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Juniors knock Burnie for six!

By Sheffield Cricket Club President Peter King

Our under 16 side capped off a near-perfect season when they were able to beat Burnie at Sheffield in this season's Grand Final. As our team finished on top of the ladder, we were able to host this Grand Final. We had good weather and a big crowd.

Burnie won the toss and batted first. They made 93 runs. All our bowlers bowled well with Blake Fidler taking 4 for 22, Simeon May 3 for 13, Tyson Crawford 2 for 14 and Jack Ritter 1 for 10. Our wicket keeper Jonah Evans took 4 catches.

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Champions! From rear (left to right): Maklyn Jones, Haydn Burford, Jack Ritter, Tyson Crawford, Blake Fidler, Jonah Evans, Reily Macintosh. Front: Simeon May, Ryan Brown, Charlton Skirving, Jack Sullivan, Roly Skirving.

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EDITORIAL

My 80-something second cousin in Adelaide wrote a short, sharp comment on my Facebook post supporting a Yes vote in the upcoming Referendum on an Aboriginal Voice to Parliament.

"I will be voting No," she wrote.

Her sentiment, I fear, is shared by many. Because of the unknowns. We don't know what sort of legislated power it will deliver and we don't know who the people with the Voice will be.

All the Referendum is asking us to do is give them a seat at the table. But what table? How many people are sitting around it and which of the hundreds of First Nations cultures, languages and identities will be represented?

Agreeing that our federal parliament needs to hear from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and that their Voice should be recognised in the Constitution is the first step.

If that simple and direct question is answered in the affirmative by a majority of voters in a majority of states, it will be up to the Parliament to decide how it works in practice. Just as they do every other issue they are elected to manage.

The question being put in the Referendum deliberately lacks detail as being too rigid or formulaic will restrict actions down the track.

As the members of Parliament change, as the representatives on

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the Voice council change, as fashions change, legislation may also have to change and adapt.

Perhaps with more direct access to government, a First Nations body might have been able to prevent Rio Tinto from blowing up a 46,000-year-old cave system in the Pilbara.

Before their destruction in 2020, the Juukan Gorge caves had shown evidence of continuous human habitation since the last Ice Age. Indeed, Indigenous peoples have survived many iterations of climate change, with evidence of occupation dating back 60,000 years.

That's resilience.

Yet instead of respecting and preserving the indigenous way of life, we have systematically destroyed not only sites and art, but families and cultures.

Having lived with Aboriginal women Elders in the remote Western Australian desert for a month, the threat of having children removed is ever present in the community. So many have relatives in custody and they fret for the young adults locked up for the crime of being poor and desperate.

The poverty I witnessed in the tiny, dry town of Balgo was on a par with what I encountered during my childhood growing up in Asia. Absolutely nothing around and nothing to do, apart from playing cards and bickering.

It's time those voices are recognised for the strength they carry.

Heather

Young musos centre stage at Town Hall



Singer-songwriter Jada-Li Crossey (*above*) and indie rock band Blank Space (*right*) will perform at the Tasmanian Rock Challenge on Saturday, April 22, at the Sheffield Town Hall as part of Youth Week.

Jada-Li, from Ulverstone Secondary College, has performed live on radio station Sea FM, unveiling her debut song *Disguise*. She also had a role in Devonport Choral Society's musical *Freaky Friday* last year.

Burnie High school band Blank Space features Charli Beresford, Sebastian Jones, Harrison Pearce and William Halfacre. The band started in 2022 doing covers of Alice Merton and Creedence Clearwater Revival and are now writing their own lyrics.

The free show, supported by Kentish Council, also features Disciples of the Cavern and Wizzfizz.

The Tasmanian Rock Challenge is a celebration of youth achievement in contemporary music.

Youth Week Tasmania is the largest single celebration of young people on the Tasmanian youth calendar and has been celebrated for more than 30 years.

The Youth Week shows are a chance for young artists to gain valuable performance opportunities after competing in the Rock Challenge Heats and Finals.

Youth Week provides young people aged 12-25 years with a unique platform to display their talents and skills, express their views and ideas, raise issues of concern, and to actively participate in events to celebrate being a young Tasmanian.

It is a powerful showcase of young people and provides opportunities for them to be noticed and heard across the Tasmanian community. It provides a forum for young people to take the floor on the issues affecting them.

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Waste warrior Wayne patrols roads

By Heather Eiszele

Wilmot's Wayne Brough heralds the changing of the seasons by the type of roadside litter he collects: beer and soda cans in summer, coffee cups and food in winter and a different class of rubbish when major works are happening in the area.

"There was no rubbish at all during Covid," he said.

For the past 15 years, Wayne and his wife, Kellie, along with Mum Annette have become Wilmot's waste warriors, keeping the picturesque valley of the views clear of roadside rubbish.

Wayne travels 12km in both directions from his home twice a week, steering his customised left-hand drive side-by-side along verges from Alma Bridge to Bell Mountain, using a pick-up stick to collect litter.

"I picked up 127 bags of rubbish in a year," he said, displaying a very large Clean Up Australia Day bag, which he reuses regularly. "I've collected 14 bags of rubbish within 10kms!"

Wayne, who is a paraplegic after a tree felling accident, got a permit in 2007 to take his side-by-side on the roads to shoot on neighbour's farms. This is when his view of the road led to a complete U-turn in his life.

"I kept seeing more and more rubbish and it got the better of me," he said. "I started picking it up. The more I did, the better it looked so I kept going."

His efforts were recognised recently in Kentish Council's Australia Day Awards where he was honoured for his commitment to the environment as well as his role as president of the Sporting Shooters Association Club which hosted the northern section of the Master Games shooting events in 2022.

Wayne is frustrated by the rubbish he sees but can't retrieve however he has enlisted mates in the past to drag freezers out of waterfalls and tyres out of trenches.



Committed to clean up: Wayne Brough.

He has fashioned a longer hook to reach further out from his vehicle, an invention borne out of necessity when he discovered a blocked drain last October. "I noticed the beer cans had disappeared and I figured they were blocking the drain so I made a tool with a hook on the end," he said. "I got 37 beer cans out of one drain!"

Wayne realises his job is endless. "If I stopped tomorrow, within a week you would notice rubbish along the roadside."

He's not about to quit anytime soon, though. "It gives me something to do."

Mayor's daughter extols International Women's Day



It was a family affair for Kentish Mayor Kate Haberle at the International Women's Day brunch in Sheffield on March 10, with daughter Alicia Leis (*left*) giving the address and husband Mike in the audience with his twin sister celebrating their 78th birthdays.

Ms Leis is a former Telstra Businesswoman of the Year and the third female partner to be appointed at Hobart-based WLF Accounting and Advisory. She spoke of the ongoing battle for equal recognition and equal pay in the workforce and recounted her struggle to return to work after a difficult first pregnancy.

"I lost the first eight tenders I pitched for," she said. "But I won the next one."

International Women's Day is a global celebration of the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women while also marking a call to action for accelerating gender equality.

The theme for this year's International Women's Day is *Embrace Equity* with Kentish Council's theme being *Women in Focus*.

"International Women's Day is a day to recognise how far we've come towards gender equality, and also how far we have left to go," said Mayor Haberle.

LAKE BARRINGTON WATER LEVEL ALERT - 17 April - 7 May 2023
Advice for Tourist Information Centres

Important details:

- Recreational users of Lake Barrington will be unable to access the water to fish, kayak, row, or swim (or other) between 17 April to 7 May 2023.
- The lake level will lower to five metres below the shoreline.
- The Kentish Park boat ramp and pontoon, and the Wilmot boat ramps will be closed as the low lake levels will cause them to maroon.
- Access down to the lake Barrington Rowing Course will remain open, however there will be a noticeable muddy bank around the lake's edge.
- From Sunday 7 May, recreational users will be able to access boat ramps and pontoons and the lake will return to the shoreline (typical operating level).

Why is the lake being lowered?

- Tasmania Irrigation needs to complete work on a pump well station on Lake Barrington, as part of the Don Irrigation Scheme.
- The scheme, once completed, will mean increased access to water for farmers in Sheffield and areas surrounding Devonport.
- Hydro Tasmania and Tasmanian Irrigation consulted with recreation groups and community to ensure the most appropriate timing for these works to commence.
- Lowering the lake level ensures Tasmanian Irrigation workers can access the pump well safely.

Key dates:

- On Monday 17 April, Hydro Tasmania will begin lowering Lake Barrington to five metres below the shoreline. This will occur over several days.
- From Thursday 20 April to Thursday 4 May, the lake will remain at this lower level.
- From Thursday 4th May, the lake will start to refill and return to its normal operating level by Sunday 7th of May.

If people have questions?

- Please put them in touch with Gina Harvey, Engagement Advisor, Hydro Tasmania on 0428 812 387.

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Sink your hands into earthy festival



Autumn is a busy season for Mount Roland Land Care partly because it's a great time for putting trees in the ground.

Our 1000 Trees Project is in full operation and if you'd like to help by coming to one of our planting days (good company, good food, great outcomes), do let us know.

Several plantings will take place in April and May, all at fantastic locations and each with their own particular environmental needs. If you're interested, you can find our contact details on our webpage, mountrolandlandcare.org.au.

At the end of April, Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th, we're hosting not only a tree-planting (both mornings), but also a free event: our Festival of Earthy Ideas. Spend the morning in Sheffield with your hands in the soil. Fill your afternoons with talks, gentle walks and skill-sharing at Gowrie Park.

Plus live music.

Lisa Cawthen will unlock the secret world of bats for us – apparently we live in a microbat hotspot and Lisa is the perfect person to unveil what that means.

Rees Campbell will also be in town, revealing secrets of Tasmanian native foods (*berry cheesecake*, *right*): how to identify them, what to do with them, and how to grow them in your garden.

Sarah Lloyd is returning by popular demand to take us into the

small and stunning world of slime moulds.

On the music front, prepare for the sweet, open-hearted sounds of Isabel Rumble plus a little bit of blues, country, folk and rock 'n' roll from the wonderful Amber Rae Slade. The funky, soulful mix of the Pete Cornelius Trio will also be on offer. See our website for the program.

