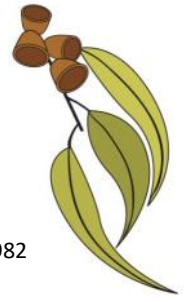




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From the Editor:

Once again we have a bumper issue, with our regular contributors 'Tackleman' and 'Bikers Corner' and introducing a new column "Meggsys Musings" Check out page 3 to see what Meggsy has to say....

We are looking for stories and articles of interest, maybe you have someone at home be they a child, young adult or older person that would like to write something that may be of interest to them and our readers. Email articles to editor@bunyipnews.org.au.

Garfield Spoonville

By now all local people would have heard of the quirky trend called Spoonville. This is where kids and adults make wooden spoons into "Spoony People" and place them in an accessible position within their local community.

Longwarry's Spoonville was the first in Australia and was initiated by Longwarry resident Junelle Wilson; this became the blueprint for Garfield to commence its Spoonville Community on Friday May 29th in Archer Road, between Kirkstall Close and Campbell Street.

The trend has grown in leaps and bounds with Drouin

and Pakenham and Beaconsfield having commenced their Spoonvilles. News this morning of Australia's 24th Spoonville has arrived in Nunawading!

It is great to see new Spoony's appearing each week in Garfield and we have fun characters such as Spoonycorn, The Sparkles, a Crazy Aunt, Two families with babes in arms, Where's Wally and a Bride (waiting for her Groom) and many others.

Everyone loves to see the new additions and add their own touches!

As Spoonville International (on Facebook) states, "it is a way to help the mental health of the community during this pandemic."



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Meggsy's Musings



Welcome to Meggsy's Musings.

Each month I hope to share my thoughts on various subjects. I don't claim to be an expert on anything, these are simply my thoughts and personal opinions. I only hope that by sharing stories with you,

you might be entertained, informed, motivated or just simply distracted for a few moments from the "busy-ness" of life.

This month I wanted to write about Mental Health especially as we head into round two of home schooling and another period of lockdown. I am no expert in this field and definitely don't claim to have any answers however I have battled depression and anxiety for many years.

I have never hidden my condition but I have struggled with it. This has mainly been due to my lack of understanding of what depression is and what causes it. I always struggled as I felt I had no "reason" to be depressed. I have lived a blessed life. I am the youngest of 3 girls. We didn't have a lot financially when we were young but my parents worked hard and we travelled overseas quite a bit due to my dad's work. This brought with it challenges including maintaining friendships pre Facebook and other instant ways to keep in contact with people.

I have a child with mild autism and have been through a

marriage breakdown. Again, nothing exceptional and things millions of other people have already been through before. Always in my head when I was struggling to cope I would be so annoyed at myself for struggling through such minor inconveniences when others faced so much worse, so many bigger challenges and seemed to take it in their stride. And there the spiral begins! Feeling guilty definitely doesn't help.

What I have learnt over the years is that firstly, you don't know how other people are coping with their challenges. They may be putting on a positive front outwardly but behind closed doors they are struggling like I am. So don't compare your life to anyone else's. The only person you need to better than is the person you were yesterday. And secondly, it is still unclear what causes depression.

So I got help. Some therapy, some medication and life has been easier. I still struggle and I am the idiot who thinks they are "cured" when I am feeling good and so come off my medication. I am a work in progress.

I am now enrolled in Mental Health First Aid training with Mindfull Aus. I am looking forward to learning more for my own Mental Health but to also be able to assist others. My point is, in this time of uncertainty, we need to be mindful of each other. We need to look out for each other. As my mum always said "if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all". Sometimes it is better to be kind than to be right.

Basically, you don't know what anyone is dealing with behind closed doors so please, be kind always! You never know the impact that your words can have on someone, so please chose them carefully.

If there is anything you would like me to write about, please feel to drop me a line via editor@bunyipnews.org.au

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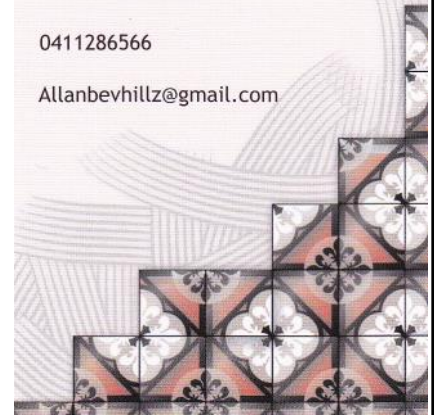
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Cardinia Shire Council's Beautification Grant Program 2020/21 is now open for project submissions.

