

# BUNYIP & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWS



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### **Hands On For Science Students**

By Roman Kulkewycz



Situated among fertile agricultural land at Garfield is Agpath Laboratories. The Laboratories sit on 24 hectares and are unique in Cardinia Shire and in Australia. providing an independent laboratory experience for science students in particular. Agpath has workshops throughout the year for people interested in biological agriculture, compost making, and soil health. Director and Principal Scientist, microbiologist Dr. Mary Cole PhD, MIAI, MSAA, MGAIAC says that by assisting students with their agricultural studies she is able to pass on her knowledge and expertise and give back to the next generation of young scientists. In her 40 years of introducing a biological approach to agricultural systems in Australia and around the world, Mary is still passionate that factory farming cannot be long-term sustainable and philosophical enough to know that she may not see the changes necessary to save our ecological systems in her lifetime. This is why she is making every effort to help the

next wave of young scientists see that their life, their world, depends on soil health. Agpath has third and fourth year agricultural students coming for a semester to do a "Work Placement" program for which they get a subject credit. Agpath was established in 1980 and over the past ten years has hosted students from the University of Melbourne and La Trobe University. A student came for an internship from Egypt in 2018 after having the Agpath team in Australia recommended to her by an international scientist in the same field. Its principal and owner is Dr. Mary Cole who is assisted by two staff. Agpath is an analytical, research, development and educational scientific complex that serves the farming community worldwide. Dr. Cole and Agpath are recognised by Victoria University and Melbourne Polytechnic as a provider of agricultural education for professionals who have agricultural degrees up to and including PhD level from their countries of origin who must carry out a 10-14 weeks of professional development as part of their Australian residency VISA. Agpath has had PhDs from Iran, India and Ghana. Kathleen Robinson, 20 years of age, from Pakenham Upper is a student currently studying her third and final year in Agriculture at La Trobe University who attends Agpath every Friday. Kathleen began her placement in March and will complete in June. She said that applying her theoretical studies into practical knowledge under the guidance of Dr. Cole has been of great benefit to her future. "I have watched farmers interact with the laboratory in solving their problems and seen the gratitude shown when those problems have been resolved." Dr. Cole's passion for people to understand and preserve our planet is infectious.

Recently, 15 year old Ruby Hansen, a year 10 student from St Paul's Anglican Grammar School in Warragul, completed a week of Work Experience. Ruby said that she has always had a fascination for science and her Work Experience week at Agpath allowed her to see the things she is studying at school from a practical perspective. "It's brought my studies to life," she said.

This month we have some great feedback on one of our recent stories. Turn to page 9 to read more about country policing from the Sergeant running Maffra Police station.





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### Di's Talent Brings Cheer

#### By Roman Kulkewycz

Dianne Patten's quilting and sewing talents coupled with her generosity of spirit has seen many organisations benefit from her work.

Dianne, who lives at Cora – Lyn has her creations on display and for sale in her shop "Bunyip Maker's Market" in Bunyip. She has been sewing for thirty years and quilting for the past twenty in between sharing her life with partner Barry, three sons and six grandchildren.

With her close friend Gwenda, Dianne ran a Quilt show for three years which raised \$14,000 for breast cancer. She has also been supporting "Pankina" an auxiliary of the Royal Children's Hospital for twenty years. At a local level, Dianne has been involved with the Bunyip Uncle Bob's Club for thirty five years collecting and counting money.

Her work has also assisted fire victims through donations to the C.W.A. and the Fire Brigade. Dianne said that if she feels that if the cause is worthy, as people do have battles at some stage during their lives, she likes to chip in and help wherever she can. One of her favourite causes is the "Very Snuggly Quilts" that she makes and donates for terminally ill children at the Royal Children's Hospital. The Garfield Bowls Club, Bunyip Primary School, Lang Lang Pre School and a wall hanging quilt donated to the Mountain Cattlemen's Association to raise funds are some of her other very generous gestures.



Her most memorable quilt is called "Around Australia" which was made after she and her late mum in 2014 attended a Quilter's Retreat at Dookie College near Shepparton. "Mum who was a dressmaker was the inspiration that got me started in quilting. After we returned from the retreat, we each made an "Around Australia" quilt." That quilt is not for sale and has a special place in my heart.

Dianne's talents include the making of bunny rugs, wall hangings, doll's clothes and baby jackets just to name few.

