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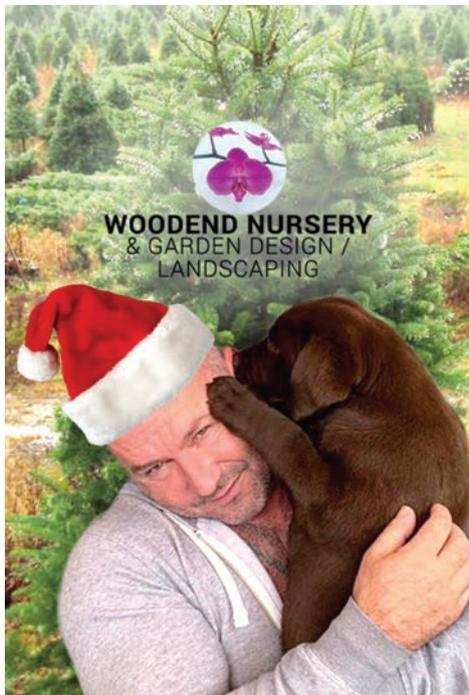
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The Inner West Community Bike Hub is seeking your support through the donation of old bikes, or of volunteering time to support their activities.



As a non-profit social enterprise, the Bike Hub's mission is simple – to bring the community together with bikes. Their aims are to:

- Learn and share skills in repairing and maintaining bicycles
- Provide affordable bicycles, servicing, and repairs
- Recycle donated bikes and promote sustainability in an active community
- Provide refugees and other people in need with bikes and equipment
- Create a place where all members of our community can learn about and experience bicycles and cycling together

The coordinator is ex-Woodend resident Joe Sterli, and through that connection the Hub also supports people in the Macedon Ranges.

Donate Bikes

To keep up their service, the Hub relies on donations of bikes, and are currently seeking bikes larger than size 20. They have plenty of smaller bikes.

If you have old bikes in good condition, of a size larger than size 20, you can donate them to the Hub. Pick up can be arranged, or you can drop them off directly to the Hub, 38–40 Moreland St, Footscray.

At Christmas time, people may get new bikes and instead of throwing out the old ones, you can donate them. For donations, please contact Grant at Woodend Rotary via email to granthocking64@gmail.com.

Volunteer

The Hub would like to hear from anyone wanting to donate some time to the Hub in helping them with bike repairs and other activities.

On Saturdays, the Hub runs the Community Bike Shed, which involves the cleaning and repair of donated bicycles that are to be offered to refugees and others in need in our community. On Sundays, Member events are run, where members can utilise tools and equipment and receive advice, to fix bicycles themselves.

The Hub runs a professional repairs and servicing workshop from Monday to Friday. Customers can organize for their bikes to be repaired or serviced, and proceeds from our workshop support our Community Bike Hub programs.

Find out more information at communitybikehub.com.au

To get involved or find out more, send an email to info@communitybikehub.com.au, or contact via Facebook.

SUBMITTED BY GRANT HOCKING, ROTARY CLUB OF WOODEND



The good rainfall over spring has resulted in many wildflowers in the Macedon Ranges.

A walk on the wild side

A trip to Western Australia to look at wildflowers may be out of the question now – but there are botanical treasures closer to home. After an early autumn break and generous winter rain, wildflowers are blooming throughout the Ranges.

In Woodend, take a stroll to the end of Templeton St, under the railway tunnel and along the south side of the rails, towards Melbourne. As the grass thins at the top of the rise, it is replaced by a succession of wildflowers.

Early spring is marked by ground orchids, the commonest being the Golden Moth (*Diuris chryseopsis*). These mix with tiny Early Nancies (*Wurmbea dioica*) and Pimelia, the common rice flower. As spring progresses, orange and brown pea bushes (*Pultanea Davieisia*) flower with, by late October/November a mass of Chocolate Lilies (*Arthropodium strictum*) which are vanilla-scented rather than chocolate, Milkmaids (*Burchardia umbellata*) and Bulbine lilies (*Bulbine bulbosa*).

Mix these with a mass of yellow Scaly Button daisies (*Leptorhynchus squamatus*) and an occasional Trigger Plant (*Stylidium graminifolium*) and you have a wildflower meadow. Creamy candles (*Stackhousia monogyna*) and delightful Blue Pincushion (*Brunonia australis*) are latecomers and less common.

The area of wildflowers has been well-defined by Landcare to avoid mowing at critical times. Feral plants such as broom are always in evidence, but this remains an attractive area of remnant grasslands vegetation.

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 - 5 Gisborne Montessori Christmas Mkt
 - 10 Human Rights Day
 - 24 Christmas Eve
 - 25 Christmas Day

- **January** —
- 1 New Year's Day
 - 26 Australia Day

- **March** —
- 8 Labour Day

- **April** —
- 2 Good Friday
 - 4 Easter Monday

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The New Woodend Star hopes its readers are keeping well in these unusual times, and we will continue to publish during the pandemic as long as we are able. We hold the safety of our readers at the forefront of our minds. Consequently, we would like to impress on our readers, community members and advertisers how important it is to be aware of, and adhere to, any current restrictions that may be in force, when advertising, or attending activities.

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October was much wetter than average, with 99.5 mm falling on 22 days. Year to date is 818 mm, which is more than the usual 12 monthly total. Could even make it to 1,000 mm by the end of December!

Month	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	av 5yr
January	35.3	27.8	80.0	9.8	73.6	45.3
February	14.3	26.5	3.8	12.0	67.8	24.9
March	47.0	23.7	31.7	12.2	79.6	38.8
April	36.2	165.0	31.0	7.6	139.8	75.9
May	101.2	38.6	115.6	114.8	79.0	89.8
June	98.8	10.6	78.2	168.2	80.1	87.2
July	186.6	60.0	73.3	63.2	49.3	86.5
August	107.0	119.6	91.3	78.1	93.0	97.8
September	163.6	55.2	26.2	38.3	56.3	67.9
October	91.8	45.8	69.0	29.4	99.5	67.1
November	63.2	77.4	55.5	64.8		
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The new water corporation, Greater Western Water, will ensure we are well placed to service the growing demand for services and infrastructure across our communities, to support a population expected to double over the next 30 years.

City West Water Managing Director Maree Lang and Western Water Managing Director Jeff Rigby both welcome the Victorian Government's commitment to invest \$500,000 in planning upgrades to convert the Sunbury office into a COVIDSafe Greater Western Water hub, as well as the plan to retain Sunbury and Footscray offices and all depots.

Importantly, there will be no job losses, as staff move to the new water corporation, which will also create jobs and significantly reduce household water bills into the future.

An additional 50 staff will be based at Sunbury over the next three years, and there will continue to be a strong executive presence at the office.

Western Water's Mr Rigby said that the pace of urban growth in Melbourne's west required a new approach to keep up with demand for water and sewerage services.

"Western Water and City West Water have been working together for some time, sharing resources and investigating opportunities that reduce business costs, and ultimately prices for our customers," Mr Rigby said.

"The decision to integrate has not been taken lightly and we have worked hard with the Victorian Government to find this solution, which is in the best interests of our customers and our teams."

