to share a sausage with us, at the Corinella Community Centre, Balcombe Street entrance. Let's make history together, working as a team as those before us did.

Lyndell Parker. President.

PIONEER BAY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Contact

Zena Benbow

pbpa@bigpond.com



Zena's column this month can be found on page 13

TENBY POINT

Also has it's own Ratepayers and Residents Association.

Contact Jean Coffey

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Kevin Brown and John Carroll

Coronet Bay has had a change after many years of guidance from Barry and Chris Hutton for which we at Coronet Bay thank them most sincerely.

What's happened or happening in the month just gone and into the future.

Easter has come and gone so has one of our largest events Coronet Bay "the Easter Fair" this year we were blessed with great weather which bought out the township in force to enjoy.

This year we had some of the usuals as seen in previous years and some new, all went wonderfully well with a great turnout the event was deemed a success by the attendees and stall holders.

The Committee at Coronet Bay decided this year to try and make the event family focused and to that end we subsidised some of the attractions for the kids. Each child had free entry to the animal petting zoo and was subsidised with the rides \$10 ride all day as opposed to \$17 for one ride on each, this was a great hit with the kids and parents hip pocket we also had some entertainment to keep the parents busy while the kids rode and petted. Wine tastings, coffee and a great selection of food was on offer then a snooze in the sun what better way to put a day in at Coronet Bay while listening to the band playing all day. This event was a financial success and we were very pleased with the outcomes.

Thanks needs to go to the many helpers and special mention to Bass Coast Shire events team who donated services, equipment and guidance and an even bigger thanks to Janine Temme.

We have been hearing the rumblings of tractors from the new estate at Corinella. We too hope to get the tractors busy with some work on the track between Coronet Bay and Corinella and some improvements to the end of Norsmans Road. This has been a long term and long time coming project still in the throws of seeking monies and Council input we will keep all interested informed.

Another development that we have been working on is keeping our bus connecting us to our neighbours and Grantville and its looking very hopeful to be maintained albeit with some tweaking to the timetables.

Stephen Russell



GRANTVILLE AND DISTRICT RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
2016 Committee

President T.B.A
Vice President Kat Cox
Secretary Kathy Hopkins
Treasurer Sylvia Harris
General Members Chris Cox, and Helen Zervopoulos.

Membership Fees: \$10 single - \$20 family
Fees can be paid at the Grantville Newsagency see Sylvia Harris.

The next GADRRRA General Meeting will be held on the 24th June at 7pm at the Reserve Hall.

We hope that by then we will know if we have secured funding for a Fitness Station to be installed at the Memorial Park. Since GADRRRA distributed the questionnaire regarding this project, several other community groups have approached council also requesting fitness stations to be installed in their townships.

At the next General Meeting we will determine if we continue to operate as an Association. If we cannot increase our membership there may not be any point in continuing.

GADRRRA was established 10yrs ago and in that time has provided a forum and a voice for the community. It would be a great shame if we had to disband due to lack of interest.

It is essential that we increase our membership so if you are interested in community issues and want Grantville to continue to be heard at Council level, please come to the June meeting and sign up as a member. For further information contact Kathy Hopkins on 0439 000 148



We are pleased to report that concerned community members and a couple of members from the Grantville Foreshore Committee met with Mick Dortmans and the engineer from DELWP Darren James!!

Concerned residents reported both to council and DELWP regarding mangrove planting south of Malcolm Drive Grantville as they felt there was no communication and did not know what was going on.

It has been misunderstood that this planting was carried out by The Grantville Foreshore Committee. In fact, the Seagrass Partnership has been planting south of the end of Malcolm Drive reportedly under the direction of DELWP.

When the concerned residents spoke with Mick he did not know about this planting or about a plan. This was discussed at length.

The meeting has resulted in Mick Dortmans promising to meet with ALL stakeholders in a private meeting (he has a two month deadline to complete this task) and formulate a specific plan which DELWP will present to the community via a community meeting and local media. Although the Grantville Foreshore Committee will be present, it is ultimately the responsibility of DELWP to communicate their decisions and plan to the community.

After speaking with Darren James he has advised that the best long term solution for erosion issues in Grantville is mangroves, yet he concedes that a plan must be drafted and the entire community must be made aware of these actions via DELWP.

Grantville Foreshore committee did offer their assistance; however, Mick has said that he wants to plan and deliver this objective in its entirety.

Darren and Mick both conceded that the geofabric sand sausage as seen in Jam Jerrup is "not off the table" (Mick Dortmans) for Grantville; and they would seriously consider a trial - but in order to do this there would be a formal plan, and a community meeting to ensure there are no objections.

Overall, I would say this is a successful result and I really look forward to updating you regarding the findings from Mick Dortmans and the key stakeholders.

Kat Cox - 0422 172 994

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Community Directory



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

Australian Red Cross
Woodleigh Vale Branch
Members meet in each other's homes on
2nd Thursday of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug & Oct.
Contact Sheila Campbell 5678 8210

Bass Coast Community Baptist Church
Meets Sundays
OP SHOP open Mon-Saturday
Contact the Op Shop for details 5678 8625

Bass Coast L2P Learner Driver Mentor Program Wonthaggi - Corinella
The Bass Coast L2P Program now has a car at Corinella & District Community Centre.
For further information contact:
Veronica Dowman 5672 3731 0467590679

Bass Coast Strollers
Catering for all adults participating in walks around the Bass Coast region of Victoria.
Contact David Holmes 5678 0033
dhalp@bigpond.com

Bass Valley Friends of the RSL
Secretary Janet Welch 0411 446 129

Bass Valley Landcare
2-4 Bass School Rd, Bass 5678 2335

Bass Valley Lions Club Op Shop
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Corinella & District Probus Club
1st Wednesday each month except January
Coral Smith 5678 0396

Corinella Bowling Club Inc.
Balcombe Street Corinella.
Patti Scammell 5678 0191

Corinella & District Community Centre
5678 0777 Mon - Fri 10am - 4pm
www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au

Corinella & District Men's Shed & Woodies Group Corinella Road
Visitors and new members welcome.
Contact Secretary: Graeme 5678 0345

Corinella Foreshore Committee
Contact Barbara Oates 0427 780 245

Coronet Bay, Corinella & Surrounds Playgroup (0-4yrs)
Come and enjoy the fun at Coronet Bay Hall
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Contacts: Franciska 0400 465 377
Ann 5678 0341

Coronet Bay Adult Social Club
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Grantville Recreation Reserve Committee
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Grantville Tennis Club Inc.
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Thursday nights
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Zena Benbow pbpa@bigpond.com

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Rev Greg Magee 5952 2608

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1st Saturday

Archies Creek Indoor Market

Community Hall

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2nd Saturday

Coal Creek Farmers' Market

Coal Creek Community Park 8am - 12.30pm

50+ stalls

coalcreekfm@hotmail.com

Contact for information 0459 629 000

Cowes Island Craft Market

102 Thompson Avenue, 9am - 2pm

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

Contact for further details 0412 710 276

4th Saturday

Churchill Island Farmers' Market

40+ stalls. 8am - 1pm

peter@rfm.net.au

Further Information 0439 364 760

Cowes Market on Chapel

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

Further information-contact 0428 603 043

1st Sunday

Jumbunna Bush Market

Jumbunna Hall

Further information, phone 5657 3253

2nd Sunday

Koowe Community Market

Cochrane Park, Rossiter Rd 8am - 1.30pm

Indoor/outdoor Phone 0418 289 847

Email: info@kooweemarket.com.au

Rotary Club Market Wonthaggi

Apex Park 8am - 1pm, 50+ stalls

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Garry Sherrick 5672 5812

2nd Sunday continued

Loch Lions Village Market

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Information from Noel Gregg 5627 5576

Market day phone 0418 500 520

3rd Sunday

Inverloch Farmers Market

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Information: peter@rfm.net.au

Phone 0439 364 760

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Rhyll Hall, Ring Gen Store, 5956 9205

Woodleigh, Evan Jones 5657 7275

Community News

BASS VALLEY COMMUNITY GROUP Inc.

Bass School Road Bass
Centre Manager
Roderick McIvor
Phone 5678 2277



We are reaching the time of year when we know winter can't be far off. We are caught between knowing we need the rain for the gardens and pastures, and not wanting the cold dark wet of winter.

Recently the Home and Community Care planned activity groups, the Centre's Friendship Clubs, have been making the most of glorious sunny mornings to have morning tea at Kilcunda or Coronet Bay. Meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays, members of the groups are picked up from their homes in the morning. They arrive at the Centre and have morning tea, followed by a range of activities. These might include: bingo, gentle exercise, a walk to the river or the shop, a quiz or joke telling or some craft project. That project could be furnishing a doll's house, making a mosaic together or painting self-portraits or portraits of others in the group. The day includes a lunch cooked in the Centre's kitchen by volunteer cooks. And then the bus takes everyone home again.

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We had our Autumn Festival back in March and our next community activity will be our Election Day Market which will be held on Saturday July 2, at the Bass Hall polling booth.

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The Bass Valley Children's Centre is coming!!!

...so they need to raise lots of \$\$\$\$\$\$

...so they need lots of helpers ☺☺☺☺☺☺

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May 28 - Rug Making Workshop.

May 30 & June 6 - Mandala Colouring Sessions.

June 1 - "Make A Wish" Foundation Guest Speaker, Gold Coin Donation.

