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## CHURCH TIMES

### Saint Patrick's Catholic Church

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1st Week	Sunday	March 6	8.30am	Mass
2nd Week	Sunday	March 13		No service – Mass at Glenthompson
3rd Week	Sunday	March 20	8.30am	Mass
4th Week	Sunday	March 27	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 on phone: 5571 1317.

### Pannyabyr Uniting Church

### Mirranatwa Uniting Church

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

### WHAT'S ON IN MARCH / APRIL

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
21	22	23 Newsletter issue 4 distributed	24	25	26 Dunkeld & District Community Bank 11 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations 9.00am-11.00am	27
28 Red Cross Meeting @ 2.00pm	29	30	31 FREE Australian String Quartet performance in Hamilton @ 6.00pm	<b>1 APRIL</b> Newsletter issue 5 deadline. Last issue for the term.	2	3
4	5	6 Newsletter issue 5 distributed	7	8 Term 1 concludes	9	10 Launch of James Affleck's book at Dunkeld Community Centre 2.00pm
11 No Dingoes Public Meeting @ 7.00pm Dunkeld Community Centre	12	13	14	15 Good Friday	16	17 Easter Sunday

# 'NO DINGOES' PUBLIC MEETING

MONDAY 11 APRIL @ 7.00pm  
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## RED CROSS NEWS

In its 74<sup>th</sup> Year, *Red Cross Calling (Act For Humanity)* has now been extended from **March into April**. During that time, we are running a **Hamper Raffle**, with ticket sales in the Post Office, Dunkeld General Store and Sturgeon View Cafe, as well as in the street, some weekends. Items are still being accepted for the raffle, in the box, just inside the **Bendigo Bank**. The **collection boxes** for cash **donations** are in Kelly's and the General Store. We thank these businesses so much for their kindness in helping.

We are glad to know people are still writing letters and as a result, are passing on their **used stamps** to the Red Cross. A sizeable bundle is being handed to our co-ordinators at the **Zone Meeting** on Tuesday 22 March in the Daisy Turner Room, Hamilton. Nareeb and Dunkeld branches will be providing the Morning Tea.

Our dear senior member **Dorothy Blanch**, is now comfortably settled in Kolor Lodge, Penshurst. Thanks, Nola, for going through the 'COVID hoops' to call and visit Dorothy. We send her our love and best wishes.

The **March Meeting** will be in the Henry Leech RSL Room on **Monday 28 March at 2.00pm**.

*Iris Field, Secretary*

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### Landcare News

We are very fortunate to have great active Landcare Groups in our local area - Panyyabyr, Mirranatwa, Bunnugal, Glenthompson and Mooralla. Between them, they hold an array of field days and workshops, apply for grants, undertake studies and surveys and coordinate and assist in pest plant and animal control. If you would like to get in contact with any of them or want to know anything more about the items listed below - please get in touch with me.

Cheers

Lisa McIntyre

Landcare Facilitator for Panyyabyr, Mirranatwa, Bunnugal,

Glenthompson & Mooralla Landcare Groups,

Community Coordinator (Southern Grampians), Nature Glenelg Trust

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**Grampians Ark Fox Control Program** - our Summer pulse began on Monday 31 January 2022, and finishes on Monday 4 April 2022. This is the most effective time of year. Baits are available from Kelly's in Dunkeld - you just need to show your ACUP with 1080 endorsement, and say that you are part of this program. If you would like to join in, or just find out more information, *please get in touch*.

**Fox cages** - are available to borrow, great for those cunning foxes hanging around your houses, sheds, on farm and in town.

**Rabbits** - now is a perfect time to work on rabbit control. Amongst our Landcare groups there is a bait layer and fumigators to make the job easier and more efficient.

**Roadside Weeds** - have you noticed new or persistent weeds along roadsides in your local area? Thanks to the great work of several volunteers in our groups, we live in an area with relatively weedless roadsides - but of course there are exceptions! If you have weeds that you are concerned about, or perhaps you'd like identified, please get in touch. And if it's a problem weed, we'll start work on it. But it takes everyone to be on the lookout to help with this.

**Grants** - Have you an idea or plan for a Landcare related activity? It could be on your farm, your block, or a place or event you would like to visit, or an event you would like to hold. It could be some research you would like to do, or a group activity you'd like to plan. There are an amazing array of grants available, and there's sure to be one that fits your idea.

