

Dunkeld & District Newsletter



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WINNERS ARE GRINNERS IN THE LOCAL DERBY

The Glenthompson Dunkeld Football Netball club hosted Penshurst at Dunkeld this weekend in what was always going to be an exciting clash.

The day started well with our junior netballers putting on a skillful display. In our U13s we saw a top of the ladder show down with Glen Dunkeld coming out victorious (28-18) to earn the top spot. The strength in our juniors continued through to the U15s who put on a dominant display beating Penshurst 42 to 11. Our U17s contested well in one of their better games of the year, going the same strength they showed in their round 1 win against Penshurst again this weekend. Final score 1.3 9 to Penshurst 6.10 46. Better players J.Dawson, Z.Burgess, L.Field, A.Crawford, M.Fry, N.Ferguson.



After finishing on a high, past and present players and supporters gathered in the club rooms for the Sportsman's Night with Daniel Kerr & Ricky Nixon. We were treated to an insight into what life is like as an AFL footballer, and what Daniel is doing now as well.

Our senior netballers all battled hard, but didn't manage to convert in the goal ring often enough, with all 3 teams going down. A Grade - GD 35 P 56 B Grade - GD 13 P 46 C Grade - GD 19 P 28



The reserves began by showing the seniors how it's done, with goal kicking accuracy still leaving room for improvement, this team will be a strong contender come September. Best players - M.Alderman, W.Ferguson, J. Gordon, B.Petersen, A.McIntyre, L.Parker GD 11. 13 79 P 5.6 36.



A great effort from all involved, and it was great to see so many supporters in for the local derby!

With the welcomed inclusion of former West Coast Eagle Daniel Kerr this weekend, the seniors stepped it up a notch to defeat Penshurst.

Penshurst led at quarter time, but they couldn't match the Rams for the remaining 3 quarters. With a large crowd of reunion players and supporters behind them the Rams steamed home to victory. GD 13.7 85 P 8.9 57 Best - D.Golding, N.Lester, H.Moyle, D.Kerr, M.Lowe, C.McLeod.



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CHURCH TIMES

Saint Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish Priest - Father Pat Mugavin - 5571 1161

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3 rd Week	Sunday	June 18	8.30am	Mass
4 th Week	Sunday	June 25	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion
1 st Week	Sunday	July 2	8.30am	Mass
2 nd Week	Sunday	July 9		No mass or service (mass in Glenthompson)
3 rd Week	Sunday	July 16	8.30am	Mass
4 th Week	Sunday	July 23	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion
5 th Week	Sunday	July 30	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion

Anglican- Uniting Churches Combined Worship

Services at St. Mary's, Dunkeld.

Shared worship at **9.00am each Sunday** - except when there is a 5th Sunday in the month when there are district services in Hamilton.

June 18th	Anglican		9.00am
June 25 th	Uniting	Edwin McLean	9.00am
July 2	Anglican		9.00am
July 9	Uniting	Richard Martin	9.00am
July 16	Anglican		9.00am
July 23	Uniting	Janet Shalders	HC 9.00am
July 30	Hamilton		
August 6	Anglican		9.00am
August 13	Uniting	Robyn Maconachie	9.00am
August 20	Anglican		9.00am
August 27	Uniting	Richard Martin	9.00am

Everyone very welcome

Panyyabyr Uniting Church

The next Service will be held on Sunday 9 July at 2.00pm and will be conducted by Rev Richard Martin. Bring and share Afternoon Tea at the close of the Service.

Mirranatwa Uniting Church

At a recent congregational meeting, it was decided to keep the Mirranatwa church open for Easter and Christmas services and to be available for baptisms, weddings, funerals etc of any denomination.

Interested people are invited to donate a fleece, to assist with Insurance and maintenance costs of the church.

As there is no longer power connected, it will of course be more comfortable to hold events either side of the winter period.

The following members can be contacted at any time:

Secretary Iris Field 5574 0202; Treasurer Margo Dark 5574 0222; Kristy Beveridge 5574 0274.

SERRA TERROR VIII - A GREAT SUCCESS

Another successful Serra Terror was held at the weekend. Fifty teams [36 relay teams and 14 endurance teams] and over 300 walkers participated in this year's event. There were 140 new walkers.

This year the event started with a climb up the southern face of Mt Abrupt and finished at Thermopylae, the home of Sarah and Tom Guthrie, on the eastern side of the Grampians. Aside from blisters and a few minor injuries, such as knees and ankles, all the participants finished the course safely.

Again the weather gods were very kind for the event. Both Saturday and Sunday were glorious winter's days - sunny, still and cold at the end of the day.

The Dunkeld Community Centre hosted 380 people at the briefing session on Friday night. The Dunkeld Consolidate School parents provided a tasty meal to set up the walkers for a very early start on Saturday morning. The event concluded at Thermopylae with hearty food provided by the Hamilton District Skills Centre, under the experienced management of Tony 'Gilly' McGillivray. It was a wonderful setting with teams walking down the Mafeking Hill to be warmly welcomed by an enthusiastic crowd and blazing fires.

The fastest team were again the Heavy Hitters, from Warrnambool. They were also the fastest team in 2013, 2015 and 2016.

This wonderful event, which showcases the Grampians and Dunkeld, would not be possible without amazing community support. As one walker said to me, it's such an impressive community. A support crew member also said that she hadn't been to the southern part of the Grampians and was amazed at how beautiful it was.

Thank you to all the marshals who were a cheerful and efficient presence at the checkpoints. Thank you also to those people who helped set up the community centre on Wednesday and Friday. Many hands do make light work. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The food provided by the Dunkeld Consolidated School parents and the slices cooked by the Kindergarten parents were much appreciated. There were requests for more hedgehog and afghans.

Finally congratulations to the committee who have spent countless hours putting this event together:

Georgie Mann & Keri Ross, Event Co-ordinators, who keep everyone on track, organise catering, photographer, Facebook updates, to mention only a few of their responsibilities.