"I love living and working in Bunyip. The townspeople here are always friendly, kind thoughtful and helpful. It makes me feel like I am part of an extended family".

Dianne's favourite quilt "Around Australia" is special to her as it reminds her of happy times quilting with her late mother. **Photos by Roman Kulkewycz** 

## Biggest Morning Tea In Garfield By Roman Kulkewycz

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for the past 27 years has brought together millions of Australians over a cuppa in support of those affected by cancer. The Garfield community has been a part of this nation wide campaign which this year hopes to raise in excess of \$13 million.

Although the date of the official Morning Tea is Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> of May, the Garfield community hosted theirs last Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May at Jefferson Place in Garfield. Due to Covid-19 restrictions and the lock down last year this event was not able to be held in 2020.



Garfield event organiser Wendy Smyth said that she was delighted with the attendance and it was good to see the smiling, happy faces return. The total raised was in excess of \$1400.00



#### TALKIN' ....FISHIN' ...... The Weed Guards

Some of us have the unfortunate habit of losing a few lures each fishing trip, regularly decorating trees, fences or underwater forests. All experiences are both frustrating and expensive. One way to prevent or at least minimise this occurrence is to fit weed guards to your lures or flies. While not impeding the hook-up with a fish, it does protect the hook point from fouling up on snags and weeds.

The added fixture to your lure shouldn't disrupt the swimming action, so it should be of a minimal size, hang belly down to keep the balance but still be effective and visually hardly noticeable by the fish. The idea is to be enough of point guard to kick it over a snag or pass through weeds but still be able to be chomped over and penetrate a fish's mouth. The tubing style should be fitted over the point carefully but not pushed too far as to go past the barb, as it won't pull free. Snag prevent your soft plastics by pushing the hook right through the body then aligning the hook alongside and close to the body. Not all lures are possible to do

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this with, certainly trebles cause a problem in this way, but consider changing to a single hook, and then fitting a monofilament nylon guard, still an effective tackle choice.

Bass lures and flies especially have been using these techniques for years because of the snaggy environment this species of fish loves to inhabit. Retrieving lures without the fear of fouling it on the undergrowth gives you a certain confidence in tossing your lures or flies into the timbers where the quarry tends to lurk. Getting the fish out of there is a whole other issue.

Weed guarding your hooks has a few choices in protective armour, fur or hair covering the point, a loop of heavy mono, a length of clear hollow tubing, nylon brush fibres, and lastly wire bent to shape. (Stainless steel guitar string is perfect for this). There is always room for improvement, try out your own designs.

The Bunyip Social Club has been inaugurated for the purpose of passing in a friendly way a few of the long hours of the now fast-approaching withter nights. The preliminary meeting was held a week back, and received good support. On Monday night last in Kraft's Hall, the committee, con sisting of Messre. Strafford, Pearson, Kraft, Schmutter, and E. Vickery, with Mr. H. Roger as Treasurer and Secretary, decided to open the club with a euchre tournament. The club now numbers over 40 members. Two trophies are offered by Mr. Kraft, on which occasion ladies will provide refreshments. The initiation fee is Is., and the subscription fee 6d. per month. Weather permitting, a good night is anticipated.

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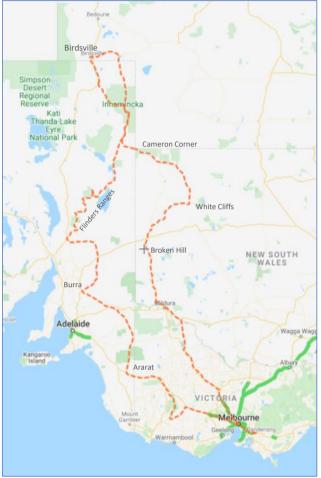
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#### The 2021 Breakout Ride...





Over the next couple of editions I'll write about a motorbike trip that myself and 3 biking mates completed just recently to central Australia. We called this our 'breakout ride'...given last year's Covid restrictions, lockdowns and the various border closures, the boys were now itching to get some serious km's under the belt, and perhaps a little dust in the teeth!

Two mates were riding fairly new Honda Africa Twins, another was on a 2014 Triumph Tiger and I was on my 2012 KTM 990 Adventure – a good stable of very capable machines.

