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- # Aaron Brown, Liberal
- # Brett Tessari, National
- # Callum Bugbird, Greens
- # Jeni Jobe, Independent



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THANK YOU READERS.

It's great to talk with you.

As I was delivering the thousand copies of the Waterline News across the area it was great to reconnect with readers who prefer the feel of the pages and relish relaxed, perhaps therapeutic reading over a cuppa or in the Spring sunshine.

And the emails keep coming in, the latest from a yacht sailing up the East Coast.

On holidays somewhere? Send us some pics.

THE WATERLINE ON LINE and THE WATERLINE NEWS in print.

It sounds like an urban myth but ink is the dearest liquid you can buy. That's one of the reasons why there are two distinct versions of the Waterline News. Since the impact of the pandemic forced the Waterline News to stop printing hard copies, our on-line edition has become full colour and fully loaded with pictorial community notices and articles.

Last month we recommenced printing and distributed hundred of copies across the Waterline, Hinterland, San Remo and Wonthaggi. I took great pleasure in dropping off copies and talking to people about the importance of the written word and the feel of paper in your hand.

Every copy costs \$2.50 to print and we happily give them away. For free. So the print version needs to be smaller with limited colour. The revenue from our advertising enables us to stay in business and I ask readers to support the businesses that support us and provide great goods and services.



"Grief is the price of love." Queen Elizabeth II 1926 - 2022





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

ENATIONALS for Regional Victoria Brett TESSARI



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Jean Coffey of Tenby Point



It is impossible to do justice to all that Jean Coffey has done for Tenby Point and the wider community of Bass Coast. It would, literally, fill a book! However, it was also impossible to allow Jean to leave the area without some words of appreciation. What follows is just skimming the surface but we hope it will give you some idea of Jean's commitment to our community and why she will be missed by so many.

When asked whether she would do anything differently, looking back on her time in Tenby Point, Jean replied that she would have done more re-vegetation and would have started earlier! This reflects her commitment to improving our wonderful local environment. Jean has been an active member of Landcare for many years and intends to continue her involvement after she moves to her new home. But, this is only one of Jean's interests and passions.

She was part of the push to have an ambulance stationed at Grantville and heavily involved in bringing Gilbert and Sullivan performances to the area. An earlier project was helping to organise the Serenade at Sunset series of musical concerts. More recently, she was part of the group which successfully applied for funding for The Edge of Us art project which involved all of the Waterline communities. These are just some of the high profile events that Jean helped to bring about. She also took an active role in several community development projects focused on the Waterline area and was involved in many other initiatives, large and small, which helped, in different ways, to improve connections within and between the different Waterline communities .

In her role as member and also President, of the Tenby Point Residents' Association (TPRA) Jean lobbied long and hard, sometimes for years, to achieve improvements such as a light at the corner of Corinella and Argent Roads, which was a difficult junction, especially at night. A major project to build a shared pathway from Corinella to the primary school via Tenby Point has begun but remains unfinished business as she leaves. Jean is very excited about the recently established Totally Renewable Tenby Point project which, as the name suggests, is exploring ways to improve the sustainability of the settlement. Jean is a consummate networker and formidable lobbyist and she is proud of the good connections the TPRA has with Council and the effective relationship between Landcare and Council.

Jean says she will miss friends and the great variety of neighbours in Tenby Point as well as the beautiful local environment. Her message is to treasure what we have in Bass Coast which is a wonderful place to live.

As for the future, Jean is already planning some re-veg work around the lake across the road from her new home, based on her Landcare experience. She is also going totally solar and is exploring buying an electric vehicle. There's no stopping Jean Coffey and she leaves with our thanks for all she has done over the years and our best wishes for this new adventure.

Correction: In a previous article about Jean The Waterline News cited her Welsh birthplace as Tenby when in fact Jean was born in Cardiff.





Luminous Galleries Outdoor Art display in Coronet Bay

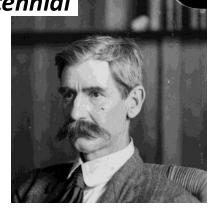
"Luminous Galleries exhibit is open until 1st October. Alice In Wonderland characters invite you to their exhibit at the Coronet Bay foreshore. They would like you to mingle amongst the much loved characters and gaze at the most feared. The Queen will shout 'Off with your head", but no one listens. The Mad Hatter sips tea with his buddies: the sleepy dormouse and the wise March Hare. The table is set. Watch the Queen's guards as they wave their swords. Alice changes her size in this land. 'Just eat me' helps her grow and 'just drink me' helps her shrink. There are many other characters to meet and adventures to be had. Join us at the Coronet Bay foreshore. Many volunteers contributed their skills, from artisans to construction crew. A big thankyou to the 25+ volunteers, all with differing backgrounds and talents coming together as one team to create a magical display. A special welcome goes to Chris Petrie and his students who have joined us for this project. "

"Many thanks." Finn Brown

Henry Lawson was born on 17th June 1867. He died on September 2 1922. He was the Henry Lawson Centennial

son of the poet, publisher and feminist Louisa Lawson. He remains one of the best known Australian poets and writers. Many of his poems have been turned into songs. A vocal nationalist and republican, Lawson regularly contributed to *The Bulletin*, and his works helped popularise the Australian vernacular in writing.

He wrote prolifically into the 1890s, after which his output declined, in part due to struggles with alcoholism and mental illness. At times destitute, he spent periods in Darlinghurst Gaol and psychiatric institutions. After he died in 1922 following a cerebral haemorrhage, Lawson became the first Australian writer to have a Sate Funeral.



Nightmare on Bass Highway....



A 2019 study by Freight Victoria concluded the demand for extractive resources from South Gippsland will increase rapidly from below 4 million tonnes in 2015 to over 24 million tonnes by 2050.

Extractive Industries of South Gippsland, Supply Chain Study identifies a 160km route via Inverloch, Wonthaggi, Dalyston, Kilcunda and Grantville.

