

# Dunkeld & District Newsletter



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## Dunkeld Writers Festival

*“Dunkeld Writers Festival – A marvellous weekend in a beautiful place”  
[comment from Tony Wright]*

What a wonderful weekend of good conversations, great company and interesting books in a beautiful setting in our town of Dunkeld.

The Festival opened on Friday night with a conversation between Tony Wright and Denise Lovett, reflecting on the indigenous history of our region and acknowledging James Dawson’s continuing advocacy for aboriginal people in the early days of settlement in the district. On Saturday morning, Michael Williams engaged in a conversation about the ups and downs of the printed word and its relation, or not, to reality. Sessions about growing up in the country, the impact of the Australian landscape on crime writing featuring Mark Brandi, Chris Hammer and Margaret Hickey. Then a wonderful discussion between Barry Jones, living legend, and Gideon Haigh about the history of the death penalty, finishing with a panel session with Matt Fowles, Peter Coleman and Jess Ho giving us some insights into the world of food and wine. As an aside Jess Ho featured on the front page of Saturday’s Age in a slightly different role. Matt’s winery produces the popular wine ‘Ladies Who Shoot Their Lunch’.



The Festival concluded with two sessions on Sunday – one about On Country featuring Gib Wettenhall, Denise Lovett and Rick Morton, talking about the local country and also from the perspective of growing up in Queensland on a large cattle station. The final session was a fantastic discussion chaired by Samantha Lane, the consummate professional, who led a great conversation about sport with Gideon Haigh, noted cricket writer, and Dan Eddy, football historian.

The Dunkeld Writers Festival would not have been possible without support from great sponsors including:

- Allan and Maria Myers and the Royal Mail Hotel
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- Roz Greenwood Old & Rare Books



A big thank you to the authors who participated in most of the events and were incredibly generous with their time before and during the festival.

Our team of wonderful volunteers including Peter Maclean, Geoff Montgomery, Charley Falla-Jones, Josh Gordon, Connor Gordon, Oliver Falla-Jones, Sue Morse, Susie Mackinnon, Pat Cameron, Herman Jansen, David Baker and Gwenda Steff.

BusBiz and Neil Martin who drove the shuttle bus on Saturday afternoon. Book sales provided by Bellcourt Books (Cathy and Caitlin Taber). The lovely floral arrangements created by Heather Macgugan.

The delicious food provided by Izzy’s (canapes on Friday night), the Dunkeld Old Bakery (croissants on Saturday morning), the Royal Mail Hotel (boxed lunches and wine and cheese on Saturday afternoon and dinner on Saturday night), and DRASS (scones on Sunday morning).

And last but not least, the amazing Dunkeld Writers Festival Committee – Annette Jones (Secretary), Roz Greenwood, John Myers, Kylie Schurmann, Cathy Taber and Lauren van Katwyk.

The festival will be back in 2023. Keep an eye out for dates.

Mary-Ann Brown, Chair, Dunkeld Writers Festival

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2nd Week	Sunday	September 11		No service – Mass at Glenthompson
3rd Week	Sunday	September 18	8.30am	Mass
4th Week	Sunday	September 25	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion
1st Week	Sunday	October 2	8.30am	Mass
2nd Week	Sunday	October 9		No service – Mass at Glenthompson
3rd Week	Sunday	October 16	8.30am	Mass
4th Week	Sunday	October 23	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion
5th Week	Sunday	October 30	9.00am	Assembly of Word and Communion

### Dunkeld Anglican - Uniting Churches

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at Saint Mary's opposite the Post Office at 5.00pm with Father David Oulton.

2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays - an Ecumenical gathering and sharing in the Round at 5.00pm at Sterling Place Community Centre led by the Uniting Church. We look forward to meeting you. All welcome. Enquiries to Father David phone: 5571 1317.

### Panyabyr Uniting Church

### Mirranatwa Uniting Church

Enquiries: Margo Dark 5574 0222; Iris Field 5574 0202; Kristy Beveridge 0428 581 903

### WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
5	6	7 Newsletter issue 14 distributed	8	9	10	11
12 Dunkeld Museum AGM	13	14	15	16 Term 3 concludes	17	18
19 Dunkeld Arboretum AGM	20	21	22	23 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Newsletter issue 15 deadline	1 OCT	2

## Grampians Golf Club's 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Tournament

After a couple of COVID interrupted years our annual tournament was held over four days from 16 to 21 August. This event exemplifies what can be done in a relatively small community by a band of enthusiastic volunteers, generous sponsors, dedicated committee, and golf tragics from across the region. Many of the visiting players have been coming to this tournament for decades.