In addition to our guests, there will be a slot for what we're calling our "Locals Expo". If you're a secret landcare hero, or just someone with a project or a skill you think Mount Roland Land Care would like to know about, please contact us. Hear what some of our locals are engaged in and enjoy the flare and energy of the festival atmosphere.

Book your ticket at www.mountrolandlandcare.org.au (bookings are essential and places are limited).

Our festival weekend received grant funding from the Australian Government in partnership with the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal. Thanks, especially for the tree planting, must also go to Kentish Council.

All of the events are free and family-friendly, with food available for purchase at Wilder Tasmania in Gowrie Park.

Those who have spent the morning planting trees won't need to pay for their meal – providing lunch will be our way of saying thank you.

Also in Autumn, MRLC will be getting a jump start on some of our peskier weeds, foxgloves included. We'll be

continuing our crayfish project and we encourage any sightings of crayfish on our roads to be reported to us.

We'll also be looking for other opportunities to improve the health and resilience of the land around us. We hope you'll do the same. Our thanks to Lisa Cawthen, Rees Campbell and Sarah Lloyd for their images of bats, native foods and slime moulds used here and elsewhere in relation to our Festival.



Railton topiary paddock slims down to fatten up

By Leoni Read

At the Railton Community Information Evening on February 28, a brief update was given as to what is happening to this much-loved feature.

The Kentish U3A Topiary group has had a small Topiary project at the Railton Hotel which is coming along nicely, so we decided to lend a hand to tidy up the Topiary Paddock.

Paul and Kris, who own the 'Gear' Café and paddock, were keen to get help from the community, particularly as they work full-time. We all agreed it would be a good idea to reduce the amount of topiary in the paddock for the time being to make it easier to look after.

The front fence is to be removed. Seven small topiary frames were given back to the Railton Neighbourhood Centre for safekeeping. Once the paddock is tidied up, we have big plans!

The three-person Kentish U3A Topiary group meets each Wednesday morning from 9am to noon with our gardening gear, and little bit by little bit we have made a difference.

We always find time for a mid-morning coffee at 'Gear', which



Transition period: topiary frames new and old.

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We would love to welcome more members to our group. Contact Leoni Read on 0429 705 062.



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Claude Rd farewells David 'Blackie' Martin

By **Kim Johnson**

On Sunday, March 19, local hero David 'Blackie' Martin lost his battle with cancer – and Claude Road lost a friend.

David grew up in Claude Road where he spent most of his life, moving briefly to Latrobe and Sheffield where he was heavily involved in local sport, playing almost 400 games of football and countless games of cricket.

He captained the Beulah Cricket Club to a Grand Final win and was a life member of the Nook Cricket Club. He was an avid Richmond supporter and enjoyed watching the games in his shed along with friends and family – and a fridge full of VB!

He was a hard worker, employed by Sun Pharma for around 40 years. He worked hard on his time off as well and spent many, many hours cutting wood not just for his own use but to help people in need.

He loved his family, his friends and his community. He also loved his dogs and treated them so well it was often said by people who knew him that they wanted to be reincarnated as one of his dogs because they would be so well cared for.

In the late 1990s David joined the Claude Road Memorial Hall Committee and worked tirelessly to keep the Hall and grounds in good order.

He was elected Committee President and served in that position for about 18 years. He was such a staunch supporter of the Hall, spending many hours slashing and caring for the grounds until he was no longer able.

David will be remembered as a strong yet kind supporter who could relate to people of all ages. We wish his family the best.



Claude Road does not shine as bright without you, David.

SteamFest brings in large crowds

SteamFest was held over three beautiful days last month, attracting about 7500 people to Sheffield and surrounds.

Wee Georgie Wood locomotive from Tullah in his splendid black livery and the Krauss proud in green, provided rides for approximately 3000 people. Dulverton Station was busier than it ever was in its previous working life.

The bullocks - after an unscheduled morning walk up Main Street - entertained the crowds in a more controlled fashion and the Lighthouse Tasmanian Troup stunned with their horsemanship and beautiful story of our forebears' bravery.

Tractors, trucks and vintage / veteran cars combined with the steam tractions engines and rollers in the Grand Parade and the heritage crafts of chaff cutting, threshing, straw pressing and rock crushing demonstrated to the younger generations some of the aspects of life in a long gone but not forgotten era.

The Historical Machinery Club of Tasmania with a large display of stationary engines joined working blacksmiths, draught horse carriage rides, medieval knights and steampunk costumed people along with over 60 food and craft stalls.

Our volunteers did an amazing job and without the approximately 200 volunteers every day, this festival could not take place. Thank you for your tireless efforts.

Our sponsors were very generous this year and I would like to thank all those who worked behind the scenes and Maurice Hays – the Co-ordinator of the SteamFest Committee.

- *Jill Ridgway – Assistant Co-ordinator SteamFest*

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Light and Atmosphere

Talented Artist, Evelyn Antonysen's Exhibition



Artist's Statement:

Like many artists I aim to depict light. I love our Island and choose its many moods as the focus of my art.

On a recent trip to Melbourne to see "Monet and Friends" at Lume, one of the quotes from Monet really resonated with me ...

'Other artists paint a bridge, a house, a boat and that's the end. I want to paint the air that surrounds the bridge, the house, the boat, the beauty of the air in which these objects are located'.

I use the word atmosphere, but like Monet, in a different location and style, capturing the atmosphere or mood is paramount.



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Annie goes to sleep under the trees

By Heather Eiszele

One of Wilmot's icons, Annie the Pony, has left the stable after 34 years walking the roads and wandering the bush.

Owner Tania Roberts could not let the ageing mare face another winter as she was losing weight and unable to eat due to her loose teeth from a broken jaw when she was a foal.

"The day before she went to sleep, I found a tooth in her food bucket," says Tania through tears.

"I'll be keeping that."

She has a length of black and white mane hair and one of Annie's old shoes which she will transform into a tribute to her determined pony.

"She had really good stamina," Tania says of her rare black, brown and white Paint horse. "When I used to go on horse rides, people would say 'Oh you've brought your pony' or 'Do you need a boost up?' But she would run rings around those horses."

Annie won a Barrel Race when she was 27 and competed in a few shows but she was known around Wilmot for her visits to town and taking the local kids for rides.

"We'd ride to the shop twice a week, that's 15km return," Tania said. "I'd leave her on the hitching rail at the shop and the tourists would come and get photos."

On Sundays, they would ride for 30-40km with Annie completing several endurance rides for charity.

"She was very competitive and very proud," said Tania. "And she was very good at teaching younger horses manners!"

Retired vet Jim Reilly who had known Annie all her life came to put her down.

"There's a path through the trees that I call Annie's Way," Tania said. "I led her there under the tree and she passed with the sun on her back."

Touched by the Cross on Easter Sunday

The three large crosses in the grounds of the Sheffield Uniting Church, on the corner of Main and Henry streets, are an important symbol in our community at Easter.

Not only do they serve as a reminder of the crux of the Easter message, but they are a symbol of how our differences can be put aside, regardless of who we are and where we come from.

At Easter, the Combined Churches in the Kentish District gather together to worship. It is inspiring to see not only the regular worshippers but many locals and visitors who are Touched by the Cross at Easter, moved to come and hear the good news of Jesus' love for every one of us, which is the basis of the Easter message.

This year the churches in the Kentish area will hold an Easter Service at 10.30am on April 9 at the Baptist Church.

After this service, you are invited to join us for Hot Cross buns and tea and coffee at the Sheffield Uniting Church, which will be served from 11am, prior to the traditional short Combined Service at 11.45am under the crosses.

Weather permitting, the service will be held beneath the crosses. Chris Aulich will be the speaker.

Everyone is welcome!

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Rare and determined: Annie the Paint Pony.

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ABC shows why Julian loves where he lives

The ABC is producing an exciting new national campaign called "Love Where You Live" and has chosen to highlight Sheffield.



The filming was done in and around Sheffield and featured one of its most popular murals as it was undergoing restoration.

Julian Bale, who is currently restoring the mural, said he was delighted when he was contacted by the ABC to be a part of this campaign.

"The mural *The Hardest Years* was a great choice for filming as it represents the settlement of this great region but also is a stunning example of the many fantastic murals that line the outside walls of the town," Mr Bale said.

Mr Bale has had a deep connection with the area for almost 30 years and has had the responsibility of keeping the murals maintained. He explained during an interview that "it is a joy to return murals to their original condition with respect to the artist's style".

This has made Sheffield such a unique place to visit, becoming world renowned as the Kentish Outdoor Art Gallery.

Mural Fest encourages spirit of adventure

Mural Fest celebrates 20 years this November and organisers Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism have chosen the theme *The Spirit of Adventure*.

President Sandy Brattstrom said nine artists from Australia and around the world would paint murals over six days before Mural Fest from November 6-11.

Conducted in Mural Park, Sheffield's very own 'Outdoor Art Gallery,' Mural Fest tests an artist's skills, endurance and tenacity while subjecting them to public scrutiny, time constraints and Tasmania's unpredictable weather.

Three prizes will be awarded: The People's Choice Award (\$15,000), The People's Choice Runner-Up Award (\$5000) and the Volunteers Award (\$1000) with the completed murals remaining on display in Mural Park until October 2024.

"It is an exciting year, celebrating a milestone 20 years of Mural Fest and opening the competition up once again to mural artists internationally," said Ms Brattstrom.

"Mural artists thinking about entering Mural Fest should visit

muralfest.com.au and download an entry form with entries due on August 31 - it will be here before we know it!

"And, with this year's theme being 'The Spirit of Adventure', we are looking forward to a lot of inspired creativity."

Mural Fest remains committed to creating an annual event which contributes to the unique interest of the 'Town of Murals' while providing emerging and established artists with an opportunity to showcase their talents in a public forum, assisting them in their artistic growth and development, and promoting mural art as a valued art form.

"We're all looking forward to a fun and festive Mural Fest in November!" Ms Brattstrom said.

To stay up to date with all the latest Mural Fest information, email an Expression of Interest to info@muralfest.com.au

For further information visit www.muralfest.com.au

SHEFFIELD RSL SUB BRANCH TRIVIA WEDNESDAY APRIL 19th

Hey Folks...N.B. It's April!
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LOWER BARRINGTON HALL

Stamp your approval - or not

Federal Member for Lyons Brian Mitchell is encouraging residents and small businesses in Tasmania to have their say on the modernisation of postal services.