Doug Craig, Course Co-ordinator, whose intimate knowledge of the Grampians, enables him to continue to produce different and challenging courses. Also his witty advice to participants about sticking together and how not to get lost was excellent and conveyed the message in an entertaining manner.

Doug Fleming, who liaises with Parks Victoria, completes all the necessary paperwork for permits, etc, helps tag the course, acts as MC on Friday and Sunday nights, to mention only a few of his responsibilities.

Debbie Millard, who manages the registrations, which is very time consuming, particularly in the 2-3 months prior to the event.

Trina Weatherly, who is the Secretary and keeps everyone up to scratch with her very efficient production of the minutes, also does much of the media liaison, and was on a checkpoint.

Bill Weatherly, who provides information about interesting information about plants and other aspects of the course, helps tag the course, general gopher and was on a checkpoint.

Bill & Cee Blackwell, who organise the marshals, who are critical to the success of the event.

Iwona Masny-Wakeling, Treasurer, who keeps everyone on the straight and narrow financially.

Ross Simpson, who was responsible for traffic management and provided a strong emergency management presence, which was particularly valuable on Saturday.

John Smith, who can make anything and produced many of the braziers used at the checkpoints. Also was up before dawn to supervise the loading of the buses on Saturday morning as well as being on a checkpoint.

Dean Thomson, who assisted with the design and tagging of the course.

Scott Davis - who records the times using a livestock tagging system.

Derek Prentice and Claire Weatherly who were the sweeps on both days and the last people to come in on both days. They ran large parts of the course. Super fit!!

Barry Lowe - who carted traffic signs and provided assistance with a variety of tasks.

Dunkeld Consolidated School - who printed the maps.

There are also a number of generous sponsors but I would like to mention Phillip Baulch, who is instrumental in generating the maps which are used during the event.

If I have overlooked anyone, please accept my apologies.

Well done to all who are involved in this event in any way, you are all wonderful.

Mary-Ann Brown, Chairperson, Dunkeld Community Centre

DUNKELD ADVENTURE



Congratulations again to the wonderful Heavy Hitters - fastest endurance team on the track this weekend. Congrats also to up and coming team Hams Heroes who blitzed it and were our fastest relay team. In every event there is always someone first across the line...but absolutely everyone that participates in the Serra Terror are winners. We saw fantastic teamwork camaraderie and spirit on the track this year and well done to all you legends!! Hope the aches and pains will give way to some wonderful memories over the next few days. Wonderful effort all.





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Over the past 4 – 5 months the State has beaten the drum for the Tee Up For Kids Foundation by holding a local golf tournament in their areas. As a result Bendigo Bank are proud to advise that a whopping **\$40,000** has been raised for this worthy cause and, more importantly, this money equates to us being able to provide valuable help to **40** local children living in out of home foster care. It's particularly rewarding to know that all funds raised will stay in the state and will be spent on providing local children with a better start in life through targeted educational programs. For each \$1,000 raised, direct educational benefits will be provided to a local disadvantaged child, leading to improved numeracy and literacy, a happier school experience and better concentration levels, to name but a few of the benefits.



LOVE YOUR SISTER A HUGE SUCCESS

Love Your Sister was started by actor (and now Gold Logie winner) Samuel Johnson to raise money for cancer research, when his sister Connie was diagnosed with terminal cancer. The bank has partnered with Sam and Connie since 2012 when Sam broke his first world record riding a Unicycle around Australia. Everyone dug deep for this great cause and managed to not only smash the world record for the longest line of coins with the [#BigHeartProject](#), they smashed their target, raising over \$2M!



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Net Set Go Program - Hamilton

Hamilton Netball Association are proud to run the NET-SET-GO PROGRAM commencing on Saturday 29 July 2017 from 9.00am – 10.00am at Pedrina Park, Hamilton. Nine weeks - \$66.00 per child (for 5 to 10 years) includes participant pack— please register online via Netball Victoria website. For further information please contact Melissa Beaton on 0417 722 061 or email krugs77@hotmail.com



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Guy is also willing to look at paintings and jewellery but would refer you to his colleagues who are specialists in these departments. \$20 entry fee for each item entered.

A maximum of 3 items per person. Enquiries: Susie Mackinnon 0419 838896 smackinnon56@gmail.com Jane Macdonald 0417 055376 jane.macdonald04@gmail.com

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For Kindergarten 2018:

- Kindergarten Children must turn 4 years of age prior to April 30, 2018
- Pre-kinder children must turn 3 years of age prior to April 30, 2018

REGISTRATION FORMS TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED BY 31 JULY, 2017 and are available at:

<http://cpsg1.webs.com/2018%20CPSG%20Enrolment%20Application%20KitV3-1.pdf>

If you would like to discuss Kindergarten options for your child please contact Debbie Millard on 55772348 or dunkeld.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

We look forward to you joining our Dunkeld Kindergarten Community.

Dunkeld Kindergarten is a member of the Combined Preschools of Southern Grampians

Serra Terror

I have just finished a stint as a Marshall at the Serra Terror event. It ran very smoothly and was a credit to the organising committee. This event has raised thousands of dollars for our community. It also promotes our district as a great place to visit. Congratulations to the Committee for another highly successful event. It is a huge amount of work and I am sure everyone appreciates your effort.

John Smith





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FROM THE LION'S DEN

Fairly quiet locally for our club, but worldwide that is not the case. In 1963 the Lions Clubs International Fund (LCIF) was started to assist people in matters of health, disasters and other humanitarian matters. Last year the LCIF had spent over \$1 Billion (American). This is the major fund in Lions but there are many others there to help people; in Australia we have the Australian Lions Foundation which all states and districts are involved in, and in Victoria we also have the Victorian Lions Foundation. Although these are smaller than the LCIF the money is usually used in our country and districts. So any support that you give the Lions means that you are helping someone somewhere, you are making a difference. Thank you.

Two business ladies talking:

"For a long time I could not imagine where my husband spent his evenings."

'And did you find out?'

"Yes, one night I happened to come home early and there he was."

As the song says, 'the times they are a changing'.