The success of the tournament is made possible by our sponsors, whose generosity enables the club to offer a great range of trophies, raffle prizes and on and off course catering. Our sponsors are listed below and all deserve your full support. It felt like your humble correspondent was the only child to go home without a prize!!

Everyone acknowledged the efforts of the teams who provided the outstanding lunch and afternoon tea spreads and those who prepared the course and scrapes. There are too many to name here, but you know who you are and that your efforts are applauded. Special mention to John Smith and Ian Macgugan, who as non-players gave their time to dispense warming doses of Stones, other hydrating fluids and barbecued treats at the 9<sup>th</sup> Tee. Also, Gill Hayes and Pat Cameron's work in the kitchen on Tuesday was much appreciated.

The major winners were:

**Ladies 3BBB Stableford** - Chantal Butcher/Bec Small/Jules Templeton (91points!!).

**Men's 3BBB Stableford** – Cat Gordon/Angus Jackson/Russell Burgess (83 points).

(Being a Thursday, shouldn't these guys have been at work!!)

**Ladies A Grade** - Scratch – Pam Howell – H'cap – Dawn Cay.

**Ladies B Grade** – Stableford – Sue Morse.

**Men's A Grade** – Scratch – the M A Howard Cup – James Brown - H'cap – Peter Hayes.

**Men's B Grade** - Stableford – Russell Burgess (40 points).

Sunday's 4 Person Ambrose events were played in great weather on a course which is probably in its best condition ever! Again, a testament to the Greens Committee and volunteers. Eighty players relished both and then were treated to a fantastic spread and a raft of prizes!

The winners were:

**Mixed Scratch** – Deb and Clive Pinniger/Colin and Larelle McInnes.

**Mixed Nett** – Lou Patterson/Fiona Blood/Simon Smith/Phil Rees.

**Ladies Scratch** – Jo Forsyth/Kerryn Price/Deb Milne/Robyn Holcombe.

**Ladies H'Cap** – Tania Heapy/Tania Butcher/Di Rogers/Janine Shepherd.

**Men's Scratch** – Andrew and Bailey Borgmeyer/Mitch and Michael Kelly.

**Men's H'Cap** – Will Osmond/Peter Cameron/Jack Behnke/Tim Roll.

(Camo reported feeling intimidated by his partners ability to hit the long ball.

Another example of his skill in picking partners!!)

The Tournament Committee of Venita Mibus, Pam Howell, and Mark Dore have again organised and delivered a great

event, with the support of the volunteer members, Lindy Hayes and the catering team and those who mowed, scraped and tidied up. Thanks also to Bill Crawford for stepping in as MC.

Just when you thought golf in the Grampians couldn't get any bigger, the qualifying rounds for the Club Championships for Ladies and Gents have commenced, with the finals in mid-September. The burning question is whether Clive's nett 62 sees him in A Grade!!

Saturday 6 August was the final round for the men in the "Reedy Creek" trophy. Despite Skeeter holding a handy 3-point lead over Cahal McNaughton, Peter Hayes came from the clouds to snatch victory.

The Ross 4 Ball is reaching its climax. The full names of the winners (not nicknames) will be revealed next month! COVID, the cold weather, Quaddie results, lack of form and motivation may determine the result in the end.

Till next month! Good hitting and may your balls avoid the jex!

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## Free School Holidays Event



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## UPDATE – A NEW TOILET FACILITY AT THE DUNKELD SAWMILL

Representatives from Dunkeld Public Lands, Dunkeld Sawmill Committee, Dunkeld Progress Association and Dunkeld Arboretum Development Group Inc. have joined forces in response to the increasing number of calls for the installation of a toilet at the Dunkeld Sawmill, located within the Dunkeld Arboretum.

The representatives have met a couple of times and are very much at the project planning stage. We have resolved a number of issues, such as cleaning the proposed facility. We have agreed:

- That we will seek funding to build a single toilet at the Sawmill.
- That it is essential for a structure be visually harmonious and in keeping with the look of the Sawmill and given its location at the Arboretum.

These images represent the type of new structure we are looking at. The design would incorporate the use of the local stone and the Sawmill would mill local timber for the external cladding. We are currently exploring options for funding and we seek offers of assistance and support from the community to assist in delivering this new community asset.

