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EDITORIAL

School holidays should be about dodging kids on bikes and skateboards but these days it's more about getting them out of the house and off their phones and gaming machines.

The federal government's ban on social media for under-16s comes into effect in December so now is a good time to start weaning youngsters off their dopamine fix.

Mobile phones activate the brain's reward system, which releases dopamine, a neurotransmitter, especially through social media, games, and notifications. This creates a cycle of seeking dopamine hits, leading to increased usage and a temporary mood boost followed by a letdown.

Overstimulation can deregulate the brain's dopamine production, potentially causing feelings of anxiety and low motivation, similar to symptoms seen in drug addiction.

While it might not seem like it when you're dealing with withdrawal symptoms, ie. tantrums, restricting the use of phones will be doing your children a favour. Over-use of technology leads to poor attention span, eyesight issues, hand problems and bad posture. Let alone the pressure of getting Likes and what the bullies do to mess with their heads.

That overstimulation also causes sleep issues which, in turn, leads parents to seek other solutions.

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In a dramatic spike, the Australian Poisons Hotline received a record 1500 calls about children ingesting melatonin last year, with an increasing number of parents using melatonin to help their children sleep, either as a prescription or purchased online, sometimes in the form of gummies.

We really are doing our best to screw up our kids.

Kentish House is addressing the vitally important need to divert our children to other activities, away from their phones, back to the real world. Fun things on offer these school holidays include cake decorating, bleach art and painting along with other activities designed for differing age levels.

Another idea it to encourage children to take pride in their community by joining Clean Up events or organising one in their own patch. Maybe start with their room!

Working parents don't have as many options to divert their youngsters to more social activities so it is essential that the Village steps in to raise a child. If extended families aren't around or available, be a friend and offer to take them with you on whatever exciting, outdoor, social, technology-free adventure you have planned.

And be the model. Us adults use our phones way too much and are terrible examples for our children.

Enjoy the School Holidays!

Heather

XPrize judges test drones at nan's farm

By Heather Eiszele

From hundreds of entrants across the globe, Taz Drones and its partners have made it to the final 15 in the international XPrize competition, which seeks to end destructive wildfires through early detection and suppression.

This global competition challenges innovators to develop fully autonomous systems that detect and suppress destructive wildfires, can operate in remote, high-risk environments without direct human control, and adapt to real-world conditions in real time.

Judges from Alaska, the UK and America recently visited Sheffield for three days for in situ testing, with Taz Drones achieving 98 per cent accuracy.

The sovereign manufactured drones were put to the test, lifting massive buckets of water and hitting a 2x2m target pad on the ground. "We took them to nan's farm in West Kentish and we did it, we proved to them that we could do it," said Taz Drone Solutions founder and director Andrew Davies.

"We also put out a fire five or six times, putting our systems to the test. As the only finalists from the southern hemisphere in the XPrize wildfire competition, we were super proud to host the judges in our hometown Sheffield."

Taz Drone Solutions is part of the Fire Foresight team, which includes Hobart-based Indiciu Dynamics, working to develop an integrated system that uses a combination of sensors, drones, and AI to provide real-time wildfire intelligence and rapid response. The team has already received US\$30,000 from the XPrize Board for reaching the finals.

Andrew said the goal of the competition was to fund and

incentivise individual companies through a large cash prize to create technologies which identify and contain wildfires within 10 minutes. "It is a multi-trillion dollar problem," he said.

Taz Drones began working with Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife in 2021 doing mapping before and after bushfires, which then extended to thermal imaging and the request from Parks to build a drone that could light fires for back-burning.

"We built one with a 20l tank underneath that shoots out napalm," Andrew said.

Indiciu Dynamics approached the Sheffield company based on this work.

The technology now being trialled involves a camera detecting smoke, a scout drone autonomously launching to verify fire then a larger drone sent to put out the fire when it is small.

"It's a global business model," said Andrew. "I was talking to defence the other day and they're thinking of setting it up at military training zones (to put out spot fires caused by artillery)."

Recent commitments from the G7 and other international bodies have recognised wildfire as a growing threat.

XPrize Wildfire Program Director Andrea Santy said wildfires were growing more frequent, more destructive and more costly.

"The status quo is no longer sustainable in a changing climate," she said. "The teams advancing to the next stages of XPrize Wildfire are showcasing the ingenuity we need not just to prepare for the future but to help shape it."

The 15 teams remaining in the XPrize Wildfire Challenge will be reduced to five with further testing in the US next year.

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Men's Shed thrives on mateship: Terry



By Heather Eiszele

Encouraging the power of mateship is how outgoing president Terry Hughes has built the Kentish Men's Shed over the past six years.

Terry will step down but remain on the committee, as long-term member Peter Morris takes over the presidency.

"With my workload as a councillor as well, I felt I'd given what I can give and it was time for a new person to take on the role and fill the job as he goes," Terry said.

With 43 members, including two from Tandara Aged Care, the

Men's Shed in Spring Street is an important headquarters for men to meet.

"It's that physical contact with each other," Terry said.

"Sometimes men don't talk to their partners about things that are bothering them and it's good to have someone to talk to about any problems, especially mental health and physical wellbeing."

As part of its men's health program, Rural Health visits the Shed monthly and conducts blood pressure checks, providing an early indicator of diabetes and cholesterol issues. "All the sheds in Tassie are now doing a similar thing," said Terry.

The Kentish Men's Shed's role in suicide prevention through its mateship program was recognised at the Tasmanian Life Awards earlier this year where the organisation was a finalist.

Incoming president Peter Morris said Terry had made a huge impact on the Men's Shed, "not only for his leadership but for his genuine mentoring for every current and new member."

"They are big boots to fill," Peter said.

"Terry will still be a big part of the Men's Shed because of his local knowledge and contacts in the community. He will be a big help to me as I navigate the ins and outs of this huge organisation.

"I am very pleased and honored to have been elected as the new president and hope I can do the Men's Shed justice over the next year."

Projects undertaken by the Men's Shed, both paid and voluntary, create a pathway to mateship, with busy hands learning new skills and creating space for conversation.

The noticeboards in the Beulah Hall; shelving in the Kentish Museum, the direction pole at the Information Centre, a Diorama for Tas Hydro and the benchtop and table at Mural Park were all Kentish Men's Shed projects.

By far their biggest undertaking was relocating Bannons Forge to Redwater Creek. "We put that together log by log," Terry said. A carriage rail restoration is the current large task.

"We're available to do projects, subject to the approval of the committee," said Terry. Members are also able to help with deceased estates where they go through tools, conduct safety checks, then sell them at a garage sale or pass them on.

Items made by members, such as bread saw and boards, laser puzzles, cheese boards, spatula and spoons, are available for sale.

Kentish Men's Shed in Spring Street is open Thursdays and Saturdays, 9am to 1pm.

Pictured above left: Kentish Mayor Kate Haberle cuts the cake at the farewell meeting for Terry Hughes and the induction of new president Peter Morris.

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Railton's junior firies hose down competition

Junior members of the Railton Fire Brigade were awarded the Junior Aggregate Trophy at the Tasmania Fire Service North-West Regional Fun Day last month.

Volunteer firefighters from across Tasmania came together for the North-West Regional Fun Day on September 20, with two junior teams and one senior team from Railton Fire Brigade competing in the event.

Junior Cadet Program coordinator at Railton Fire Brigade Vanessa Cooper said volunteers participated in a range of events designed to share firefighting skills and establish friendships and camaraderie in a social setting.

"Proudly, our junior members were awarded a place in all events and were presented with the Junior Aggregate Trophy," she said.

"On behalf of the brigade, I'd like to thank our sponsors, Tas Rail, Cement Australia and Railton Neighbourhood Centre.

"I'd also like to thank the senior members of our brigade for the time and mentorship they continue to provide to our juniors - it's through their leadership that our juniors are learning the skills and qualities of a firefighter."

Vanessa said it was a pleasure for the brigade to be involved in the 54th annual event, and to witness all the dedicated and valued volunteers of Tasmania Fire Service come together to practice their operational skills in preparation for Tasmania's bushfire season.



Precision: (from left) Kiara, Simon, Gideon, Edmund and Lexi. Photo: Yolanda Wilcox

Lions veterans notch up half a century



Kentish Lions Barry Brooks (left) and John Russell were presented with 50-year medals by the District Commissioner James Redgrave at a recent supper meeting in Sheffield.

The pair joined the service organisation in 1975 along with the late Peter Braid who made significant contributions to the Music Hall, particularly.

The DC gave the occasion perspective when he said: "I was just six when these two joined."

The pair are still actively involved in Kentish Lions activities, including participating in Bunnings barbecues and other catering events, such as clearance sales and the Tasmanian Endurance Riders Club.

Barry, a former livestock rep, travelled the district for many years and is well received at events. He used to run the auction when Kentish Lions held a Fair in support of the Roland Boys Home. "We'd have a couple of hundred lots of donated gifts," he said.

John recalls many working bees at Tandara when it was still a hospital and many sessions chopping wood for fundraisers or to donate to those in need.


"The Music Hall was a great fundraiser," he said. "My late wife was involved for 18 years."

John said Kentish Lions partnered with Ulverstone Lions over the years before Covid and had dinner meetings together.

"They were very supportive of the Boys Home," he said.

Thank you, gentlemen, for your service.

Pictured: DC James Redgrave congratulates the 50-year medal recipients, watched on by Kentish Lions president Mitch Roughley.



TRIVIA

Monday OCTOBER 20th

Our Bi-Annual Sub-Branch One

LEST WE FORGET

Fantastic turnout last month, Folks!
Sooo generous for the Shirtbox boys. Thankyou!
Let's do same again this month!
This time for our RSL SUB-BRANCH

New to the District? Enjoy trivia? Come join us! Don't be shy! We'll find you a spot.
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VENUE: 'THE Sheffield RSL CLUB' **Regulars: Please phone 64911393**
TIME: 6.30 for 7.00pm start **or drop into Club to register your**
COST: \$10.00 each. 8pp/table **team. It helps with setting up.** Thanks

MGs of all vintages visit Sheffield



The MG Car Club of Tasmania's annual Concours and Display of Cars will be held on Saturday, November 15, from 10am in Health Park, Sheffield.

This event comes to the North West of the state once every three years, alternating with the South and North. The North West hosted the weekend in Sheffield three years ago, and this was a very successful weekend, with the result that we are back in town again this year.



Cars ranging from pre war up to and including modern MGs will be displayed, and entered for judging in the different classes.

You are invited to come along and admire the cars, and have the opportunity to vote for your favourite. No cost, just wander along after 10am when all cars will have arrived and be parked ready for judging.



This year celebrates the 80th anniversary of the much-loved TC, along with the 70th

anniversary of the MGA, also much admired. We are anticipating a good roll up in both these models.



Members will gather for Noggin 'n Natter at the Bowls Club on Friday night, Concours in Health Park on Saturday, Presentation Dinner at the Sheffield Hotel on Saturday evening, and farewell breakfast at a private residence on Sunday morning. The early models, T Type group, will then heading off to for an overnight stay at Tullah.

Writer gets expert advice

Milliner, EV advocate and writer Julie Hargreaves has been awarded a 20-hour mentorship by the Australian Society of Authors to work on her book for young adults, *In Search of a Green Thumb*.

The program is designed to nurture the next generation of literary talent in Tasmania and to link Tasmanian creators to professional development opportunities and national publishing networks.

Award recipients will have the opportunity to develop their work with an accomplished and experienced mentor, access valuable professional development programs hosted by the ASA, and forge vital connections in the Australian book and publishing industry for ongoing support and encouragement.



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Brushes about to drop on Mural Fest



Art Exhibition inspired by the theme *Amazing Discoveries* and *Famous Artists Reimagined* at the Sheffield Art Gallery. And, due to the popularity of last year's interactive mural, this year's event will include a paint-by-number mural, giving the public the chance to roll up their sleeves and be part of the artistic action.

Sandy Brattstrom, President of Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism said: "We are incredibly grateful for the support we have received from our sponsors and volunteers, and we're looking forward to a vibrant and inspiring event this November. However, we are still seeking additional financial support from the wider community to help bring it all to life."

