

Dunkeld & District Newsletter



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3 Peaks Festival

This year the 3 Peaks Festival is back in our original stomping ground at the Dunkeld Memorial Park on Saturday 15 October 2022.

With lockdown life behind us we have been excitedly planning a huge reboot of all the festival fun of years gone by to make it a day out for all to enjoy.

We can't wait to sample all the locally made treats, craft beer, local wine and small batch distillery beverages while browsing the unique work of local crafters.

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We can't wait to see you there so **MEET YOU IN THE PARK!**

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CHURCH TIMES

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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

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

2nd 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.

Panyyabyr Uniting Church

Mirranatwa Uniting Church

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

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER 2022

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
3 Term 4 begins	4	5 Newsletter issue 15 distributed	6	7	8	9 Grannes Garden Festival
10	11	12	13	14 Newsletter issue 16 deadline	15 3 Peaks Festival – Meet you in the Park!	16
17	18	19 Newsletter issue 16 distributed	20	21	22	23
24	25 Mayor for a Day performance – Sterling Place	26	27	28 Newsletter issue 17 deadline	29	30



RED CROSS NEWS

On Friday, we joined a large group of friends and family to farewell the long serving member - Pat Learmonth. She made it into her 90's despite a lung illness. We will miss her cheerfulness and our condolences go out to her loving family.

Found amongst some snippets left by the late Helena Flinn, were some early office bearers listed. During WW2, Secretary Mrs Wattie Collins taught the ladies how to make dilly bags. As well, the group knitted socks and balaclavas and made pyjamas and shirts for the soldiers. The Cullinane twins started the raffles and the CWA made camouflage nets. Mrs Catherine Funk was secretary in 1941 and again from 1959 - 1970.

Red Cross was active during the 1950's as Mary Simpson was President 1956 - 1959 and Region Rep from 1963 - 1973. As most office bearers were women, one man ... Mr Paddy Chapman ... seemed to be the Treasurer for almost 20 years.

On 21 July 1960, the first combined AGM with Nareeb, Glenthompson and Dunkeld, was held in the RSL Hall. Dunkeld and Nareeb continue to meet once a year.

For our November end-of-year-lunch, we invite members, non-members and friends to join us. Further details later.

Iris Field, contact person, phone: 5574 0202

DAMIAN CALLINAN - MAYOR FOR A DAY

You may recall Damian from his previous ventures to the region with such shows as "The Merger" and "Wine Bluffs"... this time Damian is visiting Dunkeld, meeting and surveying locals and getting a real taste for the town before reporting his hilarious findings back to our community. To shed YOUR insights on Dunkeld and the surrounding region, spend a couple of minutes completing this survey, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QHCWQD9> and grab your tickets at hamiltonpac.com.au!

The popularly unelected Callinan will slipping on the mayoral robes for a couple of days in each town. After the one-man, public service campaigner has taken in all he can, he'll rock up to the hall armed only with a projector and a microphone, to report his findings to a local populace keen to find out why that bloke was dressed as a ghost in the bottom pub.

Combining photos, observations, municipal advice, colourful yarns and his uncanny eye for seeing things that the locals don't, Callinan will have each of these towns thinking he's been residing there for a year rather than a day.

What will the multi award-winning comedian, actor and writer make of Dunkeld's natural wonders and quirky characters? Will he end up wandering dreamily through the enchanting Grampians National Park (Gariwerd) wearing one of the two Royal Mail Hotel Chef hats?

Come and hear Damian run his comedic eyes over the town, then join him as he leads a working bee to build a toilet in the Dunkeld Arboretum.

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DAMIAN CALLINAN

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MAYOR FOR A DAY

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contact

Keryn Gordon 0400 832 256

or

Mary Lou McDonald 0427 500 137



SCRAPS from the SCRAPES – September 2022

August and September are busy months for Grampians Golf Club members and visitors. The Club's 58th Annual Tournament was held 16 – 21 August and saw a range of events over the four days.

The weekend of 17 and 18 September saw the finals of the time-honoured Club Championships for Ladies and Gents. The semi-finals were held Saturday over 18 holes, with the finals held Sunday over 36 gruelling holes. It is true to say that the weather conditions ranged from challenging to atrocious, but the course itself presented magnificently. The work put in by the Greens Committee and volunteer helpers meant that the results would reflect the quality of play, not the rub of the green.