If you wish to provide feedback or offer support, please contact either Frank Raymond (0456 772 257) or Peter Gilbert (0407 578 118).



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## DUNKELD MUSEUM NEWS

### OPEN FOR BUSINESS:

Sunday 1.00pm – 5.00pm and  
Thursday 1.00pm – 4.00pm.

**WEBSITE:** Visit our website! [dunkeldmuseum.org.au](http://dunkeldmuseum.org.au)

### MUSEUM DUTY ROSTER

Sun 11 Sept Joyce Gordon, Peter Nelson  
Sun 18 Sept John Kay, Mary-Ann Brown. (*Welcome back on the roster John.*)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 12 September is our 39<sup>th</sup> AGM. Come along and bring a friend, or if you are a new resident to the district, we have plenty of room for new volunteers!

The AGM kicks off at 7.30pm, followed by Guest Speakers Peter Hinchey and Bruce McNaughton at 8.00pm. They will give an account of their experiences of policing at Dunkeld. A light supper will follow the meeting.

### OUR YEAR IN A NUTSHELL:

During the year we have seen the cancellation of five group tours due to Covid-19, representing over 150 visitors, though we did have over 250 people visit. To tend to these visitors and to keep the museum ticking along, 1066 hours of volunteer work was generously given by our small band of people who passionately care for this museum.

The World War II Memorial Plaque at the cemetery was unveiled. The book "*Settling amongst the Redgums under the Shadow of Mount Sturgeon*" was launched. (Many thanks to James Affleck the author for his dedication to this project.) NBN internet was installed to replace the Telstra Night Hawk, which was slow and frustrating for research work.

This year we have welcomed three new Life Members, bringing the total to 74 Life Members, but we only have 10 Annual Members who have so far paid their subscriptions. Three of our treasured Life Members; Helena Flinn, Brian Lacy and Pat Learmonth passed away during 2021/2022.

Research during 2021/2022 was carried out in regards to the following families or properties; McKinnon, McPherson, Griffin, Godfrey, Garton, Hogan, Bowden, McDougal, Wright, Cameron, Robertson, McPhee, Middleton, Shuey, Tolsher, Gill, Fiskien, Oldham, Casey, Shaw, Walker, Campbell, Clark, Fox, Gome, and the William Street Dunkeld cottage, etc.

163 items and over 200 photographs, printed to A4 size and mounted on backing boards have been added to our collection, which now consists of well over 6,000 registered items and photos.

**WW2 BOOK RESEARCH:** Thank you to the people who have so far contributed to the history/stories of our WWII personnel. We will soon progress to the next stage of the book...writing up all the stories etc that we have collected (This will be the real fun bit of the project!)

Everyone is welcome to come and participate in activities at the museum.

## STURGEON VIEW

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## RED CROSS NEWS

News from HQ with Red Cross now in its **108<sup>th</sup> year** in Australia, notifies that members no longer need to show COVID vaccination proof for member activities. Regulations still apply in workplace settings for Disability, Aged care, Custodial, Health care and Emergency services.

**Emergency Services** teams are 'busily preparing for the season ahead.' Everyone is encouraged to have their own REDI-PLAN in place for personal items and pets, in readiness for an Emergency. Local Emergency and response teams 'are present before, during and after a disaster to meet the unique needs of every community.' For Dunkeld and district, Heather Macgugan has a team trained for such an event.

Emergency Services (ES) help with psychological first aid, linking to information and services, locating loved ones and offering support. Afterwards they stay on to support the road to recovery.

Climate change is creating more of an unknown situation. We are advised to:

- Familiarise ourselves with ES personnel and safe places.
- Keep a survival kit packed with personal items.
- Organise important documents and medical information.
- Learn of the risks.
- Donate to disasters through a local Branch or to: <https://www.redcross.org.au/donation/disaster-response-and-recovery/>

Finally, an interest for Quilters: The Australian Quilters Association is celebrating 40 years with an Exhibition at the Box Hill Town Hall. Included are ten historic Australian Red Cross red and white quilts, from the Heritage Collection. Dates are 9, 10 and 11 September 2022.

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## DUNKELD POLICE

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I am also pleased to say the only people who have donated funds to the State for speeding thus far are people not from this area.