**Landcare List** - get added to this email list, to receive information on environmental and agricultural grants, workshops, field days, webinars, courses etc.

### 2022 Cavendish Red Gum Festival



**OPENING GALA – FRIDAY 22 APRIL**  
**MAIN FESTIVAL DAY – SATURDAY 23 APRIL**  
**BUS TOURS AND MORE – SUNDAY 24 APRIL**

Nestled on the banks of the Wannan River, in the heart of red gum country, Cavendish will host the second Red Gum Festival in April 2022.

Once again, this event will include something for everyone ... young, old and families.

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anonymous callers after reports of a phishing scam in the region.

The reports of callers claiming to be conducting a survey on behalf of Southern Grampians Shire Council come as National Field Services are in the final stages of completing the legitimate annual Community Satisfaction Survey for Councils across Victoria.

Southern Grampians Shire Council CEO Tony Doyle said the actions of these criminals is really disappointing but there are a few things residents can do to help distinguish between genuine calls from Council and scammers.

“It’s important to know National Field Services, who are currently finalising the Community Satisfaction Survey for Council, do not need identifying information as part of their survey, so they will never request personal data such as your date of birth, address or credit card details.

“The Community Satisfaction Survey is conducted annually with information gathered to provide feedback on your local Council’s overall performance over the past 12 months in relation to roads, services and customer service”

“We understand the timing of this scam makes it even more credible for residents to believe the person on the other end of the phone are from Council. This is extremely opportunistic behaviour from these scammers and is very disappointing for us as we gain really valuable insights each year from the Community Satisfaction Survey. We advise residents to be cautious when answering calls” said Mr Doyle.

Residents are advised that:

- The National Field Services survey is conducted anonymously.
- The callers will identify themselves by name such as "Mark" from National Field Services.
- They will tell you how long the survey will take.
- Calls will come from a number prefixed with (03) 9977 etc, not from a mobile number.
- They will not ask you for identifying information such as date of birth or credit card information.

“If you believe you may have been scammed over the past few weeks, please get in touch with the police and check out Scamwatch’s website for tips on how to improve security including updating passwords and contacting your financial institutions,” concluded Mr Doyle.

For information on where to get help if you are concerned you have been scammed, check out <https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/get-help/where-to-get-help>

### SCAM ALERT HITS SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS

Southern Grampians Shire Council advises residents not to divulge personal details over the phone to





## Grampians Cricket Club

As summer draws to a close so too does the 21-22 cricket season. This being our final instalment for the Pumas.

### Congratulations

Well done to Ella Jackson who has had an outstanding season. Each week she has performed consistently for the Grampians A Grade women's team. She was the leading run scorer for the Hamilton Cricket Association with 309 runs and was runner up for MVP.

### Learn to Play Cricket

The Learn to Play cricket program for children in Grades Prep to 3 has kicked off. Coach Andy Macgugan and his trusty sidekick, Sarah Alderman, have been busy working with some very enthusiastic junior cricketers on the oval on a Tuesday afternoon. It is terrific to see some budding cricketers in action.

### Meanwhile in the regular competition...

**Under 12 Cubs** met Pigeon Ponds on Wednesday 9 March and after winning the toss sent them into bat first. Lachie Gordon finished with 2 for 4 from 2 overs. Hugh Prentice and George Heazlewood both got a wicket each from their overs. With the bat Hugh Prentice retired with 39 runs that included 7 fours and a six. Mitch Gordon made 12 and Edward Alderman 11 before retiring.

The Cubs met Tarrington Yellow at Tarrington for their final match. The Cubs won the toss and sent Tarrington into bat. Mitchell Gordon, George Heazlewood and Isaac Robbins all took a wicket each. Hugh Prentice again led with the bat making 14 runs. His brother Charles made 9 runs with Edward Alderman and George Heazlewood retiring on 8.

Well done to all the players for their continued efforts and thanks to their coach Ally Gordon. A terrific effort by both Ally and Buck to take on the roles of coach for a team each after initially agreeing to coach a team together.

**Under 12 Pumas** played College Gold at home on Wednesday 9 March. After winning the toss the Pumas batted first. Freddie Jury retired with 16 runs. Brothers Alex Bird and Sean Bird retired with 12 runs each. In the field Ben Peters took 3 wickets for 1 run off 2 overs. Alex Bird also collected a wicket.