The final result of each event was:

Ladies Open – Venita Mibus, runner-up Kerren Collins.

Ladies B Grade – Kathy Sommerville, runner-up Jo Armytage.

Men's Open - Tim Farquharson, runner-up Angus Jackson (35th hole).

Men's B Grade – Andrew Borgmeyer, runner-up Peter Day.

Angus is a previous Club Champion, but Tim is in his first year or so as a Club Member. We look forward to tussles like this for years to come, with a few young guns waiting in the wings.

Venita was pleased and surprised to be Ladies Champion. She acknowledged that 12-time champion Martina Whelan was overseas this year and that provided the opportunity for a new champion.

For those who were lacking either talent, luck and/or motivation in the lead up to the championship, there was the opportunity to play in the "Who Gives a Fat Rats" Cup – or I think that was what it was called! In the spirit of the event, no one could remember, let alone care, who won.

There were also recent milestone celebrations for long time members John "Shorty" Sheahan and Tony "OrangeT" Roe. In my time at the club, I have heard them called many things, but what we haven't heard them called up to now are octogenarians, mainly because no-one knows what it means and it has more than one syllable!

In golfing terms to "break 80" is the ambition of many but achieved by few, especially for 18 holes. For these two gents to have reached 80 years of age on the same day is a magnificent achievement, some may say miraculous. Golf at the Grampians has in no small way helped them reach this milestone. May there be many more ferret birdies to come for them both!!

You don't have to be a member to play at Grampians Golf Club as there is an honesty box green fee system. If you and your visitors to Dunkeld are looking for a different golfing experience, why not try the Grampians Golf Club.

There are regular competitions on Tuesdays and Saturdays if Golf Link holders would like to play in those, or just come out for a social hit at any time.

When asked about the Ross 4 Ball, PM Anthony Albanese said he didn't expect a result until his government's second term.

Till next time – may all your lies be preferred, or at least believable!

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CONTACT:
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Heather: 0402 481 577

250 WORDS FROM FATHER DAVID

'Legacy' - what others see when they no longer see you. It was a fruitful conversation to have and it went like this. That when you are 20 something you are pretty much absorbed in life and living it to the full with no thought for the future and certainly Sister Death is non existent. Sure, like she happens, but only to really old people.

But now that we are a little closer to our dotage, Sister Death is peeking from around the corner and casting alluring, knowing looks. How do I / we prepare to greet her?

I think I have begun the process by doing the pragmatic stuff. My favourite undertaker knows exactly what vestments to put on my body. There is a file with hymns, readings etc.

Cremation is the order of the day. I have a will and I have a nifty purple organ donation card which takes pride of place in my wallet.

Other people will arrange their inevitable interview with Sister Death in other ways and that is right and good and proper and appropriate.

But there was another word lying latent in this conversation. This other word was 'Legacy'. Someone defined it this way. Legacy is what others see when they no longer see you. So the question that is in my face and will not let me shy away is this.

'What will others see when they no longer see me? What legacy will remain?' Here are my pious, naive wishes.

That something I have said, written or done, will have enabled just one person, at one point in time, to glimpse the unconditional love of You Know Who. Pretty much pie in the sky, but it's a good thing to aim for. So having had a go at answering these questions, it's now your turn.

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NEXT GENERATION PARKING METERS FOR HAMILTON CBD

Council endorsed the removal and replacement of 204 pay-by-space parking meters across the Hamilton CBD at last night's ordinary Council meeting.

The installation of new 'next generation' parking meters will enable cashless, pay-by-plate, contactless and ticketless machines.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Cr Bruach Colliton said the replacement of the coin-operated parking metres will assist Council to gauge activity and encourage traffic flow within the CBD.

"We acknowledge that currently there is a real inconsistency across Hamilton in relation to operational parking meters which ultimately creates confusion amongst drivers," said Cr Colliton.

"Replacing the old coin operated meters with next generation technology, will provide consistency and will help keep traffic moving around the CBD. We know historically there has been issues with people parking in front of shops for extended periods which in turn prevents other shoppers from accessing those parking locations.