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## FINALISTS REVEALED FOR 2022 BUSINESS AWARDS

Finalists have been revealed for the upcoming Southern Grampians Shire Council 2022 Business Awards in time for the highly anticipated presentation evening scheduled for Friday 9 September 2022.

Businesses from the tourism, retail, trades, agriculture, professional service, and other sectors are among those to named as finalists, with Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Cr Bruach Colliton impressed with the quality of applications submitted.

“Firstly, a huge congratulations to all our businesses who took the time this year to self-nominate and apply for a business award,” said Cr Colliton. “We are honoured to have such a diverse group of entrants this year who exemplify the unique local business community we have here in the Southern Grampians Shire.

“The commitment our region’s businesses have to providing quality services and products to our community and contributing to our local economy is something they should be really proud of and importantly should be celebrated.”

The 2022 Business Awards finalists include:

- |                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Petschel House                 | The Hamilton Hamper                             |
| Clarrie the Cobbler            | The Hive Drive Thru                             |
| Shattered Phone and PC Repairs | Tahlia's Beautyworx                             |
| Grange Garlic                  | Nigretta of Hamilton                            |
| LJ's Pizza & Takeaway Foods    | Coleraine & District Financial Services Ltd     |
| Cemac Enterprises              | Mulleraterong Centre Incorporated               |
| Brown Street Dental            | Hamilton District Skills Centre                 |
| Penshurst Store                | <b>Employee of the Year</b>                     |
| Wicked Wildlife                | ANZ Hamilton – Emily O'Brien                    |
| Precision Waterjet             | Mulleraterong Centre Incorporated – Anthony Ung |
| Tarrington Wellbeing Centre    | Cox Street Vets – Clare McKay                   |
| Cutting Edge Mower & Moto      |   |
| Hamilton Medical Group         |   |

“If you haven’t already booked your ticket, go online or contact the Hamilton PAC box office to purchase for what will surely be a fun-filled and enjoyable evening,” concluded Cr Colliton.

Judging of applications was undertaken by independent judge Kevin Bennett from KB solutions in August.

Council welcome and acknowledge sponsors Hamilton Spectator, Australian Bluegum Plantations, WDEA Works, South West TAFE, Iluka, Bendigo Bank, Hamilton Regional Business Association, Sinclair Wilson, Ace Radio and Glenelg Hopkins CMA.

The night will be hosted by Kristen Diprose, former ABC journalist and presenter with live music by local performers – the Bar Trio. Tickets for the gala dinner are now on sale and can be purchased from the Hamilton Performing Arts Centre box office for \$65 per person.

## 250 WORDS FROM FATHER DAVID

Some of you will be familiar with CS Lewis’ lamplights. How in the land of Narnia, where all is frigid and freezing, these lamps point the way to the next exciting adventure.

The curious thing about them is that they don’t actually say anything out loud or move about. They just simply stand there, give off a lot of light and point the way forward.

I am thrilled to be able to say that I know some people like that. They come in a variety of ages with a vast array of ideas, feelings and backgrounds. But the one thing they all have in common is that they are a light for me and frequently point the way in what often seems to be an unfriendly and frosty world.

If I have regrets, it is that I don’t tell them often enough how valuable they are in my own little adventures and how I would be so very lost and ‘cold’ without them. I also wouldn’t be making the same progress that I am today.

The Master once said, “I am the light of the world” and here we are all these years later. He still is. A bright light, sometimes a bit hidden, but warming and alluring on a planet that does not seem to have learnt that coolness of heart just makes everyone chilly and freezes other people out.

The good news is that we can claim His phrase for ourselves. What would happen dear reader, if you looked in the mirror, paused, breathed, and said with all sincerity of heart. “I am the light of the world?” That would have to change your day, your friends, your community. Mmmm “I am the light of the world”. Now to believe it ... now to live it.

Father David Oulton  
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## COMMUNITY SUPPORT JOBS GROW IN SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS

Southern Grampians Shire Council continues to work with Western District Health Service (WDHS) towards the smooth transition of Aged Care services, with a range of job opportunities now on offer for qualified staff.

Community Support Worker positions are currently being advertised on the WDHS website, to deliver high-quality aged care services to vulnerable residents across the region.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor, Cr Bruach Colliton said while Council's focus throughout the transition has been on the wellbeing of clients and supporting staff, it has also worked closely with WDHS to ensure continuity of service, and is supporting the hospital in its recruitment of skilled aged care workers.