With the much-anticipated International Mural Fest 2025 just around the corner, November 2-8, Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism is buzzing with final preparations for what promises to be a celebration of creativity, community spirit, and local talent.

This year's theme, *Amazing Discoveries* will be brought to life through the creation of nine stunning new murals over just six and a half days in Mural Park, continuing to cement the region's identity as Tasmania's Outdoor Art Gallery.

But the mural magic doesn't stop there, the Sheffield Arts Centre will host three exhibitions during the event: A Photographic Exhibition, a colourful and imaginative Kids'

International Mural Fest is a volunteer-run initiative with no paid positions, made possible thanks to the generosity of individuals and businesses who believe in the power of public art to transform spaces, inspire people, and support our local economy through increased tourism throughout the year.

Get Involved – Make a Difference

Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism is calling for volunteers to help during the week-long event. Whether it's welcoming visitors, supporting artists, selling raffle tickets, or helping install weather protection for murals, there's a role for everyone.

"Volunteering is a fantastic way to meet new people, gain new skills, and be part of something truly special in our community," Sandy said.

To contribute, email info@muralfest.com.au or phone 0427 475 113. Together, let's make this November one to remember.



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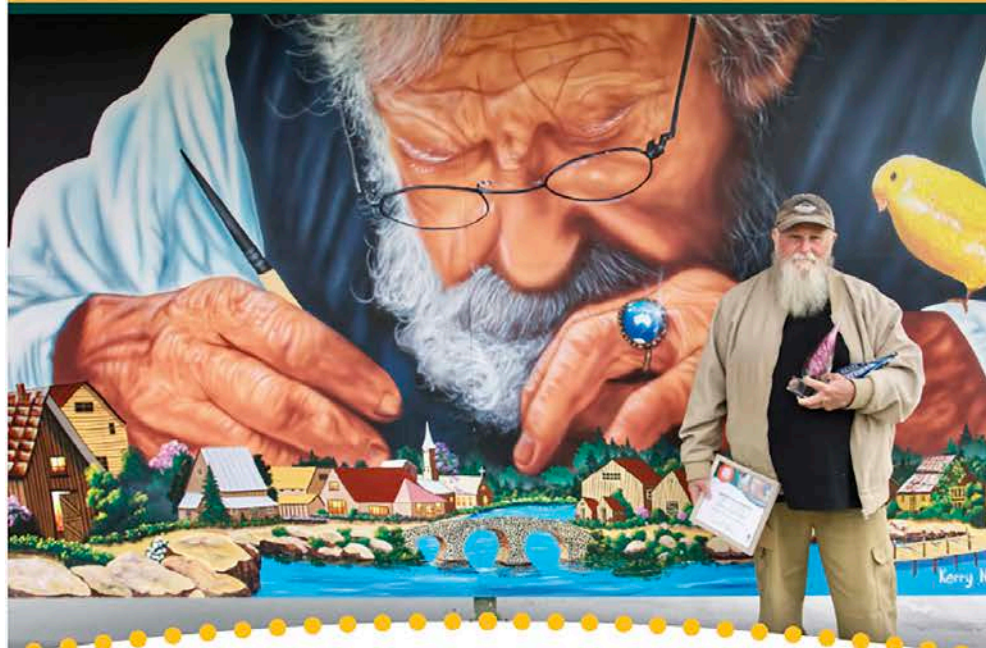


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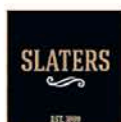


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Further information: recfit.tas.gov.au/business-innovation

Railton RSL hosts Pink family breakfast

Veterans and Committee Members of the Railton RSL Sub-Branch Maxine and Kay will host a Pink Ribbon Breakfast on October 25 at 9am, raising funds for the National Breast Cancer Foundation. (NBCF Authority No 153693)

Please support us by joining us to raise funds to enable us to reach our fundraising goal.

We all know someone who has been challenged by breast cancer and this is a small way in which we can help raise vital funds for research and help NBCF towards their vision of Zero Deaths from breast cancer.

One in seven women are diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. Men also can also be diagnosed with Breast Cancer, so come along and support this event.

While there is no charge for the breakfast, we ask that everyone make a donation when they receive their ticket for the Lucky Door prize. Receipts can be provided for those who require them. The bar will be open.

We would like to thank those who have assisted us by donating food and prizes so that every \$ donated goes direct to the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

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- 12:00pm - 2:00pm
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KENTISH PONY CLUB

Our September rally was held on Saturday, September 6, and we made it a Father's Day theme and had a special lunch.

Our young riders had a lesson, did some obstacles and finished with a trail ride while our senior riders had a flat work lesson and in the afternoon practiced time trials. Fun was had by all.

Our rally will be on Saturday, October 4. We also have our open gymkhana on October 19 and would love to see locals come along and join in. Non-Pony Club members are welcome for the day and registration is online via Nominate.

We would also like to encourage and welcome more adults to join our club. Recent changes to Pony club Tasmania mean that adult PC members are now allowed to compete in Club shields and ODEs at lower grades.

Enquiries, please phone or text Karan on 0429 231 612.



RAILTON SQUASH CENTRE

Located in Giblin Street, Railton, locals and visitors to Kentish are encouraged to utilise this wonderful community asset, through a casual hire process.

Tokens which operate the lights for the squash courts are available to purchase from the Railton Servo. A \$10 bond will also be required and will be fully refunded when the key to the Centre is returned after a session.

BEULAH CRICKET CLUB

The Beulah Cricket Club is looking for players for the current cricket season.

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SHEFFIELD MOUNTAINEERS



Masters: Melissa Longcake (left) and Kylie Bramich.

Photo: Heather Eiszele

Sheffield Mountaineers' cricketers Melissa Longcake and Kylie Bramich have been selected to represent Tasmania in the Women's Masters Championships, which will be held in Perth, Western Australia, next month.

Melissa, a standout bowler, and Kylie, a versatile all-rounder, will play for Tasmania's over 40s squad. This will be Melissa's third year and Kylie's second year representing the state.

Last year, Melissa claimed impressive bowling figures of 4 for 4 from four overs against Latrobe, while contributing 21 runs to the score.

Kylie, from Acacia Hills, has captained the Sheffield Mountainettes for the past two years and is a long-time, loyal player for the club.

Both cricketers are proud to represent Tasmania and support women's cricket at all levels.

As part of their efforts to raise funds for the trip, the squad will hold a fundraiser at Bunnings in Launceston on Sunday, October 5.

The Masters Championships will feature teams from several states, with Victoria expected to be the toughest competitors.

"They're the usual squad to beat," said Melissa, adding that each state would field two to three teams. "Tassie has teams in all three divisions," she said.

**Please email your sports news to:
editor@thekentishvoice.com.au**

TASMANIAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Application for Planning Permit

Notice is given for the following application for a planning permit under section 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (LUPA Act):

Tasmanian Networks Pty Ltd proposes use and development incorporating 366 new transmission towers, approximately 162km of new 220kV overhead transmission line within an easement varying in width between 50m to 120m; one new switching station; modifications to existing 110kV line and 22kV distribution lines; upgrades to the existing substations at Palmerston, Sheffield and Burnie; tracks to access towers from existing roadways; and temporary construction areas.

The proposal commences at Palmerston substation near the junction of Poatina Road and Saundridge Road and finishes at Hampshire Hills passing through Deloraine, Dunorlan, Sheffield, Barrington, Kindred, Abbotsham, Mount Montgomery, Blythe River, Heybridge, Burnie, East Cam and Highclere. The proposal crosses the Local Government areas of Northern Midlands, Meander Valley, Kentish, Central Coast and Burnie City.

Under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) the proposal was determined to be a controlled action. The relevant matters for assessment under the EPBC Act are listed threatened species and communities. The proposal is to be assessed as an accredited assessment under the *Major Infrastructure Development Approvals Act 1999* and the LUPA Act as part of this application.

The general location of the proposal is shown below:



Interactive mapping identifying affected land parcels can be viewed at:

<https://tasplanning.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/basic/index.html?appid=38076cb2b99044f1b4cfc0f816e178e4>

The application can be viewed either online at North West Transmission Upgrades Project – permit for Palmerston to Hampshire section – Tasmanian Planning Commission Website or in person during business hours at the following locations:

- Northern Midlands Council, 13 Smith St, Longford, TAS 7301
- Meander Valley Council, 26 Lyall St, Westbury, TAS 7303
- Kentish Council, 69 High St, Sheffield, TAS 7306
- Central Coast Council, 19 King Edward St, Ulverstone, TAS 7315
- Burnie City Council, 80 Wilson St, Burnie, TAS 7320

Any person may make a representation in relation to the application to the Tasmanian Planning Commission in writing, from 20 September 2025 until 18 October 2025, by email to tpc@planning.tas.gov.au, or by post to the Tasmanian Planning Commission, GPO Box 1691, Hobart, Tas 7001.

All representations must be received no later than midnight on 18 October 2025. Late representations will not be accepted.

If you require further information, please contact the Commission on (03) 6165 6828.

Roger Howlett
Chairperson

SHEFFIELD GOLF

Members 23/8 Split 6's

Split 6's winners were Maklyn Jones and Dave McMillan on 55 Net from Mick Chatwin and Rod Shackleton on 48 Net.

Vets 19/8 & 26/8

Foursome Championship. Due to poor weather conditions, the men were only able to play 27 holes of the 54-hole competition. Gross Champions were Noel Meyers and Greg Collis with 126 Gross followed by David Jago and Rowan Sherriff with 133 Gross. Net Champions were David Jago and Rowan Sherriff with 105.5 Net followed by Alan Duncan and Brett Coombs with 109 Net.

Ladies 19/8 & 26/8

Foursome Championship. Poor weather conditions also hampered the ladies, however they were able to play 36 holes of the 54-hole competition. Gross champions were Helen Lloyd-Jones and Anna Balestrieri on 193 Gross, second being Winsome Sherriff and Susie Coombs on 200 Gross. Net champions were Helen Lloyd-Jones and Anna Balestrieri with 149.5 Net from Winsome Sherriff and Susie Coombs on 156 Net.

Monthly Medals

2/9 Ladies winner was Helen Lloyd-Jones on 73 Net from Susie Coombs 75 Net on countback from Janice Milner. Thank you to Brett & Susie Coombs for sponsoring the monthly medal

2/9 Vets winner was Glenn Connors on 70 Net from Les Juggins on 71 Net. Thank you to Sheffield Mechanical & Tyre for the sponsorship.

6/9 Members winner was Noel Meyers on 66 Net from Matthew Knight on 70 Net. Thank you to The Don Store for their sponsorship.

Vets/Ladies 9/9 Ambrose 3. Winners were Rex Wallman, Jason Van Dyke and Martin Bakehouse on 60.167 Net on countback from Glenn Connors, Tony Wootton and Greg Collis. 16/9 Patroness Day. A very special thank you to our lovely long-standing patroness Jenny Smith. Patroness Day winner was 92 Gross Helen Lloyd-Jones from Janice Milner 101 Gross. Net winner was Janice Milner with a 76 Net and Helen Lloyd-Jones 77 Net. Well done ladies.

16/9 Vets Stableford winner was Craig Boutcher 35 Net. Second was Tony Wootton with 33 Net.

Members Sheffield/Deloraine Challenge. This annual event was played over two weekends. The first at Sheffield with a convincing win by Sheffield with a 306 Gross and Deloraine with a 340 Gross. Deloraine won the final round, played at Deloraine, with a 302 Gross. Sheffield had a 322 Gross. Deloraine narrowly won the challenge.

Sheffield Golf Club 0418 199 873

RAILTON PARKRUN



People of all ages and all fitness levels are welcome at the Railton Park Run.

If you ever make your way to Railton on any Saturday morning just before 9am, you will find people from all walks of life about to take part in the weekly park run.

This community event is a 5km course in a beautiful bush setting off Kimberley Rd.

As we all acknowledge, running and walking are popular forms of exercise, each with its own set of benefits and considerations.