This works out at 5000 forty tonne truck movements per day. That equates to one load every 17 seconds spread across a day

Damage to roads will also increase, resulting in increased road maintenance costs and an associated Increase in congestion and traffic delays, alongside significant safety issues. A cost-benefit assessment of the major increase in truck journeys should consider the broader impacts such as emissions, safety and neighbourhood amenity, as well as comparing with other options; including aggregation and modal shift.



Bass Coast's free green waste disposal period will run from 29 October until 20 November 2022.

During this time, Bass Coast residents and ratepayers can dispose of green waste free of charge at Council's Transfer Stations at Grantville, Wonthaggi, Inverloch and at the Cowes Recycling Bank To ensure safe and manageable disposal of green waste for staff and the public, Cowes Recycling Bank will only accept loads up to a maximum size of 2m² or a standard 6x4 caged trailer. Loads larger than this will be redirected to Grantville or Wonthaggi during this period.

Entry to the Cowes Recycling Bank will be via The Concourse end of Dunmore Road rather than the Settlement Road end, to assist with management of traffic.

Weed species including blackberry, English ivy, agapanthus, mirror bush and plants that cannot be mulched such as palm fronds are not included in the fee-free period, however these can go in your kerbside Organics bin at any time. Contact Council's Waste Services Team on 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or (03) 5671 2211, visit www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/greenwaste or basscoast@basscoast.vic.gov.au.

What's happening in Grantville? By the Grantville Business and Community Association (GBCA)

Grantville Turns 150

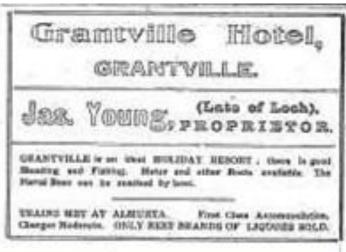
The township of Grantville was gazetted in September 1872 to celebrate the GBCA is planning a big birthday bash.

The event will start at 11.30am at the Pier with the launch of history boards commemorating Grantville's rich past. Local artist Trish Hart, created the graphics from archival material ncluding some iconic photos from the period and a letter written by a young girl living along the foreshore.

At the Waterline Library in the Transaction Centre, the U3A History Group will launch their history booklet at noon and the Bass Valley Children's Centre will also have a drawing competition on display. The booklet was produced by passionate local historian Geoff Guilfoyle and at 12.30 the winners of the drawing competition will be announced by well known children's author Adam Wallace.

'There will be music, and giveaways, a jumping castle, face painting, an animal farm and food stalls aplenty at the Memorial Park throughout the day.' GBCA President, Helen Zervopoulos said. 'We encourage people to dress up in costumes of the era and hope to make this a day to remember. After all it's a big birthday milestone so we want everyone to come along and join the party.







Check out eight years of back issues at:

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Jumping Castle,

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Corinella and District Community

Centre



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My name is Kerryn Ladell and I am the new Manager at Corinella and District Community Centre. I bring to the role 15 years experience in the Neighbourhood Houses Sector and a real love of Community Centres. I have come from the Mornington Peninsula and moved onto Phillip Island a few years ago to enjoy the beautiful nature we all share on Bass Coast.

I enjoy connecting with people and hearing their stories and it's a wonderful noise to hear people enjoying themselves when they come to the Community Centre.

At our Community Centre everyone is welcome. We value lifelong learning, social inclusion with the community participating in activities here at the Centre to reduce social isolation. We practice sustainability.

So come on in and say hello, I look forward to getting to know you and why not start your adventure with us while you are here as there is something for everyone?

If you don't find something that you can get involved in let me know, we welcome new ideas and we want to stay relevant to what the Community wants.

If you enjoy teaching and want to share a skill or you want to volunteer in the office, you will always be welcome. Contact us on 5978 0777 or email coord@cdcc.asn.au or drop by at 48 Smythe Street, Corinella. Social media @corinellacommunitycentre or website www.corinellacommunitycentre.org.au

We hope to see you all soon!

VOTING Again!

As we are coming up to vote again on the 26th November in the State Election, a bit of background to our voting system may be helpful.





Compulsory Voting

Over 750 million people live in 23 countries that, like us, have compulsory voting. And I thought it was only us and Denmark! According to my research, Denmark never has had compulsory voting so another urban myth goes west.

In reality, we have compulsory electoral roll signing off but, if you take the trouble to get your name crossed off, nearly everyone actually ticks at least a few boxes. This article might help you understand the what/how of your vote, the why and who is up to you.

Timing

In Victoria we have a State Election on the last Saturday in November every four years, and a local government one every four years, in October. (The next will be in 2024). A Federal election can move but must be held on a Saturday, no more than three years after the day of a Parliament's first sitting. The actual time is chosen by the Federal Government and proclaimed by the Governor General. The shortest Federal Government was in 1928 at 223 days, while four since 1998 have actually been longer than three years.

Victorian State Government Structure

Victoria, like all other States, except Queensland, has two chambers of government: The Legislative Assembly (Lower House) and The Legislative Council (Upper House).

The Legislative Assembly has 88 Lower House Districts (seats) each with one representative and about 38,000 voters. Currently, Labor holds 55, Liberals 21, Nationals 6 with the Greens and Independents, three each. In Bass Coast, we vote to elect the Member for Bass.

The voting system for the Assembly is Full Preferential Voting . This is the same as for the federal House of Representatives and Local Government elections.

You must number EVERY BOX from **1** until all boxes are filled. Missing numbers, repeating numbers, leaving boxes blank, crossing, ticking, doing drawings (rude or otherwise) make your vote INVALID, though the Returning Officer has some discretion in deciding whether the voter's intention was clear. For example, if you fill in eight boxes with 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6, 8, (using two x "6" and missing a "7"), your vote <u>may</u> be counted, but if you only fill in three boxes, each with 1, it won't be.