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

7 Westernport Rd, Lang Lang 3984

Contact Coordinators

Michelle or Marg

(03) 5997 5704

lcc@langlang.net

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HEALTH



SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

RAISING AWARENESS TO AID PREVENTION

S.O.S- Survivors of Suicide is a support group for those that have been bereaved by suicide.

It began in Ballarat by Kristy Steenhuis in 2010 after she lost her husband to suicide, and being in a rural area found there was no support. In Bass Coast, a letter was sent to the Council from a lady looking for a support group, but was unable to find anything, so together with my husband,



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Cr Bradley Drew, we set about starting an arm of S.O.S here.

On March 8th this year the Bureau of Statistics released alarming figures that shows that 2,864 Australian's died by suicide in 2014 (2,160 male, 704 females), an increase of 342 deaths. These deaths far exceed the road toll, but we don't hear about them!

Last June we held a community forum on suicide awareness and started the support group in September. We meet every second Tuesday night of the month at Newhaven College in the Surf room at 7pm, anyone is welcome and we offer a safe environment where people can be with others who have walked the same path, or perhaps care for someone with suicidal ideologies.

We are holding our first community walk called, SUICIDE AWARENESS- LET'S START THE CONVERSATION, on Sunday June 12.

We will be walking from Newhaven College, Boys Home Road, to the National Vietnam Veterans Museum remembrance garden, approximately 3.5 k's. There, we will lay some flowers and remember those lost to suicide.

Then on Sunday June 26th, at 1pm, in light of recent statistics, we are holding our second community forum focusing on suicide awareness and prevention and STARTING THE CONVERSATION..

It will again be held at the Newhaven College Auditorium, everyone is invited.

We have some fantastic speakers lined up, Chris Helder, one of Australia's most sought after speakers and author on communication and useful beliefs, Kristy Steenhuis- founder of S.O.S, Hennie Lanting from the Salvation Army an expert speaker and educator on suicide and prevention, members of the public with lived experience, police, ambulance, psychologist, counselors, different therapies just to name a few.

Suicide prevention is a community wide responsibility and we can no longer turn our back and take the attitude that it's someone else's problem, it's everyone's problem. We encourage members of the public to join us on the 12th and 26th to help raise awareness and start the conversation.

Any questions call Jill
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Small Steps -

Staff pledging to reduce their footprint. Staff, residents and visitors are enjoying fabulous coffee's, tea's, hot chocolates and snacks at the popular 'Charlie's Coffee Cart' which can be found at KRHS Monday to Friday at 10.30am. KRHS is giving staff a free 'Keep Cup' when they take the 'KooWee Climate Challenge' and sign the Environmental Sustainability Pledge, thereby reducing their climate footprint by being more aware of helping the environment in the workplace. For example: turning off unnecessary lights, refilling water bottles and reducing their paper consumption.



KRHS was actively involved in 'Active April' this year with a range of health promotion activities for staff, residents and allied health to get active in the workplace have lots of fun. Some of the activities we had included 'Walk and Talk sessions, Frisbee Golf, Tai Chi, Table Tennis, Tippetty Cricket and Pilates.



Sustainability Festival

KRHS participated in the South Gippsland Sustainability Festival at Coal Creek and invited the community to visit the Hewitt Eco House. The festival showcased local services and organisations working towards reducing climate change and keeping our local area clean and green.

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ABOUT THE DOCTORS At Lang Lang Community Family Medicine.

Dr Andrey Butrev
MBBS FRACGP

Languages

English, Russian and Greek

Interests

Paediatrics and Preventive Health.

About

Dr Butrev graduated from Tashkent Medical and Paediatric Institute Uzbekistan.

He moved to Australia in 2003, working at Frankston and Bairnsdale hospitals before commencing at Lang Lang Community Family Medicine in 2010.

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About

Dr Naing joined Lang Lang Community Family Medicine in 2010. He graduated from Myanmar Burma in 2005.

Dr Naing has a large range of experience having worked in Latrobe Regional Hospital Traralgon, Southern Health Monash and as a General Practitioner in the Sale, Wonthaggi and Morwell areas.

Dr Myat Pwint Thu Aung

MBBS FRACGP

Languages


English and Burmese.

Interests

Women's Health, Child Health. Dermatology.

About

Dr Aung graduated from Institute of Medicine (I) Yangon, Myanmar in 2006. She has worked in the Canberra Hospital for four years as an RMO and did her General Practice training in Gippsland area for three years. She joined Lang Lang CFM in 2015.



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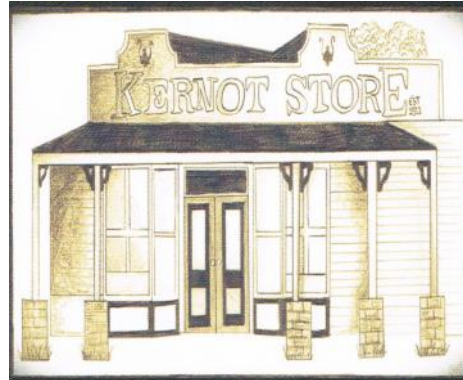
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Saturday June 4

Coronet Bay Hall 7 - 11pm

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Congratulations to our April CD winner Kellie Simpson from Wonthaggi, your CD is the mail.



The Australian Jazz Museum Welcomes World Renowned James Morrison as Patron



James Morrison is the new patron of the Australian Jazz Museum (AJM).

The talented Australian jazz personality accepted the invitation to become patron because of the organisation's important 'behind the scenes' work to archive Australian music and artefacts from the genre.

In accepting his new role, Morrison said, "Jazz has fascinating origins in this country; Australians like Graeme Bell and Don Burrows were gifted musicians who really brought international attention and acclaim to the Australian jazz movement.

"The AJM's work is vital to ensuring that the story of Australian jazz is captured for future generations. I hope that my involvement will help raise awareness of the museum and inspire more Australians to learn about our unique music history and perhaps even discover or rediscover their own love of jazz. "

Morrison is a Member of The Order of Australia in recognition for his service to the arts in Australia, and in 2015 established the James Morrison Academy of Music in Mount Gambier, South Australia.

The AJM is a not-for-profit organisation supported entirely by volunteers. Funds raised by member subscriptions contribute to ongoing costs to house the archive, and work currently underway to digitise the collection.

www.ajm.org.au

Phillip Island Jazz Club

Sunday June 19

Bass Room

Ramada Resort, Cowes.

2pm - 5pm

**CHRIS LUDOWYK'S
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The "Six Marketeers" (formerly the famous and original 'Prahran Market Jazz Band') is a very special institution in the Melbourne musical scene and was formed in 1978 by well-known jazz musician and founder of the high profile "Society Syncopators", (Chris Ludowyk). The termination of their weekly gig at the market after 24 years, owing to cost cutting, signalled the end to a record tenure for an Australian jazz group. The band was featured on Channel 7's 'Today Tonight' program, performed at the popular "Zoo Twilights" and the Fosters Cup Marquee – for the previous sponsors of the Melbourne Cup. Two coups worth mentioning were the band's performance at the Regent Theatre opening night party of the hit musical "Showboat" and the band's photo on the front cover of the 1999 L-Z White Pages Directory, a first for any jazzband (or any band for that matter) in Australia.

Chris has assembled a fabulous group of musicians with entertainment ability for this unique band, at home in either concert or roving situations. They appeal to the whole age spectrum with their ability to play children's songs (eg. Bananas in Pyjamas, Teddy Bear's Picnic) as well as songs and jazz from the vibrant and musical 20's and 30's that put a smile on the faces of most listeners

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New Jazz Venue

Phillip Island has a new venue for live Jazz.

The Trumpet Bar

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Cowes, The Trumpet Bar provides an outlet for small jazz groups and similar size for other styles of music.

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REMEMBER TAYETON?

We have been following the story of young "Special Needs" child, Tayeton Damman in The Waterline News for quite a while now. Big news for Tayeton was the subject of an email from his Mum, Danielle last week.

"I wanted to let all of the readers of The Waterline News know that Tayeton has his assistance dog now. He is such a beautiful dog his name is Jamie."

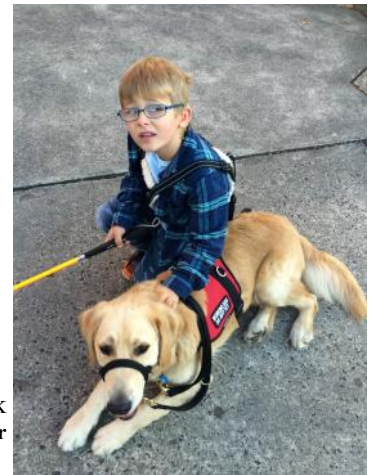
Tayeton received Jamie on his birthday on the April 18 and we have been so busy, being trained with the trainer that week and this is the first week we have been on our own. He has been trained in so many different areas for Tayeton with mobility assist and hearing and retrieval with tracking and tethering with some tricks for Tayeton to play with him."

Well done

Tayeton, and well done

Danielle, we know how much of a struggle it has been for you over the last few years.