"Running is often associated with higher calorie burn and cardiovascular benefits. On the other hand, walking is a low-impact exercise that is gentle on the joints, making it suitable for people with joint pain or injuries. It is also accessible, requiring no special equipment or location, and is a great option for beginners".

This writer is a 'walker' and in fact my times are improving, but it doesn't matter. I am made to feel welcome and part of the park run family.

Congratulations to all those who have achieved personal bests over the last few weeks. We encourage and support the younger participants and often welcome visitors who come to Railton to specifically participate in our park run.

An open invitation is extended to everyone to come along to the Railton event. Park runners and their 'bark runners' (dogs on leashes) meet every Saturday morning at 8:50am at the Syke's Sanctuary entrance on Kimberley Road for a safety briefing.

For anyone new to the Railton course, the park run Director will provide you with an overview of the course prior to the event and reinforce some vital safety considerations.

We extend a sincere "Thank you" to all those who take up volunteer roles each week. We couldn't run without you.

MERSEY MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

Railton turned on a sunny but windy day for the inaugural Gravel Race with 30 riders hitting the start line, battling headwinds, fast gravel and gritty climbs. The racing was fierce up front, while the mid-pack worked together to push through the breeze. The race was won by Cameron Ivory in a time of 1:33:50.67.

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BARRINGTON HALL AGM

We will be holding our AGM in the Barrington Hall on Monday, October 20, at 6pm.



Kentish Garden Club

At the Kentish Garden Club's September meeting, Luke Bennett, Community

Preparedness Officer - North-West/North for the Tasmanian Fire Service, spoke to the group. He said now is the time to start thinking and preparing for the fire season ahead. Although Kentish has had good rainfall, there is always a threat of bushfire especially during a hot dry summer.

To prepare your property to make it safer, keep fence lines clear of growth (especially tall, dead grass), keep lawns mown but green, and clear gutters regularly. Remove fallen sticks and debris from the ground and move combustible material (including firewood) from near buildings.

Have cleared space around buildings especially in a high-risk bushfire zone. Also make sure there's good access to the property for fire engines. The fire brigade requires a four-metre square access, which means four metres in width and height so trim intruding or overgrowing branches. Vehicles also need space to turn around to safely leave the property.

Finally, the challenge from the Tasmanian Fire Service is to have a bushfire plan – regardless of where you live. Work out what you need to take with you in an emergency (such as phones, chargers, medications, and important items), how and where you can take pets and stock and where your nearby safer places are. Get started on your plan by taking the Bushfire-Ready Challenge at bushfire.tas.gov.au. Also download the TasALERT app for bushfire and other emergency alerts.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Kentish Garden Club is Thursday, October 9, from 7.30pm for a talk on fuchsias. The meeting is held at the Bible Chapel, 45 High Street, Sheffield and is preceded by a visit to a local garden from 6pm. All welcome. For more information, please call Jennifer Stackhouse (KGC President) on 0488 047 011.

HUB REPORT

Thank you everyone for your support. Our Treasurer shared that during the last financial year The HUB donated \$86,425 into our Kentish Community. Recent donations:

- Kentish U3A \$150
- Cancer Council \$500
- Sheffield Singers \$600
- Mountain Echoes \$4000
- Community Carols \$500
- Samaritan's Purse \$3000
- Railton Bowls Club \$1640
- Sheffield Medical Centre \$10,285

Op Shops in Australia celebrate 100 years this year, World Op Shop Day is being held on October 18. The HUB celebrates 43 years this year.

Thank you for your support as we donate into our Kentish community.
- The Committee

WORKING ART SPACE SHEFFIELD

Sheffield Art Gallery – 6 Pioneer Crescent, Sheffield

Famous Artists Reimagined

For the months of October and November the Gallery will be exhibiting the works of many local artists. The theme is famous art works reimagined. There will be a "People's Choice" prize and you are invited to come and vote for your favourite.

Opening hours: 10 am to 3 pm daily and entry is free of charge.

Working Art Space – 4-6 Albert Street, Sheffield

Printing classes: Every Tuesday between 10.30 am and 2.30 pm. Minimal cost of \$3.00 per person to cover inks and paper.

Interested? Contact Fay on 0400 491 272 or email faylilly@hotmail.com

Botanical Drawing: Saturdays from 1.00 pm to 3.30 pm

If you would like to take part, please contact Colette Binder on 0439 426 665 for more information.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays please feel free to pop by our Albert Street Gallery to view our art displays including pottery creations in progress.

KENTISH LIONS



The Lions Club of Kentish is proud to announce we have a second EFTPOS machine which we can loan out to not-for-profit groups in Kentish.

The machine is TYRO Pro, connected to the Telstra 4G/5G network. It will work everywhere a mobile phone has data reception. The only cost is the merchant fees which currently are 1.98%. If you would like to know more this contact us at kentishlions@gmail.com.

The Lions Children's Vision Screening program continues to grow. To date Lions has screened more than 1500 children in Tasmania and over 13,000 in Australia. The program aims to detect the most common vision issues and advise parents/guardians to take their child to an optometrist for a free professional assessment. As many as one in five school children have unidentified vision issues.

We would like to thank the Sheffield Hotel, Ampol servo and Tandara for their support of the Club through collecting cans and bottles which go through the Recycle Reward\$ scheme. This is bringing in significant funds which we use to support the Kentish community.

We especially thank Bauke at Sheffield Mechanical & Tyre. He recently serviced our food van at no cost to the Club. Our food van is used for a significant part of our fundraising and his help will allow us to better serve our community.

We have been successful with a grant from Kentish Council supporting an extension to our Breakfast Club program. This program supports local children, ensuring they have a nutritious breakfast before school.

Teachers regularly tell us that children learn better when they have had breakfast.

Two of our members have reached the milestone of 50 years service with Lions. They were presented with their 50-year service awards at our meeting on September 22.

Our meetings are second & fourth Mondays of the month. Guests are welcome. If you'd like to know more about Lions or come along to a meeting, please contact us at kentishlions@gmail.com.

KENTISH MEN'S SHED

The advent of Spring brings with it our Annual General Meeting and it is pleasing to note that, under the careful stewardship of our Lady Mayoress, election of officer bearers and committee members came about in a brotherly and peaceful way such that our State and Federal political players might aspire to emulate.

We are pleased to share the following appointments:

- President - Peter Morris
- Vice President - Bruce Long
- Secretary - Rod Davey
- Treasurer - Paul Robinson

Committee Members - Terry Hughes, Michael Taylor, Arthur Hawkins, Errol Radatz and Peter Willcox.

As a group we are indeed fortunate that capable men willing to serve can be found with little fuss and we are grateful to all those who quietly and diligently volunteer their time.

At our AGM, along with Mayor Haberle, we also had observing, Casey Hiscutt MLC and Kentish Council's Cameron Parsons, Manager Corporate and Business Service.

We once again catered for the Annual Cradle Coast Dog Show, a two-day event where many splendid canines strutted their stuff and at the end of which everyone went home tired but happy.

Visitors are always welcome at our shed and we are open 9 am to 1 pm Thursdays and Saturdays.

For information, please call our El Presidente del Mundo Peter Morris 0439 537 386.

SOCIAL GAMES NIGHT

Sheffield game Night is a great way to get out of the house during the week, make some new friends and finally play that game you never seem to have enough people for.

Competitive and cooperative (and something in between), card and board, silly and strategy, traditional and modern.

Free from 6pm to 8pm every Tuesday night at the Kentish Community Room (62 High Street Sheffield).

All you need to bring is yourself but you're welcome to bring a game to share. All are welcome, though under-18s need a parent or guardian.



KENTISH CARERS SUPPORT GROUP

The first Kentish Carers Support Group gathering was held in September, marking a meaningful step forward in supporting local carers in our community.

A collaborative initiative between Kentish House and Rural Health Kentish, and funded by the Access 2 Health Services Regional Project for Kentish, the event welcomed carers, community members, and a representative from the North West Community Legal Centre for an informative and welcoming afternoon.

Attendees enjoyed a relaxed setting with fruit, biscuits, and a cuppa, while learning about the importance of Power of Attorney and Enduring Guardianship - and how having these in place can help carers better support their loved ones.

The session sparked valuable conversations and offered access to services and discussion tailored to carers' needs.

The next Kentish Carers Support Group gathering will be held on Wednesday, **October 8**, from 2-3pm at Rural Health Kentish, featuring a visit from NDIS Mission Australia.

If you provide care and support for a loved one, family member or friend; volunteer your time to help someone in the community; or are an unpaid carer offering support, come along to connect with others over a cuppa and explore extra supports and information.



Announcing Mt Roland Art Prize 2026

Exhibiting at Sheffield Art Gallery, Sheffield

Theme : 'Fragility'

Entry closes 9 January 2026

Exhibition opens: Saturday 21 February 2026 at 3.00pm and continues until 14 March 2026

Prize winners chosen by Public Vote
Sponsored by DULVERTON WASTE MANAGEMENT & WORKING ART SPACE, SHEFFIELD

Prizes Awarded : Saturday, 14 March at 2.00pm

First Prize	: \$3,000
Second Prize	: \$2,000
Third Prize	: \$1,000
Fourth Prize	: \$ 500

For further information email: mountrolandartprize@gmail.com
6 Pioneer Cr, Sheffield, 7306 - Tel: 0475 810 981
workingartspacesheffield.org.au

Background image courtesy Lindsay Gardin



COMMUNITY NOTES

KENTISH SCOUTS

Catapulting into Spring with a combined Cub and Scout night! We don't have many combined nights due to the age gap between our youngest Cub and our eldest Scout, but this one was so much fun!

Our scouts took the time to work on their knots and pioneering skills to build working catapults, which they then replicated with our cubs.

If you have the time, check out our Facebook page (Kentish Scout Group/Troop) and watch the video of the kids and catapults in action.

Our Cubs will be heading to Cuboree next month, a state-wide action packed three-day camp in Hobart which will be a first for the majority of them and a fantastic experience.

We are still looking for leaders to join us, so please come along to one of our nights - Cubs (ages 8-10) on Mondays 6-7:30 or Scouts (ages 11-14) on Thursdays 6:30-8:30 - and see if you would be a good fit for our scout group.

- Tanya, Scout Chairperson



KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 7, at 10am at the Sheffield Bowls Club. The Guest Speaker is Scott Lowry re: his military ride across the desert.

The outing will be a luncheon to the Lucas Hotel in Latrobe.

Visitors are always welcome. For further information, please contact Annelise on 6496 1220.

Send your club news to:
editor@thekentishvoice.com.au

Railton Young Parents Group

For parents of young children to come together over a coffee and chat. Visiting services to attend, providing information & support.

Fridays at 10 am
Limestone Cafe Bakery
16 Foster Street, Railton Tasmania 7305

Tasmanian Government

The child protection funding from the Australian Government

ACCESS 2 Health Services

The flyer for the Railton Young Parents Group features a warm, orange-toned background. It includes two photographs: one of three coffee cups with latte art and another of two smiling young children. The text is arranged in a clear, friendly layout, providing details about the group's purpose, meeting time, and location.

RAILTON NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Spring is in the air and the volunteers at the Railton Neighbourhood Centre are having a big clean out, reorganising the shop and planning some events to introduce more people. We will be hosting a Bring a Friend lunch in November.

Craft days are Tuesdays and Thursdays where you can work on your own creation or simply enjoy the company of others and a shared cuppa. The amazing handmade crafts are for sale and make excellent presents and keepsakes. Open 10am-3pm.

Come visit us and enjoy a collection of

Wedding Gowns

both

Vintage & Contemporary

On display - 1 day only

Lower Barrington Hall.

Saturday October 11th, 10am – 4pm.

Incl. Photos, stories and display of Wedding Memorabilia from local Brides across the Generations.

Light Refreshments (\$5) served at the

"Bridal Table".

Entry - Gold coin donation.
Enq. 0455 693 123

The flyer for the wedding gown display features a soft, ethereal background with a bride in a white gown. The text is elegantly styled, using a mix of serif and script fonts. It provides all the necessary information about the event, including the location, date, time, and what is included in the display.

