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BETH PAGES'S DREAM IS A REALITY

Over 12 months in the creation, local artists Terrie Pollard and Leoni Read, have just been notified that the Tactile Mural has been granted Council approval to be installed on the low brick wall next to Bossimi's Bakery. See Page 3 for the story behind it.



The Story of the Tactile Mural

For nearly 20 years, local identity Beth Pagel, thought it would be wonderful if Sheffield, Tasmania's Town of Murals, had a Tactile Mural, which was specifically designed for blind and visually-impaired visitors.

Beth's vision was of a mural which included both rural and town scenes, representing different aspects of the beautiful Kentish District.

Two local artists have attempted to fulfil Beth's dreams as a tribute to someone who has contributed so much to our Kentish community.

Terrie Pollard & Leoni Read



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EDITORIAL

This is the twenty-fourth edition of The Kentish Voice. It is very fitting that our front page is dedicated to Beth Pagel whose efforts to maintain the connections throughout the Kentish Community through The Kentish Chronicle for so many years was the catalyst for this publication.

It is our goal to emulate that effort, to help make Kentish stronger, more resilient and connected.

Her idea for the tactile mural has inspired some of our best talent to make that vision a reality that can be enjoyed by both sighted and unsighted. Thank you again, Beth!

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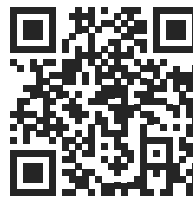
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Last month we had the opportunity to see the writing talent of young Tom Rockcliffe. This month please enjoy the work of talented young writer, Grace Young, who was the overall winner of the "Windows of our Dreams" Literacy prize at this year's International Mural Fest (see page 15). Over the coming months we will publish some of the other works entered into that competition. The future is in good hands when you see the talent of these fine young people that attend our local schools.

This month take a step back in time and enjoy the reminiscences of Staverton residents and past residents as they shared a day at the old Staverton School House (see page 9).

If you or yours have had the misfortune to have been touch by cancer the Cancer Council of Tasmania provides the opportunity to speak with support staff. Bookings are appreciated but not essential (see page 27). The Cancer Council also is running creative art workshops in Latrobe each Tuesday until the end of June. The workshops invite you to explore and express some of your experiences in a safe, supported and enjoyable way (see page 26).

Mission Australia and RAW bring you the opportunity to hear David Foster and Shane Gould share their journey on how they deal with their own health and well-being while overcoming some of life's greatest battles (see page 18).

Lesley and Doug

The Tactile Mural Story

In 2013 Terri and Leoni were contacted by Beth Pagel to embark on an ambitious project to fulfil a dream which she has had for nearly 20 years. As Town of Murals, Beth thought it would be wonderful if Sheffield had what she called a Tactile Mural, representing different aspects of the Kentish District, which was specifically designed for blind and visually-impaired visitors. Beth, in coming up with the concept, had suggestions as to what could be included in the mural, including rural and town scenes.

Although the Tactile Mural for sighted and unsighted people has been slow in materialising, the artists decided to try and emulate her thoughts, with a little bit of artistic licence. Their intention to create a triptych, showing different aspects of the beautiful countryside that surrounds us each day. It is in 3D for the unsighted to appreciate the story being told, but also painted so the sighted can be part of the experience.

It has been a work in progress, i.e. completing one mural at a time over a period of months. Terri and Leoni were invited by the MuralFest Committee to be part of the street art during MuralFest 2014. Logistically some of the work had to be done elsewhere. Fulfilling Beth's dream we thought, would be a great tribute to Beth, especially as she has contributed so much to our Kentish community.

As well as this, the mural would create quite a unique feature for Sheffield, especially important in 2014, which saw the launch of the inaugural National Inspirefest in June 2014, which celebrates the talents of artists with a disability.

The Tactile Mural

The Tactile Mural has been constructed on an 1800 x 1200 mm Hardieplank sheet, depicting a view of Mt Roland. We sought advice about materials and construction from Ralf Domadich, who has been involved in the construction of the new development of "Embassies" at Tasmazia, and also Julian Bale. The main construction material used is ceramic tile grout with concrete materials inserted, such as pieces of gravel, wood and wire, to create the appropriate textures. During construction we sought advice from the perspective of a visually-impaired person, and received very helpful feedback from local residents Keith and Jan. The features in the artwork - the mountain, the trees, the road and fence, are very stylised and intentionally accentuated, so that they can be felt by a visually impaired person, and not just seen by sighted people. The mural has been finished in a simple sepia colour and has had 3 coats of Exterior Estapol. Damon Signs [4 Elizabeth St., Devonport,] has made a 180 X 240 mm interpretive sign for the mural.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS:

Leoni Read

Leoni is a retired teacher and senior lecturer, who moved to Sheffield 5 years ago with her husband Bob. Always interested in art, she was involved in a community murals project in the western suburbs of Adelaide in the mid-1980's called The Graffiti Beaters, which received a special award at the Keep Australia Beautiful awards. Since moving to Sheffield, as well as being involved in many community activities, she has been studying pastel painting with June Wilson.

Terrie Pollard

Terrie and her husband ran a successful business in Sydney before retiring to Sheffield 14 years ago. The beautiful garden at their farm Rosnastraw on the outskirts of Sheffield, is open to the public in September each year, attracts many visitors, and raises funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. As well as being involved in many community activities including the Olde Time Music Hall, Terrie is a versatile artist, having completed a Diploma of Visual Arts, has taught pottery, and is known for her character portraits, illustrated children's books and mural art.

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This process will take approximately three months from now.

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Awards Presented at Inspiring Exhibition



An enthusiastic happy crowd attended the Awards Presentations of the 2015 National Visual Arts Inspire Fest Exhibition at the TRAK Working Art Space in Sheffield on Saturday 16th May 2015. The event was opened by Kentish Mayor Mr. Don Thwaites. This was followed by short speeches by Mr. Des Brown, CEO of Kentish Art Festival and Inspire Fest sponsors Mr. Steve Daly, Executive Director of Devonfield Enterprises Inc and Ms Gaylene Connell, Senior Support Worker of Life Without Barriers, Launceston.

The fifty nine entries, covering various mediums, were judged by Mr. Greg Leong. Greg is the General Manager of Theatre North @ The Princess in Launceston. He has had a distinguished career in Tasmanian art world and for more than four and a half years he made a contribution to the changing cultural landscape in Burnie as Director of the Burnie Arts & Function Centre and Burnie Regional Art Gallery.

Awards:

Judges First Prize 'Devonfield Enterprises Award' \$1,000

Emma Malouf of St. Michaels Association Launceston for her ink on paper art work

'Now is the Journey' Emma's Artist Statement was:

**My hopes and dreams for people with disabilities:
Wonderful education and acceptance in schools
to be whatever they can be in life without setbacks.**

People's Choice Prize 'Life Without Barriers Award' \$1,000

Beverly Claridge of Devonfield Enterprises Devonport for her sculpture 'Tree of Knowledge'.

Beverly's Artist Statement was:

Owls are wise birds.

This tree represents my goals and dreams.

I would really love to be able to read and write like other people.

If I could read better I could learn more about the world.

I could be wise like an owl.

There were a further twenty \$50 Awards sponsored by One Care. Ten Awards were Judges Encouragement Awards and ten were People's Choice Encouragement Awards.

The Administrators of National Visual Arts Inspire Fest (Raewyn & Rob Collisson) considered this exhibition, the second annual art competition for people with disabilities, was a great success. They are hoping to attract Australia wide entrants in the 2016 competition.



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Tickets for the 2015 Kentish Lions Music Hall, “Bitz from the Blitz” will be going on sale in June.

We are pleased to announce that tickets for this year's show, running in August at the Sheffield Town Hall, will be available through the Burnie Arts Centre. They can be purchased either over the phone by calling 6430 5850, or by visiting their website at www.burniearts.net. Tickets for the supper and dinner shows must be booked through the Burnie Arts Centre. Matinee tickets should also be booked through the Burnie Arts Centre to confirm seating, although there may be some door ticket sales on the day of the matinee subject to availability. Balcony seats for the evening shows will be available at the door.

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Reviving Memories of Staverton School House

On February 28, 2015 the Staverton State School was the venue for a reunion of early students many now in their 90's. Lynette Braid hosted a BBQ and fundraiser on behalf of Appin Hall at the School. It was well attended with several hundred dollars being raised on behalf of Appin Hall. Entertainment was provided by Shirl Brown who grew up in Paradise.

The Staverton School Story as Lynette tells it:

Built as a school with attached residence in 1900 by Henry J. Bonney, using local timbers.

Up to fifty pupils were in attendance who came from far and near. Many walked long distances or rode on horseback.

The school closed in 1939.

In 1952 Mr Jock McCoy and sons renovated the school house into a community hall. For 20 years this dwelling had been the venue for country dances, card nights, badminton tournaments and many social events, such as welcoming new comers and farewell evenings for others.

Many a wide variety of musicians played for the dances. Riley's Orchestra, Sherriff's Orchestra and Ilse's Orchestra. The locals included Zilla & Keitha Davies, Pattie Davies, and Cecil Braid, who were fantastic on their accordions.

All came to pass, as community halls, no longer the entertainment centres, give way to Television and other interests. My Father, Cecil Braid, tendered for the school and had it changed back into a residence by previous local resident, Terry Myers around 1975.

1999 Digger Steers and I put in an upstairs section.

I hold many dear memories as a child of what was, and still of what this dwelling means to me, to live here is wonderful.

"What of the ghosts?" you ask. as written by Lynette Braid of her home.

The "Back to Staverton" Garden Open Day was held on 28th February at the home of Lynette Burgess (Braid). Lynne's home was once the old Staverton Primary School and was the venue for a reunion of early students, many now in their 90's. Lynette Braid hosted a BBQ and the day was also a fundraiser for Appin Hall Respite Centre.

Tandara Lodge residents that had lived in this area, or had been former students are now very few, but despite the rain four were very keen to be there. They travelled with their carers courtesy of the Tandara Lodge bus. The Tandara residents were Mrs Grace Davies, Mrs Doreen McCoy, Mrs Marg Sheehan with Mrs Alice Lehman who brought along her sister Leilah who did go to school here. Their mother was a teacher.

Grace's children, Christine, Gary and Julie, accompanied their Mum on the Tandara bus. The Davies families were represented by two families. One family of Davies lived on the hill opposite "AAA Granary", the other, Doreen's parents, had the Staverton Post Office which was beside the school. That dwelling was moved to the Don College Campus grounds.

The Richards family from Richards Road was represented by Mr Ray and his wife. Mr Ray is the son of Colin and Renie.

The Cox families was represented by Annelise and Maree, the daughters of Mr Les Cox who was the school bus driver. Also, Sue Cox, daughter of Mr Lyall Cox and Louie.