Good Luck
Editor



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Food

BOOK REVIEW

The Pie Project, Phoebe Wood and Kirsten Jenkins



The cheat's chapter contains pies baked in cast-iron frying pans, bottomless pies, no-bake pies and recipes using store-bought pastry and fillings. In the hand chapter, you'll find rustic creations shaped like pasties or in

rectangles, perfect for individual servings. But there's no hearty beef and stout or delicate fish pie in this cookbook. All 60 recipes are for sweet pies — the pages of the book explode with sugary, jammy, fruity, chocolatey goodness.

There's golden syrup and chocolate pecan pie; nectarine, brown butter and honey pie; a cherry, blueberry and coconut bottomless pie; chocolate and peanut butter brownie handpies and a more traditional mixed berry pie.

If that isn't enough to make your mouth water, try this on for size: honey and ginger custard brulee pie.

In the accompanying notes on this particular delicacy (complete with ginger nut biscuit base and caramelised sugar top), Wood writes: "This pie sent our family and friends into a frenzy. Kirsten's partner proclaimed, 'I am so happy, I am crying'."

That's the power of pie — it might be woeful for the waistline, but it's good for the soul. Hardie Grant, RRP: \$29.95

Roslyn Lanigan

Roslyn's book review courtesy of...

The WEEKLY TIMES



RECIPES

Cheesy potato bake



The perfect accompaniment to any meal, everyone needs a great potato bake recipe in his or her repertoire and this one is delicious (and simple).

Serves: Six

Preparation time: 20 minutes

Cooking time: One hour 30 minutes

Ingredients:

60g of butter, plus extra for greasing

2 1/3 cups milk

400ml cream

2 cups of cheese (tasty or parmesan work well), grated

1 1/2 kg potatoes (Sebago, Desiree, or similar), peeled and thinly sliced

1 onion, finely chopped

3 garlic cloves

1 tablespoon fresh thyme leaves

Salt and pepper to season

Method:

Preheat oven to 180 °C or 160 °C for fan forced. Lightly grease a seven-cup ovenproof dish.

Melt butter in a heavy-based saucepan over medium heat. Slowly add milk and cream, stirring constantly until well combined.

Add one and half cups of cheese. Stir to combine.

Layer one third of potatoes over base overlapping slightly. Top with half the onion, garlic, thyme and one third of cheese sauce. Season with salt and pepper. Repeat two more times.

Brush a sheet of foil with oil and place oil-side down over the potato. Seal tightly. Bake for 45 minutes. Uncover and brush top with melted butter. Cook a further 45 minutes until tender and golden brown. Sprinkle with remaining cheese for last 15 minutes of cooking.

Cream of Celery Soup

Ingredients:

2 tbsp oil, 1 onion, chopped

1 head celery, sliced thickly

250g potatoes, diced

1.2 litres vegetable stock

100g white bread, cut into cm wide cubes

1 tbsp. each chopped chives and parsley

2 tbsp. cream

Method

Preheat oven to 200C.

Heat 1 tbsp. of the oil in a large saucepan and fry the onion, celery and potatoes for 5 minutes.

Add the stock, cover and simmer for 15 minutes, or until potatoes are tender.

Meanwhile, mix the bread with the remaining oil and herbs and spread on baking tray.

Bake for 10 minutes, or until golden and crisp. Puree the soup with a blender, stir in cream. Serve sprinkled with croutons and extra herbs.



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4x4 and Ute Show

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We were able to bank over \$6500 thanks to our sponsors, participants and spectators. To top the day off the brigade were presented with a fire fighting trailer worth \$10,000 by two of our sponsors Berwick Mitsubishi and MW Toolboxes.

With the Pirate Festival and market the following week all our members had an exceptionally busy fortnight and we would like to thank Corinella Fire Brigade for pitching in and helping out with parking at the Pirate Festival.

Home Fire Safety

With winter around the corner (maybe!) it's time to think about home fire safety. Check plugs on electric heaters and blankets, check gas heaters for leaks and get chimneys cleaned before using after summer. Make sure you use a fire screen in front of an open fire and ensure any clothes you are drying inside are at least a metre from the heater / fire. If you are using an electric blanket only leave it on for 30 minutes and make sure it is off before getting into bed.

If you don't have a home fire escape plan now is the time put one together. Think about escape routes and a meeting point then practise. Remember when planning that what seems simple in normal circumstances can be difficult when there is a fire in the home so double check the smallest things like what sort of locks you have on your doors. Are they kept locked? Do they unlock automatically from the inside? If not, where is the key kept? In a fire you don't have time to look for a key so consider leaving it in the lock.

For further information go to <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/fires-in-the-home/>

GRANTVILLE & DISTRICT MEMORIAL PARK

The Bass Coast Shire Council has endorsed the formation of a

Friends of Grantville & District Memorial Park Group.

The Friends of Grantville & District Memorial Park membership would:

- Undertake community events/

activities in the park.

- Act as a reference group for the council to discuss improvements to the park.
- Advise of any maintenance or issues regarding the park.
- Establish an agreed Terms of Reference for the group, with Council.
- Be minimal in the formalising of roles within the group for its members.

If you are interested in joining the Friends of Grantville Memorial Park Group, either write to Friends of Grantville Park, PO Box 184 Grantville, or email your expression of interest to: editor@waterlinenews.com.au And we will pass it on.

Reports on the group's activities once formed will appear regularly in The



Waterline News.

PIONEER BAY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Contact Zena Benbow
pbpa@bigpond.com



There's an old philosophy regarding living in small towns that others purportedly know what's happening to you before you do. Imagine my surprise when I was told that the Progress Association had allegedly folded yesterday. Obviously idle minds at work again as nothing could be further from the truth. If you are so concerned that the association is going to fold- why not volunteer?

My last month has been spent rising at 4.30, getting assignments/study in before getting the kids up at 6.15 for us all to get ready for work/school, working until 5 to return home to job number two as a legal assistant, working on other people's cases (battlers mainly, so most of the work is pro bono) or

studying until 10.30 and passing out in bed with exhaustion. And around all of this I've still got reading to listen to, school projects to assist with, meals to prepare, washing to be done the list is endless.

So I'm left a little speechless, that as I needed time for myself this month, as differing from doing something for the good folk of Pioneer Bay, that these idle minds seize the opportunity with such fervour. Apologies if I missed a meeting or took longer than usual to respond to an email. The world is not going to end. Perhaps we need to resist the urge to drag people down- no one truly knows what is going on behind the house's exterior and instead go the more difficult route, push the idol mind and give them a hand up - I'm sure it will be far more rewarding.



I Want..

A man found a brass lamp, rubbed it vigorously, and a genie appeared. "For freeing me from the lamp, I will grant you any wish you desire," the genie said. The man replied, "I want a spectacular job. A challenge that no man has ever succeeded at or has ever even dared try." "Poof!" said the genie. "You're a housewife."

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Leongatha:

On Friday the April 8, at approximately 12 noon a mother was present at the Leongatha Horticultural Park in Young St, Leongatha with her 3 year old and 11 month old children. Whilst the mother was briefly distracted an unknown offender stole her wallet that was in her hand bag hanging off a pram. The wallet contained several hundred dollars and the victim's licence and bank cards. Anyone with information can contact the Leongatha Police of Crime Stoppers. A timely reminder to all of us to be more vigilant with our personal items and valuables, especially when visiting public places.

Also a reminder we need to keep doors locked when at home, and vehicles locked, even when they are on your own property

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Special Feature - Family Search Part 2

FAMILY SEARCH Part 2

John Andrew (Jack) Cunningham (Service Number 2270) (1887-1918)

Dr. Jane Hendtlass, Grantville

Last month, we talked about the military history of Driver Jack Cunningham who died from a preventable disease in a foreign war zone just two days before WWI was over. He was a member of a large family whose tragic and unnecessary loss can never be recovered.

John Andrew (Jack) Cunningham was born on 20 January 1887 in Gordon, Victoria, Australia. He was the 10th of eleven children born to William Cunningham (1840-1926) and Sarah Venville (1850-1910).

Neither William nor Sarah ever learned to read or write and they consistently signed their marriage certificate and the birth records of their children with their X.

Further, although William Cunningham's death certificate records he was born in Co. Derry Ireland, the birth certificates of all his children record that he was born in Co. Donegal in about 1840, the child of Edward Cunningham and Ann Gallagher. Edward Cunningham was a farmer,

In July 1863, William Cunningham arrived in Warrnambool, Victoria, Australia via California and, probably, New South Wales on the local schooner the "SS Albion". He was no doubt chasing gold.



The "SS Albion"

William Cunningham followed many other Irish settlers to live and work as a miner and labourer in Gordons at the main road junction between the goldfields of All Nation's Gully and Mount Egerton near Ballarat in Central Victoria.

On 14 May 1866, William Cunningham married Sarah Venville at St Paul's Church in Ballarat with permission from Sarah's father because she was under age.

Sarah Venville was born in Dolly's Creek near Mount Egerton. Sarah was the 7th of 19 children born to Richard Venville (1806-1896) and Eliza Brown (1823-1883) in Mount Egerton. Richard Venville and Eliza Brown were both born in England. Richard was a convict sentenced to seven years deportation on 4 January 1831 and worked as a ploughman or labourer in Mount Egerton. Eliza probably travelled to Australia with her parents.