Plant, trim, weed: this month's jobs list

By Robert Gower

How fast the year is going, we are in October already. My daffodils have just finished flowering. I planted 1000 bulbs three years ago, and each year they are getting a little thicker (*below right*). Later, when the tulip bulbs come up for sale, I will be ordering 1000 mixed colours (just no yellow).

I have a number of jobs I want to get done this month. The first is planting my Tahitian lime tree. "What about the frost?" you ask. Well, I picked up a large feed bag from a farmer (it would hold about a ton of feed when full).

Once the lime tree is planted, I will hammer in four star pickets, about 1.2m apart, so that when frost is expected I can place the bag over the tree to give it protection from the frost, until it becomes established.

I normally feed my Citrus in October so I can take advantage of the warmer weather. This will help with the uptake of fertilizers in the citrus trees.

Some years ago I planted a lot of *Acacia melanoxylon*, the black wattles. Some have grown quite tall, so to encourage them to grow taller the lower branches will be pruned to a height of 4m. Of course, the one job that always pops its head up at this time of year is the weeds. I use an organic weed killer called Slasher. It can corrode your rubber seals in your spray unit, so make sure you wash the tank out well after use.

The Slasher will only kill seed germinated weeds, not those with bulbs or runners. For those I have a Japanese weeding knife, called a Hori Hori knife. This knife demands respect. The blade is about 15cm long and is seriously sharp with one side serrated. If you are cutting weeds with your right hand, you

need a good weeding glove on your left hand. It's brilliant for cutting through any tap roots without disturbing the soil and encouraging more weeds to grow.

The last job I would like to do is plant some snapdragons in the rose garden. Apart from looking pretty, they are great to show the dragon in the flower to the grandkids!

Happy Gardening.

***October is Polished Man month. Polished Man is a charity close to my heart, all money raised helps women and children who have been through violence.**

I encourage men to paint one fingernail blue this month, to give violence the finger. If you would like to make a donation to this cause, go to www.polishedman.com, go to "donate", and then "sponsor" and add to Robert Gower. Thank you.



MENTAL HEALTH WEEK EVENT - 2025



Submit a piece of artwork for the Kentish House Community Mental Health Week art exhibition!

Examples of art submitted so far:

- Lego
- Digital photo collage
- Painting
- Photography
- Crochet

All submitted artworks will be proudly displayed at Kentish House during the event.

There will be prizes, catering, a table full of fun crafts to do on the day, and a warm, welcoming atmosphere to celebrate Mental Health Week together.

12 PM - 6 PM

THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2025





Aged Care & Beyond Expo

📍 **Sheffield Town Hall**

📅 **11am-2pm, Thursday 13 November**

Hearing Australia

Kentish House

Care2Serve (Carer's Gateway)

Independent Living Centre

Rural Health Kentish

Services Australia

RAW

Tasmanian Health Service

Turnbull's Pharmacy

U3A

Birchwood Consultancy (End of Life Care)

Council on the Ageing

+ more!

RSVP is not required, just drop by!



Fabric stitches up plastic by the bagful

Boomerang Bags Sheffield celebrated its sixth birthday on August 26.

The organisation was founded in 2013 by two young Queensland women who started a conversation about *plastic* and what they could do about the damage it was causing the environment. Be it overflowing landfills, floating in the oceans or strangling marine life.

Their answer was to create a platform to address the millions of plastic bags being used, the millions of tonnes of fabric waste created each year and the willingness and generosity of people from all fabrics of society to do something.

The initiative has spread around the world and the organisation witnessed groups coming together not only to save hundreds of thousands of plastic bags going to landfill but to share their own plastic stories, interact and socialise with others and gain a sense of purpose in contributing to the local community.

Our own Boomerang Bags Sheffield was started by Lily Maddick, then only 19, with the help of Ann Ridgway, Veena Harvey, Cassandra Speed and Anna Maddick.

Lily saw the need to cut down on plastic waste and was inspired to provide re-usable free shopping bags for the Don Store, where she worked during her gap year. What started out with just a few old doona covers, we are now lucky enough to receive fabric from many generous community members, and The Hub is a great contributor. Donations of suitable fabrics, such as cotton and non-stretch fabric, including doona covers etc can be left at Sheffield School office.

The current group meets fortnightly for two hours on a Tuesday evening from 4.30-6.30pm, during the school term at the Sheffield School. Volunteers cut, iron and sew upcycled tote bags. The current record in an evening is 50! New volunteers are always welcome and be assured that you do not have to be a sewer to be of help.



Currently we have 12 volunteers 'on the books' and most evenings we have around 6-8 attending. We enjoy good conversation, laughs and a wonderful production line churning out the bags. We encourage you to boomerang your bags, use, re-use and share with friends.

Bags are currently distributed at IGA Sheffield, Health centre, Fruit and veggie shop, the PO and cafes in town. We are very grateful for the support of our wonderful community, in particular The Hub and members of Probus, who made generous donations which paid for all the machines and overlockers to be serviced.

- Leanne Bourne and Anna Maddick



Cake Decorating

Friday 10th October
11:30 am - 1:30 pm



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Visiting service

If you need help with Centrelink, Medicare and Child Support payments and services, we plan to visit your community soon.

Services Australia will be visiting Sheffield and Railton.

The team will be located at the following venues and times:

TUE 7th October 2025

Kentish House, Sheffield 09:30 am to 11 am
Kings Hall, Railton 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm

Please phone Cassandra at @Kentish House on 0447325343 to book a specific appointment time, or walk-ins are welcome.



Australian Government



Services Australia

servicesaustralia.gov.au

KENTISH COUNCIL

RATES REMINDER

A reminder that the second instalment of rates for the 2025/2026 financial year is due on **31st October 2025**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION EVENINGS

Council will hold the following Community Information Evenings:

- **Lower Barrington** – Thursday, 30 October, 2025 at 7pm at the Lower Barrington Hall
 - **Wilmot** – Thursday, 27 November, 2025 at the Wilmot Hall
- All residents are invited to attend. RSVPs are essential via Council's website: www.kentish.tas.gov.au or phone 6491 0200.

LIFT THE TONE CAMPAIGN



YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP 2026

Council is offering a \$1,800 scholarship to a university student or a student attending an approved education facility in 2026. The scholarship is to help with expenses associated with relocating from Kentish. The student must:

1. Be enrolled or be accepted for enrolment for full-time study at either University, TAFE or an approved education facility in 2026;
2. Have been a Kentish resident for the last two years of their secondary studies;
3. Intend or be living away from home as a result of their studies; and
4. Be under the age of 25 as of 1st January 2026.

All applications must be on the appropriate form, which can be obtained from Council's website www.kentish.tas.gov.au or by phoning 6491 0200. The closing date for applications is **6th December 2026**.

MATURE AGE SCHOLARSHIP 2026

Council is offering a \$1,800 scholarship to a mature-age student attending an approved educational institution in 2026. This scholarship is to help with expenses for students associated with undertaking their studies or reskilling. The student must:

1. Be enrolled or accepted for enrolment for full-time or part-time study at either University, TAFE, apprenticeship, heavy vehicle training, or another approved education facility in 2026;
2. Have resided in the Kentish Municipality for at least the last two years;
3. Be over the age of 35 as of 1st January 2026; and
4. Be unemployed, work part-time, or demonstrate how the scholarship would assist in retaining or finding ongoing employment.

All applications must be on the appropriate form, which can be obtained from Council's website www.kentish.tas.gov.au or by

phoning 6491 0200. The closing date for applications is **6th December 2025**.

BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Moving to a rural area offers a rewarding lifestyle, but it's important to understand local farming routines and seasonal changes to settle in smoothly. Farming activities like crop spraying or livestock movement may vary throughout the year, so connecting early with your real estate agent, council, and neighbours can provide helpful insights. Building strong relationships with neighbours supports shared responsibilities like fence maintenance, fire safety, and pest control. Clear communication helps resolve concerns about noise or animals. Keeping pets secure, identifying livestock, and checking with council before starting projects are key steps. Respect and proactive engagement will help you integrate successfully into your new community.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS AND EVENT ORGANISERS

If you are part of a group, club, or organisation that provides services or activities specifically for children and young people under 18, you are legally required to comply with the Child and Youth Safe Organisations Act 2023 (Tas).

To ensure compliance, please visit The Office of the Independent Regulator's website to check your obligations.

As part of our own responsibilities under the Child and Youth Safe Standards, Council must actively identify and manage risks of child abuse and harm across all operations and activities. Therefore, any organisation planning to hold events on Council-managed land must complete a Child and Youth Safe Event Plan, including a Child and Youth Safe Risk Assessment, before approval can be granted. These forms are available on Council's websites.

2026/2027 Budget – Call for Submissions

Council invites community members to submit project proposals for consideration in the 2026/2027 operating budget or capital works program. Each submission will be assessed using objective criteria and considered within Council's 10-year planning framework.

Submissions should clearly outline:

- Project location and scope
- Estimated cost
- Expected benefits (including safety, social, and environmental impacts)
- Any other relevant details to support informed decision-making

Deadline: Monday, 1 December 2025 **Submit to:** Team Leader Finance, Kentish Council, PO Box 63, Sheffield TAS 7306 or via email: council@kentish.tas.gov.au

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council Office on **Tuesday, 21 October, 2025** commencing at 6:00pm.

PO Box 63, SHEFFIELD Ph. (03) 6491 0200 Office Hours: 8:00am – 4:30pm week days

Following an emergency e.g. flood, fire, wind storms etc. Council can be contacted for information and referral to support services.

Mayor's message: no place like home



Firstly, my apologies for not submitting my Mayor's message last month as I was on leave for four weeks. We were very fortunate to enjoy a holiday on the mainland exploring our beautiful country but as the saying goes, there is no place like home. It certainly made me appreciate even more what a lovely place we live in with our stunning natural

beauty, unique wildlife and rich cultural heritage.

Although it is a little cold, wet and windy outside today, I can really feel spring is in the air. It was so refreshing to leave the heat of Darwin and breathe in the fresh cool air as we arrived in Launceston. The daffodils in our garden greeted us as we drove up the driveway and it was a magnificent sight. I couldn't wait to pick a few for our dining table.

As we draw closer to Christmas, I am aware of the many events that will be held in Kentish over the next three months. Muralfest planning is well underway and the nine finalists are preparing to travel to Sheffield and pick up their brushes to the delight of all the visitors who will grace our town.

As part of the Muralfest celebrations, there will be a Kids Art and Photographic Contest and Exhibition with the theme *Amazing Discoveries*. Check the Muralfest website for details.

It was very encouraging to read the minutes of the Railton Neighbourhood Centre and Hall Special Committee AGM. Eight residents are on the committee along with four executive positions being filled. I would like to thank Dianne Sharp as outgoing secretary for her long-standing commitment to this centre. Her determination to ensure this centre became a hub for the local community has far reaching results.

The extension to the building has allowed for a general meeting place, outside garden space and shop frontage to meet the needs and expectations of the centre. Well done, Dianne. Your efforts have been very much appreciated by the Kentish community.

The Kentish Lions Club has been instrumental in supporting the Breakfast Club in Wilmot, Sheffield and Railton. This group of volunteers are very committed to the health and wellbeing of our young people at school and, with extra funding, are now able to provide this service on extra days.

On Saturday, September 13, I attended the Wilmot Yarns evening. It was wonderful to listen to so many stories about

the history of Wilmot and appreciate the family connections and the difficulties many people faced when Wilmot was first settled. It is important to embrace and respect the stories of long ago and hold onto their vision of a viable community in this part of Kentish.

The Wilmot market in September was a huge success with people travelling from far and wide to enjoy browsing around the stalls and catching up with friends and family.

KaLIBA (Kentish and Latrobe Independent Business Association) will be holding a Hire and Inspire Workshop presented by West North West Working on September 25 at 6pm at the Lucas Hotel Café in Latrobe. All businesses in both municipalities are automatically members of KaLIBA so this is a wonderful opportunity to learn how to better position your business as a place of purpose, value and opportunity for staff.