In their last match of the season they met Saint Andrews White at Pedrina Park on Wednesday 16 March. Again, they won the toss and batted first. Lachie Oldfield Mann and his brother Jack were the best of the batters finishing with 7 runs each. Ben Peters and Alex Bird led the bowling figures with 2 wickets each. Darcy Potter and Ned Peters claimed a wicket each.

Well done to all the players for their efforts this season and thank you to their coach Buck Peters.

**Under 14 Pumas** on Saturday 5 March made the journey to Tahara for day 2 of their 2-day match. Defending just 98 and with Tahara already at 2-51 after an hour's play, poor

weather intervened and ensured that there would be no result. Luckily this left Pumas in third place ensuring they would meet Casterton in a semi-final match.

The following Saturday they travelled to Casterton. Batting first they finished with just 108. Taylor Haley top-scored with 20 and Louis Lazzari made a patient 16. In the field they were unable to stop Casterton reaching the target and advancing to the final.

With Will Collins as coach this team has had a solid season and finished third on the ladder with 5 wins from 7 matches.

**Under 15 Girls** concluded their season with one last training session and barbecue to finish up. Thank you to Mark Lazzari and Penny Fraser for wrapping up the season after it ended abruptly due to wet weather. All the girls have improved their skills with Mark's coaching, encouragement and enthusiasm for the game. "That's good cricket, girls!"

**Under 16s Team** needed a win from their last game of the season against College to make finals. Bowling first at Myrniong in a one-day match, the Pumas kept College to 8-118 from 24 overs. Lachie Phillips took 3-16 and his brother Hayden Phillips took 2-7 off 4 economical overs. In reply, Angus Heazlewood and Eddie McShane both retired on 25. Unfortunately, the Pumas were bowled out for 95 in the 21<sup>st</sup> over. Myles Alderman and Angus Heazlewood did a great job filling in at the last minute. Thanks to Craig Templeton for his time and effort as coach. He has encouraged the boys and supported them throughout the season.

**C Grade Men** took on Branhholme at the Dunkeld hard wicket. Bowling first, they bowled Branhholme out for 218 with Angus Heazlewood leading the attack with 2-29. In reply they fell short of the target despite 36 from Campbell Glazebrook and 21 from Ash Read.

The following Saturday 12 March the Pumas took on Saint Andrews at Pedrina Park. With finals out of reach they looked to finish off the season on a winning note. After winning the toss Greg Millard and Campbell Glazebrook opened the innings. Millard continued his strong form with 51 and Glazebrook scored 28 to finish with 5-137. It was a long day in the field as they eventually bowled Saint Andrews out for 280. Brendan Paterson cleaned up the tail with 4 wickets and Myles Alderman took 3-37.

**A Grade Women** were scheduled to take on Macarthur Blue in a semi-final match. However, poor weather meant that the match was abandoned. For Grampians this meant their season was over. A super effort by a young team to perform consistently from week to week and supported strongly by their coach Willo.

**A Grade Men** on Saturday 5 March travelled to Casterton to take on the bottom placed Maroons. Batting first the Pumas were at 9-108 with Eddie McShane's 29 the only standout. An unbroken partnership of 71 between Ty Gilmore (46 not out) and Stefan Burnell (22 not out) saw them to 9-179. Then with the ball, the Pumas ripped through Casterton to bowl them out for just 95. Stefan Burnell, Lachie Phillips and Zac Burgess all finished with 2 wickets apiece.

On Saturday 12 March the Pumas looked to finish off a tough season, hosting Macarthur on home turf. With the ball, they kept Macarthur to 9-207 with Ryan Burgess leading the bowlers with figures of 3-24 off 6 overs. In reply, despite a 50 from Captain Will Collins and handy lower order contributions from Josh Gordon and Stefan Burnell, they were unable to get the win.

**And finally...** Mums and Dads none of this happens without you - to those who have been taxis, scored, helped out, picked up gear and just encouraged your child, thank you! We hope to see you all again in the 22-23 summer of cricket.

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## Nature Play Day at WAMA

Welcome back to WAMA Nature Play Days for 2022.

Over the next twelve months, we want to design the footprint for the WAMA 'playground.' With this in mind, our aim is to create an outdoor interactive play space that fosters curiosity, creativity and physical, social and emotional growth in our children.

Our next Nature Play Day is on **Saturday 9 April**  
**11.00am – 3.00pm**

Activities include:

11.30am Smoking ceremony,  
2.00pm Interactive indigenous dance performance

Clay play, water fun, and other child-led activities throughout the day.