After their marriage, William and Sarah

Cunningham continued to live in Mount Egerton. On 4 May 1867, their first child, George Cunningham (1867-1867), was born at Mount Egerton but, on 11 October 1867, he died from convulsions associated with teething. By the time of baby George Cunningham's death, William and Sarah Cunningham had moved to live in Gordon and all of Jack Cunningham's other brothers and sisters were also born in Gordon. Until at least 1875, William Cunningham worked as a labourer in Gordon but he was a butcher in 1882; in 1884, he was a carter; and in 1892, he and Sarah were running the Unicorn Hotel in the main street of Gordons next to the Catholic church and opposite the Freemasons Lodge.



The Unicorn Hotel, Gordon 1898. Jack Cunningham 2nd on right

In 1897 and 1898, William Cunningham was also working the extended Kangaroo lease after a new lode of gold was discovered in the Kangaroo Reef near Gordon. Their work on this lease was unproductive and, on 11 August 1904, Jack Cunningham's brother, James Herbert Cunningham (1880-1904), died suddenly from double pneumonia and pleurisy.

However, in 1905, William Cunningham and his surviving sons found a further rich quartz reef on an 80 acre mining lease. By 1907, the site was yielding enough gold to establish the Homeward Bound Company, later called the Gordon Gold Mines. Jack Cunningham was part of this consortium which made enough money for William to buy a 10 room house in Gordon.

On 25 June 1910, Jack Cunningham's mother died from uterine carcinoma in Gordons. She was 57 years old.

After Sarah died, William Cunningham moved to live in Thanet Street, Malvern in Melbourne. Jack's sister, Annie Hayles nee Cunningham (1872-1967), lived nearby at 18 Deakin Street in Malvern East but Jack was still living in their Gordon property until about 1912 when he also moved to Melbourne. Soon after he moved out, an arsonist started a fire in the empty but secure house and it was burnt to the ground.

In Melbourne, Jack Cunningham lived in Glenman Street, Hawthorn with his brothers, Frederick Arthur (Fred) Cunningham (1890-

1968), Richard Henry Cunningham (1884-1912) and William Francis Cunningham (1872-1957). Then, on 17 August 1912, tragedy struck again when Richard died of tubercular meningitis and coma at Thanet Street. Richard was a train driver and only 27 years old. His father and brothers had been caring for him for some time.

After Jack Cunningham died in WWI, the Australian Imperial Force gave his medals and his Memorial Plaque to his father, William Cunningham.

On 11 June 1926, three years after he was presented with his son's Memorial Plaque, William Cunningham died intestate from senile decay and myocardial degeneration at 47 Thanet Street in Malvern, Melbourne. He was buried in Gordon Cemetery.

William Cunningham was survived by Annie and four sons. In particular, I note that Jack's brother, Edward Gordon (Ted) Cunningham (1882-1940), was a journalist who, unlike his father and siblings in Hawthorn, moved from Gordon to Foster and Toora in Gippsland in 1911 and bought The Mirror and the Ensign.

Further, three of Ted Cunningham's four children and their families continued to live in Gippsland: Edward Rupert (Rupe) Cunningham (1912-2002), was a journalist and printer who continued his father's business in Toora and played the saxophone at local gigs. Edna Amelia Cunningham (1915-2003) lived in Toora with her husband, Edward Everitt (1911-1986), who was a butcher before they moved to Inverloch; Lorna Emily Cunningham (1917-1994) married Ronald Murray Reeve (1915-1992) who was a truck driver from Foster before they divorced in 1944 and Ronald remarried after the War. Ronald Murray Reeve is buried in Grantville Cemetery.

Therefore, it seems likely that Jack Cunningham's memorial plaque found in a box in Allan George's shed in Grantville came from Ted Cunningham's side of Jack Cunningham's family.

Does anyone know any of John Andrew Cunningham's relatives? Please ask them to contact the Waterline News so that Allan George can return their lost Memorial Plaque otherwise called a Deadman's Penny:



French Island News



Notices for the French Island section of The Waterline News should be sent to: editor@waterlinenews.com.au by the 1st of each month.

FRENCH ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

There is no regular police presence or ambulance service on the island. French Island has a Country Fire Authority (CFA). There is one fire engine stationed permanently on the island, next to the Community Hall on Tankerton Rd. CFA volunteers are able to respond to any kind of emergency. Calling 000 is always the best option in an emergency.

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The ferry departs from:

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Please note: the French Island Ferry is not a myki ticketed service.

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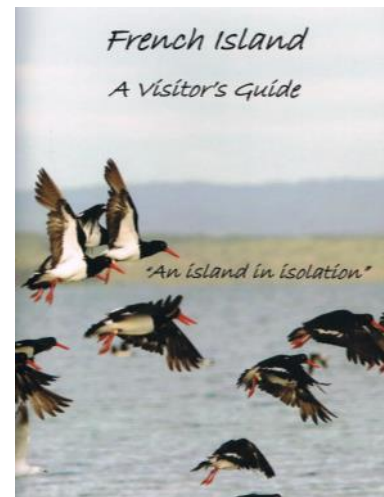
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French Island

No lack of conversation on Western Port cruise

Keith Platt



All ashore: Passengers disembark at Tooraddin after a cruise in the north eastern arm of Western Port which went as far as Stockyard Point, below, populated by one fisherman and seabirds waiting for the tide to drop.



DEMAND for berths has been so great that organisers have arranged another cruise.

There's no captain's table or, indeed, individual berths, let alone showers, bars and swimming pools.

But at \$10 a head the recent March trip around Western Port organised by the Western Port Catchment Committee is obviously seen as a bargain. The committee is an affiliate of the Western Port Biosphere Foundation.

The trip provides a chance for experts – professional and amateur – to share their thoughts and knowledge with other like-minded souls who are interested in the ecology of the bay.

Even using the word bay to describe the large body of water bounded by Mornington Peninsula to the west and the Bass Coast to the east can spark discussion and admonishment. It seems the officially gazetted name is Western Port, without any "bay".

Another argument revolves around politicians constantly referring to Western Port being a natural deep water port. Not so, say their critics, it's more like a large estuary with a deep channel formed by a long submerged river.

"The boat's a chance for community people and agency representatives to get together and network," organiser Ian Stevenson said. "They can interact, talk and examine issues related to Western Port.

"The boat also takes them to areas of Western Port to which they may have never been and which are hard to access."

During last week's tour of the waterway's north eastern arm Save Western Port Action Group chairman Jeff Nottle said building a container port at Hastings would require dredging 24 million cubic metres of the seabed.

"That's enough to fill the MCG 15 times to the top of its grandstands," Mr Nottle said.

Taking out that much material would increase tidal flows along the already eroded Bass Coast.

Mr Nottle also criticised the secrecy surrounding information gained from \$40 million spent by the now sidelined Port of Hastings Development Authority (PoHDA).

"They're excluded from the Freedom of Information Act," he said. Sandra Johnson, the PoHDA's environment manager, said it was "business as usual" for the authority which has been stripped of money and staff since the election of the state Labor government. She said the only remaining monitoring equipment was a wind station at BlueScope.

In answer to a question, Ms Johnson said the Port of Hastings was a "bulk port, but there's nothing in the foreseeable future on brown coal".

Greg Hunt, of the South Eastern Councils Climate Change Alliance, said studies completed five years ago had shown Western Port sea levels could rise 17 centimetres by 2030 and 80 centimetres by 2100 "but might now be out of date".

He said the effects of these rises were "something local government has to deal with in planning".

Western Port had been identified as a "hot spot" for the "interplay of coastal processes and storm surges", already causing severe erosion at Lang Lang and Tooraddin.

"Someone will have to pay [to protect property and infrastructure], nationally and state," he said, adding that government agencies were already "ducking for cover".

Mr Stevenson spoke about failed attempts at replanting seagrass, with energies now being directed towards re-establishing mangroves in the north eastern section of Western Port.

Farmers and government agencies were building rock walls to prevent erosion and invasion of their land by the sea.

He said earlier, ad hoc building of levee banks had included waste and car bodies, "which was intolerable".

French Island-based environmental consultant Chris Chandler said spoke about the island's history, both before and after the introduction of koalas.

He detailed the felling of forests for salt farms and to fuel chicory kilns and how a developer in 1963 planned a causeway across the narrowest strip of water between the island and the mainland.

Rejected by the state government, the causeway would have connected Stockyard Point, near Jam Jeerrup to the 700-lot Paradise Point estate.

As the boat neared these two points of interest, binoculars and cameras were able to focus on a lone fisherman on the mainland and a flock of pied oystercatchers on the island.

No trace of a causeway, just a feeling that nothing is likely to happen there soon.

Keith Platt's coverage of the Western Port Biosphere Foundation's boat trip first appeared in the Western Port News on March 16, 2016



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French Island



FRENCH ISLAND POET'S CORNER

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From the Friends of French Island April Newsletter

I BRING YOU FLOWERS

Mother, I bring you flowers,
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And through the mellow fields
where the grass was damp
And the flowers bloomed
and looked me innocently
Catching the sunshine in their faces,
And would not let me pass them by
For another to behold.
I did not want to spoil their beauty,
But they could not be left behind;
To gladden your weary face -
Oh Mother, look outside:
The chill winter is gone
And spring rings a golden promise.