Peter Hinchey

DUNKELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The Shire has released the draft 2017/2018 budget. A copy of it is available at the Post Office for viewing. The Progress Association will be preparing a submission by 29 June. Please forward any feedback to lucindapeterson@hotmail.com or call me on 0429 774 624.

We are looking to put a new community notice board up in the main street. Please get in touch if you have any ideas for a location.

The next meeting for the Dunkeld Progress Association in Monday 26 June, commencing 7.00pm to 8.00pm in the Green Room, Dunkeld Community Centre.

Finally, congratulations to the Dunkeld Adventure Serra Terror organisers for pulling together another wonderful event. This annual event, run by wonderful local volunteers, draws so many to Dunkeld and showcases the Grampians, providing opportunity for exploring this piece of paradise. Serra Terror XIII was an outstanding success.

Lucinda Peterson, President



DUNKELD RED CROSS

The day was perfect golfing weather for the 42 players at the Red Cross Golf Day on the Grampians Course. Most exciting was the achievement of a hole-in-one by Vicki Johnstone, who also won one of the raffles. The lunch, stall and donation of players' entry fees, came to \$500. This will be donated to the Solomon Island Red Cross Special Development Area by the combined Dunkeld and Woodhouse / Nareeb Branches. Thank you to the ladies of the Grampians Golf Club for their ongoing generosity. This special event has been going now for many years and is always an enjoyable day.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 22 June at the Henry Leech RSL Room, when we will discuss the combined AGM hosted by Dunkeld, on Thursday 27 July.

A very big thank you must go to Pauline Matthews, who has knitted a batch of Trauma Teddies which will be sent to a specified medical centre, once the Red Cross labels have been attached.

Iris Field, Secretary



DUNKELD MUSEUM NEWS

What we've been doing in the last fortnight:

- Providing the Football Club with memorabilia for their recent function.
- Escorting 40 members of the Gold Reef Ladies Probus (Stawell) group on a bus tour around town and hosting their morning tea at the Museum.
- Providing access to researchers of archival information on the Chinese Wall.

From the Archives...

Believe it or not!

The Launceston Examiner of Saturday 9th of September 1865 published the following article:

Kidnapping by a Kangaroo

A reliable correspondent furnishes us with the following remarkable instance of a kangaroo carrying or running away with a lad. It occurred at the Mail Tent midway between Wickcliffe and Dunkeld (now Glenhompson) on the Hamilton road to Portland. It appears that a kangaroo dog just three weeks since was in pursuit of an old man kangaroo, and stuck him up. The lad, James Wittington, fearing that the dog would get the worse for attacking the kangaroo, went to the dog's assistance, but no sooner did the kangaroo see the lad than the boomer seized him by the body and carried him a distance of 40 yards towards a dam that was close by, evidently with the intention of making short work of him by drowning him therein. The lad says he had a knife in his pocket at the time he was being carried away but the kangaroo held him so firmly in his grasp that he was prevented from cutting the throat of the supposed intending murderer. At last the faithful dog, who had attacked him first, came to the rescue and saved his master from a premature death by drowning.

Museum Duty:

JUNE 18th: Jenny Crawford; Bill Crawford

JUNE 25th: Joyce Gordon; Beryl Gordon

JULY 2nd: Jeff Hinchcliffe; Erin O'Neil; John McIntyre

JULY 9th: Kerren Collins; Lyn Collins

JULY 16th: Heather Funk; Terrie Nicholson; Barbara Dohle



Mobile Library

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DUNKELD PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE

Caravan Park We are still trying to make improvements to the Park. Our recent experiences with floods have forced us to make sites more usable. Our grass sites along the creek are very attractive; however they are not user friendly after rain. Gary and Barry have finished a retaining wall in front of the barbecue area. We thank Trevor Wall for looking after the Park while Gary was away.

A survey to local businesses was distributed recently. Please send them back so we can assess the future of the Park.

Memorial Park The plaques are nearly ready to come to Dunkeld. Mary-Anne Brown is applying for a grant to purchase the Gallipoli plaque. If this is unsuccessful, I am sure we can raise the \$5000 to purchase this important plaque.

Sawmill We have received a few pieces of the large oak tree from the Hamilton Gardens. Hopefully we will be able to cut some usable timber for the Friends of the Hamilton Gardens. They can then construct something to be put near the tree site. Thanks to John Pierce from Southern Grampians Council for all your help.

John Smith, President



DUNKELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

RSL Membership: We invite ex-service men and women to be members and renew their membership to ensure the future of the RSL locally. If you are a relative of ex-service men or women you can also join the RSL. By becoming a member of the RSL you will be helping the welfare of disabled war veterans and supporting your local RSL Sub-Branch. Membership renewal (of \$40.00 per member) for 2107 is now due. Application forms for new members are available from the Secretary/Treasurer, Terrie Nicholson on 5573 3353.



New Memorial for Anzac Parade, Canberra: More than a thousand visitors gathered in Canberra in late May to witness the dedication of a newly completed National Memorial on Anzac Parade, in memory of the Australian men and women involved in the Boer War from 1899 to 1902.

The Boer War of 1899-1902 was Australia's very first war, and now, for the very first time, there is a National Boer War Memorial facing Anzac Parade, Canberra, taking its place among memorials to all of the other conflicts involving our nation.

Four meticulously sculpted bronze statues depict Australian mounted troopers riding the African veldt, whilst copper wall panels show extracts from letters written by one of the 23,000 Australians who served in the Boer War. Please visit the following website for further information: www.bwm.org.au

Victorian Community History Awards: The 2017 Victorian Community History Awards are now open for works completed (i.e. published, exhibited or launched) between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. The 'Cultural Diversity Award' continues in 2017, which is a category for projects or publications that highlight the cultural diversity of Victoria. The special 'Centenary of WWI Award' category has been continued again in 2017, for the best work or project submitted in any category, which considers the impact of World War 1 on Victoria or Victorians.