The Shaw family was represented by Helen, daughter of Vic and Heather; and the Hampton family by Pat Kircaldy and Geraldine Manning.

From the Smith family from Landsell's Road, there were Bronwyn Mills and Ilse Smith, wife of Ricky, sister Nita and husband Shayne.

There were also three children with Mr T Freshney who helped with renovation and landscaping.

There were also those who had either come to the dances or played badminton at the Staverton Hall. Ian Perkins from Nook, Christine Jones from Ulverstone, Ray Manning and his wife from No Where Else, and Geraldine. Neil and Betty Sanbridge from Hobart had also attended the dances and badminton at the Hall.

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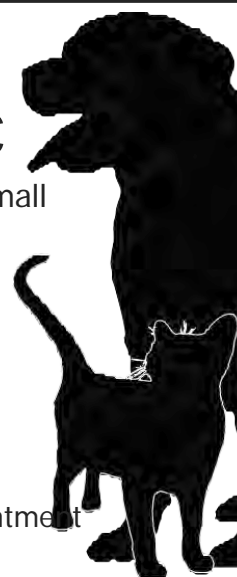
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JUNE- - Being Cruel to be Kind!

Quote for the month: *One of the truest of gardening sayings is that you have to be cruel to be kind. If things are left to overgrow, they look out of shape, scale and control* – Brian Davis

Many new gardeners plant fruit trees, shrubs and roses and forget to prune them and shape them each year. As a result they have fruit growing on branches they can't reach, shrubs that grow woody and flower less and less each year and they end up with a garden that is out of control.

If you don't know how to prune, ask somebody who does know to give you a hand, most experienced gardeners are only too pleased to show you how to go about it. Take a look at the apple orchards around Spreyton and note how they are growing apples, they are not much above head height and espaliered along wire. If you keep your fruit trees only a little above head height, they are so much easier to protect from the birds and possums by constructing a net cover with some poly pipe.

Pruning your roses each year is also a must, otherwise over time they become woody and ugly. It is important to do it the first winter after you have planted them, even if you think they haven't grown much. There are many good gardening books that will advise you how to prune roses, but the best grower of roses that I have known, cut his roses back each year to about 25 – 30 cm from the ground each July/August, leaving only about 3-4 strong stems with healthy looking nodes on them. He also fertilised them then and at least twice during the flowering season.

Other shrubs such as rhododendrons and camellias can get out of hand also. When they have finished flowering is a good time to trim them into shape and it is also the time to transplant them if you wish. Any deciduous shrubs and trees once pruned can also be transplanted in June. Don't forget to trim the roots at the same time and dig a nice big hole to set them in.

Once you have everything into shape it is a good time to spread some mulch around the garden to stop weeds taking a hold, and you will be surprised how much better your garden will look, even the vegetable beds. You can use nitrogen rich mulch like pea straw or sugar cane on the vegetable garden and fine leaf mulch around your shrubs and flower beds.

It is the right time to be preparing your potato bed by turning it over and adding some manure down where their roots will be seeking nourishment. Towards the end of the month is a good time to plant out your onion crop in a bed where you have previously grown peas or beans. Add some lime and sulphate of potash and only dig it in about 100m or so, firmly raking the ground before sowing the seed.

June in Tasmania is the month to plant garlic so that it will be ready for harvest in December, and believe me there is nothing better than fresh home grown garlic. Garlic like well-prepared soil and then can be left without much attention at all. Plant each clove about 6cm deep and about 10cm apart. You will know they are ready to harvest when all the leaves die back.

Another job that can be done in June or July is to clean out your pond. Think about adding some new water plants and cleaning the pump and tubing of your water feature. Just choose a nice sunny winter day, when there is no wind, so that if you happen to get wet and messy it won't matter!



KENTISH GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Welcome to Winter!

We said goodbye to Autumn with some good falls of rain, and a few mornings with very heavy frost covering the ground.

Winter can be a wonderful time of year in the garden. It provides the opportunity to look at the landscape and design with "fresh eyes", as the absence of a large amount of foliage gives you a much better idea of the structure of your garden – the different heights of trees and bushes, their location, number of plants in different beds. I always think it is a good idea to capture your garden by taking photos (preferably taken from the same place) throughout the different seasons as this provides some invaluable reference points for the future.

Mark from Allan's Garden Centre in Prospect was our guest speaker at our May meeting. As usual he came along with some interesting and unusual plants, and shared with members the latest happenings in the world of plants. Mark was also able to provide some great tips and hints about planting rhododendrons and azaleas into the garden after they have been purchased in pots, and why so many of these die after being planted out.

For our June meeting we will be hosting a presentation from the Devonport Orchid Society. If you currently grow orchids or have not yet tried growing these fabulous plants but would like to, it will be a great opportunity to learn more and ask questions.

Our next garden club meeting will be on Thursday 11 June 2015, commencing at 6.30pm at the Sheffield Town Hall. Please note that for the three Winter meetings in June, July and August we will be commencing the meeting one hour earlier at 6.30pm instead of 7.30pm. We are trialling these earlier times to see if they are more suitable for members during the colder months.

We look forward to welcoming you at our June meeting, and if you would like further information about anything please visit our website or contact myself on 0407 112090.

Happy gardening, Cate Rejman
Secretary, Kentish Garden Club



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Tasmanian produce

Vegetables

Artichoke, beetroot, broad beans, broccoli, broccolini, Brussels sprout, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, celery, chard (rainbow and Swiss), garlic, herbs, Jerusalem artichoke, kale, leek, micro greens, mustard greens, mushrooms, olives, onions, parsnip, potatoes (Kennebec, Dutch Cream, King Edward, Up-to-date, Kipfler, Pink Eye), pumpkin, radish, rocket, rhubarb, silverbeet, spinach, sprouts (alfalfa, mustard, mung beans, fenugreek, lentils), swede, turnip, New Zealand yams (okra), zucchini

Fruit

Apples (Braeburn, Crofton, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith, Jonagold, Pink Lady, Fuji, Red Delicious, Sundowner), pears (Beurre bosc, Cornice, Doyenne du Comice, Packham, Winter Cole). Also: nuts (walnut)

Other Australian produce

Vegetables

Asian greens, beans, chillies, celeriac, daikon radish, eggplant, endive, fennel, ginger, horseradish, kohlrabi, okra, shallot, squash, snow peas, sweet potato, taro, witlof

Fruit

Avocado, banana, cumquat, custard apple, grapefruit, kiwifruit, lemon, lime, mandarins, nashi pears, orange (Navel), passionfruit, persimmon, pomelo, quince, strawberry, tamarillo, tangelo, tangerine. Also: nuts (chestnut, pecan, hazelnut)

Please note: there may be some variation based on local market availability

Recipe

Roasted chicken with Jerusalem artichoke and lemon

Serves 4

Ingredients

- 450gm Jerusalem artichokes, peeled, cut into six lengthways (1.5 cm-thick wedges)
- 45 ml lemon juice
- 8 chicken thighs, on the bone with skin on, or a medium whole chicken, divided into four
- 12 shallots, peeled, halved lengthways
- 12 large garlic cloves, sliced
- 1 medium lemon, cut in half lengthways and then into very thin slices
- 1 tsp saffron threads
- 50 ml olive oil
- 150 ml cold water
- 1 tbsp pink peppercorns, slightly crushed
- 10 gm fresh thyme leaves
- 40 gm tarragon leaves, chopped
- 2 tsp salt
- ½ tsp black pepper

Method:

Marinating time 2 hours or overnight

Put the Jerusalem artichokes in a medium saucepan, cover with plenty of water and add half the lemon juice. Bring to the boil, reduce the heat and simmer for 10–20 minutes, until tender but not soft. Drain and leave to cool.

Place the Jerusalem artichokes and all the remaining ingredients, excluding the remaining lemon juice and half of the tarragon, in a large mixing bowl and use your hands to mix everything together well. Cover and leave to marinate in the fridge overnight, or for at least 2 hours.

Preheat the oven to 240°C.

Arrange the chicken pieces, skin-side up, in the centre of a roasting tin and spread the remaining ingredients around the chicken. Roast for 30 minutes. Cover the tin with foil and cook for a further 15 minutes. At this point, the chicken should be completely cooked.

Remove from the oven and add the reserved tarragon and lemon juice. Stir well, taste and add more salt if needed. Serve at once.

Recipe from Jerusalem by Yotam Ottolenghi and Sami Tamimi. Published by Ebury Press.

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Telechoice is a cheap but not nasty way of using the Telstra 3G network without paying Telstra. The service lacks some of "bells and whistles" such as handy usage information, that said, the service seems to work fine and is a budget price. Do your own research and see how it stacks up.

From July 2017 you will need to pay GST on all digital products you purchase from overseas. This includes movie subscriptions, ebooks and music. So this change is not imminent and not certain (as it has to pass the Senate first).

Apple's new Watch has hit the streets. The reviews are mixed but largely positive. The watch needs an iPhone 5 (at least) to use most of its functions. It is not designed to be a standalone device. Prices range from around \$500 to \$14,000 (yes you read that right). Head here to learn some more: www.apple.com/au/watch/

LINC Tasmania (some would know it as the library) has a new free music service called Freegal. All you need is a library card to access the service. There are about 7 million songs to choose from. Not bad. You can stream music for 3 hours per day and download (to keep) 3 songs per week, all for free. Learn more here: www.linc.tas.gov.au/readrelax/ebooks-eaudio-more

Tim

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When: Tuesdays except during the school holidays

Time: 9:30-10:30am

Cost: Free
Bookings are essential.



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The Little Penguins Playgroup supports mothers coming together and building positive relationships.

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Stephen and Karen also took with them a large number of tennis balls that were donated by the Port Sorell Tennis Club and distributed them to students attending a cricket camp so they could take them back to their villages and enjoying playing cricket and developing their skills.

Karen and Stephen also gave eye health talks in local language Bislama and distributed glasses to people on North Efate who were badly affected by cyclone Pam, just a few weeks earlier.

They are now back at work at Exsighting Vision in Latrobe and are happy to help you with any vision problems you may have... and I'm sure they'll be happy to entertain you with some stories of their work in Vanuatu too.

Hearing Loss in Australia

One in six people have a hearing loss, and with the ageing population, hearing loss is projected to increase to one in every four Australian's by 2050.

The most significant cause of hearing loss in Australia is due to loud noise. 37% of hearing loss is due to excessive noise exposure. Hearing loss can also be acquired through illness, accident, exposure to certain drugs/chemicals, or as a part of the normal ageing process.