Attending this workshop will reduce hiring friction, support workforce readiness and strengthen local employment outcomes for your business. Details are available on the KaLIBA website.

Wendy Leonard, who has been acting principal of the Sheffield School, has won the substantive position after the application and interview process. Wendy has certainly made a significant impact on the school since she took up the acting position last year. With her passion for education, professionalism and keen desire to see all students achieve, the school is in a very good position going forward.

At this time, I would like to acknowledge the role of our former principal, Ron Daly, who is now working in Facility Services with the Education Department. Ron was a former student of the school and then went on to become a PE teacher before becoming Assistant Principal and then Principal in 2013.

Ron's dedication, commitment and professionalism were outstanding qualities that allowed him to fulfill his role as principal in an outstanding manner. His attention to detail with policies and procedures and his exemplary work ethic ensured the school was progressing well into the 21st century.

Thank you, Ron for your years of service to the Sheffield School and we wish you well in your new position.

As the school holidays begin on September 25, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. It will be a time to embrace the warmer days with outdoor activities for refreshment and relaxation after the cold winter months.

- *Kentish Mayor Kate Haberle*

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KENTISH HEALTH SERVICES & PROGRAMS			
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Specific Mondays	Specific Tuesdays	Specific Wednesdays	Specific Thursdays
13th 9:00am – 12:00pm: North West Community Legal Centre @ Kentish House** 1.00pm – 5.00pm: Understanding Loss & Grief Workshop @ Sheffield Town Hall Supper Room, CORES */** 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Social Hub (for neurodiverse young people, 12-18's) @ Kentish House 20th 10.30am – 2.30pm: Healthy Outing to Ulverstone Op Shops @ Kentish House ** 4.30pm – 6.00pm: Culturally & Linguistically Diverse Social Group @ Kentish House 27th 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Social Hub (for neurodiverse young people, 12-18's) @ Kentish House	7th 9.30am – 11.00am: Services Australia @ Kentish House 10.00am – 12.00pm: School Holiday Program: Paint & Snack (12 – 17's) @ Kentish House ** 12.00pm – 12.30pm: Services Australia @ Kings Hall, Railton 14th 9.00am – 11.00am: Playgroup (0-5's) @ Kentish House 21st 9.00am – 11.00am: Playgroup (0-5's) @ Kentish House 28th 9.00am – 9.00am – 11.00am: KIDS Parenting Support (Playgroup) @ Kentish House	1st 12.00pm – 1.30pm: School Holiday Program: Mini Builds (under 18's) @ Kentish House 5.00pm – 6.00pm: Digital Health Hour @ Kentish House 8th 9.30am – 11.30am: NDIS Mission Australia Local Area Coordination @ Kentish House 2.00pm – 3.00pm: Kentish House Group feat. NDIS Mission Australia Rural Health Sheffield 5.00pm – 6.00pm: Digital Health Hour @ Kentish House 15th Pregnancy & Infant Loss Remembrance Day 12.00 – 1.30pm: Red Cross Basics: Communicating in Crisis Online, Zoom ** 5.00pm – 6.00pm: Digital Health Hour @ Kentish House 22nd 5.00pm – 6.00pm: Digital Health Hour @ Kentish House 29th 9.30am – 11.00am: Rural Health Pressures) @ Kentish House	
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GRAMS CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2025			
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9.00am – 1.00pm: Kentish Men's Shed 10.30am: Fitness Class @ LBCH */** 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Yarnspace Peer Group Chat (A&TSI 12-25's) @ Headspace online 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Work & Study Peer Group Chat (12-25's) @ Headspace online		10.00am – 11.00am: Cuppa & Kids (Railton Parents Group) @ Limestone Bakery Cafe 2.00pm – 3.00pm: The Chatty Cafe @ Turnbull's Pharmacy 2.30pm: Mountain Learners Homeschool Meet @ Kings Park 5.30pm – 7.30pm: Munting Taekwondo @ Sheffield School Gym *	Saturday 8.50am: Railton Park Run @ Sykes Sanctuary, Kimberley Rd 9.00am – 12.00pm: Kentish Men's Shed 12.30pm: Social Bowls @ Sheffield Bowls Club * Sunday 10.00am: Social Pickleball @ Railton Rec & Comm. Centre *
Days	Specific Thursdays	Specific Fridays	Specific Weekends
School Holiday (12's) @ Health Support Mission Coordinator @ Carer Support Australia @ Health Support Recovery Recovery @ Health Support Health Support Health (Blood se	2nd 4.00pm – 6.00pm: The Quiet Corner @ Kentish House 9th 12.00pm – 6.00pm: Mental Health Week Community Art Exhibition @ Kentish House 3.30pm – 5.00pm: Textiles Crafting Group @ Sheffield Library 16th 10:00am – 11.30am: Parents & Children's Activities @ Lorinna Community Hall 4.00pm – 6.00pm: The Quiet Corner @ Kentish House 23rd 4.00pm – 6.00pm: The Quiet Corner @ Kentish House 30th 3.00pm – 6.00pm: Halloween (all ages!) @ Kentish House 	3rd 11.30am – 1.00pm: School Holiday Program: Bleach Art (12 – 17's) @ Blue/Green Hall, Railton ** 10th World Mental Health Day 11.30am – 1.30pm: School Holiday Program: Cake Decorating (12 – 17's) @ Kentish House ** 17th Social Permaculture Mountain Retreat @ Lorinna Dorje Ling Buddhist Retreat Centre */** 9.00am – 11.00am: Social Craft Group @ Kentish House 24th 9.00am – 11.00am: Social Craft Group @ Kentish House 31st Student Free Day 9.00am – 11.00am:	18th – 19th Social Permaculture Mountain Retreat @ Lorinna Dorje Ling Buddhist Retreat Centre */** 25th (Saturday) 11.00am – 12.30pm: Mr Perfect BBQ @ Sheffield Health Park (Bossimis if weather bad) All services & programs are free unless marked with an * No bookings required unless marked with an ** For more information call, text or leave a voicemail: Kentish House: 6491 2322 Cassandra: 0447 325 343 Ruby: 0497 780 216 Or drop by: Kentish House 16 – 18 Station Street Sheffield

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Program to prevent falls lands in NW



Salveo Healthcare has started a free, six-week program in North West Tasmania to help people prevent falls.

The program is supported by Healthy Tasmania and the Tasmanian Government, and delivered by Healthy Business. It includes weekly exercise and education classes, plus phone coaching, to help people improve their balance, strength, and confidence.

The first group of participants is already enjoying the program. They like exercising together, which helps keep them motivated and gives them a sense of community.

Many people are already seeing improvements in their balance and strength. The instructor adjusts the exercises so everyone can join in, whether they can stand or need to sit. This helps each person do what is best for them.

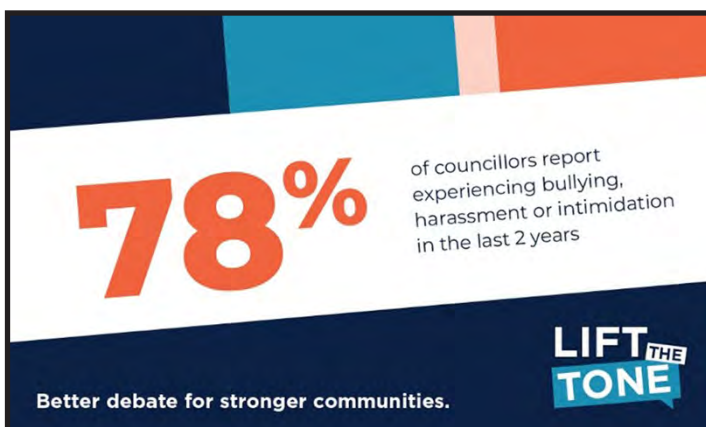
Besides exercise, the program teaches how to spot things around the house or in daily life that could cause a fall. The goal is to help people feel stronger, move more easily, and feel more confident to be independent at home.

This program is for people living in North West Tasmania who have an illness or injury that makes it hard to move around or do daily tasks.

It is open to people aged 60 and over, or Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people aged 45 and over. The classes are held in Burnie, Central Coast, Circular Head, Devonport, and Wynyard.

You can sign up online at www.fallsprevention.net.au. You can refer yourself or be referred by a health worker or community service. You will need your doctor to fill out a medical clearance form before starting.

For more details, please visit fallsprevention.net.au or phone 1300 655 530.



October is a big month for health awareness events and it also kicks off the countdown to the final 100 days of 2025. The month marks a variety of significant events, including Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Safe Work Month, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Mental Health Month, which features World Mental Health Day on October 10.

These health promotion calendar events often encourage a 'call to action' or prompt us to seek help or care... but would you know where to find or how to access care services across Kentish?

Rural Health Tasmania, among other service providers, has a team based in Sheffield which provide care across the community. Our team of allied health professionals, nurses and support staff are here to help our local community.

We offer a range of services, as well as friendly welcoming space to drop in and ask questions about health, supports available and healthy community activities.

In addition to confidential care coordination and counselling, the Rural Health Tasmania team also works with a range of visiting services in Sheffield, including

- Physiotherapy (Nicola Judkins)
- Hearing Clinic (Joy Of Hearing)
- Foot Care Clinic (Feet2U)
- Children's Oral Health (Tasmanian Health Service)
- Children's Health Nurse (Tasmanian Health Service)
- Drug and Alcohol Support Service (Tasmanian Health)
- Boot Camp and Free-form Exercise Classes

Our team is always working on ways to bring more specialists and clinics to Kentish – reach out if you have a great health idea that you'd like to see in our community.

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Time to recognise our volunteers

Kentish Council is calling for nominations for Australia Day Awards and Volunteer Recognition 2026.

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Nominees can be recognised across the following categories:

- Australia Day Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Local Hero Award

Volunteer Awards (for exemplary service at milestones of 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, and 10,000 hours)

Recognition of Outstanding Service by a Volunteer, acknowledging long-term and exceptional unpaid community service

Individuals eligible for nomination for the Kentish Council Awards must have made contributions within the Kentish municipality. Residents of the area may be nominated for the Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, and Local Hero awards, provided their efforts have had a local impact.

The Volunteer Awards are open to anyone who has contributed voluntary (unpaid) service within the Kentish region, regardless of their place of residence. To qualify, nominees for Citizen of the Year must be over 30 years old as of January 26, 2026, while Young Citizen of the Year nominees must be between 16 and 30 years old as of the same date.

The Community Event of the Year must have occurred within the Kentish Council area between January 27, 2025, and January 26, 2026.

All nominations are assessed based on the nominee's contribution to the Kentish community, the significance and impact of their achievements, their background, and their involvement in local groups or organisations.

Winners will be revealed at the annual Australia Day Celebrations on January 26, during a presentation ceremony that includes a community breakfast.

Submitting a nomination is more than just filling out a form - it's a powerful way to recognise the unsung heroes among us. Many individuals dedicate their time and energy behind the scenes, and your nomination brings their invaluable efforts into the spotlight, giving them the appreciation they deserve.

By celebrating local volunteers and achievers, we help foster a stronger sense of community spirit and connectedness.

Your recognition not only honours those who contribute but also inspires others to get involved, creating a ripple effect of positive change throughout our community.

To submit a nomination:

Download the Australia Day Nomination Form from the Kentish Council website or phone 6491 0200.

Complete the form with your nominee's details and a supporting statement addressing the criteria.

Submit your nomination by December 1, 2025.



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How the dream of Tasmania's AFLW/AFL teams turned into a political storm about a stadium

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For years, Tasmanians dreamed of having AFL teams. That dream looked like a reality in 2023 when the AFL confirmed a licence. But a catch: no teams without a brand-new, roofed stadium at Macquarie Point, Hobart.

A moment of triumph soon spiralled into one of the state's most divisive political battles.

When the government declared the stadium project a "Project of State Significance", it bypassed normal planning processes. Supporters called it visionary; critics saw it as undemocratic.

Independent economists began running the numbers — with stark findings: every dollar invested would likely return less than half to the economy, the cost could blow out to more than \$1B. What started as a \$375M centrepiece looked like a billion-dollar vanity project.