City West Water's Ms Lang said the move was a positive step forward for the region, which will cover an area of 3,700 square kilometres from Melbourne's CBD and inner west and north-west suburbs out to communities including Werribee, Bacchus Marsh and Macedon Ranges townships.

"The integration will lead to strong service outcomes, more secure water availability and high quality and more affordable water services for customers living and working in these communities," Ms Lang said.

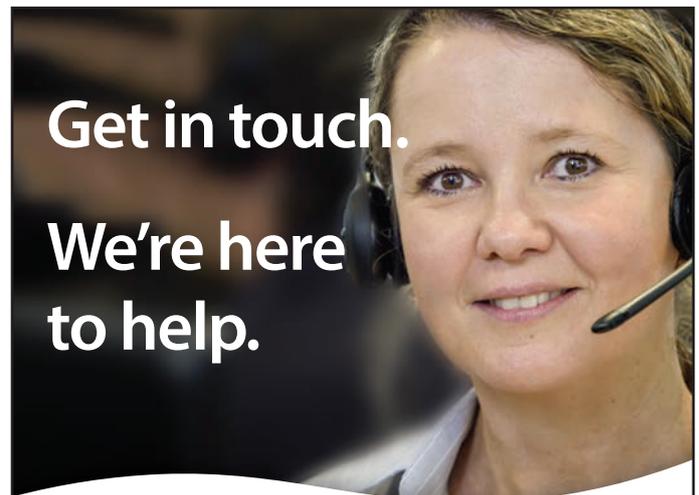
"It's also an opportunity for our people, with Greater Western Water retaining all staff from both water corporations, and new job opportunities to support an expected 100,000 new customers over the next 10 years."

City West Water, with its head office based in Footscray, provides water supply and sewerage services to more than 1.1 million residential and 42,000 business customers.

Western Water, with its head office based in Sunbury, supplies water and sewerage services to more than 80,000 properties, or around 185,000 customers. Both corporate offices will remain, along with all other depots and offices of the two corporations.

The integration will take effect from 1 July 2021.

SUBMITTED BY JESSICA JORQUERA



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Woodend Police

Now that we are (hopefully) moving back toward Covid normality as restrictions are gradually eased, I'd like to thank the Woodend community for the general positive attitude that has been shown to Victoria Police with the road blocks, travel restrictions and the wearing of masks. It has been a frustrating year for all, and strong community support has ensured we've not had to enforce these restrictions with anyone in the local community – unfortunately I can't quite say the same about some of our metropolitan residents. Throughout the year, Woodend Police worked hard to try and keep our area safe, not just from the virus but in all aspects that you would expect from your police service.

Now that the 'ring of steel' has been removed, we expect to see lots more traffic on our roads and freeways, and Victoria Police has commenced a number of rolling traffic operations focusing on speeding and drink driving on rural roads. Woodend Police will be out patrolling known 'black spots' and every driver should know that they will be expected to undergo a Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) when stopped by the Police at any time of the day or night. I won't talk too much about the physiology of how alcohol is broken down in the human body, but I will say that it's not uncommon for people to have a big night on the town and then be shocked when they discover they are still over the legal limit the following morning. The human body can only break down alcohol over time and I don't believe there is any magic potion, exercise routine or other practice (such as standing on your head in the corner of the room for 20 minutes) that would increase the rate at which alcohol clears your system. So if you've had a few more than a moderate number of standard drinks, there is a real risk that this 'Christmas cheer' will still be around the following day.

Finally, I'd like to thank all of those who helped in the identification of those responsible in the theft of a motorised scooter from the rear of Pets Haven. With the information received from the community, we have recovered the scooter, have processed one of those involved, and know the identity of the other.

Please stay safe, have a good festive season.

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Woodend Landcare

Quarry Road wildflower area

Woodend is blessed with several excellent remnant areas, where wildflowers can be enjoyed from about September to December, especially in wet years.

In 2016, we had a wet year, and the wildflower display on a section of VICTRACK land adjacent to Quarry Rd. was fabulous.

Ecologist Karl Just was asked to do a flora survey and recorded no fewer than 81 indigenous species and two threatened species. With a more detailed survey, he predicted that many more species would be identified.

2020 has also been a wetter than average year and, as a result, the display has probably been even better than in 2016. The prime viewing times are sunny days during October and November, but there are plenty of flowers at other times during spring and early summer.

So please enjoy the area, especially near the Washington Lane intersection, if you get a chance. Try to avoid trampling the tiny plants. You can see most of the flowers from the foot pad through the area. Otherwise there is always the 2021 season to look forward to.

Karl Just's full report is available on the Woodend Landcare website.

The only threats to this area are the proliferation of introduced weeds such as Broom and Gorse, and sometimes overzealous mowing by local residents, which can decimate the flowers just as they are about to flower and set seed. Thankfully, mowing is usually restricted to the narrow walking pad through the area, so does minimal harm.

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Woodend CWA celebrates its first year

It's been a year since the Woodend Eves Branch of the CWA held its first meeting, and what a year it's been. We started off with a sizzle at the Lions Market, but since then, we've been maintaining a slow burn and are very much still here.

'Womaning' the BBQ at the monthly Lions markets from November through to February gave us a chance to get to know one another, and the January sausage sizzle to raise funds for the CWA Bush Fire Relief Fund was particularly successful. Our homemade sauces were such a hit at the first event, a 'proper' CWA stall selling those, along with cakes, jams and beautiful knitted items has been a fixture ever since.

March of course brought with it COVID restrictions, but not before one last 'real life' meeting at the Vic, with St. Pat's drinks, and a delicious dinner together. Since then, we've been keeping in touch via Zoom. Now that we're allowed to, some of our members have been meeting up for a weekly 'socially distanced' ice cream at the Woodend Ice Cream Co., and we're stamping our way across many a loyalty card!

You might have popped in on us at Scout's Log Cabin in October, when we took part in the state-wide 'Beat the scone record' event. With our sincerest thanks to the scone fans of Woodend, we were delighted to sell 624 scones and a lot of jam!

We're delighted that the Lions Community Market is returning, and we are back on the BBQ tools, hosting the sausage sizzle: Hardwicks snags and CWA sauce is a great combo. It'll be great to get out amongst the wonderful Woodend community (COVID safe of course!) again.

We welcome new women of all ages, so come along and say hi. We've got lots of plans in 2021! The Woodend Eves can be found on Facebook and Instagram, via email at cwawoodendeves@gmail.com, or pop into one of the branch meetings to find out more.

SUBMITTED BY SECRETARY CWA, WOODEND EVES



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Woodend Neighbourhood House

Hello again from the team at Woodend Neighbourhood House. We hope everyone is well and enjoying some of the beautiful Woodend sunshine. Hopefully it won't be too much longer, and we will be able to open our doors and welcome you back into our House.

WNH recently held a working bee to freshen up the gardens and make preparations for reopening. A huge thank you to the volunteers who came to support us, as well as a huge shout out to Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group for their support with the working bee. It was a very successful event, and our gardens are now looking lovely.