How the votes are counted in a Full Preferential Voting System

- 1. All votes are counted. If a candidate has at least 50% of first preferences, they are Elected.
- 2. If no one has achieved 50%, then the second preference votes for the bottom candidate are redistributed to the other voters.
- 3. If this still doesn't give anyone 50%, then the bottom candidates are eliminated one by one until someone gets at least 50%.

Example.

Votes at first count are as follows:

Lippy Scarlett(LS) - 32%, Professor Plum (PP)- - 21%, Birdie Peacock (BP) -20% Cookie White(CW) - 12%, Rev Green (RG) -10% Colonel French Mustard(- 5%

- 1.Colonel French Mustard is eliminated and his 2nd preferences are distributed, so NOW: LS=32%,PP=22%, BP=22%, CW=13%, RG=11%
- 2. RG is eliminated and his 2nd preferences are distributed. BUT the votes he got from CFM are distributed by their 3^{rd} preferences (as their 1st and 2^{nd} have already been eliminated) so NOW: LS=32%, PP=23% BP=28% CW=17%
- 3. CW is eliminated (some votes are up to 4^{th} preferences) so NOW

LS= 34%, PP=26% BP=40%

4. PP is eliminated (some votes up to 5^{th} preferences) so NOW

LS=45%, BP=55% BP is IN -elected

This is a simplified example of what happened in a couple of seats in the May 22 Federal election.

As nearly every one of your preferences could be counted, if your 1st preference starts off last, it's a good idea to decide who you want **best**, to be **1** (or dislike the least!) and put who you want the **least**, **last** and work your way from either end.

The order of your middle preferences can be very important.

Next edition we will look at the Legislative Council.

Gardening with Glenda

Despite the weather gurus' forecast of a cooler than average September, we have had a few bursts of Spring albeit interleaved with wintery blasts.

In our climate, despite the wind and Antarctic reminders, spring is a brilliant time for the garden.

Spring bulbs can be seen in the most unlikely places with daffodils, hyacinths and ranunculus poking though the grass and weeds that have appeared from nowhere while we were sitting inside lamenting Spring's slow arrival.

Unfortunately snails and slugs seem to have not got the memo that all parts of a daffodil is poisonous as they have been chomping away at my daff flowers.

So now is probably a good time to discuss SNAIL BAIT as all those hibernating molluscs slide out from under logs, stones and forgotten corners to attack all your lovely spring growth.

Points to Remember when laying out Snail Bait.

- 1. Sprinkle sparingly 4 -5 pellets per plant are enough.
- 2. Little and often the pellets may go mouldy or be eaten in a few days so replenish often.
- 3. Some pets usually dogs seem to think snail pellets are dog treats so a few pellets in the garden may not be as attractive.

But if they are likely to snuffle up even sparse pellets then cover the pellets up with a few leaves, or small pieces of plastic gutter guard or bird netting pegged/weighted down.



4. Keep the snail bait packet out of reach of kids and pets. Explaining to children what they are, getting them to help you put them out and washing everyone's hands ASAP afterwards is a good practice. I used to keep mine on the frame above the door of my garden shed. Rats once ate a hole in the bottom of the box to presumably eat the pellets with suspected fatal consequences.

5. If you suspect that your pet has eaten some snail pellets take them straight to the vet along with the box as they will need to know what type of pellets was eaten. This happened to us once when the afore mentioned rats knocked the box off a shelf and spilled them across the shed floor. As it was type with no specific antidote then, all the vet could do was make the dog throw up, and give a vitamin injection.

6. Most snail pellets now have additives making them not palatable/attractive to pets, but there can always be The One!!!! Our dog lived for many more years despite two more other poisoning's including one from a dog flea collar!

Like I said there is always THE ONE.

Cape Woolamai Coast Action has received a Quick Response Grant from the Bass Coast Shire Council to enable the group to undertake a Weed Mapping Survey of the Cape Woolamai Foreshore.

The Weed Mapping was undertaken by Botanist Claire Ranyard and her partner Mike Maio over a period of 3 months and resulted in the geo-location of 7,212 invasive and problematic weed species between Cleeland Track and Palm Beach Ave, Cape Woolamai.

Of these the most invasive and problematic plant was the Polygala Myrtifolia (Myrtle Leaf Milkwort), 4027 sightings and Asparagus asparagoides (Bridal Creeper), 2776 sightings. These are both species that please contact Peter Dumergue, Secretary CWCA. have escaped from residential gardens along the foreshore.

The results of the findings by Claire and Mike will allow the members of the CWCA to more efficiently utilize their working bees to target specific areas.

Each of the geo-locations includes the specific GPS co-ordinates which will further enhance the efficient targeting of the problem areas and improve indigenous biodiversity of the foreshore. CWCA would like to express their gratitude to the BCSC for approving this grant and providing a unique opportunity to approach and resolve this problem.

Anyone who would like further information or who would like to view the mapping results

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Projects being delivered in our Bass Coast community

EDUCATION and Early Years



- FREE 3+4 year old kindergarten in 2023 saving families up to \$2,500 per child.
- · Mental Health Professionals in all State Secondary Colleges.
- · Bass Coast College San Remo Campus \$50 million, opened 2022
- Cowes Primary \$5.5 million gymnasium + STEM classrooms, opened 2022
- Bass Coast Specialist School Upgrade and Modernisation (budget 22/23)
- · Our Lady Star of the Sea includes 4 new learning areas, library, outdoor court (2022)
- · Bass Valley PS modernisation of central outdoor and learning areas.
- · Powlett River PS modernisation and new amenities.
- Newhaven PS new onsite kindergarten with 66 places (opening start of 2023)
- Wonthaggi PS kindergarten expansion with additional 33 places. (2023)
- Phillip Island Early Learning Centre \$657K expansion, completed.