BYO picnic lunch and/or something to cook on the campfire.

Save the dates:

- Saturday 9 April
- Sunday 12 June
- Sunday 18 September
- Sunday 20 November

### FREE Community Performance - Australian String Quartet 31 March 2022

The Australian String Quartet will be undertaking a free community performance on Thursday 31 March, from 6.00pm – 7.00pm at the Simons Auditorium, Kantor Family Music and Performing Arts Centre, The Hamilton and Alexandra College, 1 Chaucer Street.

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## FATHER DAVID PONDERS

Take *impossible* off the table.

You remember how I wrote about the Harvest Festival at Glenthompson? To begin with the numbers seemed sparse and our hearts sank.

But we toddled into Church, we sang, we prayed and we gave thanks for the generosity that makes our tables groan. We prayed for those who did not have anyone to be with and were hungry that night; especially when we tucked into generous glasses of wine, scrumptious sausage rolls and thick juicy sandwiches.

We had a new auctioneer to inspire us. He did a cracking job, but it's not over until the last item has been sold, the last glass washed up and the last coin counted.

No one expected the tally of cash to be anywhere near what it has been in past years and yet when the counting had happened, a couple of times just to be sure, there was a major miracle. The sum was what we had always made. This happened thanks to the hard work and invisible ministry of so many. If you are one of those folk, then you should know how grateful the Anglican community at Glenthompson is.

But when the euphoria had evaporated there were a couple things to draw out from this. I think about a little lad who shared his play lunch when old wise people had forgotten theirs. The result was that thousands were fed. Perhaps my story of the Harvest Festival and the loaves and fishes are the same?

The other dynamic is that something quite mysterious happens when you give things away. It is repaid back to you, multiple times over, in ways that you could never have imagined. So next time there are hard cards on the table, the first one you should remove is the 'impossible' card.



## BLAZING A VOLCANIC TRAIL ACROSS GREATER HAMILTON

Council has adopted the Greater Hamilton Volcanic Trail Masterplan at its ordinary meeting on Wednesday, providing strategic direction on Council's vision for the development of the local volcanic region for generations to come.

The Plan, informed by community and stakeholder feedback, builds on tourism opportunities and significant cultural and environmental values of the highly treasured natural sites within Greater Hamilton. Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Bruach Colliton said the Plan will boost user experience while maintaining and preserving our volcanic lands.

"The Masterplan is a shining example of promoting both the natural environment to enhance tourism to the region while also importantly preserving the sites and the indigenous heritage with an approach that is sustainable, respectful and inclusive," said Cr Colliton. "The Masterplan provides Council with the opportunity to improve the natural assets in partnership with stakeholders such as land managers DEWLP and Parks Victoria in upgrades of existing walking trails, the development of new campsites and picnic grounds and signage to tell the story of this unique landscape," said Cr Colliton.

Cooper Scaife Architects and LookEar interpretive design were engaged in July 2020 to undertake a master planning process for the Volcanic Trail, in consultation with Council and other user groups. The Masterplan has incorporated feedback from prior community consultation and has been prepared with cultural advice from Traditional Owners.

The Trail, which consists of seven sites across the Southern Grampians includes Wannan Falls, Nigretta Falls, Byaduk Caves, Harman's Valley Lookout, Wallacedale Tumuli, Mt Napier and Mt Rouse is recognised for its global significance and is geologically important for its relatively recent volcanic activity.

The volcanic sites sit between the two visitor attractions of the Great Ocean Road and Grampians National Park. The Greater Hamilton region is also one of the only areas in the world to have two World Heritage Areas within two hours drive of one another.

"Identified as one of Council's key advocacy priorities in the Community Investment Plan, the development of our Volcanic Trail will shape our region for decades to come offering a truly unique experience not only in the Southern Grampians but across Victoria and South Australia," said Cr Colliton.

"Council are looking to pre-tender and progress detailed design work required to make this project investment-ready. Submission will be made this March to the Victorian Government's – "Enabling Tourism Fund" seeking funding to support the next stage of detailed design, permits, and approvals.

"If you haven't done so already, I would encourage everyone to check out the Masterplan which is available on Council's website," concluded Cr Colliton.

Council looks forward to leading and working closely with agencies and stakeholders to deliver this vision.