Woodend Neighbourhood House recently adopted its new Strategic Direction for 2020-2021, with a very exciting focus: Building Connections within Woodend. We now feel more than ever that this is an important step to foster stronger relationships within our Woodend community. By forming and enhancing stronger connections, we will be better equipped in supporting one another and building resilience within our community.

In October, Woodend Neighbourhood House hosted a conversation between many of the community groups in Woodend. We were delighted with the response, with thirteen members attending, representing fifteen local community groups. Many thanks to those who attended our Zoom session; there was a strong sense of shared community engagement and commitment for ongoing support. This opportunity to work together as a community was one of the main themes that emerged from the gathering. The need for further engagement around emergency management planning was also identified, with the aim of developing a plan that would come into effect

immediately, should we ever find our community facing a disaster. This would ensure that everyone in the community would be aware of their roles and where they are able to seek support. The community group will meet regularly, with this topic as an ongoing focus. If your community group would like to be involved, please email manager@woodendnh.org.au. All groups are welcome.

Our walking and cycling groups continue as usual, and registrations are required. Our Yoga, Creative Writing and French classes continue operating via online platforms. Please visit our website woodendnh.org.au for more details on our current classes.

As things start to normalise (well a very new normal), we understand that there are still a lot of people facing hardship and doing it tough, so don't struggle alone. Please reach out to us at the House. We are still here working behind the scenes and will do what we can to support you. We will be offering small hampers for those in need for Christmas. If you know of anyone who may need a little support, please send us an email.

We will also be taking donations of new children's toys and books and non-perishable items; these will be used to make up Christmas hampers.

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In the coming four years, we will take turns to write articles in *The New Woodend Star* to update you on what we are working on and how you can get involved.

Initial priorities will be to recruit for and appoint a new CEO and commence work on asking you what ideas you have for the Council Plan and Budget for the next four years.

This time will be very different to previous plans, as the new Local Government Act directs us to use deliberative engagement. This is a good thing, as it gives a wide variety of people who represent the diverse views within the Shire a greater opportunity to contribute to the four-year plan. Keep an eye out for more details in the local paper or Council's webpage or Facebook.

We will also need to work alongside you to assist with ongoing issues raised by the COVID-19 pandemic.

It has been wonderful to see so many people reaching out to help others during what has been a challenging year, where it has been difficult to connect with one another due to social distancing and lockdown restrictions.

Please feel free to get in touch with us about any ideas, concerns or issues you would like to discuss.

We would like to wish you all a safe and happy festive season and hope that you have the opportunity to spend time with those you care about the most and a well-earned rest.

Best Wishes,

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Cobaw Health

Sing along with Mother Goose

Cobaw Community Health is launching a new free song, rhyme and storytelling group that will be available online for parents, grandparents and anyone looking after young children. Prior to the pandemic, Child and Parenting Worker, Deanne Brogan, was running the weekly Parent-Child Mother Goose program in Woodend and Romsey, but due to coronavirus restrictions, the groups stopped meeting in person.

“I have kept in contact with many of our families over the last few months via a private Facebook group, but I wanted to extend the joys of Mother Goose to new families,” said Deanne. “Whilst we wait for restrictions to ease further, we thought it would be good to share some short pre-recorded sessions where children and their carers can engage with each other through songs and rhymes.”

There is no need to register; anyone interested can click on the ‘Family Goose Teasers’ link that will be posted each Thursday on Cobaw’s Facebook page and website.

“The great thing about making these sessions accessible via our website and social media is that they can be viewed when it’s convenient, and parents and children can watch them over and over again. Families can join at any time, but we encourage you to start with the first video, as we will build on the material in the sessions as we move along.”

As well as being a fun activity for pre-schoolers, the Parent-Child Mother Goose program enhances the bond between child and carer, connects families in the community and allows for the opportunity to share tips and ideas on parenting. The use of songs, rhymes and stories can also have a positive impact on language and literacy development and school readiness as children get older.

Also available will be a fortnightly digital newsletter called the Wombat Weekly, which will have links to fun and engaging activity ideas for children. Cobaw also offers free parenting support and information for parents with children 0–12 years. Contact 5421 1666.

SUBMITTED BY SARAH TURNER



At Quarry Rd. the Spotted Sun Orchid is open now and the Pin Cushions are just coming to flower. Photos by Hubert Weisrock.

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Rotary Walk With Us – Ending Polio

Over the month of October, Rotarians and friends in Australia and across the world took action to raise awareness, funds and support to end poliomyelitis, a vaccine-preventable disease that still threatens the children of the world today.

As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, Rotary worldwide has helped to reduce polio cases from an average of 1,000 cases per day in 1987 to a total of only 174 cases in 2019, a 99.9% reduction.

The organising team would like to thank all those who walked and donated. It was pleasing for our first-year to see so many embrace the event. The 355 individuals and 47 teams who walked, and all their supporters, can feel very proud of their efforts.

The Rotary Walk With Us campaign was very successful, raising over \$125,000 for the Rotary End Polio campaign.

This is exciting, knowing that donations will be matched 2:1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. This is a huge result. An attraction was that all individual donations were tax deductible and receipted via Rotary to the individuals, Rotary clubs and Districts where appropriate. Thanks to generous sponsors like Bendigo Bank and others. All administration costs were covered, meaning 100% of donations go to the End Polio fight.

The Walk With Us site is remaining active through November to accept late donations.

The added benefits included encouraging people to get out and walk and improve their health and fitness, as well as improve their mental health, especially during COVID restrictions. Another significant benefit was increasing the public awareness of Rotary in general, and the important role Rotary has played in efforts to eradicate Polio.

The surprise this year was the overseas involvement, with several countries joining the efforts. We will explore this more next year and review the capacity to replicate the platform for other countries. We are hopeful of more involvement from more Rotary Districts in Australia and overseas next year.

The final challenge remains: to eliminate polio from Afghanistan and Pakistan, the last two countries where it remains endemic. Failure to do so, while also keeping all other countries polio-free, would see as many as 200,000 children paralysed each year within the next decade. Fortunately, Rotary and its partners are committed to making polio the second disease ever to be totally eradicated, the other being smallpox.

We look forward to seeing everyone return next year along with many new people and Rotary Districts to join in the fun and fundraising for a really important cause.

Fun and fundraising – it's what Rotary does.

SUBMITTED BY GRANT HOCKING



Photo Rotary District 9800 – End Polio Walk With Us team, from L to R, is Grant Hocking, Kitty O'Connor and Murray Verso

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Infrastructure projects bring jobs to the Macedon Ranges

The Andrews Labor Government is getting on with exciting regional infrastructure projects across Victoria, with works on two important projects in the Macedon Ranges underway, boosting the economy and making the area an even better place to live, work and visit.

Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas recently represented Minister for Regional Development Jaclyn Symes, alongside representatives from Macedon Ranges Shire Council, local businesses and community members, to view progress on the projects that are designed to create jobs and promote tourism across the region.

The Government is investing \$8.75 million to develop enjoyable and safe shared-use trail links, connecting major towns in the Macedon Ranges region. The project is part of the Building Works package – a \$2.7 billion commitment to get thousands of Victorians back to work with shovel-ready projects that provide lasting benefits to communities.