HEALTH



- Wonthaggi Hospital \$115 million expansion project.
- Phillip Island Community Hospital a small public hospital that along with current services incl. 24 hr urgent care will also have day surgery, mental health, family violence, dental, chemo, dialysis (2024).



COVID Support 755 businesses received \$14,7million.



Energy Innovation Fund \$40 million for three offshore wind projects.



Better Boating Vic Upgrades for Rhyll, Cowes Mahers Landing, Inverloch.



Kilcunda/Bass Hwy \$7.8million safety upgrade incl pedestrian crossings.



Big Housing Build \$25 million for social and affordable housing.

COMMUNITY *funded in partnership, delivered by Bass Coast Council



- Over 200 Sport + Rec Clubs supported with around \$890,000 in grants for recovery, programs, capacity building, skills development, uniforms and equipment.
- · Cowes Cultural and Community Centre*
- Wonthaggi and Newhaven Rec Reserves Female friendly facilities for Soccer Clubs*.
- Phillip Island + Wonthaggi Croquet Clubs New pavilions*
- · Inverloch, Dalyston + Cowes Rec Reserves Oval field lighting*
- Kilcunda Skate Park *
- · Guy Rd shared path also the Wonthaggi Inverloch inland shared path*
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Motoring

Don't try this at home. . .

American aviation pioneer, Glenn Curtiss built this Autoplane in 1917.

It consisted of triplane wings fitted to a three-seater car designed and built by Curtiss. The wings and tail could he removed and stored at the airport so the car could be driven like a conventional road vehicle.

During flight tests the Autoplane was reportedly aloft for a few short hops while tethered to the ground with a very, very long rope.

Development was abandoned upon US entry into the First World War.

There were sporadic attempts at building flying cars or roadable planes between that war and World War Two. None were successful.

Jess Dixon of Andalusia, Alabama, built a unique Flying Auto in 1940.

Jess had grown tired of being tied up in traffic jams, so he designed and built this novel flying vehicle. It was a combination of automobile, helicopter, autogiro, and motorcycle.

It had two large lifting rotors that revolved in opposite directions. It was powered by an air-cooled 40 h.p. motor. Jess claimed his machine was capable of speeds up to 100 miles an hour, according to a Modern Mechanics article from Nov, 1941.

This is the only photo of the vehicle in flight. The pic created controversy with accusations that it was doctored but eyewitness accounts and expert examination provided authentication that it was an actual, unadulterated photograph but the Auto became an orphan.

Engineering advances during World War Two enabled several attempts to merge the speed of plane travel with the convenience of door to door car travel.

There were two schools of thought about the ideal flying car concept.

Should the wings and aero engine be a 'click and go' detachable unit or should the aero components be made foldable and towable so the vehicle could be quickly assembled and flown from any useful piece of road rather than solely taking off and, hopefully, landing at an airport.

The ultimate iteration of 'click and go' was the Convair Model 118 ConvAirCar. Two prototypes were built and flown. The first was wrecked when a test pilot had to make a crash landing after the vehicle unexpectedly ran out of fuel — he'd been reading the car's fuel gauge rather than the plane's gauge.

Subsequently, a second prototype, built from the damaged one, was successfully flown. But by that time, little enthusiasm remained for the project and the program ended shortly thereafter.

Aerocar International's Aerocar (often called the Taylor Aerocar) was designed and built by Moulton Taylorin 1949. Although six were made, it never entered large scale production.

The Aerocar, utilized folding wings that allowed the road vehicle to be converted into flight mode in five minutes by one person. When the rear license plate was flipped up, the operator could connect the propeller shaft and attach a pusher propeller.

The same engine drove the front wheels through a three-speed manual transmission. When operated as an aircraft, the transmission was left in neutral.

On the road, the wings and tail unit were towed behind the vehicle. Taylor put the propeller on the back of the car so it did not have to be removed when the Aerocar went on the road.

Aerocars could drive up to 60 miles per hour and had a maximum airspeed of 110 miles per hour. An early-1950s newsreel shows Taylor driving and piloting his Aerocar, as well as footage of its manufacture.

Taylor built a Mk 2 version and his final Aerocar 3 was built in 1964.

As the skies became crowded with light planes and passenger jets that should have been the end of the story of flying cars.

There is one more tragic chapter to be told.











QUARTERLY PAPER FOR & BY THE PEOPLE OF BASS COAST

THE CURRENT REVISITED.

Stories in the Pub/ Stories from the Hinterland

In March 2004 Gill Heal wrote about local people bringing to life stories and anecdotes from earlier times. The project involved history-makers, history recorders, actors, writers and performer's.

The warm breath of life in the hinterland.

Stories of the Bass Coast Hinterland were told to a packed audience at the Royal Mail Hotel, Archies Creek. They started with the felling of the Gippsland forests forests so dense and tall that, once inside, you couldn't see the sun.

Once the trees were down, the stories of toil as families strove to make a living in the mud and the rain, fighting the rabbits, weeds and blackberries.

And the evolution to modern times – the era of hobby farms and weekenders and the third and fourth generation farmers still getting up in the morning to milk the cows.

The History Makers

"There was the church, hall and school," says Glen Forbes resident Alan Jones. "Everyone knew everyone else. Properties never changed hands."

What's fascinating about this pooling of memory is the power of the anecdote to touch you.

Alf Thorne's father, aged 16, spent two years on his own up in Koetsveldt Road, clearing 20 acres in readiness for the arrival of the rest of his family.

Alf, in turn, was faced with the choice of staying small and poor – "one of those farmers with a bucket strung round the neck, throwing out super" - or taking out a loan and expanding.

Phillip Chapman's mother was English and unaccustomed to physical work. She learnt to hold her own though: "She was under those cows doing seven cows an hour ... that's damn good milking. She was as good as father.

Vin Davey recalls a sadistic teacher. "He was a mongrel, that Harmsworth!

When Jim Caldwell was a lad, the mud was so bad, horses and sledges were the most common means of transport. His job was to load up the sledge with the cream each day and take it out onto the road for collection. "There were ten gates to open!"