In Australia between nine and 12 children per 10,000 births will be born with a moderate or greater hearing loss. This increases to 23 in 10,000 by the time they are 17 through accident, illness or other causes. Otitis Media, also known as middle ear infection, is a common childhood complaint which can cause fluctuating hearing loss. This in turn can affect a child's learning, language development and behaviour. This is commonly treated with GP and ENT intervention.

Over half the population between 60 and 70 have a hearing loss, this increase to 70% over 70 and 80% over the age of 80. War veterans are likely to suffer from hearing problems due to hearing damage from noise exposure during their service. Hearing is the second most common medical condition reported by veterans with 55% reporting hearing loss as a medical condition.

Over half of Australia's farmers are likely to suffer a form of premature hearing loss due to noise exposure, agricultural machinery, tools and feeding pigs in the pig shed. All farmers over the age of 55 who have been exposed to loud noise suffer some degree of hearing loss. However, only 18% of farmers wear hearing protection while working with heavy machinery.

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Exceptional Talent Manifested in Mural Fest Literacy Competition

At the opening of Mural Fest 2015 a number of our younger members of our community received awards for their entries in the Kentish Schools Mural Fest Literacy competition, which was the inspiration of Bob Ashby of Sheffield School.

Competition Judge, Jenni Thompson was exceptionally impressed with the quality of the entries and over the coming months we will publish some of the entries received. No doubt, selecting the winning entries was a very difficult task as you will see. The entries were themed on the mural Fest poem "Windows of our Dreams".

The overall winner was Grace Young, Grade 5 at the Sheffield School, and this month we have published her entries.



Earthbound

I sit on the cliff top, and stare at the turquoise sea lapping gently. The wind picks up slightly, and carries the salty sea smell. I lay back, and close my eyes. Seagulls surround me in a flurry of feathers, fighting over a crumb of my ham and cheese sandwich. "You don't know how lucky you are, do you?" I whisper. "Being able to fly over all this country, with the clouds, as effortlessly as I can play hopscotch. I would swap my life for yours any day."

The wind drops, and as I stare up at the sky I see a cloud shaped like a girl soaring by, I smile and wave at her. She seems so free, like nothing could ever stop her from travelling. She pushes on determinedly. I long to join her.

"Hello?" I ask the empty air, "Is that you? The friend I've been waiting for?"

My voice seems so thin and hopeless. I'm only answered by the seagulls. My favourite, the one with flecks of brown, stares at me, with an impatient look on his face. Then, seeing that I haven't got any food, he and the others fly off, to be lost in the fluffy white clouds. Maybe I really can't fly. But nothing can stop me – not the seagulls, not reality, not gravity – nothing can stop me. Because I can fly. In the window of my dreams.

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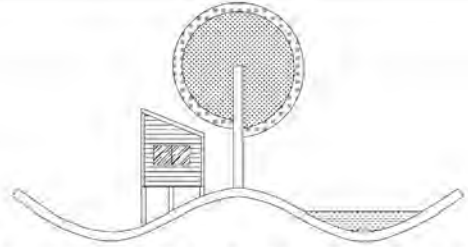
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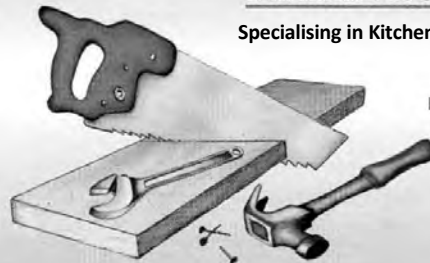
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Mersey Community Care Set for a Facelift!

Major renovations to cope with community demand

After years in the planning, Mersey Community Care has finally received the building permit to start renovations that will include new toilets to cater for people with disabilities, a lift for easy access to the second story, additional offices and a deck at the front of the building to provide a space for volunteers to relax and enjoy the Volunteer and Staff Memorial Gardens.

On Friday 24 April, Deputy Premier, Jeremy Rockliff (MLA) and MHR Brett Whiteley visited Mersey Community Care to discuss the possibility of the State and Federal Government providing funding to assist with the project that will benefit the North West Coast community.

General Manager, Ken Fitzpatrick said "The organisation really needs financial assistance as the cost of the construction has blown out considerably since first proposed". Mr Fitzpatrick went on to say "We did not receive any Government assistance to purchase our current premises in 2006 and the building that was previously the Devonport Ambulance Station is now owned by the Association". Mr Fitzpatrick explained that the organisation is experiencing an influx in the number of clients requesting services due to the ageing population in Tasmania and many new volunteers wanting to assist with the service delivery".

Mr Fitzpatrick also said "The facility must be redeveloped to cope with the expected growth in demand for services due to the Commonwealth restructure of the Home and Community Care Program that will become the Commonwealth Home Support Program from 1 July 2015".

Brett Whiteley was pleased that the organisation had already committed to the project and said "The State Government would be more likely to commit to funding that assisted the younger disabled in the community".

Mr Whiteley asked if Mersey Community Care will be affected by the National Fees Policy due to be implemented in July and Mr Fitzpatrick explained that a new fees policy will create a more even playing field for all Community Transport providers, however the current proposal is a cause of concern for clients and their carers.

"If Community Transport Service Providers could accept the Government Transport Vouchers, like those that clients use when accessing Taxi's, the cost of local transport would be more affordable for elderly people who are already being forced to choose between essential services". Mr Fitzpatrick said.

Mr Whiteley congratulated the team at the Mersey Community Care Association for their years of dedication to their community. Mr Whiteley said "Time and time again the Mersey Community Care team are there to help the elderly and vulnerable people with transport, minor home maintenance and social support".

Mr Whiteley went on to say "Mersey Community Care has a new project that has received building and council approvals that will assist them in delivering these important services to the North-West and I will certainly be supporting any application for funding that the Mersey Community Care team makes at both a federal and a state level".

Mr Fitzpatrick informed Deputy Premier Rockliff and Mr Whiteley that Mersey Community Care has lost over \$300 000 in funding during the past three years and a large proportion of that money was for vehicle depreciation and one off vehicle replacement money.

Mr Fitzpatrick said "Unfortunately the Federal Government cannot provide funding to replace vehicles that are owned by the Association, the Government will only fund depreciation on vehicles that were purchased with Government funding, even though we still transport Commonwealth clients in vehicles owned by the Association and this has created an issue whereby the organisation can no longer upgrade vehicles on a regular basis and our fleet is aging rapidly".

Mr Fitzpatrick went on to say "The building renovation will add value to the premises and may encourage the owners of the old Devonport Maternity Hospital to start developing the property, which is adjacent to Mersey Community Care". Mr Fitzpatrick also said "Any funding either with the building or for vehicle replacement will be gratefully accepted".

Construction at the site will start on the 4 May and will be completed by the middle of August. Once completed the building will become an outstanding community asset.

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David Foster OAM:

David started wood chopping with his father, George Foster, in 1978, and between them they won the World 600 mm Double-handed Sawing Championship eleven years straight. He and his brother Peter Foster continued competing and winning this event for another ten years, until 1999, making David a world champion 21 years straight.

David's other achievements include winning the *Australian Axeman of the Year* award nine times in a row; winning every major wood chopping event in Australia and New Zealand; becoming the first person in sporting history to have won 1000 championships; and been the only axeman to have ever won six out of seven championships at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

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It is almost 100 years ago that surgical masks were a common sight in Australian cities. In fact, it was way back during the so-called "Spanish flu" of 1918. The flu then caused an estimated 50 million deaths worldwide, including around 12,000 Australians out of a population at the time of less than 5 million.

More recently, in 2005 and 2006, some health workers advocated the use of face masks to help prevent the spread of SARS - severe acute respiratory syndrome. Then again, last year the use of face masks was promoted to reduce the likely spread of swine flu.

Of course there are other precautions we can take too. Respiratory infections are spread principally by droplets of viruses and bacteria being coughed up by one person and inhaled by another. However, colds and flu can literally be caught! We are all taught to politely cover our mouths when we cough; but viruses can survive on the hand for hours, and even the hand to hand contact of a simple greeting can result in unhealthy consequences.

Coughing or sneezing into disposable tissues rather than hands or a handkerchief is a far better option. If no tissue is available try coughing or sneezing into the inside of your elbow.

Medically speaking, a cough is the automatic defensive action our body employs to clear and protect our lungs from such things as dust, foreign bodies, smoke, fumes and viral and bacterial infections. We cough with such force that the explosion of air from the lungs travels at a speed of approximately 900kms an hour and may propel bacteria and virus particles up to 240cm. That's real germ-spreading power.

Most people will get a cold this winter; some who are unlucky or ill-prepared might even get the flu. So chances are you will need to seek the advice of your pharmacist to recommend something to relieve those frustrating symptoms.

There are a number of coping strategies you can use to minimise the discomfort: drink plenty of fluid, get plenty of rest and eat a well-balanced diet with plenty of fruit and vegetables to supply natural anti-oxidants – all simple strategies to strengthen the immune system. And of course, depending on the type of cough and cold symptoms you have, you might choose to take a medicine to make life a little more bearable.

A cough may be classified as "productive" where you have plenty of mucus or phlegm irritating the airways and just itching to be coughed up, or it may be described as "dry" – nagging and annoying to the person with the cough and all those close enough to be within earshot.

Coughs may also be described as "acute" or "chronic". Acute coughs are generally caused by a viral or bacterial infection – perhaps a cold, the flu or pneumonia. They may also be caused by a foreign body or environmental pollutants such as smoke or fumes. Chronic coughs, those lasting many weeks or months, are usually caused by cigarette smoking (both active and passive form of smoking). The most likely causes of chronic cough in non-smokers are post-nasal drip, asthma and so-called gastro-oesophageal reflux disease (a more persistent and usually severe form of heartburn). Some prescription medicines, especially those used to treat high blood pressure may also cause a chronic cough.

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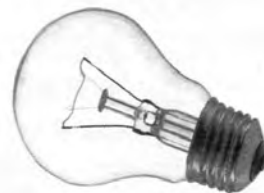
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Meander Valley Agriculture Forum

An extremely positive forum about the future of agriculture in the Meander Valley region was held in Deloraine on May 6.

Hosted by Lyons MHA Guy Barnett in his offices, it was also attended by the Minister for Primary Industries and Water Jeremy Rockliff, Mark Shelton (MHA Lyons), Eric Hutchinson (MHR Lyons), TFGA president Wayne Johnston and Meander Valley Mayor Craig Perkins.

About 50 people heard Minister Rockliff talk about the State Government's aim to grow the Tasmanian agricultural sector to \$10 billion by 2050 which is being underpinned by a four-year \$6.55m plan.

"Already about 7000 people are employed in the agricultural sector in Tasmania and this is growing, especially with \$115 million due to be invested in Tranche Two irrigation infrastructure by 2018," Mr Rockliff said.