The program offers community groups and individuals the opportunity to apply for funding to support landscape enhancement projects on areas of public open space. Funding may be used to purchase plant and garden material such as plants, stakes, tree guards, mulch, and more. Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Jeff Springfield encouraged community groups and residents to submit their applications.

"Council's Beautification Grant Program is the perfect opportunity for community groups to get started on that project they've been wanting to tick off their list but may not have had the funds to do so," Cr Springfield said.

"The program assists our residents to enhance our open space areas for the community to enjoy and encourages the development of community input into delivering township strategies and landscape master plans."

The program offers funding on a dollar-for-dollar basis and/or in-kind volunteer labor up to \$2,000. Priority is given to projects that:

- are driven and/or supported by local community groups
- are located on Cardinia Shire Council owned or managed land
- are in areas used frequently by the community, including town centers, Council buildings (halls, community centers etc.) parks and reserves.
- will enhance and green public open space, improving the overall amenity of the area
- can be completed within the allocated timeframe; and
- align with priorities identified in township strategies, landscape master plans and other Council strategic documents.

Projects must be located on Cardinia Shire Council owned and/or managed land and completed by 30 June 2021.

Applications close for Cardinia Shire Council's Beautification Grant Program 2020/21 at 5pm, Monday 7 September 2020.

For more information about project eligibility, timelines and how to apply, visit: www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/beautificationgrants



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At King Legal Group Bunyip, our general legal practice is operated by our Principal, Stephen Van Linge who is an experienced and licenced Australian Legal Practitioner.

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Stephen is supported by Tony King as a consultant who has some 45 years general practice experience in Melbourne metropolitan and Rural Victoria. Tony operated the Bunyip office on a part time basis for some 15 years prior to Stephen taking over full-time operations in 2017.

Stephen and Tony have been recently joined by



Cathrine Righton in a secretarial role. Cathrine has been a Bunyip resident for over 35 years and has extensive experience in the areas of office reception and administration operations.

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TALKIN' ...FISHIN' NATURE'S SHOWROOM

While pursuing the outdoors lifestyle you see the strangest things, and when you're out fishing in quiet secluded locations you'll possibly see some of the best performances that nature can put on show. If you're not paying attention to your surroundings you'd miss out for sure. Some of the things I've seen only happen just when you least expect it, they could be regarded as the greatest surprise you'll ever experience, in a good way, or the biggest fright of your life. Let me share a few of these experience with you.

One of the best experiences I had was on the Goulburn River about 4km upstream from the Breakaway Caravan Park. While spinning for trout I was crouched down observing the water's edge and shadows looking for the movement of cruising trout when I heard a sound like a duck snapping bread off the water. As it was, that was a close guess, what I witnessed was a Platypus snapping at the surface of the water with its bill but not quite sure why, I pulled out the small pair of binoculars I carry. To my amazement I watched it repeatedly swim up to the leafy, long willow branches that were just touching the water, grab hold with its bill and shake violently, Why? This soon became apparent when it proceeded to snap up bugs and beetles that it had shaken free and had fallen onto the water's surface. Obviously a well-practiced and learned skill.

While fishing alone for Whiting in Westernport's Lyall's channel on a very quiet afternoon, I rinsed out a berley bucket over the side of my boat, pretty much in a peaceful daydream, only to be frightened out of my skin by a female dolphin surfacing at arm's length away from me giving me real eyeball close contact. I also noticed the baby calf swimming alongside her, all of only 3ft long, a visual that stays with you forever.

On a road trip to Lochsport in Gippsland with my then young children, I passed Stratford and spotted a sign to a conservation park, so thought I'd take a look, on the dirt road in I noticed a cloud of smoke on the edge of the road so I quickly pulled over to put it out, only to discover an Echidna going like a bulldozer, burrowing hastily with both



front arms and long claws into the dry earth, making a large dust cloud and burying himself deep into the soil up to his backside, much to the children's amusement.

Finally, on a fishing trip to Lake Tyers, I took along a family friend from England. On a day trip I took him into Burnt Bridge to show him some of the beauty of the natural Australian bushland. Little did I expect it would put on such a show for him, within minutes of parking at the bridge and walking to the bank of Toorloo Arm, a large sea eagle flew out from a very tall gumtree lookout. In the stillness of the air you could hear the flapping of its huge wings as it cruised down the arm only to turn around and glide back in our direction wings fully stretched out and reach down into the water with its talons and pluck a large sea mullet from the dark water, directly in front of us. You'd think I'd scripted it for him! But just to add to the occasion for him, as we were driving out along the track a large and powerful Goanna crossed in front of the car and quickly treed itself. It goes without saying he was suitably impressed with the days outing. I'm no David Attenborough, but you just can't predict this stuff happening on any given day, you just have to be there at the time, rather like exceptional fishing days.