"From the very beginning, Council has been committed to finding the best possible solution for the ongoing delivery of aged care services for our community," said Cr Colliton. "The Commonwealth Government appointed WDHS to take over the service and as a local provider, we know they are well placed to understand and fulfil the needs of our community.

"As a part of the process to transition the service from Council to WDHS, Council has supported its impacted staff with several information sessions. During these discussions, staff have identified their desire to either retire, seek other opportunities in Council, or apply for new employment in the aged care service at WDHS.

"WDHS are now recruiting skilled Community Support Workers, so I encourage anyone who has ever considered a career in aged care to contact WDHS for more information on how you can join the team," concluded Cr Colliton.

Western District Health Service Chief Executive Rohan Fitzgerald said the Health Service is doing it's very best to recruit to these important frontline roles.

"Although this is in one of the tightest labour markets in the last 50 years, we have made considerable progress with our recruitment campaign," Mr Fitzgerald said.

"As one of the largest employers and providers of aged care services in the region, WDHS is well placed to deliver these programs. We have a strong track record of supporting our community, and this program fits well with our strategic vision of 'creating Australia's healthiest rural community'.

To learn more, or to apply for one of the positions on offer, candidates can visit [wdhs.net](http://wdhs.net)

Mr Fitzgerald said he recently had the pleasure of meeting with Southern Grampians Shire staff interested in transitioning across to WDHS.

"I was impressed by their commitment and dedication to their customers and openness to working through the change process. There is always uncertainty with change, and we understand some customers might be a

little anxious about the future. Even though there are some challenges, I am sure we will overcome these, as we have done in the past.

"We are looking forward to this new chapter and supporting over 30 new team members and 370 customers to transition to WDHS. This is not a small undertaking, and has required the skill of a dedicated team working behind the scenes at WDHS and Council. Thank you to those who are supporting the transition process. The planning and structures that have been put in place give me great confidence that the program will be a success," Mr Fitzgerald said.

Council confirmed the in-principle decision at the March 2022 Council Meeting to transition from delivering community support services after Federal Government changes would impact Council's ability to continue to deliver high-level care without passing on costs to clients.

The Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP), which funds home support and community-based services for clients over 65 years, will transition to WDHS by 1 October 2022. The Home and Community Care Program for Younger People (HACC PYP), which supports those under 65 years, transitioned on 30 June 2022.



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## Garden Notes - September

September is a good time to lightly trim any spring flowering trees after blooming, this can help to keep a manageable size and shape without the loss of flowers as would occur with winter pruning. Don't be tempted to cut back frost damaged plants too soon as leaving the damaged parts on your plants will help to protect new growth. Don't remove damaged parts until the risk of frost is nearly over, say early November.

When new rose shoots appear, keep watch for aphids (small green or brown insects clustered on new shoots). These can be sprayed using pyrethrum or one of the soap-based insecticides or simply brushed off or hosed off before they damage new flower buds.

Rising soil and air temperatures in spring means that there will be a noticeable increase in plant growth which in turn means that you should consider feeding your plants so that they can reach their full potential.

There are two main groups of fertilisers, one is the natural or organic group such as animal manure, compost, fish or meat meal, seaweed extract, blood and bone etc. The second group is the chemical or manufactured fertiliser group. Both groups contain a very wide range of materials, preparations and mixtures in many different forms, powder, granules, pellets, liquids etc. There are advantages and disadvantages in using both groups of materials and I recommend that people use organic or natural materials as much as possible as these feed the soil as well as your plants. However sometimes due to the need to treat a specific deficiency or the need for a quick response, chemical fertilisers are required.<sup>6</sup>

Remember to closely follow the directions for use on any packages and to wash any material from the foliage of your plants as this can cause burning.

People have asked when to lift spring flowering bulbs after flowering. The golden rule is to leave for at least four weeks after flowers fade in order to build up the bulb for next season's flowers. Your bulbs can then be lifted, cleaned and stored in a cool dry place until time for replanting. Main vegetable plantings are carrots, parsnips, beetroot, celery, silverbeet, lettuce, cabbages, broccoli, early tomato, capsicum, pumpkin, cucumber and zucchini.

Happy gardening!

Stephen Hughan, Ararat Nursery – phone: 5352 1123

## From the Lions Den

**L** Liberty  
**I** Intelligence  
**O** Our  
**N** Nations  
**S** Safety



*We must teach more by example than by word. Mary MacKillop 1867.*

Recently I mentioned about the new program the Victoria Police were running to encourage young members to put in for country postings. Well, our man Roger had the job of taking his second constable out on patrol to show her how country policing was done.