"Tasmania will be the envy of Australia if not the world with \$1 billion worth of investment in irrigation infrastructure over a ten year period from 2008 which will deliver water with 95% surety."

Minister Rockliff identified the Free Trade Agreements with South Korea, Japan and China and the revised Bass Strait Freight Equalization Scheme as giving Tasmanian agricultural a unique opportunity to grow and prosper.

He also agreed that biosecurity was a big issue and that vital agricultural research and development would drive the state forward. (It was subsequently announced at Agfest that biosecurity would be strengthened by additional detector dog teams to cover ports and airports.)

TFGA president Wayne Johnston also spoke about the importance of the "Tasmanian brand", the on-going benefits of the Meander Dam and for the industry to be more self-reliant.

Lyons MHA Guy Barnett said he was delighted to host the event and share news about the bright future ahead for agriculture, especially in the Meander Valley and Northern Tasmanian region.



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Gallery Tasmania June Exhibition

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SteamFest 2015 Review

After 21 years, SteamFest is still breaking records.

This year's event, on March 7-9, was the most successful ever, with a record one-day attendance on the Saturday, record attendance over the three days, and a record number of stalls.

"It was a fantastic result," SteamFest president Chris Martin said.

"It was reward for our volunteers after all their hard work for the months leading up to the event.

"It was a great result for Sheffield, and for Kentish more broadly, because the event brought in thousands of people from far and wide, who would have been reminded how interesting a place Sheffield is, and hopefully many of them will come back for another visit, and bring their friends and relatives.

SteamFest has earned a reputation as among the biggest and highest profile heritage machinery events in Australia. This is evidenced by the interest we had this year from mainland steam and heritage enthusiasts.

"Also, we were able to attract one of Australia's highest profile entrepreneurs, Dick Smith, to officially open the event.

"Dick is a steam enthusiast and jumped at the chance to come down. He flew down in his private jet specifically for the event and was amazed at the show we put on, and the number of working historic machines on display. He was so amazed that he returned for much of Sunday with family and friends to experience more of the event"

This year, the National Historical Machinery Association Rally was held the week before, at Quercus Park, Carrick and 9 historic machines made a three-day journey from that event

to arrive in time for SteamFest to celebrate 150 years since mechanized transport commenced on Tasmanian roads. A traction engine was the first machine to be self-propelled on our roads.

"The publicity that that Road Run generated, and the interest shown by National Rally participants in staying on in Tasmania for SteamFest, resulted in a bumper event," Mr Martin said.

But SteamFest is not just about steam machinery. Its success also lies in the family-based entertainment such as model railways, the exhibitions of old-world skills such as blacksmithing and shingle splitting, and the number of stalls featuring local craft and produce.

"We had a new site manager this year, Angela Cannell, who worked herself to a standstill in the lead-up to the event, and then was on site for all of the three days – all while being 6 months pregnant.

"She did a spectacular job, attracting a record number of stalls and the number of stalls lends a whole extra dimension to the event and is a key attractor that contributed to the record crowd," Mr Martin said.

"We will all take a few weeks off now, but we've already got some ideas for next year, so keep an eye out for some more unique attractions at SteamFest next year."

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Hydro Tasmania welcomes the release of the Government's Energy Strategy

Hydro Tasmania is a key participant in Tasmania's energy supply industry operating in the National Electricity Market (NEM). Hydro Tasmania supports the vision that energy should be "a competitive advantage for Tasmania by:

- delivering affordable energy at competitive and predictable prices that are amongst the lowest in Australia;
- empowering consumer choice;
- ensuring an efficient energy sector that is customer focussed;
- utilising energy to facilitate State growth; and
- maximising Tasmania's renewable energy opportunities."

Tasmania's hydro-industrialisation has been a driver of the state's economic development. This development has led to Hydro Tasmania owning and operating 30 hydropower stations, 55 major dams and a significant amount of associated hydropower infrastructure across the state. Approximately two-thirds of the generation from Tasmania's hydropower system is from machines greater than 40 years old. Hydro Tasmania will invest around \$800 million over the next 10 years to maintain Tasmania's hydropower assets at a level that will ensure safe and reliable generation of renewable energy.

Nationally, hydropower remains Australia's largest source of renewable energy, providing

55 per cent of Australia's renewable electricity in 2013. Australia's hydropower resources must be maintained and modernised into the future so that they continue to strengthen Australia's energy mix, energy security and can support the necessary transition to low-emissions energy supply.

Hydro Tasmania looks forward to working with the Government on the implementation of Tasmania's energy strategy.

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UNLEASHING THE MYTHS OF DOGS IN RESCUE

Some people who would make wonderful owners, shy away from taking a rescue dog for fear of inheriting a mountain of behavioural problems that the dog may bring with them, which is understandable. I would like to say that almost all dogs in rescue are the innocent victims of human error or failure in one way or another, and are in need of a real friend and guide.



When people think of dogs in rescue they may also worry about the reasons the dog is there in the first place. This unfortunately is something we will never know because in a large number of cases, the rescue organisation has been given less than honest reasons for the owners wanting to part with the dog. The good news is that not knowing the reasons for a dog being abandoned is of no consequence. It is rather a blessing as one can concentrate on working with the dog without preconceived thoughts or ideas about its background.

Unfortunately some dogs taken into a new family are sadly returned in just a few weeks as their behaviour causes difficulties. These animals are what I call "yo-yo dogs". When you understand how the mind of a dog works you will know that a rescue animal,

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Rebuilding Trust

With the thousands of tragic stories of dogs being abused, starved, beaten, and even tortured, what seems amazing is how they can come through all of this and still have the capacity to trust people again.

One question I am often asked is how dogs can possibly be so forgiving. When humans lose trust in someone it is invariably the result of either a lie or deception of some sort. Animals do not see trust in the same way because they do not have any concept of, or the ability to lie.

A dog's distrust is mostly based on physical discomfort or abuse at the hands of humans. When a dog is ill-treated, they will make an association between the action and the person involved. If you present different and positive experiences and actions, the dog will be able to build different and positive associations with you. Given enough time, this will make it possible for the dog to put their trust in you. One of the wonderful aspects about sharing your life with a dog is that you know it will never deliberately trick or con you and, given the correct information, will prove a trusting and loyal friend.

This process of trust may be relatively quick or require some measure of patience. If you plan on taking a dog that has suffered at the hands of other people, remember that for a dog to have complete confidence in you, the dog must arrive at that decision by itself. Believe me that nothing you do with treats, cuddles or affection (any human way of reassuring the dog), will not speed up the process. Always avoid rushing the dog in any way. The kindest thing to do is leave the dog alone. Less attention = less stress, both for the dog and the owner.

The rebuilding of trust and allowing the process to happen naturally is a luxury many dogs are not given. For this reason many dogs are unnecessarily destroyed when they fail certain temperament tests, and be judged as "unsuitable for re-homing".

A Little Respect Please



We can help prevent dogs being labelled "untrainable", "dangerous", "unsuitable to re-home", etc by one simple rule - request other people from touching your dog without first allowing the dog to clearly see them and acknowledge them from a distance. Even then, a stranger must not approach the dog. They must invite the dog to come to them. The dog is then in a position to choose whether it feels safe enough to approach you. The dog also has the option of retreating and walking away if it feels anxious. Dogs are not stupid; they all know there is no such thing as an instant friend!

It is called RESPECT - plain and simple. I encourage every dog owner to adopt this attitude by requesting strangers refrain from attempting to touch or look at your dog. This may sound rude, but before you think this is harsh, just think of all the occasions beautiful dogs have been "put to sleep" because

they found the need (their natural instinct) to protect themselves by growling or biting someone who has touched and confronted them without the dog's approval.

I consider it is always better to protect my dogs than wanting to be popular with those people who feel the need to touch. Your dog needs you to freely allow it to put its natural instincts first; before your need to be liked, or the need of the stranger wanting to pat the dog.

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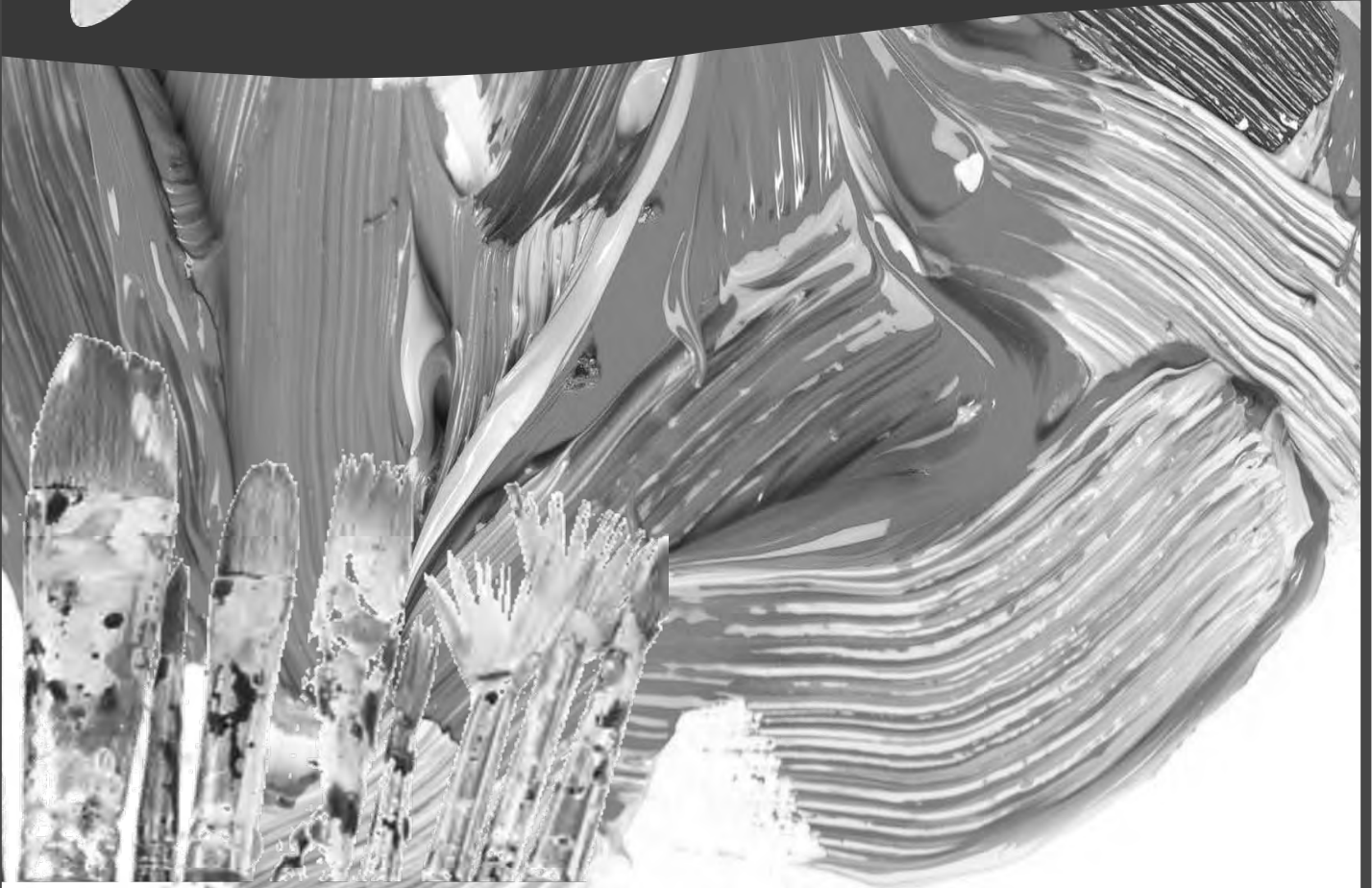
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Labor is Committed to Preventative Health

Article by Rebecca White MP

Labor Member for Lyons & Shadow Health Minister

Labor strongly believes in grass roots preventative health programs that actively engage communities in their own health and wellbeing. In keeping with this belief, Labor has announced two new preventative health policies focussing on providing healthy alternatives to sugary drinks and regulating electronic cigarettes.