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June Simcocks..... My unashamed love for my Mum - By John Simcocks

Importantly for mum and for me, my last conversation with mum was beautiful. She had battled breast cancer courageously for approximately 5 months. On the morning of her passing my immediate family was called to Cabrini hospital and we were told that the cancer was beaten. Awesome. The doctor then told us Mum had to undergo another operation to remove a blood clot in her chest. The doctor was completely transparent and direct. Professional, and caring. Mum was not present. She lay, with an oxygen mask in a bed nearby.

I went in too wish her well. On my own. She pulled the mask aside. We kissed. She said Take Care luv. I said I love you mum.

I left. That afternoon mum passed.

As difficult as it was for me to accept it did, and always has and will comfort me that this situation was like it was. It taught me to always, where possible, leave people on a positive note and to make sure that people, particularly loved ones, are aware that you think kindly of them.

Mum loved her garden. Roses, hydrangeas and Rhododendron's, as well as Daffodils.

Many hours were spent transforming a rough old block that dad had purchased as a 17 year old in 1949, from funds made from selling poddy calves, into what I thought was a garden of Eden. Mum's father would regularly come to visit from Preston. Mum's mum passed 7 days after my parents wedding. Grandpa told me once that gardening was his salvation.

Mums hydrangeas were something special. So good

in fact that a local florist who drove past and noticed them sought mum out. The lady for a good number of years regularly returned and picked them when in flower, for a small and proudly honest fee. A terrific tribute to my mum's ability to garden.

Mums family back in the day were aristocracy on the first fleet. In fact when the Magna Carta was signed back in the late 1000s an ancestor of mum's sat 3 seats to the right of the king of England. I found this out after mums death when I visited Salisbury Anglican Church and saw an original of the Magna Carta and did some research there with an official. My mother was beautiful in so many ways. This is possibly my favourite photo of Mum and I.



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and vanilla. Add sifted flour, salt, and sugar then add the beaten egg. Mix well.

Place stewed fruit into a baking dish. Pour the batter on top.

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Hillview Happenings.....with Karen

Our residents have had a very busy July. First up we had Henny Penny Chickens come in. We started with 15 fertile eggs, and ended up with 9 yellow chicken and 6 black, the yellow chicks are Isa Browns, which lay up to 300 eggs per year, the Black chicks are Australorps, they lay 250 eggs per year, both breeds are friendly and make great pets.

The Residents have thoroughly enjoyed watching these little chickens hatch out of the eggs, one of our lovely residents Tina sat for almost 3 hours, just waiting for a single chicken to hatch out of its egg. Other Residents have enjoyed sitting during the day watching their little antics. Its been a wonderful 2 week experience for our Residents and staff.

Sadly all good things must come to an end and the chickens must find good homes, I am happy to say that I am taking 5 home with me and a staff member in reception is taking the other 10.

Our other event was a beautiful fish and chips luncheon. Residents were able to enjoy take away fish and chips from Connie's in Bunyip. Each resident enjoyed a choice of what they wanted from fish and chicken to potato cakes to Sth Melbourne Dim sims. They enjoyed home made apple pie with cream or ice cream. There was much chatter over lunch, with lots of laughter. They are looking forward to their next takeaway luncheon. The day was finished off with a bus trip in the country, which was our last outing for the foreseeable future due to the covid -19.



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George was married to Margaret May (Maggie) Snowden, and they had 5 children - Frederick, Rene, Gilbert, Joyce and Noel.

Joyce married Don Laurie and lived on a dairy farm near the Bunyip River bridge between Bunyip and Longwarry. (The Sayers family live there now in a brick house that replaced the old wooden one).

George's father Frederick Gipps was born in the UK and had been in the army serving in India before settling in Australia where he was an engineer who designed dams, and had input into the snowy mountain scheme. His mother Agnes Read was a daughter of a Victorian property owner. He had 3 brothers and 4 sisters. Brook, Gilbert, Horace, Elaine, Violet, Isabel and Estelle.

George enlisted in both World War 1 (see clipping below), and World War 2 (during which he worked in customs in Melbourne). His parents had a farm on the Eastern side of Longwarry and retired to Mentone where the street they lived in was Gipps street. I remember visiting two Aunties Violet and Estelle there many years later and the road was unmade and the house had paddocks close by.

Their son Gilbert (Georges brother) managed the Longwarry farm until he went to World War 1 and was killed at Gallipoli in August 1915.