"Completed traffic engineering studies have shown us that paid parking is effective and efficient in managing those priority parking spaces within the CBD to enable movement of shoppers, ultimately increasing foot traffic to our local businesses."

In 2020, Council adopted the Hamilton CBD Masterplan which discussed the broader future of parking meters in the CBD. This strategic document recommended Council keep paid parking, but upgrade to new parking meters with additional payment and enforcement technology.

Council's ability to repair current defective meters is hampered by ageing technology, availability of spare parts and resources to repair infrastructure. The next generation parking meters will offer a higher level of functionality to reduce operational costs.

"The COVID experience has provided us with key data that shows shoppers are now carrying less coins which has also contributed to Council's decision to provide a cashless parking meter option. The new meters will also be powered by solar, eliminating the need for mains power connectivity and providing a more cost effective and sustainable option. "This is the first step in Council moving towards the renewal of Hamilton CBD and will make a significant improvement to the aesthetics and functionality for residents and tourists," concluded Cr Colliton.

Parking meter renewal in the Hamilton CBD is consistent with the 2021-2025 Council Plan and directly relates to objective 3.1 - Plan and maintain sustainable assets and infrastructure, by applying the strategy of 3.1.1 Review and adopt asset management plans to align with future service levels, environmental and financial sustainability. The new parking meters are expected to be introduced over the next 12 months.

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DRAFT ARTS AND CULTURE STRATEGY OUT NOW

Southern Grampians Shire Council has released its draft Arts and Culture Strategy 2022 – 2026 for community exhibition.

The draft Strategy will guide Council and community in the planning, development and promotion of arts and cultural facilities, initiatives, programs and services, and aligns directly with the current Council Plan.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Cr Bruach Colliton said the Arts and Culture Strategy has been developed based upon extensive community and stakeholder consultation.

“The draft Strategy really focuses on those key values which emerged during the consultation process including First Peoples First; Activity and Engagement; Access and Inclusion; Creative Spaces; Place Making; and Information and Awareness,” said Cr Colliton.

“We know that having a strong arts culture is vital to the health and wellbeing of our community which is why having a strategy to support Council in its delivery of programs is vital. “Arts and Cultural experiences brings us together whether that be for exhibitions or live performances, showcases spaces of innovation, and importantly provide jobs for locals whilst also celebrating our regional heritage.

“Council has significantly increased its investment in the Arts and Culture space over the last few years with an ongoing commitment of planning for a new Hamilton Gallery, investment in infrastructure renewal and upgrades, improving access, and the continued investment towards the development of our art collection through acquisitions.

“The draft Strategy includes key measurable outcomes that will allow us to deliver on those key priorities as featured in our 2021-2025 Council Plan.

“Council remains committed to supporting and advocating for our creative arts industry, and also assisting the community to achieve their arts and culture aspirations,” concluded Cr Colliton.

The Arts and Culture Strategy replaces the previous Arts and Culture Strategic Plan 2014.

The draft Strategy will remain out until 14 October 2022. Community members can view and provide feedback on the draft Arts and Culture Strategy online at www.sthgrampians.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay or via the [online form here](#).

Hard copies of the draft Strategy are also available at the Southern Grampians Shire Council Customer Service Centre located at 111 Brown Street, Hamilton.

Dan Tehan MP

Member for Wannon

As your representative in the Federal Parliament, listening to your views about our local area is my priority.

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SCHOOL NEWS

School Events

After travelling to Melbourne to support our Hockey 7's team, I came away reflecting on how lucky our students are to have access to a variety of sports, with experienced coaches to assist. Listening to Jen and Lea McArthur address our team was wonderful, our players are inevitably going to come away with good sportsmanship practices and the qualities you need to make a good team member. I was so proud to wear our school colours and be there to support the team. *Well done, Ben Peters, Phoebe Lazzari, Ella Peters, Phoebe Ross, Darcy Potter, Ned Peters, Max Russell, Elodie Cochran and Henrietta*

Patterson. Thank you to their families for also taking the time to transport them to Melbourne and form our support crew.

Our Year 6 leaders are really starting to step-up their leadership skills. Last Friday, an eSmart Fun Friday session was planned, organised and implemented exceptionally well, by our Student Voice and School Captains. Footy Colours Day also saw our Sports Captains plan and implement an afternoon of football activities, leading the way alongside our School Captains to ensure a fun afternoon. Through use of our Seesaw for Schools platform, I am able to message our leaders and vice versa, teaching them the skills of organisation, responsibility, time management and accountability.

