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Fire Safe Kids



The Fire Safe Kids Team was again busy at the beginning of September with a visit to Yinnar South Primary School. The team this time included a new recruit from the Yinnar South brigade.

A warm welcome was given to the three presenters as they arrived. After signing in the lessons started with the

Grade 3-6s, followed by the Preps to 2. Morning tea was specially put on for the team.

Then it was back to further fire safety and fire preparedness lessons for the 3-6s and Preps to 2s, before a sausage sizzle lunch was provided for the whole school in honour of the visit.

The team was overwhelmed with

the school's hospitality. After lunch the children were given a chance to explore and find the fire truck's equipment.

Then the fun started as they had a squirt of the hose, listened to the siren and saw the flashing lights.

The team was happy with the visit and will be wanting to revisit in a year

or two as the Yinnar South area is a very fire prone area.

Fire safety and preparedness is essential knowledge for the children who it is hoped will take home the vital pieces of information verbally, and with the information booklets supplied by CFA and given to each family.

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Proposed Childcare Centre at West Place

A Planning Permit application to provide a new Childcare Centre in Churchill has been submitted to Latrobe City Council.

The Applicant, Revelop Building & Developments Pty Ltd, proposes to build the Centre underneath West Place shopping centre, fronting Marina Drive. A number of the storage spaces (behind the roller doors in Marina Drive) at the northern end of the West Place building will be turned into a 54-place childcare facility.

The façade will largely be of framed glass windows and doors and several windows will be put into the northern face, allowing for natural light to enter the building.

A fenced outdoor play area would be provided on the grassy area (next to the Churchill Fish and Chip shop) at the junction of Marina Drive and Georgina Place. No new car parking will be provided, but the application does indicate that some of the car park spaces at West Place would service the proposed childcare centre. The application does not specify where a drop off/pick up zone would be located.

The front entrance will



face Marina Drive so it seems likely that Marina Drive would be utilised for short-term parking.

Marina Drive is quite narrow – more of a service road than a thoroughfare – and allows for two-way traffic. CDCA has some reservations about the safety of this area for parents with young children getting in and out of vehicles to access the proposed centre.

CDCA has lodged a submission to Council expressing our concerns and suggesting that further thought needs to be given to parking, safety and vehicle movement in Marina Drive.

If Council approves the Planning Application – and this will not happen for a while yet, given the Election period and the planning process in general, the applicant will then be required to lodge a more detailed plan to gain a Building Permit. Construction of the facility, if given the green light, will

require significant building works (not to mention engineering know-how) to turn the small storage spaces along Marina Drive into a large glass-fronted facility.

The playground area will also need excavation and levelling, along with retaining walls to manage the steep slope. The application appears to indicate that there will be a 1.2m open metal fence "atop a 3.6m retaining wall" adjacent to the paved concourse leading to the doors that open into West Place.

Of course, should this all proceed, Sight & Sound Engineering and the Shopping Centre Management Office in Marina Drive will need to be relocated. No information is publicly available about the entity that may operate this new Childcare Centre. A Google search appears to indicate that a Victorian company (with an office in Beaconsfield), Drake Design, has drafted the designs for a Churchill childcare facility for Little Saints Childcare which operates in Gippsland.

The Planning Application process will likely not be completed until early 2025 so, even if approved, it will be quite some time before

any such development occurs, let alone opens. Hopefully it will not take quite so long for new, accessible public toilets to be constructed on Council owned land in the central shopping centre carpark, adjacent to Georgina Place.

CDCA has been assured that Latrobe City Council will consider the funding of toilet construction at its mid-year Budget Review in December.

Local residents are welcome to attend CDCA meetings and find out more about the many local issues that are raised with us. CDCA meets at 7pm on the second Thursday of every second month, downstairs in the Churchill Town Hall (park and enter from Philip Parade). Our final meeting for 2024 will be held on Thursday December 12. We will meet again on Thursday February 13, 2025.

You do not have to be a member of CDCA to attend, but we encourage you to join; there are no fees and you will be added to our email list for more up-to-date information and further opportunities to have your say. Membership application forms can be downloaded from our website – cdca.org.au

You can contact CDCA through our website too, or email us directly at info@cdca.org.au or send us a message via our Facebook page (search for Churchill District Community Association) or write to us at PO Box 191, Churchill.

Rainfall



Churchill Rainfall

September was a very wet month with rain recorded for 18 days. However, only a total of 80mm of rain fell, the wettest day being September 3, with 11mm in the gauge.

The year's total rainfall so far is now 499.5mm, still well below average.

Rain at Hazelwood South

September started with a medium strength storm; with tree damage, three days of power outage, and a simultaneous outage of the NBN and the mobile phone networks. The 95mm of

rain for the month, was only 2.5% higher than the month's average. September ended with below average ground water, and the rain for 2024 was still 13% below the average.

Power outages are common enough for households to own a small inverter generator to keep the fridge, freezer and electric blanket working. It is not acceptable that two or more communication networks fail simultaneously from a storm, of a strength expected annually.

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Churchill Fire Brigade



Fire Danger Ratings now being published

Given the recent predictions for warmer than usual minimum temperatures, and warmer than usual maximum temperatures over the next few months as we lead into the summer season, the Bureau of Meteorology has now started to publish the daily Fire Danger Ratings for all of the weather districts in Victoria.

Keep an eye out for the Fire Danger boards throughout our localities, or check out the ratings on the CFA website cfa.vic.gov.au and make sure you have a Fire Escape Plan for you and your family, no matter where you live.

FIRE DANGER RATINGS

Fire Danger Ratings tell you how dangerous a fire could be if one started. They are important because they help you decide what actions to take to protect yourself and others from bushfires and grassfires. [afdrs_ratings_no_pointer.png](#)

There are four levels of fire danger in the new system: Moderate - Plan and prepare High - Be ready to act Extreme - Take action now to protect your life and property Catastrophic - For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

Fire Danger Ratings will be issued on days when there is a fire risk. Each fire danger rating will have a clear set of messages including the actions the community can take to reduce their risk. Ratings are forecast using Bureau of Meteorology data for up to four days in advance, based on weather and other environmental conditions such as vegetation. The rating is your trigger to take action to stay safe.



What does it mean?

If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost. These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.

What should I do?

For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas. Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire. For your survival, do not be in bushfire risk areas. Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before. Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions. You may not be able to leave and help may not be available.

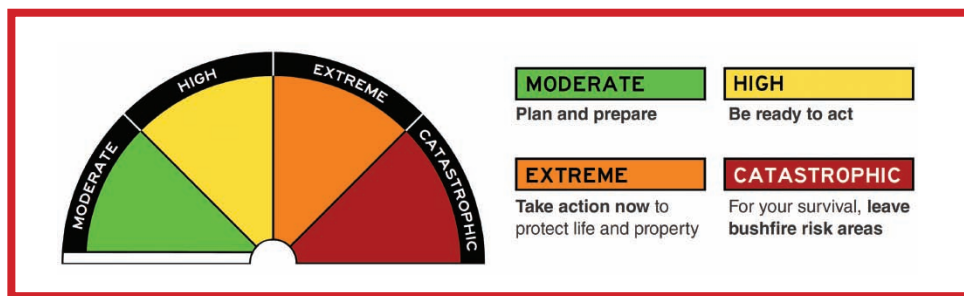


What does it mean?

Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous. These are dangerous fire conditions. Expect hot, dry and windy conditions.

What should I do?

Take action now to protect your life and property. Check your bushfire plan and that your

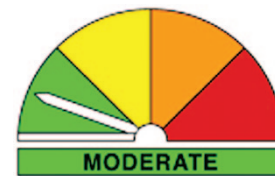


property is fire ready

If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts.

Reconsider travel through bushfire risk areas.

Leaving bushfire risk areas early in the day is your safest option.



What does it mean?

Most fires can be controlled.

What should I do?

Plan and prepare. Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.



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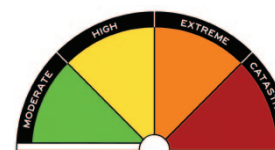
Fires can be dangerous.

What should I do?

Be ready to act. There is a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area.

Decide what you will do if a fire starts.

If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bushfire risk areas.



NO RATING

The system also introduces an 'off' level for days where no proactive action is required by the community. This does not mean that fires cannot happen, but that they are not likely to move or act in a way that threatens the safety of the community. This rating is the thin white wedge on the colour wheel sitting under 'Moderate'.

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To see the current Fire Danger Rating forecast across the state see cfa.vic.gov.au



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Church NEWS

Co-operating Church Snippets



Rebecca Hayman Ordination

Quite a few of our parishioners headed to Sale on September 14, to witness the ordination of Rebecca Hayman at St Paul's Cathedral. Bec is a much loved and valued member of our congregation, along with her husband Michael.

It was a beautiful occasion. The service was high Anglican with the Canon being sung. The cathedral was full, the singing glorious. Another man, Damien King, was also being ordained. The Reverend Dr Timothy Gaden, the examining Chaplain for Bec and Damien during their training, gave the message, and told of how he, as a minister, learned so much from his congregations. He said, 'Keep your eyes and your hearts open to how the people of God around you are teaching, leading and pastoring you.'

Bishop Richard exhorted them to 'encourage and build up the body of Christ, preaching the word of God and leading God's people in prayer'. Bec is already doing this in our church. One of the programs at our church is called Upsetting the Applegart, with the aim to do things a bit differently in church, and to find out what things people would like to see change.

One of the ideas put forward at one meeting was to have more prayer. A couple of weeks later, it was announced in the pew sheet that Bec would be running a prayer group on a Tuesday afternoon.

This prayer group has continued to meet and is now also studying Ripple Effect, a course designed to help Christians share their faith.

Bec has also been happy to do home visits and home communion where people have requested it.

Bec is a peacemaker. As Ruth Place, a member of our parish, said, 'She sees the hurt, and the concerns of people and is not hesitant in stepping forward to make a difference.'



Bec listens. When you talk to her you know you have her full attention. She has a sense of humour, a definite plus!

We are so blessed and privileged to have Bec in our parish and look forward to the future as she works with us.

The month of September was set aside in the Christian calendar to celebrate a season of creation of God's beautiful Earth. The services we had in this month reflected this celebration.

It is a remembrance that God created a beautiful world with the many aspects of it that satisfy our basic needs. He gave us rules to live by, companionship of others and asked us to care for what He had made.

We have fallen short and sin has entered the world. The amazing thing is that God in his great wisdom and compassion has given us a way back to Him through the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus who died on the cross, rose again and defeated sin, our sin, so we could have a new life. We are created in the image of God, a God who is love and we should be a loving example following in Jesus footsteps.

The All Age Worship team. Our message was based on Mark 3:11. In her message Melissa said

"In his Expository Thoughts on the Book of Mark, J.C. Ryle comments that 'there is a long catalogue of instances in Scripture which show the benefits that may be conferred on others by praying for them.

The official's son at Capernaum - the centurion's servant - the daughter of Jairus are all striking examples. Incredible as it may seem, God is pleased to do great things for souls when friends and relations are moved to pray for them.' This is something we should not forget as prayer can achieve much.

The testimony of Ian McCormack.

Back in 1982 when he was a young man, he was diving off the island of Mauritius. He was stung by



five box jellyfish. On his way to hospital he remembered words his mother had told him years before, 'Ian, no matter how far from God you are, no matter what you've done wrong, if you cry out to God from your heart, he will hear and he will forgive you.' Ian said in his heart he was thinking, "Do I believe there is a God? Am I going to pray? I'd almost become a devout atheist.

Yet I was confronted by this image of my mother." Ian talked with his mother later when he returned to New Zealand.

She said she had been woken in the early hours of that morning. God had shown her Ian's bloodshot eyes and said to her, "your eldest son Ian is nearly dead. Pray for him now." So she had started praying for him."

Today we can pray for others knowing that our prayers will be heard. We should be persistent in prayer. We should remember that God uses many different ways, and different people, to answer our prayers.

September 22 was a service of thanksgiving. As a parish, we have many things to be thankful for in the support we receive and the support we give to each other and the community, sharing love and the good news of Jesus our Saviour.

Cathie recalled the Festival of Tabernacles in the old testament which was an eight day festival of thanks. It was appropriate that we too give thanks especially for the love of God and the blessings we receive and can share.

Food items were collected and blessed, to be given to the FedUni students. A soup and rolls lunch followed with a time of fellowship.

Coffee Connections Report

A good gathering of people attended the Coffee Connection session this month. Anne led the session including the devotion. People shared their interests, some of present day others starting long ago but continuing. It was a pleasant time of sharing and fellowship.

Churchill Christian Fellowship

Things are going to be very busy at CCF for the next couple of months. Our Christmas Auction and Concert is happening on Saturday December 7. More information about that next month.

We are also hosting the annual Combined Churches Carols service this year. That will be on December 14. It is a great honour for our Fellowship to host such an important traditional event, but it does pose some challenges because our hall is not as big as the Co-operating Church.

We are very grateful for the assistance provided by

the other churches in the town.

In the meantime, we are excited to advise that Brett Lindner, a well-known Australian evangelist, will be here for a Revival Meeting on Friday November 1, starting at 7pm.

This is one of those bring-your-friends events because Brett ministers very powerfully in the Lord and many people have experienced healing miracles in his meetings. He will also be at Moe New Life Christian Centre for four days. We can supply details.

Last year, Gavin Chatelier came and did his

Elvis Gospel performance. Gavin is coming back on Saturday November 9 with a different show, a Gospel Favourites Show. We expect this to be another wonderful event and everyone is invited. There will be a ticket price for this one.

Please feel free to visit with us any Sunday from 3pm. Enquire about one of our home fellowship meetings, or just turn up one Friday between 11.00 and 2.00. You will be most welcome.

For more information on any of these things, please call 0409 173 747.

Steve McNeilly (Pastor)



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This year has been put together by three groups –

LV Country Line Dancers, Rebel Bootscooters and Ramblin' Rose, with a huge workforce behind us.

It has been an extremely busy year, but what an amazing result. All I can say

is a huge thank you to each and every person who in one way or another has been involved in helping us.

"Help Lifeline Do What They Do Best."

What's on in Latrobe

International Rose Garden Festival

The International Rose Garden Festival Morwell is back on Friday and Saturday November 8 and 9.

The festival will feature Costa Georgiadis and his friends Dirtgirl and Scrapboy from Dirtgirl World, workshops, live music, market stalls, food trucks, roving performers, children's activities, and a cut rose competition open to all visitors.

Commencing with a light show at 6.30pm on Friday night, followed by an 11am start on Saturday where locals and visitors alike can explore the rose gardens and stalls, or participate in free activities.

Costa & Co Trivia Night

A fun evening with Costa Georgiadis and friends will take place on Friday November 8, as part of this year's International Rose Garden Festival celebrations.

Join Costa and his friends Scrapboy and Dirtgirl, and your moderator Cate McQuillen, Producer of Dirtgirl World, for a fun interactive trivia night with a nature and sustainability theme.

Rose Garden Festival Steam Train

The Vintage Steam Train will be returning to the International Rose Garden Festival Morwell on Saturday November 9, 2024. Arriving at the Morwell Train Station at 11:56am and departing at 4:15pm, the steam train will bring back the glory days of 'The Gippslander' express run from Newport to the Latrobe Valley.

This Girl Can Week

How great is it when you find an activity that you actually enjoy! For a lot of women, it is the judgement they face from others that stops them from getting involved.

For many women, finding something that you

enjoy, that makes you feel comfortable and that you feel the benefits from, can lead to increased motivation and increased physical activity levels.

During This Girl Can week from November 10 to 17, come along to our FREE or low-cost sessions that include a rail trail walk, chair yoga and pickleball to find a new activity that works well for you! What a great way to prioritise your health and make new friends!

Art For All Exhibition

Are you an artist with disability? We want to showcase and celebrate your talent!

Apply now to have your artwork featured in the Art for All Exhibition. This Exhibition will be displayed at the Gippsland Performing Arts Centre from December 6, 2024 to March 2, 2025, as part of Latrobe Regional Gallery's seasonal programming.

Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists

Avon Peppermint

The next meeting of Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists on Friday, November 1 will start at 7.30 pm at the Moe Library. Royal Botanic Gardens researcher and Horticulture Team Leader Russell Larke, will discuss his work on the Avon Peppermint, Eucalyptus ornans, a species of mallee that is currently listed as critically endangered.

It is only known to grow in a single population near the Avon River. John Topp, one of our members has assisted the Royal Botanic Gardens in locating specimens.

The excursion on Saturday November 2 from 10 am is to The Channels on a short enjoyable trail in the Avon - Mount Hendrick Natural Features and Scenic Reserve on

the Avon River, just west from the town of Valencia Creek, north east of Heyfield.

Everyone is most welcome, both to the meeting and the excursion. For more information contact our secretary, Rose, on 0410 237 292.

Please visit our website www.lvfieldnats.org to register if you wish to use Zoom to join the meeting from home.

COMMUNITY SAFETY Words of Wisdom

The dreaded phone scam . . .

This month, we are once again, looking at phone scams.

There seems to be more and more people getting scammed on their phones. Mobile phones nowadays have methods of blocking scam callers, but the scammers continue to come up with new ideas to get money out of unsuspecting people. Here are a few tips in dealing with scammers.

- **DO NOT** answer if you do not know who it is. Let the call go to voicemail first. If the caller leaves a number, check that it matches the one on their website.
- **DO NOT** reply or click on any links in text messages.
- **DO NOT** ever send money.
- **DO NOT** ever tell anyone your personal details—passwords or other sensitive information.
- **DO NOT** ever let someone take control of your computer.
- Block callers – your phone

company can tell you how.

On a mobile phone, there may be a setting to block specific numbers. You can also use an app (but watch out for charges). On your home phone, you can get a handset that lets you block calls, or you can get a device for your existing phone that can block callers. Use a password on your mobile. Check text messages carefully. Look for things that do not look right – bad spelling, strange sender name or number.

Put a lock on your home mailbox – this way, people cannot steal items that may give information about your identity.

Check if an unknown number is from an official source by checking online. Typing the number into a search engine like Google might come up with details about the owner of the phone number. Carefully choose to whom you share personal details.

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A busy time ahead for Churchill Lions Club



Things have been a little quiet for the Lions Club of Churchill during the winter months, which is probably a good thing, as during this time the Club has a number of members who depart to enjoy the warmer climate up north.

Unfortunately, the Club has had to move from the Churchill Hotel where it held its meetings for many, many years. The Club will now be meeting at the Churchill Golf Club. Our first meeting was held at the Golf Club recently where we welcomed two new members, Fiona Lane and Peter Lucas. Lion President Robin King inducted Fiona and Peter during the meeting.

The Club is in the process of setting up our own Web page, stay tuned.

Even though it has been quiet, the Club has still been out in the community doing a Bunnings BBQ, also assisting Bunnings with their Community Father's Day event. We were on the BBQ at the recent Churchill

market day, were handing out sausages at the Uplift Youth event at Mid Valley Morwell run by Latrobe Health, assisting young people to connect to youth services in an informative, fun way. The Club also assisted Morwell East at the football finals.

With a very busy period coming up for the Club leading up to Christmas, we will be at the upcoming Traralgon race meetings, assisting in the carpark at the Traralgon Home and Leisure Show, and doing Bunnings BBQs. An important event for the Club is the visit by the District Governor in October, and for the community is the Lions Skin Check van, which will be in Churchill on December 3 and 4.

The Club will also be running the Churchill Community Family Fishing and Fun Day again this year on Saturday November 23, which promises to be another great day out fishing at Lake Hyland Mathison Park. It is fun for the whole family with

great prizes to be won by children who are registered on the day. Children and the whole family also get the opportunity to learn about fishing, fishing regulations and caring about our waterways from experts from Fisheries Victoria and Fish Care Victoria.

The cost to register for the Fishing and Fun day remains at a low cost of \$2 per child or \$5 per family, with every child who registers receiving a free sausage and a drink.

Australia Day 2025 Nominations are now open for Senior Citizen of the year, Young Citizen of the year and School Student Citizen of the year.

We all know of people in our community who do some extraordinary things in our community, in areas such as education, health, fundraising, charitable and voluntary service, business, sports, arts, the environment, or any other area, such as those helping others in our community doing it

tough, the elderly, the sick or those helping young people to find their way, people who contribute to the advancement and well-being of our community over a number of years.

If you know someone in your community who has made that extraordinary outstanding contribution and community service to the Churchill and district community, why not nominate them for an Australia Day Award.

The application form is elsewhere in this edition, all applications must have a supporting referee.

What does being a Lion mean? What Lions do in our community. How being a Lion can be rewarding.

Being a Lion, you can make a difference not only in the local community but throughout the world.

Being a Lion can be fun and rewarding, it is social, you meet new people and you get the opportunity to meet people from all walks of life, and assist people and the community where it is most needed.

If you are interested in joining a community minded Service Club, we are here waiting for you to contact us.

For a chat, call our Secretary Peter Tait on 0421 167 915, and organise to come along to one of our meetings, meet our members and see what we are about, but more importantly hear about what we do and how we do it.

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See us on Facebook, you can also contact us on email: churchill.lionsclub@gmail.com

Derek's PB stairclimb

With another year done and dusted, it's time to reflect on my achievements for the 2024 annual firefighter Stairclimb.

I went in this year looking to create a new personal best time, which I achieved with a finish time of 10 minutes and 12 seconds, beating my 2023 time by a full 51 seconds.

But what I am most proud of is that with the help of the local community banding together to assist with my collection of bottles and cans, I was able to individually fundraise a total of \$2,441 for the not for profit organisations that were beneficiaries for the event, such as Peter Mac, the 000 foundation and Lifeline.

This was an increase of \$1100 more than I was able to raise last year, and I look forward to continuing to collect throughout the year to headstart my fundraising efforts for 2025. I will be looking to collect old car and truck batteries for recycling as an additional fundraising effort, hoping to create another personal best for fundraising next year.

I couldn't have done it without the local support and appreciate all those that got behind me on this journey.

For those interested in watching the journey unfold in the future, please feel free to follow my Facebook page "Derek's Firefighter Stairclimb"



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Chatting with the LOCALS

Nathan Brown is the manager of the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, also known as the “Hub.” He spends most of his time in Churchill, so we’ll consider him a local as we discuss the work of the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre.

CDNews: Nathan, good to talk with you. You are the manager of Churchill’s Community Hub, the big green building behind the town hall. Can you give us an overview of the organisation and a little of your background?

NB: Hi Allan, thanks for the opportunity to have a chat. I am the manager of the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, located at the bottom of the hill within the Churchill Hub. I have been in this role for just over two years now, and it has been a rewarding experience being part of the changes and helping to support our local community. Before this, I spent 20 years working in the Early Childhood sector, with the latter half of that as a Director. A career highlight for me was successfully turning around a failing centre that was planned for closure and securing over \$1 million in upgrades. After that chapter, I felt it was time for a change, and I could not be happier to be here, working with our vibrant community and being part of all the initiatives we are driving.



Manager at Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, Nathan Brown

The Churchill Neighbourhood Centre is an independent, apolitical, non-profit registered charity. Our focus is on supporting the best outcomes for the community by hosting social activities, offering learning opportunities, providing upskilling programs, and promoting community resilience, not just across Churchill but also throughout

the district. **CDNews:** How is the organisation structured? Does it have a management structure and are volunteers involved? **NB:** Being a non-profit organisation comes with its challenges, but it also opens up fantastic opportunities to make a real difference in the community. Although we have a significant presence

in the community, we do face some hurdles along the way. Our team consists of myself as the manager, a few hours of admin support each week, and our dedicated team of tutors. We also have a Board of Governance overseeing our operations, and none of what we do would be possible without our incredible volunteers. We are immensely grateful for them.

Over the past two years, we have seen our team grow from 11 people to 28, and we are always looking for more enthusiastic volunteers to join us. Together, we engage in what I like to call ‘Professional Mischief’—working hard to make a positive impact while having fun and creating meaningful connections within the community.

CDNews: Can you talk a little about the current activities the Hub has going?

NB: Term 3 has been our biggest and most exciting term yet! We have introduced many new classes and groups, with over 25 different activities running each week, and that number continues to grow each term.

One of our standout achievements has been our First Aid courses, which have helped nearly 100 locals gain their First Aid certificates—a vital skill for the community. We have also launched new classes, including cooking, Tai Chi, and photography, as well as a class designed to teach people how to use the basics of their smartphones and tablets. The variety of activities we offer continues to expand, reflecting our commitment to supporting lifelong learning and community engagement.

CDNews: Are there any future developments we can look forward to at Churchill Neighbourhood Centre?

NB: This is such an exciting time for us at the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, with some of our biggest projects yet on the horizon. One of the highlights is our Churchill Community Garden, which has received funding for a rejuvenation project. This will see the garden open every weekday, with new and more accessible garden beds being constructed to ensure it is a welcoming space for all.

The Churchill Men’s Shed has also secured funding for new tools, and we are planning to use their old tools, along with additional ones, to establish a Churchill Tool Library in the near future. This will provide a fantastic resource for the community to borrow tools when needed. Possibly the biggest project we are working on is the construction of our Mobile Resilience Hub. This is currently under development and is designed to support our community during times of disaster. ‘The hub will be equipped with built-in BBQs, fridges, solar power, generators, phone charging stations, Wi-Fi, and a mobile office complete with a PC to assist with paperwork

and insurance claims. We plan to make this resource available to organisations across Gippsland during emergencies, providing vital support when it is needed most.

CDNews: How does the community get in contact with the Hub?

NB: It is easy! You can pop in for a visit and say g’day—we would be happy to show you around and chat about what we offer. Alternatively, you can visit our website at churchill.org.au to learn more about our services and activities.

CDNews: How can the community participate in Churchill’s Community Hub? Is it just when we need some help or want to participate in a course that you are running?

NB: There are plenty of ways to get involved, and it is important to find what works best for you. We offer a range of options to suit different interests and levels of engagement. You can join one of our social groups, which provide an informal and fun way to connect with like-minded people while getting up to some “mischief” together. If you are looking to learn new skills, we have a variety of classes that cater to different interests and abilities.

If you are keen to give back, volunteering is a fantastic way to contribute. We will work with you to find activities that match your interests and skills, ensuring that your experience is both rewarding and enjoyable.

CDNews: Thanks for chatting with us, Nathan.”

You can contact Churchill Neighbourhood Centre by visiting the big green building across from the Town Hall, online at churchill.org.au, via email at info@churchill.org.au, or on Facebook.

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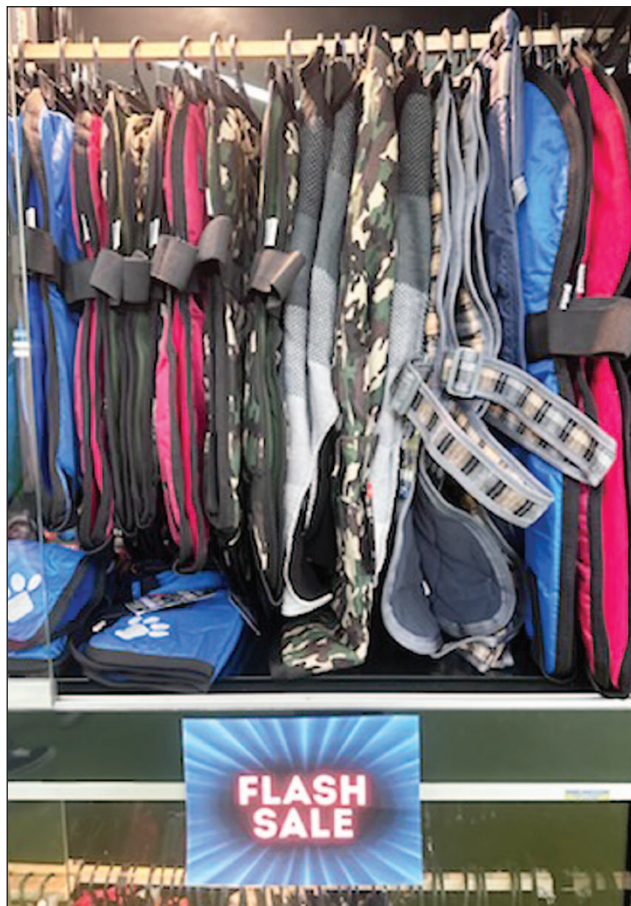
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Launch of temporary shop to support new Mobile Resilience Hub



The Churchill Neighbourhood Centre has exciting news for the community! We have opened a temporary shop, with all proceeds going directly towards the construction of our much-needed Mobile Resilience Hub. This innovative Mobile Hub will serve Churchill and district in times of disaster, offering essential services such as a mobile kitchen for hot meals, fridges to store perishable goods, generators and batteries to power critical devices, and a mobile office equipped with laptops and Wi-Fi to help residents access emergency information and contact loved ones.

In recent years, our community has faced significant challenges from natural disasters, and the Mobile Resilience Hub is being developed to ensure we are better prepared to support residents during

emergencies. Whether it is charging phones, accessing insurance details, or cooking a meal, the Mobile Hub will be a lifeline for locals when it is needed most.

To help raise funds for this project, the Neighbourhood Centre has launched a temporary shop offering a range of affordable items, with all profits going directly to the Mobile Hub project.

What's on Sale?

Our new shop features an array of items at great prices:

Dog jackets and jumpers: Perfect for keeping your furry friends warm, we have a variety of sizes and colours.

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neck to tail and bringing those measurements to ensure a perfect fit.

Bunnings Brick Building Sets: Fun for the kids! Large Bunnings Warehouse Block Sets are available for \$10, and Children's Trolley Kits for \$5. These building blocks are compatible with popular brands, making them a hit with little ones.

Handcrafted Items: Our dedicated volunteers have created beautiful handmade items, from cards and toys to heat bags and microwave warmers. These high-quality, moderately priced goods make perfect gifts or treats for yourself.

Come and Support the Cause!

The shop will feature new items regularly, so be sure to stop by often. Every purchase you make helps bring our community one step closer to having the Mobile Resilience Hub up and running.


You can find the shop within the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre at 9-11 Philip Parade, Churchill. Drop by, chat with our friendly staff and volunteers, and pick up something special while supporting a great cause.

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Yinnar, Yinnar South Landcare



This month saw us scrambling to get the last few planting sites for the season done. (It was great for the plants that it rained.) There are now more plants along Upper Middle Creek and people have been planting locally indigenous vegetation on their own places to provide shade and shelter from wind, to protect the banks of rivers and streams from erosion, to assist with drainage in wet areas; to enhance flood mitigation and erosion control and simply to add habitat for wildlife.

It is great to drive around the district and see native vegetation flourishing in places where our group has variously supplied plants and / or tools, had planting days or been involved in setting up funded projects with the landholders.

It is now almost a year since we started our pollinator link project. Because some of this is in rare and endangered Gippsland Plains Grassy Woodland, we are being careful to only plant species that belong in that vegetation class, and preferably have been found on or close to the site. This has led us to put a lot of effort into identifying the plants that are there.

We are also looking to see what creatures we can find. Many of these have a role as pollinators, and if we know where they are now, we can try to design our link to help them to spread into other areas. Even lizards seem to have a role in native plant propagation when they eat fruit and berries then spread the seed around in their droppings.

Members of the Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists have helped us on several of our surveys. We concentrated on Eucalypts in August. So far we have identified sixteen species of these, and found

a few more that we cannot yet be sure of what they are. Four of the species we have found so far are not from this area but have been introduced.