Opposition wasn't just about money. The Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra warned that its performances, just 170m away, could be ruined by noise and vibration from stadium events.

Cultural leaders feared Hobart's heritage precinct would be permanently compromised. The RSL deplored the potential impact on Hobart's unique Cenotaph.

Grassroots groups like "No New Stadium" organised rallies, public meetings, petitions — arguing for funds for housing, health, schools, not corporate boxes. Throughout, polling showed around 60% of Tasmanians opposed the project.

The political fallout from the 2023 announcement was swift. Premier Rockliff's government was pushed into crisis in May 2023, a few days after a huge No Stadium rally, when two MPs resigned from the government. Amid continuing instability, an election was called in March 2024. The government couldn't secure a majority. Instability continued.

In June 2025 a no-confidence vote toppled the government. Another state election was called, just 16 months after the last.

Again, no party secured a majority in the July 2025 election. And Labor went further backwards — from printing "No Stadium" stickers in 2023, they shifted position in 2024 (still unexplained), leaving many voters feeling unmoored, mystified.

The Greens and most of the independents worked to fill the void, to become the real Opposition. Their critical argument — never contested — was that budget repair required scrapping the stadium.

In September 2025 the proposal was deemed a failure on both cost and planning grounds when it was roundly rejected by the Tasmanian Planning Commission after 12 months of intensive scrutiny. The Premier immediately announced that he would again set aside expert findings, ploughing ahead regardless.

Tasmania is in a terrible bind. The AFL remains dogmatic — NO stadium, NO teams — but, on the ground, the project doesn't command public support. With Macquarie Point still untouched, the only realistic way forward is to renegotiate the deal. Otherwise, Tasmanians face losing their hard-won licence or austerity driven by debt crisis.

The stadium has become a symbol of competing visions for Tasmania's future. Does Tasmania gamble billions on a marquee venue, or double down on basic services, cultural life?

If the AFL truly wants the game to thrive in Tasmania, will it meet the community halfway? The debate has fractured parties, mobilised communities, divided the state and forced the question — what kind of Tasmania do people want to build, not just for footy, but for generations to come?

- Roland Browne, Hobart



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Spud farmers under threat from frozen imports

TasFarmers has slammed Woolworths' recent decision to import frozen potatoes from India, warning it undermines Australian farmers and risks consumer trust.

TasFarmers President Ian Sauer said the move leaves local growers furious after years of heavy investment in equipment, irrigation and infrastructure.

"Potatoes aren't a crop you can turn the tap on and off to; they take a five to eight year rotation and growers need certainty," Mr Sauer said. "Farmers have taken on big risks to supply the industry, and now they're being left in the lurch."

Mr Sauer said the decision shows the gap between supermarkets' glossy "supporting farmers" campaigns and their actions. "The recent inquiries into supermarket conduct should have been a wake-up call. Clearly, little has been learned."

TasFarmers has also criticised multinational processor Simplot for abandoning a long-standing fair model of supply negotiations with growers, while threatening to import potatoes from India or China if growers do not meet their reduced price offers for locally grown potatoes.

"This stacks the deck in favour of processors and pushes farmers backwards. It's disappointing, a return to a 1950s master-servant culture that does nothing for agriculture or consumers," Mr Sauer said.

"Tasmania and Australia have some of the most highly regulated agriculture in the world. Locally grown food is safe, clean and produced to the highest standards.

"Supermarkets must live up to their commitments to back local producers, and processors must return to fair and transparent negotiations."

TasFarmers' negotiating committee continues to represent Tasmanian producers and ensure their concerns are heard at the highest levels.

Canine connections build social networks



The first-ever Paws & Grub Outreach Event at Wilmot Memorial Hall was a heartwarming success, bringing together farmers, agricultural workers, their four-legged companions, and the wider community for a morning of good food, great company, and meaningful support.

A collaborative effort between Kentish House and Rural Alive and Well, and proudly funded by the Access 2 Health Services Regional Project for Kentish, the event served up egg and bacon rolls and a comforting cuppa. Locals dropped in to enjoy a bite, have a chat, and connect with services tailored to rural life and wellbeing.

The next Paws & Grub event is just around the corner! Join us at Claude Road Hall on November 25 from 11am to 12pm. Bring your mates, your dogs, and your appetite - see you there!

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During the past month we've welcomed a lovely couple from NSW who have fallen in love with their new home and friendly pace of life, along with a beautiful family from Queensland who were drawn to the views, lifestyle and opportunities our region offers.

At the same time, some of our own wonderful locals have moved into their terrific lifestyle homes here in Kentish, continuing their story right where their roots are.

It's heartening to see this blend of newcomers and familiar faces choosing Kentish as the place to call home. Every move brings a new chapter, whether it's children starting at local schools, families joining in community events, or neighbours simply saying hello across the fence.

Together, these moments create the warmth and vibrancy that make Kentish such a special place to live.

Seller Tip – Highlight Lifestyle, Not Just the House

Buyers aren't just purchasing walls and a roof, they're buying into a lifestyle. When preparing your home for sale, think about the story your property tells. Showcase gardens, outdoor spaces, or views that reflect the lifestyle buyers are searching for.

Buyer Tip – Know the Market Place

Spring always brings more activity, and well priced homes don't last long. Do your homework on recent sales, and be prepared to act quickly when the right property comes along. A little preparation now can save you missing out later.

Property of the Month – 5 Atkins Drive, Acacia Hills

Set in the sought-after Acacia Hills area, 5 Atkins Drive is a standout lifestyle property. This home offers spacious, light-filled living with modern comforts, a generous outdoor area perfect for entertaining, and peaceful surroundings and rural views that capture the best of rural living, all while being just minutes from Sheffield and an easy drive to Devonport.

Whether you're curious about your home's value or simply wondering what's next, I'm always happy to chat. View my current listings at www.rrenicholson.au



BUSINESS BRIEFS

The business networking group KaLIBA has joined Telstra in testing and launching Telstra Satellite Messaging - the first satellite-to-mobile text messaging service in Australia. Telstra Satellite Messaging is now operational, giving customers the ability to send or receive a text from an outdoor location that is beyond the range of Telstra's mobile network. It is at no extra cost with most Telstra plans, and works automatically with a wide range of existing phone handsets.

It will be of particular benefit to members who live, work or travel in regional and remote parts of Tasmania.

While the service currently only supports text messaging, in the future satellite to mobile capability is expected to include data and making calls. This could allow farmers to use apps to remotely control gates, irrigation, and other enabled devices.

Latrobe-based Genr8 Energy has been named a State Finalist in the Telstra Best of Business Awards – Embracing Innovation category. A company spokesperson said innovation was at the heart of Genr8's business - from smart solar and battery solutions to EV charging infrastructure. State winners will be announced on October 3.

Wattle Hill Olives has won a Silver Medal at the 2025 Royal Adelaide Show with its Tasmanian Extra Virgin Olive Oil. Judges gave it a score of 84/100 and praised its "fresh floral & citrus notes, inviting green aromas of artichoke and fig, balanced bitterness, subtle green chilli, and a lingering, well-rounded finish."



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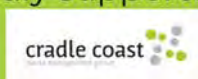


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OBITUARY

Dallas Ralph Wealands

December 12, 1949 - September 17, 2025

It is with a heavy heart we say goodbye to our beloved Dallas Wealands, aged 75.

On Tuesday the 16th of September 2025, Dallas was involved in a motor vehicle accident, a result of a medical incident, that took his life.

Dallas passed away peacefully at 4am 17th September 2025 at Launceston General Hospital where his two daughters Rebecca and Maeghan and his devoted wife, Eileen, were by his side.

Dallas was an enthusiastic and devoted Poppa to eight grandchildren. He was a loving father to his three children Rebecca, Julian and Maeghan.

He was devoted to his bride, Eileen, for 55 years and began adoring her 61 years ago when he was a Beatles-crazed young teen. Dallas was full of vibrancy, love, friendship and humour. His energy lit up any room he was in.

Born in Melbourne, he lived his young life in regional Victoria and later worked in Melbourne at Grundy's television and Channel Seven Studios.

He retired to Tasmania and carved out his dream life with his family in Lower Barrington. He was often heard sitting on his balcony saying "How's the serenity!"

A memorial gathering is to be advised at a later date.

Dallas was the son of Ralph and Doris (Dos) Wealands, brother to Maureen Edwards (deceased) and Carole Gibson.

Hydro finds housing for workers at Daisy Dell

Hydro Tasmania is progressing plans for housing a future workforce for the proposed Cethana pumped hydro project. Cethana is one part of the renewable energy solution that will help deliver secure, reliable electricity in Tasmania for generations to come.

This project will create hundreds of jobs during construction, potentially up to 350.

To support this workforce, Hydro Tasmania has found a site in Middlesex, known locally as Daisy Dell, for a temporary Workforce Accommodation Facility.

The site has advantages of being less than 10-minute drive to site, suitable size and flat terrain, potential to minimise visual impact and easy access off Cradle Mountain Road.

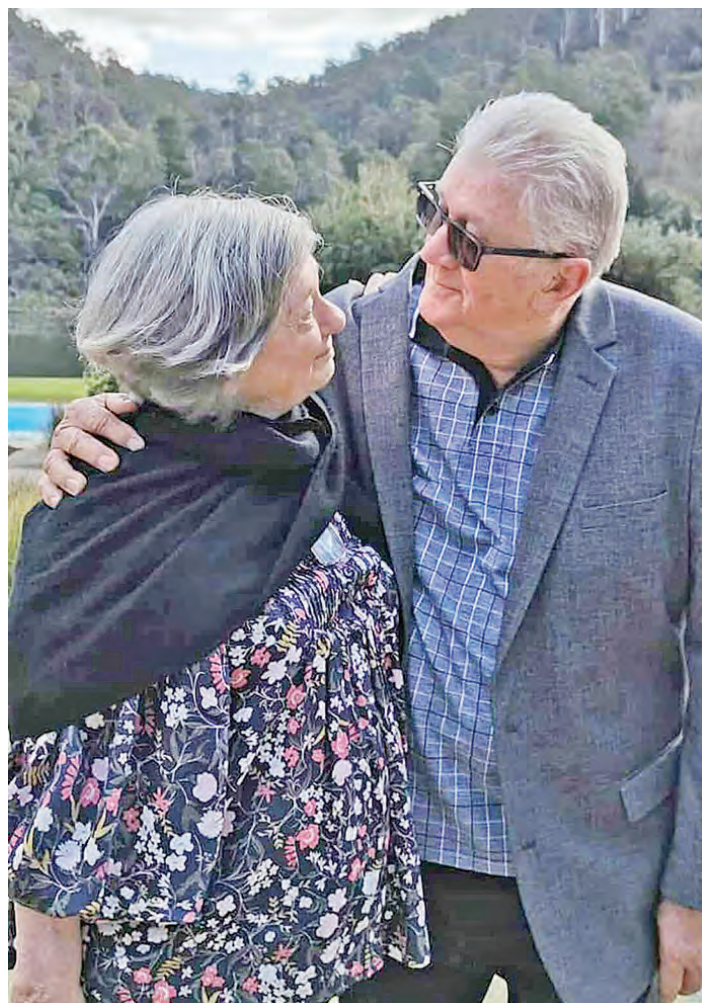
Hydro Tasmania is seeking land within a 30-minute radius of the project site to reduce travel times and manage fatigue for the safety of the workforce.

"Shorter commutes also means that we can more effectively manage construction traffic between the accommodation village and the construction site," said a spokesperson.

The team at Hydro Tasmania has been out talking to locals and thanks those in the community who have shared their feedback.

Hydro Tasmania is also carrying out a range of technical assessments to better understand and manage potential impacts. The findings will be shared as part of the WAF Development Application submitted to Kentish Council. The community will have the opportunity to comment on the proposal when it goes on public exhibition.