“Australia Post is a lifeline for our community and we want to ensure it is providing the service that Australians expect and deserve,” he said. “Aussie Post keeps us connected, supports small businesses and is a key enabler of Australia’s economy – particularly in rural, regional and remote communities.”

Mr Mitchell said the internet and other technological advances had resulted in a rapid shift in the way people use Australia Post’s services.

“The time is right to conduct a thorough review of Australia Post,” Mr Mitchell said.

Submissions close on April 27.



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SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SHEFFIELD CRICKET CLUB

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In reply Sheffield were 2 for 95 when they passed the score in just under 29 overs. Our captain, Blake Fidler scored 39 not out, Charlton Skirving 17 and Roly Skirving was 5 not out.

Blake Fidler was named Man of the Match and his performance in the final was reflective of his season.

Coach Jamie Skirving said the club was very proud of our whole junior program and he thought the win was a positive indicator of where our club is heading.

All players were presented with their premiership medal after the game by Cricket North West President Scott Pearce.



Sheffield's Roly Skirving playing a defensive shot.

Our club would like to acknowledge our great Junior Sponsors The Hub which has sponsored our junior sides for more than 30 years. Also thanks to Bossimi Bakery and Customer Resources for assisting with our Junior Program.

Unfortunately both our 1st and 2nd grade sides were defeated in the Semi-Finals.

Our 1st grade side played Ulverstone. We batted first, making 199 with Marc Simonds top scoring with 80 runs. This game was a very close contest and could have gone either way. We had Ulverstone 9 out and still needing 14 runs.

After a very tense struggle, Ulverstone just got the runs required. Sam Robinson took 4 for 59, James Jennings 2 for 36 and Gary Miles 2 for 35.

Our 2nd grade side played Burnie at Burnie. We started well and got Burnie all out for 123. All our bowlers bowled well with Alex Diprose taking 3 for 16, Dayne Suna 2 for 11, Josh Marshall 2 for 35 and Hugh Clarkson 2 for 45. Unfortunately our batsmen had a bad day and we were bowled out for 31.

Our Annual Dinner is being held on April 1 at the clubrooms.



Blake Fidler and Roly Skirving after the winning runs.

WILMOT FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



Museum Curator Wendy Charleston, committee members John Burton and Alison Richards with Wilmot Tourist & Progress Association President Cr Phillip Richards.

Recently the Wilmot Museum was given a shield dating from the 1920s. This shield was the Wilmot Football Association Shield covering the period from 1920 to 1925. The Wilmot Football Association consisted of teams from Barrington, Sheffield, Claude Road, Railton and Wilmot.

The oval plaque in the middle at the bottom states 1925 finally won by Sheffield FBC. The Advocate article on the 31/8/1925 stated in part – “*Sheffield wins Premiership & Shield. By defeating Wilmot in the grand final match of the Wilmot Association on Saturday, Sheffield not only hold the coveted title of Premiers of 1925, but also take possession of the competition shield, on which both club's had previously had their names inscribed.*”

At the AGM of the Wilmot Football Club on March 16, 1926, the President commented on the disappointment of the club members in losing the premiership, and thus being unable to hold the shield permanently.

The President complimented the team on the sportsmans-like manner in which they acknowledged defeat at the hands of their old rival, Sheffield.

Many thanks to Richard Miles for rescuing the shield and John Burton for cleaning it up before donating it to the Museum.

- Jean MacDonald, Publicity Officer

RAILTON SQUASH CENTRE

The Railton Squash Centre is located in Gilbin Street, Railton.

We would encourage locals and visitors to Kentish to utilise this wonderful community asset, through the ‘casual hire process’.

Tokens operate the lights for the squash courts and are available from the Railton Motor & Tyre Service.

For Further information or to register your interest in playing on a regular / semi regular basis, please contact Linda Cassidy on 0417 241 315.

- Kate Campbell, Secretary



SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SHEFFIELD GOLF CLUB

So, what's in the air? On Tuesday, March 14, Lyle Thomas hit the perfect shot during an Ambrose 2, then on the Saturday President Mark Jones scored a "Hole in One" and on March 21 Tony Wootton also hit the Perfect Shot! Well done and congratulations to you all, you have done something that many would love to achieve.

Tandara Day was played on March 11 and we were blessed with great weather and a good field. In years past, the Tandara Auxiliary would come along, cater, then auction off their amazing sponge cakes. This year the lady members did the cooking that was raffled, plus we owe a huge thank you to Glen (Jimmy) Connors who brought in quite a few bags of potatoes to raffle and auction. It is such a good feeling to pass on a donation to the Tandara ladies who are such a great support for our local Nursing Home.

Get your teams together for the Drummond Golf Ambrose 3 on April 15.

Monthly Medal Winners

Members: Sponsored by IGA Don Store was won by Mark Jones with 63 Nett on a countback from Maklyn Jones 63 Nett

Vets: Sponsored by Sheffield Tyre & Mechanical was won by David Jago 65 Nett from Tony Wootton 67 Nett.

Ladies: Sponsored by Robbie and Janice Williams Commercial & Industrial Refrigeration was won by Geneen Duff 67 Nett from Susie Coombs 68 Nett.

Members:

25/2 3 person Irish Stableford Sponsored by John (Sammy) Newman was won by Stewart Gane, Matthew Gane and Lu

Proud 108 Pts from David MacMillan, Rodney Von Stieglitz and Maklyn Jones 100 Pts

11/3 Tandara Day Stableford was won by Rowan Sherriff 42 Pts from Glen Connors 40 Pts on a countback from John Hope 40 Pts. This day was also the "Cock of the Walk" Final with John and Stephen Hope winning on the 18th hole, well done.

18/3 Ambrose 4 Sponsored by Ian Sayer, Heater Glass Co was won by Judy Denney, Stephen Hope, John Newman and Carolyn Foley-Jones 53.375 Nett from Danny Agatyn, Stephen Harris, Michael Chatwin and Greg Collis 54.5 Nett on a countback from Neil Denney, Winston Duff, Mark Jones and Lyell Hardwicke 54.5 Nett

Vets:

21/2 Stableford was won by Mike George (Wynyard) 41 pts on a countback from Neville Pulford 41 pts

28/2 3 Person Irish Stableford won by Barry Tuson, Rodney Von Stieglitz and Janice Williams 92 Pts

14/3 Vets & Ladies combined for an Ambrose 2 with Gerry Hopkins and Noel Meyers winning with 60.75 Nett from Ray Jago and David Jago 62.25 Nett

Lyle Thomas also managed a "Hole in One" on the 2nd. Well done Tomo!

Ladies:

21/2 Stableford was won by Judy Denney 39 Pts from Denise Morgan 37 Pts

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Adults \$15.00

Juniors \$5.00



Pictured left: Hole in One champion Lyle Thomas with John Hope who won the "Cock of the Walk" with his son Stephen; and Tony Wootton (right) after sinking his Hole in One.

KENTISH COUNCIL

NEW STREET BINS

The new street bins in the CBD areas of Sheffield and Railton provide for landfill and recycling.

The tables below outline what goes where:

Recycle Bin with yellow top
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Paper, paper products & cardboard- Newspapers, magazines & junk mail- Soft drink bottles & cans- Bottles & jars (no lids)- Steel & aluminium cans- Pizza boxes (not food contaminated)

Landfill Bin with red top
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Milk & juice cartons- Cartons with foil linings- Cigarette butts- Waxed cardboard- Disposable nappies- Plastic strapping- Polystyrene & foam- Plastic bags & clean cling wrap- Items not listed as 'recycle'



RATES REMINDER

A reminder that the fourth and final rate instalment for the 2022/23 financial year is due and payable on or before the **30th April 2023**.

KENTISH EASTER CLOSURE

The Council Office and Depot will be closed for the Easter period from Good Friday, **Friday 7th April 2023**, and will reopen on **Wednesday 12th April 2023**.

The Sheffield Waste Transfer Station will be closed on **Good Friday**. The Sheffield and Wilmot Waste Transfers will be open on **Easter Sunday** and all other days as per the normal schedule.

Garbage and recycling services scheduled for **Friday 7th April 2023** will be collected the day after on **Saturday 8th April 2023**. Residents should put their bins out the evening before.

Council wishes everyone a safe and happy Easter.

EASTER CARNIVAL

Meet Bluey at the Sheffield Easter Carnival on **Saturday 1st April 2023**! Fun, music, free community BBQ, face painter, Easter egg hunt and Easter games! A photographer will be on site for free photos with Bluey.

RSVP is required for photos. Contact Cassandra on 0447 325 343 by **Monday 27th March 2023**.

SHEFFIELD YOUTH FESTIVAL

The Tas Rock Challenge and the Sheffield Youth Festival are on **Saturday 22nd April 2023**, at the Sheffield Town Hall.

Free entry. Great local bands.

SKATE:LIFE

Skate:Life is on at the Railton Skate Park. Learn how to skate or practice your tricks.

The next session will be held on **Saturday 15th April 2023**, from 11.00am – 1.00pm. Contact Drop in Skate School for more information on 0437 828 371.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council office on **Tuesday 18th April 2023** commencing at 7:00pm.

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.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SHEFFIELD BOWLS CLUB

We have had a great season at Sheffield Bowls Club this year. Both of our Saturday Pennant sides finished in top place on the ladder.

The Division 3 side will be competing in the Grand Final on April 1 and will hopefully be joined by our Division 4 side after they contest the preliminary final on Saturday, April 25.

All players in both divisions deserve to be congratulated after the interrupted beginning of the pennant season with our new turf being laid.

Despite this disruption, we have had a fantastic second half of the season.

The Wednesday Division 2 team are still competing in the final series and can potentially make it all the way to the Grand Final. Division 3 were not as successful - but still had a great season.

The Thursday pennant side played its last pennant match on March 23 and if results were favourable, they will also be competing in the finals. What a great year we have had.