Our bird survey on September 10 found relatively few birds. We visited four different sites and watched and listened for birds for about 20 minutes in each location. At the site with the most species, we saw seventeen different birds, three spots had only five or six and another twelve. There were hardly any small birds among the total of 24 species we saw through the morning. We recorded some water birds that we could see from a site, and two birds of prey in the sky above us. The birds we were most likely to see were magpies, grey butcherbirds and aggressively territorial noisy miners. Common mynas, an introduced bird that also attacks and displaces native birds, were not seen past the town boundary. We plan to find a time and arrange with Engie to go back and see which birds we can find at the old caravan park site, where there is some slightly different vegetation and some old established trees.

In October we will plan for next year's planting so that we can get our seed and greenhouse orders ready. The group will also be holding our wash the pots day to have clean and hygienic pots for next year's plant propagation. That day will be at Jeeralang North Hall, but at the time of writing the date just changed and is not yet definite. If you would like to come and scrub along, please get in touch.

In November we expect to be at the Yinnar Memorial Hall at the November 3 market to sell plants, give out information and talk with people interested in landcare. On Sunday November

10, we will be looking for pollinator insects, and hopefully participating in the Australian Pollinator Count during Australian Pollinator week.

We will have a one-day grasses identification workshop with grass expert Richard Lorimer in and around Yinnar on Monday November 25. There will be places available for community members who want to learn how to go about identifying native grasses. We hope to be able to find a field site with a range of different grasses in flower for participants to practise their skills. More information and booking details can be found on our website. Funding for this workshop comes from our group's 2024-25 Victorian Landcare Grant.

Finally, we are looking forward to the publication of the Friends of Morwell National Park's new bird book that will be launched in Yinnar on Saturday November 16 and on sale after that. We usually have the Friends group's books available on our market stall, and this one will be a great addition to existing guides to the Ferns and Flowering Plants; Moths, Lacewings and Butterflies; and Lichens.

Donation from Neighbourhood Watch



While at the office in production for the September issue we were visited by Cindy and Peter, lately office bearers of the Neighbourhood Watch Latrobe Inc team which has now gone into recess.


They came to present Churchill & District News with a donation of \$500, a portion of their disbursement

funds as they wind up business. This was gratefully received. Along with the money there was a card with the following words.


"To Churchill & District News. Please accept this donation of \$500. Neighbourhood Watch Latrobe Inc believes that your newspaper is one of the best in Gippsland!

We hope this donation can help with any ongoing expenses!" Appreciation was expressed to the Neighbourhood Watch Latrobe Inc reps, extending our thanks for their support. It was also noted that Peter would continue to supply those words of wisdom to help us all stay community and personally safe.

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Hazelwood Cemetery



By: Leo Billington

How people are remembered and, hopefully not forgotten (series continued)

Some of the challenges present in historical research include finding and

accessing relevant primary and secondary sources, determining the reliability and bias of sources, dealing with gaps in the historical record, and confronting the subjectivity of interpretation.

Historians have to be

careful of letting personal experiences, cultural backgrounds, or their own biased viewpoints cloud their work. Largely, presenting history is known as R.I.P - research in progress.

Those who indulge in seeking history from cemetery records are to be admired, but, alas, there are fact finders who cover up feelings of insecurity or overcompensate for past failures.

With this comment as background, this month's Hazelwood Cemetery editorial covers two stories - both factual.

It has been written that Fitzpatrick's Lane, Morwell, took its name from Gerald Fitzpatrick, or his family name. Let us do some fact checking.

Arthur William Fitzpatrick, lived at 41 Buckley Street with his wife, Martha, daughter Jessie and son, William (Bill). Jessie passed away in October 1924, aged three years. Bill, self employed as a cartage contractor, was well-known locally. He passed away in November 2006.

Arthur William Fitzpatrick died as the result of heart failure suddenly in Melbourne on Thursday, September 26. The family had just returned home to Melbourne after enjoying a holiday in New South Wales. Prior to moving from Morwell, he grew up in Maffra. His discharge from the Army, 5th Battalion, in 1920 allowed him to gain employment at the SEC in Morwell. His remains were cremated at the Springvale Cemetery (as it was formerly known) on Saturday, September 28, 1946.

The accompanying picture/street map, shows a faint coloured laneway beginning at James Street. This joined with Buckley Street - at the family home. Hence Fitzpatrick's Lane was named. Whoever removed the finger sign needs to realise their error in judgement. Morwell's history should not be taken

away.

Gerald Fitzpatrick passed away many years earlier than Arthur William Fitzpatrick. The former's death was on Monday, June 10, 1901. Gerald was the only son of Mrs Margaret Fitzpatrick, who at the time was licensee of Murdoch's Hotel in Commercial Road.

At age 24 years, Gerald's death was sudden; but his health took a troublesome turn on June 9 when, after attending Mass, he suffered haemorrhaging of his lungs. He was suffering from consumption.

In the day, consumption was actually tuberculosis disease, or phthisis, the Greek word for consumption, because this terrible disease appeared to consume the affected person via substantial weight loss and wasting. Gerald was known to be in "delicate health" for some time.

Gerald's sisters had also fallen victim to consumption. Julia, aged 22 in November 1900 and Margaret, aged 27 in September 1909.

Margaret Fitzpatrick, wife of John Fitzpatrick, who died in November 1892, had resided at various times in Morwell, then Mirboo North and back in Morwell. At the time of her passing, Margaret was living in Hawthorn.

William Kealy, as named on the Fitzpatrick family grave at Hazelwood Cemetery, appears to be a



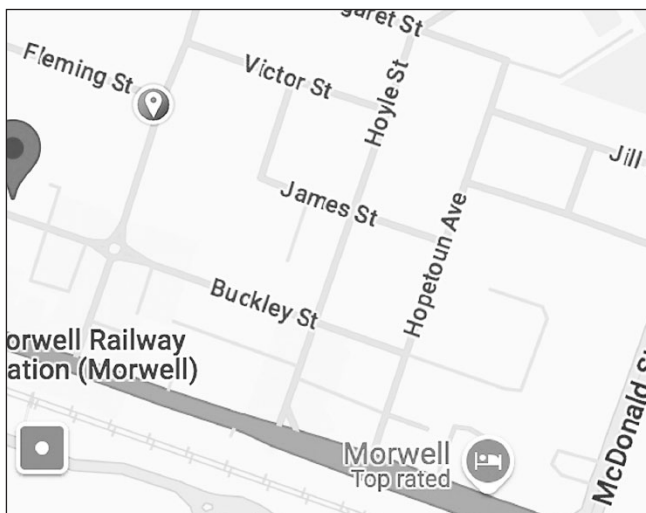
member of the extended Kelleher family. To connect the two names would be, at this stage, pure conjecture.

Our dedicated search to identify unmarked graves continues. A recent example is an unmarked grave for Benjamin Wright, 45 years old. In December 1922, he was employed at the SEC works area in Yallourn.

He became heavily involved in a political argument with another, a Mr Kerrison. The latter apparently threw an oil

drum at Benjamin who subsequently collapsed. Doctor Mitchell diagnosed heart failure; the coroner agreed.

Postscript - the Hazelwood Cemetery Trust receives numerous complimentary remarks about the cemetery. These are greatly appreciated and thanks to our wide community. The overall, attractive appearance of the Hazelwood Cemetery is a credit to those who maintain its grounds.



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Open Studios Latrobe 2024



Open Studios Latrobe is a great opportunity for visitors to spend a relaxing weekend wandering through the studios of Latrobe Valley artists and galleries while they show and demonstrate their artistic talent.

This year this creative event will be held over the weekend of October 26 and 27, and once again will show the best of our artists with demonstrations and displays throughout the Latrobe Valley, including ARC Yinnar, and artists in their own studios.

The towns involved are Moe, Tanjil South, Morwell, Traralgon, Yinnar and Boolarra.

This will be the ninth Open Studios Latrobe event for Moartz and it will be a great weekend with our

artists bringing their art to the public.

The artist - run space ARC Yinnar will have resident artists and visiting artists demonstrating different techniques. There will also be two new exhibitions to see at ARC, and the Matchbox Gallery in Yinnar will have plenty on show as well.

There will be some new artists involved in Open Studios Latrobe and some favourite artists returning after having taken a break. The artists work in a wide variety of mediums including, printmaking, airbrush, watercolour, acrylics, photography, textiles, drawing, pottery and more.

The visitors can start their self-guided tour at any

studio and keep an eye out for the orange flags to easily direct them to the studios. For only \$5 per person (children free) visitors can go to all the studios over the whole weekend.

Moartz is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year so help celebrate by visiting the artists at Open Studios Latrobe in October.

An online version of the information poster and map can be found at <https://moartz.com/events-news>.

If you need more information contact Sharon Anderson and Jenny Peterson at openstudiosmoartz@gmail.com

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Churchill & District News FLASHBACK

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English Park Churchill

Due to excessive heat over the last two months quite a number of the trees planted last year have died and will need replacing. When the treated pine and other new equipment is ready and delivered, everyone interested will be invited to the next important working bee.

Senior Citizens

We meet each Wednesday at the Co-operating Church, 1 Williams Avenue, Churchill. Everyone is most welcome to come along to play cards, scrabble, and carpet bowls.

We were wrong!!!!

We regret that in the last issue of the News in the advent for the Churchill Jeeralang Rural Fire Brigade Ladies Auxiliary supper dance. We printed the price as \$2.00 per double. It should have been \$20.00 per double. Sorry about that.

Watson Park Preschool

The Committee, Staff and all parents of Watson Park Preschool would like to give a special 'thankyou' to Debbie Fox, Assistant Directress for all the work she has put into the Pre school for the six years she has been with us. At our Annual General Meeting which was held last Thursday, new office bearers were elected.

Churchill postmistress retires

Mrs Jean Brick who has been our Postmistress for 13 years retires in July. At first, the Post Office was in her home. When the Shopping Centre opened the Post Office was shifted to its present position. At first, when there was a telegram to deliver, Jean would shut up shop and deliver it herself.

She always had a smile or friendly word for everyone, and was always ready to be as helpful as possible to anyone who had a need.

Spring clean early please

Like so many organisations the Mission of St James and St John is having financial problems keeping the extensive welfare work to keep the Mission going. It has therefore been decided to open an Opportunity Shop, and this is where we need everyone to help, either in the shop, to contribute or simply keep talking about it to all friends and neighbours.

Transfer station Churchill

The proposed site is in Thompson Street. The area is in the light industrial zone to be developed as part of Council's Future Works Depot. An earthen embankment is to be formed, surfaced, sealed and landscaped. Behind the embankment will be deposited a number of open skips. These will be progressively filled. At regular periods, a prime mover will collect these skips and replace them.

Junior discos not getting support

The ladies of the Hazelwood Churchill Football Club have reluctantly decided to stop holding discos for young people due to the lack of interest shown by the kids. It is costly to put on a disco like this and without the support of the kids it is now not a practical effort. Also, the ones who do turn up find it hard to have a good time when the hall is half empty, with little atmosphere.

Police report

Many people who shop in the Churchill Shopping

Centre have complained to me that there are a lot of children riding bikes in the shopping centre area, on the footpaths in the centre of the shops.

I will be on the lookout for these young offenders, so if your child rides his bike to the shops on an errand for you tell him not to ride in the centre of the shopping centre.

There are still several people parking in the 'no standing' areas at the shopping centre.

The fine for this is \$15. If you can afford this on top of your shopping bill, keep parking there.

Cub News

A Pack Holiday for both Cub Packs will be going away to Island Bay Ranch, Phillip Island in November. A busy weekend has been planned by the Cub Leaders ensuring an enjoyable and fun filled weekend for the Cubs.

Parents have been invited to a BBQ lunch on Sunday and to inspect the camp before attending an Investiture Ceremony for the new Cub members. This will climax the weekend and the boys will return home with their parents.

Scout News

A Troop completed a hike at Wilson Promontory in October. Scouts from both troops will be attending the Scout Air Activity Centre at Berwick.

The day includes a conducted tour of the airfield which has many interesting types of aircraft, and training on parts of the air activity targets.

The trip will also include a flight in a light aircraft, piloted by Commercial pilots who give their time free to introduce flying to the young members of the Scout Movement.



Lions Club of Churchill & District



2025 Australia Day Awards Criteria

The Churchill Australia Day Awards celebrate the outstanding achievements and contributions made by individuals in our community. These prestigious awards are one of the highest honours that can be bestowed to publicly acknowledge local heroes, whose dedication, contributions and service to the community may otherwise go unnoticed. To be eligible for the Citizen / Young Citizen of the Year Award, nominees must:

- Be an Australian Citizen,
- Be a resident of the Churchill and district.
- For Citizen of the Year be over 25 years of age on January 1, 2025 and for Young Citizen of the Year be under 25 years of age on January 1, 2025.
- Not have received the same award previously.
- Have made contributions that have made a difference and made people's lives in our community better, or made our town and district to be a better place to live.
- Not be a current sitting City Councillor, nor have been in the past two years.
- All applications must have a supporting referee.

The decision of the Lions Club of Churchill & District Australia Day Awards Selection Panel is final, and no additional correspondence will be entered into.

Award recipients are announced at the Churchill Australia Day awards Ceremony event held on Australia day January 26 at Churchill Place, below the Town Hall. All nominees and nominators will be invited to attend the award Ceremony.

Further Information please contact the Australia Day coordinator:
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Dear Churchill and district residents,

Thank you so much for the honour of being your Councillor for the past four years. It has been an honour to set things in the right direction for our ward. It has been a roller coaster of a ride, and I do it all for our community.

I am going to run again and would truly love to continue the work I have started and see it through to fruition for everyone. Good things take collaboration and time and I am willing to keep up the good work.

I was able in my term to ensure that when Hazelwood House is sold that the proceeds of the sale stay in Churchill, seeing that the community raised the funds for it in the first place. If re-elected I will ensure appropriate community consultation around this, so it is community driven to the right places that the people wish it to be.

My focus has been and will continue to be on the Churchill public toilet block as the priority. Sporting facility upgrades at Gaskin Park and advocating for the better facilities for both baseball and cricket at the new and improved Gaskin Park development. I have secured with officers a one million dollar grant from the Victorian government and will advocate for the budgeted contributions from Council also to enable this. Our sporting facilities will be in line with other wards and that has been one of my top priorities.

Another priority I wish to work on still is the needs and maintenance of Mathison Park and all open green spaces alongside relevant committees. This proved an effective collaboration in my term seeing the approval of an upgrade to the Mathison Park playground and car park area.

At Churchill and Churchill North Primary schools there were no line markings and bus stop bays clearly marked. These are now in place ensuring more safety for children at school drop off and pick up times.

I was happy to ensure there was increased safety measures around them, which had been non-existent prior to my election. Again, I thank Council officers for their amazing contributions.

I have a truly independent stance, and I aim to boost ecotourism for our area in an apolitical fashion. Encouraging the Strzelecki - Alpine Biolink project is another of my priorities. I have ensured it is on the radar and would much love to continue my advocacy in this space, for our local koalas and wildlife, fauna and all other life found in the Morwell National Park and beyond.

I have demonstrated the ability to bridge communications between individuals, clubs and committees, with Council officers effectively to bring strong results. With more time, should I be re-elected, these strong and effective relationships I have built, will further our ward for the better. We are no longer left behind. I humbly ask for your vote in the next election, so that I can champion our area further, to where it deserves to be.

Kindest Regards , Melissa Ferguson

Authorised by M. Ferguson, 180 Brewster's Road, Yinnar South, Victoria 3869.



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Hello to all the Morwell River Ward community, my name is John Ellingham,

With my wife Pam we have three adult girls.

I have lived, worked and volunteered in our community all my life. I am now retired having previously worked in most of the power stations in the Latrobe Valley and more recently managing a local legal firm.

I have worked (on secondment) as an Industrial Officer in the Morwell office of the Australian Services Union Energy Branch.

In 1972 I received an Australian Overseas Foundation scholarship to travel to England where I studied trade practices within the instrumentation trade. This experience not only contributed to my trade development skills but also gave me a wealth of knowledge and experience of affairs outside of Australia.