Visit <https://connect.hydro.com.au/cethana-pumpedhydro>



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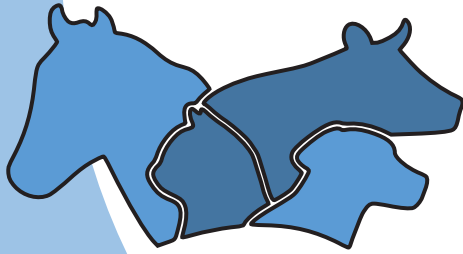
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ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

Scientists have recently tracked an eagle that flew from South Africa to Finland. Remarkably, it only deviated once in a slight curvature from an almost straight line to reach a feeding area in the southern Caucasus.

How did this bird know how to get from one part of our planet to another?

For those of you who take an interest in ecology, it might prove correct to suggest it is something to do with the stars or the Earth's magnetism. The question from a scientific observation is, how to prove it?

To make things even more difficult, how about tracking a Bogong Moth from South East Queensland and Western Victoria to hibernate in a cave in the Australian Alps?

You can't stick a camera on the head of a moth, nor can you place a wireless antenna. This flight by tens of thousands of these moths is for them a 1000-kilometer journey equivalent to a human circumnavigating the Earth twice!

To answer this intriguing question, scientists first captured a few Bogong moths and put them through a series of tests in a laboratory situation to observe their behaviour.

First, they put moths in a special flight arena with magnetic coils, together with a mock-up of the starry sky. By using the coils, it removed any form of magnetism.

To the amazement of the onlookers, the moths could still work out their migratory direction simply by using the stars!

Next, the scientists tried to trick the moths by turning the

projected sky 180°; as expected, they flew in the opposite direction. Yet if the stars on the roof of the arena were mixed up, the moths became disoriented.

In another experiment, the moths were taken on a hill outside and under a dome on a cloudy night and could still locate their magnetic direction without the aid of stars.

So, you may well ask, what does this prove? The insects can use two forms of a compass, the Earth's magnetic field and the stellar (stars), to navigate. If one form of navigation fails, there is another.

This ability for the Bogong Moth to travel such a great distance and with such accuracy is even more remarkable when considering its brain, which measures 2.54mm or 1/10 the volume of a grain of rice, and its eyes are only a couple of millimeters wide.

And this is the only invertebrate (does not have a backbone) to date that can navigate this way to find direction relative to north. The only known living species to be able to do this are night-migratory birds and human beings!

- Geoffrey Curtis is a researcher and social commentator



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The chequered history of Mt Claude

Just as the Minnow River gold rush of 1878–1880 was tapering off, two Railton prospectors – **Henry Weeks** and **Thomas Shepherd** – reported a silver-lead strike at **Round Hill** on the western extremity of **Mt Claude** range. In 1881, this ignited another local prospecting frenzy. They came from everywhere, fossicking the hills and pegging out their claims. The enterprising **Grace Pease** (widow of **Peter Pease**), who had lived at ‘Holly Hill’ on Lockwoods Rd for 20 years, began advertising ‘accommodation at reasonable rates, with good stabling and paddocks for horses.’ She commenced supplying the prospectors/miners with bread, meat, butter, eggs, etc. Among these new Mt Claude prospectors were several discouraged leaseholders from the Minnow goldfields. This new discovery commenced the very chequered ‘off again/on again’ mining history around Mt Claude.

Mt Claude Silver Lead Mining Co 1881–1884

Samples of silver-lead ore taken from Claude Creek gorge tested in Launceston proved so promising that a meeting held at John Sampson’s Retreat Inn in Latrobe led to the formation of the Mount Claude Silver-Lead Mining Company on 8 August 1881. **Daniel Burke** of Westbury was appointed provisional manager, **Rob Bauld** secretary, **Thomas Hainsworth** treasurer, with **John Sampson**, **A Mitchell**, **A Cherry** and **Henry Weeks** provisional directors. Shareholders were businessmen and influential people from Latrobe to Launceston. The company selected two claims covering Round Hill and the Claude Creek gorge. **James Hancock**, who had wide experience in the UK and at Mount Bischoff, was appointed mine manager. Commencing in Sep 1881 with 12 men, Hancock’s first task was to cut access tracks around the very steep sides of Claude Creek gorge to get tools and equipment into tunnelling sites. Lots of rock blasting was undertaken by **Joshua Winter** of Railton to construct a 1¼-mile-long wooden tramway around the precipitous hills to get the ore carried in horse-drawn wagons out to the crushing mill. Five acres of level land was chosen out on the front-side of Mt Claude to build the crushing mill, company offices and miners’ huts; the same site where, 35 years later, another mining company erected their township of Cethana. Six months after James Hancock became manager, he was dismissed for being absent from the mine over Christmas, not keeping correct accounts and for abusive language towards the directors. **Stephen Hocking**, a previous employee, was appointed as the new manager.

At a Mount Claude Company meeting held in Jan 1883, shareholders were told that the tramway into the mine had been completed at a cost of £800. That year, prominent company executive **Thomas Hainsworth** of Latrobe, a huge Cornishman, had a narrow escape from drowning while returning from a visit to the mine. Having entered the Dasher River on horseback, he was attempting to climb up the steep bank on the other side when his horse lost its footing and fell backward, plunging him beneath the water. His companion came to the rescue, but his horse sprang over Hainsworth, cutting his face with its hooves and submerging him again down into the murky depths of the river. The operations of Mt Claude Silver Lead Mining Co ‘were not attended with success’, and in 1884 the mine was abandoned. Over its five-year lifespan, the Mount Claude Company had spent more than £5000 and produced less than 20 tons of ore.

Tasmanian Silver & Lead Mining Company 1881–1882

Sheffield’s first storekeeper, **Robert Manley**, was another

disappointed lessee at the Minnow goldfield who had moved onto Mt Claude. With his Latrobe hotel mates **Frank Young**, **Wm Collard** and others, they formed Latrobe Silver-Lead Company and began mining 800 yards to the northwest of the old Mount Claude Co property. Robert Manley took a large quantity of their mineral specimens down to Hobart with the aim of joining a couple of other mining ventures to form one strong Tasmanian company. Manley was successful, and by October 1881, the new Tasmanian Silver & Lead Mining Company had been floated in Hobart, giving them more investment money. However, deep disappointment followed when their lodes fizzled out and a lot of money was lost.

Mount Roland Silver-Lead Co 1881

Following the mineral discovery at Mt Claude, the directors of **River Don Co** purchased all the Dasher River flats from Claude Road to Gowrie and took out several mineral leases at the eastern end of Mt Roland. The Don Company had just opened a wooden tramway from Don up to Lower Barrington and now planned to continue it to Sheffield and out to their mining site at Claude Road. But though the mine was initially worked day and night shifts for some months, eventually they closed the whole thing down. Today, this mine is part of the attraction of staying at Silverwood Retreat up Rysavy Rd.

Southern Cross Pty SM Company, Mt Claude, 1891–1892

Early in 1891, the Southern Cross Proprietary Silver Mining Co was floated in Melbourne to work the leases of the old Mount Claude Company. Commencing Dec 1891, they extended one tunnel by 198 yards, hoping to find a new lode. The only thing found was a strong flow of water. By July 1892, the company was in financial difficulty, and their mining efforts were abandoned. The company assets were seized and auctioned off.

Kentish Pty Silver-Mining Company 1892–1893

George Hartrick from Melbourne, a former adviser/manager of the above Southern Cross Co, seriously believed they had been within a few yards of discovering a valuable lode of silver. At the auction, Hartrick purchased the mine’s entire assets and, in Sept 1892, persuaded Sheffield locals to buy shares in his Kentish Pty Silver-Mining Co to take over the lease of the Southern Cross site. All directors were from Sheffield: **RR Roberts** (Australasian Bank), **Chris Spotswood** (National Bank), **JT Wilson** (Sheffield Hotel), **Elvin Atkinson** (coach proprietor) & **George Cruikshank** (drapery manager). Largest Sheffield shareholders: **John T Wilson** (1,875 shares) and **Thomas J Clerke** (760 shares). Others: **RR Roberts**, **Chris Spotswood**, **James York**, **A & S York**, **Constable John Burns**, **Elvin Atkinson**, **Geo Cruikshank**, **Robert Manning**, **Mrs Alice White**, **Mrs Mary McNamee**, **Miss Alice Wilson**, **James Manning**, **Malcolm Campbell** & **George Day**. By the end of 1893, the tunnel had advanced 46m but no lode. When the silver price crash of August 1893 happened, it put an end to all investment interest in silver-lead mining for well over a decade.

Round Hill Silver & Lead Mining Company (1907–1927)

After **Llewellyn Thomas**’s prospecting party discovered some fine specimens within the 200-acre site of old Mount Claude Co mine, the Round Hill Silver & Lead Mining Co was formed in Devonport in April 1907. It was the most successful mining company on this site and lasted 20 years. Most shareholders came from Devonport, Launceston and Melbourne, with **Wm Innes** (chairman), **Captain Holyman** and **Hector McFie** (directors). Underground mines were opened on both

sides of the Claude Creek gorge, with an aerial steel cableway to carry the ore buckets across the gully.. The rock crusher machine, manufactured by Finlayson Bros Engineering Works, Devonport, took **Wm Davies** three days to haul it behind his traction engine to the Round Hill mill site. **Dan Davies**, delivering cut timber for the manager's house along the narrow tramway track, lost his horse and loaded wagon over the side of the precipice. The wagon snagged on rocks 80ft below, but his horse fell a further 100ft into the bottom of the gorge.

In just under two years, the Round Hill Mining Co spent £1,746 to get the mine operational so that in March 1909 Wm Davies could cart the first 25-tons of ore to Railton for rail to Devonport and trans-shipment to smelters in NSW. For three months, the mines and mill worked well, despatching 20 tons of ore weekly to the Railton Railway Station.

The opening of the Roland-Railton railway line was cause for jubilation

Then in mid-June 1909 came a significant drop in world metal prices. The company could barely cover costs, and shareholders became nervous about ever receiving a dividend. In Nov 1909, the directors closed the mine and didn't reopen it until metal prices began to rise in May 1911. Production progressively increased, and the company was now operating profitably – ready to pay off all its debt. Carting bags of ore over bad roads during winter months was very costly, so the opening of the Railton–Roland railway line in Nov 1914, bringing the train terminus to within eight miles of the mine, was cause for jubilation.

In 1915, the discovery of new lodes of high-grade ore at Round Hill was the catalyst for the mining company to benefit from the sale of £10,000-worth of shares to the **Hon Frank Bond** MLC and his investor friends in Hobart, who had been keenly watching the company's development. With this large injection of funds, they appointed **John Craze**, with wide management experience on the West Coast, as the new general manager and began to greatly enlarge the mill's capacity from 25 tons to 150 tons of ore per day. An 8ft-wide bridge was constructed across the Claude Creek gorge, upon which was temporarily stored a partly installed engine, machinery parts and a boiler.

Unexpectedly, in Dec 1916, a disastrous flood severely damaged the half-renovated mill and washed the engine and machinery off the bridge into the creek below. Fortunately, most of the engine was retrieved from the creek, but, despite dredging efforts, some smaller parts were not recovered, and spares had to be sought. This event was the likely reason for Claude Creek being renamed 'Machinery Creek'.

The period through 1918 to 1920 proved very satisfactory for the company. Under the wise management of John Craze, the increased production of the plant along with a sharp rise in the silver price all pointed to success at last. For something like 30 years, this mine site struggled for survival, reaching death's door several times, but in this post-WWI period, it ranked as the richest mine in the state.

About 40 men were employed at the mine, many of them coming from nearby Kentish farms. They included **Ern Eagling, John McCoy, Geo Dunn, Bill Knowles, Perc Cox and John McCorey**, whose two-year-old daughter Sylvia fell

into the water-race and drowned. Others were Betts, Storey, Elliott, Foley, Davis, Campbell and the Carey, Crawley & Humphrey brothers. The underground miners – wearing helmets with candles attached – worked eight hours, while above-grounders worked nine hours on a 5½-day week roster. Despite the hazards of underground blasting, horses pulled the ore-filled wagons out of tunnels and along the tram tracks to the crushing plant. The crushed silver-lead ore was placed in 1-cwt bags and carted in 3-ton wagonloads by one of the two five-horse teams to Roland Railway Terminus. Carters included **Sam Pointon, Ted Blake, Les Day, Maurie Byard and Reg Byard**.