Thank you to the Dunkeld Lions Club who provided students and staff with a free barbecue lunch on Tuesday 13 October. The Dunkeld Lions Club also answered questions about the Lions Club, including why it exists, where it was established and how long they have been members for. Thank you to Todd Burger, Ian Macgugan and Noel Mibus for volunteering their time, sharing with us why they like to give back to the community and help others when needed.

Our new drop-off/pick-up zone is almost ready to be used. We are awaiting the finishing touches ensuring both gateways are accessible, which has been affected by the recent wet weather.

Surveys

Based on results from our Communication Tools survey, we will commence with two special newsletters a term. Important dates/special events/notices will be sent via Seesaw on a regular basis, along with the school email where applicable. We encourage families to ensure that Seesaw notifications are in use and readily available to read.

Chess Club is now operating in our shelter shed, with our



inaugural members Freddie Jury, Mac Jackson, Will Griffin-Wilson, Tyson Riddle, Jim Herrmann and Nate Elliott, giving the shed a good tidy up and setting up tables for beginners and experienced players. The boys have shown great organisational skills and are looking to entice more children to learn the game of Chess. Well done boys!

Thank you,

Ange Field, Acting Principal

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Aussie Kids Rock - Rock-it Performance

BANG! Deano was hitting the drums to hard! In a matter of seconds, the whole school was shouting at Deano saying, 'Stop drumming Deano!'

On Wednesday 31 August CJ and Deano from Aussie Kids Rock came to our school and performed four different styles of music.

The four styles of music were Country, Blues, Heavy Metal and Hip Hop.

The music was amazing, it got everyone up on their feet, dancing! They taught us actions to go with the songs that everyone did in-sync.

It was amazing entertainment!

We also learnt that CJ is a ventriloquist! He had a 'puppet' called Nigel that he voiced without moving his mouth! It was incredible!



Thank you so much CJ and Deano! Your performance was amazing! Rock-it! *By Indi Mibus*

Year 2 Grampians Retreat Camp - 1 to 2 September

We walked up Mount Piccaninny (Bainggug). We went to the recreation room to do some indigenous artwork with Jardwardjali elder, Nerissa Major. The Giant Swing was scary but amazing. Toasted giant



marshmallows on the inside fire because it was too wet to be outside. There were many different challenges, on the Rope Course. Enjoyed zipping along on the Flying Fox. Wow! What a jammed packed camp we all experienced. The Year 2 students' thoughts about going on camp: Sybil and Gracee – FUN, Nellie – COOL, Michaela – EXCITING, Xavier - SUPER FUN, George and Jed - SUPER AMAZING, Bobby – AWESOME, Jackson – SURPRISING, Ryan – HAPPY, Lochie – CHARMING, Jude - THE BEST.

'R U OK?' DAY Thursday 8 September 2022

R U OK is a National Day of Action to remind us that every day is a day to ask, 'Are you okay?'

Start a meaningful conversation whenever you spot someone you care about that might be struggling



School Assembly on Friday 2 September 2022

The SAKG Captains, Sports Captains and Student Voice presented their reports to the assembly. Prep and Year 1 students presented their Book Week writing.

Honour Certificates:

Prep/Year 1: Sam Parkinson and James Cochran.
Year 2/3: Michaela Roache, Jed Russell, George Heazlewood and Minu Sutherland.
Year 4/5: Zoe Trotter and Will Griffin-Wilson.
Year 5/6: Freddie Jury, Felix Hyland, Phoebe Ross and Ava Balkin.

SAKG Year 6 Students' Royal Mail Hotel Kitchen Garden Tour and Dining Experience

The school has been given the opportunity by way of invitation to visit the Royal Mail Hotel and Kitchen Garden on Thursday 13 October 2022. The Royal Mail Hotel has one of the largest most productive Kitchen Gardens in Australia. Year 6 students and staff will tour the garden, which will show them a diverse range of organic vegetables, herbs, edible flowers, fruits and nuts. They will also experience the large 'igloos' which help to extend the growing season.