The project will connect Woodend, Macedon, New Gisborne and Riddells Creek via a shared use trail. The works are expected to create up to 16 jobs during construction and will provide a longer-term boost to the economy through increased tourism.

Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas said, “It’s exciting to see these important projects for our community are starting to take shape – they each play a role in encouraging economic growth in the Macedon Ranges as we get back on our feet after the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic.”

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News from Woodend RSL

An update from Ken, Woodend RSL Sub-Branch President



The community support for the RSL has been inspirational for our veteran community. The support we had during the Poppy Appeal has been outstanding at Coles, the schools, and other businesses. We thank Coles for providing the location for our appeals table. We raised over \$8,000 from the generous support from our Woodend community. These donations help support veteran initiatives, both locally and across the state. These programs include health and wellbeing programs, emergency accommodation, employment services, veteran family support, veteran advocacy services, and counselling and support services.

Our Remembrance Day opening was well supported by the community, and we had a brief service where local school students excelled as speakers to give the appropriate recognition to those that have gone before us and made the ultimate sacrifice. The service was streamed to Facebook with great feedback from global viewers. We also appreciated the COVID-safe discipline followed by those that attended. We also acknowledge the contribution from the Woodend Lifestyle Carers Group and Heather Bennell, who provided catering on the day.

At the time of this submission, we can accommodate meetings of 20 attendees in the RSL, and, when we are open for bar and/or meal service, we can accommodate 40 patrons inside. We can also accommodate up to 70 patrons in our outdoor area.

The Friday Happy Hour (with meals), opening from 5pm to 8pm, has been well supported. We are still looking for a caterer to relaunch our Friday night Poppies Bistro. Watch us on Facebook to stay up to date on this.

Based on the community request we are also opening for refreshments from 5pm to 7pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Drop in for a chat after work. We will not be serving meals on those nights.

Standard COVID rules Apply. If you are feeling unwell, please do not attend. All patrons are required to wear a mask, except when they are eating or drinking.

There will be table service only. The COVID-safe spacing is 1.5 meters, (about two paces), between people and tables.

We are open for a Veteran Drop-In on Thursday mornings at 10am. Come in for a chat and a hot brew.

We were pleased this week that we received an A1 Accreditation for our commercial kitchen. If you need a hall hire with an A1 Kitchen, we are the place to check out.

One again, thank you to the Woodend community for your support through this tough time. Some of our veterans have struggled with the isolation, as many others have. Your support keeps us going.

SUBMITTED BY HOWARD BURVILLE

Wrap up your tax issues before Christmas

The Langley McKimmie team wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and brighter new year.

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Young Voices go live again!

Young Voices of Macedon are very excited to return to live rehearsals at the Norma Richardson Hall, Woodend, albeit outdoors and with strict social distancing in place for the time being.

Other wonderful news is that the choir was awarded a generous grant from Bendigo Bank to enable the production of quality promotional materials, to help us rebuild our membership following the impact of COVID-19.

The good news continues. Our Cantabile group is participating in a huge virtual performance to raise funds for the Music Therapy program at the Westmead Children's Hospital, Sydney. They are singing the *Ode to Joy* (in the Wiradjiri language) in a performance of the first section of the final movement of *Symphony No 9* by Beethoven. In addition, they are taking part in a massed choral/orchestral performance of *O come all ye faithful*.

Some of our choristers, along with teacher Jess Demare, are presenting a session for the Riddells Creek festival at the end of November.

To end this troubled year, the whole choir will perform (outdoors) a program of Christmas carols and songs to residents at the Bupa aged care residence in Woodend. And some of our choristers will be involved in the Service of Readings and Carols at the Church of the Resurrection, Macedon.

SUBMITTED BY JESSICA DEMARE

The photo shows the Vivo group practicing outdoors at Norma Richardson Hall, Woodend.



**Department of Justice and Community Safety
Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010
Recognition and Settlement Agreement reached with the
TAUNGURUNG**

The State of Victoria and the **Taungurung Land and Waters Council Aboriginal Corporation** (ICN 4191) (the Corporation) have entered into a Recognition and Settlement Agreement (the Agreement) under the *Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010* (Vic) (the TOS Act). The Corporation is appointed by the Taungurung Traditional Owner group as the Traditional Owner group entity. The Agreement between the State of Victoria and the Corporation **commenced on 11 August 2020** and commits the parties to an ongoing partnership, and includes obligations and benefits for both parties.

The Agreement under the TOS Act recognises the Taungurung as the Traditional Owner group in the Agreement area (see map below), and their rights to access and use the land and its natural resources in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. It also provides a regime for the Corporation to comment on, negotiate about, or consent to certain activities on public land in the Agreement area.



The Agreement provides for the transfer of up to five sites in fee simple to the Corporation and the granting to the Corporation of 'Aboriginal Title' of nine parks within the Agreement area, to be jointly managed with the state. It also includes a funding agreement for the Corporation to manage its obligations, undertake economic development activities, and improve social and cultural outcomes for the Taungurung people.

The Corporation can be contacted by **email** on enquiries@taungurung.com.au, by **telephone** on (03) 5784 1433 and by **mail** at 37 High Street Broadford Victoria 3658. For further information, visit www.justice.vic.gov.au and follow the links to: **your-rights/native-title/taungurung-recognition-and-settlement-agreement**, or contact the Native Title Unit by telephone on (03) 8684 7523 or by email nativetitle@justice.vic.gov.au

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Young women in public affairs award

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Women, aged 16–19 by 1st April 2021, living in a Zonta district/region, or who are citizens of a Zonta country, who demonstrate evidence of the following, are eligible to apply:

- Active commitment to volunteerism.
- Experience in local government, student government, or workplace leadership (paid or unpaid).
- Volunteer leadership achievements.
- Knowledge of Zonta International and its programs.
- Support for Zonta International's mission of empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

Applications go to Zonta Club, Kyneton, by March 1, 2021, zonta.org/YWPAAward to download an application form. Send completed form to secretary@zontakyneton.org.au

SUBMITTED BY MARGARET LYNCH

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Sustainable Living Festival

The Macedon Ranges Sustainable Living Festival has gone virtual, for a whole year! The theme of the festival is: **“Reducing our footprint, building our communities, securing our future.”**

Saturday 3 October 2020 would have been Festival Day, and it was a lovely spring day. Sadly, Covid stopped us from presenting our usual popular and informative community sustainability event alongside the Farmer’s Market in Woodend. There is a silver lining! Go to mrsrg.org.au/slf and you will see what’s happening online instead.

There will be online Sustainable Living Festival events happening right up to next year’s on-the-ground festival in Woodend on the first Saturday of October 2021. During 2021, we also hope to have some “micro-events” in towns around the Macedon Ranges as well as the virtual ones. Fingers crossed this is able to happen!

Online there are eight themes leading you into the festival experience: Measuring Your Footprint, Home, Clothing, Commuting, Food, Environment, Kids Activities and Connecting Community.

Exhibitors will be a diverse range of sustainability businesses, plus our 12 MRSG action groups and many community groups. To register as an exhibitor, scroll down on the SLF webpage to below the eight theme tiles.