The first motorist that they pulled up was slightly exceeding the speed limit. The police approached the vehicle, and the driver told them he was having trouble with the speed control, so Roger set it for him and let him go with a warning.

The constable watched with interest how Roger conducted the intercept. The next motorist they pulled up was also slightly exceeding the speed limit. The constable approached the vehicle and informed the driver of the reason for the interception. She then asked the driver, a young blond, to produce her driver's licence. The driver looked in her handbag and wallet and said, "I can't find it, what does it look like?"

"It is the size of a business card and has your photo on it."

The driver looked again and pulled out a card sized mirror, looked at it and handed it to the constable, "Here it is," she said.

The constable looked at it and said, "Why didn't you say you were in the police force; I will make it a warning."

As the motorist drove away and the constable went to the police car, Roger shook his head, smiled to himself and thought, "Victoria, is this your future", went back to the police car and said, "Gosh look at the time, I will have to get you back to Hamilton."

Peter Hinchey



### 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. Membership renewal for 2022 is \$40.00 per person. If you are a relative of ex-service men or women, you can also join the RSL. Affiliate memberships are also available to members of emergency services (police, fire brigade, CFA, ambulance and/or SES).

By becoming a member of the RSL, you will enjoy the privilege of having joined one of Australia's oldest and most revered organisations and supporting your local RSL Sub-Branch. An organisation committed to selfless service on behalf of the nation, which is dedicated to honouring those who have served our nation through military service, and that focuses on the care of veterans and their dependants. Application forms are available from the Secretary/Treasurer, Terrie Nicholson - phone: 5573 3353.

**2022 Commemorations:** Letter from the Hon Matt Keogh MP, Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Minister for Defence Personnel:

I am pleased to provide you with the latest commemorative resources to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Australian Peacekeepers and Peacemakers and the 2022 Remembrance Day.

On 14 September 2022, 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Australia's involvement in international peacekeeping operations will be commemorated. Australians were the first international peacekeepers in 1947, and have been serving on the ground continuously since that time. This anniversary is an opportunity to reflect on Australia's significant history as global supporters of peace and stability.

Remembrance Day is commemorated nationally on 11 November. On this day Australians pause for one minute's silence to remember those who have died or suffered in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

In addition to the posters, I have also included the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) 2023 commemorative calendar and the latest Century of Service book, Independence. The calendar explores the theme of friendship during military service. Independence shares stories of men and women who have served with the Royal Australian Navy. These products and further resources are available for free on the Anzac Portal at [anzacportal.dva.gov.au](http://anzacportal.dva.gov.au)

Should you have further enquiries, please contact DVA's Community Engagement team on 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372) or email: [education@dva.gov.au](mailto:education@dva.gov.au) You can follow DVA's work on both Facebook and Twitter at [facebook.com/DVAAUS](https://facebook.com/DVAAUS) and [twitter.com/DVAAUS](https://twitter.com/DVAAUS)



### Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide (Victoria) and Mental Health Awareness Forum:

The Ararat RSL Sub-Branch extends an invitation to RSL and community members to attend this forum on Wednesday 14 September 2022 from 10.00am to 1.00pm (light refreshments provided). **RSVP** to Lyn Russell, Ararat RSL Sub-Branch no later than Monday 12 September 2022 – phone or text: 0408 248 852 or email: [lyn.araratrsl@gmail.com](mailto:lyn.araratrsl@gmail.com)

There will be three presentations, which will include RSL Victoria Mental Health Advisor, Carolyn Deans; Melbourne Legacy Veteran Liaison Officer, Adam Kent and the Defence and Veterans Legal Service (DAVLS) solicitor, Dayle Partridge.

There will be sufficient time available for questions following each presentation, along with being able to make individual appointment if you are interested in finding out more about each of these services.

### Keeping the Legacy Promise Alive for 100 Years:

Established in 1923, Legacy is an iconic and uniquely Australian charity dedicated to supporting the families of our veterans.

Legacy started in the trenches of the Western Front during World War I, when a soldier said to his dying mate "I'll look

after the missus and kids". This became known as The Promise.

Today Legacy strives to ensure the families in our care can fully realise their potential through advocacy, education, financial and emotional support.