The group will then visit the Royal Mail Hotel dining room, which offers nature-based cuisine focusing on locally sourced produce and share a dining experience together in the Royal Mail Hotel Dining Room. The Royal Mail Hotel has kindly offered to cover the cost of this excursion.

The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and the Royal Mail Hotel have very similar programs – growing, harvesting and preparing seasonal produce. This experience will enhance the students' knowledge in seasonality, hospitality and how seasonal produce may be prepared and presented.

SPORTS

Hockey 7's State Titles on Thursday 8 September 2022

Absolutely an amazing achievement for our Hockey 7's team!



They played three games; two draws (1-1) and then won their last game 11-0, Unfortunately just missing out on the finals. Our team was ready for the event thanks to their coaches Lea McArthur and Jen McArthur, with game plans and team play

combining well to create scoring opportunities. They were wonderfully supported by their parents, siblings and grandparents who attended the event to cheer them team on. The team represented our school, displaying great sportsmanship, skill, and most of all the enjoyment of playing at this level. So proud of you all!

Footy/Sports Team Colours Day on Tuesday 13 September 2022

Students and staff proudly wore their favourite team colours of the many different sporting teams they support including AFL, Rugby League, Basketball, Soccer, Hockey etc to celebrate our Footy/Sports Team Colours Day. We are very grateful to the Dunkeld and District Lions Club members who kindly provided a free 'sausage sizzle' lunch for everyone! Thank you to Lauren Dennert, AFL Participation Officer, who conducted free clinics for the Year 5/6 and Year 4/5 students. The day was right on the mark!



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

Reports by SAKG Kitchen and Garden – Captains Charlie Linke and Ella Peters

From the Kitchen...



On Friday 2 September, the Year 4/5 students harvested, prepared and shared in the Kitchen. The menu included Egg, Bacon and Warrigal Greens Pies, Potato and Rosemary Pizza, Stir-fry of the Imagination and Persimmon Sorbet. Students also made some Big Blokes Bikkies and Hot Chocolate Spoons as special treats for Father's Day.

Year 5/6 students were busy in the Kitchen on Friday 9 September, and they prepared the following items for their shared lunch with students, staff and SAKG Friends – Spring Focaccia, Baked Ricotta and Spinach Gnocchi, Meringue with Lemon Curd and Rhubarb Relish.

From the Garden...

Our two senior garden classes - Grade 4/5 and Grade 5/6 - have been working on a project we hope to show you all in Term 4. They are producing "Gardening Dunkeld" videos - and they take inspiration and learning from the ABC's Gardening Australia program.



Our students learn how to produce a short film that not only teaches the viewer about a particular gardening topic, but also aims to captivate and enchant them, resulting in their viewers wanting to see and learn more about a topic.

The children have researched their chosen topic, and then learn how to use their voice, their body language, music, camera techniques and angles, to engage their viewers - teaching them in an enjoyable way.



Costa Georgiadis (host of Gardening Australia) has heard that your children were doing this project and very kindly offered to send them some fantastic advice to help them with it. So, he made them two videos - just for your students - to help them with their work. He really is an amazingly friendly and very generous person.

The Grade 5/6 students sent him a note of thanks and below is his reply:

So lovely to hear from you and receive your note of thanks and the photo with all the students. I can't wait to see some of their videos.

Much love to you all.

Costa

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.



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offering an environment to support your physical well-being needs.

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MELVILLE OVAL PRECINCT DESIGN PROGRESSES

Draft detailed designs for the Hamilton's Melville Oval Redevelopment project are now with

Council with plans to call for construction tenders later this month.

The designs include:

- New change rooms for players and umpires under and north of the Grandstand;
- New pavilion including Netball change rooms, umpires rooms and social rooms with commercial kitchen;
- Two new Netball courts with competition lighting;
- Undercover seating area for Netball and Football spectators;
- Upgraded landscaping of Market Place;
- Realignment of the road reserve boundary of Market Place to allow for construction of the Pavilion and Netball Courts;
- Redeveloped playground.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Cr Bruach Colliton said the designs pave an exciting future for the Southern Grampians sporting community.