Entries must be received by post or hand delivered to the Royal Historical Society of Victoria, 239 A'Beckett Street, Melbourne 3000 by 2.00pm on Friday 21 July 2017. If you have any queries please phone 9326 9288 or email: vcha@historyvictoria.org.au

OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMEMORATE WW1 HISTORY

The Nationals Member for Lowan, Emma Kealy MP is encouraging eligible organisations to consider applying for funding for the next round of the ANZAC Centenary Community Grants Program.

"The program is one of a number designed to commemorate the service and sacrifice of World War One (WWI) veterans and their communities, and to educate Victorians on the realities of the war", Ms Kealy said.

The next round of the program opened on 5 June with grants of up to \$20,000 available to support projects which commemorate WWI.

Projects can include new memorials, one-off community events, local community education projects and the preservation of WWI history.

Local government authorities, not-for-profit organisations and educational institutions are all eligible to apply.

"I encourage any interested groups to consider making an application and would be more than happy to provide a letter of support for grant applications in the Lowan electorate," Ms Kealy said.

For more information on the grants program visit www.dpc.vic.gov.au.

Ms Kealy said people could also acknowledge the wartime efforts of WWI veterans by taking part in the ANZAC Commemorative Naming Project.

"Schools, historical societies, RSL members and interested individuals can take part in the project which is taking place over the ANZAC centenary period," Ms Kealy said.

"As part of the project, Victorians are being asked to research people from their municipalities and provide proposals to their local councils such as the renaming of a road, geographical feature or locality", she said.

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OFF THE RAILS

Matthew
Fagan AKA

"Lord of the Strings"

Guitar virtuoso Matthew Fagan stopped by OTR last Thursday night during his recent tour of the south west and gave an impressive performance to an enraptured audience who delighted in his skilful playing, witty one liners and tales from the road.

Chai tea and apple and rhubarb pie sustained the punters as Matthew took requests from the floor and encouraged audience interaction.

He alternated between a variety of beautiful stringed instruments, which included an ancient looking 10 string beauty and a electrified Hawaiian slide guitar. He even ventured into banjo and ukulele territory!

Matthew treated the audience to a special piece he recently wrote on a banjo that Billy Connolly gifted to him after they did a tour together in 1999. The piece has become part of a project called *A Song For Billy* which resulted in a CD and is an ongoing Parkinson's fundraising campaign.

To end the show Matthew took up his ukulele and dazzled the crowd with a masterful medley of classic tunes demonstrating his abundant talent and why Billy Connolly coined his elegant aphorism.

Matthew declared OTR "a hidden gem of a venue" and is looking forward to returning in 2018 to both perform and run a ukulele workshop.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Felting Workshop, Sunday 18th June 3pm-5pm

Gold coin donation.

Learn the ancient art of turning wool into felt in the warm workshop space at the end of Sterling Street.

This woolly workshop will be of benefit to anyone contributing to the Woolly west Fest.

The Mysterious Resident

The *Mysterious Resident*, Dunkeld's contribution to this year's Woolly West Fest 'Big Yarn' trail, is slowly coming together. Stay tuned for regular updates and please feel free to contribute to this delightful project by contributing dark coloured material for covering the giant beast that lurks beneath the Skene Street cypress trees.

June's Crafternoon (by Stacey Barnes)

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Workshop with

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Remember to quote your first name and 'Hamilton' in the transaction description when you pay!

Only two places are left so don't wait too long to book in!

Any questions contact Susan directly on 0423 261 588 or shoot her an email; borninpaper@gmail.com

HAMILTON EISTEDDFOD – Dunkeld Musos

On Wednesday, Ella Jackson, Bonnie Jackson and Emily McNaughton all sang in the Solo and Duet sections. On the Thursday, Ella and Bonnie Jackson, Olivia and Caleb Mirtschin, Chloe Frost, Emily McNaughton, Lucille Aarons, Leah Morelli, Amity Haley, Libby Herrmann and Jasmine Crawford participated in the recorder sections as the 'Dunkeld Musos'. The students played in solo, duet, trio, quartet and large group sections and received some lovely comments from the Judge Monte Mumford from Launceston, Tasmania. Our competitors were students from Cavendish and Branhholme – Wallacedale. Well done to all the children on their performances, it is wonderful for your confidence and self-esteem to sing and play on the PAC stage in a solo performance. You all looked very smart on stage in your respective uniforms.

All Students – Large Recorder Group – First Prize

10 Students – Recorder Group – Honourable Mention

Emily McNaughton, Ella Jackson, Chloe Frost and Lucille Aarons – First Prize Quartet

- Emily McNaughton, Ella Jackson, Chloe Frost – First Prize – Trio
- Amity Haley – Second prize – Recorder Solo
- Emily McNaughton - Honourable Mention Recorder Solo
- Ella Jackson - Honourable Mention Recorder Solo
- Olivia Mirtschin and Emily McNaughton – Duet – Honourable Mention
- Lucille Aarons and Emily McNaughton – Recorder Duet – Honourable Mention
- Amity Haley and Jasmine Crawford – Recorder Duet – Honourable Mention
- Libby Herrmann and Bonnie Jackson – Honourable Mention
- Ella and Bonnie Jackson – Honourable Mention – Vocal Duet

Thank you to the parents for attending the extra practices and their support. **Heather Macgugan (Music Teacher)**

OUTDOOR POOL SESSIONS PROVE A SUCCESS FOR COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY

Following the final outdoor pool engagement session, Council CEO Michael Tudball says he is proud of what has been achieved.

A three-week, six-township swimming pool engagement roadshow began mid-May, with the aim of informing the communities of the Southern Grampians about the issues specific to their pool and allowing an opportunity for open and honest discussion about issues faced last summer.

"Every community we've visited has embraced the opportunity to learn about their pool and discuss ways to improve operations in the future. There has been robust discussion and some very constructive ideas put forward. Overall, the sessions have been very positive and solution-focused," Mr Tudball said.

"While the priority areas for improvement were different across the six pools, the one thing that every community had in common was service reliability. They want assurance that when it's hot, and they want to swim, the pools will be open for business. We will do everything we can to work with community and ensure we deliver for our residents and visitors this summer.