Paula Seymour. 1969



Black Shouldered Kite - Photo Cameron Luke

ABOUT KOALA HUGS

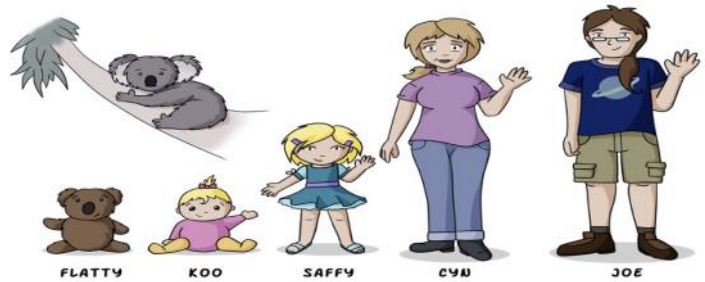
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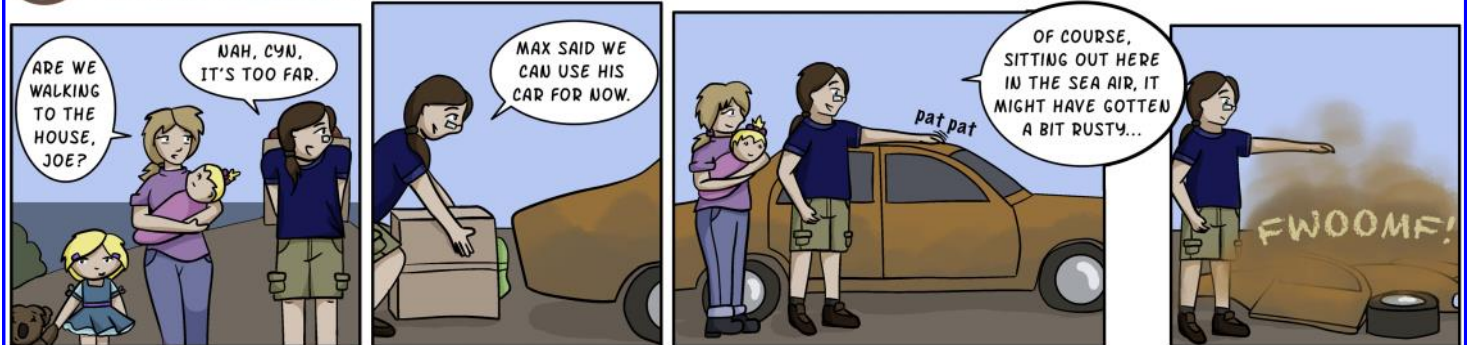
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Special Feature

KERNOT MEMORIAL CHURCH

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One important document is The Mission Statement which addresses the future of worship in an area where traditional services face increased competition from sport and other recreational activities. The Kernot Uniting Church is described as “a welcoming Congregation with the intention of remaining viable and sustainable in a difficult and changing society.” Bruce and Sheila certainly live up to that, they were extremely generous with their time while telling the story of the Church.

With a smaller number now worshipping on Sunday mornings and a significant number of ministers due to retire in the near future there is a move to lay preachers and changed times of service. We talk about the future while commenting on the past. As we talk about the approach of the 60th anniversary next year, Sheila and Bruce and show me copies of the 50th programme and other milestones of the church. Each one was well attended; the pictures show large crowds and an ever increasing number of trees around the Church.



Photos and documents reflect the importance of a rural Church. It was once the focal point of the community. A place to worship but also a place to meet and discuss the news and issues of the day as well as mark the passing of the generations. There had been fortnightly services in the Kernot Hall since 1918 and during the early fifties the need for a Church was recognized.

The donator of the land was Bruce’s aunty. She was reared on this farm which was the original Campbell farm. She married George Henry and they lost their eldest son, Campbell Henry, in New Guinea during World War 2. She donated the land for a memorial church to be built on.

Boothby and Boothby, solicitors, on 16 March 1956 registered the Title of the land in the name of the original trustees: Tom Stewart, John Campbell, Ron Dunn, Dave Walker, and Andrew McQueston. All five were farmers in the district and the title now rests with the Church.

There’s a plaque inside the church that commemorates the Andrew McQueston who was very much involved in the establishment of the Church but died of injuries received in a car accident before the Church was opened.

The original tender for the brick veneer Church was accepted on October 31st 1955. It was for three thousand and twelve pounds, ten shillings. Starting with a bare block of land the foundation stone was laid by John Campbell at 2pm Tuesday November 13, 1956, it was a big event and was well attended. The architect for the building was Keith Reid, the builder was James R. Nelson and the building supervisor was P. den Houton. Who was also Minister of the Loch Home Mission Station at the time.

Thomas Stewart donated the wrought iron gates and the furniture was made by Smith and Jolly in Cranbourne. The original furniture is still in use. The Opening and Dedication was conducted on Saturday June 8 1957 by the State Moderator, The Right Reverend J Hadden-Bates. Including furniture and fittings the total cost was around nine thousand pounds. Bill and Vera Campbell were very active fundraisers. The church was debt free when it opened and remains that way.

Fundraising has always been an important

was being installed. This is first Car Boot Sale.

“Farms have gotten bigger and there just isn’t the number of people about,” Bruce considers the current attendance, “About 8-10 people attend the fortnightly services. Services are conducted by a husband and wife team who are Pastors of the Poowong-Loch and Korumburra parish. “They are more than happy to travel the distance.” Many of the parishioners are from multi-generational farming families that have a long and proud association with the Church and the area. Meeting at the church enables members to discuss the common issues and interests of the day though the general population is moving away from the idea that Sunday is a day of worship. Younger people are more than willing to support Church events but attendance is sporadic. “Now it’s a different culture. Everybody belonged to the Church and met at the Church,” says Bruce. Declining congregations are causing the closure of Churches across the Shire. Church attendance was almost obligatory, once the milk was in the vat and the hay was stacked. Sunday is now seen as a day to engage in other activities.

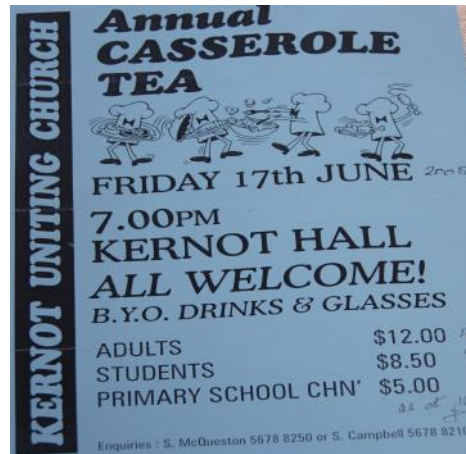
“There’s no sign of an increase in population. Every organisation feels the same pressure”. One advantage the Kernot Church has is its proximity to Grantville and Melbourne. That, and the picturesque setting, makes it an ideal venue for weddings and baptisms, while still providing a place for quiet contemplation.

Story and other photos by Geoff Ellis



Bruce & Sheila Campbell 2015

Photo: Lisa Huitson



aspect of the operation of the Church. Fetes raised money but now one of the major fundraising efforts is an annual Casserole Tea. Over a hundred people come from all over the area to enjoy a meal and have fun. Sheila shows me some of the flyers for past events as well as the upcoming Car Boot Sale (May 21) at the Kernot Hall and Casserole Tea (July 22) which will be held in conjunction with the CWA. The Teas have been run continuously for 41 years but last year was missed as a new dishwasher



History

William Hovell's Diary



From this diary we can learn what Western Port was like before white settlement.....not the rolling grass covered hills bathed in sunlight that we enjoy today.

Could you have been an early settler? This is what Hovell wrote in 1826.

“very thick scrub- abundance of kangaroo but the scrub being so thick we had no opportunity of catching any..... We had not progressed far when our progress was stopped by an impassable tea tree brush, this we had to get through by going in an easterly direction, this brought us to a barren tract of country of a heathy description, in parts it was covered with low brush, in other places it was swampy and in consequence of it having been burnt previously the stumps of brush were sharp and made it very unpleasant walking, brushes running through the shoes into the feet of the men. We passed through a swamp and afterwards through a tea tree brush, this was not accomplished without much labour and fatigue. It was so thick of brush and underwood that it was impossible to proceed without first cutting our way. In other places the fern with which the ground is covered in places makes it very unpleasant tracking besides the risk of being bitten with snakes which here are very numerous.”

That was his description of the flat Corinella plains before you get to the highway. Two days later Hovell set out to examine the Bass River, travelling south parallel to the coast.

“We proceeded on, firstly having to pass through an almost impassable tea-tree brush, and secondly through a marshy swampy low tract of land, in this space no trees or bushes grow, but only tussocks of coarse grass and in many parts partially covered with water. Snakes appear to be very numerous here and of a very

dangerous description, one of which of a very large size I trod upon, but disabled it doing me an injury, its color was a dirty brown short but very thick with an exceedingly broad head, perhaps not less than two and a half inches. On arrival at the river I found it to be about 30 or 40 feet wide.....The ducks and teal were numerous and had we but the convenience of carrying them might have shot a boat load.”

Two weeks later Hovell planned a journey towards Cape Liptrap. He started the trip at Guy's Creek and headed for Anderson's Hill east of the present highway. They crossed the Bass River over a fallen tree and entered the country between Bass and Anderson which we now know as open featureless country. Hovell found it otherwise!