We also had success in the McCarthy's Bread Lounge B Grade Championship Singles (formerly known as the Coastal Singles) with newcomer to the club Daniel Elliott taking out the title. Daniel outclassed his opposition to win the championship. It was won by Sheffield player Dale Bateman last year - so we have had great success two years in a row.

While the season is coming to an end, we will still be able to continue to play bowls on our artificial turf.

We will be holding a mixed fours carnival on Tuesday, April 18. Anyone is able to enter; please contact me if you are interested.

Our end of year dinner will be held on Saturday, April 22. Two Course meal: \$35 per head. Bookings are essential and pre-payment required.

Bingo is still on every Tuesday (except April 18). Eyes down at 1.30pm - all over 18 welcome.

The club rooms and greens are available for hire - please contact me for more information.

- *Mandy Compton, Secretary 0439 401 315.*

RAILTON BOWLS CLUB

Our Ladies Pennant team division three have just played our final game and we have done a wonderful job of finishing on top of the ladder.

We had our last Vet's day on Tuesday and we had a great group of players contesting for the money.

Our Division five team finished the season with a win, well done. Our division one team have also finished well, and played in the finals on March 25-26.

Wow, what a great year the club has had with their pennants!

Our presentation night will be April 15, please come along and celebrate our winners and the great year we have played. Our AGM will be held on April 16 at 1pm, come and have your say on decisions for the next season.

We had a wonderful night with the band Time Out. What fantastic music and everyone who was there enjoyed themselves greatly. We will have another night which we will advertise, come along for a great night.

- *Noelene Purton, Secretary*

Raffy enjoys the challenge



Nye Williams on Neversfelde Rafael at the Tasmanian Hygain State Dressage Championships held at Thirlstine last month. (Photo: Jemima Baghurst)

He placed third in the Elementary 3.2 test and third in the Elementary 3.3 test.

Williams runs a stable in Merseylea and coaches at the Kentish and Deloraine pony clubs.

He enjoys coaching and assisting riders to form a harmonious relationship with their horse.

This was his first State Dressage Championships and he hopes to return next year to compete at Medium level.

SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

The Sheffield Football Club would like to welcome Adam Smith and wife Tayla back to Robinland. Adam is a smart skilful forward who is no stranger to success.

He was a 2014 premierships player at Sheffield, played in four premierships at Forth and was the 2021 Tom Kenny Medalist. He has also won multiple goal kicking awards.

We can't wait to have him back in red and black and leading the way in the forward line.

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Pharmacies step in to fill GP shortage

By **Jeremy Rockliff, Premier and Minister for Health**

Tasmanians can now access one month's supply of their prescribed medicine if their prescription runs out and a GP is unavailable.

While pharmacists have already had the ability to provide Tasmanians with a one-off supply of a limited number of medications, we are expanding the eligible list to cover the majority of medications – thousands of them. Asthma puffers, insulin, medications for heart conditions, anti-depressants, the oral contraceptive pill and more.

It means that if you are out of repeats on your script, your medication has run out and you can't access your usual prescriber, you can access supply through your local pharmacy.

It is a simple but practical way to support Tasmanians who are having increasing difficulty accessing their GP or usual prescriber. It saves time and money.

It frees up appointments for GPs and reduces the pressure on our primary care system and emergency departments. And it provides peace of mind to patients.

The changes are innovative and nation-leading.

Pharmacy plays an increasingly important role in supporting the community and this is just another exciting step that will make a positive impact in the day-to-day lives of Tasmanians.

Through the pandemic, the introduction of continued dispensing delivered strong results for not only the impacted individuals but also on the primary care sector. By expanding the list to cover the majority of medications, we secure continued dispensing provisions beyond the pandemic.

We understand the importance of robust processes to ensure safety remains a top priority and this will continue.

Individuals will need to present their last repeat supply of their medication. If an individual does not have this available, they will need to visit or contact the pharmacy from which they obtained their final repeat. The pharmacist will also ensure that your condition is stable and that you have been regularly taking your medication.

Our Government is always looking for innovative ways to reduce pressure on the primary care sector.




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Thursday 27 th April	Wynyard	Friday 4 th August	Brighton
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Friday 19 th May	Rosny	Friday 18 th August	Kingston
Saturday 20 th May	Oatlands	Friday 22 nd September	Huonville
Friday 16 th June	Devonport	Saturday 23 rd September	Bothwell
		Friday 27 th October	St Helens

Further information and how to register can be found at
www.communitycommitteetraining.com.au

The Grassroots Community Governance program is a fully funded initiative of the Tasmanian Community Fund.

Further Information: steve@alkas.com.au; or call 0408 358 211.

Kentish Scouts review fees



Sheffield and surrounding area parents: We are very aware of the financial pressure most households are under at the moment, so the

committee met and discussed options for those families who would like their children to join scouts, but just cannot stretch the budget that far.

After careful consideration, there will be changes to how the annual fees are paid for those who do *not* receive ticket to play (the \$200 government initiative given to low income parents to help with getting children into sport or activities like scouts).

We are prepared to pay half (\$80) of the initial headquarters annual fee, leaving you to pay the other half and your term fees (\$50 per term).

If this still doesn't sound feasible, our Treasurer is more than happy to discuss a payment plan with you.

For this to work though, we do ask parents help with fundraising when possible.

We are in need of more people to join our committee and are also looking for more leaders across all sections if you would like to join our scouting family.

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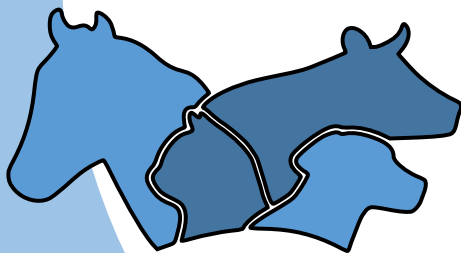
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Most often, cybercrimes are not detected by governments or banks, and it's usually the victim who is the first to alert authorities of such crimes. When a victim reports a cybercrime to ScamWatch, Report Cyber or the police, they are referred to IDCARE.

IDCARE is a national identity and cyber support service, the only one of its type in the world. IDCARE has helped thousands of victims repair the damage to their reputation, credit history and identity information. Case managers deal with the fallout from the work of mostly overseas scammers. IDCARE recommend some simple steps everyone can take to improve online security including:

- Two-factor authentication (where you can get a text message to your mobile phone that double-checks the credentials).
- Making sure your social media privacy settings are tightened up.
- Keeping an eye on your bank accounts and noticing suspicious transactions.
- Not allowing anyone to remote connect to your computer unless you're 100% certain who they are.
- Using a range of complex passwords rather than the same one for everything.

The IDCARE website www.idcare.org is full of useful information to help you understand and action any concerns you may have. From factsheets that guide you through the processes of securing your devices to videos that help you understand scams and how to prevent them, there's advice and tips on how to treat any problems.

Top 5 Tips to Avoid Scams

Don't respond to calls, SMS or emails that request you click a link, give details or provide remote access to your device.

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IDCARE regularly posts news articles and updates to keep in touch with the latest news regarding identity theft and cyber security. Visit them on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter for real-time updates on trending topics.

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SHEFFIELD LIBRARY

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COMMUNITY NOTES

SHEFFIELD LIBRARY CON'T

What's On in April

Coffee Books and More: Thursday, April 27, 4-5pm

Tech Help: every Wednesday 5-6pm and Thursday 5-6pm

Sheffield Library opening hours

Tuesday 3-6pm;

Wednesday 9-11am and 3-6pm;

Thursday 3-6pm.

We are located at Sheffield School, 12 Henry Street. Call us on 6491 8233.

Book Review

Carrie Soto is Back, Taylor Jenkins Reid

Reid introduced us to the character of Carrie in her book *Malibu Rising*, and she was not well liked, so I was eager to see how her character was brought to life.

Reid is an incredibly talented writer and I was taken on a journey through this fictional world of a tennis champion. *Carrie Soto is Back* has all Reid's usual hallmarks, including themes of love, father-daughter relationships and unabashed female ambition. Her writing is a terrific way to explore the complexities of the human experience.

- *Reviewed by Fillippa*

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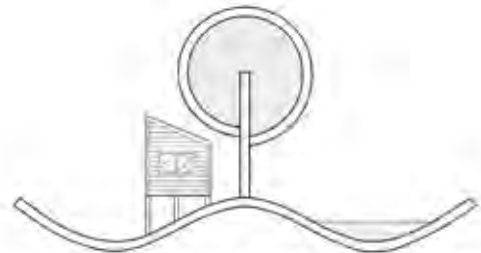
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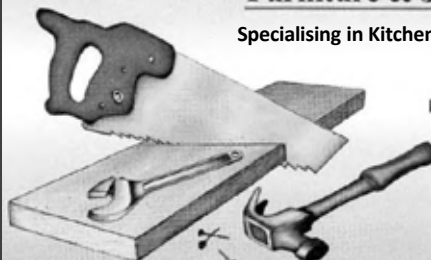
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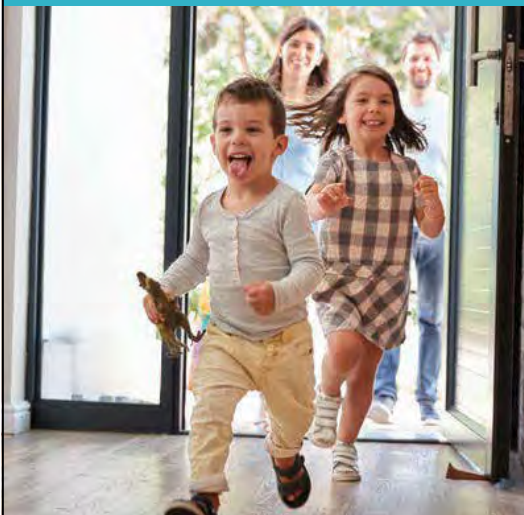
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SHEFFIELD RSL WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

It's April already and here comes Autumn! Speaking of Autumn, Robert Browning (1812 - 1889) wrote in his poem 'By The Fireside'

*"How well I know what I mean to do
When the long dark Autumn evenings come:....
I shall be found by the fire, I suppose,
O'er a great wise book as beseemeth age,
While the shutters flap as the cross-wind blows
And I turn the page, and I turn the page
Not verse now, only prose!"*

What think you all, folks? Relate? Got your novels at the ready? PJs and slippers on? Sounds cosy and peaceful, doesn't it?