Sustainability-related businesses pay only \$50 for a whole year to showcase their products with their own info plus videos, podcasts and even live online events. Supporting these vital businesses is a key goal of the MRSG and the festival.

All community groups doing sustainability work of any kind are invited to exhibit for free.

If you know of a business or community group whose sustainability contribution you’d like to see showcased at the MRSG Sustainable Living Festival, please let them know about the SLF. And you can send their details to mrsrlf@mrsrg.org.au so the SLF team can personally invite them.

MRSG is keen to promote the many and diverse groups including Landcare, sporting groups, churches, neighbourhood houses, service groups, schools, clubs, art groups, hobby groups and many more who contribute to sustainable living in the Macedon Ranges. Have a look at the SLF themes and see where your group’s activities might be a good fit.

For example, Newham and District Landcare and Woodend Landcare are community exhibitors under the Environment theme. The dynamic duo of Helen Scott from Newham and Krista Patterson-Majoer from Woodend are putting together some exciting multimedia about the Cobaw biolink and the treasured landscapes, fauna and flora that make up the biodiversity of our patch. Watch out for it!

Call Alice 0400 068 551 if you want to discuss ideas for festival content. If you have skills in multimedia and online content and would like to help us to make this virtual festival hum, please get in touch! All ideas welcome.

SUBMITTED BY ALICE AIRD, MRSG



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We all look forward to a more normal 2021.

The gardening group has been able to enjoy visits to three local gardens, and ladies' and mens' Petanque has been active.

All other activity groups are looking to recommence in the New Year.

So keep the Trentham and Districts Life Activities Club in mind, and consider becoming a member.

For further information, contact President Di Clausen on 0429 008 763, or Secretary Gaye Lovelock on 0411 150 114.

Alternatively go the website www.life.org.au, and click on Trentham in the list of clubs.

The Trentham and Districts Life Activities Club wishes everyone a very safe and Merry Christmas with family and friends, and best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

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SUBMITTED BY WENDY REDMAN



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At fitness centres, indoor stadiums and pools, there are restrictions on the number of users in each facility at any one time. Further facilities will reopen in the coming weeks.

For those planning a gathering at one of our beautiful parks and gardens throughout the Macedon Ranges, council encourage you to please remain mindful of current restrictions applying to outdoor gatherings.

To find out more and to access the latest requirements regarding health and wellbeing, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/visiting-parks-gardens or mrsc.vic.gov.au/coronavirus.

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Tips for staying safe this summer

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You can also find us on Facebook. Search for ‘Macedon Ranges Emergency Alerts’ and ‘like’ our page. Our page focuses on helping you to prepare for and respond to an emergency in your town or region. It does not replace official emergency alerts from the CFA, Victoria Police or SES. Remember, being fire-ready is everyone’s responsibility. Take the time to prepare yourself, your family, your animals and your property so we can all be safer this summer.

New Macedon Ranges Shire Councillors

A mix of returning, former and new Councillors will form Macedon Ranges Shire Council for the next four years, following the official declaration of local government elections by the Victorian Electoral Commission on Thursday 5 November.

The new Councillors were sworn in on Monday 16th November at a special livestreamed event held in Gisborne.

The new Councillors are:

- East Ward: Annette Death, Geoff Neil, Bill West
- South Ward: Dominic Bonanno, Rob Guthrie, Anne Moore
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Have you heard of Cool Changes?

It's a positive initiative of Macedon

Ranges Shire Council to support local communities to create a community climate change action plan. You can see the MRSC page about Cool Changes at mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Environment/Climate-Change. I have been involved with the project since February, with one live workshop and the rest on Zoom. About 30 people, many from the Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group, have continued on through this remote workshopping process. I've been glad to bring a Landcare perspective, along with Krista Patterson-Majoror.

The Woodend Region Climate Change Action Plan is now publicly available for feedback, at mrsc.vic.gov.au/About-Council/News/Have-Your-Say/Cool-Changes-Woodend-Region-Climate-Change-Action-Plan

The plan will belong to the community. It will not be adopted by MRSC, rather it will be simply 'noted.' More extensive consultation with the community will follow in early 2021, with outreach from the Woodend 3442 community leadership team and the support of MRSC.

In the draft plan, two elements called Zero Net Emissions (ZNE) and People on Board are guiding principles supporting climate action. A map of current local carbon emissions reduction work has been drafted. The ZNE team will help all interested groups to analyse and enhance the carbon-reduction impact of their work. It will join the global Z-Net Project at z.net.org.au. It will adapt and implement Z-Net's already well-developed strategies and tools to calculate current emissions, set targets and work with locals to achieve them. People on Board will support all climate-related projects to attract more people to their work.

Landcare work is fundamental to reducing net emissions by sequestering carbon in plantings that will remain long term.

The main thing to do right now is to watch out for the consultation about the draft plan in November and participate in it, in this novel way of council and community working towards a local community-owned climate action plan.

Call Alice Aird on 0400 068 551 to find out more.

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Cool Changes 3442

A community plan for local action on climate change has been developed over the past few months for Woodend. The plan outlines actions to build on existing community activity for sustainability, under the themes:

- Natural environment, water and biodiversity
- Waste, recycling and the circular economy
- Sustainable and secure transport
- Secure, efficient and renewable energy
- Food security and regenerative agriculture
- Health and wellbeing
- Better built environment

Importantly, all themes and actions are supported by the overarching principles of (getting) People on Board (to work towards) Zero Net Emissions.

For anyone wanting to view the plan, visit: mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Environment/Climate-Change to see how you can help create a more sustainable future for your community.

Feedback on the plan is welcome until 15 December 2020.

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Welcome return for Cobaw

After a few months of the doors being closed and most staff working from home, Cobaw Community Health is pleased to be able to share with the community the new building at 1 Caroline Chisholm Drive, Kyneton. The front doors have re-opened, and to celebrate, Auntie Jo Honeysett, an Elder from the Taungurung Land and Waters Council, visited the building last month as part of NAIDOC Week to do a special Welcome to Country. A number of staff gathered in the new reception area, with the remaining staff connecting via video.

“It is wonderful to see the building finally being open to the community,” said Margaret McDonald, CEO. “After our move from High Street in May, we have had only a handful of staff working from the building and clients by appointment only.”

Cobaw’s doors at both their Kyneton and Woodend sites are now open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, offering a range of health and wellbeing services and support groups, including counselling, housing support, physiotherapy, cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation, and dietary advice. Cobaw continues to be a local agent for Centrelink and Medicare, and appointments can be made to access the Centrelink self-service telephone and computer. Telephone 5421 1666.

SUBMITTED BY SARAH TURNER

Photo: Auntie Jo Honeysett, visited the building last month as part of NAIDOC Week to do a special Welcome to Country.



Wine review

This is the final review for 2020, and I hope everyone gets the chance to relax and unwind this festive season, with a nice glass of wine! A reminder that many of the region's wonderful producers have had a tough 2020 (they are not alone!), so if you can support them when planning that special bottle or two by purchasing at cellar door or local independent retailer, it will certainly be appreciated.