It is widely recognised that excessive consumption of sugar can lead to a range of health problems including tooth decay, weight gain and obesity which can cause diabetes, cardiovascular disease and some cancers.

We plan to work within the realistic guidelines provided by the Cancer Council, Diabetes Australia and the Heart Foundation's 'rethink sugary drink' campaign to ensure healthier alternatives are stocked in school canteens and in vending machines and outlets in some public buildings, including hospitals.

Labor has also proposed amendments to the Public Health Act 1997 to regulate the sale and use of electronic cigarettes (also called e-cigarettes, e-cigars or vape pens).

Evidence from overseas tells us that e-cigarettes are being aggressively marketed to young people and a recent report indicated that in NSW, alarmingly, they are being sold in shops next to lollies.

With Tasmania's youth smoking rates already the highest in the country, regulating e-cigarettes is a practical step to reduce the risk of normalising smoking behaviour amongst young people.

If we are really going to address the health challenges facing Tasmanians we need to have the courage to provide leadership and detail how government can help tackle the burden of preventable disease.

Labor is committed to preventative health and we would like to work with Government to achieve positive results for the Tasmanian community. These policies aren't about politics, they are about improving the health of all Tasmanians and surely that is something we can all support.

STRONGER COMMUNITIES MONEY FOR LYONS

FEDERAL Lyons MP Eric Hutchinson has welcomed \$150,000 over two years that will flow to his electorate from the Stronger Communities Program confirmed in this week's Budget.

The \$150,000 will be provided to support community projects that deliver social benefits as part of more than \$45 million over two years nation-wide.

Mr Hutchinson will consult broadly with eligible organisations in Lyons to identify high-priority projects which can be submitted for funding.

“Between \$1000 and \$20,000 each will be made available to reputable, not-for-profit organisations for local projects,” Mr Hutchinson said.

“Grants will fund significant social benefits and can be delivered anytime within the two year life span of the program.”

Guidelines for the program will be available shortly on the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development website at www.infrastructure.gov.au

VETERAN PENSION INCREASES WILL BE FAIR

The recent Federal Budget has confirmed that pensions for veterans and their families will increase by whatever is the greatest measure – Consumer Price Index (CPI), Male Total Average Earnings or the Pensioner and Beneficiary Living Cost Index.

Federal Lyons MP Eric Hutchinson said today that reversing last year's budget measures and maintaining the current pension indexation arrangements was great news for the nearly 200,000 Australians on a Department of Veteran Affairs pension including more than 2020 Lyons electorate residents.

“The Government holds Australia's veteran community in the highest regard – our commitment to ensuring that members of the veteran community receive appropriate support and entitlements is ongoing,” Mr. Hutchinson said.

Under the reform of Australia's pension system the asset test will be changed to ensure that resources will be focused on those with lower or moderate private wealth outside the family home.

Asset limits and taper rates will be adjusted and will affect those who have the capacity to support themselves in retirement while pensioners with lower private wealth will receive a higher rate of support.

Other initiatives will include:

- Providing \$10 million to recruit more case coordinators to help with the increasing number of complex claims and improve claim processing times.
- Providing \$3.7 million to extend the in-home telehealth trial for veterans and war widows, an initiative aimed at keeping veterans in their own homes and communities for longer.
- Steam-lining the pathway for review of decisions about entitlements made under the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004.
- Providing further funding for the Centenary of Anzac Program to support additional events commemorating battles that occurred on the Western Front during World War I and key anniversaries of other conflicts.

CENTENARY ANZAC MARCH SHEFFIELD



The march from the Sheffield Town Hall to the Cenotaph was led by Latrobe Federal Band

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS FOR RURAL ARTS LEADERS

FEDERAL Lyons MP Eric Hutchinson is inviting aspiring arts leaders living in regional and rural Australia to apply for a new scholarship to further develop their leadership skills.

“The Australia Council will provide \$150,000 over the next three years for three high-performing regional arts leaders to take part in the Australian Rural Leadership Program,” Mr Hutchinson said.

“A scholarship will enable a high-performing arts administrator or manager working in regional Australia to take part in the Australian Rural Leadership Program to further develop their management skills and build networks with other regional leaders.

“I encourage arts leaders in Lyons to apply.”

Arts Minister George Brandis said that the scholarships had been developed to address additional barriers that regional arts leaders face including fewer opportunities than their metropolitan colleagues to participate in arts sector initiatives.

“The Australian Rural Leadership Program is the flagship program of the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation,” Senator Brandis said.

“Running over 15 months, it consists of five residential programs and covers topics such as leadership, advocacy, media, international relations and community programs.

“Participants will also have the opportunity to attend a two week study tour to South East Asia.”

Applications for the Australia Council Scholarship close on August 31, 2015.

Scholarship recipients will be announced in February next year and the program will start in August next year.

More information is available at www.australiacouncil.gov.au

“Act as if what you do makes a difference.

It does.” William James

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG JOB SEEKERS IN LYONS

YOUNG job seekers in Lyons will get new opportunities to secure employment from the Federal Budget, says Lyons MP Eric Hutchinson.

Mr Hutchinson said today that the national \$5.5 billion Growing Jobs and Small Businesses package would help employers in Lyons employ more young Tasmanians.

“Through the \$1.2 billion national wage subsidy pool, eligible employers will receive up to \$6500 if they hire eligible young job seekers under 30-years-old,” Mr Hutchinson said.

“New measures will focus on making job seekers more employable, reducing the costs of taking on new staff and bringing job seekers and job providers together.”

The Government has also ear-marked \$331 million nationally for its Youth Employment Strategy.

It will include a \$212 million Transition to Work program to help disengaged young people aged 15 to 21 years become job ready, Mr Hutchinson said.

“This program will start on January 1, 2016,” he said.

Eligible young job seekers will receive intensive support from community-based organisations with expertise in helping young Australians to develop the work-related skills employers need.

The program will target young people who are either not in the workforce or who are at risk of The Transition to Work program will be supplemented by \$106 million for intensive support to vulnerable young people most at risk of long-term unemployment including migrants, parents and those who experience a mental illness.

The Government will also set up an \$18 million National Work Experience program for about 6000 job seekers annually.

This will be aimed specifically at young people to give them the opportunity to develop practical skills, gain workplace experience and better connect them with real jobs.

Mr Hutchinson said that from October 1, 2015 eligible job seekers would be able to volunteer for work experience in businesses for up to 25 hours a week for four weeks without their income support payment and supplement being effected.

A new \$14 million Early School Leavers program will aim to improve education results and employment prospects for those who have not completed high school by ensuring that they look for work or continued study.

“Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.”

~ John F. Kennedy

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KENTISH COUNCIL

PROPERTY VALUATIONS

The Office of the Valuer-General (Department of Primary Industry, Parks, Water and Environment) has re-valued properties within the Kentish Council area. Property owners should have received a 'Notification of Valuation' by the 1st June 2015. If you disagree with the valuation, you can lodge an objection with the Valuer-General within 60 days of receiving the notice. Please note you must submit the objection on the appropriate form and that evidence will need to be provided to support the objection. The values on the notice will be used by Council for rating purposes for the 2015/16 financial year. For further information regarding your property valuation, please contact the Office of the Valuer-General on (03)6165 4444 or visit the website at www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/land-tasmania/office-of-the-valuer-general/notice-of-valuation

TASMANIAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

Council is offering two fully subsidised places (valued at \$120 each) for Kentish residents aged between 12-25 to attend the Tasmanian Youth Conference (TYC). Held on August 6 and 7 at the Door of Hope, Launceston, the event celebrates and explores what it means to be a young person in Tasmania. TYC provides an opportunity for young people to get together with the wider youth sector and initiate projects, learn skills, hear from dynamic speakers, and engage with interactive workshops on a wide range of subjects. It also provides an excellent chance to increase the social capacity and engagement of a broad range of young people. If you would like to attend the conference, contact Chris Clark at Council on 6491 0200 or email chris@kentish.tas.gov.au. Please note, attendees will be responsible for their own transport and accommodation.

RATES REMINDER

A reminder that the fourth and final rate instalment for the 2014/15 financial year was due and payable on 30th April 2015. Interest is now being charged on outstanding amounts.

DOG REGISTRATION

Dog registration renewals are due again on 1st July 2015. All dogs over the age of 6 months must be registered to the Council in which municipality they live. Renewal notices will be sent out to the postal address on our dog register. Anyone who has moved in the last 12 months should contact Council to have their details updated or their dog de-registered if it has passed away

BUSINESS LISTINGS

Would you like the Council to promote your business for free? During discussions with businesses and people across the North-West Coast and beyond, Council's Tourism & Economic Development Officer Chris Frankcombe has heard many cases of people saying they can't find a particular product or service they need on the Coast, when Chris has known there is a person in Kentish who provides that service. The only problem has been people have not known the Kentish business was there. The Council wants to change that. But first, Chris needs a comprehensive list of Kentish businesses, and the goods, services and expertise that exist in this community – from the biggest business to home-based part-timers. From an abattoir to a provider of Zen retreats, from home-based seamstress to large-scale farmer, we want to add you to our list of businesses. If you are an engineer, website developer, fencing contractor, tradie, artist, hire plant and equipment, agronomist, own a bakery, accountant, ecologist or biologist ... any business with an Australian Business Number (ABN) that is registered in Kentish, we need your contact details so we can promote you. Please contact Chris at the Council on 6491 0200 or email chris.frankcombe@kentish.tas.gov.au and provide your business name, contact details, and a summary of the goods and services you provide or expertise you have.

AGRICULTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Many new and exciting opportunities are emerging in Australian agriculture. From dairy to beef, boutique and niche crops to new opportunities in broad acre farming, berries and herbs to medicinal products. If you are a professional farmer, or a small-scale land owner seeking to grow a small crop, we can connect you to opportunities. Some of those opportunities are new crops, some are new markets for traditional crops, some opportunities are seeking small pilot plots for research and development. If you are keen to connect to large or small-scale agriculture opportunities, or you've got an idea of your own for a couple of acres and want some help getting it off the ground, contact Council's Tourism & Economic Development Officer, Chris Frankcombe, on 6491 0200 or email chris.frankcombe@kentish.tas.gov.au

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Kentish Council Office, High Street, Sheffield on Tuesday 16th June 2015 commencing at 6:30pm.

Tarot Readings and Workshop

Jan May has over 30 years' experience of reading the Tarot cards as well as offering workshops to learn this old craft.

TAROT CARDS... the cards and their meanings have always brought up controversial thoughts from some people. They have, at times, been given a negative aspect as over the decades people have seen them as 'fortune telling'. They have been given a bad press by irresponsible 'readers', as they were never meant to 'tell the future'. Tarot cards, if read in an intuitive and positive way, can, in fact, give direction to your life.

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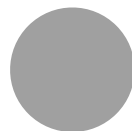
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POLICE REPORT

With the increased success of Australia in the sport of cycling there seems to be an ever increasing number of cyclists taking to our roads. As drivers, we need to be alert to the variety of road users about. With the new laws introduced regarding the passing of cyclists in recent times, perhaps some of the frustrations of being stuck behind one can be relieved. It doesn't mean you can pass 'because the sign said so' you must ensure it is safe to do so.

With this in mind, cyclists have a responsibility too, as they also share these road ways. Cyclists can also ensure that they can be seen by wearing hi-vis garments and by having lights and reflectors. This gives an oncoming motorist an increased chance to see them.

The crime rate in Kentish in the previous month has dropped again with very little to report. This is good news again after some horrible crimes in recent times.

Police non-urgent	131 444	Police emergency	000	Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000
	Sheffield Station	6491 1240		Railton Station	6496 1110

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SHEFFIELD GOLF CLUB

Men's Singles Championship

This event was reduced to three days due to inclement weather -54 holes in all. Despite very trying conditions at times some great golf was played. The winner of the gross (div 1) was Craig Boutcher and the net (div 1) was Greg Collis. Division 2 winners were Rex Goss in the gross and Owen Von Stieglitz in the nett. Well done to all those who took part in the championship. Congratulations to Craig, the men's singles champion and Owen, the overall nett winner, for 2015.

Sponsored Days

T&G Glass sponsored an Ambrose 4 this month. This event always attracts a large field and this was no exception. The winning group was, Malcom Dunn, Peter Bellchambers, Craig Boutcher and Tony Brown. They had a score of 49.5 nett to take out the competition. Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to the sponsors whose support adds to the quality and enjoyment of our golf.

Another "Ambrose Four" competition was sponsored by **Carpotech**. The team of B Sutherland, N Denney, W Rockcliffe and A George were the winners with 51 nett. A delicious afternoon tea was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Carpetech for their valued sponsorship.

Women's Foursomes Championship

This Championship was held over two days, 36 holes in all. The course was in great condition and everyone set out in the spirit of friendly competition. The winners of the nett were Denise Morgan and Beverley Rouse, while Judy Denney and Susie Coombs won the gross.

This made Judy and Susie the Foursomes Champions for 2015. Congratulations to our Foursomes Champions

Other results of interest

Rowan Sherriff had an eagle on the 9th! That's right 3 strokes into the hole.

Janice Milner was winner of both an eclectic and a stableford competition, while David Aylett won a Tuesday eclectic with 27 nett.

Congratulation to all winners this month and well done to all participants.

Monthly Medals

This month the veteran's monthly medal sponsored by **Caltex Sheffield** was won by Winston Duff with 61 nett, and the **Don store IGA** Monthly Medal was won by Peter Orchard with 68. The ladies medal sponsored by "**Inspirations**" was won by Susie Coombs with 70. Well done to all our medal winners.

Contact Numbers: Sheffield Golf Club 6491 1184;

Member's President Lyle Thomas 0418 141 727;

Lady Member's President Judy Lang 6491 1572

You can visit our website at <http://www.sheffieldgolfclub.net.au>

NEW RAILTON MARKET

Every Saturday 8.00am – 1.00pm

Contact Jo for a site or information on 0419 122 648

Come along and have a browse.

APPLE ISLE CARRIAGE DRIVING

Apple Isle Carriage Driving club will be celebrating our 2nd Year of horse and carriage activities in June.

Our recent pleasure drive was held at Westbury on a beautiful autumn day, and our members continue to support local events in Kentish.

As our members get their horses and carriages together, we start to venture further afield with our outings and hope to make a trip to Ross in the winter to meet up with fellow carriage drivers from the south of the State.

Promoting carriage driving and encouraging others is a constant aim for our club.

If you would like to find out what carriage driving is all about, just give us a call.

Contact: Chris Ph. 6491 2030; Neil 0408 227 135; or Lesley 0409 961 664

Happy Trails to you! Chris Hearle



RAILTON SQUASH CENTRE

Did you know that Railton has one of the best squash facilities on the coast? Why not come along and see for yourself.

The Railton Squash Centre has regular "family friendly" Wednesday evening squash games, as well the opportunity to hire the Centre on a casual basis. Everyone is welcome regardless of your skill level. We have equipment available for hire or use on our roster nights. We would love to see more people using the Centre. The Sport & Recreational Precinct in Goliath Park has terrific facilities; there is a ball wall at the rear of the Centre, with cricket wickets for an instant game of cricket. The park provides options for tennis, basketball, football and access to the BMX Park. Tokens for the lights in the Squash Centre can be purchased at the Railton Motor and Tyre Service. General inquiries phone Lindy Cassidy on 0417241315.

If you have an activity or function to be included in "What's On in July?" please send to editorial@thekentishvoice.com.au or deliver or post to 12 Victoria St Sheffield 7306.



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A trip on our little steam railway represents a step back in time to the optimistic mining booms and days prior to the dark shadow that descended on the global community in 1914.

Each day from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm our restored 109 year old Krauss pulls out of the original Sheffield Station for a short 2km trip that will bring back memories and let the young ones know what life was like in their grandparents' time.



And after your train ride -

On Sunday 7th, the Redwater Creek Model Railway Club room will be open from 11 am – 3pm. Take the kids along to check out the little trains and press the big button to make them go around a lovely landscape cleverly constructed by Club members.

The Redwater Creek Railway Coffee shop, open every time the train is running, is now offering freshly cooked tasty light meals - order before your train ride to have ready on your return, or sit and enjoy a meal at your leisure. Finish up with a selection from our home baked goodies. Great prices and a menu that suits families of all ages.

For more information contact our President – Chris Martin on 0429 418 73



CLAUDE ROAD HALL MARKET

Have you driven past the Claude Road Hall and noticed the fabulous new mural on the front of the building, which was painted by Nadia Mitchell and Patricia Kirkaldy? The mural features many of the people who have contributed to the Claude Road community over the years. It was officially opened by Mayor Don Thwaites on May 23rd at the Winter Woollies Fest, which was the Claude Road community's contribution to the Kentish Arts Festival. Following the great success of the Winter Woollies Fest, we are back to our usual style of Claude Road Hall Market, with its wonderful warm and friendly atmosphere, lots of lovely food, art and crafts, the usual trash and treasure, plants and second-hand clothing stalls and entertainment.

The next Claude Road Hall Market will be held on Saturday June 20th from 9.30am – 3.00pm.

Organisers are always very keen to hear from any potential stall holders, buskers, or anyone who would like to contribute in helping with the catering or in the kitchen. Phone Kim Johnson 0419 712 421.

KNIT AND NATTER GROUP

The Knit & Natter group met for the first time on Thursday the 21st May. We had 17 very enthusiastic natterers. Some dropped in for a coffee. Lots brought what they were working on and there was intense sharing of information on heaps of different things. We saw german knitting, at least 5 different ways to crochet squares, the most exquisite cross stitching from 2 different people and a fascinating homemade weaving loom that makes intriguing 15cm squares. When asked, participants wanted to meet at least 2 times a month so the next time is 10am Thursday 4th June in the new hall at Sheffield Bible Chapel. By request there will a group in the corner working with spinning wheels while the rest do their own thing. See you there for some great nattering!

MCCA SOCIAL BUS TRIPS

MCCA has Full Day Social Bus Trips every Friday; Half Day Social Bus Trips every second Thursday; and Out of Town Shopping Trips on the last Thursday of the month.

MCCA picks up MCCA clients from their homes between 9.00am and 10am and take them on a social outing for the day or half day. The cost of the bus trip is \$10. The cost of the meal or morning tea is extra. A caring volunteer is on hand to assist clients to get on and off the bus, secure seat belts, open doors and order meals.

If you would like more information or would like to be assessed to access our services please phone: 64248883 The bus trips are listed in the "What's On in May!" section on page 39.

Mersey Community Care Office is open between 8.30 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday.

Mersey Community Care Inc. are in need of more volunteers for 4 hours a month to assist in various services to clients. Full induction and ongoing training is provided Ph 6424 8883

COMMUNITY NOTES

J.A.M.B.O.

The Jambo Committee reminds you that Saturday June 20th is the day we will celebrate Mid-Winter!! Be at the Bowls Club at 6.00pm

Cost is \$27.00 which will pay freight for three shoe boxes.

Make up a party and come along to enjoy the marvellous food and entertainment.

The usual door prizes and raffle tickets will be available, and special prizes will be given for masks (Most original, prettiest, and ugliest!)

(Some masks will be available for sale and we hope people will donate their masks later to send in a shoe box.)

To reply ring Jean 64272706 or Barbara 6492 3132 (email Barbara.murfet@bigpond.com by 13th June)

The Committee would like to thank everyone for their ongoing support. Without your generosity we would not be able to send as many shoe boxes. THANK YOU.

KENTISH FAMILY SUPPORT HOUSE



Building Healthy Families

There are a number of programs happening at the Kentish Family Support House (KFSH), 5 Austin Place Sheffield, this month. Every week we have emergency relief, a Mum and Bubs group, Meals for Home and a program that strengthens family relationships (Play to Connect) running from the house. We love families dropping into the house to say 'Hi' and to find out more about the programs currently running at the house.