"One of the other common issues in each community was the dislike of the mid-shift closure for mandatory water testing at the smaller pools, preferring instead a change in opening hours from 2pm to 7pm. The community also indicated they are prepared to assist with some of the many tasks involved in keeping our pools open, such as water testing and volunteer lifeguarding. These are things we can explore going forward," Mr Tudball said.

"Improved communication around closures is something that came up frequently and we have acknowledged this is something we did not do well. We will be looking at technological options for how we can better share information with the community this season but we will also be improving our internal structures to ensure we have better systems in place to allow this to happen.

"We need to get better at marketing and promotion of facilities across the board. This is something we have heard loud and clear from all communities. We'll be looking at strategies to improve engagement with our communities, particularly youth and families, to ensure we increase patronage at all of our pools," Mr Tudball continued.

Community priority areas identified at each township include:

Glenthompson:

- Solar heating
- Early morning swimming
- Use of local lifeguards

Dunkeld:

- Support of Swim and Survive Program
- Provide value for money with memberships
- Maintenance of plant

Balmoral

- Recruitment of lifeguards
- Improved communications between Council and Committee
- Out of hours swimming programmes

Coleraine

- Early morning and after hours swimming
- Investigate options for water testing
- Cleanliness needs to be improved
- Fix plant issues

Penshurst

- More lifeguard training locally and support for younger lifeguards
- Support use of volunteers to perform water testing, maintenance/cleaning tasks
- Membership drive early in the season and more flexible memberships
- Fix major leak in pool

Hamilton

- Better maintenance of facilities including general amenity (seats and tables)
- More events for families/kids and better marketing
- Review use of Momentum One for lifeguards
- Review membership structure and cost

"The next steps for us are to take everything we've learnt at these sessions and present a briefing to Council. Council will make recommendations for some immediate actions for the upcoming summer and some longer-term projects at each of the pools. From there we will draft a strategy which will guide the operation of Outdoor Pools in the Southern Grampians for the next 10 years. We will be keeping the communities informed throughout each stage of this process."

"We'd like to express our thanks to the communities of the Southern Grampians Shire who have enthusiastically supported these engagement sessions. You have been heard. We are committed to working with you to ensure that the service next summer is reliable, the communication is improved and that we are all able to make full use these great community assets this summer," Mr Tudball concluded.

COUNCIL CELEBRATES NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2017

Southern Grampians Shire Council has honoured the remarkable legacy of the Gunditjmara people with a morning tea as part of National Reconciliation Week celebrations.

Mayor, Councillor Mary Ann Brown and CEO Michael Tudball were joined by local Indigenous Elders Johnny Lovett and Euphemia Day, Winda-Mara and Western District Health Service representatives, Council Staff, and Community members to celebrate taking the next steps toward reconciliation.

Held annually from 27 May – 3 June, National Reconciliation Week is a time to celebrate and build on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and other Australians. This year's theme 'Let's take the next steps', reflects on two significant anniversaries in Australia's reconciliation journey - the 50th anniversary of the 1967 referendum and the 25th anniversary of the High Court Mabo native title decision.

CEO Michael Tudball said continuing to develop stronger relationships with the local indigenous community and recognising the contribution they have made to our region is a priority for Council.

"National Reconciliation Week is a chance for us to reflect on our national identity and our history.

"We should be proud of the rich languages, cultures and traditions of indigenous Australians, who have lived here for some 60,000 years and represent the world's oldest continuous cultural heritage.

"This week provides the opportunity to gather together, to hear stories from our local indigenous elders and to not only celebrate, but work towards strengthening the reconciliation process".

LANDCARE NEWS

Grampians Ark & Grampians to Grasslands Fox Control programs – the current fox baiting pulse runs from Monday 5 June 2017 to Monday 7 August 2017. Please be aware of these dates, those participating can collect their baits from Kelly's in Dunkeld - please keep a written record of your take information. Because we have great community participation in the program, we only need to place 1 bait per 100 hectares. This greatly reduces the amount of baits in the landscape, and also the foxes' tendency to cache (collect and store) baits. It also reduces the time needed to lay and check the baits. With everyone working together, we are making a big difference.

Woodland Bird Monitoring – on Saturday 22 July we will hold a relaxed and informative morning, aimed at interested and novice bird enthusiasts. We'll be focusing on a number of local birds, their calls and appearance, to help us identify them at home. We want to make bird identification easy and second nature to you, and with the help of some wonderful local experts, Finding Nature will never be easier! Stay tuned for final details.

Integrated Pest Management – under our Finding Nature program, we have funding to present 2 IPM workshops in Dunkeld. We have invited Dr Paul Horne - Director/Entomologist for IPM Technologies Pty Ltd, to present an informative and interactive workshop that will introduce you to the IPM concept, and its relevance and applicability in today's agricultural environment. More details available closer to the date – Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 August 2017. Save the date!

Landcare Grants – if you are interested in applying for a grant to undertake landcare work on your property, and you would like some help with it, please get in touch so we can prepare the application.

Introduction to spiders – (I'm still trying to think of a smart, catchy title..!) Dr Anna Cutler will travel to Dunkeld later this year, to enthrall and entrance us into the world of spiders. Bring along any questions, and any creatures you've found (specimens or photos!) and Anna will help you identify them. Found out how important spiders are within the ecosystems we live in. Date to be advised.

Red gum protective fences – thanks to those people that replied, we've got 5 families erecting stock proof fences around individual paddock based red gums on their properties. These short fence lines (about 100m) will protect the old trees from stock pressure (rubbing, compaction and camping), and encourage the growth of next generation red gums, through natural regeneration. Some families are also supplementary planting within this area, with understorey species – these will provide a food and habitat source for birds and insects that will also help keep insect problems on the tree, (and on surrounding paddocks!) under control. In some cases, there will be a gap of about 200 years since new red gum seedlings have germinated and survived. It is fantastic that we can help keep these magnificent trees and their genetics alive.