“It’s taken a little longer than we’d hoped to get to this stage, but these designs are something we’re really proud of. The redevelopment of this precinct will help to deliver an improved user experience for keen sports people across the region while also putting Hamilton on the sporting map for Western Victoria,” said Cr Colliton.

“The next phase of the process will be to go out to tender later this month with the finalised designs and we are also inviting interested contractors to submit an alternative design response to ensure the project delivers on all aspects needed, whilst bringing the project within the budget.

“We know that the construction industry is still feeling the impacts of the pandemic where material and labour shortages have to be considered as part of the project, which is why through this tender process, we will ask contractors to look at efficiencies via alternative materials and design to align within the project budget.”

Council allocated \$3.970 million from the Federal Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant towards the project and together with \$4.043 million from the Federal Government Community Development Grant, the overall project budget is \$8.28million.

“Once the tender process is complete, Council will look to award the construction contract in December with the overall project construction set to be finalised by mid-2024. Tenders will seek construction to commence early 2023.

“This project is a key deliverable of the Hamilton Central Business Area Activation Masterplan finalised in 2020. With the demolition contract for existing buildings (minus the Grandstand and Cottage) awarded earlier in the year and designs now going out to tender, we will really start to see the project gain speed and progress to implementation.

“This project has been developed with significant consultation and engagement with the local sporting clubs, associations and State Peak sporting bodies to ensure that the Precinct not only looks great, but that practicality and useability remain at the core of the project,” concluded Cr Colliton.

Life Saving Victoria

Becoming a Lifeguard

Becoming a lifeguard you will learn great new skills:

- Resuscitation (CPR)
- Oxygen Supplemented Resuscitation
- Aquatic Spinal Injury Management
- Aquatic Surveillance and Rescue techniques
- Communication
- Leadership
- Working in a team environment
- Effective supervision
- Level 2 First Aid

What formal qualifications do I need to become a lifeguard?

- Pool Lifeguard Certificate (two day weekend course, including online training)
- Level 2 First Aid (day course)
- Working with Children Check (if over 18) (Online application)

How do I obtain my lifeguard qualification?

Courses are being hosted at the Hamilton Indoor Leisure and Aquatic Centre on:

- Saturday and Sunday, 15 - 16 October 2022
- Saturday and Sunday, 12 - 13 November 2022

These classes run between 9:00am - 5:00pm both Saturday and Sunday. The cost is **\$320** to book. You will find a course at the website below:

<https://training.lsv.com.au/>

Keep an eye out for recruitment dates on our Facebook page!

There are seven pools located within the Southern Grampians Shire Council. Over the summer period we will need to hire approximately 25 lifeguards to staff these pools. Lifeguards need to be at least 17 years of age. Lifeguards working at Balmoral, Dunkeld, Peshurst and Glenthompson pools have to be at least 18. Lifeguards under 18 can work at Hamilton, Coleraine and HILAC pools.

The main role of a lifeguard is to ensure everyone using the pool is doing so in a safe manner. This means following the rules and not putting themselves or anyone else in danger. There are also other responsibilities like performing water tests and general cleaning. It is important that lifeguards are mature and responsible, if an incident were to occur, the lifeguard on deck is the first responder. This means performing first aid, assisting a swimmer that is struggling or potentially rescuing someone from the water.

We can be flexible with work arrangements and a position could lead to all year round work if interested!

How do I obtain my First Aid qualification?

You can complete your Level 2 First Aid at organisations such as South West TAFE and WDEA Works. The course is completed over one day or two evenings, the cost is **\$190.00**.

More information can be found at:

shortcourses.swtafe.vic.edu.au/courses/1001197-provide-first-aid

How do I obtain my working with children check?

Working with Children Check applications can be completed online at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au you then need to go to the Australia Post Outlet to have your photograph taken. The cost is **\$121.10**.

Lifeguard certification checklist

1. Enroll in Lifeguard Training
2. Enroll in First Aid Training
3. Complete Working With Children Check

From the Lions Den

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*All will be right with time and a little patience –
Mary MacKillop 1873.*

Recently the Lions supplied lunch for the school children and staff at the Dunkeld Consolidated School. This is something that we do annually and we have been doing it for in excess of twenty years. The reason we do it still is because the children are such a delight and it is a real boost to us because we know the future will be bright. Thank you to the children, teachers and parents. Talking about the future, spare a thought for one of our 70+ year-old locals who was pulled up by the police recently.