“We entered into a teatree brush which after going a short distance into it, I had every reason to repent, it became so very thick and in other parts had been burned and the young wood growing up between the old fallen trees which hid them from our sight. This occasioned us many a fall and often attended with pain and we did not succeed in getting through this vile place until half past eight in the evening a distance of about two and a half miles, and at nine we stopped at the foot of the range but without water and this in the midst of a low scrub and the men were all nearly exhausted by fatigue and the want of water, the day having been very hot and sultry. At daylight started to ascend the Range, at 6 arrived at the top, it now began to rain, this was very acceptable as we were now enabled to get some to moisten our parched lips. Shot two kangaroos and as it was likely to continue raining we descended the Range on the SE side and made a bush hut sufficient to keep out light rain, and as the men were a good deal fatigued from yesterday's journey I was not sorry for the opportunity of laying by to repast, we were a good deal tormented with the mosquito and small fly”

We will leave Hovell and his men at the top of the Range and next month continue with his journey to Cape Patterson.

Libby Skidmore
Bass Valley Historical Society

Lang Lang & District Historical Society



The Lang Lang Historical Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm at the Lang Lang Historical Display Centre, in Whitstable Street, Lang Lang. The Society was formed at a meeting at the Community Centre on April 18, 1998.

The key factor behind the establishment of the Society was a growing awareness that Lang Lang was over 100 years old and much of its history was gradually disappearing as the older settlers passed on and others moved out of the area.

They became affiliated with the South East Historical Association in July 1998 to enable sharing of ideas with similar bodies in the region, including the Bass Valley Historical Society, whose Secretary, Libby Skidmore, is a regular contributor to The Waterline News.

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The products in the gallery are mostly hand loomed, vegetable dyed, hand embroidered, hand painted and anything else that can be done by hand! India is a feast of talent and ancient crafts and anyone who has a passion for textiles and things done by hand I am sure will appreciate the products in the gallery. I also exhibit some local art. The areas I have sourced products from are West Bengal, Delhi, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Maharashtra. I have inspected factories and working conditions to ensure these products are produced ethically.

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Judy Bartosy

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 For we know the lord is good to us
 Even when we miss the bus
 We don't want to make a fuss
 About some people neglecting us
 But wouldn't it be nice
 If every now and then someone
 Remembered us
 As we await the final bus.

Marie Cronstedt

A man was standing in
 front of the bathroom
 mirror one evening
 admiring his reflection,
 when he posed the
 following question to his
 wife of 20 years, "Will
 you still love me when
 I'm old, fat, and balding?"

She answered, "Of course
 I will. I've already been
 doing it for the past 5 years haven't I?"



Fire Ban Day

Sweltering days fighting interstate
 and Gippsland fires war-weary
 fire brigade captain and wife return.
 They sink into chairs with cool drinks
 catch up on their teenage boys' news.
 Fire pager goes off.
 The captain and his wife
 jump into the fire engine.
 Siren screaming, it roars off.

At the Grantville foreshore
 the firefighters see fire on the sand
 five hundred metres south of the jetty.
 Unconcerned as campers at a campfire
 three young fishermen sit around it.
 The captain storms along the beach.
 The men kick sand over the fire.
 Wisps of smoke rise up.
 'What the bloody hell
 do you think you're doing?'
 the captain yells.
 'Don't you know it's a fire ban day?'
 'We didn't light the fire,'
 says youth in tough guy pose.
 'Doesn't matter. There's the same penalty
 for allowing a fire to stay alight.
 You could go to gaol or
 face a fine of thousands or both.'
 Pose abruptly dropped, the youth mutters,
 'Sorry, we didn't know.'
 Like crazed beavers he and his mates
 bucket water from the sea, douse the fire.

Meryl Brown Tobin

Inspired by a January 2014 incident Kernot-Grantville Fire Brigade Captain Andrew Blackney related at the Grantville public fire meeting, 7.1.2016. The Grantville fire of 13.1. 2016 occurred 500 metres south of this incident.

HAIKU

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

Rebirth

Spring comes to high plains
 rivulets of melted snow
 trickle through the wildflowers

Fields of gay tulips
 the fragile waxen petals
 unfold to greet spring

Brushed by twilight breeze
 clouds of pink cherry blossom
 fragrant canopy

Warning from a warm earth
 the cicadas shrill chorale
 Glow of red sunset

Dorothea Trafford Lavery

Haiku Group Society of Women Writers, Victoria

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THE WRITINGS OF E.E. (Betty) Caldwell.

We have been lucky enough to
 secure the rights to some more of
 the writings of E.E.
 (Betty) Caldwell with special
 thanks to Maree Silver who has
 done all Betty's typing for her.



ANCESTRY

Have you ever watched columns of ants
 scurrying back and forth, some headed north
 or south, others east or west, each apparently
 sure of its own destination? That is how I
 sometimes see humankind. And then I
 wonder are we of any more importance in
 the entire scheme of things than those
 seemingly insignificant ants?
 As it is impossible to gauge how long
 Homosapiens, or indeed his predecessors,
 were in evolving into anything like we today
 would acknowledge as people, we can but
 guess if Neanderthal man was our great,
 great, great forever times grandfather. He
 who grunted his communication, hunted and
 slew his own prey, using its flesh for food
 and pelt for clothing, eventually died out or
 perhaps crossbred with other early species.
 He was sturdy but short lived.
 It took centuries before people as we know
 them developed to the stage of living for 50
 or 60 years. But then it fluctuated,
 depending on climatic conditions,
 availability of food, water etc.
 In times of prosperity, people lived better
 and longer but one of the savage killers
 throughout history was the recurrent plague
 which ravaged Europe wiping out an
 estimated quarter of the population. And, of
 course, war was a constant regulator. Had
 not such events taken place, the world's
 people would have reproduced to alarming
 proportions a thousand years ago.
 So what am I saying? It is really self-evident
 that only the tough survived. You and I are
 the product of our ancestors' spirit and
 tenacity. When you pick up a tool for
 physical labour, when you calculate the
 angles in solving a puzzle, when you
 celebrate 70 and more years of your life,
 pause for a moment and perhaps give a
 silent word of thanks to those countless cogs
 in the ongoing wheel who have gone before,
 each one having bequeathed a degree of
 personal strength, fortitude and intelligence
 to run through the heart, brain and sinew of
 you, their present day representative on
 earth.

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PARTNERS IN LIFE - NEIGHBOURS IN DEATH

Noelene Lyons
SIR REDMOND BARRY'S MISTRESS GETS RECOGNITION BEYOND THE GRAVE FROM MELBOURNE GENERAL CEMETERY.

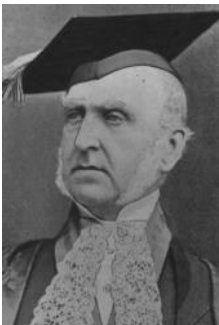
Louisa Barrow's body lay with her partner for almost 130 years with nothing to acknowledge her presence to passers-by. Until now.

Ms Barrow had four children with Supreme Court judge Sir Redmond Barry, the man who sentenced Ned Kelly to hang. But the couple never married and their 34-year relationship was a secret from his family in Ireland until it was revealed in his final years.

Redmond Barry's mistress, Louisa Bridget Barrow.

Now the Melbourne General Cemetery has erected a plaque at Ms Barrow's resting place to publicly mark her presence there.

While the headstone eulogised Sir Redmond and his achievements, it made no mention of the woman also buried beneath. The trust's historian, Celestina Sagazio, said Ms Barrow's story had captivated her for years.



Sir Redmond Barry. "It's one of the great stories of 19th century Melbourne," she said. Dr Sagazio has been part of the push to install the plaque at Ms Barrow's grave at the suggestion of Ms Barrow's descendants

in Western Australia.

Dr Sagazio said Ms Barrow was perhaps not acknowledged on the headstone because she and Sir Redmond had not been married, which may have been

partly because she was born into a lower social class.

"He wanted to keep it secret even though he grew to love her very fondly," she said.

"On weekends he would relax in her company and the company of their children. But when they went to the Melbourne Cup they went separately." Theirs was a relationship mired in what would have been scandalous circumstances at the time.

Dr Sagazio said Ms Barrow was married with a child when she had an affair with Sir Redmond who carried on his pattern of unfaithful behaviour into their relationship. He would record details of his relationships in a "day book", Dr Sagazio said.

But she said their relationship eventually became "exclusive" and Sir Redmond left his estate to Ms Barrow.

The first chancellor of Melbourne University and the prime mover behind

what is now the State Library, Sir Redmond was the judge at the trial of Ned Kelly in 1880.

When Sir Redmond announced Kelly's sentence with the customary words "May God have mercy on your soul", Kelly replied "I will go a little further than that, Sir, and say I will see you there where I go."

Twelve days after Kelly was hanged, Sir Redmond died.

He was 67. Ms Barrow died in 1889.

"It just reinforces the fact that they were human like us with their own frailties."



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Sports & Leisure



FISHING with Craig Edmunds from Jim's Bait & Tackle San Remo

April has finally produced some of our typical autumn weather and even some friendly weather on the weekends. There have been plenty taking advantage and have been out fishing during this time and while there hasn't been the quantity of fish there has certainly been the quality.

This time of the year Whiting and calamari are generally on the menu as targeted fish but for those that have been able to head offshore there are plenty of flathead and pinkies to be caught as well.

The reports of whiting have been just as frustrating as they have been over the last few months but the quality is the best I have seen for a long time. We saw 5 whiting over the 50cm mark and plenty around 45cm or better but as I said not big numbers. Most only managed 6 or so but when they are as healthy as they have been one fish a feed. The other common comment from our customers was don't expect to sit in the one spot and catch many. Give it 1/2 an hour in each spot and if no fish move, not miles but a few 100m and try again. Dickies bay at police station, Cleeland bight at the sand hill and Rhyll on the bank back towards Newhaven.