George and Maggie had a dairy farm approximately half way between Bunyip and Garfield (on East side of the railway line) and I remember they had milking machines and the milk went over a water cooler to cool it down and then into the cans. The milk cans were taken out to the front gate and put on a stand where they were picked up by a factory tray truck. Helen believes he would have supplied Longwarry as it was the closest dairy factory. Helen also remembers they had very large chook sheds and assumes they most probably sold eggs. They also had a large orchard. When she came to live at Iona her Aunty Maggie brought around casseroles and other home cooked food.



George H. Gipps. Fred G. Y. Gipps. Horace B. Gipps. Henry B. L. Gipps.

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George Herbert Gipps

George Herbert Gipps' farm (pictured right) is located between Bunyip and Garfield, just past a tall plantation of trees.

The Gipps family of Bunyip & Longwarry are distantly related to Governor Gipps, after whom Gippsland was named.

Story by Helen Sheather, as told to Cathrine Righton (Bunyip Historical Society).

An American decided to write a book about famous churches around the world.

So he bought a plane ticket and took a trip to Orlando, thinking that he would start by working his way across the USA from South to North.

On his first day he was inside a church taking photographs, when he noticed a golden telephone mounted on the wall with a sign that read '\$10,000 per call'.

The American, being intrigued, asked a priest who was strolling by, what the telephone was used for. The priest replied that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 you could talk to God. The American thanked the priest and went along his way.

Next stop was in Atlanta. There, at a very large cathedral, he saw the same looking golden telephone with the same sign under it. He wondered if this was the same kind of telephone he saw in Orlando and he asked a nearby nun what its purpose was.

She told him that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 he could talk to God. 'O.K., thank you,' said the American.

He then travelled all across America, Europe,

England, Japan, New Zealand. In every church he saw the same looking golden telephone, with the same '\$US10,000 per call' sign under it.

The American decided to travel to Australia to see if Australians had the same phone.

He arrived at Newcastle in Australia and again, in the first church he entered, there was the same looking golden telephone, but this time the sign under it read, '40 cents per call.'

The American was surprised, so he asked the priest about the sign. 'Father, I've travelled all over the world and I've seen this same golden telephone in many churches. I'm told that it is a direct line to Heaven, but in all of them, the price was \$10,000 per call.

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The priest smiled and answered, 'You're in Australia now, son - "This is Heaven," so it's a local call'.



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In many ways though, as with recent bushfires that impacted our district in 2019, COVID-19 has brought out the best in our communities.

We can get through this second phase and suppress COVID-19 again.

My office has been working with local community groups, businesses, families and individuals to help

them navigate the Stage 3 rules set out by the Chief Health Officer and Department of Health and Human Services.

No question is the wrong question and if you are unsure of anything, I encourage you to give us a call and have a chat about the issues you are facing. Even if we don't have the answer right away, we will help you find it.

Stay safe, look out for each other. Just as with the summer bushfires and the first wave of COVID-19, we can come out of this stronger as a community once again.

Gary Blackwood MLA
Member for Narracan



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Garfield Community Garden

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July – Gardening Calendar for Temperate Australia

[\(http://deepgreenpermaculture.com/\)](http://deepgreenpermaculture.com/)

It's July, Midwinter has arrived! As all of Nature's energies turn inwards, and life comes to a standstill, we finally have a chance to rest and reflect too. This month temperatures will hit their lowest for the year, rain will fall for half the month, and the windiest time of the year in Melbourne begins.

There are still a limited range of seeds to sow, and lots of opportunity for winter pruning, relocating deciduous plants and planting new ones!