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## DETOX YOUR HOME IS COMING TO HAMILTON – 2 APRIL 2022

Sustainability Victoria's Detox your Home event is coming to Hamilton on **Saturday 2 April 2022** where Southern Grampians residents will have the opportunity to clean out their unwanted household chemicals.

Detox your Home is a **free** service enabling Southern Grampians residents to safely dispose of unwanted household chemicals commonly found in and around sheds and homes.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Director Infrastructure Marg Scanlon said it's great to be able to host a 'Detox your Home' event in Hamilton.

"Products such as weedkiller, pesticides, cleaning chemicals, cosmetics, and cooking oil are all materials harmful to the environment which should not be placed in kerbside bins or poured down sinks," said Ms Scanlon.

"We encourage residents to take the opportunity to clean out their homes and garages before Easter to help keep these potentially harmful products out of landfill and our homes and to keep our waterways and environment clean.

"Detox your Home will be available at the **Hamilton Transfer Station** on Saturday 2 April where staff from Sustainability Victoria will be on hand from 9:00am – 12:00pm to collect household chemicals and waste items. Registrations are essential so please get online today and sign up to play your part in detoxing your home," concluded Ms Scanlon.

Common chemicals collected include:

- **Fuels and flammable liquids** – turpentine, methylated spirits, petrol, kerosene, diesel, paint thinners
- **Garden** – herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, pool chemicals, poisons
- **Household** – cleaners, bleach, ammonia, oven cleaner, solvents, cooking oil, cosmetics, fire extinguishers
- **Car** – wax, transmission fluid, body filler, brake fluid.

Detox your Home will be staffed by expert chemists who identify and sort the chemicals for safe transport back to a licenced facility in Melbourne where they are processed for reuse or safe disposal.

Chemicals collected are processed and recovered, or recycled where possible. If items cannot be reused in any way, they are safely disposed of.

The Detox your Home event will be drive-through and contactless. Register online today at [https://www.sthgrampians.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.aspx?Page\\_Id=2538](https://www.sthgrampians.vic.gov.au/Page/Page.aspx?Page_Id=2538)

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## Festival Art Auction showcases region's talent

The third Eel Festival Art Auction on Friday 25 March will showcase nearly 30 high-quality, affordable artworks by 22 talented regional artists.

"Funds from the auction benefit both the artists and the future of the festival," Festival chair, Rachel Taylor, said.

The auction in the Lake Bolac Memorial Hall includes a dinner by indigenous caterers, the Murnong Mannmas from Castlemaine.

Largely inspired by country, the artworks underscore the theme of this year's festival 'Caring for Country, Caring for Culture'.

The biennial festival, delayed until this year due to the pandemic, promotes respectful understanding of Aboriginal culture and environmental sustainability.

The event is ticketed separately to the Saturday festival program.

Tickets are \$33 and are available at [eelfestival.org.au](http://eelfestival.org.au)

### Auction night program

5.00pm – Preview of artworks and bidder registrations in the Supper Room.

6.00pm – Main Hall opens for Auction ticket holders **only**. Preview of artworks, bidder registrations, nibbles and drinks at the bar.

7.00pm – Auction begins

8.00pm – Murnong Mammas dinner

9.30pm (approx.) – Auction ends

### Elder's artworks up for auction [pull-out story]

Dr Aunty Eileen Harrison is a respected Kurnai Elder (Gippsland region), who grew up at Bung Yarnda (Lake Tyers Mission).

Her paintings reflect her deep connection to country, her ancestors, her family and the Dreamtime.

Dr Aunty Eileen has created many works for communities, schools, government associations and private collections. She will exhibit at the Gippsland Sale Gallery in June this year.

"I was inspired by watching my parents as a small child doing art: my father made artefacts and my mother painted small images on them such as kangaroos, emus, possums and motifs, patterns and lines," Dr Aunty Eileen said.

### Paintings

Artist Dr Aunty Eileen's paintings for auction include, 'Gathering of Women and Children' and 'Blue Wren's Dreaming'

Quote: "Djeetgun (Southern Brown Emu Wren - Women) and Yeerung (Blue Wren – Men): these birds are links between our family and country (Krowathunkooloong Clan)," Dr Aunty Eileen said.

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### **A Simple Walk by Marion Colton**

The rain has eased and I set off for a walk in the bush. In the paddock dropping down to the River Wannon the golden grasses are forming small natural stooks, all facing north. Between them the remaining, greying grasses lie flattened by the rains and southerly winds.