Over my lifetime I've demonstrated a commitment to Morwell. This commitment has seen me volunteering not just to a single organisation but has extended to both the Morwell Park and Kurnai school councils, the Morwell Community Health Centre, Latrobe Country Credit Cooperative, LV Life Education committee, Lifeline Counsellor. LV Umpires and Honorary Probation Officer

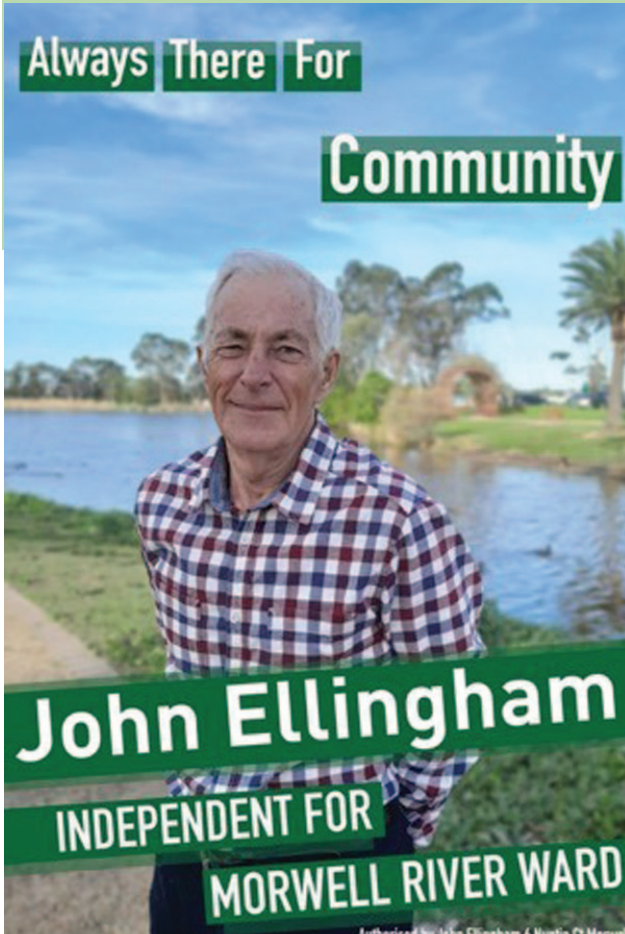
I am currently on the Gippsland Regional Integrated Cancer Service (GRICS) Consumer Reference Group, committee of Latrobe Biggest Blokes BBQ, Secretary of Australia Overseas Foundation and Community Member Acid Battery Community Liaison Committee.

I have a keen interest in fitness spending time riding my pushbike throughout the Latrobe area. I have an interest in men's health, particularly prostate cancer.

I have a strong demonstrated commitment to my Morwell community and genuinely believe if you want your community to succeed and develop then you have to be prepared not only to speak up when you see things needing to be done, but be prepared to be positively involved.

I would like to now continue my commitment to the Morwell community by offering myself as your representative for Morwell River Ward and seek your support

John Ellingham



Authorised by John Ellingham & Nuntia Cl Morwell

Leanne Potter, a dedicated community member and long-time resident of Budgeree, has announced her candidacy for the upcoming Latrobe City Council elections in Budgeree Ward. Leanne Potter brings a wealth of experience to the table, including many years of service in various community roles including Secretary of the Budgeree Hall. She has a strong commitment to working collaboratively with community groups and individuals to achieve their goals. Ms. Potter promises to work tirelessly to represent the interests and concerns of all residents.



"Our town needs strong leadership that understands the challenges we face and has the experience to navigate them," said Leanne. "I am ready to take on this responsibility and ensure that our community's voice is heard loud and clear in the council chambers."

Leanne's campaign will focus on advocating for:

Public toilets in Churchill to be built as quickly as possible.

The bike path construction joining Boolarra, Yinnar and Morwell, with Churchill possibly linking in.

The sale funds from Hazelwood House stay in the community and for the community.

Crime prevention with a 24 hr Police Station in Churchill.

The protection of our heritage buildings.

Shop local with markets and events to attract visitors.

Leanne Potter stood for Council back in 2020 missing out by a slim margin and now is even more passionate about having a positive and tangible impact on her community's future. "I offer to you my values, experience and commitment to keep Budgeree Ward moving in a positive direction," said Ms Potter. "I will be the Councillor that you will see and can approach. I live, work and shop in Budgeree Ward. You will bump into me at the supermarket, the Neighbourhood House, Parkrun or the leisure centre. You will see me in Boolarra and Yinnar at the cafes, stores or at markets, special events and at the Budgeree Hall. This is my home, and I want the very best for it."

For more information about Leanne Potter's campaign, or to get involved, please contact leannepotter3870@gmail.com ph 0400 670 375

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STAMP MATTERS- A NEW EXPERIENCE



Cobb and Co.

In Australia's written history, there are a number of iconic people and organisations which add to the romance of the past and still engender interest today. One such is Cobb and Co, a transportation company which was founded in the gold-rush days. Its' founders were four American goldminers who imported wagons and coaches from America. By 1854 the first routes from Melbourne to Forest Creek and Bendigo were established and soon after, to Geelong, Ballarat and other gold-mining settlements.



efficiency. The companies existed in harmony with each other as the original company expanded into other states. Rutherford established the original company's coach routes

Australia was serviced by another company, Cobb and Co Limited, as was New Zealand and for a short time, Japan and South Africa. Cobb and Co carried on through the 19th century

but the end was nearing for the company. The extending railways and the developing motor truck were too much competition for the horse-drawn vehicles and the last services ran in Victoria in 1913, N.S.W. in 1916 and Cobb and Co Queensland went into liquidation in 1929. However, the romance endured. Many coaches were restored up and down the country and exist in museums, featuring from time to time in local parades. A Cobb and Co museum is found in Queensland. Cobb and Co features in the poetry and stories of our early writers and in the N.S.W. State Art Gallery you can view the painting 'Bailed Up' by Tom Roberts. Stamps featuring Cobb and Co coaches were issued in 1955 and 1972.



Horses were changed after 10-15 miles depending on the conditions of the road and changing stations usually were found at way-side inns. The pattern can still be seen on maps.

After establishing a speedy, reliable and affordable business, Cobb and his partners sold the business in 1856. It passed quickly through a number of hands until it was bought by another consortium, headed by American James Rutherford. He extended the routes to cover most of Victoria and won a monopoly for carrying the mail, did not go into competition with the expanding rail network, but arranged the timetables to fit in with the railways. The largest coach built for the company was the 'Leviathan', which plied the Geelong-Ballarat route from 1860. It carried up to 60 passengers, featured a lady's compartment inside along with four bench seats, and seven benches on the roof. It was pulled by a team of eight horses.

In the meantime, the transport of passengers and freight in other states was being serviced by other companies who used the name of Cobb and Co, the name which had become synonymous with speed and

into N.S.W. in 1862 with its headquarters in Bathurst where a coach-building factory was established. It extended into Queensland in 1865 and Charleville was the site of coachworks in that state.

Rutherford bought out most of his competitors as he expanded throughout the Eastern states. Beyond these Eastern states, South



"It has been easy": Home Care Package support invaluable for Stan

Getting older should not mean giving up the things you love. For 73-year-old Stan, that means hanging out at the local footy club, and spending quality time with his beloved wife Grace.

Stanley is happy and living independently in his home, thanks to funding provided by the Federal Government to eligible Australians over the age of 65, and to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders over the age of 50.

Called a 'Home Care Package', this funding is for services that meet a person's specific care needs; things like help with the lawns, cleaning, nursing, doing the shopping, and anything else to help them stay happy and healthy in their own home

for longer.

For Stan, his experience with a Home Care Package began when he was diagnosed with Primary Progressive MS and confined to a wheelchair, which limited some of the activities he used to do around the house—things like gardening with Grace.

Thanks to his Home Care Package and the domestic support he receives each week, Stan and Grace no longer have to worry about how they will manage with maintaining the garden and other chores.

"My Home Care Package has taken the stress out of the relationship. It has made it so that we have a little bit more time together." Stan is also a life member and record keeper at his local football club. His Home Care Package equips him with the

specialised equipment he needs to stay involved in the footy community.

"My new wheelchair has allowed me to see the football much better. Whereas before if it was a wet, rainy day,

I might as well go home because people just stand in front of me. The new one I have elevates me above so I'm taller than most people and I can see the football.

We have no hesitation in recommending a Home Care Package. Latrobe Community Health Service talked to me, and from then on, it has been easy."

We love making things easier at home for couples like Stan and Grace. If you would like to have a chat about how a Home Care Package can help you, call us 1800 242 696 or visit care.lchs.com.au

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Art for all Exhibition

Latrobe City Council is establishing an annual community art exhibition to showcase the work of emerging local artists with a disability.

The Art for All Exhibition will celebrate the diverse talents and achievements of people with disability and promote inclusion.

The Exhibition will be displayed at the Gippsland Performing Arts Centre (GPAC) from December 6, 2024 to March 2, 2025, as part of Latrobe Regional Gallery's seasonal programming.

It will also form part of Council's celebration of International Day of People

held on December 3 each year. Mayor of Latrobe City Council, Councillor Darren Howe, said "Art provides a way for individuals to express themselves freely and connect with the community in a meaningful way.

This Exhibition in particular, provides a special opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the creative impact artists with disability make to the cultural landscape of Latrobe City.

A key focus in our Living Well Latrobe Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan and our Disability Access and Inclusion Plan is to provide all individuals with access to tools and

their health and wellbeing. This Exhibition highlights Council's commitment to social inclusion and working with our Creative Venues to ensure everyone in the community can actively participate in their hobbies and interests, without any barriers".

Artists with a disability in Latrobe City interested in submitting their artwork for consideration must complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) form by Friday October 25, 2024.

An artist can submit only one artwork item to be considered, and it must be their original work.

Accepted artworks include 2-dimensional pieces, such as drawings, paintings, photography, screen prints and poetry, as well as sculptural objects like ceramics, glass or mixed media designs.

The EOI form can be completed online at www.latroberegionalgallery.com/art-for-all-exhibition or a hard copy form can be collected and submitted at Latrobe Regional Gallery, Morwell.

Latrobe Regional Gallery staff can assist individuals to complete the form in-person, over the phone or email. Please contact the Gallery on 5128 5700 or email lrg@latrobe.vic.gov.au

If you are deaf, or have a hearing impairment or speech impairment, please contact Council through the National Relay Service (NRS):

The full terms and conditions can also be found on Latrobe Regional Gallery's website.

"The Bookbinder of Jericho" by Pip Williams 2023

Pip Williams is an Australian author and social researcher who was born in London in 1969 to a Brazilian mother and Welsh father. The family moved to Australia in 1972 and Pip grew up in the Northern Beaches area of Sydney. She attended Mackellar Girls High School and after taking a gap year in Europe attended what is now known as Charles Sturt University, then the University of Adelaide, where she earned a PhD in Public Health. At seventeen she discovered that she is dyslexic. She now lives in the Adelaide Hills.

This story is set in Oxford at the beginning of World War One and for those who have read "The Dictionary of Lost Words" you will be reacquainted with some of the characters from that story.

Peggy and her sister Maud work in the binding section of the Clarendon Press. They live on a narrow boat on the canal and since their mother died Peggy has felt responsible for Maud, who in today's terms, we would say is on the Autism spectrum. Peggy experiences guilt because she sometimes wishes she did not always have to look after Maud, but in fact, Maud is actually far more capable than she is given credit for.

Their mother shared a great love of books and Peggy brings home damaged copies to read and loose pages, which she gives to

Maud to fold into intricate shapes. This is both soothing and enjoyable for Maud.

Life is disrupted when Belgian refugees come to the town and some come to work in the bindery. Amongst them is Lotte

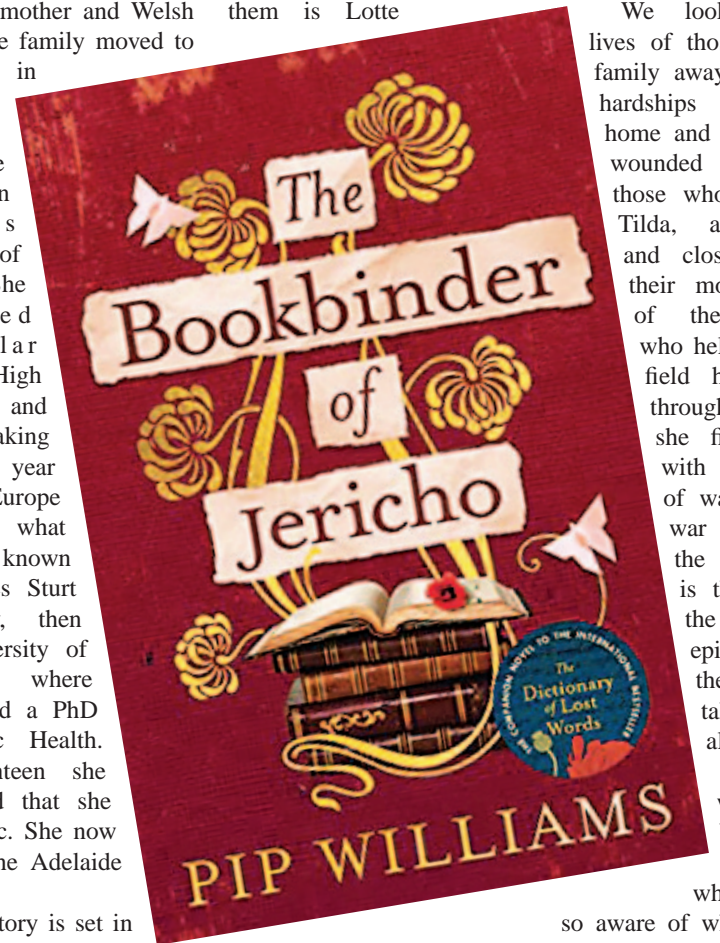
the time to study. However Peggy is unsuccessful and thinks she will never achieve her dream until Gwen tells her that she herself failed on her first attempt, so Peggy is encouraged to try again.

We look into the lives of those who have family away at war, the hardships of those at home and the plight of wounded veterans and those who visit them. Tilda, a suffragette and close friend of their mother is one of the volunteers who helps out at the field hospitals and through her letters she fills them in with the horrors of war. As if the war isn't enough, the population is then hit with the Spanish Flu epidemic and the toll that takes on them all.

This is a wonderful, beautifully written story which made us

so aware of what today we take for granted, and how women had to fight for these privileges in the past. Pip Williams is a master storyteller and it is clear that this book is well researched with, for example, the description of the intricate processes involved in bookbinding and the letters sent back from the front by Tilda, which conjure up horrifying images. It also deals with the human emotion of guilt, which Peggy feels when she resents her caring role, jealousy over Maud's relationship with Lotte and compassion, or lack of it, when dealing with the refugees.

We all enjoyed reading this book and whilst previously having read "The Dictionary of Lost Words" gave it a recognizable setting, this book is enjoyable standing on its own.



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Celebrate the launch of 'Birds of Morwell National Park'

Friends of Morwell National Park has created a guidebook to birds that have been recorded in the Park. 'Birds of Morwell National Park' will be launched at 2pm on Saturday November 16 at Yinnar and District Memorial Hall with special guest and well-known bird person Sean Dooley.

One of many pleasures of visiting Morwell National Park is the great variety of birds that can be heard and observed there. From commonly seen Crimson Rosellas to inquisitive Superb Fairy-wrens, and from majestic Wedge-tailed Eagles to iconic Superb Lyrebirds, there is an abundance of birdlife to enjoy.

'Birds of Morwell National Park' has entries for over 100 species. Each bird has an identifying photo and description of its appearance, along with information about its preferred food and habitat and other interesting notes. The book contains advice for beginner birdwatchers and includes stories about birds from Gunaikurnai people.

Australia and a serious bird nerd. He is an author and speaks about birds on ABC Radio's 'Squawkback.' Sean is also a TV comedy writer and entertaining public speaker, so he is sure to provide lots of laughs at the launch.

Everyone is welcome to come along and celebrate the publication of 'Birds of Morwell National Park' on Saturday November 16. This is a free event, but booking is requested. For more information and to register your attendance, please scan the QR code or visit www.friendsofmorwellnp.com.au.