Meanwhile, the long, hot summer has seen us out and about, keeping up with goings on around Kentish and afar. We have managed to continue our monthly gatherings and although no longer able to do what we do best, ie. catering, we have still been able to donate to the care packs for the needy new mums and their babes. Thanks Val.

We set up the tables for the RSL Sub Branch Annual Dinner last month and they looked wonderful. Red, white and blue. The highlight of the season was the February conference held this time in Launceston with the theme being Launceston RSL Cup Day. We were represented by three faithfuls: Bev D., Rob and Bev B. The photos showed very glamorous ladies with Bev B. winning the Cup, so to speak. Very colourful.

During the Auxiliary Conference, there was discussion about a volunteer organisation called Look Good Feel Better . It is a make-up workshop to help women with cancer "Face cancer with confidence!" It deals with make-up, skin care and headwear tips and tricks. It is run at the LGH every six weeks and enables women to meet others going through the same issues. All the products are donated and yours to take home.

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It sounds a very positive program.

Have a warm Autumn one and all.

- Jann McKay

SHEFFIELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

Anzac Day is on Tuesday, April 25, and the Dawn Service will start at 5.50am at the Cenotaph. The Service at Town Hall starts at 10.30am followed by the March to the Cenotaph.

Wreaths will be laid at the Cenotaph directly after the March (timing reliant on the band arriving from Latrobe).

Breakfast and lunch will be catered by Sheffield Citizen's Club.

Club renovations are coming along well, Council has agreed to move the cannon from the museum to the club near the mural. The area will look grand when the mural is mounted, the cannon in place and the gardens replaced. Also looking at moving the club flagpole to this area.

The RSL State Branch has weekly updates on their Facebook page covering relevant issues that may affect veterans and families.

Lest We Forget

- George MacDonald, President

RAILTON RSL

An invitation is extended to all to attend the Dawn Anzac Day Service at 6am, Tuesday, April 25, at the Cenotaph opposite the Railton RSL Sub Branch building, Foster Street, Railton.

There will also be a service commencing at midday at Kings Hall and this service will be followed by a March of Veterans and other interested groups/member of the area.

We hope that local organisations such as Scouts, school groups will join us.

The Sub Branch is hosting a Kids Activity on April 5 between 4-6pm, with the Easter Bunny hopping into a big red Fire Engine (if available) and who know what he will bring.

For a Gold Coin donation, lots of fun and activities and even a Sausage Sandwich can be enjoyed by all.

Please direct any enquiries to Kay on 0416125759 or railtonrslsub@gmail.com if you would like to support serving and ex-serving Defence personnel and the RSL community.

Lest We Forget

- Kay Buckley, Secretary



ANZAC Day Times

05:50 Dawn Service

**10:30 Town Hall Service
followed by March to the
Cenotaph to lay wreaths.
March will start when the
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If anyone wants to lay a wreath,
please contact George 0459 021 038 or
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Lest We Forget

Wilmot celebrates early settlers

By Coleen Harrison, Weindorfer Memorial Committee

Come to Wilmot on Sunday, May 7, to celebrate Weindorfer Day in the Wilmot Memorial Hall and Pioneer Park.

We remember Gustav and Kate Weindorfer with gratitude every year for establishing the Cradle Mountain Scenic Reserve, later the National Park, which is now one of the greatest World Heritage areas on the planet, visited by millions, and it is in our backyard in Kentish.



At 9.30am we start the celebrations with “Welcome to Country” by aboriginal Elder Auntie Lize at the Hall, followed by the commemoration ceremony for Kate and Gustav. Renowned author Kate Legge will be a guest speaker. She wrote *Kindred, a Mountain Love Story* about the Weindorfers and her books will be on sale, along with DVDs of the Mountain Choir, the Play and books of Cradle Mountain.

The play *A Visit to Waldheim* (left) is back by popular demand, showcasing Kate and Gustav (played by Becky Coates and Stephen Lovell) recounting their adventurous honeymoon on Mount Roland to their friend Ronnie and Kathleen Smith (played by Duncan Champion and Julie Baugh). Commencing 10am. Entry is free. Don't miss it!

Jenny Pearce will display her slides of photos from the archives taken during those early days at Cradle Mountain showing those rugged pioneers hiking, climbing, and adventuring in the mountains. A display of stunning art works and photography by artist Cam Blake will share the back room with new artefacts and memorabilia of Waldheim and the Weindorfers.

Kris Shaffer is an aboriginal expert and educator in plants of the High Country and bush foods. She will conduct demonstrations of bush foods in the Back Room, near the botanical artist Robert Gower. Geologist Roger Poltock will demonstrate the geology of the Cradle Mountain valleys and mountains.

Cradle Canyon Canoes will showcase a beautiful canoe constructed of King Billy Pine, next to Gustav Weindorfer's original canoe that he paddled on Lake Dove.

Kentish Community Men's Shed has three blacksmiths demonstrating blacksmithing techniques, even those used by Vikings, in Pioneer Park. Cr Terry Hughes has organised the folk from the Kentish Men's Shed to feed you from the barbecue in the Rotunda in Pioneer Park. Food vans, coffee vans will serve you throughout the day.

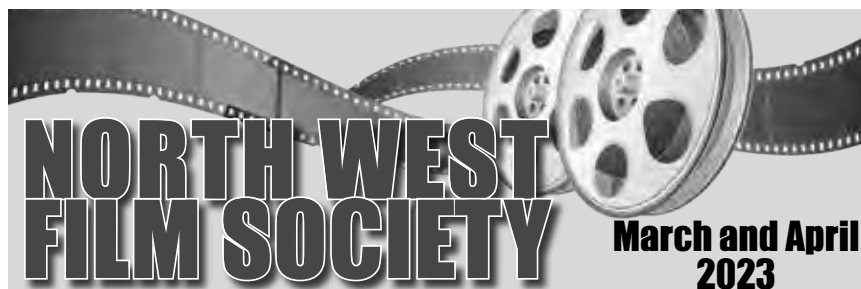
Outside, Heavenly Clydesdales horses will offer cart rides along Wilmot Main Road. There will be a small charge for a ride on the horse and cart.

Games of Yesteryear, hosted by Tanya, will engage you in those fun games you used to play when you were young. Give the kids a go at marbles, tiddlywinks, knuckles, hopscotch, elastics, skipping doubles, quoits, and more.

The Bus Tour is something special this year. After the wreath-laying ceremony at Gustav's memorial, the Rangers at Cradle Mountain will take you on a Discovery Tour to see the “Turning of the Fagus”, the historic tour of Waldheim, Gustav and Kate's chalet, and the new Dove Lake Viewing Centre for a scrumptious afternoon tea. You depart Wilmot at 12:30pm and return by 4:30pm Look for “Wilmot to Waldheim Bus Tour” and book through Eventbrite for only \$35 pp.

The program will be in the May edition of *The Kentish Voice*. Email: weindorfermemorial@gmail.com; Facebook: weindorfer memorial official Phone: 0473 802 571.

Tickets for bus tour: www.Eventbrite.com.au/e/weindorfer-day



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22 March @ 7pm (4th Wednesday this month)
The Good Boss

M 116 mins, (2021) Spain | Comedy, Drama

In Blancos Básculas factory, where they manufacture scales of all shapes and sizes, the seemingly benevolent boss, Blanco, is preparing his workforce for an upcoming inspection with the chance of winning a prestigious prize. Tensions mount when a recently fired employee makes demands for the reinstatement of his employment. When this is refused, the employee begins a one man crusade to discredit Blanco and prevent him from winning the much-coveted award.



19 April @ 7pm
Kompromat* (3rd Wednesday this month)

M 127 mins, (2022) French, Serbia | Drama, Thriller

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It's been an exciting time at the community gardens since Kathryn and I have taken over from Leoni Read and Ruby Otomo and we would like to thank them for their hard work.

Our volunteers have been busy bees keeping the gardens maintained and beautiful with lots of colourful produce and a visually delightful place to visit.

We have been discussing, planning and implementing some new ideas in the garden. There will be some big changes coming soon. Along the back fence a new section dedicated to community foraging is currently being established with the intention of growing food to share for Kentish House, locals and those passing through.

If you see a green flag in a bed, you are good to pick a 'fair share' while leaving enough for the next folks. A red flag means

a private bed and we ask that you respect and admire our volunteers growing efforts by not taking produce.

As our winter crops become more established, you will be delighted to see and taste some fresh crunchy green leafy salads as well as beans, broccolis and cauliflowers. We will also be adding more herbs to liven up your senses. Watch out for the last pops of colourful flowers and crimson fall leaves.

It's all gung-ho ahead with winter being the best time to change the layout of the garden and plan for spring crops. This also means applying for grants and asking for community support to make this all happen.

We would love to see you come and be involved in the garden whether it's observing what the snails are snacking on, pulling the ole' twitch or simply having a yarn. Casual meetups will be on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings with hot beverages and snacks coming closer to winter. Everyone is welcome.

- **Kathryn Cerchez and Olivia Deboog**

Turning of the Fagus a must-see this Autumn



Robert's Gardening Tips

April is that time of the year when the weather is getting colder and all the deciduous trees start the process of turning into their gorgeous Autumn colours.

Tasmania is home to a very special endemic deciduous tree, *Nothofagus gunnii*, our one and only deciduous native tree. It grows at Cradle Mountain.

For most of the year it blends into the native bush, but come Anzac Day, April 25, this wonderful tree starts to turn yellow and orange. If you want to see this tree in all its Autumn beauty, you need to make a visit to Cradle Mountain.

Before you head off, the best thing you can do is to ring the Parks & Wildlife Office at Cradle Mountain to find out if it has started to turn on its Autumn show. All the photos you see don't do it justice!

If you have never seen the *Nothofagus gunnii* in its Autumn colours, make 2023 the year to visit, and don't forget your camera!

Happy Gardening.

- **Robert Gower**

Don't be complacent was the message delivered by Claude Road resident Tracy



Kelly when she discussed the weed potential of foxgloves in the Kentish area at the March meeting of the Kentish Garden Club.