The intention was to mostly 'wing it' and not necessarily follow a set route...deciding along the way like the free-spirits that we thought we were. We did have one clear objective and that was to head north 'somewhere' and ride as much of the off-road gravel tracks as possible. However, the reality was that the recent flooding in Queensland caused the closure of a number of roads and especially the outback tracks, plus there was the ever present constraint of available fuel stops, so we did plan the route...at least a few days in advance. By the end of

the 2 weeks we would complete over 5,000kms, two thirds of which was on gravel/dirt/sand tracks, crossing the borders of 4 states and several national parks and deserts.

We rode up through western NSW, thankfully avoiding the growing mouse plague problem via Broken Hill, where I had to spend a day with a brilliant local bike mechanic, Tas, at Rob's Dirtbike Repairs (no relation!) to find a problem that caused my KTM to cut-out at slow speeds. After 7 hours and stripping down half the bike, numerous checks and probes, as well as numerous laptop diagnostics, we found a few grains of sand in the connector to the crank positioning sensor was the culprit, and after cleaning out the connector the bike ran like a dream!

After leaving Broken Hill we ventured northeast to the opal mining community of WhiteCliffs for a few beers and the compulsory chicken parma before camping about 200kms south of Tibooburra. A beautiful mild night, good mates, vigorous conversation, red sandy ground, crackling fire, and a couple of drinks under a full moon...tell me how it can get any better!?

"Mister Misinformation": the next day we rocked up to Tibooburra in the early afternoon, and whilst having dinner at the pub we were approached by a fellow biker, also on an Africa Twin. He and 5 others had set out on a 280km round trip to Cameron Corner that morning but ran into some trouble on the way. So much so that he turned back after just 60km claiming that the sandy road was just too rough and hard to ride. One of his mates actually came off breaking a number of ribs and having to be trucked out, leaving his Ducati motorbike out in the middle of nowhere! Not only

that, but his remaining four mates took until around 8pm, about 10 hours after first leaving, before limping back into Tibooburra. Its fair to say that we were more than a little anxious, given that we were doing exactly the same track the next morning!

Cameron Corner was only 142 kms and so we set off by 8.30am, expecting the worst. By 10kms in we were quietly pleased with the road conditions – wide, smooth gravel, obviously recently graded. At the 30km, 40km, 50km and then the much-anticipated 60km mark we kept riding through expecting the worst sand traps ever...which never eventuated! The track did have a few soft sandy stretches, at times a challenge on the big fully laden bikes, but for the most part it made for fantastic riding, on a glorious morning, nothing like what was described the night before.



Hitch-hiker Mike: Most days we would ride anything up to a couple of kilometres apart, especially on still mornings, to avoid riding in each others dust. But on this morning there was a nice steady cross-breeze which allowed us to ride closer together. About 30kms out of Cameron Corner, I was riding behind my mate Birchy when all of a sudden a guy stepped out of the salt bushes to our left. He waved at Birchy, who gave him a quick glance but to my complete surprise, kept riding on! I pulled up next to the fella, who waved at me considerably more enthusiastically, and asked what he was doing out there. Turns out Mick was a fencing contractor working on the dog fence in the area and had managed to get his Landcruiser work vehicle bogged

in deep sand. He'd already walked a few kilometres and all he had with him was half a bottle of water and some sunscreen! Mick was particularly embarrassed about his predicament, but needed a ride into Cameron Corner to get help to pull his vehicle out... and my first reaction was to ask if he had a helmet! He climbed aboard my bike, and off we went...my first desert pillion passenger! Pulling into Cameron Corner, Mick did cop his fair share of sledging from the local publican, who also fired up his 4WD and immediately went out to help pull the Landcruiser free. We'd made it to Cameron's before midday, and had thoroughly enjoyed the road that morning.



Suffice to say we were a little baffled by what we'd been told but it just proved to us once again that you need to do your own due diligence, and research and questioning when it comes to travelling through our wonderful outback regions.

In next month's issue I'll continue to describe the journey and experiences from the iconic Birdsville south and the tracks through and around the spectacular Flinders Ranges.

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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## Comparing Early and Modern Policing from a country copper's viewpoint.

We had some great feedback from the April articles on policing - here is what our star reporter Roman Kulkewycz received from Sergeant Anthony Dessent of Maffra Police.

"Good afternoon Roman.

Today I have noticed a copy of the Bunyip and District Community News on our mess room table along with your Business Card. (I'm assuming you dropped it in)

I have just had a read of your article titled "Early Policing at Maffra" and found it to be a very entertaining read so I thought I would drop you an email in appreciation. Just some background on myself and my thoughts on policing in Maffra.