The KFSH has formed a partnership with the Child Health Association of Tasmania (CHAT) to deliver workshops and programs in the Kentish community. We have two information sessions coming up in June to inform families around health and safety for the family. There is an oral health information session happening on Tuesday June 9th from 1-2pm.

Did you know?

Tooth decay is the most common childhood disease and it is PREVENTABLE.



5 times more common than asthma

A major reason for hospital admission for children and often the first pathology a child experiences.

Our workshop will cover all the key information you need to build healthy smiles in your family.

There is also a Kidsafe information session on Tuesday June 16th at 1-2pm that will look at key areas of safety in your home, car and harmful hazards outside the home. Please come along and learn a new useful fact about keeping your family safe.

We are starting a CHAT walk and talk group to be run from the KFSH every Thursday morning 10-11am. Come along to meet new friends, exercise and have fun!

Contact KFSH on (03) 64912322 or email kfshouse5@gmail.com for more information.

PIZZA CONNECTION

"As food is to the body, so is the word of God to the soul."

At the time of writing, all is in place for our men's Pizza Night on Friday, 22nd of May at the Sheffield Town Hall, almost on the anniversary of our fourth year. Indications are for another good response to the opportunity for men to gather together for a meal, an evening of mateship and enlightened speakers. A CD of the night will be available, like the night itself, free of charge. Our next pizza night will likely be in August.

We are now on Facebook at Sheffield Pizza Connection where up-to-date information on all our activities will be available, we will report on the May Pizza Night on Facebook.

A very successful men's Shed Night was held at the Blue Hall in Railton on Friday 4th May. The speaker shared his experiences working in drug and alcohol rehabilitation in the local area. The next Shed Night will be held in the same location on Friday 26th June starting with a barbecue at 6.15 – 6.30 PM, there is no charge. One man will speak on his own life experience, the challenges and the outcome. Come along and bring a mate, remember "as iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another man. The question is, what's your battle?"

For information on the pizza nights 64 921160 or 64 273477. For Shed Nights, 0428 823004 or 0401 733365.

LINE DANCING IN SHEFFIELD

Every Monday night at the Sheffield Town Hall. Come along and learn new dances to country and contemporary music and enjoy the fun and friendship of an enthusiastic group of people, yes men included!!

Beginners' classes from 6.45 pm to 7.15 pm. Intermediate and Advanced classes begin at 7.15.

Any enquiries can be directed to Jenny Bye on 0418330522

KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next Probus Club meeting will be 9th June at 10am at the Sheffield Bowls Club,

The guest Speaker will be David Jones – re Cyclone in the Bay of Bengal 1970

The outing this month will be a Lunch at the Sheffield Motel on 16th June.



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COMMUNITY NOTES

THE KENTISH COMMUNITY KITCHEN

The Kentish Community Kitchen will be relocating to the newly opened Kentish Family Support House.



The support house is located at 5 Austin Place Sheffield, and will offer the same delicious meals, now as a take away option. For a donation of \$2, you can have a meal that is sure to satisfy.

The service will continue to be available on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month between 6:30pm-7:30pm.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with preparing meals please contact Chris Clark at Kentish Council on 6491 0200.

Kentish Community Support House

6:30pm.on May12th & 26th

ALL WELCOME

SHEFFIELD COMMUNITY MENS SHED

Our members have been busy of late and, at the time of writing, are clearing up from a well-received luncheon barbecue held at the shed on Saturday 14th of May. Our guests were Rivercare volunteers who spent the day, oblivious to the frosty winds of the day, restoring the banks of Dodder Creek to its natural state. Rivercare continues to be a leading edge community group and, together with KEENER makes up a valuable community asset and the Mens Shed were pleased to be associated with them on the day.

We must now mention The Hub Inc, a veritable big hitter in our town and we at the Shed once again find ourselves indebted to their generosity. Under the guise of neighbourly hospitality members of The Hub came to the Shed for morning tea and a chat which led to our receiving a cheque for fifteen hundred dollars! Which sum is dedicated to the installation of raised garden beds and an enclosed plant nursery. This addition provides us with another meaningful pursuit for the horticulturists among us and, we expect, a flow of good garden produce in due season.

Many thanks to The Hub!

Shed members are still quietly working on various projects as instanced in the vintage David Brown tractor which is almost ready for test firing. Launch date at Cape Canaveral will be announced.

Persons interested in joint our happy band is welcome to come to the Shed Thursdays 9 am to 3pm or please call Peter Willcox 6491 2026

WILMOT MARKET MEMORIAL HALL WILMOT

The next Wilmot Market will be held at Wilmot Memorial Hall on Saturday June 6th.

All welcome.

HELPING HANDS

This month, on behalf of our group, I would like to pay tribute to the editor and other volunteers of The Kentish Voice. Residents of this municipality are indeed very fortunate to have a newspaper that is so informative and freely available. I am sure that many people do not realise the huge amount of work that goes into producing a paper like this on a monthly basis.



For us as a group, we are extremely grateful for the exposure that Lesley Begg (editor) and her helpers continue to give Helping Hands each month. A big thank you to everyone involved.

This paper is our main avenue to the community to inform about some of the people who have been helped and to advice of future events.

Helping Hands are very committed to assisting people in our community to do those jobs that need doing in and around the home. For some residents, at times, these needs can seem quite overwhelming and can cause feelings of hopelessness and despair.

For others, for various reasons, they find it difficult to ask for help. We want to assure readers that we try not to turn any request down, providing if it's within our capabilities to do it.

Don't think that your request is too small for us to be bothered with. Recently one man wanted 3 light globes replaced. Another lady had a dead mouse that she wanted removed from a difficult location. Small jobs, yes? But to these 2 people it meant a lot. Remember that this is a free community service, operating one day a month and it is there for YOU.

Our next Helping Hands day is planned for Saturday June 13th. Please phone your requests in before that date to either Ken 6491 1512 or Andrew 6491 1610

THE HUB REPORT

Thank you for your continued support which allows us to sponsor projects and organisations within the Kentish Community.

Recent donations : Men's Shed \$1500.

Sheffield School Students Cambodian trip \$5000.

Thank you for your understanding as we made alterations to the back section of the HUB to make it more friendly, plus many thanks to our friendly tradesmen.

It was great to have all our volunteers together as we celebrated Volunteers week. Thanks Michelle for the great morning tea.

We look forward to chatting when you next call in.

The Committee

RAILTON BIGGEST MORNING TEA

A huge "thankyou" to all upon the success of our biggest morning tea here in Railton we raised \$7093.55 towards this great cause.

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Come and sing with the Kentish Community Choir!

If you are interested in joining us, please note that we have changed our meeting time, and apologise to anyone who has turned up in the last few weeks at the old time, to find the place deserted. The Kentish Community Choir now meets on Fridays from 10.30 am to 12.00 in the supper room at the back of the Uniting Church, corner of Henry and Main Streets in Sheffield.

As well as singing a great variety of songs, we also have extended our repertoire to a little light comedy and performance poetry. We look forward to our regular visits to Tandara, in the Aged Care Unit and Day Care program, as well as the Claude Road Hall Slow Food Nights, and other community events.

At present we are busy working on a bracket of songs in preparation for the Gospel Night, a regular feature of the annual Devonport Jazz Festival and a highlight of our singing calendar. Several of our choir members have also joined with the Resonance Choir, to take part in workshops during the annual Festival of Voices in Hobart in July.

As well as developing the musical skills of the group, on the more serious side, the choir has seen an amazing growth of friendship and pastoral care, each member recognised as a valued part of the group. It's grown to be a happy group and the weekly meetings are a fun time, which members look forward to.

Remember – we would love to have you come and sing with us. You don't have to be a wonderful singer; you just have to enjoy singing! If you are interested in joining, we always welcome new members and everyone is welcome to join. Either come along on at 10.30 am on Friday morning, or contact Terrie Pollard 6491 2752, or Leoni Read 0429 705 062.

LIVING MURALS

Living Murals - Beautifying Sheffield with gardens

Our gardening group will be having a break over the month of June. Growth tends to slow down during the winter months, so there is not as much to do. We look forward to watching the many daffodil and other bulbs which have gone in during autumn, burst in to colour during late winter.

If you are interested in helping, our working group will be back to meeting at The Blacksmith Cafe for a coffee at 9.30 am, followed by some gardening from about 10 – 12 each Thursday morning from the beginning of July. **BYO** gardening tools.

Everyone is most welcome to contribute in whatever way possible.

I have been most grateful for the locals who have taken responsibility for looking after a garden space around the town, as it frees the group up to work on other areas. It is amazing what a difference a couple of hours each week can make.

Don't forget: we desperately need more helpers. Many hands can achieve a lot more.

If you would like to discuss the project or contribute, please feel free to contact me.

Leoni Read 0429 705 062.

WILMOT HALL CRAFT GROUP

The Wilmot Hall Craft Group would like to thank everyone for their support of the Biggest Morning Tea function held on May 5th.

Raffle Winners – 1st V Reeves, 2nd K Taylor, 3rd I Steward, 4th P Allan.

The Wilmot Hall Craft Group will also have a stall at the Wilmot Market on June 6th.

RAILTON RSL SUB-BRANCH INC.

The Railton RSL Sub-Branch ANZAC prizes for the best drawing and writing at the Railton School was won by Kai Hicks and Dakota Sheehan.

The Dawn Service Railton was one of the biggest we have seen 300 plus, the midday service was also well attended as was the march. A plaque

Commemorating the first ANZAC Landing was unveiled on the Cenotaph by two students from the Railton School Adam Butler and Dakota Sheehan.

The Railton RSL Ladies Auxiliary did a great job with the breakfast and lunch, the Latrobe Band played after lunch, and it was a great day commemorating

A 100 years since the first ANZAC Landing. The Sub-Branch Annual Dinner was also a success also catered by the RSL Ladies.

The Railton RSL Club is open from 4.00pm Tuesday to Saturday, and closed on Sunday and Monday. Counter teas are available on Friday nights. For function bookings contact the Club on 6496 1342, or David Moles, President, on 6496 1370.



L to R David Moles , Adam Butler and Dakota Sheehan unveiling the plaque

RAILTON RSL LADIES AUXILIARY

Railton RSL Ladies Auxiliary. At their meeting today they presented the Railton RSL Sub-Branch with a cheque of \$1000 for the purchase of a Brass Plaque to go on the Railton Cenotaph with the words Timor-Leste. Iraq-Afghanistan. This will make the Cenotaph up to date with all conflicts that Service people from Railton have served. What a great RSL Ladies Railton has.

WORKING ART SPACE

The June exhibition at the Working Art Space is the work of Evelyn Antonysen who is known for small works. Evelyn has been a member of Miniature Art Society for many years and has exhibited miniatures internationally. She now does a lot of tiny miniatures in jewellery settings.