The day after the book launch, on Sunday November 17, Friends of Morwell National Park will be hosting guided bird walks for visitors

Many of the birds featured in the book are also found in surrounding areas, and there is a discussion of various threats facing birds and suggestions for bringing them back into the wider environment.

The speaker at the launch, Sean Dooley, popularly known as the Birdman, is National Public Affairs Manager at Birdlife



Wedge-tailed Eagle by Bettina Stöß

Birds of Morwell National Park



Crimson Rosella by Matt Campbell



Superb Fairy-wren by Kerry Campbell

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Melting moments



Ingredients: 250gm of butter/ marg, 55gm of icing sugar, 1 tsp of vanilla extract, 200gm of SR flour, 70gm of custard powder.

Ingredients for the filling: 60gm of butter/ marg, 60gm of icing sugar, 2 tbs of passionfruit pulp.

Let us begin - preheat your oven to 180 deg C. Grease and line two baking trays with baking paper. In your electric mixer bowl, beat the sugar, butter and vanilla extract until light and fluffy.

Stir in the remaining dry ingredients in 2 batches.

Roll even tps of the mixture into balls and place onto the prepared trays. Use a floured fork to press down lightly onto the balls.

Refrigerate the ball lined trays for 15 minutes. Then place in the preheated oven for 10 minutes or until the biscuits are firm.

Allow to cool completely. While the biscuits are cooling, prepare the filling. Simply beat together all the filling ingredients until well combined.

When the biscuits are cold, spread one half of the biscuits with the filling and sandwich together with another biscuit. Repeat until all biscuits are joined. Finally sprinkle with icing sugar.

So many memories, but this recipe never ages.

Gluten free date scones



Ingredients: 320gm of gluten free flour, 3 tsp of baking powder, 1/4 tsp of salt, 120gm of margarine, 2 tbs of raw sugar, finely grated/ chopped zest of 1 orange, 1 vanilla bean scraped, 175ml of soy milk, 120gm of chopped dates (optional), extra soy milk for glazing. Preheat your oven to 180 deg C. Line a baking tray with baking paper.

In a medium bowl, use your electric beater to cream together the margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Turn off the beater and use a rounded table knife and add the orange zest, the vanilla seeds.

Now add the combined flour and baking powder and milk alternatively, using the knife to cut through the ingredients until a dough is formed.

Mix through the dates if using. Turn out the dough onto a lightly floured bench and using your hands gently pull the dough into 1" thickness.

Cut the scones into rounds, making sure not to twist the cutter. Place the scones on the prepared tray, brush with the extra milk to glaze.

Bake for 7 minutes, then turn the scones over and bake for a further 7 minutes or until golden. Turn onto a wire rack to cool. Serve with your favourite jam.

Gingerbread (the original recipe)



Please keep in mind this is a very old recipe and our range of ingredients is now endless. I will give you an alternative ingredient when required.

Ingredients: 2 and 3/4 cups of wholewheat flour (you can use wholemeal flour), pinch of salt, 1 dsp of ground ginger, 125gm of beef dripping (you can substitute solid cooking margarine for the dripping, it is sold under the brand of 'Fairy'). 2/3rds of a cup of golden syrup, 1/3 rd of a cup of black treacle, 1/2 cup of soft brown sugar, 1 tsp of bi carb of soda, 2/3rds of a cup lukewarm milk. Preheat your oven to 160 deg C. Grease a 10"x 8" square pan and line with baking paper. In a large bowl mix together the ginger, flour and salt. Over a low heat and in a small saucepan, melt the dripping (solid margarine), golden syrup, black treacle and sugar. Stir until well incorporated. In a separate bowl, mix together the warmed milk with the bi carb of soda, until the soda is dissolved. Now add the flour and melted ingredients together, mix well by using your electric beater and finally add the combined milk mix and beat thoroughly. Pour into the prepared pan. Bake in the preheated oven for 60 minutes or until a skewer inserted in the middle comes out clean. Remove from the oven and let the gingerbread cool in the pan. Then turn out, slice and store in an airtight container to keep the gingerbread moist. Definitely an oldie and a goodie!!

What do you know?



1. What is the name of wide egg noodles?
2. What is the cheese made from 100% goats milk called?
3. Another name for the herb cilantro?
4. What do the eggplant, potato, tomato and pepper have in common?
5. A staple food made from a mixture of ground grains or seeds, water and salt?



ANSWERS...

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Chicken satay pizza



Ingredients: 400gm of chicken thigh fillets (diced), 1 tbs of peanut oil, 4 spring onions (the whole onion white and green part sliced), 1 carrot grated, 75gm of snow peas (trimmed and sliced), 1 large pizza base(pre bought), 1 dsp of sesame seeds, 1/4 cup of fresh coriander leaves (chopped).

Marinade ingredients: 1/2 cup of crunchy peanut butter, 1/2 tsp of chilli powder, 2 tbs of lemon juice, 1 tbs of soft brown sugar, 1/2 tsp of ground ginger, 1/2 cup of coconut milk. It is okay if you have a pre bought base in the freezer, I have been in the garden all day, I want to prepare a pizza and the pre bought base is perfect. It will be defrosted by the time I have marinated the chicken. Preheat your oven to 200 deg C. First to do is prepare the chicken marinade. Place all the marinade ingredients in a small/ medium pan and stir to combine over a medium heat, then allow to cool. Scoop out a 1/3rd of a cup of the marinade from the pan. Heat the oil in a large pan over a medium heat and add the diced chicken breast and cook, stirring for 5 minutes. Stir in the chopped spring onions, carrot and snow peas, cook for 2 minutes until the snow peas turn bright green. Now spread the pizza base with the remaining marinade and spoon over the chicken mixture and sprinkle with the sesame seeds. Place the prepared pizza on a baking paper lined oven tray and bake in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. To serve top with the chopped coriander leaves and slice into wedges.

Teriyaki fish fillets



Ingredients: 4 x boneless white fish fillets 180-200gm each, 1 tbs of lemon juice, 1 bunch of bok choy (trimmed and separated).

Teriyaki marinade: 1/2 cup of soy sauce, 2 tbs of soft brown sugar, 1/2 tsp of ground ginger, 2 tbs of white wine vinegar, 1 tsp of minced ginger, 2tbs of tomato sauce.

Teriyaki sauce: 1/3 rd cup of your marinade, 80ml of water, 1/2 tsp of chilli flakes, 2 spring onions (sliced). Heat your oven to 180 deg C. First make your marinade. Brush each fillet the marinade and place on a foil lined oven tray and drizzle each fillet with 1 tsp of lemon juice. Cover the fillets with aluminium foil and bake in the preheated oven for 10 minutes or until cooked through. Steam the bok choy until the leaves are bright green. Now make the teriyaki sauce, combine all the ingredients and any excess juice from the cooked fillets in a small saucepan, bring to a simmer and cook on low for 3 minutes. Divide the cooked bok choy between the serving plates, place the cooked fish fillets over top. Divide and pour the sauce over the fish fillet topped bok choy.

Nutella clusters



These are so quick and easy to make and perfect for kids of all ages!

Ingredients: 90 gm of milk chocolate, 120gm of nutella spread, 40gm of cornflakes cereal. Melt the chocolate and nutella spread in a small saucepan over a low heat. When they are melted, add the cornflakes. Mix together carefully. Line a baking tray with baking paper and put heaped tsp mounds onto the tray. Finally place the tray in in the refrigerator to chill for 2 hours. Store in an airtight container in your refrigerator.

Strzelecki Koala

Deep grunts along with high pitched squeals are beginning to be heard in the bush in the Jeeralangs, Strzelecki Ranges and surrounding areas. Spring is the beginning of the mating season and a time of increased koala movement, especially in the evenings and early morning. ("Koalas with Grunt" by Abbie Thomas. www.abc.net.au/In depth 5/10/05.) 16/9/24.

Spring through to autumn is mating season. Strzelecki koalas are on the move within their home range looking for a mate. At this time of year, Strzelecki koalas are travelling more on

the ground and are in extra danger of being hit by a car or attacked by a dog.

In order to keep our unique Strzelecki koala safe, it is important to drive carefully when driving in bush zones. Dogs need to be on a leash when walking and pets kept indoors at night or in a yard that cannot be accessed by koalas. Remember dogs cannot be walked in the Morwell National Park. This park is a core habitat area for the Strzelecki koala.

Scientists study koala mating behaviour

In an article "Secret Sex Life of Koalas Revealed" by

Bianca Nogrady

(www.abc.net.au/science 20/5/09) 16/9/24, Dr William Ellis, who is a terrestrial ecologist at the University of Queensland, conducted a study which revealed that female koalas become more social with other female koalas in their territory. It is unknown exactly why the female koalas do this but it is hypothesised that these females may be related. Males continue to be by themselves, until they meet a female.

Male koalas use their grunt to warn other males to keep out of their range to prevent a conflict situation which can cause injury and the unnecessary use of lots of energy. A male koala's bellow can be heard many kilometres away and it is unique to every individual. A koala's grunt signals its size and maturity, and whether it is related to a listening female koala. It is thought that the growls of the male koala are also a probable catalyst for female koala fertility. "Female koalas are 'reflex ovulators', that is they only ovulate and become fertile in response to stimulus.

During the mating season, male koalas will

use extra tree scratchings and stronger scents to mark their home range to warn off other male koalas and to attract females. Male koalas are polygamists, that is they will mate with more than one female koala. ("Koalas with Grunt" by Abbie Thomas. www.abc.net.au/In depth 5/10/05.) 16/9/24.

For more information and videos about koalas read "Koala mating habits, diet and habitat myths and misconceptions busted." by Anna Salleh Sunday January 17, 2021. (www.abc.net.au) This article includes a Youtube video, "How Deadly's take on Koalas" which is presented by Dr Anne Jones. (16/9/24) This video has the call of the male koala, koalas mating and koalas fighting over territory.

If you would like to know the current issues regarding the Strzelecki koala's survival and habitat concerns, read articles on the sites, www.melbournefoe.org.au/koala and www.gippslandforestguardians.org.au. Both organisations would appreciate your support so that the Strzelecki koala can be researched and saved from extinction.

Other ways to help the Strzelecki Koala:



The recent wind storms have damaged koala corridor, food and shelter trees so continue to preserve, protect and plant koala food and shelter trees. Join your local Landcare group or seek their advice on plants suitable to your area.

Contact local councillors, and parliamentarians about the need to provide the Strzelecki koala population and its habitat with extra protections.

Tell other people about how precious and special the Strzelecki koala is.

Something interesting to do:

Come and experience the Strzelecki Koala Festival 2024 in the Sale Gardens on Sunday November 3, 2024 from 10 am to 2 pm. Entry is by donation and there will be family activities like face painting, live music, food stalls, markets and a prize for the best dressed koala.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the kind ladies, the fire brigade members (especially Derek) and the ambulance staff who all came to my assistance when my electric wheelchair tipped off the kerb edge and threw me into the road.

I am an 83 year old disabled lady and I was unable to move after the fall. My head and face were

severely bruised, and I had other bruising the full length of my body. After many x-rays and scans at the local hospital nothing was broken and after a night's observation I was discharged.

It is pleasing to know that so many local people were prepared to assist in this distressing situation

Many thanks to you all
Sybil Berry

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A Churchill & District History Series

Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



Parts of Morwell's History worth recalling By Leo Billington

As Morwell developed, so did demand for cars and building products.

In its' Friday October 6, 1922 edition, the Morwell Advertiser advertised for agents to sell Hupmobiles. Touted as "the world famous Hupmobile and Wolseley Cars", Dalgety & Co wanted agents to deliver first class service. These American cars were built from 1909 through 1939 by the Hupp Motor Car Company of Detroit.

There were a few purchased around Morwell and district, from Dalgety & Co in Melbourne. Perhaps it was an early example of "escape expenditure" but nonetheless, as the cars faded, their "carcasses" were useful to drive saw benches, milking machines, even carrying full cream cans to a creamery.

Morwell Bridge Service Station had one for sale in May 1932 - Morwell Advertiser. In September 1949, a Hupmobile Tourer was advertised for sale, "in good condition; apply to Hut number 39, A.P.M Mess Camp, Morwell." During May 1935 a "HUP" was advertised for sale in Morwell - seller preferred to be known as "HUP", contactable only at the Morwell Advertiser office. This was apparently an excellent one - "good upholstery and duco, good tyres, with a luggage carrier and registered; price £245."

Because Morwell had good deposits of kiln clay, and because William Murdoch of Murdoch's Hotel, was a keen entrepreneur who believed in Morwell's future prosperity despite a looming 1890's depression,

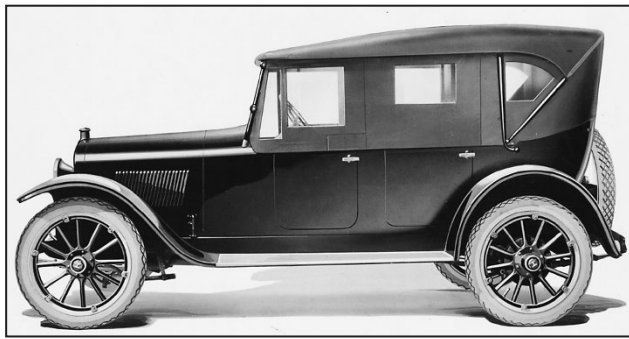
his brick works made bricks for his solid brick 1888 hotel in Commercial Road. Soon after, William came "unstuck", sold all his properties and retreated to Melbourne about 1896, and from there to Western Australia.

Just prior to William's public farewell, on Friday May 6, 1892, the Morwell Advertiser announced in part:

"Morwell is pre-eminently suited for the carrying on of such an industry (pottery), in as much as we have in our midst an unlimited supply of clay of the finest quality, and for this as well as other reasons, the district could satisfactorily compete in the manufacture of all kinds of earthenware goods with any district in Victoria. It is about two years since Messrs James Henty & Co. of Melbourne, procured a site of twelve acres in close proximity to the Morwell railway station for the purpose of establishing thereon a tile and pottery works, and this, through their commendable enterprise, soon became an accomplished fact".

The eldest of the seven Henty brothers, James was a "mover and shaker" across various businesses before heading home to England. However, he was forced into bankruptcy in 1846. He returned to Victoria and was able to take advantage of Victoria's gold rush, establishing his merchant business in Little Collins Street, Melbourne. He died in January 1882, by which time his business was soon trading as Parbury Henty & Co.

From various accounts, apparently the clay-pit and land was within the Helen Street/Jane Street area as we know it today. Accompanying this editorial is a photograph



showing a fire truck drawing water from that clay-pit. In the distance, in Jane street, you can see Mr John Barton Hoyle's house and, to the right, at 137 Station Street - Catherine Vary's house at the Jane Street corner. This photograph was given to me 12 years ago.

Like all Victoria, Morwell was not immune from the 1890's depression. As mentioned above, William Murdoch was one who had to reconsider his financial situation. His brick works traded on through a lengthy period - approximately 1888 to 1894 when the advertisements began to give way to a new competitor - Brownsword and Cooper.

Another keen entrepreneur - yes, there were plenty in early Morwell - Mr Joseph William Corbett appeared on the "brick scene" about early 1891.

There are only two highly respected books written about Morwell's history - I. T. Maddern and Prue McGoldrick. Nothing else. J W Corbett is sometimes implied as the owner of W M Murdoch's brick works. Advertisements of the time mention J W as the manager. This makes sense

in that William Murdoch is distracted by now as he sorts out a financial conundrum - too many personal debts. Joseph William Corbett comes in as a "new broom", keen to sell bricks and tiles.

Using the "Bricks! Bricks! Murdoch's Brick & Tile Works, Morwell" header, advertisements ran from about 1890 to 1894. It was in early 1894 when Brownsword and Cooper begin advertising their bricks.