I am the current Officer in Charge of the Maffra Police Station, having worked at Maffra for the past 9 years. I am also a fan of local history, including local police history, hence the enjoyment I got out of reading your article. I also grew up in the area, having been born and raised on Dairy Farm in Denison, and going to school in Heyfield and later St Pats in Sale during the 70's and 80's. In reading your article, It brought back memories of police in Heyfield and Maffra during this time. Those memories may have influenced me in later life to join the police force, I don't really know but throughout my career my goal was to become the local copper of a small country station that locals respected and turned to in their time of need.

Your article details how policing has changed over the years, and to a large degree, that is true. Not always do I believe its for the best but unfortunately, the policies of Victoria Police, along with community expectations, have changed over the years. In saying that, I tend to buck the trend a little with management, and encourage the members that I manage, to actively engage with the Maffra Community as much as possible. We still head out into the bush and pull people out of bog holes, search for missing animals, heard cattle and sheep off the road when they get out ect ect...as well assisting with local schools and sporting groups with whatever they need from us. I believe this sets country police members apart from our city cousins and is integral in having better relationships within our local community.

I did have a little chuckle when you mentioned kicks up the bum and twists of the ears when discipling the youth of the town when they played up. I may have received this treatment from the local police in my youth. It was not unwarranted and may have led me to respect police more and look up to them. Although this is no longer accepted practice by police, I can assure you the youth of the town today are fully aware of what authority we hold and what our expectations are when it comes to behaviour. You are also right when you say some of the parents these days don't have the same view. Unfortunately this is sometimes the case.

In saying that, Maffra is a wonderful town with many many community minded people within it. It's a terrific place to police and I see myself, as do the other 6 members who work here, very fortunate to have the responsibility of looking after the place.

Again. Thank you for the article. I hope you don't mind but I have placed a copy of it in our foyer amongst some other local police history for people to have a look at when they come in.

Thanks again and kind regards."

Anthony DESSENT | Sergeant 36476 | Station Commander : Maffra Police Station



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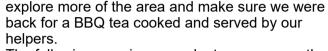
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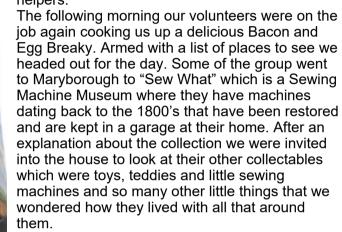
### **Bunyip Garfield Probus Club**

In April, 72 of our members went up to the Big 4 Caravan Park at Marong for a week. After settling in we gathered for Happy Hour and then went to the Marong Hotel for dinner.

The next day we visited 'The Great Stupa' and as we drove into the car park we could see this magnificent white building that stood out above the bush. After watching a video we were able to understand more about The Great Stupa and that it is the largest Stupa in the western world and offers a place for Peace and Harmony for all people and is very significant for the Buddhist Spirituality and the Tibetan Culture. We then wandered through the Peace Park enjoying all aspects of the gardens including The Prayer Wheels and Statues, the largest one being Quan Yin which was 7 metres high. The path gradually leads you up to The Great Stupa which is 48 metres in height and 50 metres wide at its base which is the same size and design as The Great Stupa of Gyantse in Tibet. One of their leaders talked about the Tibetan artefacts and the statues that were on display in this special place and showed us a Tibetan Horn then began blowing it. What an amazing sound!! We then had plenty of time to look at the things on display. It was so interesting and it definitely opened up a new world to us. The afternoon was free to explore the region before Happy Hour and then after dinner we enjoyed a Film Night.

On Tuesday we had morning tea which was provided by our good cooks. The rest of the day was free to





A must see at Maryborough was the Railway Station that was built in 1874 and is still very

impressive today with its beautiful garden out the front, and we wondered how such an amazing structure was built so many years ago.

Other popular places we had suggested to us to visit were Melville Caves at Inglewood, Bendigo Pottery, The Woollen Mills and the Bendigo Art Gallery, where there was a Mary Quant Exhibition. And of course there was shopping, including Opp Shops to seek out items for our "Pioneer" Theme Night.

On Thursday we all travelled to Colbinabbin Hotel for a lovely Devonshire morning tea before going to look at the painted Silos where we admired the work that they have achieved on such a large scale. We then moved on to Rochester to see more silos and then had lunch before visiting The Rochester Historical and Pioneer Museum to take a step back in time.