Anne Russell remembers the buggy going down to Glen Forbes station to pick up relatives at Christmas time, and taking the visitors up to McDowell's Road to see the sun set over Western Port.

Bert Paul still has the piano his mother bought for them. He says that music is a gift from God.

Joyce Chisholm's father was a road maker in Glen Iris before he came to dairy farming at Glen Forbes South. She held the lantern for him when he was "stoving" piling coals around the base of the ringbarked trees until they'd burnt down to nothing.

Mary Mabin says she was born with a bucket in her hand. Alms McKenzie claims that, unlike her brother who suffered some serious injuries, she was never marked ... then goes on to describe the time she nearly cut off her big toe with a blunt axe and the doctors thought she'd never walk on it again. But she did. "My husband believed in a sharp axe. They're always blunt, mine!'

The stories of ordinary life go on. And what we're left with, in the end, is wonder, pride and respect, and a sense of something quite extraordinary.

The History Recorders

Frank Garry and his son Steve milk up to 150 cows a day. Steve is a fourth generation cattle farmer. His Irish great grandfather had a brogue as thick as the cream on Frank's milk when he took up property around Almurta over 120 years ago.

Frank was one of a working party of local residents who collected the oral histories of some of the region's oldest residents. These reminiscences inspired the script that was performed at Archies Creek.

Having lived for many years in the old General Store and gone to the Almurta State School – both long gone – Frank is aware that history is being lost all the time. So when he realised that the project was about collecting oral histories of the hinterland's oldest residents, he saw the opportunity.

"Our family and all the people around here had been saying for a long time: 'We must go and talk with Jim Caldwell'. This project gave me a reason to do that!"

Frank remembers boyhood weekends spent ferreting and fishing in the creek. Later he was one of 40 to 50 Young Farmers who used to organise dances at the Glen Alvie hall. There were Young Farmers groups at Dalyston, Phillip Island, Bass and Loch.

"Now nearly all the girls go away to work and all the boys as well. When you look back you realise how lucky you were.

The Archies Creek performance included some of the memoirs of Kath Sibly.

"Kath's story would probably not have gone a lot further than the family until this performance," he said. "Yet I think everyone in the audience would have found it very moving." he says.

"The Almurta community has been given \$2000 by the Shire and we want to use it to mark where the hall, the old store and the schools were," Frank concluded.

More shows took place in March at the Krowera Hall. People were asked to "Bring your own beverages, glasses and nibbles.

Tickets were \$5 (\$1 concession) Supper was served by the Wonthaggi Evening VIEW Club and cost \$4. Proceeds went to the Smith Family

THE CURRENT newspaper grew out of a Creatively Connecting Communities project which aimed to foster pride and common purpose across Bass Coast Shire. Articles are reproduced courtesy of Gill Heal and Catherine Watson.



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WE WILL FIGHT FOR:

-A moratorium on new mines and site expansions in the woodlands corridor.

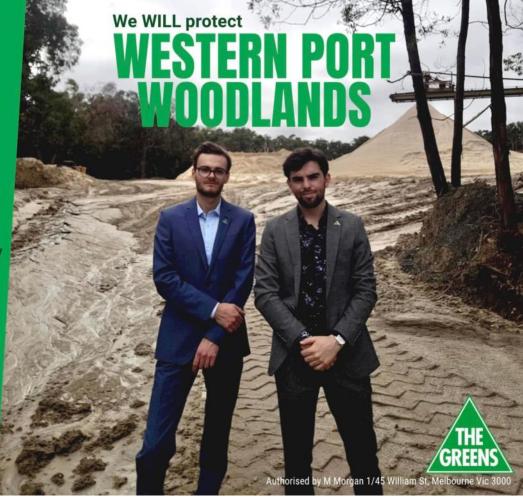
-An environmental significance overlay for the entire woodlands corridor.

-Research funding to survey for appropriate, alternative locations.

- MAT MORGAN
FOR EASTERN VICTORIA

- CALLUM BUGBIRD

FOR BASS







What's currently on at the Bass Valley Community Centre

- Genealogy Fri 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Home & Community Care (HACC Friendship Group) Mon & Wed 10am-2pm
- Men's Social Group Tue 10:30am-2:30m (in recess)
- Op Shop Mon to Fri 9am-3pm
- Scope Cooking Classes (for Scope clients) Tue 10:00am-1:00pm

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

03 5678 2277

UPDATE FROM THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT

His Majesty King Charles III has been proclaimed as the new Sovereign of Australia by Her Excellency the Honourable Linda Dessau AC, Governor of Victoria, during a ceremony at Government House.

This follows His Majesty's accession being proclaimed in the United Kingdom and his proclamation as the new Sovereign of Australia by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd).

The proclamation was jointly signed by the Governor, the Premier, the acting Chief Justice, the President of the Legislative Council and the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

King Charles III has visited Victoria on many occasions. His first trip to the state was an extended one in 1966, when His Majesty spent two terms studying at Geelong Grammar School's Timbertop Campus.

Most recently King Charles III visited Victoria in 2012 with Her Royal Highness The Queen Consort, as part of The Late Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Following the sad passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Victorian Parliament adjourned for one week as a mark of respect.

Both Houses of Parliament sat on Tuesday 13th September so that Members of the Assembly and Council could be sworn by oath or affirmation. A condolence motion to express sorrow at the death of Her Majesty followed.

The Parliament then adjourned for one week as a mark of respect and returned to sit on Tuesday 20 September and Wednesday 21 September.

To mark occasion a one off public holiday was decreed for Thursday September 22nd.

1 Who wrote "LETTERS TO A LITTLE BLACK CAT"?

2 Which year was Henry Lawson born? 3 In which year did Australia adopt decimal currency?

4 What's the full name of the

'Advertiser'?