2019 Bress Pinot Noir

The grapes for this wine come from as close as Chanters Ridge in the Macedon Ranges, and as far away as Tasmania, as well as a number of places in between. The multi-region blend works with the nose showing floral red cherry against firmer rhubarb and earth. The palate is supple with layered tannins that give a baseline influence of spice and savoury characters. Fruit is more to the dark cherry side of the Pinot spectrum, with coffee grounds and bramble giving definition to finish. Will be sure to reward a few years in bottle.

Rating: 91 | **Price:** \$30 |
When to Drink: 2020—2027

2018 Patrick's Vineyard Pinot Noir

The Patrick's Vineyard site is nestled in the Cobaw State Forest and overlooks Hanging Rock. The wine was aged in oak for 18 months prior to bottling and is a vibrant and fruit-forward expression of what the region can produce with the requisite acidity and tannin to support long term cellaring. The nose gives sour cherry, alongside earth and faint charcuterie notes. The plate is driven by a baseline of tart red cherry, with oak providing spice and richness. The finish is drying, with length of red berry fruits and lingering spice.

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of inspiring young actors who dream

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This Villain is cruel it would seem.

We've put down tools, we build no set

Our actors don't rehearse
Scripts on hold with lines unlearned

Our singers have no verse.

Our theatre ghosts must wonder what's wrong

Why the 'interval' does not end
They are missing the applause & encore of song
And long to share an audience again.

But rest assured, we'll be back in style

Our curtains and doors open wide
You'll be greeted with a sherry & welcoming smile

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\$30 million big housing build for the Macedon Ranges

The Victorian Government is making the state's – and Australia's – biggest ever investment in public and community housing.

The Victorian Budget 2020/21 will deliver a \$5.3 billion Big Housing Build to build more than 12,000 new homes throughout metro and regional Victoria, as well as supporting around 10,000 jobs per year over the next four years, to supercharge Victoria's economic recovery through the pandemic and beyond.

This package will boost our state's social housing supply by 10 per cent in just four years.

The Macedon Ranges has been identified as one of 21 priority areas across Victoria, with expressions of interest now being sought from the housing and building sectors. Julie Cairns, General Manager Community Services at Cobaw Community Health said, "This is great news for the Macedon Ranges - access to affordable housing has been a growing and serious issue for our community."

"An increase in local housing options will assist people to stay living in the area and address a critical housing shortage."

The program will deliver secure, modern, and affordable homes throughout Victoria – with 25 per cent of funding to be allocated to regional Victoria – including a minimum investment of \$30 million in the Macedon Ranges.

"This profound investment will make the world of difference to people in our community who need the stability and safety of a roof over their heads, to get ahead and thrive," said Mary-Anne Thomas of the program.

The investment will deliver 9,300 new social housing homes across the state – including replacing 1,100 old public housing units. This investment will help Aboriginal Victorians, pensioners, Victorians with disability, family violence victims and single parent families find their feet.



Mary-Anne Thomas MP and Julie Cairns, General Manager of Cobaw Community Health.

Of these new homes, 2,000 will be for Victorians living with mental illness.

A further 2,900 new affordable and low-cost homes will be built to help low-to-moderate income earners live closer to where they work and provide options for private rental. The new homes will meet 7-star energy efficiency standards, making them more comfortable during summer and winter, and saving tenants on their power bills.

The unprecedented investment will boost Victoria's economic recovery, generating an estimated \$6.7 billion in economic activity and supporting a peak of more than 18,000 jobs – with 10 per cent of the work on major projects to be done by apprentices, cadets and trainees.

Hundreds of new jobs will be created for women, Aboriginal Victorians, people with disability, social housing tenants and people from diverse backgrounds through social procurement targets.

Combined with new housing from existing investments such as the Public Housing Renewal Program and Social Housing Growth Fund, construction of more than 15,800 new homes will begin over the next four years.

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Woodend Bowling Club celebrates 130 years

On Christmas Day this year, the Woodend Bowling Club will celebrate 130 years since the very first green was opened – 25 December 1890.

The origins of the club dated back just over six months prior, when, on June 1, it was decided at a well-attended meeting to establish a Bowls, Croquet and Lawn Tennis Club in Woodend.

A committee was appointed to select the most suitable site and was authorised by the meeting to lodge an application to the Council. The location chosen was situated on the south side of the Five Mile Creek and was unanimously approved by the meeting that was consequently held. This is exactly the same picturesque location that the Woodend Bowling Club still enjoys today ... more than 130 years later.

It was also suggested that a 4 foot 6 inch picket fence be erected, at a cost which would not exceed 50 pounds, with Councillor Christian donating 15 pounds to the cause. As soon as the fence was erected, the Club would then spend at least 50 pounds in forming the new bowling green.

The rest, as they say, is history.

130 years of major events

Since the formation of the Woodend Bowling Club, the members of the Club have seen the Federation of the nation of Australia, two World Wars, the Spanish Flu epidemic, the Great Depression, two Australian Olympic Games, five Commonwealth Games, 30 Prime Ministers and now the Covid-19 pandemic.

There have also been lots of great and memorable times at our club in those 130 years as well. Thousands of members and visitors have enjoyed playing competition and tournaments.

Hundreds of club member volunteers have maintained and kept the club in beautiful condition. Thousands of people have enjoyed our facilities for various types of functions.

The introduction of the all-weather carpet green 9 years ago means that members and visitors can now bowl 12 months of the year.

More recently, with the introduction of Barefoot Bowls, thousands of people, groups, parents and families have enjoyed a social bowl.

A great foundation for the next 130 years.

Christmas and Barefoot Bowls bookings

With the easing of restrictions we are hopefully going to be back to hosting our normal Barefoot Bowls and functions.

Last year, we had a very successful summer season of Barefoot Bowls. Several local clubs and businesses also incorporated this into their Christmas Parties.

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Woodend CFA

The fire danger period is not far away!

People often ask me whether this year is going to be a bad fire season, and my answer is simple.

We live in one of the most dangerous fire danger areas in the world, so every fire season has the potential to be a bad one ... it just depends how bad!

In recent years, we have experienced several extremely dangerous summers, and this year will be no exception. In fact, with reasonable winter rains and strong spring growth, this year promises to be yet another very dangerous fire season. And NOW is the time to continue preparing and maintaining your property to reduce the risks of fire danger to you and your family.

Any burn-offs will require a council permit

The Fire Danger Period will soon come into force. We will post the information on our Facebook page and website when the dates are announced.

Once the restrictions are in place, you will be forbidden to conduct a burn-off in any form, unless you have an official permit from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

The Shire Council has introduced specific laws as to which properties are able to burn off, and how large your fire can be. Please check the Macedon Ranges Shire Council website before you burn.

If the CFA is called to an illegal burn-off during the Fire Danger Period, we must call the police to the scene, and serious charges and penalties may be incurred. In fact, lighting a fire in the open without a permit is an offence and can bring a heavy fine or 12 months imprisonment.

The use of chainsaws, lawn mowers, ride-ons and grass trimmers during the fire danger period

In recent years, we have attended a number of fires that were started by machinery of some kind. Many of these were started by people using ride-on mowers in long or longish grass. Whilst a common cause of such a fire will be the blades of the mower hitting a rock and sparking, they can also be easily started with grass getting caught in the belts of the undercarriage and coming in touch with the hot engine or exhaust. In several cases, not only were many acres burnt, but mowers were completely destroyed.