For any questions or queries on these or other landcare issues, please contact me – Lisa McIntyre 5574 9235, advancel@bigpond.com

GARDEN NOTES – JUNE



Winter – time to sharpen the secateurs, put on the gloves and make a start on the annual pruning of your roses and fruit trees. This month's notes will focus on roses; we will look at fruit trees

next month. The best time for rose pruning is from mid-June to mid-August, the purpose of pruning it to remove dead, old and diseased wood, to keep bushes to a manageable size and shape and to encourage plenty of new growth (flowers are produced on new growth).

For bush roses, completely remove all dead, yellowing and diseased wood also thin weak stems and which rub together or are overcrowded. Return the strongest stems, shortening them by approximately one third of their length, cutting just above a bud pointing in the direction in which you wish the stem to grow. Floribunda (cluster flowered) roses are usually cut back harder than bush roses. Standard rose are pruned in the same way as bush roses except that stems are cut to an outward pointing bud to avoid too much centre growth and to retain a neat shape. Climbing and pillar roses require slightly different treatment, some growers give them a light trim in winter and another heavier pruning after spring flowering, removing old, dead and weak canes and shortening the others to a plump healthy bud. Don't forget to completely remove any rootstock growth (thin vigorous shoots with small leaves which emerge below the bud union at the base of your plant).

Miniature and ground cover roses can simply be trimmed with a hedge trimmer – either mechanical or hand operated.

As part of your usual garden hygiene practice all prunings should be gathered up and burnt or carted to the rubbish tip and all tools cleaned and sterilised with bleach or methylated spirits after each pruning session. After pruning, only cuts larger than approximately 2 – 3 centimetres diameter should be sealed with either a paint-on or an aerosol sealing compound to prevent the entry of insects or disease spores and to assist rapid healing.

Now is the ideal time to plant new roses, fruit trees and deciduous ornamental trees - talk to your nurseryman today. Happy gardening. **Stephen Hughan, Ararat**

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Scholarships a chance for rural TAFE students

Young people in rural western Victoria undertaking or hoping to undertake a vocational qualification are being encouraged to apply for a new pilot scholarship program.

The Nationals Member for Lowan, Emma Kealy MP said the Rural Chances scholarship through the Macpherson Smith Rural Foundation was a fantastic opportunity for young people hoping to undertake vocational study.

"Rural Chances is currently being piloted in the western half of Victoria and is open to people undertaking Certificate III or IV courses at TAFE or an apprenticeship, Ms Kealy said.

"Young people aged between 16 and 24 who are facing significant financial or social challenges but want to further their education through a TAFE course or apprenticeship are eligible to apply.

"There are five scholarships of \$5000 available to assist young people in covering the costs associated with vocational education including travel expenses and moving away from home costs.

"There are also smaller scholarships of up to \$2000 available for specific items such as course fees, tools of trade and travel costs," she said.

Ms Kealy said the Macpherson Smith Rural Foundation's scholarship programs also offered mentoring and networking opportunities to recipients.

"Like with the organisations other scholarships, Rural Chances recipients will receive extra care from a personal mentor as well as leadership training and networking opportunities," Ms Kealy said.

"It is important that regional Victoria's young people have the same opportunities to access education as their city counterparts and I encourage any young person who is eligible to consider making an application," she said.

All applicants will need to meet a specific eligibility criteria including:

- Be 16-24 years of age
- Live in the western half of rural/regional Victoria
- Hold a Centrelink health care card
- Identify a TAFE Certificate III or IV qualification they would like to enrol in or are enrolled in OR be undertaking an apprenticeship
- Be planning to train in a skill area where there are skills shortages in rural/regional Victoria

Applications are open until Friday 16 June 2017 at midnight and can be made online at www.msrf.org.au/ruralchances



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

From the Garden.....



Perfect gardening weather last week saw us plant many vegetables (peas, lettuce, spinach, beetroot, cabbages, leeks, onions and thyme) and 2 olive trees. With guidance from our Friends they also sowed a variety of seeds, which they will germinate and grow in their classrooms.

We lit the fire and raked leaves to put in the compost and also on the garden beds. The children learnt why

certain trees lose their leaves in winter, and why the leaves change from a green colour into such beautiful reds, browns, oranges and yellows. Our paddock was weeded, all ready and prepared to sow lupins this week – thanks to Todd Burger - our respected volunteer agronomist!

On the right we have a lovely photo of Mia and Cadence, well rugged up ready for any weather in the garden. Please remember to send boots, coats and hats on Thursdays.

Cheers, Lisa McIntyre

Garden Roster

THURSDAY 15 JUNE 2017	
11.30am–12.30pm Grade 3	Betty Balkin, Sarah Crawford, Trish Symes, Bev Hampton, Vivien Brodsky, Iven Field
12.30pm–1.30pm Grade 4	Sarah Crawford, Trish Symes, Bev Hampton, Carol Burger, Iven Field, Vivien Brodsky,
2.20pm – 2.50pm Grade 2	Carol Burger, Trish Symes, Amanda Cochran, Bev Hampton, Kate Brian, Brian Mathews, Iven Field, Herman Jansen, Kate Brian
2.50pm – 3.20pm Grade 1	Carol Burger, Trish Symes, Bev Hampton, Brian Mathews, Iven Field, Herman Jansen

THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017	
11.30am–12.30pm Grade 5/6	Bruce McNaughton, Kylie Huzony, Trish Symes, Bev Hampton, Iven Field, Paul Callander, Jane Calvert, Liz Hinchey, Vivien Brodsky, Priscilla Jury
12.30pm–1.30pm Grade 4	Kylie Huzony, Trish Symes, Bev Hampton, Iven Field, Paul Callander, Jane Calvert, Vivien Brodsky, Sarah Crawford, Priscilla Jury
2.20pm–2.50pm Grade 2	Trish Symes, Kate Brian, Brian Mathews, Iven Field, Paul Callander, Jane Calvert, Liz Hinchey, Priscilla Jury
2.50pm–3.20pm Grade 1	Trish Symes, Brian Mathews, Iven Field, Paul Callander, Jane Calvert, Liz Hinchey, Priscilla Jury

Kitchen Roster

THURSDAY 15 JUNE 2017 - YEAR 5/6 11.15am – 2.00pm	
Jo Aarons, Bruce McNaughton, Kylie Huzony, Kerren Collins	
THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017 - YEAR 3 11.15am – 2.00pm	
Keri Ross, Emma Gordon, Stacey Balkin, Melissa McIntyre	

GRAMPIANS GOLF CLUB



LIFE MEMBERS

The Grampians Golf Club recently gave recognition to three members by awarding them life membership.