5 In which building is Deb Garvey's practice located?

6 The Bunurong name for Phillip Island is?

7 What's the name of the BCSC ward that contains Settlement Point?

8 On which date will the next Victorian State Election be held?

9 Who was Mayor of Bass Coast Shire in 2017?

10 Where was the first Victorian fossil discovered?

11 Which dam supplies the water for Phillip Island?

12 What was the OFFICIAL designation of the first Holden?

13 Who was Prime Minister of Australia in 1948?

14 What colours are Holstein cows?

15 In which year was the Waterline News started?

16 What's the name of the pub in Dalyston?

17 In which town is the Lionel Rose car park?

18 Which highway forms the Northern boundary of Bass Coast Shire?

19 Which water authority has Newhaven in its catchment?

20 What is the speed limit at the Anderson roundabout?



ANSWERS ON PAGE 23

Inside the philosophers zone with Belinda Henderson

Many want to know if "civilization" is worth it. Egypt, the Aztecs, imperial Rome, the modern regime of bureaucratic capitalism enforced by state violence—means the loss of what they see as our three basic freedoms: the freedom to disobey, the freedom to go somewhere else, and the freedom to create new social arrangements? Or does civilization rather mean "mutual aid, social co-operation, civic activism, hospitality [and] simply caring for others?"

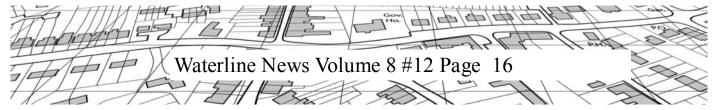


Award winning CEO extends contract to Feb 2028

I am proud of the high-performing organisation we are building, that is recognised on a national scale as an employer of choice and a place that attracts and retains top talent. Of particular note are our landmark gender equality decisions that deliver benefit to the organisation and broader community." – Ali Wastie

Councillors have endorsed Ms Wastie's continuation in the position. Some of the highlights of her time at Bass Coast include working with an outstanding Council (over two terms) to deliver great community outcomes. "This has included endorsing our largest ever Capital Works Program, as well as initiatives such as our Climate Change Action Plan 2020-2030, that will lead Council and community to net zero emissions by 2030," Ms Wastie said.

"Another highlight has been steering the organisation and community through the pandemic with strong partnerships with all levels of government, industry, community leaders and organisations."



LIBRARY UPDATE

WATERLINE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

1504-1510 Bass Hwy, Grantville 03 5672 1875

Opening Hours

Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm Tuesday 8:30am - 6:00pm Staff present from 3pm to 6pm Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30pm Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm Staff present from 10am to 1pm Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Saturday 10:00am - 12:00pm with Staff

SAN REMO LIBRARY 92 Back Beach Road, San Remo 3925

Phone – 5644 3320 Monday 9.30am - 6:00pm Tuesday 9.30am - 6:00pm Wednesday 9:30am - 6:00pm Thursday 9.30am - 6:00pm Friday 9.30am - 1:00pm 2:00pm - 6:00pm Saturday 9.30am - 1:00pm

Corinella General Store, Smythe Street

Corinella Click & Collect point is The Corinella General Store.

Coronet Bay General Store, Cutty Sark Road Coronet Bay VIC 3984

The Coronet Bay Click & Collect point is the Coronet Bay General Store.



Jon Dixon has left the Library by Belinda Henderson

I first encountered Jon at Wonthaggi Library in 2016, not long after I moved to town and three days after I'd given birth to my first child. Desperately needing to get out of the house and wandering around the DVD shelf in a daze, a tall man said hello and seemed to realise I was flummoxed (and sleep deprived, and half-crazed). He calmly walked me around, helping me choose simple things. "Nothing too story-heavy, you want stuff you can dip in and out of when you're up at night". That simple kindness stayed with me.

Many of us local parents are lucky enough to remember Jon's endearingly determined 'Baby Rhyme Time' sessions. He played various stringed and keyed instruments, sang, danced, toddler-wrangled and encouraged every person there. This cannot have been an easy task at the best of times.

Jon is a serious Harry Potter fan. Chatting over the photocopier, I asked him (as both a Librarian and a parent who's done this before) at what age you should start kids on the books. Given that the first two books are delightful and lovely- but they get very dark, very quickly. The conversation went something like this:

Jon: I started reading them to my daughter when she was about nine. Yes, there are a few deaths, but not too bad. Me: That means I have seven and a half years to go. Not sure I can wait that long. He's already seen the first movie. Jon: Mmm, you might want to hold back on the movies.

Fast forward twoyears.

Me: I think I made a mistake. When kiddo gets mad at me, he says "Don't call me Nymphadora!"

Jon: (nodding wisely) dropped to his knees to look kiddo in the eye, and said in his perfect accent "Did you know? Your mother IS Nymphodora. But she won't tell you". My son was enchanted & I used that line on him many times. Jon to Me: Leave the movies alone now. Then start the books in a few years. Please.

When a group of us staring running an 'Ethics In The Real World' discussion group, Jon was full of ideas and marketing plans.

He could answer just about any book question and if he couldn't, it would annoy him until he found the solution for

My favourite memory of Jon was at close time, where he'd stride around the Library calling out, in his crisp English accent "Come on people, you've all got homes to go to!".

Jon's absence will certainly be noted. He'll be greatly missed and fondly remembered.



BASS COAST POST (BCP) revisited

A TURN FOR THE WORSE By Helen Zervopoulos



Originally published in the Bass Coast Post eight years ago.



2014 Waterline Nurse Practitioner Action Group members Jean Coffey, Richard Casbolt, Barrie Stewart and Talina Berket took their concerns about the nurse practitioner service to MP Greg Hunt.

On a very cold and wet July night in 2014, more than 80 people filled the Grantville Hall to find a way to retain a nurse practitioner service for the Waterline and Hinterland communities (Bass, Grantville, Coronet Bay Corinella, Tenby Point, Pioneer Bay, Kernot, and Woolamai).