It is also relevant to know that about the same era, Morwell's business district endured two serious fires - March 1890 and July 1901. With no structured, organised fire brigade and Commercial Road businesses built mostly of wood, these fires soon "got the mastery" - Morwell Fire Brigade - the First 100 Years; Leo Billington; 2015; p.71.

Brick buildings soon replaced buildings destroyed by fires, yet, ironically, when the first Morwell Fire Station was built and opened in February 1918, it was a wooden structure using timber sourced from south of Yinnar.

There is not enough space here to follow Joseph William Corbett. He did feature later on August 19,



Above: Pumping water from the Morwell brickworks clay hole near today's Morwell Club circa 1944.

1910, as applicant for a Mining Lease - the birth of the Brown Coal Company.

Not to leave CDN readers up in the air, an explanation. The Hupmobile story was selected because I knew and watched one in use as a well-tuned saw bench. The accompanying picture shows a Ferguson tractor driving a saw bench. My experience was an old Hupmobile being used, not a tractor.

Bricks - it appears William Murdoch did have

a business connection of sorts with Parbury Henty & Co., using the kiln clay for his bricks, for his massive hotel investment. The bricks were sold across Gippsland, at least.

Brownsword and Cooper placed editorial in the Morwell Advertiser July 10, 1891 announcing their location - about midway between Morwell township and The Ridge, about where, today, a former coal dredger is on display.



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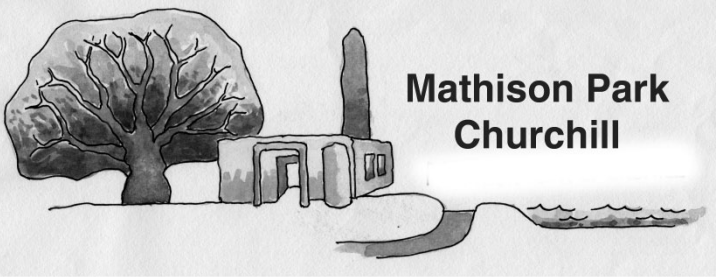
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volunteers braved the weather until washed out. The Gippsland Interchange crew also helped with the huge clean up required. More wind means more debris to

clean up. It certainly keeps our volunteers busy. What a sense of satisfaction is obtained when we see it neat and tidy. The area at the top of the newest carpark

was becoming worn and puddly. A request to Council has seen a load of gravel delivered and smoothed out. A great asset. Thanks Council.



Churchill & Monash Golf Club

Par Saturday August 24, 2024.

A Grade Winner: S. Allison square. B Grade Winner: P. Bolding +4. C Grade Winner: D. Taylor +3. D Grade Winner: J. Thomas square. D.T.L : 1. G. Harvey +2, 2. L. Chessum square, 3. C. Gilfillan square, 4. T. Sterrick square, 5. C. Wilson -1, 6. J. Soppe -1, 7. Ad. West -2, 8. R. Davidson -2, 9. D. Cluderay -2, 10. T. Webb -3C/B. N.T.P : Pro-Pin : 3rd R. Madigan, 5th C. Gilfillan, 12th C. Wilson, 14th M. Brereton Target Hole: P. Kearns Birdies: 3rd R. Madigan, 14th G. Harvey.

3rd R. King, 5th P. Smart, 12th P. Bolding, 14th R. Noordam. Putts: R. Welsh 24 Birdies: P. Bolding 12th, P. Smart 3rd Target Hole: T. Webb.

Monthly Medal Tuesday September 3, 2024

Medal Winner: S. Caldwell 22 82 Scratch: S. Caldwell 104 Putts: L. Brent 34, M. Ryan 34, L. Van Rooy 34 D.T.L: L. Van Rooy 86 N.T.P: 12th L. Van Rooy, 5th S. Caldwell, 14th C. Stevens.

Stableford Saturday September 7, 2024

A Grade Winner: M. Soppe 37 pts B Grade Winner: G. Harvey 35pts. C Grade Winner: J. Thomas 44 pts D.T.L : 1. A. Auld 36, 2. S. Allison 34, 3. M. Harvey 34, 4. P. Kearns 33, 5. J. Soppe 33, 6. D. Byers 32, 7. B. Kilday 32, 8. G. Barnes 32, Birdies : M. Harvey 3rd, J. Soppe 3rd, P. Junker 12th N.T.P : 3rd Pro-Pin: M. Harvey, 5th P. Kearns, 12th P. Bolding, 14th R. Welsh. Target Hole: R. Madigan

Par Tuesday September 10, 2024

Winner: M. Hutchinson -1 D.T.L : V. Reid -5 N.T.P : 3rd M. Dear, 5th M. Dear, 12th L. Brent, 14th S. Caldwell Birdies: M. Dear 3rd.

Mulligan Saturday September 14, 2024

A Grade Winner: D.

Burrige 41 pts B Grade Winner: T. Collins 37 pts. D.T.L: 1. P. Kearns 40, 2. G. Barnes 40, 3. A. Sharrock 40, 4. T. Webb 38, 5. P. Smart 38 N.T.P : 3rd C. Waring, 5th D. Burrige, 12th Pro-Pin: T. Webb. Birdies: 3rd G. Harvey, 12th T. Webb, 12th R. King, 12th A. Sharrock.n Target Hole: D. Burrige.

Stableford Tuesday September 17, 2024

Winner: D. Burrige 32 D.T.L: S. Caldwell 24 N.T.P: 3rd C. Stevens, 5th S. Caldwell, 12th S. Caldwell, 14th S. Caldwell.

Monthly Medal Saturday September 21, 2024

Medal Winner: R. Madigan 73 nett C/B Scratch Winner: R. Madigan 85 Nett. A Grade Winner: R. Madigan 73 Nett B Grade Winner: B. Kilday 73 Nett.D.T.L : 1. D. Burrige 75, 2. D. Byers 78, 3. C. Sterrick 77, 4. P. Kearns 79, 5. Ad. West 80 N.T.P: 3rd Pro-Pin: G. Corponi, 12th P. Bolding Putts: D. Burrige 26 Target Hole: D. Byers.


4 BBB Tuesday September 24, 2024

Winners: S. Caldwell and M. McQuillan 37 D.T.L: L. Brent and S. Turner 36. N.T.P : 3rd D. Burrige, 5th S. Turner, 12th M. Ryan, 14th S. Caldwell.



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Strzelecki Bushwalking Club



President of Bushwalking Victoria Robyn Shingles, front right with members of the SBWC



SBWC members on a recent "Wharf to Wharf" hike in New South Wales. Leader Melissa Barnes back right.

November 2024 marks the 90th anniversary of Bushwalking Victoria. All affiliated clubs across the state are running "try bushwalking events" to encourage new participants and to showcase the incredible benefits of bushwalking with a club.

The Strzelecki Bushwalking Club will be hosting two events which will be open to walkers who wish to experience walking with a Club. These walks will take place on November 16, and will be in the Walhalla area.

We shall be running a walk rated "easy" which will be approximately 10-

12 km long on relatively flat terrain. This walk will be on a section of the old rail line from Erica into Thompson Station and will showcase the Thompson River and give great views of the Horseshoe Bend Tunnel. This walk is a great way to assess your fitness and will be a superb introduction to bushwalking for those just starting out. This walk will be led by Michael Haynes a very experienced club walker and a volunteer member of Victoria's Bush Search and Rescue organisation.

Secondly, the SBWC will be hosting a walk rated "medium" which will be approximately 15km long. This walk will commence in Walhalla along a section of the Australian Alps Walking Track and continue to the Poverty Point Bridge and return. This walk has lovely views looking down onto Walhalla and also of the old mining bridge which is a spectacular feature of our local history. This walk is mostly on flat ground; however, the track is narrower and less maintained in certain places. This walk will be led by John Scarlett, our club President who is an extremely skilled outdoorsman with a substantial amount of knowledge of the Walhalla area.

The 'try bushwalking

events" will feature the many benefits of walking with a club including the chance to learn specialised outdoor skills, discover new places to walk, possibly obtain leadership and navigation skills, and of course, meeting up with other people who enjoy the outdoors.

Joining a bushwalking club is a very low-cost way of enjoying the great outdoors and Strzelecki

Bushwalking Club would encourage people to give it a 'try' on November 16.

As always, our program is very extensive on additional dates as well, and visitors are most welcome to attend our Club nights.

Further information is available on the website at sbwc.org.au, on our Facebook page or by contacting publicity@sbwc.org.au

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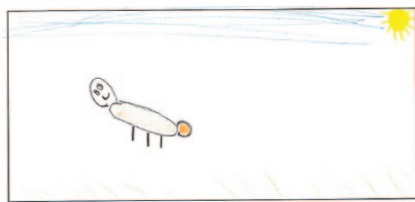


Category 1, 7 and Under - EQUAL 1st Nevaya Duric CPS

rabbit friends

There was a rabbit, and its name was Penelope. She had white and ginger fur.

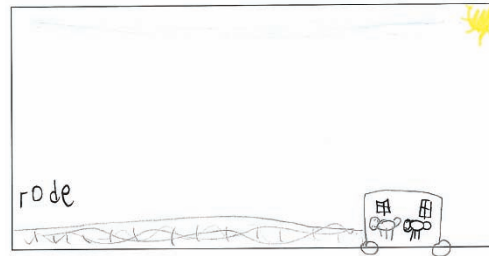
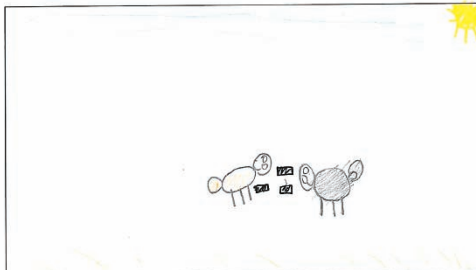
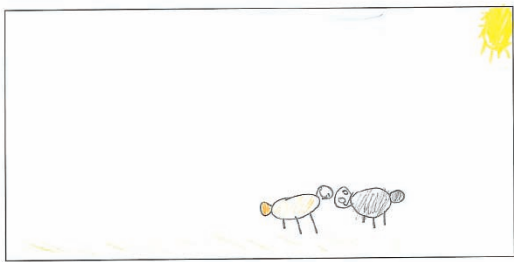
She went to the jungle and found a rabbit, his name was Benny, he had grey fur and was super fluffy.



She wasn't sure if they would become friends, but they did become friends.

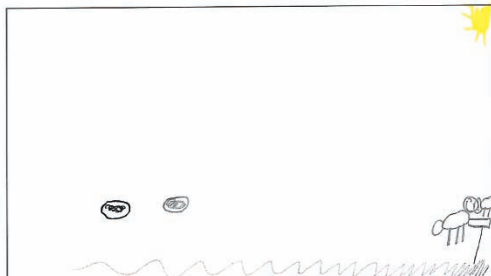
They played memory, and Penelope won.

After they played, they went to the car and had a picnic and ate Pizza HQ.



Penelope ate carrot pizza and Benny ate a lettuce pizza.

After they ate their pizza they went home to their families.



Category 1, 7 and Under - EQUAL 1st James Eden CPS

LE' CATEAU

Once there was a boy named John. He was 5 years old, he lived in Berlin, and he couldn't find his parents. He travelled 25km to Le Cateau all by himself. In Le Cateau he saw his parents' car, but he didn't see them.

He searched fields, public places, schools and houses. At last, he saw a man named Adam. He asked him if he had seen his parents.

He said "I saw them walking to the Le Cateau airport and they were flying to Dublin tomorrow to find you. It takes 4 hours to get to the airport" "I can make it in 1 hour said John, Ill take the short way". "Okay" said Adam. "Are you sure". "yes" said John confidently. He made it to the airport and he found his parents sitting on the bench.

The End



Category 2, 8 - 10 years - EQUAL 1st Luca Mulder CPS

THE SPACE TRIP

Nassa, a place where rockets are launched, is a debt because scientists are not getting any alien sightings. Nassa rockets haven't reached the alien world in space, but a boy named Jayden was brave enough to build a rocket ship that can go 100000ft in the air.

and he noticed it was an alien. Jayden was horrified at first, but he asked for his name, the aliens name was Bob and he said he had a map for all the radio signal, but it was at his alien base.

Jayden built a rocket ship that took him 2 weeks to build. His spaceship was like a mansion. It had 1 bed, a kitchen, and loungeroom. The next day, Jayden got ready to take off and the next thing he knew he was in the air.

Bob's base was only 30 minutes away, so Jayden and Bob got in the space rover and the next thing they knew they were there. Bob got the map and they went to the closest radio tower.

Halfway through his adventure, he only had half a tank of fuel. Jayden got worried so he went to bed. But suddenly in the middle of the night Jayden woke up and the fuel sign was flashing red. Jayden fainted.

When they got there he found out he was on alien island. Bob offered to build a new spaceship for Jayden.

Suddenly the spaceship landed on a planet when he stood up, suddenly he fell right back.

The alien gave Jayden a radio so they can keep in touch.

On his way down he noticed he hurt his ankle; Jayden tried to get to the first aid kit, but it wasn't there. He tried to use his radio, but it did not work. Jayden thought it was over until a mysterious creature approached him

"Thanks for all the help" Jayden said. The next day Jayden headed back with a full tank of fuel. When he got back to earth everyone was so glad that he was safe.

He gave the scientist the information back from Nassa and they were able to contact Bob.

After that Jayden went to hospital safe and sound and Nassa were able to keep their business.

The End

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Category 2, 8 - 10 years - EQUAL 1st Annabelle Taylor CPS

DAISY'S BIG ADVENTURE

It was a scorching hot day and Daisy was sad in her paddock. Daisy was a lovely palomino pony that was white and cream with a black tail. She was very kind, but all the other horses don't like her. She had no friends and was always lonely.

Daisy always longed for a friend. One day Daisy decided she would try to jump over her fence and find a friend. She gathered herself together and looked for something to jump off. Just then, she saw the perfect thing! Her water trough! "Why didn't I think of that before" thought Daisy.

So, then she tried to push her old rusty water trough to the fence. It was really heavy. "It will take all day" thought Daisy. I should look for something to help me. She turned around to look for something to help her, but all she saw was paddock.

So, then she started back at pushing. Eventually she got there, but she was too tired to jump. 3 2 1 jump! She made it! "I made it, I am free" said Daisy. "I love this" Now lets look for a friend. She set off. "I don't know which way to go" thought Daisy. "Lets go this way" she said. Little did she know that she was heading straight to the city.

A horse in the city could cause a huge amount of drama. The city was not far away so before she knew it, she was encountering the outskirts of the city. "I wonder where I am" thought Daisy. Just then a car drove past. It was a red and a full one too.

One of the kids looked out the window, Daisy looked straight back at him. The car drove straight past so Daisy continues her journey. Soon she started

to see tall buildings, they got taller and taller. Just then, someone called to her.

"Hello what is your name?" said a voice. "who are you?" asked Daisy. "I am Blue Bell the budgie" said Blue Bell. "Will you be my friend?" asked Daisy. "Of course I will" said Blue Bell. "You know where we are don't you?" asked Blue Bell. "No, I don't" said Daisy.

"We are in the city" "lets go and explore" said Daisy. "NO" yelled Blue Bell. "But why?" asked Daisy. "It can cause a lot of drama" said Blue Bell. But it was too late, Daisy was already walking into the city. "STOP STOP" cried Blue Bell.

Then all the drama started! People started chasing her. People saw it on the news everywhere. Just then a boy that was in the car earlier walked past and threw rocks at her, luckily she dodged them. Blue Bell caught upto her, "I told you drama would come" said Blue Bell. SNAP, came a noise, it was very loud and startled them both.

Something touched Daisy and then she got trapped. "Someone must have put that trap up when they saw you" said Blue Bell. "let me try and cut it with my beak" said Blue Bell, 'why don't you look for something to help you' said Daisy.

"Look at this, its scissors" said Blue Bell. "I canj use them with my beak" said Blue Bell.... SNIP "I am free" said Daisy. Together they snuck behind a building and made their way to the forrest.

Daisy was so happy to have a friend, and even more lucky to have a friend that saved her.