In 1920, Cethana had become a healthy little township on the northern slopes of Mt Claude. **John & Elsie Rogers** had taken over its boarding house and local store. Life was not easy for Elsie Rogers. Up at 4am, she had to feed the first shift of single men with breakfast, cut their lunches and later prepare their evening meal. Each miner paid her £1 each week. A new state school opened in Feb 1920 with Miss Robertson in charge of over 20 children.

The first church service in Cethana was conducted by Sheffield's new Presbyterian minister **Rev John Higginbotham** in May 1920. Cethana PO commenced in the Round Hill Silver & Lead Mining Company's office, but in 1922, the mill manager, **Stan (Bill) Hetherington**, had his wife, **Muriel** (née Mainwaring), joined him at Cethana to run the Post Office/telephone and bank agency. Dan Davies had the mail contract. **John Jackson** of the Roland general store delivered groceries in his Model T Ford.

A fire at the mine in Oct 1920 destroyed the compressor building and did other damage. In May 1921, the directors considered paying out the first ever dividend when another sharp drop in metal prices forced them to suspend mining operations for five months until prices improved in October 1921. Popular mine manager John Craze used this break to retire to his substantial home Montana, High St, Sheffield, where he maintained a high profile.

A fatal accident occurred in the Round Hill mill in Feb 1926 when **Doug Mainwaring** (19) was pulled by belts into the machinery, resulting in several mangled bones before it could be stopped. The make-shift mine ambulance paused at the Cethana PO so Doug could speak to his postmistress sister, Muriel Hetherington. His last words to her were: 'It ain't gonna rain anymore.' Doug died that night in Latrobe Hospital and was buried in the Claude Rd cemetery. The courts awarded £200 to be paid to his mother.

Continued low silver-lead prices throughout the 1920s caused the company to operate at a loss. So, early in 1927, the company directors closed the mine. The Cethana PO closed in Dec 1927, and Cethana school closed in May 1930 but reopened in Feb 1931 as a small, subsidised school for over a decade. In 1946, **Wm French** of Barrington hauled the building to the Wilmot school. Between 1948 and 1951, nine Sheffield residents, including **Alf Rowe** and **Ray Parker**, formed the West Mount Claude Mining Syndicate to operate a small mill that processed about 20 tons of ore.

Although the mining fever that led to the opening of the Mt Claude mines has long since dissipated, in Sheffield, our two most elegant and impressive two-storey buildings are the Sheffield Hotel and York, Schmidt & Co. Both were built in 1883 by incredibly over-optimistic mining investors; today they still serve as magnificent memorials to Mt Claude's glory days.

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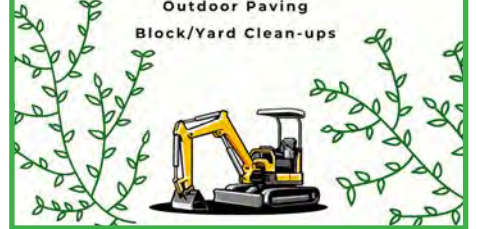
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Topiary trimming shapes town pride

By Jane de Boer

The Railton Topiary group started four years ago when a few like-minded ladies decided to give the topiary paddock at the back of a Railton shop a makeover.



A few of the topiaries had died so we decided to condense the paddock into half its size closer to the shops.

It now has one area of small topiaries, one of large topiaries, the Railton sign and a hedge. The racing cars are still there along with a revamped cattle ramp with a Bullock.

As a few of the Railton sign plants had died, so we made the decision to cut out the dead plants and planted a few new

ones, kindly donated by the Railton Neighbourhood Centre.

Nearer the corner, we have roses surrounded by sea serpents.

Along further, we are slowly re-cutting the sea monsters into a giant caterpillar. Unfortunately in the two years when the topiary was left alone, a lot of the larger topiaries had grown out and we were unable to re-cut the original figures.

This has also happened to the Tassie Devil topiary near the bridge, which at one point was mistaken for a wombat because it had grown out so much.

The Bullock topiary near the corner shop has also grown out over half a meter from its original frame like the devil.

The Lion topiary at the corner has also grown larger and the post man outside Railton Post Office is much taller.

The topiary growing season starts about October and November with fortnightly cuts, then weekly cuts from December to March, then back to fortnightly for April, May, June, to maintain the proper size of each topiary.

We're on holidays from July until the end of September.

We all love doing this as it creates a great sense of pride to show what we have to the many tourists who make a point of coming to Railton to see the topiary.

Many a time we have been trimming away to find we have an audience watching when we have stopped to take a break. They love talking to us about what we are doing and always take heaps of photos.

While a few of the topiary have grown over or just gone, there are still enough to make it worth coming to see.

If anyone is keen to join us, please call Leoni Read on 0429 705 062 or Jane de Boer on 0401 138 230.

Get in line and have a dance!

Line dancing will kick off at the Sheffield Uniting Church on Friday, October 3, with new course leader Dianne Martin.

The popular course already has 10 members signed up.

Dianne has been teaching fitness for the past eight years, and for the past two years has been teaching line dancing to beginners. "I am keen to help the elderly live life to the fullest," she said.

Line dancing is a group dance where people perform a choreographed sequence of steps in unison, arranged in lines or rows and facing the same direction, without physical contact. It's a versatile, social dance form enjoyed to various music genres, from country and pop to rock & roll, making it an inclusive way for people to have fun and exercise together.

Dancers form lines or rows, standing side-by-side and everyone performs the same steps at the same time, following a predetermined choreography.

Unlike partner dancing, line dancers do not touch each other. Each dance has a specific, repeatable sequence of steps, movements, and turns.

While strongly associated with country music, line dances can be performed to almost any genre.

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Kate 0407 510 857

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Leonie 0429 705 062

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Don 0458 343 059

Guitar - Tue 2pm; Ukelele -

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Mark 0428 515 445

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Margaret 0421 648 123

Nature walk:

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Jennifer 0400 376 937

Crosswords - Wed 1pm

Margaret 6491 1175

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October Crozzle

All words go in a straight line but in any direction – Up, Down, Left, Right, Diagonal. Most words are joined to another word by at least one letter, so any letter may be used in more than one word. Circle the words in the graph as you find them and when all the words are circled, there will be letters left over. Write these in the spaces below to discover the Theme Word.

Apples	S	F	S	F	E	N	N	E	L	L	L	F	I	G	S
Basil	E	S	E	E	S	A	G	E	I	E	R	W	A	E	E
Beans	V	W	S	G	O	S	T	M	R	U	I	R	O	V	D
Beets	O	O	Y	M	A	T	E	U	I	K	L	T	I	I	E
Berry	L	R	S	R	U	B	A	R	T	I	A	H	S	L	W
Borage	C	R	A	C	R	L	B	M	C	T	C	Y	N	O	S
Cabbage	U	A	E	D	V	E	P	A	O	E	G	M	O	K	M
Capsicum	C	M	P	P	I	L	B	P	C	T	L	E	L	R	I
Carrot	U	O	O	S	P	S	L	N	H	E	S	E	E	A	N
Chive	M	H	R	O	I	E	H	I	P	S	E	C	M	B	T
Cloves	B	C	B	N	R	C	P	K	D	E	P	A	A	O	S
Corn	E	A	A	I	R	H	U	P	E	L	A	R	N	R	N
Cress	R	E	S	O	B	S	S	M	C	P	R	R	G	A	A
Cucumbers	S	P	I	N	A	C	H	U	A	P	G	O	O	G	E
Dill	K	A	L	E	E	K	S	P	M	A	S	T	E	E	B
Fennel															
Figs															
Garlic	Mushroom					Swedes			Thyme					Tomatoes	
Grapes	Okra														
Kale	Olive														
Kiwi	Onion														
Laurel	Peach														
Leeks	Pear														
Lemon	Peas														
Lettuce	Pepper														
Lime	Plums														
Mace	Potatoes														
Mango	Pumpkin														
Marrows	Radish														
Melons	Sage														
Mints	Spinach														

CRYPTIC PUZZLE TASMANIA

1. Ride a camel (5,9)
2. Camel torn off (9)
3. Marsupial horse (7,3)
4. Steed, expat Croweater (5,4)
5. Employ a stableman (4,6)
6. Shirk! Meek effort! (9)
7. Very young senior cleric has just arrived? (13)
8. Say he reformed (5)
9. Padre reappointed (5)
10. Chewing hot mints (8)

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Offence(s): Burglary and Stealing 30/06/2025 KMS Tree Services Latrobe

Offenders entered a truck and have stolen a number of chainsaws and gardening equipment. Valued at \$9200. Investigations continuing.

Offence(s): Computer Related Fraud 27/06/25 Latrobe

The victim misplaced their credit card which was found by the offender. Offender used bank card to make unlawful purchases at various businesses. Offender charged.

Offence(s): Destroy/Injure Property Railton 03/07/2025

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Offence(s): Stealing & Trespass Lower Beulah 29/07/2025

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Offence(s): Destroy/Injure Railton Neighbourhood Centre 29/08/2025

The front door has been damaged by unknown persons.

Offence(s): Stealing Slaters Country Store, Sheffield 2/9/2025

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Offence(s): Utter Counterfeit Money – Latrobe and Sheffield between 10/09/2025 –11/09/2025

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WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

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Wednesday	Oct 1	Mobile Services Centre 9am-4pm, Sheffield Bowls Club carpark
Friday	Oct 3	Railton Young Parents Group 10-11am, Limestone Cafe, 16 Foster St
		Bleach Art 11.30am-1pm, Railton Blue/Green Hall (see p21)
Sat-Sun	Oct 4, 05	Steam Engine rides 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre
Saturday	Oct 4	Kentish Clean Up 9am-12 (see p8)
Tuesday	Oct 7	Services Australia 9.30-11am Sheffield; 12-12.3pm Railton
		Kentish Probus Club 10am, Sheffield Bowls Club
		Paint & Snack 10am-12pm, Kentish House (see p21)
Wednesday	Oct 8	Nook Battery information sessions 12-2pm & 4-6pm, Sheffield Town Hall
		Carers Support Group 2-3pm, Rural Health, 1B Henry Street, Sheffield
Thursday	Oct 9	Let's Taco 'Bout it 12-1pm, Kentish House, 16-18 Station St, Sheffield
		Art Exhibition 12-6pm, Kentish House (see p18)
		Kentish Garden Club 7.30pm, Sheffield Bible Chapel, 45 High St
Friday	Oct 10	Cake Decorating 11.30am-1.30pm, Kentish House (see p19)
Saturday	Oct 11	Wedding Gowns display 10am-4pm, Lower Barrington Hall (see p17)
		Rollin Mix cover band 7-10pm, Railton RSL, 52 Foster Street
Monday	Oct 13	Kentish U3A lecture: Scams 1pm, Sheffield Uniting Church
Fri-Sun	Oct 17, 19	Hobart Garden Tour by coach with Kentish Garden Club (see p17)
Monday	Oct 20	Barrington Hall AGM 6pm, 1027 Sheffield Road
		Trivia 6.30 for 7pm, Sheffield RSL, 77 Main Street, Sheffield
Monday	Oct 20	Kentish House outing 10.15am, Ulverstone Op shops (see p30_
Tuesday	Oct 21	Kentish Council meeting 6pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield
Saturday	Oct 25	Pink Ribbon breakfast 9am, Railton RSL, 52 Foster Street
		Mr Perfect BBQ 11am-12.30pm, Health Park, Sheffield
Thursday	Oct 30	Halloween at Kentish House 3-6pm (see p31)
		Lower Barrington, Acacia Hills & South Spreyton Community Information Evening 7pm, Lower Barrington Hall, 1027 Sheffield Road

Cryptic Puzzle Answers

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| 1. Mount Dromedary | 6. Heemskirk |
| 2. Claremont | 7. Bishopsbourne |
| 3. Opossum Bay | 8. Hayes |
| 4. Mount Ossa | 9. Redpa |
| 5. Abel Tasman | 10. Smithton |

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