Bass Coast Community Health opened the nurse practitioner service at the Grantville Transaction-Centre in 2012, having secured funding for a pilot program from the federal Department of Health and Ageing.

Once the nurse practitioner service was established, setting up a pharmacy seemed like a good business proposition. Once the pharmacy proved to be a viable business, Grantville also got a medical practice.

Unfortunately, when funding for the pilot nurse practitioner program ended at the end of June, Bass Coast Community Health announced the service would close.

Once the funding ceased, the nurse practitioner, Deb Garvey, indicated that she would like to continue the practice in the transaction centre but could only do so with rent assistance from Bass Coast Council. This became a meeting agenda item. Those councillors had not been briefed on this issue so at the June 2014 meeting, in an "in camera" session, they voted against reducing the rent on the basis that it would now be run as a private business, not just as a community service.

This meant the service could not continue as the practitioner had lost half of her patients who thought the service had already closed.

The community became involved at this point. A petition was quickly circulated and the public meeting held to garner community feedback and support. Those at the meeting formed the Waterline Nurse Practitioner Action Group (WNPAG).

"There was such strong community support for the nurse practitioner that the community determined to do everything they could to keep the service going," said WNPAG president and Kernot resident Barry Stewart.

After councillors refused the request for rental assistance, Deb Garvey asked for a second hearing. WNPAG has also approached the local federal MP, Greg Hunt. Eventually the request was allowed.



Pumpkin Scones

Ingredients

300g butternut pumpkin, peeled and cut into 2cm cubes

3 1/2 cups wholemeal self-raising flour

1/2 cup buttermilk

3/4 cup reduced fat milk

1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

Method

Preheat oven to 200°C. Line a baking tray with baking paper and set aside.

Place pumpkin in a small saucepan with water. Bring to the boil and cook for 15-20 minutes or until pumpkin is tender.

Drain pumpkin and place into a medium-sized bowl. Mash pumpkin and set aside to cool for 10 minutes.

Combine self-raising flour, buttermilk and milk into a large mixing bowl. Add pumpkin and nutmeg, working quickly with clean hands to combine all ingredients.

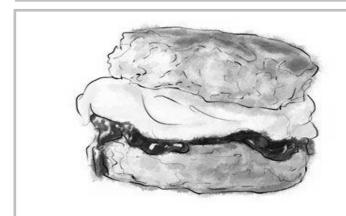
Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead gently until all ingredients are well combined. Be careful not to over knead as this will make your scones tough.

Pat dough down until it is 2cm in thickness.

Using a 6cm scone cutter, cut rounds and place onto the prepared baking tray.

Bake for 12-15 minutes or until scones are golden and well risen.

Serve fresh or allow to cool then freeze scones individually in cling wrap, or small airtight containers.



Cranberry and Pistachio Bread Ingredients

3 egg whites

1/3 cup caster sugar

¾ cup wholemeal plain flour

½ cup pistachios

1/3 cup natural almonds

% cup (120g) sweetened dried cranberries

1 teaspoon finely grated orange rind **Method**

Grease a 12cm x 22cm (medium loaf pan. Line base and sides with baking paper.

Beat egg whites in medium bowl with an electric mixer until soft peaks form. Gradually beat in sugar. Continue beating on high speed for about 5 minutes until sugar is dissolved and mixture is smooth.

Stir in flour, pistachios, almonds, cranberries and rind until combined. Spoon mixture into prepared pan. Smooth over top.

Bake in 160C oven (fan-forced) for about 35 minutes, until top is lightly browned. Cool in pan. Remove. Wrap in foil. Stand overnight.

Using a large serrated knife, cut loaf into very thin slices, about ½ cm thick. Place slices on 2 baking trays.

Bake in 150C oven (fan-forced) for 12-15 minutes, until dry and very lightly browned (bread will become crisp on cooling). Cool on trays. Transfer to an airtight container.





Thai beef salad with egg nest

Serves 4

Ingredients

400g rump steak, trimmed

Spray olive oil

3 eggs

2 Lebanese cucumbers, grated

1 carrot, peeled and grated

1 red onion, halved, cut into thin wedges

200g cherry tomatoes, halved

1 cup mint leaves

1 cup coriander leaves

1 cup Thai basil leaves

2 tablespoon roasted unsalted peanuts, roughly chopped

Lime Ginger Dressing:

1/4 cup lime juice

1/2 tablespoon fish sauce

1 teaspoon finely grated ginger

1 tablespoon salt reduced soy sauce

1 teaspoon sesame oil

Method

Preheat a BBQ grill or chargrill pan on high. Lightly spray grill with olive oil. Cook steak on the grill for 2-3 minutes each side for medium or until cooked to your liking.

Transfer to a plate. Set aside for 10 minutes to rest then thinly slice.

To make the dressing, combine lime juice, fish sauce, ginger, soy sauce and sesame oil in a small bowl and whisk to combine. Set aside.

Place the eggs in a medium bowl and whisk to combine. Heat a non-stick frying pan over medium heat. Lightly spray pan with olive oil. Working quickly, using a whisk, drizzle the pan with a quarter of the mixture back and forth into the pan to form a crisscross pattern. Cook until crisp. Carefully remove and set aside. Repeat with remaining egg mixture, to make 4 egg nests.

Place the cucumber, carrot, red onion, cherry tomatoes, mint, coriander, Thai basil leaves and dressing in a large bowl and toss to coat.

Divide the egg nests between the plates and top with salad, sliced rump steak and peanuts to serve.

Tip:

Chicken can be substituted for beef.









FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER WOMENS CRICKET IS BEING HELD IN THE LDCA !!!!!!

KILCUNDA BASS CRICKET CLUB

ALL FEMALE CRICKET REGISTRATION DAY
SEASON 2022 /2023

Come on down for our first training session of the season and information evening and be a part of the first ever all female senior cricket team of the Killy Bass Cricket Club. Open age group 13+

WHEN :- SATURDAY OCTOBER 1ST

TIME: - TRAINING AT 3pm.