The End

Category 3, 11 - 12 years - EQUAL 1st Ilsa Godfrey CPS

THE DISAPPEARANCE OF EVERYONE

One windy morning Bella woke up to find her best friend Jerry on the windowsill. Jerry, the loving mouse, was waiting for her to wake up. As they were going downstairs, they thought everything was normal until they reached the bottom of the stairs. Then they frantically ran outside to find that everyone had mysteriously gone missing.

Bella and Jerry were looking everywhere such as, the kitchen, bathroom and dining room but since they cannot find anybody, they decided to go down to the town centre to look for food and anyone.

When they arrive at the town centre, they find no one in sight so they grab some food and return home. Everyone had just vanished into thin air. Once they return home, Bella makes pancakes for Jerry and herself.

After breakfast they look for clues about why everyone had just disappeared. As they were looking they found a mysterious book with strange symbols in it. They tried to read it but they cannot understand it, so they figure out that the book is from ancient Rome. Since the internet was working they can scan the

book to see what it says. They find out that the book was full of curses. When they go to scan it again the internet and power drop out, so they go to the power station to figure out what has happened.

When they get there, they found an animal has chewed through the wires. Because of the animal chewing through the wires they do not have power or internet. Jerry gets his mouse friend to help fix the wires

"Hey guys can you please help me fix these?" "Sure" said Jerrys mouse friend. So they fix the wires but it takes a little while.

"Hey guys, another favour, can you please translate what this book says?" "Yep sure whatever you need". "It says that the only way to treat the curse is to say a few words".

"Ok" Bella said, so she says "Abra cadabra please bring my friends back". It works and everyone appears. This, Bella and Jerry explain to everyone about what had happened and they were astonished.

Everyone was so grateful that they threw a celebration party for them. Jerry and Bella saved the day.

The End

Category 3, 11 - 12 years - EQUAL 1st Matthew Ng LC

The Lonely House

Knocking on the door "Come in!" John shouted as he was packing his bags. "Today's the day," Charlie said excitedly. "Oh yea, camping! Have you packed your bags?" John asked. "Yea how about you?" Charlie replied. "Just finished, Let's go!" So they loaded their bags in their car and set off to the desert.

It had been two hours and they were in the middle of nowhere and they had almost run out of gas. There was no sign of any gas station or some sort of place where they could get more gas and supplies, but as they were about to run out of gas, they had spotted a gas station in the distance and they just had enough gas to cover the distance to the gas station. So they got more gas and snacks for the journey and they continued.

It had been another four hours of driving and they had not seen anything at all, "Hey, uhh John should we go back? We haven't seen anything for four hours," Charlie complained, But John didn't reply. Another three hours had gone by, they still hadn't found anything and it was getting dark, so they set up their tents and went to sleep.

Scratching sound "Huh!?" Charlie questioned as she woke up to a scratching sound. "Uhhh John wake up, I heard something," Charlie whispered to John. "Ughh, no you didn't! Now let me sleep," John complained. "Fine, I'll go check myself," she said, annoyed. But as she went out of the tent she saw a light in the distance. So she rushed in

to tell John.

"JOHN I SEE A LIGHT IN THE DISTANCE!" she screamed. "Again, NO YOU DIDN'T!" he complained back. "But I really did, please I'm begging you to check it," she argued. "Fine!" John said tiredly. As John went to check he really did see a light. "Hey Charlie, let's go check it out!" John said excitedly. "WHAT? NO!" Charlie screamed. "But you spotted it!" John complained. "Fine!" Charlie yelled annoyingly.

As they got to the light they noticed it was actually a house. "Let's ring the doorbell!" said John. But Charlie was too scared and shocked to talk, so they rang the doorbell and a nice old lady came to the door. "Oh hi," said Betty, the nice old lady, "come inside," Then Charlie sighed in relief and they went inside. "Here, have a cup of tea." Betty said while giving them seats at the table. John and Charlie were confused but glad that nothing bad had happened, and after they finished their tea they said "Bye," to Betty and went back to their tents to sleep for the night.

In the morning Charlie and John woke up to the sound of a car racing by their tent, so they packed their bags and loaded them in their car, but before they left they wanted to visit Betty's house again, so they drove to the house, but when they got to her house, it was gone.

By Matthew Ng

Category 3, 11 - 12 years - EQUAL 1st Addison Russell LC

NIGHT to DAY

The siren sounds
The bell rings.
My head pounds
As the birds sing.

The sun falls slowly behind the mountains
I set the dinner table for the people.
I struggle to hide my emotions
Wishing everything was equal.

I fluff the pillow until it was soft enough
I tuck the sheet.
I scattered through the stuff
To find myself a little treat.

I lay my head down
And close my eyes.
My brain began to shutdown
When I open my eyes again I will see beautiful blue skies.

By Addison Russell



Federation opens Warulung 'Place Of Being' to connect to Gunaikurnai Country

A new outdoor space at Federation University Australia's Gippsland Campus will provide a safe and welcoming environment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff, students, and community members to connect to country and celebrate culture.

'Warulung', meaning 'Our place' in the Gunaikurnai language, was officially launched recently as part of the 'Place of Being' project by the Aboriginal Education Centre at Federation and the University's Property and Infrastructure team, in partnership with an advisory committee made up of traditional owners and community leaders.

It will support spiritual and cultural practices, dances, smoking ceremonies, and events throughout the year, enabling students, staff, and the wider community to learn, reflect and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' connection to country.

The site features a semi-circle of five steel shields, signifying the five clans of the Gunaikurnai: Brataualung, Brayakaulung, Brabralung, Tatungalung and Krauatungalung.

Warulung's spherical fire pit was designed by Gunaikurnai artist Ronald Edwards-Pepper and complements the site's original stone fire pit designed by Gunaikurnai elder, Uncle Wayne Thorpe.

The shields and garden were installed by the Gunaikurnai Land

and Waters Aboriginal Corporation, with design input from Gunaikurnai and Indigenous artists.

'Places of Being' have also been established at Federation campuses in the Wimmera and Ballarat, with another to be launched in 2025 in Berwick.

The above photo shows Federation University's Aboriginal Student Success Officer Nicholas Johnson, Federation University Council Member Aunty Dr Doris Paton, Federation University's Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Reconciliation Professor Andrew Gunstone, Warulung advisory committee member Aunty Christine Johnson and Federation University's Physical Works Project Manager Patrick Au at Warulung.

Morwell and District Red Cross

What an overwhelming response we had to Our Annual Fundraiser held on September 11. The day's festivities kicked off at 1:30pm in the Yinnar and District Memorial Hall with a Try and Buy Fashion Show by Postie Social Styling.

This was followed by a delicious spread of afternoon tea baked by Red Cross members and served by the members of Yinnar and District Memorial Hall Committee. With over one hundred people in attendance and over \$5000 of clothes sold, the



day sure was a winner. We had two lucky door prize

winners, the first being a \$100 Postie voucher to use on the day and the second lucky winner received a Red Cross Cookbook. All proceeds from the day will go towards the Great Cake Bake as well as 2024 Overseas Project - Cruz Vermelha de Timor-Leste.

Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month in the Yinnar and District Memorial Hall at 1:30pm. New Members are always welcome, so pop in and say hello.



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Plants in my Garden

By: Mike Beamish

Species: Acacia suaveolens.

Family: Fabaceae (previously Mimosaceae).

Derivation:

Acacia: This is a Greek word used by Dioscorides to name some prickly species in Egypt and is derived from acis, meaning 'a pointed instrument'.

suaveolens: A Latin word meaning 'fragrant', obviously referring to the scent of the flowers.

Common Name:

Sweet (-scented) Wattle.

Distribution:

Widespread in sandy soils on the coast and ranges of south-eastern Australia, from south east SA, Victoria, Tasmania, NSW and Queensland.

Description:

Slender, erect blue-green shrub to 3m tall, with stiff and sharply angular stems bearing thick, ascending phyllodes (not true leaves, but swollen leaf stems) up to 15cm long and 1cm wide, with a prominent central vein. Axillary racemes of creamy yellow, scented, globular flowers appear in late autumn to spring. There are up to 10 flower balls up to 8mm diameter in each short raceme. Flat and broad blue-green pods to 5cm long and 2cm wide then form, containing a number of oblong black seeds to 7mm long and 4mm wide, set transversely in the pod.

Opinion: I cannot remember exactly where my specimen came from, but I suspect I have collected some seed from somewhere and grown it myself. My records show I planted some seed from East Gippsland back in 2001, but the seedlings damped off and were not the source of my current plant. My records also show that I collected seed from my current plant in February 2019, sowed 21 of them, from which 14 seedlings were potted up in January 2020. I remember some of these did not thrive, but others were distributed around family and friends,

and there were none left by April 2022. It is probably time to have another go at propagating, though I suspect some type of microbial inoculation is required to improve thriftiness!

My current plant is in the western bed of the block, in the middle of the clump of Tasman Flax and less than a metre away from the big, historic bull-ant nest on the boundary fence. Hence, I am very wary of making too much disturbance in this area, even though I am not sure whether that nest still exists. Back in February, while cleaning up the storm damage in this part of the garden, I noticed the plant had developed a bit of a lean, so took the opportunity to hammer in a stake, keeping an eye on my ankles the whole time. Did not see a single ant! The wattle is still quite small for its age, less than a metre and quite slender, but it flowers most years and I have collected seed a couple of times. Not sure if its fragrance is as sweet as advertised, as

it competes with a nearby Snowy River Wattle, which also has a strong aroma.

The Australian Plants Society Latrobe Valley Group hosts monthly activities, excursions and / or meetings. Interested persons are welcome to join in, please contact Mike for more information, email mcandcjb@gmail.com or phone 0447 452 755.

Sources: Simmons - Acacias of Australia, Volume 1.

Costermans - Native Trees and Shrubs of SE Australia.



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SCHOOL NEWS

CHURCHILL NORTH PRIMARY

Artworks

This Term in Art the Grade 5/6s worked on some real life drawing, using light and shade with white pencil on black paper. Students were required to observe, and draw according to the position of the plant or item on their desk, using light to create depth.

Grade 5/6 created their own design using air dry clay and clay tools, which was then later painted to take home.

The junior classes working on the theme of 'ocean animals', created rainbow fish and jelly fish

mobiles, along with scratch art creations on the same theme. These art pieces were then displayed in the art room to enjoy.

Charlotte Rimmer "I observed the pink orchid and looked at the light and shade, and I was able to draw the orchid with grey pencil then went over it with white pencil on a black cardboard using this technique."

Kelani Cowell "We watched a video on how to create a scratch art piece. We then created our own version of an ocean scape using black scratch paper and a wooden tool to scratch

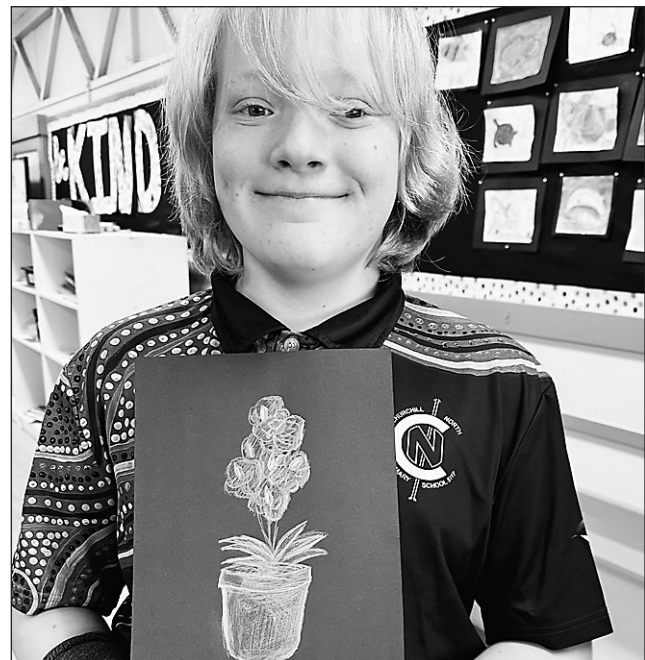
and reveal the colours underneath."

Outside School Hours Care

Our facility is run by qualified staff who have undertaken the Diploma, qualified Educators who also are part of the Churchill North Primary School Community. Fun activities are part of our curriculum which includes outside play areas in both the Junior and Senior playgrounds and basketball courts. Inside activities include Lego building, marble run, craft activities, dress ups, drawing and colouring, movie afternoons, computer

games, board games and box construction just to name a few. Also available are quiet reading areas and withdrawal areas for children who wish to enjoy some quiet time to themselves. Our Before School program is open to children from Churchill North P.S. and the After School Care program is open to all students from surrounding schools. This is an amazing support service for our community.

Families wanting their children to attend Before or After School Care can ring the Churchill North Primary School office on 5122 1976.



SCHOOL NEWS

CHURCHILL PRIMARY

Churchill Primary School has had a very exciting end to Term 3 culminating in our whole school musical of 'Matilda'.

Special Person's Day celebration

What a wonderful way to celebrate Father's Day with a Special Person's Day breakfast at Churchill PS! Staff arrived early to set up the barbeque and prepare delicious egg and bacon sandwiches ready for an 8:15am start. It was a fantastic turn out with dads, grandads, uncles and even some mums joining in

the fun. The students also enjoyed a special breakfast that was a change from the usual toast and cereal offered at our daily Brekky Club. Events like this really bring the community together and create special memories—well done to everyone involved!

Tony Bones Performance

For the last few years, Churchill Primary School has hosted Tony Bones performing a musical play based on one of the shortlisted Book Week stories. This year Tony held an outstanding performance

of 'That Bird Has Arms' with audience participation from thirteen students and two teachers. We have always enjoyed the interactive aspect of these performances, and this year was no exception. We cannot wait to see what he will do next year.

Latrobe Valley Division Athletics

Recently, five students from Churchill PS competed at the Division Athletics Competition in Newborough. Naska in discus, Dustyn in shot put, Polina in long jump, Shimmy in the 100m sprint

and Jackson in discus and shot put. Congratulations to Jackson who will be going on to compete at Gippsland Regional Level in discus. It is fantastic to see Naska, Dustyn, Polina, Shimmy, and Jackson representing the school with such great sportsmanship.

'Matilda' performance

After two terms of rigorous rehearsals, our whole school performances of 'Matilda' were a resounding success! Our amazing lead cast were superb and well-supported by all grades during the musical

numbers. This was an amazing experience for our students to showcase their singing and acting talents to packed out audiences at Morwell Central Primary School Performing Arts Centre. The dedication and hard work of the students, cast, and staff truly paid off, creating a memorable experience for everyone involved. It is wonderful to see the students shine and showcase their talents, overcoming nerves to deliver such outstanding performances. A special mention to Mrs. Burke

for her commitment to bringing the musical to life. Congratulations to everyone for an incredible achievement!

Speaker of the House and Local MP visit

Students from Grades 3 to 6 were visited by local MP Darren Chester along with Speaker of the House Milton Dick. The students were completely engaged and asked many questions that were gladly answered by our special visitors, and we thank them for taking the time in their busy schedules to meet with us!



SCHOOL NEWS

KURNAI UNIVERSITY CAMPUS



Environmental Camp

In early August, the Year 11 VCE Environmental Science class finished their semester-long study of Victoria's ecosystems by participating in an overnight Alpine Camp at Mt. Baw Baw. The class had so far studied and conducted fieldwork in Victoria's coastal, marine, desert, rainforest, heathland, wetland and forest ecosystems.