Tracy has been trying to control foxgloves on her rural property since she moved to the area in 2021 and discovered that some of the land was overrun with this pretty but deadly garden escape.

It is important to remove plants before they flower, set seed and spread, she explained. She has been using a mixture of spraying and weeding by hand, seeding pasture grass to stop the cleared areas being reinfested. Foxgloves don't like competition.

The area has been planted with trees as part of Mount Roland Land Care's 1000 Trees for Kentish in 2023 Project (see more on www.mountrolandlandcare.org.au).

While it has been hard and expensive work to rid the area from the grip of foxgloves, Tracy has managed to reclaim some of her paddocks and move closer to her dream of a productive farm with vegetables and livestock.

Tracy's concern over the spread of foxglove across Mount Roland and along local water courses is shared by Mount Roland Land Care Secretary Greg Taylor, who also spoke at the meeting. He outlined his group's petition to the state government to have the weed potential of foxgloves recognised so that better control methods can be developed.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Kentish Garden Club is on Thursday, April 13, from 6.30pm at the Sheffield Bowls Club, Sheffield.

This meeting takes the form of a dinner to celebrate the bounty of our

gardens with a Harvest Supper. Members bring food (sweet and savoury) to share, featuring homegrown or local produce. The club will also hold a small vegetable competition to discover the heaviest vegetable (categories for zucchini, tomato, pumpkin and squash) and the longest bean. For more information, call Jennifer Stackhouse on 0488 047 011. Visitors are welcome.



U3A elects 2023 executive and committee

Kentish U3A held its Annual General Meeting on Friday, March 3, and the following people were elected:

- President – Don Thwaites
- Secretary – Alison Carroll
- Treasurer – Jennifer Braid
- Course coordinator - Leoni Read
- Publicity – Heather Eiszele

The following members were elected to the Committee:

Nita Pountney, Lyn Curr, Leoni Read, Mark Young, Margaret McLachlan, Jan Gursansky and new member Julie Marshall.

Mayor Kate Haberle, who is a U3A member, presided over the meeting, taking nominations and declaring positions.

We thank her for her support.

Kentish U3A is in a strong position with sound finances and a growing membership. New members and new ideas are welcome.

Tutors come from the ranks so anyone with an interest they are keen to share could lead a group of like-minded members.

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of energetic, positive people? U3A members are keen participants in all that Kentish has to offer and we encourage you to get involved.



New members most welcome. Kentish U3A is for over 50, retired or semi-retired.

Molto Bene! Italian classes coming soon!

MONDAY	COURSE DETAILS
Move With Ease	10.00-11.00am. Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Nita: 0437 795 374
Petanque	11.15-12.45pm. Health Centre Park. Contact Nita: 0437 795 374
Social Mah-jong	1.00pm (1st and 3rd Monday.) Blacksmith Cafe. Contact Ali: 0410 742 012
TUESDAY	
Wellness & Support	1.00-2.00pm. Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Lynne: 0407 240 450
Table Tennis	3.00-6.00pm. Sheffield Town Hall. Contact Don: 0458 343 059
Basic Guitar	NEW 1.00-3.00pm Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Mark: 0428 515 445
WEDNESDAY	
Cycling the flat paths	NEW (1st Wed). Contact Margaret: 0421 648 123
Walking for Leisure	(3rd Wed.) Contact Margaret: 0421 648 123
Nature Walks	(2nd & 4th Wed.) Contact Greg: 0438 589 173
Topiary	10.00am-12 noon. Railton Hotel carpark. Contact Leoni: 0429 705 062
Balance and Bones	9.00-10.00am and 10.00-11.00am. Health Centre. Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
Cryptic Crosswords	2.00pm (2nd & 4th Wed) Blacksmith Cafe. Contact Margaret 6491 1175
THURSDAY	
Challenging Walk	NEW 9.00am (1st Thurs). Meet Don Store carpark. Contact: Lindsay 0434 984 570.
Ukulele	9.30am- noon. Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
Zumba	2.00-3.00pm. Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Colette: 0439 426 665
FRIDAY	
Kayaking	Must have own Kayak and safety equipment. Safety course essential. Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
Balance and Bones	9.00-10.00am. Health Centre. Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
Cribbage	2.00-4.00pm. Sheffield Uniting Church. Contact Mark: 0428 515 445
SATURDAY	
Botanical drawing	1.00-3.30pm. Working Art Space. Contact Colette: 0439 426 665

Come and join Kentish U3A Inc. Find more details at <https://kentishu3a.u3anet.org.au>

April Crozzle

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CRYPTIC PUZZLE TASMANIA (Solutions Page 35)

1. Did a smack hurt? (4,5)
2. Mobs are aroused after old Asian president appears (6,7)
3. Jimbo can swim! (3,5)
4. Yogi Bear glee club (5,8)
5. Bar smoke in buffet (5,5)
6. Barker, call odd game! (6,7)
7. Barrel and can recycled (5,7)
8. A gift to everybody including Rod! (5,8)
9. Brigadier for example gained but lost a deployment (6,4)
10. A void bond bounce (5,4)

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And that is Steamfest '23 done and dusted. A collective sigh of relief from those MenShedders who manned the fort during three hectic days of fielding enquiries from curious visitors of all stripes, feeding those same curiosas Morse's famous snags and sundry other delicacies, providing running repairs for various breakdowns and

giving many people a glimpse of the past at Bannons' Forge.

Our on-duty Smithies BJ and young Eric would have perished from the effort had not the Forge been fitted with a power blower (cheating just a bit). Among the many visitors were some expressing interest in the long-anticipated Blacksmith classes. We hope soon to bring this ambition to fruition. Please watch this space!

On a personal note, I should like to offer my thanks to the men of Disaster Relief Australia who came to my place (once again) and ferociously attacked the fallen trees from the storm of last June. Led by Scott Whiley, most of these men - all volunteers - seem to hail from Westbury. Though it is hard to believe, one of them admitted to being older than me although you would not credit that from the work the old geezer made look easy. So now our Men's Shed should settle down to draws as this Indian Autumn winds to a gentle close. But then, there is some stuff left to do. Things to build and things to repair and then there is the Morning Tea for our friends at The Hub. We are open Thursdays and Saturdays (9am to 1pm). For information, please call Terry Hughes on 0429 122 520.

- Peter Wilcox

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Easter is just around the corner and our wonderful volunteers are taking a short break – we will close Thursday, April 6, and reopen Monday, April 17. We wish everyone a safe and special Easter.

- The Committee

PIZZA CONNECTION

“As food is to the body, so is God's word to the soul.”

Our February 24 night is now behind us, another joyful and fruitful night with men from Wynyard to Launceston along with some Kirabati harvest workers from Forth. Paul Hosking spoke of his eight years operating Hope at St Paul's Kitchen, providing food and comfort to those who came to them in need. The Kirabati men sang in heavenly harmony in their own language adding to the two hymns sung by everyone.

Jeff Percival was the main speaker and spoke on the need for endurance in these challenging times, not only here but around the world. “Times they are a changing” but the message of the Gospel does not change and can be relied upon, as Jesus has promised. A timely reminder as we see the world events unfold. The night is now available on Facebook and YouTube at Sheffield Pizza Connection and on DVD.

Plans are in hand for our next night to be held in May, discussions already underway with potential speakers, more information next month. The theme for the night will focus on the need for sound foundations in a world of floods, wars and rumours of wars, pestilence and earthquakes. (Matthew 24: 6-7) Jesus speaks of building on the rock and not on the sand in Luke 6: 46 – 49. In summary, a man builds on the rock, the floods come and beat against the house he has built, it will not be shaken for it was founded on the rock. Jesus and His words are that rock and these are the times in which we live.

For further information Craig 0400 921 187, John 6491 2525, John 0407 877 104.

KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next meeting of the Kentish Probus Club will be April 11 at 10am in the Sheffield Bowls Club.

The Guest Speaker is Frans Ammerlaan re: “Cleopatra”.

Outing this month Come if you can lunch, venue to be advised at April meeting.

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

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The Sheffield Hotel (1) Those

Like so many Tasmanian hotels, the Sheffield Hotel has an intriguing history. In its first 14 years, two owners became bankrupt, a third de-licensed, and another two applicants had three failed attempts to gain a liquor license. Finally in 1896, Fred Maddox of Latrobe gained a license, named it Maddox's Caledonian Hotel and for the next 84 years four generations of the Maddox family successfully ran this iconic hotel.

Only after it was sold in 1980 was it given its present name Sheffield Hotel. So, to avoid any confusion, we hasten to add that back in 1885 when **John T Wilson** demolished **John Powlett's** original split-timber Sheffield Inn on the corner of Main & High St, (now Caltex Service Station), and erected his new two-storey brick building, he renamed it the Sheffield Hotel. It retained this name until it was de-licensed in 1939 and ultimately demolished. What follows below however, is the story of the well-known landmark situated at 38 Main St, currently known as the Sheffield Hotel and its first turbulent years under various other names.

Collard's Kentishbury Hotel

In Feb 1883 a substantial two-storey brick building called the Kentishbury Hotel opened in Sheffield, offering the best in accommodation, wine, and spirits. Owned by **Wm Collard** from Latrobe, it contained eight good-sized rooms, a bar, detached kitchen, office, plus a six-stall stable. The bricklayer was **Samuel Jones** and the builder **Gideon Robson**, both of Sheffield. It was reported: *"This hotel will supply a long felt want, for though the old Sheffield Inn, opened in 1861 answered all purposes well enough in the earlier days of struggle and privation, now that we have entered upon a more prosperous phase, it is certainly not equal to the present requirements."*

Previously an English draper, William Alfred Collard b1854 was employed by Nathan & Co. General Merchants of Latrobe, until 1878 when he opened his store nearby. That same year Collard married **Mary Young**, daughter of **Fred Young**, licensee of Railway Hotel in Latrobe.

Collard's business ultimately failed and in February 1879 he was made bankrupt. However, after his creditors had sold up all his stock to retrieve their debts, his bankruptcy was annulled.

About this same time, gold was discovered in the **Minnow River** at Lower Beulah, so Collard came with his wife and family to Sheffield and teamed up with **Robert Manley**, owner of Sheffield's first general store, to go prospecting.