- Plant deciduous trees, shrubs, vines and cane fruits. Wait till spring for planting citrus.
- Divide existing perennials and plant new perennials.
- Protect plants that are not frost-hardy in frost-prone areas. Frost-tender plants in pots are more vulnerable as roots are above ground, wrap pots of plants with plastic bubble-wrap or hessian.
- Install windbreaks, such as the plastic tree guard sleeves, around newly planted evergreens.
- Prune deciduous fruit trees (*not apricots, best to prune these in late autumn when the leaves start yellowing, during dry, preferably windy weather to prevent diseases entering the pruning cuts*). To prune fruit trees, first cut away any dead or diseased wood, then cut away any branches growing inwards towards the centre or crossing other branches (to prevent rubbing and bark damage), and finally, prune tree to shape using the appropriate technique for that species.
- Prune deciduous shrubs (and it's rose pruning time in July too!)
- Finish pruning grape vines and take hardwood cuttings from these for propagation.
- Finish pruning currants and gooseberries and take hardwood cuttings from these for propagation.
- Apply organic fertiliser to fruit trees at the end of July, so that the slowly released nutrients will become available when the new growth commences.
- Spray peaches and nectarines to protect against leaf curl fungus. Use lime sulphur or a copper fungicide at the bud swell stage (just before the buds begin to open) but before pink bud stage or colour shows. It is too late to spray once flowering occurs.
- If you use horticultural glue bands on tree trunk to prevent winter insects crawling up the tree to lay their eggs, now is the time to replace the glue bands with new ones.
- Relocate any deciduous plants (trees, shrubs, vines) or herbaceous perennial plants growing in the wrong place in winter. (*Evergreens can only be moved in autumn and early spring, where they have time to regrow roots – remember, they retain leaves in winter which transpire and lose water!*).
- Sow seeds from berry producing trees and shrubs. Stratification (exposure to cold) over winter will break seed dormancy.
- Some perennials can be propagated from root cuttings, which can be taken through winter.
- Continue propagation of hardwood cuttings which began in autumn - prune off 30cm long shoots of current season's growth, cut off the soft growing tip, cut off the bottom end below a bud, and dip end into rooting hormone. Make a 'slit trench' by pushing a spade into soil and rocking it back and forth. In clay soil, add some coarse sand for drainage. Put cuttings in so 2/3 is below the soil, and press the soil down around them. Cuttings will root and be ready to plant next autumn.
- Continue planting strawberry runners and shallot bulbs.

Vegetables and Herbs to Sow:

Sow in July		Harvest (weeks)	Sow in July		Harvest (weeks)
Beetroot	ds	7-10	Radish	d	5-7
Lettuce	ds	8-12	Shallots	d	12-15
Mustard greens	d	5-8	Snow Peas	d	12-14
Onion	ds	25-34	Strawberry runners	d	11
Peas	d	9-11	Strawberries (seed)	s	12 months

Key: d = sow directly into ground, s = sow in seed tray, ds = sow directly into ground or seed tray

Happy gardening.

Stay Safe.

Kind regards Meg Platte

Garden Co-ordinator



There are not many veterans left. If you know of anyone, they will be over about 95, please pass on this note.

On 15 August we will pause to mark the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, Victory in Pacific Day, ending a war that cost millions of lives across the world.

More than one million Australian men and women fought to protect our country and our allies, fighting in theatres of war from Europe to North Africa, the Mediterranean and the Middle East, to Asia and the Pacific, with the conflict also reaching Australian shores.

As we approach this anniversary, we recognise that it will be one of the last opportunities we have as a nation to publicly acknowledge the remaining

veterans of the Second World War, of which there are around 12,000 still with us.

Australia can never fully repay the debt we owe these amazing men and women but, to mark their service, the Department of Veterans Affairs is producing a Commemorative Medallion and Certificate of Commemoration for the remaining living veterans of the Second World War.

The Australian made medallion will be presented in a display case and is a small memento for our veterans. This is but a small gesture of appreciation from a grateful nation that we extend to those veterans who fought to protect our way of life in the terrible conflict that ended 75 years ago.

I invite eligible veterans to apply, or their families on their behalf, either online at www.dva.gov.au/medallion or, for those without internet access, by phone on 02 61918217 during business hours. Medallions will be distributed during August.

Thank you for your service.

Lest we forget.

Darren Chester

Minister for Veterans Affairs

Community House Foodbank

By Roman Kulkewycz

The Bunyip and District Community House is providing much needed free Foodbank “essential boxes” containing such things as soup, pasta, tissues, toilet paper etc for locals doing it tough as a result of the downturn in the economy due to COVID-19.

The Foodbank scheme is a result of a Grant provided by the Cardinia Shire Council for the next 6 months for residents who wish to access food for their families. The Bunyip and District Community House is located in Beswick Street in Garfield. Due to COVID-19 restrictions currently most of the work is being done from home.

Residents wishing to access free food through the Foodbank can do so every Monday fortnightly; upcoming dates, 27th July, 10th August, 24th August between 10.00am – 3.00pm. There are no requirements or ID needed, just a reminder to social distance. Outside of these times, If anyone needs

any support Community House Manager Nicole Lucas can be contacted on 0481895509 or manager@bdch.com.au .



Photo: (L – R) Cardinia Shire Councillor, Graeme Moore, Community House President Charlie Helyar and Community House Manager Nicole Lucas making up essential food boxes for needy families.

Photo: Roman Kulkewycz

The Bunyip news is looking for someone to join the team and take on the position of advertising coordinator. Skills needed include being confident with computer programs including MS Publisher, Excel, (or a willingness to learn) internet banking and be able to communicate with advertisers, via email and phone. If you think you can help please call on 0419 156 844.