Peter Cameron, Derek Morse and Rob Smith have between them some 90 years of membership of the club.

While all accomplished golfers who are well represented on the winners boards in the clubhouse, it is their commitment to the administration, maintenance and improvement of the course that forms the greater part of the recognition.

All three have spent many years on the committee of management, Peter and Derek have both had terms as President and Captain and Rob, a total of 19 years as club secretary. Derek has also undertaken the role of head of the Greens committee for many years and Rob's countless hours of work around the course ensure the playing conditions are of a high standard.



DUNKELD BOWLING CLUB NEWS

THE DUNKELD 1000 TRIPLES – SATURDAY 10/6/17

A full rink of 16 teams took to a beautifully prepared rink for the prestigious Board Event – The Dunkeld 1000 Triples.

Played in overcast but pleasant, windless conditions, all 48 bowlers from a wide range of clubs from Colac to Warrnambool, Port Fairy, Koroit to Mt Gambier, Lake Bolac, Hamilton, Heywood and locals thoroughly enjoyed the fierce but friendly competition.

After 3 games x 14 ends the winners of each section were:-

The Lake Bolac team, led by Ken Phillips, the Peter Inglis team from Colac and the two local teams of Stephen Field's trio and that of Cloud Astbury's trio.

In the four end semi final, Cloud's team defeated Lake Bolac and Stephen's team beat the Colac trio.

The final was then played out by the two Dunkeld teams over 6 ends. After 6 ends, in a very high standard game of bowls, the scores were tied, so a sudden death one end was played.

With Cloud's team holding 3 shots, Gus Jackson, with a superb shot, put the kitty in the gutter closely followed by his bowl resulting in his team being up by one shot. His direct opponent, Gary "Banga" Wall then played a terrific shot to

almost take the game however after a measure, the shot by Gus was deemed "the shot" but only by millimetres.



Therefore giving the team of Lead: Phillip Hewitt (Ararat), Second: Angus (Gus) Jackson and Skipper: Stephen "Fiddler" Field the title of **2017 DUNKELD 1000 TRIPLES WINNERS.**



Runners up were Lead: Geoff "Syd" Hinchliffe, Second: Gary "Banga" Wall and Skipper: Mark "Cloud" Astbury.

Life member, John Overall, kindly officiated and thanked all concerned, congratulated all players and duly made the presentations.

At this point, Vice President Gary, in the absence of President Brian Mathews, thanked all concerned, congratulated all players and acknowledged the presence of 3 Life Members who played in this event: Iven Field; John Overall and Norm Schwarz.

SPONSORSHIP

The Dunkeld Bowling Club is enormously appreciative of the wonderful on-going support and sponsorship from **ALEXANDRA HOUSE, GRAMPIANS TYRE SERVICE, RAIVIC PT ALEXANDRA HOUSE, GRAMPIANS TYRE SERVICE, RAIVIC PT LTD and DUNKELD UNITED SERVICE STATION.** Without these sponsors our club would find it difficult to provide such high class events with good prize money.

Once again, our small but wonderful band of ladies, ably led by Heather M, catered beautifully with pre game toasted breads and coffee, a terrific 2 course lunch followed up by a much appreciated arvo tea. **THANK YOU LADIES**, we gents are indeed grateful.

Thanks are also extended to all who assisted on the day: to Syd, Frank and Bob in the preparation of the rink and surrounds; to Gary Scott who manned the Bar; to 'gopher' Paul; to Dorothy Williams for exquisite penmanship and to all others, **THANK YOU.**

Raffle winner of the platter put together by the **DUNKELD GENERAL STORE** was lucky Monty, he seems to have a monopoly on the meat trays. Thankfully he is not a vegetarian!!!

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Dear Fathers and Grandfathers,

Just outside my office door, there is a little table upon which lie some books. They are books for grownups and I have read them all. They have been the adventures I have never had the courage or the ability or the opportunity to undertake. They have given me understanding, knowledge and enjoyment. They are books that are predominately 'men's books', that is they are about topics which might interest us blokes and they are all by the same author; Peter Fitzsimons (the former rugby union player).

The thing I like about his books is that he is easy to read even though you have to give it a few chapters as he sets the scene for what comes next. But his style of writing puts you right in the picture and it makes you feel like you are there. His books are historical narratives which means he researches true historical events and turns them into a story.

If you would like to understand what happened at 'Tobruk' or 'Kokoda' then these two books would be for you. The story of Douglas Mawson, 'Mawson' is beyond extraordinary if you would happen to be patient enough to get past the first chapters (it turned out to be my favourite Fitzsimons book). And 'Charles Kingsford Smith' is a great read along with 'Eureka'.

Now, I know there are many among you who might not be book readers but I want to tell you that these books are worth a try and they are here for you to borrow. You will want to read another one. Truly. And the other thing is that Dads who read books at home have a positive impact on their children's reading, particularly sons...and that's a good excuse to give Peter Fitzsimons a try.

PROJECT WORKS

We are very excited to announce that after receiving a one-off funding allocation our school has been through a lengthy process before being finally given approval to proceed with the following projects:

- Replacement of asphalt to the car park, front of school building and rear of school building. That is, all asphalt except for the roundabout and basketball court.
- Completion of carpet to the remainder of the main school wing including new skirting.
- Installation of an electric pump and two taps feeding off the water tank behind the Prep - Year 2 building.
- Installation of fire graded gutter guards around entire main buildings.