FREE BBQ DINNER AT 5pm AFTER TRAINING

WHERE: - BASS REC RESERVE HADE AV BASS

WHAT TO BRING: - Wear comfortable clothes and runners and bring your cricket gear if you own any. The club has plenty of shared gear available if you don't have any.

SEASON FEES: - ITS FREE !!!!!!!!! Games are played every second Sunday around 1pm starting early November to end of Feb with a break over Xmas.

Contact Cameron Chasemore for more info :-

Ph:- 0414 954 167or Cameron.chasemore@bigpond.com

Wonthaggi Fixit Café

October 16

The Fixit Café aims to keep all sorts of goods out of landfill by fixing them and giving them a second life.

Repairs are made by skilled volunteers and members of the Wonthaggi Men's Shed.

Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits are available while you wait.

When:

Third Sunday of each month, 11am – 1pm.

Where:

Wonthaggi Harvest Centre

No charge but donations are appreciated.

Bookings (essential): phone 5672 3731.



PHILIP ISLAND JAZZ CLUB BOOKED FOR 2022-2023

16th October - Skiffle Party

20th November - All day "jazz extravaganza" - Hot B Hines, Tamara Kuldin & Friends and Shirazz

18th December - Jackson Four

15th January - Andy Scott

19th February - David Lole Jazz Orhcestra

19th March - TBA

16th April - All day "jazz extravaganza"

20th May - Mark Twigden and Balajo







St Paul's Anglican Church, 2-6 Hade Avenue, Bass. 12.30 Every Sunday Enjoy a share lunch after the service. Rev Jo White 5952 2608 or 0490 831 299 revjobpi@gmail.com

St Joseph's Catholic Church, 20 Bass Road, Bass. Sunday Mass 11.00am 5952 5418

St George's Anglican Church, 24 Smythe Street, Corinella. 1st Sunday each month 11.00 am Other Sundays 9.00am 5997 5440

Kernot Uniting Church, 1040 Loch Kernot Road, Kernot. Church currently closed. Secretary Judy Hogan 0422 094 903

St Augustine's Anglican Church, 111 Marine Parade, San Remo. 11am Services 1st & 3rd Sundays Family Service 2nd & 4th Sundays Holy Communion. 5th Sunday Holy Communion. Rev Jo White 5952 2608 or 0490 831 299 reviobpi@gmail.com

Our Lady Star of The Sea, Catholic Church, 43 Phillip Island Road, San Remo. 6pm Every Saturday Mass Contact 5952 5418

Bible Study Group Tuesdays at 5.30pm. Members Homes Contact Sandy Ridge 5997 6127



1 Joy Herring 2 1867 3 1966

4 Phillip Island and San Remo Advertiser 5 The Grantville Transaction Centre

6 Millowl

7 Western Port Ward

8 Saturday November 26th 2022 9 Pam Rothfield

10 Inverloch

11 Candowie

12 48-215 13 Ben Chifley

14 Black and white. 15 2015

16 The Ozone

7 Kilcunda.

18 The South Gippsland Highway

19 Westernport Water.

20 80 km/h

BACK ON THE STREETS

Every month printed copies of the Waterline News will be available from

The Grantville News Agency, The Grantville Transaction Centre.

The Grantville Petrol Station, The Waterline Library, Corinella General Store, **Corinella & District Community** Centre,

La Provincia,

Coronet Bay General Store,

Bass Valley Community Group Centre,

San Remo Library,

Mitchell House (Wonthaggi), **Bass Coast Adult Learning**

(Wonthaggi),

Kernot General Store

and

Dalyston General Store.

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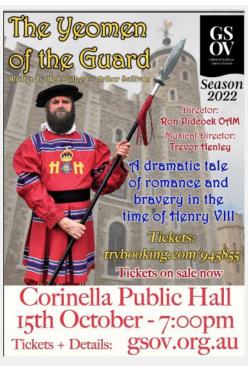
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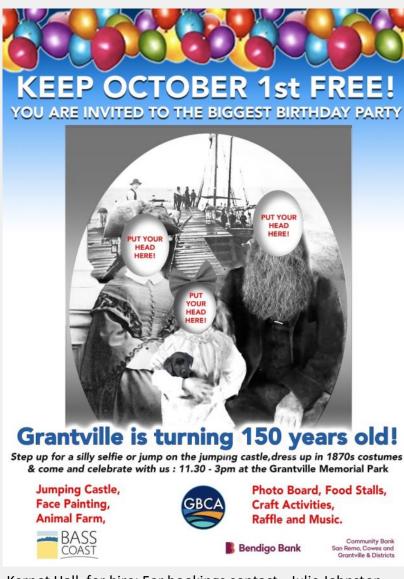
Help support the Grantville Nurse Practitioner Clinic

Hi everyone,

With the events of recent times, it was suggested that the clinic set up a go fund me page. I just want to let you all know that I have set up a go fund me page in the hope I can raise some funds to help the clinic continue. Here is the link if you feel you would like to donate: https://gofund.me/74a73967 I appreciate all the support the community has shown the clinic and myself. – **Deb Garvey**







Kernot Hall, for hire: For bookings contact - Julie Johnston, Treasurer/Booking Officer 0408 127 574 or Lisa Huitson, Secretary 0417 381 459

Jeni JOBE Community Independent for Bass

A Bass Perspective!

I am not limited by a political party's politics or political donors.

I am here to represent all perspectives, people on farms and people living in town centres or in the waterline villages.

We need our roads maintained. Our farmlands protected from suburban sprawl and the Department of Agriculture properly staffed, red tape for small business simplified and housing.

We must support local services, protect Western Port Bay and our Woodlands, tackle costs of living, nurture the arts, small town sensitive development, better climate preparedness in planning.



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