In 2023, Legacy will celebrate its 100 Years of Service. One of our key events is The Legacy Centenary Torch Relay 2023 presented by Defence Health. To be part of this historical event, follow the Centenary Torch as it travels across the world via the official app! For further information visit their website: [www.legacytorchrelay.com.au](http://www.legacytorchrelay.com.au) or [www.legacy.com.au](http://www.legacy.com.au)



### SCHOOL NEWS

We have another new family to welcome to our Dunkeld Consolidated School community, Harper (Year 6); Hamish (Year 4) and Jude Rush (Year 2), along with their parent, Rebecca and Adam.

### School Events

Our Book Week parade was fabulous, with lots of visitors attending, in particular it was wonderful to have our 2023 prep children here and their families. For the rest of the day our students completed book week activities in multi-age groups, focusing on different short-listed books.



On Wednesday 31 August, the students, along with the Kindergarten children (4-year olds), attended the *Rock-it!* performance. It is designed to leave students confident and buzzing with excitement at all the possibilities open to them through music.

### Teaching and Learning

Staff and School Council have reviewed the Child Safe Standards PowerPoint presentation with the recent updates from July 2022. Here is a link for information regarding the updates to the 11 Child Safe Standards. <https://ccyp.vic.gov.au/child-safe-standards/the-11-child-safe-standards/>

All Dunkeld Consolidated School staff are required to complete Cultural Understanding Safety Training (CUST). "Creating culturally safe and inclusive learning environments is everyone's business, but of course, teachers require a strong foundation of skills, knowledge, and a lot of support in order to deliver Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives within their classroom curriculum" - *Victorian Aboriginal Education Association*. This four-hour training session will take place on Tuesday 13 September 2022.

### Staffing News

Ms Dee-Anne Raymond has informed the school that she will be returning to teach at Dunkeld Consolidated School in 2023 after a temporary transfer to Buninyong Primary School.

With our allocated Mental Health Fund, we are appointing Miss Sarah Gordon to a Wellbeing Coordinator position on Mondays from week two in Term 4. Sarah's role will be to continue development and implementation of our Wellbeing Scope and Sequence, aligning Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships. The Resilience Project and Play Is The Way, with the Victorian Curriculum.

We have also extended the Tutor Learning Initiative program into Term 4, with Mrs Alyce Wilson continuing to work with students in the Year 2/3 classroom.

As this is the last newsletter before our Hockey 7's travel to the State Championships in Melbourne, I would like to wish them all the best, so proud of their achievements so far!

Thank you,  
*Ange Field, Acting Principal*

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

#### Daffodil Day - Friday 26 August 2022

Cancer Council Daffodil Day Appeal is

celebrated on 25 August each year. Our school celebrated Daffodil Day on Friday 26 August 2022.

It was lovely to see staff and students supporting this worthy cause. Together we can make an impact on the lives of other people affected by cancer. Our school raised a total of \$123.40 for the Cancer Council.



#### Book Week Parade

On Wednesday 24 August, all students from Prep to Year 6 and staff dressed up as their favourite book character. There were many amazing creative costumes that everyone put together. We had a whole school parade in the hall and the four-year-old Kinder children, all in their costumes, joined in our parade. Many parents came along and were amused and entertained by all our characters.



We loved reading the short-listed books that were selected for 2022 and really enjoyed the activities that went with them after the parade. After the parade the Year 6 students were partnered with their Prep buddies and the whole school participated in a day of book activities.

*By Ben Peters and Charlotte Alderman, School Captains*

#### Halls Gap Zoo Excursion – Prep, Year 1 and 2 Students

What a beautiful day to enjoy an excursion! Prep to Year 2 students, and staff, eagerly shared in a thrilling experience at the Halls Gap Zoo on Friday 19 August, as part of their Inquiry unit (Living Things).

A zookeeper provided the students with a personally guided 'Habitats' tour; where they visited five different animal enclosures - Forest, Desert, Water, Grassland and Alpine to learn all about the different habitats that living things need to survive.

Our guide, Courtney, arranged hands on experience with some animals and our students were brave and met the challenge.



#### Victorian Police Presentation

On Friday 26 August, Leading Senior Constable Roger McClure from Dunkeld Police Station visited our school and presented an information session for all our students. Topics included police officer's role, road safety, bike safety, school bus travel, being respectful of others at school and in the community and respecting property and equipment. Students



participated by asking many varied and interesting questions. Thank you, Leading Senior Constable Roger McClure for your informative chat.

### Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

Reports by SAKG Kitchen and Garden

– Captains Charlie Linke and Ella Peters



#### From the Kitchen...

On Friday 26 August 2022, the Year 5 and 6 students made Egg, Bacon and Warrigal Greens Pies, Potato and Rosemary Pizza, Coleslaw or Salad of the imagination and for dessert, Persimmon Sorbet. For Father's Day we made hot chocolate spoons and biscuits.



#### From the Garden...

The Year 4/5 students made Gardening Dunkeld videos. Millie McShane and her group are showing how to make billy tea. Alex Bird's group was doing how to take care of the cheeky chickens. Year 2/3 students trimmed the trees because they were growing through the net. Prep / Year 1 class found worms in the garden beds and used magnifying glasses to look at them more closely. Annabelle Beveridge found the biggest worm!

### The Dunkeld Consolidated School wants your Used Batteries!

The Dunkeld Consolidated School Council has been conducting an ongoing Battery Collection Fundraiser. Kelly's Dunkeld have kindly offered to be a central collection point for used batteries for the Dunkeld Consolidated School (Jason Linskens was instrumental in organising this). Any unwanted car, truck, tractor, boat batteries etc may be dropped off at Kelly's Hardware Store, 101 Parker Street, Dunkeld.

Components of used batteries e.g., metals, acids and plastics are reclaimed, recycled and put back into the manufacturing process to build more batteries and household products, 98% of the battery is recycled.

If you require any assistance with the pick-up of your used batteries, please contact Simon Ross on 0408 984 499. Thank you for your continued support!

The Dunkeld Consolidated School Council would also like to thank Mr Nathan Hinkley and Mr Terry Schultz, Grampians Tyre Service, Hamilton for their generous support of our Used Batteries Fundraising project.

### SCALES OF JUSTICE Historic Willaura Courthouse

**Artist Statement:** *The Willaura Courthouse captured my imagination when I first witnessed it sitting abandoned in the main street of this picturesque rural village. Few passing travellers will see the lights illuminate as they bleed through its windows at night ... but the past stories of lives forever changed will continue to be held within its walls.*

*Scales of Justice is an art installation to be visited alone at night. View it from a distance, across the street. Listen to the sounds of the night ... the passing highway traffic in the distance, the flapping of an owl in the tree overhead, the cacophony of frogs across the swamp ... or perhaps even*

the distant echo of the magistrate's call to order from years past. It arouses emotions through the colours that glow in the windows ...


This is an evocative spectacle that I hope captures the viewer's imagination, allowing time to reflect on the changing colours of our lives and emotions.

Felix Titling, Abstract Installation Artist

A derelict courthouse, once the heartbeat of a community.  
Abandoned, but with stories to be told.....

Crimes committed, lives examined,  
Passions ignited, justice served.

**SCALES OF JUSTICE**



Willaura Modern's poignant light installation activates place, memory and imagination.  
Stand with us and feel the echoes of generations past, connecting to our generation present.

**When:** Spring 2022 and into the future, who knows when the lights will disappear?  
**Where:** The Historic Willaura Courthouse, Main Street, Willaura, Victoria.

From dusk until dawn.



The Dunkeld Arboretum Annual General Meeting is on at 8.00pm, on Monday 19 September at Sterling Place, Dunkeld Community Centre.

All welcome.

**Spring INTO HORSHAM**  
Spring into Horsham these school holidays!

**ICE SKATING RINK**  
Grab your skates and let's go!

For a limited time, you can try your hand at ice skating in Horsham! Running these school holidays, from **Monday 19 September to Sunday 25 September, 10am to 8pm** every day at Roberts Place, Horsham

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Adults (over 18) \$10  
Children (under 18) \$5  
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Family (2 adults, 2 children) \$25

Sessions run for 45 minutes. Please arrive 15 minutes before booking time to get fitted with skates.  
Make sure you book in quick before the spring sunshine melts that ice away...

**also happening**

**LIVE MUSIC**  
Thursday 22 September, 6pm - 9pm  
FreeZA Stage on Ward Street  
all ages live music event

**GAMING NIGHT**  
Friday 23 September, 6pm - 9pm  
Horsham Mario Kart Tournament  
(all ages) at Roberts Place

Horsham Rural City Council  
This event is made possible by Horsham Rural City Council, with support from the Victorian Government.

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