The policeman said, "Good morning driver, I checked your speed at 115 kilometres an hour in a 100 zone, what is your reason for speeding?"

Our local replied, "Sorry officer but nowadays I have to rush everywhere so that I get there before I forget why I am going there."

As Mary said, "All will be right with time and a little patience."

Peter Hinchey

September

By Marion Colton

High, high in the sky
an eagle spirals
Two small birds
swoop to attack ...
Grey forms silently
bound swiftly
through misty trees ...
Rain pelts down
drenching, drenching.
Wurgarri is decapitated
by dense grey-white clouds ...
Earth is activated
Water lies
on low flats, in hollows, in ruts;
it rushes between banks
pushing them wider
stretching into cul-de-sacs,
overflowing dams and pools.
It dribbles down trunks,
coats leaves with watery light.
It carves, it hollows,
it seeps, it soaks,
it explores a million places.
Water, life's essence
and life's destroyer.



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 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.

Veterans' Health Week 2022 to focus on eating well for a better life: Gone are the days of promoting healthy eating for weight loss – it's about making healthy lifestyle choices that supports strong physical, mental and wellbeing.

This is a concept the Department of Veterans' Affairs will be promoting for Veterans Health Week this year.

Veterans' Health Week, celebrated from October 1 to October 9 in 2022, is a week dedicated to raising awareness of the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle for veterans and their families.

This year's theme is 'Eat Well' and places an emphasis on the importance of maintaining good nutrition, not just for a person's physical health, but for their wholistic wellbeing.

Department of Veterans' Affairs Dietetic Advisor Tara Diversi said there was evidence to suggest that veterans generally have a poorer nutritional intake than the general civilian population for a variety of reasons, such as an increase in physical and mental illness.

Veterans' Health Week aims to change the narrative around healthy living for veterans and their families.

"The goal of Veterans' Health Week is to help veterans and families improve their physical, mental, and social health, which overall improves their quality of life," Tara said.

"Generally, the feedback is that they (veterans) are interested in how they can pass on healthy habits to their families, their children and their grandchildren."

Every year for Veterans' Health Week, the Department of Veterans' Affairs partners up with ex-service organisations and the veteran community to host events aimed around educating the community on the benefits of good nutrition.

This year's activities involve planting an edible garden, and cooking classes.

While the 2022 theme focuses on eating well, past themes for Veterans' Health Week have emphasised exercise, social connection, and mental health.

The importance of having a dedicated week for veterans to learn about their health and learn healthy eating habits cannot be understated, according to Tara.

"Having weeks like Veterans' Health Week really highlights to veterans, to the community and to ex-service organisations that DVA does take health seriously," she said.

"It looks at health promotion activities to ensure people can get information that is beneficial, evidence-based and allows us to promote overall health rather than specific things we don't do.

"Eating well is not just about managing weight, it's about managing health, and you can be healthy regardless of your size."

In recognition of Veterans Health Week, Victorian veterans and war widows will have access to free public transport between October 1 and October 9.

Keep up with the RSL Victoria social channels for more on Veterans' Health Week, from events to fun facts about the theme 'Eat Well'. For further information please visit the Department of Veterans' Affairs website: www.dva.gov.au



Garden Notes – October

Flowering annuals are useful back in the garden in pots or hanging baskets to add bright splashes of colour to your garden during the late spring and summer through to autumn. Annuals in pots are useful as they can be moved around to different areas of your garden or even taken indoors for a few days for a special display. Make sure that you use free draining clean pots and a premium quality potting mix (one which meets Australian Standard 3743).

For open ground planting, soil preparation is important, well cultivated with the addition of compost or rotted animal manure or a well-balanced complete fertilizer. Annuals grow rapidly therefore a plentiful supply of plant nutrients should be available. If your soil is not deep, raising the area by 10 – 15 cm will give your plant roots more room to develop as well as improving drainage. Water the seedlings carefully before removing from the punnet and be sure to plant at the same depth as in the punnet, then water in well. Correct planting spacing is shown on the punnet label.