Calamari both from the land and the boats have been consistent while same as the whiting not coming back by the bag full. Drifting in Cleeland bight has been the best spot and my kayak customers have sent in some quality reports. San Remo jetty has been consistent in producing at least a couple but sizes have been all over the place with some smaller than the jig itself. With the water not as clean as it was a month or two ago, baited jigs are coming into their own. Artificial ones are still a lottery with colour with pink slightly in front.

There are plenty of flathead offshore and they are in reasonably close so not out of the reach of the smaller boats. The eastern side of the entrance has been better place to

target and short drifts to cover a bit of ground. There are plenty of undersize ones but perseverance will pay off as we have found over the last couple of Tuesdays taking plenty of 35cm or better ones home. I have people come in all the time and tell me they headed offshore but couldn't catch any flathead. Generally it's not there aren't any fish they are just fishing the wrong way with not enough weight. Need any advice drop in and see us at the shop and we will point you in the right direction.



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Big tick for sports in Bass Coast



Sports and recreation in Bass Coast will get a much-needed boost after Bass Coast Shire Council successfully received three grants from Sport and Recreation Victoria.

The Wonthaggi Netball Courts renewal and Thompson Reserve ground lighting projects have received \$100,000 each from the Community Sports Infrastructure Fund in the Minor Facilities category, which will enable these two significant projects to go ahead.

These grants will supplement Council's contributions of \$557,400 for the netball courts and \$92,500 towards Thompson Reserve lighting.

The Wonthaggi Netball Courts are used by the Wonthaggi and District Netball Association and the Wonthaggi Power Football Netball Club. The seven courts are in very poor condition and have been deemed unsuitable for hosting finals matches.

The renewal of these courts together with drainage works and fencing will bring these courts up to a standard to meet the requirements set out by Netball Victoria.

This work will provide a major improvement to the facility for a total of more than 600 participants in the Wonthaggi and District Netball Association (WDNA) and Wonthaggi Power Football Netball Club.

The improved courts will raise the profile of netball within Bass Coast and lift the standard of facilities at the Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve.

This \$757,000 project has been the work of a strong partnership between Council, WDNA and the Wonthaggi Power Football Netball Club.

Council has also worked closely with the Inverloch Stars Soccer Club on a \$260,000 project to enable the Club to train at Thompson Reserve under lights.

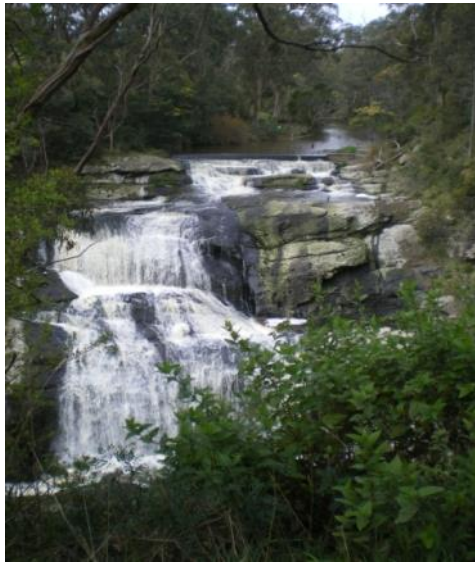
The Reserve currently has no playing field lighting and the players currently need to travel away from Inverloch to use oval lighting at Wonthaggi Recreation Reserve.

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As one of the highest single-span waterfalls in Victoria, with a drop of 59 metres, the Agnes Falls, near Toora, is a delight to see, whatever the season, but is at its most spectacular after heavy rain. Taking the turnoff from the South Gippsland Highway at Toora make sure you stop off at the Silcocks Hill Lookout on your way, for some beautiful views across Corner Inlet to the Prom. Continue on and call in to the car park of the Toora Wind farm to "get up close and personal to one of the twelve wind turbine towers close

by. Another few kilometres - all signposted - will bring you to the Agnes Falls Scenic Reserve, where you will find an easily accessed toilet block, picnic shelter (information on display) and picnic tables in the bushland setting, ideal for a relaxing picnic. (BYO portable BBQ if you intend to cook.) Wander down the pathway to the picnic table at the far end and you may spot the resident platypus at the river bend! To access the two viewing areas to see the falls take the path beside the river on your way. Children will be surprised to see the river "disappear"! You will see views of the falls all along the track until you reach the main lookout. Take your time to enjoy the sounds of the birds, and to appreciate this landscape, with a small remnant temperate rainforest area of tree ferns visible from the gorge lookout. It is hoped that a cantilever viewing platform, out into the gorge, will be funded over the coming year or two! After leaving the Reserve you may be interested to continue on to Welshpool and Port Welshpool for a lovely walk along the beach and foreshore, to see the fishing boats, and admire the iconic Port Welshpool Long Jetty. Unfortunately the jetty is not currently accessible but it is hoped that funding will soon be announced for its restoration. **Hope you can visit this lovely area one day soon.**

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Freezing Fruit and vegetables



Eggplant should be dipped in a salt water solution (1 tablespoon salt per 4 cups water) to help prevent discolouration. Cooking with frozen vegetables: The blanching process has already partially cooked the produce. So take this into consideration when adding to cooked dishes.

Freezing Fruit

Most fruit is best stewed with or without added sugar before packing for freezing. It is therefore suited only for cooking desserts, cakes, pies, etc. - however frozen fruit can be used to make many of the products suggested in this series: syrups, cordials, jams, chutneys, etc. - so freezing is a good way to keep excess produce until such time as it is ready to be turned into preserves.



Frozen fruit: cherries, apricots, apples, pineapple, peaches, pears.

Preparation:

1. Wash fruit and prepare in the usual way – i.e. slice, remove stones or pips.
2. Place in saucepan and add water (the amount depends on the moisture content of the fruit) and sugar to taste (but not essential). For fruit that discolours (apples, peaches) a little lemon juice may be added.
3. It is only necessary to cook the fruit until it is just heated through to destroy bacteria. When the fruit has cooled pour into packs and freeze.

Special Considerations:

Oranges and other citrus fruits should be sliced and tossed in sugar and then packed loosely into containers before freezing. Grated orange and lemon rind can be frozen as it is for adding to cakes and pies when required.

Watery and soft fruit – such as watermelon, rock melon are not suited to freezing – except in the form of fruit juice.

Of all the available preserving techniques, in this modern day and with the availability of fridges and freezers, freezing is the most popular and in most cases, the easiest of preserving methods. Both fruit and vegetables can be frozen. A quick walk down the freezer lane of the supermarket will give some idea of the great array of produce that can be frozen.

Freezing Vegetables

All vegetables should be blanched in boiling water for varying periods of time before freezing. This process helps preserve the produce and destroy bacteria. All vegetables lose their crispness once frozen so in most cases they are only suitable for cooking (i.e. not salads).

Preparation:

1. Wash and prepare the vegetable as for normal cooking – i.e. peel, remove seeds, slice, etc.
2. Blanch in boiling water for required period of time (see note below). Remove, drain and immediately plunge into cold water to stop the cooking process.
3. When cooled, pack into containers (leave space to allow for expansion) or plastic bags ready for storage in the freezer.

Blanching Times:

The length of blanching time depends upon the size of the vegetable or the size to which it has been cut. Smaller vegetables (such as peas, sliced beans, corn kernels, shredded cabbage, spinach) require 2 minutes blanching time. Medium sized vegetables (such as whole beans, asparagus, Brussels sprouts, carrot pieces, sections of eggplant or celery, medium mushrooms, sliced onions, broccoli and cauliflowerettes) require 3-4 minutes. Larger vegetables or sections of vegetables will require 5-6 minutes.

Special Considerations:

Potato is best cut up as chips and blanched for 2 minutes with the juice of half a lemon added to every 4 cups of blanching water. Pumpkin, zucchini and sweet potato are best cooked to a 'mashed' consistency before freezing in packs. Tomato should be stewed to a puree before freezing in packs.

Passionfruit pulp is best removed from the passionfruit shell and poured into small trays before freezing. Strawberries (as for citrus pieces) but can also be mashed and packed into small trays ready for cooking. Bananas are best frozen still in their skin and the fruit pulp squeezed out as required for cakes or cooking.

Next month: Pickling and Chutneys



Some of the Self-Sufficiency Shoppe publications, available on line.

No. 46 - Preserving Without a Preserving

Outfit: Easy-to-follow 5-step method for preserving fruit (and tomatoes) cheaply and sensibly using recycled jars (the common metal lid type). No need for an expensive preserving out-fit - minimal equipment required (large stock pot and food thermometer).