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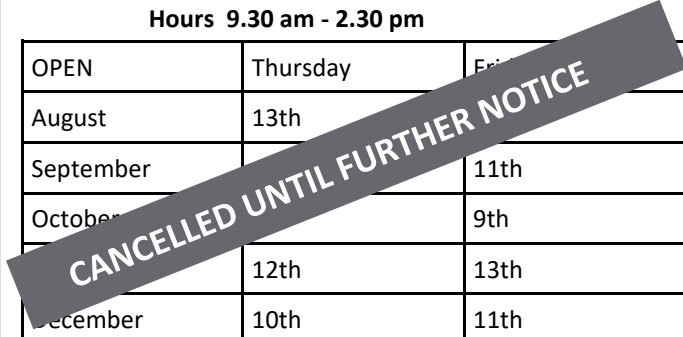
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Clint is a qualified mechanic and tyre technician with over 20 years of experience in the industry. His knowledge is extensive and the pride he takes in his work makes him a great addition to our team.

Please feel free to pop down and welcome Clint to the Bunyip Tyre Service Family.

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Cheers

Graham Briggs

Have you seen our Local Business Directory? It's FREE and it's LOCAL ...

Are you looking for a service and wanting to support a local business? Are you wondering what services exist in our community? The Bunyip & District Community Bank is collecting details of local businesses so you can support local too.

With COVID-19 impacting all businesses across Victoria, we were extremely conscious of our local community and the businesses that exist here and the impact on them. The Bunyip & District Community Bank and volunteer Board of Directors decided that a great way we could assist in spreading the word and supporting our community would be by creating a Local Business Directory.

We set to work on contacting as many businesses as we could in order to let our community know about them. From there the first edition was created. We printed it in branch and placed it in distribution points where we knew an 'Essential Service' existed so as many local community members as possible could get their hands on the information.

While Facebook is the place that a lot of local businesses promote their services, a lot of members of our community aren't necessarily using Facebook but are still looking to be kept informed of the services on offer in our community. Our aim is to make the Local Business Directory a one stop shop for that information.

Our community has responded with vigour and with the recent release of our second edition we have

almost doubled the number of local businesses listed. We know that this still isn't all the businesses that exist within our community and we want to hear from you so we can include you as well. Remember the listing is FREE and if you live or operate locally, we want to include you.

Our Community Corner will be a new addition to our October listing. It will be the section where we share all our local community groups' contact details to assist you if you're looking for a way to get involved with a group.

Copies of the Local Business Directory are available from the following locations:

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IGA Bunyip
Garfield Post Office
Tynong Post Office
Nar Nar Goon Post Office
Maryknoll Post Office

Alternatively, you can ask at your local café as they have small quantities available also. We will also be posting the Local Business Directory online on our Facebook page or if you would like to receive a copy electronically why not email Nicole Morris and have your email address added to our distribution list.

To be included in our next quarterly EDITION, please contact Nicole Morris at the Branch either on 0413 103 953 or Nicole.morris@bendigoadelaide.com.au. Your details need to be received by COB Friday 18th September to make it into our October listing.

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Bunyip & District Community House Moves To Garfield

By Roman Kulkewycz

The only thing holding back the Bunyip & District Community House programs is the current COVID-19 restrictions. The Committee and Manager have planned lots of exciting activities once the restrictions are lifted.

Until recently based in Bunyip, it became necessary for the House to relocate as the lease had run out and was not for renewal. The rent was a problem too, so where to find a suitable alternative? The Cardinia Shire Council offered a vacant building in Beswick street in Garfield. It's located near the swimming pool and has a huge bitumen car park on flat ground which is a bonus for those with a disability and use walking aids. "At the moment we are at the setting up stage with lots of room being taken up with Foodbank supplies", said Manager Nicole Lucas. "We are awaiting the arrival of a shipping container which will be fitted out to expand our facility.

It's the dawning of a new era for the Community House which had it's 18th birthday this month (July)'.
Nicole has been touched by the support and friendliness of the Garfield locals, many of whom have popped in just to say "hello and welcome". So far there has been an increase in membership of 15% and it's anticipated to increase further once we "open".
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Roman Kulkewycz - Photo



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The Committee



Once again the working bee organized to continue to beautify our lovely local cemetery has been postponed due to Covid lockdown regulations.

We will notify our community with a new date once the lockdowns and virus subside ! Wishing all our local community health and happiness in these uncertain times .

**Tony Ross on behalf of the
Bunyip Cemetery Trust.**

the shipping container a face lift! Bunnings East Pakenham have donated Rust Primer, brushes etc to prepare the shipping container before the mural goes on.