I'm horrified to see that beautiful River Red Gums and other vegetation has been removed beside the old bridge and a concrete path meanders underneath. It hurts me deeply and bring tears to my eyes. We need trees and shrubs for so many reasons.

Sadly, I follow the Mount Sturgeon Track to the junction. Mosses have revived with the rains and greens prevail in the bushland. Isolated heaths are flowering, the Common Heath, *Epacris impressa*, mainly white and an occasional deep pink: a few scarlet blooms on the Flame Heath, *Astroloma conostephioides*; the deep red blooms amongst mauve-green foliage of the compact Cranberry Heath, *Astroloma humifusum*; white tubes of Twisted Beard-heath, *Leucopogon glacialis*, so called because its delicate leaves twist around the stems; and the Common Beard-heaths, *Leucopogon virgatus*, are covered in pale gold-green buds. *Ixodia achillaeoides* with its white clusters of flowers, rounded, papery petals encircling golden to brown centres, is dotted through the heathland.

I turn left into the dirt track that joins Cooks Road. The predominant flowers in the bush at this time are those of the Silver Banksia, *Banksia marginata*. They look magnificent, standing like lime-green to golden candles on the branches. Most shrubs are not dense and have ample room to display their blossoms, which are a mixture of miniature, green cylinders showing their complex structure, mature golden-green brushes about eight centimetres tall, and grey, dishevelled old cones.

Nearby, and sometimes nestling at their feet are squat members of the Pea family with the tiniest lemon-yellow blooms individually displayed. Sometimes they are about prostrate, at other times their foliage forms dense clumps about thirty centimetres high. Their tiny, cylindrical leaves seem to spiral around the stems in imitation of heaths.

It is still, the sky a bland white. Yet looking up, I see that a breeze swirls the branches of the canopy around the little dew-pond. The latter looks rather forlorn, for most of its waters have disappeared, leaving a muddy centre. Most of the rushes surrounding it have died and flopped untidily into the centre. A few green leaves stand erect amongst them. Today no birds not insects frequent the waters or shores.

The huge, branching eucalypt nearby is magnificent today. It has recently shed its old bark and gleams in streaks and patterns of silvery bluish-grey and creamy-white. Nearby clumps of the skeletal Coral Lichen cover the flat terrain.

I continue up the Riffle Track. Lunching on a charred and bleached fallen trunk, I notice a Cranberry heath nearby. As I bend to look at it, I am delighted to find sparkling diamonds of raindrops nestling in the axils of the spiralling leaves. So exquisite. As I continue, I stop to look at one of my favourite grasses, *Lepidosperma filiforme*. A few of its stems carry flowers, very fine, pale-yellow filaments curving out of the black and coppery sheaths. Many clumps don't display flowers, others display a select few.

A brilliant scarlet, tipped with yellow, catches my eye. It lights up the bush. It is the lovely tubular flower of *Correa reflexa*, Common Correa.



*Ixodia achillaeoides*  
06.03.2022 JK.



## SCHOOL NEWS

How is it week 7 already? Perhaps the busyness of this term has made it fly by so fast?

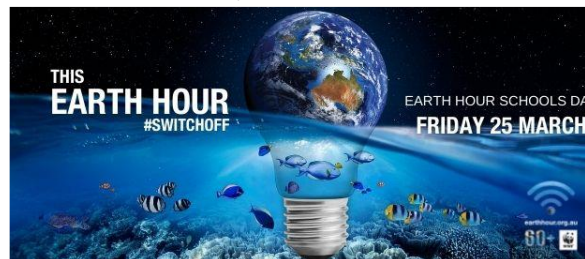
How wonderful to have so many swimmers qualifying to attend the Greater Western Region Swimming Championships which were held in Horsham on Friday 18 March - Elodie Cochrane, Lachie Oldfield Mann, Jack Oldfield Mann, Lachlan Gordon, Ben Peters, Phoebe Ross, Ella Peters, Phoebe Lazzari, Edward Alderman, Millie McShane, Gemma Kyle, Heidi Burger, Nate Elliott, Clementine Blackwell and Zoe Trotter. Thank you in advance to the families that will transport and support our swimmers.

Thank you to the many parents that attended The Resilience Project – parent webinar 'Discovering Resilience' with Hugh van Cuylenburg.