We then headed back to the Caravan Park for a quiet night.

Friday morning we had pancakes for breakfast then had a choice of relaxing or shopping before an afternoon of team games in the park.

That night we dressed up in our 'Pioneer' gear and went to Pratty's Patch at Maiden Gully for dinner. There were 'Miners', 'Bushrangers', 'Ministers of the Cloth', 'Maids', 'Chinese' (rich and poor!), 'Ladies in Long dresses with bonnets', a 'Jail Bird' and 'Special Ladies' to mention a few. During the night our resident poet entertained us with his humour much to our delight. At the close of the night the 'Fun Awards' were given out.

On Saturday we strolled down to the Marong Market and of course did some serious shopping. The stall holders were very pleased with us. A local organization was selling raffle tickets and one of our group won the prize.

In the afternoon we played some more games and had a lot of fun. On our last night our volunteers again cooked us up a BBQ tea which we all appreciated.

Many Thanks to all who helped in any way over the week and a big thank you to the team who organized the whole trip away.

The next morning was Anzac Day so we gathered together for a Dawn Service in the park with one of our group leading the service. After we had a cuppa we then said our Goodbyes before heading home after a great week of fellowship and fun. Publicity Officer

### Help us 'green' Cardinia Shire with free plants for residents

Help us create a greener Cardinia Shire by participating in Cardinia Shire Council's free native plant giveaway. To celebrate the opening of the Cardinia Environment Coalition's (CEC) nursery at Deep Creek Reserve, Council is giving away two free indigenous plants to the first 2,000 Cardinia Shire residents who take up the offer.

The plants will be available at CEC's nursery at Deep Creek Reserve following the opening of their new facility from 7 May 2021.

The nursery is a project that has been nine years in the making with Cardinia Shire Council, Cardinia Environment Coalition, and Pakenham and District Golf Club working together on the initiative.

Cardinia Shire Council Mayor Councillor Brett Owen said the free plant giveaway would encourage residents to plant native species in their gardens.

"Native plants are so important for our biodiversity. They provide nectar, pollen and seeds that serve as a food source for insects, butterflies, birds and other wildlife. Once established, they can survive on rainfall alone and do not require fertiliser.

"Council is proud to support our community to create a greener, cleaner Cardinia Shire through the investment of 4,000 native plants for residents to plant in their gardens," Cr Owen said.

The plant giveaway opens at 9am on Friday 7 May 2021 and will run until 18 June 2021 or while stock lasts.

Cardinia Shire residents must bring proof of address to CEC Nursery at Deep Creek Reserve to receive two free indigenous tube stock plants. The types of plants residents can choose from are small to large woody stem trees but please note you will receive the plant as tube stock.

The plant giveaway is limited to the first 2,000 residents to take up the offer. Two plants per household.

CEC Nursery at Deep Creek Reserve is located at 62 Cameron Way, Pakenham. It opens to the public on 7 May and from then it will be open from 9am-12pm on Fridays. For more information about the nursery, visit <a href="www.cecinc.net.au/cec-nursery">www.cecinc.net.au/cec-nursery</a>, email <a href="mailto:nursery@cecinc.net.au">nursery@cecinc.net.au</a> or phone 0417 373 690.

For more information about the free plant giveaway, please contact Council on 1300 787 624.



## The Way Back Support Service

#### SUICIDE SUPPORT SERVICE

Wellways has begun delivering a new program in Gippsland to support our community members who are affected by suicide.

The Way Back Support Service supports people who have previously attempted are among the most at risk to take their own life and the three months after an attempt is a particularly vulnerable time.

The Way Back Support Service helps people through this critical risk period. It's an innovative suicide prevention service designed by Beyond Blue to provide non clinical one-on-one care after a suicide attempt or suicidal crisis (a person experiencing distress, suicidal thoughts and articulating an intent to die).

If you, a family member of friend requires support during these times please contact:

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A Message From Russell Broadbent
Farmers are stewards of our land, and in this week's *Just As I See It* I discuss how our local farmers are leading change.

I've been speaking with our farmers recently, to understand how they are responding to changes in the environment – most recently Jo Wainer, Rob Liley and Gill and Graeme Nicoll.

Farmers are adapting their methods in response to the changing climate. For some it means calving in Autumn instead of Spring or putting rams in with ewes a month earlier because of changed feed growth patterns. They are monitoring and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

These farmers are stewards of the land and all the creatures which live there. They care about the environment. They fence off bushland, creeks and dams and plant thousands of trees to increase the productivity of the land and provide habitat for wildlife. This keeps the waterways clean and supports diversity in the soil microbes.