Collard took out his first lease at the Minnow River on 10 Dec 1880. Six months later, with Robert Manley & **Chas Smith** they formed the Latrobe Silver-Lead Mining Co with Collard as manager. His brother-in-law **Francis Young** of Latrobe and **Chas Manley** of Kentish helped them work this claim, which soon fizzled out. Two years later, on 9 January 1882 Collard acting for Robert & Chas Manley, **John Stone** and himself, applied for four new gold-mining leases, close to **Campbell's Reward** between Mt Claude and Lorinna, where gold deposits had recently been found.

A man of considerable bearing, Wm Collard soon made a name for himself around Kentish. On a Vice-Regal visit to Sheffield in March 1881, Collard and Manley met the Governor of Tasmania and State Premier's parties at Railton and escorted them up to Sheffield. Eight months later, on 22 November, the Hon Wm Moore was given a complimentary dinner in Sheffield for his tireless efforts in parliament to lift the plight of the pioneer

settlers. Upon his arrival, Wm Collard marshalled a group of local horsemen beneath two decorative arches to welcome this distinguished guest. At 7pm, 100 gentlemen sat down to a lavish spread in the Sheffield Inn catered for by Mr & Mrs John T Wilson and Mr & Mrs Wm Collard. The room was tasteful decorated with ferns, flowers, Chinese lanterns and mottos, the latter being the work of Mrs **Mary Collard**.

Initially, Collard had considered constructing a hotel beside the Minnow River, but when those mining claims began to falter, he purchased 16 acres just outside the Sheffield town boundary early in 1882 and began building his big two-storey brick hotel. For such bold actions, Collard was elected to the Kentishbury Road Trust and the remark was made: *"If all the town-people had the energy of Wm Collard, and a spark of his enthusiasm, we would soon find ourselves surrounded by a busy money-making and money-spending community."*

Collard opened the bar of his new Kentishbury Hotel in time for Christmas 1882, but the guest rooms were not completely furnished until Feb 1883. But Collard was soon hard pressed to repay his huge loans. With foolhardy faith in his untested mineral leases, Collard had purchased 16 acres of land, built his **Kentishbury Hotel** and lavishly furnished it mainly on credit.

When his latest mining leases again proved disastrous, Collard was unable to repay his loans, so on 15 June 1883, he was forced into bankruptcy for the second time. His new hotel was put up for sale on 13 July 1883, but when it didn't sell, the bank took possession of his property and auctioned off all the hotel's furniture and contents separately. Included was an elegant walnut drawing-room suite, several couches, a chifffonier, a piano, bookcases, oil paintings, dining-room suite, tables and chairs, hall stands, six brass and iron bedsteads, duchess dressing tables, marble-top washstands, elegant chests of drawers, wardrobes, linen press, bar furniture, scores of small utensils and a few horses, cows and pigs, plus several building allotments.

Wm Collard quietly slinked off to Zeehan where he became bankrupt for the third time. He ended up at Stoodley where he farmed for 20 or so years, before returning to Latrobe in 1906 and opening a general store called the Palace Emporium. Ten months later, on 19 October 1908 his wife Mary Jane Collard (51) died leaving him with three married daughters.

This was his final blow. In January 1909, he sold his business, packed his bags, and left for the mainland.

Padfield's Caledonian Hotel

After Collard's Hotel had stood as an empty shell for almost 12 months, it was purchased by **Frederick A Padfield**, owner of the Caledonian Hotel, Campbell Town. He refurbished, renamed the Caledonian Hotel (poetic name for Scotland) and sought to obtain a liquor license.

Fred Padfield had been a leading character in the Campbell Town - auctioneer, mining investor, member of the local Road Trust and past Warden of the Municipality. But much had changed in Kentish since Collard's earlier application for a liquor application. The **Temperance movement** had established itself in Sheffield in July 1882, and the **Band of Hope** with its pledge to abstain from alcohol was now well entrenched throughout the Kentish district with large followings at their monthly meetings. **The Salvation Army** had also spread up to Sheffield from Latrobe, where they had waged an aggressive campaign to close several hotels in Latrobe.

first turbulent years

By Alan.F.Dyer

It was into this kind of environment that Padfield sought in Dec 1883 to have **George Jubb** installed as the licensee of his new venture. His application was rejected on the grounds that Sheffield didn't need a second public house.

Some months later, in May 1884, Padfield hired Latrobe solicitor **George Inglis** to put the case for a second hotel once more to the next regional licensing board. Inglis argued that Sheffield was now a rapidly growing town and there was room for two hotels, and even presented a character reference for Fred Padfield from the Superintendent of Police in Campbell Town. Padfield's application was opposed by **John Duff, David Hope** and **Robert Luttrell** who presented a petition against it.

This time however the Bench found in favour of Padfield and granted him a license on 6 May 1884. Strangely almost immediately Padfield had a change of mind. He accepted a more lucrative offer to take over the brand new 28-room **Sea View Hotel in Devonport** and arranged for his Sheffield license to be transferred to George Jubb. Padfield ultimately became Secretary of the Mersey Marine Board, Secretary of the Devonport Town Board and a founding member of local Freemasons Lodge. He died August 1890. **Mrs Padfield** was postmistress at Devonport for 21 years, then transferred to Longford.

Meanwhile back in Sheffield, after new state-wide licensing legislation was passed at the end of 1884, it effectively de-licensed the Caledonian Hotel. Probably because it was within 100 yards of an existing hotel, or outside the township boundary. Maybe Padfield got wind of these proposed changes before he jumped ship, anyway George Jubb's liquor license was revoked.

With no income from his delicensed Caledonian Hotel in Sheffield, Padfield was forced to try and sell it. But with no sale on the horizon, on 5 January 1885 his creditors once again auctioned off all stock, furniture & fixtures and left the big two-storey 'white elephant' empty. Six months later, on 13 July 1885 this vacant hotel building was quietly sold privately to Latrobe's first doctor **Dr Sydney Smythe**.

Dr Smythe's Commercial Centre

Dr Sydney Smythe purchased 16 acres on two titles: the empty Caledonian Hotel on 12 acres and a house on 4 acres occupied **John Balfour**. The entrepreneurial doctor promptly turned the empty building into a commercial hub by enticing several Latrobe businesses to become his tenants and open branches of their business in Sheffield. This resulted in the Sheffield's business centre developing at its western end, rather than its eastern end as had been originally envisioned.

Dr Smythe led the way by fitting out his own consulting & surgery rooms for his weekly visits and opened Sheffield's first chemist shop with **Sam Breden** as manager. His biggest client, the Bank of Australasia followed by opening a branch office in August 1885. Its first two customers were **Reuben Austin** of Paradise and **James Butcher** of the Promise Land (Roland). Its manager **Captain Alexander Faulkner** introduced the game of tennis to Sheffield by building a grass court on the site of the Sheffield Bodyworks.

Another tenant was Latrobe Solicitor **George D Inglis** who opened a branch office with Law Clerk **Malcolm Bauld** in charge. Inglis was well known in Latrobe, but so was his law clerk. Malcolm Bauld became known throughout Tasmania and mainland for his patriotic poems and songs that he wrote about the British and Australian forces engaged in Boer war in

South Africa. So much so that Malcolm and wife Emma with their four children moved to Melbourne in 1900 after he was offered a lucrative literary position on the staff of the 'Melbourne Sportsman' newspaper.

Dr Smythe's phenomenal run of successful investments took a nose dive on 30 August 1886, when the two new Friendly societies in town, the Rechabite and Oddfellows Lodges, both wanting a full-time resident doctor in Sheffield to serve all their Kentish members, chose **Dr Robert Davis** who had just arrived from Ireland.

When Dr Davis began full-time medical practise in Sheffield, Smythe closed his weekly consulting room and chemist shop, subdivided his property into about 10 commercial and residential blocks and sold them off, retaining ownership of only three blocks that included his old hotel cum commercial centre. Elsewhere Dr Smythe continued with his financial investments both in land and the silver mines at **Zeehan** and **Dundas**.

After the Bank of Australasia built their own premises in Sheffield on the corner of Main & High St (now Bossimes bakery), and moved out of the old hotel, in January 1892 a local Sheffield man **John Allen** applied to lease the building from Dr Smythe and reopen it as the Caledonian Hotel, provided he could obtain a liquor license. His application was disallowed.

Then came the Great Depression of the 1890s and the crash of many banks. Dr Sydney Smythe was caught with large loans on numerous investment properties and was made bankrupt. In Latrobe the Union Bank of Australasia took possession of his family home, his surgery and remaining properties, including his old Caledonian Hotel premises in Sheffield.

This sad experience forced Sydney and Selina Smythe to separate and our well-known doctor departed from Tasmania without his wife for an unknown destination. Today the name of Sheffield's first doctor is perpetuated in the mural in Smythe Street running south behind the hotel off Hope Street.

Henry Law's Failed Attempt

Another attempt to regain a liquor licence also failed. **Bachelor Henry Laws**, originally associated with Hatton & Laws, Launceston, had opened the first chemist shop in **Deloraine** and became a leading citizen. After borrowing heavily to purchase the British Hotel, it was the Great Depression that sent him bankrupt in March 1892 causing him to leave town.

Upon learning that the Caledonian Hotel in Sheffield had been repossessed, he applied to move into the empty premises with his new wife, his British Hotel cook and her eight children and opened a billiard saloon while she catered for casual meals.

His real goal however was to obtain a liquor license and reopen this hotel. But after his plans were rejected twice at two separate meetings of the licensing board in 1896, Laws gave up and opened a chemist shop in Sheffield instead.

However only a few months later, the NW regional licensing board was reorganised, some rules relaxed, and quarterly meetings moved from Latrobe to Devonport. In Dec 1896 **Fred Maddox** (74) proprietor of Maddox's Family Hotel at Latrobe bridge successfully gained a new liquor license for Sheffield.

After these first 14 very turbulent years, this failure-prone hotel got a new lease of life. Next month's story tells how four generations of the Maddox family ran the hotel for 84 years, followed by **David & Carol Watson** for the past 42 years.