On Monday 21 March, a podiatrist from Gen Health Hamilton visited our school for complimentary Prep Foot Screening.

Harmony Day was held on Monday 21 March, and students were encouraged to wear a 'touch' of orange. Created in 1999 to celebrate unity and diversity, Harmony Day was originally an Australian celebration but is now marked worldwide by conscientious citizens.

We are also joining in the fun on National Ride2School Day by encouraging our students to ride, walk, skate or scoot to school on Friday 25 March. Even I hope to dust off my bike and helmet and ride to school. Our school will also be participating in Earth Hour Schools Day (the day before Earth Hour), on Friday 25 March.



For our Grade 3 to 6 students, the SGSSA Athletics Sports will be held on Tuesday 29 March at Pedrina Park, commencing at 9:15am. Parents/carers are to transport their children to this event arriving at 9.00am. The program of events will be sent home in the near future. It will be a normal school day for Prep to Year 2 students, school lunch orders will be available and school buses will operate (for regular Prep to Year 2 bus travellers).

With the SAKG program in full swing, to see so many friends of the kitchen and garden, back on school grounds is terrific. The aromas coming from the Kitchen on a Friday are fabulous.

Music classes for our students have commenced, with Prep/Year 1 students being instructed by Mrs Heather Maccugan (fortnightly), and our Year 2 to 6 students with Mrs Tara Stephens. We are very lucky to have two very talented musicians share their knowledge with our students.

Our Year 6 students attended a secondary Transition Day at Baimbridge College on Tuesday 22 March. A wonderful opportunity to visit the school and explore all they have to offer.

I have recently attended various Professional Learning sessions including CUST (Community Understanding and Support Training), Anaphylaxis training and network training sessions from OHS to NAPLAN data analysis. Staff are focusing on writing moderation and analysing data to continue to accurately inform point of need teaching for our students.

Thank you.

*Ange Field, Acting Principal*

### Wadjiny Performance

On Wednesday 9 March we had a man come from Bundjalung Goori (East Coast) to our school, his name was Troy Allen. He had a very loud voice! He performed in the school hall. The Prep students sat on the outside of a snake that Troy drew on the carpet (in chalk), it was a really good snake! Troy was super funny. When Mrs Nicholson took a photo of Troy he would do a silly pose and everybody would laugh!! He taught us Aboriginal words like: yaama – hello, arunda - soil and git-tit-tee - little bird. Troy had lots of zest and was very welcoming. He taught us that Aborigines didn't have a written language, but they told stories through dance, song and painting. He performed some special dances to tell us stories. We made noises like clapping and s-s-s-s-s-s-s. Close to the end he asked us questions to make sure we were listening. We got a couple wrong so they asked the adults and they got the rest right. At the end he had a surprise for us, we went outside. He had some special Aboriginal tools to make FIRE!!!! He had to do it a couple of times and then ... there it was, FIRE! He didn't like saying bye so he didn't, he said, "See you next time." We took a photo and then he left. It was super cool. *By Elodie Cochran, Year 4*



Last Wednesday, a man called Troy Allen from Bundjalung Goori came to do a cultural performance. When we walked into the hall he started throwing us possum skin balls, which the aborigines used to do to test their reflexes. After that he started to talk about his totem, his country, his language, and the aboriginal weapons. He told us there are over two hundred aboriginal nations in Australia. In his country they spoke five different languages. He told us how they had to be quiet when they were hunting dinawan (emus) and bunda (kangaroos) so they didn't scare them away. At the end we went outside and he lit a fire, but it took him several tries so it must have been hard. It was awesome, my favourite part was when he taught us about goo la lah (hunting spear). *By Freddie Jury, Year 5*

### Year 2/3 Thank You

Thank you to Mrs Holly Herrmann for organising our new fancy school library. The Year 2 and 3 students created Pic-Collages during Media Arts to show how grateful we are!



### School Assembly on Friday 11 March 2022

School Values and Academic Honour Certificates were presented to the following students:

- **Prep/Year 1:** Harry Prentice and Sailor Grimmer.

- **Year 2/3:** Audrey Black and Will Beveridge.
- **Year 4/5:** Nate Elliott, Will Griffin-Wilson and Tyson Riddle.
- **Year 5/6:** Harry McShane and Charles Prentice.