But this exhibition is "Working Big". Large works in pastel, acrylic and watercolour.

Also at the Working Art Space we intend having one workshop each month over our quieter months. These sessions will usually be on the last Saturday of the month. Our tutor for the first one, Fay, is unable to make 30 May so the first session will be on 7 June.



Note: future workshops will be held on the last Saturday of each month subject to availability of the tutor so the second workshop will also be in June.

For additional information please contact Evelyn Antonysen, workshop co-ordinator for TRA Kentish, on 0419 281 673 or 6428 2675

June Workshops at the Working Artspace, Albert Street, Sheffield.

What: Make a felt bag.....You have probably seen Fay's beautiful felt work at the Artspace and at On TRAK. Fay is happy to introduce us to the joy of felting from beautiful Tasmanian fleece. She has chosen to help participants make a bag because it will teach more than what would be learnt from making a scarf.

When: Saturday 6th June. 10.30 a.m to 2.30 p.m.

Cost: Tuition \$20 plus materials extra \$15. It is recommended that you use the materials provided by Fay to ensure you have suitable fleece etc. Payment in cash to be made to Faye at the start of the session.

Tutor: Fay

phone 64961871 or email faylilly@hotmail.com

BYO lunch. Tea/coffee available (donation appreciated).

What: Making Paper. This is a fantastically rewarding craft which can be extended in many exciting ways with little or no financial outlay for materials. In this workshop you will be shown the basics of papermaking and given hints on getting a satisfying result. From this start you can experiment and develop your own unique papers and paper crafts. Handmade paper with a deckle edge has a lovely character and it can be embossed, textured, coloured, made into envelopes and more.

When: Saturday 27th June, from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

Cost: \$20. All materials will be provided. Payment to be made in cash to Evelyn at the start of the session.

Tutor: Evelyn Antonysen

to book ph 64282675 mob 0419282673 or email evelyn_antonysen@hotmail.com

BYO lunch. Tea/coffee available (donation appreciated)

SHEFFIELD RSL WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Back again Ladies, be it ever so brief. Our last couple of meetings have been short and sweet as we head into temporary hibernation for the winter term. However, our attending numbers are still encouragingly consistent with always around the 15 – 20 participants. This time Barb B was absent since she was overseas.....we forgave her.... after all, someone has to do it don't they? ie keeping up the Tasmanian tourist numbers in other parts of the globe.

Before our regular meeting began we had a temporary guest in David Innes, President of the Sub Branch, who came to personally thank the Auxilliary and 'offsiders' for a superb, generous sustenance effort on Anzac Day. David extended official recognition for a job well done in providing both breakfast and lunch to a much bigger crowd than usual. Always nice to get that pat on the back isn't it? Food, Glorious Food x 2 meals!!.....we excelled and the donations given by lunch diners was proof of the appreciation by those diners, both local and visiting, some of whom attended both services and meals. The donations were above and beyond Auxilliary expectations. Thankyou to all guests who dropped a coin or 2 in the basket provided.

The meeting then progressed through the usual formal agenda and we moved on to What Comes Next?....and that is.....Xmas in Winter.....July 6th.

Invitations are to be sent to Smithton, Burnie, Wynyard, Ulverstone, Devonport, Railton, Zeehan and Rosebery Auxilliaries. After all we are well practised and it would be very satisfying to have pleasing numbers fronting up. Detailed discussion closer to the time. However, trade table contributions can be underway while sitting in front of the fires...ok?

So June is to be our hibernation month and then we are back on track for our next big one. In the meantime stay warm and dry one and all. Till we meet again.

Jann McKay

SHEFFIELD RSL SUB-BRANCH INC.

The Sheffield RSL Sub-Branch (inc) would like to have contact with all serving and discharged personnel in the area to ensure they are receiving their full pension entitlements. Phone the Secretary on 6491 2390.



Four of our War Veterans share an ANZAC biscuit at the Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Gallipoli Landing. L to R Ron Murfet, Eli How, Keith Kerr, & Stan Adkins.

The Australian Institute of Professional Photographers (AIPP) undertook, as an Anzac Centenary Project, to photograph all surviving World War 2 veterans, the resultant compilation going to the Australian War Memorial who would archive it, with each veteran to receive a copy of the portrait for their keeping. To this end our three WW 2 veterans, Ron Murfet, Eli Howe and Stan Adkins along with Keith Kerr, who is a Korean War veteran, were photographed in the Club on Anzac Day by Felicity Turner from "flick plus dave" Contemporary ART Photography based in Kimberley.

WHATS ON IN JUNE?

June 1 st to	June 30 th	Evelyn Antonysen Exhibition, Working Art Space, Albert St Sheffield (see page 37)
		Melita Turale Exhibition, Gallery Tasmania, Fudge 'N Good Coffee (see page 21)
Monday	June 1 st	"Let's Talk" Cancer Council Support & Info., Health Centre, 9.30 – 12.30 (see page 27)
		Line Dancing Beginners Intermediate & Advanced, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.45pm (page 34)
Tuesday	June 2 nd	Cancer Council Creative Arts Workshop, Crowded Lounge Café, Latrobe, 10-1 (see pg 26)
Wednesday	June 3 rd	Family Friendly Squash Games, Railton Squash Centre see (page 32)
Thursday	June 4 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		MCCA Half Day Social Bus Trip to Etc Bakery, Elizabethtown (see page 33)
		Sheffield Mens Shed, Redwater Creek, 9.00 am – 3.00pm (see page 35)
		Knit, Natter & Crochet, Sheffield Bible Chapel, 10.00am (see page 33)
Friday	June 5 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		Kentish Community Choir, Supper Rm, Uniting Church Sheffield, 10.30am -12 (see pg 36)
		MCCA Full Day Social Bus Trip, Mecca, Burnie (see page 33)
Saturday	June 6 th	Railton Market, 8.00am – 1.00pm (see page 32)
		Make a Felt Bag Workshop, Working Art Space, 10.30 am – 2.30 pm (see page 37)
		Redwater Creek Steam Trains , 11 am – 4 pm daily (see page 33)
Sunday	June 7 th	Redwater Creek Steam Trains , 11 am – 4 pm daily (see page 33)
		Redwater Creek Model Railway Club , 11 am – 3 pm daily (see page 33)
Monday	June 8 th	Line Dancing Beginners Intermediate & Advanced, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.45pm (page 34)
Tuesday	June 9 th	Cancer Council Creative Arts Workshop, Crowded Lounge Café, Latrobe, 10-1 (see pg 26)
		Oral Health Info. Session, KFS House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield, 1-2 pm (see page 34)
		Probus Club Meeting, Sheffield Bowls Club, 10.00am (see page 34)
		Kentish Community Kitchen KFS House 6.30pm All Welcome (see page 35)
Wednesday	June 10 th	Family Friendly Squash Games, Railton Squash Centre see (page 32)
		TasBASH Trivia Night, Sheffield RSL & Citizens Club, 6.30 for 7pm – 9.30pm (see page 23)
Thursday	June 11 th	Sheffield Mens Shed, Redwater Creek, 9.00 am – 3.00pm (see page 35)
		Kentish Garden Club Meeting, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.30pm (see page 11)
		MCCA Half Day Social Bus Trip to Groovy Penguin Café, Penguin (see page 33)
Friday	June 12 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		Kentish Community Choir, Supper Rm, Uniting Church Sheffield, 10.30am -12 (see pg 36)
		MCCA Full Day Social Bus Trip, L'ton Casino, Shopping, Meeting Friends (see page 33)
Saturday	June 13 th	Railton Market, 8.00am – 1.00pm (see page 32)
		Helping Hands Day (see page 35)
Monday	June 15 th	Line Dancing Beginners Intermediate & Advanced, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.45pm (page 34)
Tuesday	June 16 th	Cancer Council Creative Arts Workshop, Crowded Lounge Café, Latrobe, 10-1 (see pg 26)
		Kentish Council Meeting, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield, 7.00pm (see page 30)
		Kidsafe Information session, KFS House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield, 1-2 pm (see page 34)
Wednesday	June 17 th	Family Friendly Squash Games, Railton Squash Centre see (page 32)
		DSTA Meeting, Ghost Rock Vineyard, Northdown, 2.00pm (see page 21)
Thursday	June 18 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		MCCA Half Day Social Bus Trip to Raspberry Farm Café, Moltema (see page 33)
		Sheffield Mens Shed, Redwater Creek, 9.00 am – 3.00pm (see page 35)
		Computers For The Curious, On-Line Access Centre, Sheffield, 3-5pm (see page 13)
		Knit, Natter & Crochet, Sheffield Bible Chapel, 10.00am (see page 33)
Friday	June 19 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		Kentish Community Choir, Supper Rm, Uniting Church Sheffield, 10.30am -12 (see pg 36)
		MCCA Full Day Social Bus Trip, Belly's Bar & Grill, Latrobe (see page 33)
Saturday	June 20 th	Railton Market, 8.00am – 1.00pm (see page 32)
		Claude Road Market, 9.30am – 3.00pm (see page 33)
		JAMBO Midwinter Masked Madness Dinner, Sheffield Bowls Club, 6.00pm (see page 34)
Monday	June 22 nd	Line Dancing Beginners Intermediate & Advanced, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.45pm (page 34)
Tuesday	June 23 rd	Cancer Council Creative Arts Workshop, Crowded Lounge Café, Latrobe, 10-1 (see pg 26)
		Kentish Community Kitchen KFS House 6.30pm All Welcome (see page 35)
Wednesday	June 24 th	Family Friendly Squash Games, Railton Squash Centre see (page 32)

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Thursday	June 25 th	MCCA Out of Town Shopping Trip to Launceston (see page 33)
		Sheffield Mens Shed, Redwater Creek, 9.00 am – 3.00pm (see page 35)
Friday	June 26 th	Community Bank® Business Development Manager 9.30-4.30pm (see page 4)
		Kentish Community Choir, Supper Rm, Uniting Church Sheffield, 10.30am -12 (see pg 36)
		MCCA Full Day Social Bus Trip, Sullivan's, Deloraine (see page 33)
		Shed Night, Blue Hall, Railton, 6.15 pm (see page 34)
Saturday	June 27 th	Railton Market, 8.00am – 1.00pm (see page 32)
		Making Paper Workshop, Working Art Space, 10.30 am – 2.30 pm (see page 37)
Sunday	June 28 th	RSVP for "Un-Cut" on July 8 th (see page 18)
Monday	June 29 th	Line Dancing Beginners Intermediate & Advanced, Sheffield Town Hall, 6.45pm (page 34)
Tuesday	June 30 th	Cancer Council Creative Arts Workshop, Crowded Lounge Café, Latrobe, 10-1 (see pg 26)



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