Some of this is just good farming, and some is a response to the warming climate. These farmers see a time when Australian agricultural exports will be rejected by other countries because of our low ambition on climate. Key agricultural organisations such as the National Farmers' Federation, Meat and Livestock Australia, Dairy Australia, and Australian Pork Ltd are driving research to reduce the impact of the climate on Australian agriculture. Our food exports bring in billions a year and a carbon tax at the borders of Europe and other countries will devastate this market.

As Australia heats up, we must protect the agricultural land of Gippsland. It will become the food bowl for Australia. Australian agriculture is ready to transition to a net zero carbon emissions environment. We may well lose our markets if we don't act.

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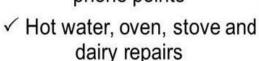
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# Project Update



**UPDATE #21** 

#### Community information sessions

As the EES for the proposed Bunyip North Quarry nears completion, there will be further opportunities for the community to review the information, provide comment and, ultimately, provide a submission to the Minister for Planning.

Due to the uncertainty posed by COVID-19, Hanson has designed a community information process that will offer 24/7 access to all the information required. A specially produced website will make the three volumes of the EES available, which will includes 25 chapters and each of the study reports. The website will also advise on how to make a submission, including links to the relevant State Government website i.e. Engage Victoria or Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP).

The purpose of the website is to make the EES information available digitally as well as notification as to how those who need them can obtain a copy in USB form or hardcopy. The aim of providing information in this digital format will be to allow the existing conditions and impact assessments to be more easily accessed (through a search function) and navigated to key areas of interest. The same information presented in hardcopy will be mirrored in the digital version. The only difference between the two formats (digital vs hardcopy) is that the digital information will be more interactive, and a search function will enable you to search for key words of interest.

To ensure all community members understand how to navigate the digital version of the EES, Hanson will conduct an online session. It will be an online community information session presentation via Microsoft Teams or another suitable platform and is likely to be conducted in late July 2021, shortly before exhibition commences. Information about the session will be provided through a Project Update, an email or letter will be sent to all community members on the Hanson Bunyip North Quarry Community Contact Database (CCD), and the session will be advertised for several weeks prior in the Berwick Pakenham Gazette.



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## BUNYIP NORTH QUARRY EES

## **Project Update**



**UPDATE #21** 

When the Minister for Planning authorises Hanson's EES for public exhibition, the exhibition period is set at a 30 day minimum. At the Minister's discretion, the duration of the exhibition period may be extended. Exhibition is anticipated to commence sometime between August and September 2021.

During the exhibition period, Hanson will conduct Open House information sessions across several dates and times. The format of this event will be dependent upon COVID-19 regulation applicable at that time. As with the online information session, details regarding the Public Exhibition Open House sessions will be advised via a mail out to CCD registrants, distribution of a Project Update, and advertising in the Berwick Pakenham Gazette

Meanwhile, if you have any queries or would like to register to be included on the CCD to receive project updates do not hesitate to contact us via our project email address at <a href="mailto:community.bunyipnorth@hanson.com.au">community.bunyipnorth@hanson.com.au</a> or call the Project Development Manager, Nathan Cherry, on 0438 035 474

#### Project Schedule

As indicated in Project Update #20, preparing the updated schedule for the EES following resumption of the process has involved engagement with the relevant consultants and regulators. During 2020, there were a number of staffing changes within several of the regulators which has required representation of information, including a tour of the proposed quarry development site. This requirement has again impacted timing and, as such, we have provided the an updated Indicative Project Schedule (refer page 3).

With regard to the schedule for timing of EES exhibition, submissions, conduct of the Inquiry Panel and the Minister's Decision are all highly indicative and outside Hanson's control.

For further information about the Bunyip North Quarry project, or to contact the Project Manager:

Website: https://www.hanson.com.au/about-us/regulatory-information/bunyip-north-quarry-ees/

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### STOP HANSON'S BUNYIP NORTH QUARRY

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#### MEGA QUARRY THREATENS YOUR FUTURE NOW: HELP STOP IT NOW.

Dear residents.

Hanson Construction Materials (Heidelberg Cement, Germany), has indicated that they will complete their Environmental Effects Statement (EES) by April 2021. The EES details their quarry plans and how they say their operation will affect the area.