During our assembly, student leaders made a special 'thank you' presentation to our School Swimming Program co-ordinators, Lea McArthur and Jen McArthur, and helpers – Kate Wickens, Leonie Schurmann, Sarah Alderman, Vicki Heazlewood, Ruth Kyle, Casey Trotter and Alison Prentice.

Prep/Year 1 students have been reading 'Winston and the Indoor Cat' by Leila Rudge and they proudly showed the colourful cats that they had made to the audience. Students read some 'Smart Spelling' sentences and displayed their 'Smart Spelling' ants.

Year 4/5 students have been learning about 'text connections' while reading 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Rauf. They explained how text connections help them comprehend what they are reading e.g. Text to Text, Text to Self and Text to World.

Students in Year 5/6 presented their 'best part of me' posters to the assembly.

### House Sports Captains' Report

On Friday 4 March the School Sport Victoria (SSV) South-West Division Swimming Championships were held at the



Hamilton outdoor swimming pool. We had twenty students participate in this event! Congratulations to all who went, you all swam amazingly. We are so grateful to have had Lea and Jen McArthur help train us during that week leading up to that Friday.

Some of our students have qualified for the Greater Western Regional Swimming Championships in Horsham this Friday 18 March. Good luck to you all, have fun! *By Indi Mibus, Phoebe Lazzari, Ella Peters and Phoebe Ross*

### Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) Program



In the Kitchen classes, the Year 4,5 and 6 students cooked Penne Pasta, banana ice cream and zucchini banana muffins. The Penne Pasta was made in a sauce made from tomatoes, zucchini, garlic, basil, onion, silver beet and cheese on top. *By Ella Peters*

*By Ella Peters*

The banana ice-cream was made with bananas, coconut milk, honey, cinnamon, yoghurt and a small handful of mint leaves. They also made banana and zucchini muffins. *By Charlie Linke*

### Computer Desk

*We are looking for a home for our computer desk! The school has a desk which is now surplus to requirements: 2400mm long x 800mm wide x 700mm high (in very good*

condition). We are happy to accept a donation to the school in exchange for the desk – please contact Terrie in the school office on 5577 2384 or email: dunkeld.cs@education.vic.gov.au by Monday 28 March.



## 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.

**Annual General Meeting:** Our Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 20 March, and the following office bearers were elected:

Terry Noble          President  
John Kay              Vice President  
Terrie Nicholson    Secretary/Treasurer

An ordinary meeting followed the AGM, with items of business including:

- Approval for Dunkeld Red Cross to mount photos of past Red Cross and RSL members, the late Mrs Helena Flinn and late Mrs Joy Clarke, in the Henry Leech RSL clubroom.
- 2022 ANZAC Day Dawn Service at the Dunkeld Cenotaph.
- Investigating costs etc for a yardarm flagpole at the Dunkeld Cenotaph where the Australian, Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal flags could be flown.
- Membership drive.
- Honour Board.

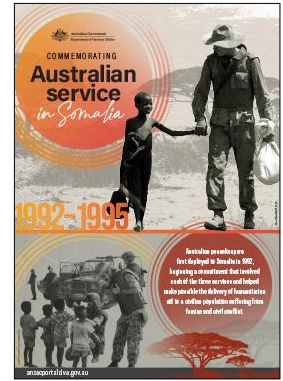
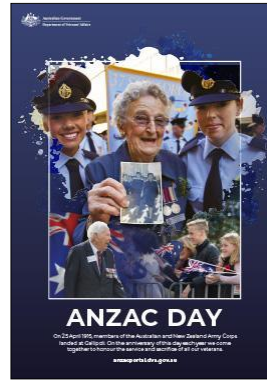
**2022 ANZAC Day Resources:** The Hon Andrew Gee MP, Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Minister for Defence Personnel has advised:

*ANZAC Day is a time when Australians come together to honour our service personnel and the sacrifices they have made. It's a sacred day upon which we remember the more than 1.5 million men and women who have served our country in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.*

*I am pleased to provide you with this year's ANZAC Day commemorative resources.*

*Included are copies of the ANZAC Day poster which honours our veterans across the generations, and another poster commemorating peacekeeping in Somalia.*

*Also included in the mail-out is a new education resource which highlights stories of Indigenous service since the Boer War. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a proud history of serving in all areas of Australia's defence forces. I encourage you to share these resources in your community. All resources are available for free download from the Anzac Portal at [anzacportal.dva.gov.au](http://anzacportal.dva.gov.au)*



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Dunkeld & District Lions Club

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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May

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