Regular gently watering is necessary until the plants are established. Slugs and snails can cause problems with some young plants. Keep weed and grass growth under control and use a snail bait or snail trap if necessary. Main spring plantings of annuals include aster, begonia, marigold, impatiens, carnations, dianthus, lobelia, petunia, portulaca, salvia, dahlia and many others.

Now is an ideal time to divide and replant your dahlia tubers. Also, to plant liliium, gladioli and lily of the valley.

Lots of summer vegetables can be planted in October including dwarf and climbing beans, beetroot, carrot, capsicum, chili, cucumber, lettuce, melons, parsnip, pumpkin, corn, squash, radish, tomato, zucchini and most herbs, also eggplant.

Don't forget the spray programs for your fruit trees, each spray is important, and timing is critical.

If you are using chemical weedkillers, be careful not to apply too close to wanted plants or damage can occur.

Happy gardening!
Stephen Hughan, Ararat Nursery – phone: 5352 1123

Kinnear Bulldog Saddles

Seeking information and saddles for research/history documentation and compilation

Kinnear was a name synonymous with saddles and harness in Australia, particularly Victoria, from 1852 to the mid 1950's.

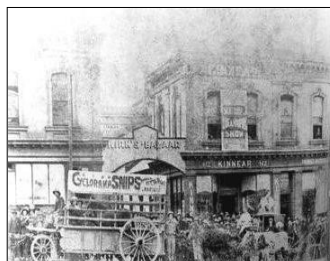
George Kinnear, saddler, arrived from Scotland to Victoria in 1852. He established a saddlery at Kilmore and three of his four sons also became saddlers.

Subsequently Kinnear and Sons established a saddlery at Euroa which closed in the early 1920's. The family of

saddlers won many awards for saddlery and harness at Agricultural exhibits over many years.

The most well-known saddler of the family was W.E. (Billy) Kinnear who established a saddlery at Kirks Bazaar in Bourke Street, Melbourne in the late 1880's. Billy became well known for his "Bulldog" brand saddles.

It was William (Billy) Kinnear who is credited for first introducing the "Poley" buck-jump saddle, which he designed with the knee pad set high on the tree to give the rider a longer grip with the thighs. The design of this knee pad was patented, along with other saddle and harness innovations.



Bourke Street Melbourne c1910

His Buckjump Poley saddles were in common use among the rough riding fraternity before the Australian Professional Rodeo Association introduced standardised equipment requirements in 1944.

Photo: W.E. Kinnear Saddlery

Billy Kinnear handcrafted and supplied his Bulldog Brand saddles and harness for everyday use and almost every type of equestrian event staged, as well as to elite markets in India and South Africa, and the war efforts. His business catered for all types of horses. From buckjumpers and stock horses to harness, polo and hunting horses, show ponies and racehorses, and he became entwined with the travelling exhibition and buckjumping shows such as McConvilles and Skuthorpes. He counted the elite of the equestrians, authors, poets and Ned Kelly's relations amongst his friends.

His saddles were used in exhibitions and competitions overseas. Riders such as Alan McPhee, Victor Cowan and Ned Lloyd performed in Kinnear Bulldog saddles in the United Kingdom and America.

There are many different types of Kinnear stock saddles that have been identified, plus polo, hunting, racing, training, side saddles and all purpose saddles.

Clive and Sue Barton are taking it upon themselves to document and record as many Kinnear saddles as possible.



They are also restoring the saddles back to original condition should the owners have no further use for them. Their ultimate goal is to keep together a collection of a variety of Kinnear saddles, of which there are at least thirty, for posterity and to publish the history of the Kinnear saddles and harness.

Photo: Kinnear Bulldog saddle brand.

There are still some genuine Kinnear Bulldog saddles in existence and the Barton's would appreciate anyone who has one, regardless of type or condition, contacting them so that the saddles can be documented and recorded. For research and historical purposes, every saddle is important.

They would appreciate hearing from those that may have a collection of old saddles, even if they don't know what they are, as often they have found Kinnear Bulldog saddles in old sheds on farms. The newest Kinnear saddle is 70 years old, the last one being made in 1953.

The Barton's would also like to hear any anecdotes or stories that the older generation may have of the Kinnear saddlers or visits to the premises in Bourke Street prior to 1956.

Clive and Sue Barton can be contacted by email at suebarton@westnet.com.au or 0419 614 864.

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