This is a Community Collaboration Mural.

******* CALL OUT TO ARTISTS!!!**

in Garfield, Bunyip and surrounds, we welcome you all to submit a design and help bring the design alive! Designs ideas - all sports of the rec reserve, skate park fun, community, care, respect, flowers, iconic buildings...

Any questions please contact us via email: gcggarfieldcommunitygarden@gmail.com or share your ideas on our face book group.

Guy Price has graciously agreed to assist us with the mural!!

Check out Guy's amazing work on facebook - Artworks by Glyphik

Happy Gardening.

Garfield Community Garden

July 2020

Update

Winter is here and Early Spring is near as we are delighted to see the first Daffodils blooming. Our Nectar Feeders Project of local native plants are showing many colourful petite flowers. We have lost a few of the original plant labels which we do plan to make larger signs with more info of each plant and how it helps the native pollinators, native bees, honeys bees and native wildlife like the Southern Brown Bandicoot.

The community garden space is shared by many visitors with locals making it their destination on their daily walks, stopping in to sit awhile, pick some herbs or veg and clear some weeds. We also have a few residents who contribute their fruit and veg scraps to our compost bins – thank you as this waste helps us to build soil.

With the covid restrictions the community garden team, attend the garden in ones or twos throughout the week and every weekend. We use hand sanitizer and easily keep to the 1.5metre social distancing – as it's a big space J

The third Wicking bed was completed recently and is growing a progression planting similar to Wicking Bed #1 of a lovely mix of greens, snow peas, peas, lettuce, spring onions, radish & spinach. Carrots in Wicking bed #2 are almost ready to start harvesting. Our pumpkin patch was great again this year, with many enjoying a locally grown pumpkin! The Asparagus is sleeping & the Yummy Broad beans are just starting to flower.

Exciting News!!! We are painting a Mural!!!

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What's over the next hill?

These are strange times we're experiencing at the moment and only time will tell how they will be remembered in the decades to come. Going from complete and precious personal freedom just a few months ago, to now experiencing our second wave of Covid restrictions is not only hard on jobs and the economy, but increasingly now our mental health and wellbeing.

People obviously have different ways of dealing with stressful situations, and one of my favourite ways in dealing with the stress and anxiety, oddly enough, is to throw a leg over a motorbike and go for a long cruise to nowhere in particular to blow the cobwebs out. However, with restrictions in place it's difficult to know when we'll be able to do this with any real confidence....but when we do come out the other end of this crazy pandemic, I for one will be out there

EXPLORING this magnificent region, state or indeed country...if the other states will have us!

Our country has suffered over the last few months – firstly in the aftermath of the devastating fires that swept across large parts of the country, and now with the Covid pandemic...so when we're allowed, go for a drive, better still go for a ride. Give a little something back to the many towns, communities, and businesses under strain. Pick a destination, grab a couple of mates and just go. But do it on a motorbike preferably!

Riding a bike not only taps into that 'Rebel without a cause' side of your personality, but as I've said before, it also heightens the senses -

the temperature changes, the smells like cut grass, bonfires, roadkill, that wet forest odour. You become more aware of road surfaces and road conditions such as dips in the road, leaves on the corner, potholes, ripple strips, oil patches, gravel and so on. Speed feels faster, bumps feel rougher, bugs hit harder – basically, its more bang for your buck!

So get your respective machines ready, and when Dan takes the state leash off, be sure to go and explore our beautiful rural regions, and give a little back to our struggling communities. Go for a ride and see what's over the next hill?

Write to me on the above email if you have any comments, questions or suggestions. Until next month, stay safe....cheers



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Annie Pateman – Author The Strength Within

Annie is a local resident of Garfield and has lived in Garfield for 18 months but has always lived in the area, mainly Upper Beaconsfield and Beaconsfield.



Annie has just published her first book – The Strength Within – which is a memoir, published by Austin Macauley Publishers. Annie is a 3 times cancer survivor and writes about overcoming challenges, adversity and building her resilience. The memoir does not focus on the disease, but on her strategies on overcoming the illness. Here is a small extract from her book.

“ It was December 1979 – I was 3 months pregnant with my second

child. I was suffering excruciating pain in my left leg - I couldn't walk, I couldn't stand, I couldn't sleep. The pain had started a year earlier and was getting progressively worse. In just a year, I'd gone from being an active young woman to being almost entirely incapacitated. The journey to find the crux of this pain was going to be almost as diabolical as discovering the diagnosis.