There are actually laws in place during the Fire Danger Period about using such machinery – ride-on mowers, chainsaws, lawn mowers, grass trimmers and other equipment.

The operator of the machine must carry the following fire suppression equipment: a knapsack spray pump or water fire extinguisher, in working order, fully-charged with water, with a capacity of not less than nine litres.

To find out more, please visit the CFA website and download a copy of the 'Can I, Can't I' brochure. Or pick one up from your local CFA Brigade.

See you at the Woodend farmers' market

Hopefully we will be able to start our annual pre-summer Community Safety Information Sessions, beginning with our presence at the Woodend Farmers' Market in December, January and February. A huge thank you to the Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group for giving us this opportunity.

For further information contact Captain Mike Dornau on 0409 093 935. On Sundays, call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356, or visit the station in Urquhart Street. Follow us on Facebook, or you can visit our website: www.woodendcfa.org.

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Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club

Relaxation of COVID restrictions gets Petanque back into tournament mode!

There has been almost no competitive Petanque in Victoria this year, but thanks to the recent relaxation of the state rules on gatherings, the sport is now able to recommence the playing of tournaments in the state.

One of the first tournaments will be the Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club Triples. This was played at the Club's new piste at the old Woodend Racecourse in Forest St, Woodend on Sunday 22 November. There were players competing from many of the clubs throughout Victoria, all anxious to compete in serious competition once more and keen to see the new piste in Woodend, which offers a fantastic new venue for tournaments within this State.

It would have been a great spectacle for many Petanque players around the state to come and watch, to see some of the leading players perform and to get a few tips on the art of our game, but sadly this was not possible for this tournament, due to the restrictions still in existence. This was a real shame, as the facility offers tremendous spectator opportunities. Better safe than sorry though, and we look forward to welcoming everybody on another day when these restrictions are over.

The Club is pleased to report that play within our membership is back in full swing, with great numbers turning up at our Thursday 'Petanque at the Rock' sessions at Hanging Rock Reserve and at the new facility at the old Racecourse on Monday afternoons. We have been pleased to greet a large number of new members since we have restarted play, many of whom have never played the sport previously, and who have enjoyed the coaching offered by the club's senior players, enabling them to start playing the game with a good understanding of the skills involved and making new friends in the process.

We still have plenty of room for more new players though, and invite anybody to give the sport and our club a try. It will cost you nothing to try it out. It's lots of fun, and whether you are a long term resident of the area or have recently moved into the Macedon Ranges, you will meet some wonderful new people who will become great friends.

What is Petanque?

It's a funny French sport with an even funnier name; a bit like bowls and bocce, but without a lot of those sport's formalities – and it's a lot more fun! Petanque is played by all ages and people of all fitness levels; it can even be played in a wheelchair! It's inexpensive to play, no fancy uniforms to buy, and we provide free Club boules to use while you give the sport a try. Come and join the fun, we'd love you to.

For more information, please contact us through john.pizzey@petanqueattherock.com.au or visit petanqueattherock.com.au.

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New Macedon-Woodend Scout Group to take Scouting to the next level

We're excited to announce that Scouting in our area is taking yet another leap forward, with the merging of the 1st Macedon and 2nd Woodend Scout Groups.

Over the course of the pandemic, our Cubs, Scouts and Venturers have shown the best of what youth have to offer. With outdoor hikes, learning vehicle mechanics and still achieving significant awards in each section, the new Macedon-Woodend Scout Group is off to a flying start.

With the beautiful natural surrounds of the Macedon Scout Hall to call home, our Group has brilliant opportunities to continue a highly adventurous, youth-driven program. This is supported by a dedicated and highly skilled team of volunteer Leaders and adult helpers coming together from both Groups. These local volunteers empower our young people to get out to experience the world and help others, all whilst working towards qualifications to set them up for life after Scouting.

We look forward to sharing the Macedon-Woodend Scouting experience with the community over the coming years.

If you're interested in joining the Macedon-Woodend Scout Group, please visit macedonwoodendscouts.com.

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The Sustainable Malmsbury action group of Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group (MRSNG), has been one of the few community groups selected by Wattwatchers to be offered a special \$199 ex GST MEM introductory package to local households and small businesses.

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This offer is ideal for households with electricity bills that are more than \$200 per month (or \$100 per month with solar already installed). There are terms and conditions with this offer, such as downloading the MEM energy app and allowing for your de-identified energy data to be shared with providers of the benefits and related services.

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Christmas! As we are not able to host programs these summer holidays, please be sure to check our online programs. There will be school holiday activities too. We are offering many online events, all listed on goldfieldslibraries.com.

Opening hours at Woodend Library will increase or change when the restrictions and COVID-19 operating plans allow. Call us for information on 5427 2074. We always update our opening hours on Facebook, the Goldfields website and you can always Google Woodend Library too. The Library will be closed from 3pm Thursday, 24 December and will re-open on Monday, 4 January 2021. All loans will be automatically extended over this period, and the after-hours chute will still be open for any returns during the Christmas break. Don't forget our eLibrary is always open.

December/January Be Connected Online Workshops Join us to develop the skills you need to explore what is on offer online. Book into one of our events in December or January to discover Zoom, tips for staying safe online, research your family history online and using online tools to stay informed during bushfire season. We can help to get you started. Groups will be small, and follow up help will be provided.

Find all our events on www.eventbrite.com.au/o/goldfields-libraries-9805186189

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all at Woodend Library! We look forward to working with the Woodend community in 2021.

Lulu, Mandy, Emma, Glenda, and the team of casual staff who support us at Woodend.



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Intro to Buying and Selling Online Tue 8/12/20, 2-3pm

Join us to learn the basics of buying and selling online. Build your confidence to pay for things online, and explore how shopping from the safety and comfort of your home can benefit you.

All About Android Phones Wed 9/12/20, 2-3pm

We'll show you how to set up your Android smartphone safely and customise it to suit your needs, whether you're new to using the Android system, or have been using it for a while.

Intro to Online Banking Thu 10/12/20, 10am-11am

Using your computer to control your finances doesn't need to be stressful. We show you how online banking works, how to get started and use a practice area, to help practise common online banking tasks on a desktop or laptop computer.

All About Apple iPhones Tues 15/12/20, 10am-11am

We'll show you how to set up your Apple iPhone safely and customise it to suit your needs, whether you're new to using an iPhone, or have been using one for a while.

All About Apple iPads Wed 16/12/20, 2-3pm

We'll show you how to set up your Apple iPad safely and customise it to suit your needs, whether you're new to using an iPad, or have been using one for a while.

Armchair Exploration with Google Maps and Google Earth Thurs 17/12/20, 10am-11am

Discover how you can use online tools to travel the world from the comfort of home. Explore places that you've never visited and even see how the world looked in the past.

Watching and Listening Online Wed 13/01/21, 2-3pm

In this online workshop you will learn how to watch TV online and access catch-up services like ABC iView, SBS on Demand and Freeview. We will also show you how to access the radio online and use music services to listen to your songs whenever you like.