Contractors for all projects have been informed and we are hopeful that some work will have begun in the next few weeks. We expect the asphalt to be completed during holidays in September and carpet to be laid during the coming holidays.

OPEN MORNING FRIDAY 26 MAY

On Friday 26 of May, the school opened its doors to the community as they invited people to attend the Open Morning. Students from Years 5 and 6 became tour guides for the morning, showing our visitors around the school. Classrooms welcomed onlookers to participate in and observe lessons. Our school leaders held an assembly where visitors watched performances from all year levels and then stayed on for a cuppa and a chat with our Principal and



staff. Thank you to everyone who attended and made our morning a wonderful event.

Student reflection:

About a week ago it was Open Day. The Year 2's made adjective aliens.

In PE some parents came and played boot ball with us.

It was very fun. *By Edie Jackson Year 2*

BUDDY DAY ACTIVITIES



Students in Years Prep, 5 and 6 participated in a number of fun activities as part of the National Buddy Day. National Buddy Day is an initiative developed by NAB and The Alannah and Madeline Foundation to celebrate friendship and help

raise awareness of bullying in Australian primary schools.

On 6 June the Year 5 and 6's and the Preps did some activities for National Buddy Day. We made friendship bands with wool and loom bands and then we put some UV beads that change colour in the sun! Then we made bubble blowers out of pipe cleaners and blew massive bubbles with them, Freddie and Jack made huge ones! Next, we read a book to our buddies and even made fairy bread!!!! *By Charlie Adams and Lucille Aarons Year 5*

At our special Buddy Day yesterday we made fairy bread and we made bubbles and friendship bands. It was a good day. We read a book called *Going on a Bear Hunt*. I had the best day ever. *By Clementine Blackwell Prep*

At our special Buddy Day yesterday we made fairy bread and we made bubbles. I made friendship bands and we read a book called *Snappy the Crocodile*. I felt good because I was with my Buddy. My Buddy's name is Xanthe. It was a great time. *By Mia Hanna Prep*

The Prep students also planted acorn seeds last week with Lisa McIntyre as part of the Buddy Day activities. They will present an acorn seedling to their buddies at the end of the year as a thank you gift.

REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MONDAY 5 JUNE AT WARRNAMBOOL

On the first Monday morning of winter, two Dunkeld students prepared themselves to take on the region's best Primary School Cross Country Runners. Alexander Prentice and Sam Cullinane are among the best Cross Country runners, in their respective age groups, in our region. What a fantastic accolade. With the only the top 12 making it through to the State Championships in July, the races were extremely



competitive. Alexander was first to compete in the 9-10 year old boys. His race was extremely close, with the top 13 runners coming into the home stretch with only metres separating them.

Xander pushed hard in the final stage of the run and crossed the line in 5th place. Congratulations! He will go on to compete at the State Championships on Thursday 20 July to be held at Bundoran Park, Melbourne. Sam Cullinane had nothing left in the tank when he crossed the line in 15th position. Sam said he didn't expect to do as well as he did and was very pleased with the result. Well done to both boys and good luck to Alexander in July.

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE/JULY 2017

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
12	13	14	15 Mobile Library Dunkeld	16	17	18 OTR Felting Workshop
19 Dunkeld Catholic Women's League Meeting	20	21	22 Mobile Library Mirranatwa Progress Association Meeting Red Cross Meeting	23	24	25 OTR "Born in Paper"
26	27	28	29 Mobile Library Dunkeld	30	1 HAG Valuation Day	2
3	4	5	6 Mobile Library Mirranatwa	7	8	9

MIRRANATWA LANDCARE GROUP

Mirranatwa Landcare Group celebrated their 30 year anniversary, at their annual AGM last month held at the Mirranatwa Hall. It was one of the first Landcare Groups to form, one year after the birth of Landcare in Australia. Past and present members took a trip down memory lane with a slideshow of Landcare activity in the district. Members kept warm by a nostalgic, roaring fire, delicious food, and mulled wine catered to by the locals.

Peter Dark spoke of a conversation between him and Jack McArthur about forming the Landcare group, whom were shearing together at the time. It was then initiated by Jack and Mary McArthur back in July 1987, spurred on by rumblings of inspiration at a Victoria Valley VFF meeting -- Jack was then President.

Official business for the night did not dampen the celebration, which was led by Tony Lithgow (CMA) who took the chair for the annual election, and congratulated the group for their dedication and work for 30 years. Iris Field was also thanked for her dedication as secretary of 23+ years, standing down from her position. Peter Dark was elected President, Peter Adams elected Vice-President, Kristy Beveridge elected Secretary, and Fiona Ross elected Treasurer.

Mirranatwa Landcare Group is thriving, with invigorated perspective, such as fox lairs on the land, sharing plantations and fencing between neighbours, keeping our roadsides clear of litter and weeds, and 'no litter' signage for the roads. Best wishes to Mirranatwa Landcare Group for another 30 years.

Kristy Beveridge (Secretary)

Dunkeld Refugee & Asylum Seeker Support Group (DRASS Group) (Vision- 'Opening Hearts and Doors to Refugees')

A big THANK YOU to all the soup makers and volunteers, and of course to those who supported our SOUPer Saturday plus stall. We were able to raise just under \$1000, which is ear-marked to be given as a scholarship to a refugee starting next term at Federation University, Ballarat



DRASS is holding a winter Woolly & Blanket Drive during June. Donations of warm coats, jumpers, beanies & blankets in good condition can be left at Bendigo Bank and will be sent to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre in Footscray, to help make our cold winter weather a little more bearable for the refugees who rely on the ASR.

Southern Grampians Shire Community Bus Service

The community bus is available to all seniors (male/female) travelling to Hamilton on a fortnightly basis from Glenthompson and Dunkeld.

If you would like to use this service, contact the HACC Office on - 5551 8480 for assessment. Pick - up is from your home - seats available. If any of our regular clientele are unable to use bus that day, please phone the number above, if not answered leave a message by 8.15am - the driver will be notified

- 20th June
- 4th July
- 18th July
- 1st August