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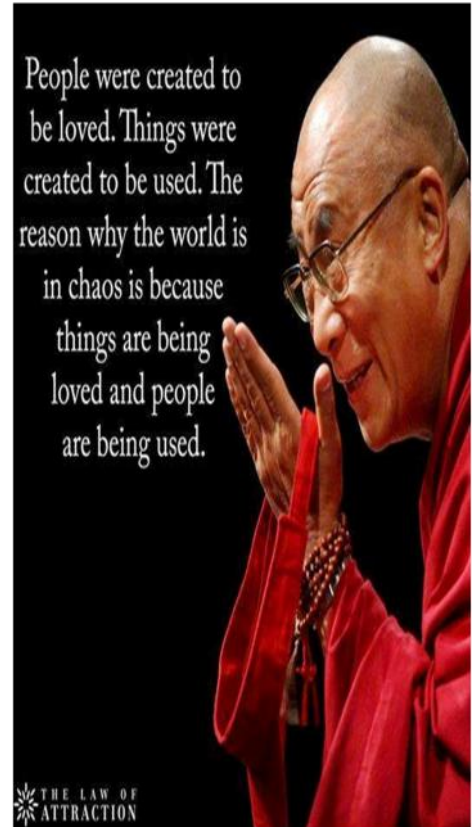
Trivia and Lifestyle

QUIZ?

1. What ocean are the Aleutian Islands in?
2. What tune did Alex sing in the bath in A Clockwork Orange?
3. What is the only land mammal that can't jump?
4. What Australian Pacific island is known for its pine trees?
5. What 1936 Chaplin film satirized the horrors of the mechanical age?
6. Where did General Douglas MacArthur return to?
7. What Neville Shute novel is about the doomed survivors of a nuclear war?
8. How many feet does a line of iambic pentameter have?
9. What country was formerly called Ceylon?
10. What was the sequel to The Pink Panther?
11. What was the infamous pseudonym of broadcaster Iva Toguri d'Aquino?
12. What is the first book of the Old Testament?
13. What country is the port of Abadan in?
14. What happened to Peter Rabbit's father?
15. What bird is a symbol of peace?
16. Who arrived in Sydney on June 11, 1964?
17. Who was Bram Stoker's most infamous character?
18. What element do all organic compounds contain?
19. Who wrote The Pirates of Penzance?
20. How many rows of whiskers does a cat have?

ANSWERS

1. The Pacific. 2. Singin' in the Rain. 3. The Elephant. 4. Norfolk Island. 5. Modern Times. 6. Sri Lanka. 7. A Shot in the Dark. 8. Five. 9. S. J. Perelman. 10. A Shot in the Dark. 11. Tokyo Rose. 12. Genesis. 13. Iron. 14. He was put in a pie by Mrs. McGreggor. 15. The Dove. 16. The Beatles. 17. Dracula. 18. Carbon. 19. Gilbert and Sullivan. 20. Four.



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On Anzac day I had the privilege of attending a number of commemorative services throughout the electorate. It reinforced to me the deep respect we have for our servicemen and women and our gratitude for their courageous spirit. It is because of these men and women that we are able to enjoy the freedom we have here in Australia, which I truly believe is the lucky country.

I recently visited New York and while there I visited the September 11 memorial site. It is as sombre as you'd expect. I had a tour of the site with a fire fighter who explained to me that his father was one of the first emergency responders on the day of the tragedy and you could see the pride in his eyes.

It reminded me of the pride that we have for those who have served our country and fought for our freedom. They were gallant, courageous and we will forever be grateful to them.

While I was in New York, I signed the Paris climate change agreement. The Paris Agreement is a culmination of almost a quarter of a century of effort by more than 130 countries to combat climate change. Australia worked constructively with other nations in Paris last year to secure an ambitious, effective and enduring outcome, which requires all countries to take action to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions. Australia is playing its part in global action to tackle climate change with effective policies to achieve our ambitious 2030 target of cutting emissions by 26 to 28 per cent below 2005 levels.

The signing of the Paris Agreement marks an historic occasion of which Australians should be immensely proud.

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

Greg Hunt

Local History

OUR HISTORY

Noelene Lyons



Hello Everybody.....I have changed caps (as the saying goes) and am now working with the Wonthaggi Cemetery Trust – Councillors to try and get the Burial Register organised and place those burials that have information missing corrected.

If you think you might be able to name this grave would be most appreciated.

IS IT A CRAWFORD Family Grave?

The grave is located by accessing the 1st driveway into the cemetery and the grave is located on the LHS in the 2nd row.

From information from the Burial Register the grave on the RHS of the picture is recorded as CRAWFORD, but no Christian Name, and as you will see from the photo it has been attended to

with the glass jars being used for flower vases. I am assuming it is also from the CRAWFORD family. The time period would be around 1948 – 1959 If you are able to help with names for both these graves, please contact Noelene 56724739 or email noelene@dcsi.net.au

If you know of a family grave and you can name it in the Wonthaggi Cemetery that is missing the headstone, please contact me so as I can have it correctly recorded.

Noelene also has a historical piece on Sir Edmund Barry on page 23.



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There are many varied and different ways that you can take a simple garden space and really make it shine. Different techniques that span from the use of other items to the way you lay out your plants will help make your garden space that little bit more special. Here are five different ideas that you might like to consider trying in your garden.

1. Using an old wheelbarrow

Many people have old wheelbarrows that no longer work in the way they were designed to or they have upgraded to a newer model. Rather than just throwing away the wheelbarrow or leaving it to sit around and rust away, why not use it as a pot of sorts? In order to do this, you must choose where you want to feature your wheelbarrow plant, place it there, and then fill the wheelbarrow with a good soil mix. I'd recommend against using a cheap potting mix because the soil could be quite shallow. Mix a good potting mix with some of your existing soil and add some manures and fertiliser to the mix to create a good soil combination. Then, make your choice of plants.

2. Turn an old bathtub into a garden bed

This is a similar idea to using a wheelbarrow but it allows a greater variety of plant choices.

If you are lucky enough to have an old bath lying around or you are considering a bathroom renovation which would leave you with a spare bath, why not use it in your garden?



Objects like wheelbarrows and bathtubs add something different to what most people generally expect to see in a garden.

The big upside to using a bathtub is that you can plant bigger growing shrubs and also plant 3-4 different plants in the same tub.

As with the wheelbarrow, choose where you want to feature your bathtub, place it there and then fill it almost to the top with a good soil mix, described above. Make your plant selections and then plant them. I, myself, like to plant larger growing plants in the middle and then plant smaller growing shrubs on the outside, however there are a variety of planting methods, including the following tip.

3. Tall and short planting

I mentioned a style of planting in the last section which basically suggested you plant taller growing shrubs in the middle and then progressively plant shorter ones on the outside. This is by far the most common way of planting, but it is not the only way.

One great way to spice up your garden is to actually mix and match the growth habits. Plant a groundcover in the middle and then surround it with a mix of tall and short growing plants. Create an interesting hedge design by planting a tall shrub and then a small shrub and then a tall shrub and

then a small shrub. Plant a smaller growing shrub in the middle of a garden space and then plant some taller but thin growing plants around the outside. What this will do is still allow you to see the plant growing in the middle but at the same time create the illusion of depth or even what I call the 'jungle' look. There is something about looking through a plant to see a central plant that makes me think 'jungle,' however, this is not an industry standard term.

4. Rocks, rocks, rocks

This is an idea that I think is far too often overlooked by people who are new to doing more than just digging a hole and throwing a plant in it. Growing a garden is so much more than just growing plants; it is about creating a space which, in some ways, says something about who you are. It's about using many different elements in ways that tell a story or create an environment that you actually want to spend time in. This is where the creative use of rocks can come into the equation.

Now there are different ways to use rocks. Some people like to use them to border a garden bed and then plant in the bed itself as usual. Though this is fine, I think you miss something if you only use rocks as a border. The thing about rocks is that they can help you create a space that almost looks like it wasn't created. This might seem strange, but it is all about making an area that almost looks natural, like it was meant to be that way.

Mixing rocks throughout the garden bed not only fills up space, which is sometimes why people use them, but it also creates something for plants to grow over and around and this can look really beautiful. In time, mosses may start to grow over your rocks and this can really give a garden that heritage feeling.

James Middleton

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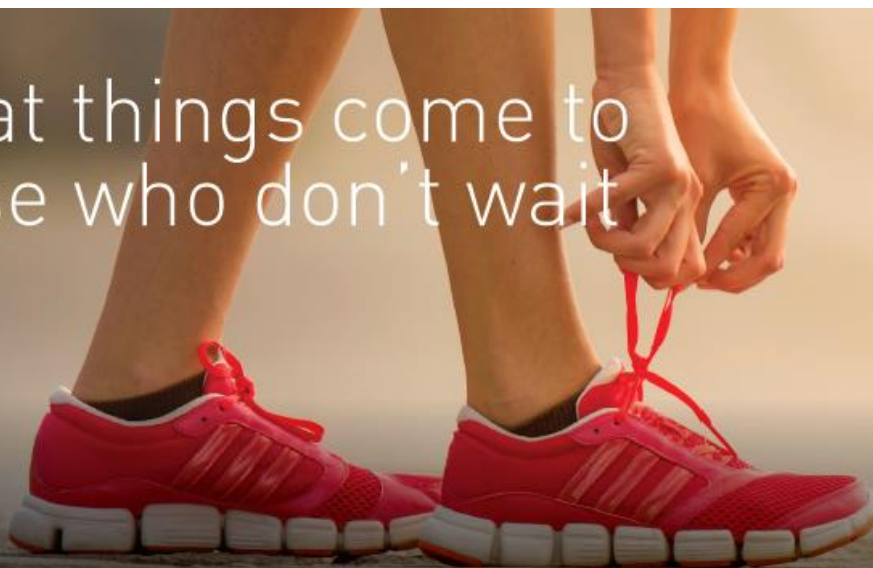
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