Another three months passed and I went for my six-month check-up to my obstetrician at the local hospital. He told me everything was fine... but it definitely was not!! I weighed 42 kilos and my left leg was abnormally swollen. I'd been dealing with chronic pain every day for almost 18 months. On the 1st April 1980 - I underwent a biopsy - the lump, the size of a tennis ball on the inside of my knee, was identified as a tumour - Ewing's Sarcoma - a rare form of bone cancer. It was such a relief to finally discover the cause of the pain because I could

now tackle and overcome this obstacle and move on with my life or could I? The surgeon advised it was operable, fortunately... but at the cost of my leg and almost in the same breath said the baby may not survive due to the trauma of the surgery. I was 26 years old and 26 weeks pregnant. That was my first confrontation with cancer - two more to follow.”

Annie believes the strength is within us all. There is light at the end of the tunnel, even when you think everything is hopeless. You just have to keep going, especially when it seems like you have nothing left. *Annie's book is available from the usual websites – Amazon Aus, Booktopia and Amazon Kindle. Alternatively, you can purchase a signed copy from Annie's website*

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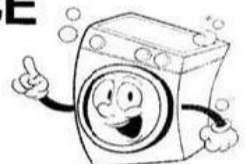
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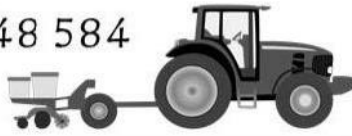
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Cardinia Shire Council has a new and improved hard waste collection service! From 1 July 2020, hard waste is a bookable service in Cardinia Shire Council. The bookable service replaces the previous twice-yearly shire-wide collection service.

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Hard waste collection bookings can be made online at www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/hardwaste or by calling Customer Service on 1300 787 624.

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Bunyip Cemetery Anne Green – 0499 295 772 or bunyipcemetery@dcsi.net.au

Bunyip & District Community House – 0481 895 509

Bunyip & District Fire Station 1800 240 667 or 000

Bunyip Hall Hire Sue Anderson – 0407 834 443 or susananderson@dcsi.net.au

Bunyip Historical Society 0419 156 844 - bhs@dcsi.net.au

Justice of the Peace (JP)* Martin Sayers, OAM JP – 0411 074 468 or 03 5629 5339 S. Don McLean, JP– 0401 655 303

Bunyip Landcare Group Sue Anderson – 03 5629 5587 or susananderson@dcsi.net.au

Cannibal Creek Landcare Group Pam Cunningham – 0407 876 935

Bunyip Community Market Tony Arrigo – 0407 563 441
(Last Sunday each month)

Longwarry & District Fire Brigade Market Janine – 0419 158 946 (1st Sunday each month – March to December)

Bunyip Medical Centre 03 5629 5111

Bunyip & District Men's Shed Tim Cavanagh Secretary/
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Bunyip Community Op Shop 03 5629 6117 (After hours Tony Arrigo – 0407 563 441)

Garfield Community Op Shop 0490 141 918

Bunyip Police Station 03 5629 5205 or 000

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Bunyip Scouts Australia Tracey Cooke
gl.1stbunyip@scoutsvictoria.com.au

Bunyip & District SES 1800 240 667 or 000

Anglican Church of St Thomas Bunyip Raelene Carroll – 03 5644 3388

Bunyip Country Women's Association Bunyip CWA:

Wendy - 0417 352 258 Liz - 0413 587 634
(Meeting at 10.30 am/craft 11am on 4th Tuesday at Hillview Aged Centre - Eileen Dawes Rooms)

Garfield Community Garden - Meet Every Weekend - Meg 0466 496 107 gcggarfieldcommunitygarden@gmail.com

Labertouche & District Hunters Group

Meet 2nd Saturday Bi-Monthly at Labertouche Community Centre Contact Trevor 0439 692 602 email :

knightline58@hotmail.com

Bunyip Social Hub

Contact Davina 0420 372 998 bunyipsocialhub@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CLUBS

Bunyip Equestrian Club (Adult Riders) bunyipecc@gmail.com
(1st Saturday of the month Pound Road Reserve)

Bunyip Bulls Basketball Club
info@bunyipbullsbasketball.com.au

Garfield Bowling Club - Judy Pocklington email garfieldbowlingclub@gmail.com

Tournament or Twilight Bowls – 0490 154 149

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Bunyip Junior Football Club President Noel Mollison – 0438 513 443 or _noelxchloe@bigpond.com

Bunyip Netball Club Secretary Deanna Gallasch – 0408 505 292
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Bunyip Patch Workers Club Barb – 0407 294326

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DOES YOUR LOCAL CLUB / COMMUNITY GROUP DETAILS NEED TO BE ADDED OR UPDATED?

Let us know your details and get more people involved.