During the camp, the students used probes and other equipment to collect

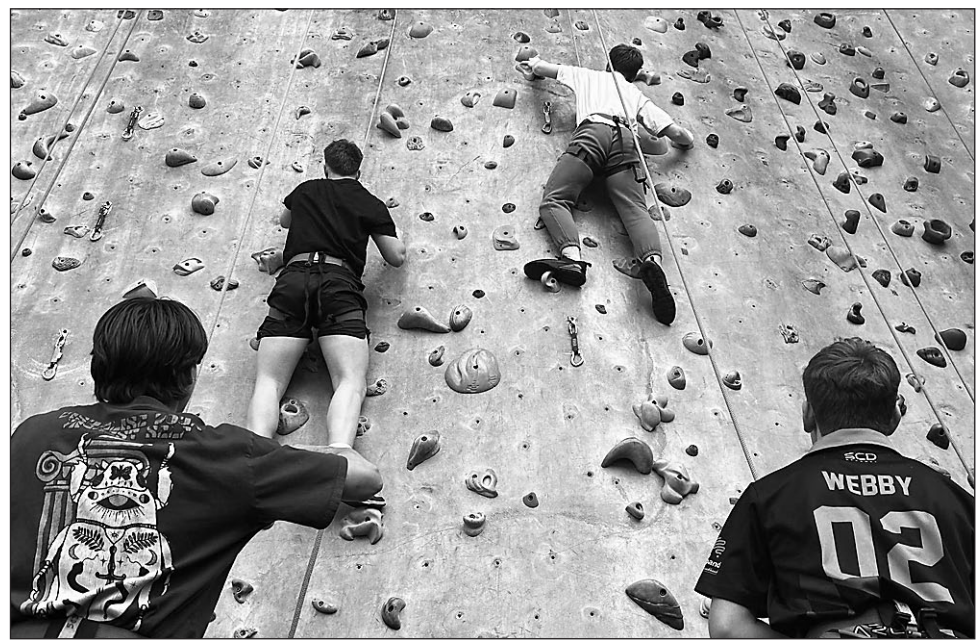
and test air, soil and water samples. This was done in order to assess how the biotic and abiotic factors within the Alpine environment differ from other Victorian ecosystems and to determine the impact of human activity on these factors and its impact on biodiversity within the area. Additionally, students had the opportunity to get up close and personal with Alpine dingoes, participate in a night-time hike and spotlighting tour up the slope of the mountain and, of course, have a play in

the snow.

Students Reach New Heights

Nineteen intrepid students embarked on an exhilarating journey to Melbourne, where they faced their fears and soared to new heights in a thrilling day of rock climbing. The group, eager for a day of challenge and adventure, engaged in a remarkable experience that tested their limits and strengthened their bonds.

At the heart of the adventure was the towering 16-meter climbing wall, a formidable vertical challenge



that stood as a beacon of both excitement and trepidation.

Paired up in teams, the students undertook the ultimate test of trust and teamwork. While one member of each pair tackled the ascent, their partner took on the crucial role of belayer, ensuring safety and providing encouragement from the ground below.

The day's climbing activity was more than just a physical challenge; it was

an opportunity for personal growth and mutual support. As the students scaled the wall, they encountered their fears head-on, pushing beyond their perceived limits. The thrill of reaching the top, coupled with the assurance of their partner's support, fostered a profound sense of achievement and camaraderie.

Through this experience, the students not only conquered the heights but also discovered new

strengths within themselves and their peers.

The walls they climbed were not merely physical obstacles but symbols of the resilience and trust they built throughout the day. Each successful ascent was a testament to their determination, collaboration, and the indomitable spirit of adventure that defined their remarkable day in Melbourne.

SCHOOL NEWS

LUMEN CHRISTI PRIMARY



It has been a busy and exciting month in the Lumen Christi Library beginning with our annual Book Fair. Lamont Books always supply us with such a wide range of books for students from which to choose. Book Fair is a great way for our children to access more books. More choices can help ignite a passion for reading. It was also a great fundraiser for our school and a wonderful opportunity for the library to stock up on resources to enrich the children's learning.

Each year the team from Meerkat Productions visits Lumen Christi with a fresh and engaging performance of a Shortlisted Children's Book Council of Australia Book.

This incursion is a great way to expose our students to theatre and celebrates literacy and student wellbeing. This year students enjoyed an adaptation of the award-winning book 'Timeless' By Kelly Canby. Students were captivated by this wonderful show and reflected on the moments in their own lives that truly matter. The performance encouraged our students to embrace and understand the value of quality time. In Library students created their own jar of special moments which were included as part of the performance.

We celebrated Book Week in style with some amazing costumes and activities.

As always Book Week has been a great opportunity for students and teachers to celebrate books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. This year's theme 'Reading is Magic' inspired some amazing costumes and as always, our students created beautiful pieces of art during the days' planned activities. During our Book Week celebration day students took part in a range of activities related to CBCA shortlisted books, and had lots of fun joining in our parade showcasing their creative costumes. It was a lovely day having the whole school community come together and celebrate all things books.





Churchill Soccer Club



BACK ROW: Stephen Breheny (Coach), Harrison Hogan, Kai Tanti, Rory Fraser-Matthews, Billy Breheny (C), Ed Forbes (VC), Harper Sanders (GK), Mason Crawford, Josh Haddock (Assistant Coach)
FRONT ROW: Tom Breheny, Noah Haddock, Nate Wookey, Noah Sanders, Lach Bianconi
TEAM MANAGERS: Adam Hogan & Cindy Crawford

GRAND FINAL
CRAWFORD 14' 2-1 ANOU 4'
B. BREHENY 34'
BEST ON GROUND: BILLY BREHENY



Our Under 11 Chargers prevailed 2-1 in an epic clash versus Morwell Pegasus Soccer Club, to win the Latrobe Valley Soccer League Premier Purple Division Cup Final in Traralgon on Saturday September 14.

Pegasus were the undefeated League Champions for the home and away season, and as we know finals football presents pressure and opportunity in equal measure.

After going behind from a long range shot in the first two minutes of the match, our young Rams were forced to re-group quickly. With a "control and chaos" strategy, the boys controlled the defence keeping Pegasus at bay whilst creating chaos in

the attacking end.

Noah Haddock, Ed Forbes, Harrison Hogan, Noah Sanders and Tom Breheny were causing headaches for the Flying Horseman in transition.

Prior to half time, Mason Crawford was released into space to slot the equaliser 1-1, before Churchill repelled numerous Pegasus forays into the break, including an epic save from keeper Harper Sanders.

With the game up for grabs Churchill won a free kick from distance that Captain Billy Breheny stepped up to drive home inside the far post 2-1.

Pegasus kept coming but were continually thwarted by Rams fullbacks Nate Wookey and Kai Tanti who were

resolute in defence. Rory Fraser-Matthews had a key role man marking Pegasus best player, keeping him quiet.

In 2022, eight of the twelve players in this group tasted disappointment in the Intermediate Black U11 Cup Final, so to come together this year to win the premier division was redemption.

Billy Breheny was adjudged best on ground by the referee, whilst eight year old Lach Bianconi was thanked for his diligence as understudy winger/striker.

The win has been a big step after many years of work to rebuild the junior program at Churchill, winning our first piece of silverware for the club at any level since exactly ten years to the day.



Churchill United Soccer Club



**Churchill United Soccer Club
Under 5 Cohort - 2024**

BACK ROW: Macie Clomans, Will Williams, Harry Webb, Knox Burge, Nate Kimpton, Billy Symons, Jack Penney, Cody Yates
FRONT ROW: Jack Jones, Koby Leicester, Eli Gallatly, Oakley Brown, Evander Noodoos, Isaac Johnson
COACHES: Craig Johnson, Tyson Webb ABSENT: Poppy Mac Fenna, Jaxon White



**Churchill United Soccer Club
Under 7 Cohort - 2024**

BACK ROW: Nixon Powell, Ashton Ward, Sawyer Whykes, Addison Rand, Eden Zappulla, Jacob Carnie, Jimmy Kelly, Charlotte King
FRONT ROW: Bodhi Jackson, Isalah Thurling, Hudson Leicester, Andrew Herweynen, Tyler Kempe, Sienna Lawless, Archie Brighton
COACHES: Tim Lawless, Sam Powell ABSENT: Romeo White, Levi Fraser



**Churchill United Soccer Club
Under 9 Cohort - 2024**

BACK ROW: Hunter Christou, Flynn Bennett, Tommy Lawless, Judson Powell, Peter Herweynen, Raylan Barrett, Charlie Jones, Jordan McKenzie-Barber, Milo Dennis
FRONT ROW: Jagger Cornea, Max Teychenko, Brax Byrne, Zane Burge, Jesse Henry, Lachlan Bianconi, Liam McDougall, Riley Morse
COACHES: Mick Byrne, Stephen Breheny ABSENT: Lucas Walker, Ayrton Turnbull



**Churchill United Soccer Club
Under 11 Cohort - 2024**

4th ROW: Lucy-Lui Saville, Murey Webb, Rhyas Eder, Alice Harder, Billy Breheny, Ryan Stephenson, Carter Cornea, Mawee Jones
3rd ROW: Brax Byrne, Kai Tanti, Lily Lawson, Alex Penney, Ella Russell, Morgan Adams, Jayden McDonnell, Lailan Murray, Charlotte Fairbrother, Kaiden McCarter, Charlie Jones
2nd ROW: Lachlan Bianconi, Balise Clams, Nathan McLaren, Josie Prokopovskiy, Della Lear, Harper Sanders, Nate Wookey, Tom D'Chery, Tommy Lawless, Mason Crawford, Noah Sanders
1st ROW: Layla Head, Kionie Russell, Noah Haddock, Penny Townsend, Addison Fassel, Harrison Taylor, Rory Fraser-Matthew, Jack Warburton, Ed Forbes
COACHES: Ebony Webb, Mick Byrne, Stephen Breheny ABSENT: Harrison Hobbs, Aliea Gw, Janie Robinson



**Churchill United Soccer Club
Under 13 Purple - 2024**

BACK ROW: Quade Jobling, Kai Baudendistel, Max Wookey, Locky Mikiellan, Tyson Baudendistel
FRONT ROW: Ed Forbes, Liam Bianconi, Harper Sanders, Billy Breheny, Noah Haddock
ABSENT: Reed Paterson, Isaac Carew, Jack Fairbrother
COACH: Mark Bianconi ASSISTANT COACH: Bradley Sands

In 2024 Churchill United Soccer Club fielded teams across the Latrobe Valley Soccer League Junior Divisions, enjoying tremendous improvements in player development.

The club could not operate without coaches and team managers. Thanks go to: Tyson Webb, Craig Johnson, Tim Lawless, Sam Powell, Mick Byrne, Ebony Webb, Stephen Breheny, Josh Haddock, Mark Bianconi, Brad Sands and Michael Morse (coaches); Jess Johnson, Chelsea Webb, Sam Lawless, Nicole Powell, Kelly Bianconi, Matthew Dennis, Tamika Clam, Jess Taylor, Nicole Warburton, Adam Hogan, Cindy Crawford, Tania Wookey and Jen Breheny (team managers).

With planning underway for 2025 there will be playing opportunities across all age groups with a particular focus on bolstering numbers in the U15 and U17 teams.

The club will also be freezing new registrations from the end of March 2025, and communications will be pushed out via schools and the community to ensure late comers are not left disappointed. This is to ensure the club can have

the necessary coaching resources in place to facilitate team entries and so existing kids game time isn't impacted unfairly. Pre season will begin in late January.

The club made some additional investments in equipment in 2024 that included sixteen brand new 3x2m goals for the use of the U9s and a fairy floss machine. Further the club will continue to work toward replacing the remaining U5 and U7 goals. Also together with Latrobe City there was \$56,000 invested on pitch fencing and other amenity upgrades.

Over the summer the Council will be conducting remedial works to re-level areas on both pitches where the ground has consolidated into the new drainage lines that lie beneath. Further works will also be conducted to ensure an even grass coverage and encourage of a deeper grass root profile as the surface continues to establish itself.

The juniors are guided by a steering group, many of whom double up as coaches and team managers. The club wishes to thank Mick Byrne, Kelly Bianconi (photographer), Mark Bianconi, Craig Johnson

(Secretary), Jen Breheny, Adam Hogan (Governance, planning and photo editor), Jackson Chin (Social Media), Michael Morse, Tracey Tabone (Treasurer and Junior coordinator), Sue Chin, Trevor Riess (President) and Stephen Breheny (Vice President and Junior Steering Group Chair).

Recently the club awarded Ten Season junior medallions to U15 players Tyson Stephens, Chantel Stephens, Riley Tabone and Jack Breheny. This is the equivalent of 150-170 games for these players, so a tremendous achievement.

The club also recognised junior volunteers for their hard work at our presentation day.

The Junior player club person of the year is Jack Breheny, recognised for his efforts as a junior club referee, willingness to help out with his mum Jen early on game days, he unboxed and put the 16x U9 goals together. It was noted that Jack has the makings of a future senior leader at the club.

The parent club person of the year actually went to a grand parent, with Nigel Browne receiving the accolade. Nigel received

the award together with four year old grandson Oakleigh for his dedication to ensure we have perfect pitch lines to play with, spending countless hours at the club every week. Not resting on his laurels, Nigel double downed and increased his work at the club after receiving a Life Membership in 2023.

Player award winners were:

U9 Silver: Best and Fairest: Raylan Barrett. Most Consistent: Liam

McDougall. Most Improved: Ayrton Turnbull

U9 Red: Best and Fairest: Lachlan Bianconi. Runner Up: Tommy Lawless. Most Consistent: Jesse Henry.

U11 White: Best and Fairest: Janine Robinson. Runner Up: Alice Harder. Most Improved: Penny Townsend.

U11 Black: Best and Fairest: Harrison Taylor. Most Consistent: Jayden McDonnell. Most Improved: Ryan Stephenson.

U11 Purple: Best and Fairest: Ed Forbes and Billy Breheny (tied). Runner Up: Tom Breheny. Most Improved: Harper Sanders.

U13: Best and Fairest: Max Wookey. Runner Up: Tyson Baudendistel. Coaches Award: Kai Baudendistel.

U15: Best and Fairest: Jack Breheny. Runner Up: Mitchell Hansch. Coaches Award: Declan Burns. Players Player: Jack Breheny.

Friends of Morwell National Park

Storms in the weeks before the activity have resulted in the Billys Creek section of the park being

closed. Several trees had come down in the car park resulting in the car park also being closed to the public.

For the day's activity the group was to complete a bird survey. The group split into two groups so that two tracks could be surveyed. The first group of Mike, Caitlin, Anita and Rachel walked around Stringybark Track from the Western Boundary to the first crossing and then they

completed the remainder of the loop. The other group of Ken, Sharon and Miriam travelled down Fosters Gully Track to Lindon Landing and return.

Gordon and Darren also walked around the Fosters Gully Track to remove track obstructions. Anita had walked the track a few days before the activity and found many branches and some trees across the track. They cleared the branches and used the chainsaw to remove a larger tree from across the track.

The Stringybark Track walkers found a few trees down across the track that will need to be handled in the future.

For the bird spotting groups they had a successful morning. Over the day, 33 species of birds were recorded along with seven koalas and two tiger snakes. Not bad for a morning of observation in our local National Park.

The birds recorded by the two groups were:

Sighted (29)

- Crimson Rosella,
- Sulphur-crested Cockatoo,
- Grey Shrike-thrush, Wedge-tail Eagle, Striated Thornbill, Australian Shelduck, Australian Raven, Eastern Yellow Robin, Grey Fantail,



Golden Bush-pea (Pultenaea gunnii)

- Laughing Kookaburra,
- Brown Thornbill,
- Large-billed Scrubwren,
- Striated Pardalote, Rose Robin, Superb Lyrebird,
- New Holland Honeyeater, Crescent Honeyeater, Brown Gerygone, Magpie,
- Golden Whistler, Pied Currawong, Western Rosella, Swamp Harrier,
- Gang-gang Cockatoo,

- Yellow-faced Honeyeater,
- White-naped Honeyeater,
- Red-browed Finch,
- White-throated Treecreeper,
- White-browed Scrubwren.

Heard (4)

- Shining Bronze-cuckoo
- Fantail Cuckoo
- Spotted Pardalote
- Yellow-tailed

Black-cockatoo

The three groups returned to the picnic area at slightly different times. They each had lunch before heading home.



Eastern Rosella (Platycercus eximius)



Eastern Yellow Robin (Eopsaltria australis)



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