Family History Tue 19/01/21, 10am-11am

Learn how to start researching your family history online. With tips and tricks on how to get the most out of the internet, step-by-step guides on beginning your family tree and much more, you'll be your family's ancestry champion in no time!

Exploring the Internet Wed 20/01/21, 2-3pm

Navigating the online world can be tricky at first, but we can teach you some essential skills to get started. Learn how to use search engines such as Google, discover some useful websites, see how to make bookmarks and more. We will finish with a mix of Q&A and activities that put your learnings into practice.

All Things eLibrary Thu 21/01/21, 2-3pm

Join our guided tour of the Goldfields Libraries website and discover a treasure trove of online books and resources for adults and children.

More Family History Thu 28/01/21, 10-11am

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Effective Volunteer Training

Celebrating International Volunteer Day with new training for volunteers

Saturday 5 December 2020 is International Volunteer Day and the theme this year is “Together we can through volunteering.” To celebrate and recognise the vital role of volunteers this year, Volunteer Central Vic is excited to announce a brand new training program to support more people into volunteering.

Many community organisations have been impacted by a reduction in their volunteer capacity through the lockdown period and are finding that they desperately need more volunteers as they reopen.

“It has been devastating to live without our sporting organisations, clubs, societies, Neighbourhood Houses and other vital community services this year. In 2021, we want to see those key community organisations back in full swing within a safe COVID environment with volunteers trained and ready to help,” says Lisa Richards, Coordinator of Volunteer Central Vic (VCV).

“Volunteering offers something for everyone, and at Volunteer Central Vic we aim to help people positively improve their wellbeing through volunteering. This training prepares new volunteers to take up positions that will personally benefit them and also help the wider community.”

Effective Volunteer Training is a tiered training curriculum developed under the experienced eye of Anne-Marie Pedeau, an education and training specialist currently volunteering with VCV. The training takes volunteers through the complete volunteering journey from those first steps into a role to developing high level skills in the not-for-profit sector.

Anne-Marie, a Kyneton resident, says, “What makes this training different is that it is highly interactive and includes exercises, tips and tools to help people develop their skills and make a greater impact in their volunteering.”

Stage 1: Introduction to Volunteering, will be offered on a monthly basis from Thursday 28 January 2021. Introduction to Volunteering gets new volunteers off to a great start, introducing essential topics like Benefits of Volunteering, How Volunteer-Involving Organisations Work, How to be a Successful Volunteer and Practical Steps into Volunteering.

2021 training dates will be announced on the VCV website: volunteercentralvic.com.au

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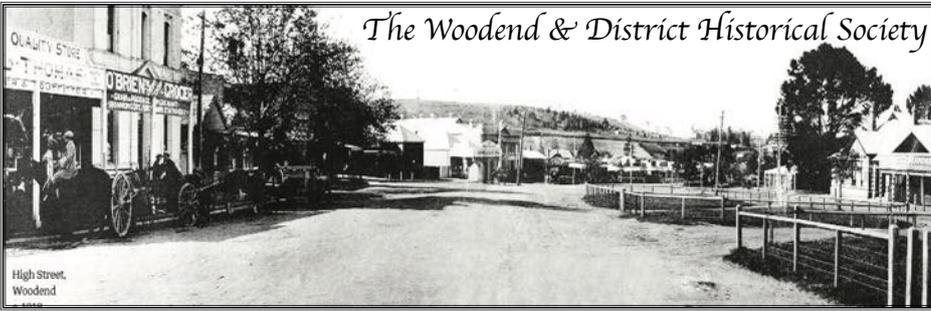
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Timber Churches

Between the 1860s and 1890s many beautiful little timber churches were erected throughout Victoria. Their construction ranged from being extremely simple and functional, to being finished with charming decorations. Many served as schools until separate school houses were erected, and many were also used for social gatherings. Most are now in private hands for varied uses, such as homes, galleries or restaurants.

The Ashbourne Catholic Church started life as a school for the local children in the mid 1870s. By the 1880s, a portico, coffee room and confessional had been added, and the priest from Woodend was making the daunting trip in a jinker with pony every month to conduct Mass.

The Church was built in the 1880s. It was also used as a school, and is thought to be the first Catholic school outside Melbourne. The Hickey family donated the Stations of the Cross for the walls. About once a month a dance was held in the church, on a weeknight. People came from miles around, on foot and horseback. The Hickey family provided the milk to be heated in a copper pot for 'cafe latte'.

Weddings and other happy gatherings often took place there, and in the 1930s and 1940s, lively dances were held on Saturday nights several times a year. People came from Tylden, Trentham and Woodend to play euchre, before dancing to the music of local musicians, Jack Birrane and Joe Ricardi, who played piano accordions. One local still remembers how once an upright piano was carted from Woodend on a dray to the Campaspe river and carried over the footbridge, long gone, to the church for the Saturday dance. Locals worshipped at the church until 1956, and it is now privately owned.

The church was one of many Catholic timber churches built during the pastorate of Dean Geoghegan, who came from Ireland to Victoria in 1850 with his cousin, Dr Geoghegan, who was the first Roman Catholic Bishop of Adelaide. The Dean later moved to Hobart where he received priest's orders. In 1851, he returned to Victoria and eventually to Kyneton, where he founded the large church and congregation of St Mary's, remaining there until his death in 1895. In 1899, the Woodend parish was separated from Kyneton and included Ashbourne and East Trentham.



Photo 1170: The Old Catholic Church, Ashbourne, undergoing repairs. 27.9.1998.



Photo 1234: The altar in the former Ashbourne Church.

SUBMITTED BY JANE HOLTH

Family twilight croquet!

Come and learn to play croquet during the school holidays!

Croquet is the perfect family sport; it can be played by the whole family and everyone competes on equal terms.

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Petanque in action – see article page 27.

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Year 9 Expo 2020

The Year 9 Expo Project is an important part of each student's journey through Year 9 at Sacred Heart College, and has been a key celebration in our community for many years now. By participating in the project, our students gain a greater appreciation of their own talents and enjoy the chance to share their own areas of interest with friends and family.

The choice of project direction is entirely theirs to make, and each year we are thrilled to see items as diverse as hand built BBQs to macramé pot-plant holders. The central aim of the Expo is to offer all students an opportunity to creatively express their developing identity and pursue a project that is of interest to them.



In response to the circumstances of 2020, we moved our Expo exhibition to an online format. Doing so opened us up to some joyful new opportunities to broaden the audience, as now family and friends from interstate and overseas could 'visit' the finished exhibits.



While the process of completing the project and our mode of exhibition each looked a little different this year, the spirit of the Expo was unchanged, as we celebrated the diverse range of passions and talents found throughout our Year 9 community.



Our online exhibition was launched via a live-stream event on YouTube (a first for the College!) which featured an Acknowledgement of Country and performance from Yorta Yorta man Scott Darlow and an interview with Sacred Heart Alumni and AFLW player Kate Anderson (nee Darby). All members of our Year 9 community have much to be proud of, as we have overcome hurdles and ventured into new territory this year.

To see all of the project completed as part of the 2020 Year 9 Expo visit yr9-expo.com

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