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Have your say on regional bank closures

By Senator Wendy Askew

There are many stories and myths that circulate about banks, and every person you meet has their own story, whether that be good or bad.

Some people don't trust banks, and many are critical of corporate companies, such as banks, who post big profits every single year at the so-called "expense" of their customers.

Millions of Australians intersect with the banking system every day – with every tap of their debit card, swipe of their credit card or through their bank's online banking app.

We interact with banks at every stage of our lives. Through education programs like the now defunct Dollarmites program, or as sponsors of your school sporting club; when borrowing for that first car, or as the custodians of our income and home mortgage; and in later years as managers of our superannuation and other investment assets.

As a former bank manager, I have experienced first-hand the many good and the sometimes difficult ways that banks impact their local communities. I also understand that at times there are decisions made by banks that will reverberate throughout the community.

One of those decisions is the closure of regional bank branches across Australia. Certainly, something that Tasmania is not immune from with many of our small towns losing their local bank branch over the past decade or so.

Regional branches are often the heart of a town – where locals

and business intersect – and it's from these branches that positive programs like grants and sponsorship are delivered for the community.

That is why I am encouraging Tasmanians to have your say as part of the Bank Closures in Regional Australia inquiry.

The Senate inquiry will examine:

- the branch closure process, including the reasons given for closures.
- the economic and welfare impacts of bank closures on regional communities and customers.
- the effect of bank closures or the removal of face-to-face cash services on access to cash.
- the effectiveness of government banking statistics capturing and reporting regional service levels, including the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority's points of presence data.

Since September last year, 92 bank branches have closed or been earmarked for closure across the country and it is arguable that regional communities have been disproportionately affected by these closures. Banking is an essential service and the inquiry is seeking innovative ways to ensure it remains accessible to rural and regional communities.

Have your say: www.aph.gov.au/parliamentary_business/committees/Senate/Rural_and_Regional_Affairs_and_Transport/bankclosures

Wendy Askew is a Liberal Senator for Tasmania

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POLICE REPORT

Police would like to pass on their thanks for the behaviour of the public in recent events that occurred over the long weekend in March. With the Gowrie Park Rodeo, Taste of the North West, Steam Fest and the Tasmanian All Schools Rowing Championships, the municipality had a bit going on. Overall, little was reported to police regarding public order issues and there appeared to be minimal traffic issues. Let's hope this is a trend that continues.

We all need to be aware of the daylight savings change-over that occurs on April 2. Remember that sunset will be earlier so motorists may be travelling home in the dark after work. A reminder to get those headlights on early and be seen. Also a great opportunity to change those batteries over on our smoke alarms. With winter approaching, I know that we are going to be running for our heaters.

Last month saw a number of damage-related incidents and break-ins in Kentish. These include:

- A broken window in Sheffield. This was not done by children with the suspect observed but not known to the reporting person.
- The public toilets in King George Park where sanitary vending machine was damaged and items were stolen.
- A pump house at Nowhere Else was entered but nothing appears to have been stolen.
- In Railton, the Cricket Clubroom was broken into again with some confectionary stolen.
- A chainsaw was stolen from a remote property in Beulah.

All matters are under investigation. If you see any suspicious behaviour or you know any information that may assist in solving a crime, you can contact police on the following numbers.

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Offenders will only continue to commit these thefts if there is a demand.

Lessons for dairy sheep breeding season

A dairy sheep workshop will be held at Vinegar Hill Road by breeder Rena Hoffman on Saturday, April 15, from 10am-3pm.

Ms Hoffman, who grew up in Austria and moved to Australia in 2018, began her accelerated breeding program three years ago when she regarded good genetics in the Tasmanian dairy sheep community as poor.

“The program has clearly defined goals to develop a sheep that can thrive in our climate, has a good temperament, high parasite resistance and can easily be milked by hand,” she said.

The workshop will cover preparation for the breeding season, what to be aware of during gestation, and how to ensure the ewes have a great start into milking.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

By Geoffrey Curtis

Readers may recall Part I of the discussion briefly explaining how biodiversity works, and the causes and effects both positive and negative of human intervention. And the question of what ought to be protected and how can it be resolved.

In Tasmania, we simply do not have sufficient scientific data nor the financial budgets to survey areas both on land and in the ocean to ascertain every natural habitat that can either sustain itself or shows signs of deterioration.

A prime example is the 95% loss since 1970 of giant kelp (seaweed) habitats due to ocean warming and the nutrients which in turn help feed the marine life. The causation is attributed to Global Warming. Also, an aspect of human intervention is triggered by some blatant and unscrupulous landowners and developers wishing to make profits. Just recently 180 natural protected habitats were found to be damaged or destroyed in this State.

Although there are financial penalties reaching up to \$100k, for most of us this is an enormous amount yet for some this can be a paltry sum!

So, what can be done to help alleviate the increasing loss of biodiversity? This depends on many factors. If the Global Community do not get their act together over Climate Change, then we will lose more ecosystems. Yes it is true more people are planting trees, including corporations, to offset their carbon emissions. It is also true that an alarming rate of deforestation the size of football pitches vanishes every few minutes. Data is available but how accurate is it compared to what has been planted and growing for the last 10 years against what has been destroyed in the Amazon!

All is not lost as communities across the planet endeavour

to fight back and preserve habitats for future generations of life forms. Here in

Tasmania, there are good examples, including the early trial of replanting the native kelp forests across 7000m² in the south east. As the baby kelp grow, ways to regenerate other denuded seascapes are trialled. In the February issue of *The Kentish Voice*, Mount Roland Landcare displayed how collective community participation can protect natural habitats.

Rewilding is not a term most people have heard of and the reason for this is a niche market which attracts little public notice although the window of opportunity is broadening.

Comparatively, Australia lags behind Europe and the UK. This is not to deny some notable achievements, such as the Mulloon Creek Farm Institute in NSW. The Institute takes degraded agricultural and deforested land and regenerates it by slowing a water course (and erosion), which will hydrate the soil in the surrounding land thus keeping it moist.

In turn, this attracts a multitude of plants and animals. Once this water course is filled, it continues on to another partially blocked area and the process is repeated naturally once more. Think of it in terms of a colony of beavers who block off part of a creek and in doing so, new vegetation grows which in turn attracts birds and animals as a food source.

This is partly how biodiversity works.

In Britain there are more than 64 Rewilding projects mostly supported by government grants. This is linked to Climate Change with Carbon Capture and Sequestration. Briefly this amounts to reducing the warming of the planet when industrial and agricultural businesses pay for their share of pollution to a government agency. The offset planting of trees is not to be confused with forms of monoculture (like the Tasmanian Eucalypt), this is not Rewilding.

What Rewilding seeks to do is to reinstate the natural processes and put back where appropriate missing species which reshape the landscape and the various habitats. A wonderful example can be found in West Sussex in the UK where a rundown denuded farm of 1400 hectares in Knepp has regenerated itself.

Within a space of a few years, transformation ranged from water regeneration and wild plant recovery to the introduction of deer, English long-horned cattle, horses, pigs, beavers, fish, and insects and birds which have returned on their own. To help keep the natural balance, some animals that become too plentiful are butchered for meat.

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Saturday	April 1	Easter Carnival , 11am-1.30pm, Health Park, Pioneer Cres, Sheffield
		Walking Football 2-3.30pm, Sheffield School gym
		NW Ecofest 9.30am-3pm, Camp Clayton, Ulverstone
		Tasmanian Iconic Walks Mount Field National Park
		Sheffield Cricket Club Annual Dinner
Wednesday	April 5	Kid's Activity 4-6pm, Railton RSL, 52 Foster Street
Thurs-Sun	April 6-16	The Hub closes for Easter holiday
Monday	April 10	Raffle "Fundraiser for Unni" Tickets available Sheffield RSL & other Venues
Tuesday	April 11	Tickets available Sheffield RSL & Other Sheffield Venues
Thursday	April 13	Community Outreach , 10-11am, Reeconian's Centre, Lake Barrington
		Community Outreach , 12-1pm, Lower Barrington Hall
		Kentish Garden Club Harvest Supper 6.30pm, Sheffield Bowls Club, Main Street
Saturday	April 15	Skate Life , 11am-1pm, Railton Skate Park
		Dairy Sheep workshop , 10am-3pm, Vinegar Hill Road
		Sheffield RSL Sub-Branch annual dinner 7pm, 77 Main Street, Sheffield
		Railton Bowls Club Presentation Evening 6.30pm, Giblin Street, Railton
Sunday	April 16	Railton Bowls Club AGM 1pm, Giblin Street, Railton
		Glass Studio open . Glass cutting demo 10am-4.30pm, 19 Richards Road, Railton
April 17	May 7	Lake Barrington water level lowering
Tuesday	April 18	Kentish Council Meeting 7pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield
Wednesday	April 19	Trivia 6.30pm for 7pm start, Sheffield RSL, Main Street
Saturday	April 22	The Big Day Out , featuring Adam Page, Railton Hotel, 3 Foster Street
		Tasmanian Rock Challenge , Sheffield Town Hall
		Sheffield Bowls Club Annual Dinner
Thursday	April 27	Coffee, Books and More 4-5pm, Sheffield Library, 12 Henry Street
Sat-Sun	April 29-30	Festival of Earthy Ideas , Sheffield & Gowrie Park

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesdays	May 3-June 7	Live Well, Live Long , 10am-noon, Sheffield Town Hall
Sat-Sun	May 6-7	Redwater Creek running days, 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre
Sunday	May 7	Weindorfer Day , Wilmot
Sat-Sun	June 3-4	Redwater Creek running days, 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre
Saturday	June 17	Community Committee Training , Sheffield

Cryptic Puzzle Answers

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| 1. Dick Adams | 6. Darrel Baldock |
| 2. Marcos Ambrose | 7. Lance Barnard |
| 3. Jim Bacon | 8. Grant Birchall |
| 4. George Bailey | 9. Reggie Bird |
| 5. Simon Baker | 10. David Boon |

Crozzle Solution:
EASTER ANZAC

**Daylight Savings ends
Sunday, April 2, at 3am**

Leonie
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Liberal Member for Montgomery



Let me know how I can help.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can assist you, your club, group or organisation.

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