From April, the EES will be available for public review and all parties, including residents, are invited to examine the EES and make submissions indicating concerns and objections that they have regarding the Hanson plans and its effects on the area.

It is vital that all residents take part in this process. Once the EES is released, residents will only have up to 30 business days to review documentation and make submissions. The EES and its related submissions are what Planning Minister Richard Wynne MP uses to form his decision on whether or not the proposed project is approved or rejected.

The Mount Cannibal and District Preservation Group (MCADPG) is also preparing to oppose the quarry; however, we need your support to succeed against this well-funded, international corporation.

These types of project proposals have been defeated in the past and can be defeated in the future if it is clearly shown to the Minister for Planning that they:

- are being proposed in an inappropriate location.
- do not have a social licence to operate.
- would do more environmental and social harm than good,
- · lack merit, i.e., would bring nothing of value to community and surrounds in which they propose to operate.

For the past 15 years Hanson has lacked community engagement, refused to answer key question and has failed to work with all stakeholders. While we may dislike Hanson for their ethics and morality, it is this project's lack of merit that will ensure the rejection of their proposal.

The MCADPG have been reviewing Hanson's referral documentation that formed part of their submission to the Minister for Planning in 2013. These studies were commissioned by Hanson and performed by their appointed specialists who expressed a number of concerns about the project. It is from these documents that we know:

Hanson Construction Materials is proposing to extract 2 million tones of granite every year from a new Bunyip North site bigger than the Melbourne CBD for a period of 70-100 years. At full production, the quarry would require 7-10 people on site and would see 550 truck movements on local roads/Princes Highway daily. Hanson/Vic Roads do not have plans to upgrade the roads at this time. Hanson has admitted to many social impacts including dust and noise emissions, ground vibrations, air blasts, road damage and alteration of landscape. Hanson wants to remove 100+ acres of native vegetation, and their operation plans to flatten 3 hills with a pit 160 meters below ground level.

The scope within which the EES has been developed is narrow and it has been undertaken without direct community involvement. It is therefore up to us to now loudly and clearly point out where the issues are with this proposal and the damage that the project would inflict.

We ask all residents to now review Hanson's 2013 EES Referral Report (available on our website) and begin drafting individual concerns and objections to this proposal. If you require assistance in lodging your submission, or you would like to discuss things with a member of the MCADPG committee, please do not hesitate to reach out to us via the contact details below.

Kind regards, Mount Cannibal and District Preservation Group.

#### More information:

- www.stopthebunyipnorthquarry.com or find us on Facebook and Instagram
- EES information: <u>www.planning.vic.gov.au</u>
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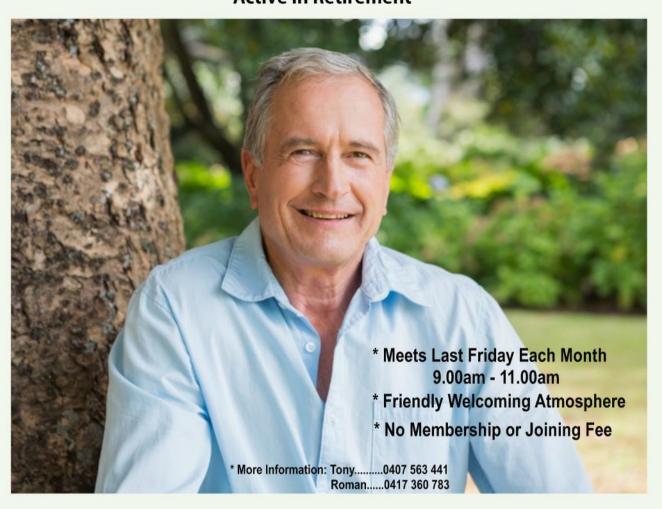
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#### BRAG update

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**Recreation Reserve:** BRAG is working with the Recreation Reserve Committee Of Management and BJH Electrical on a plan to reduce the Reserve's carbon footprint...We would like to thank all user groups for their support so far.

 The energy consumption audit has been completed and, at the time of writing, we await the auditor's report and recommendations before we proceed with further plans.

**Statement Of Support:** Reminder to show your support by signing this statement....you will find a copy at Biddy's, at the Bendigo Bank and in the Public Hall as well as in your sports clubhouse at the Recreation Reserve.

Schools Strike for Climate: Sadly the rally in Warragul had to be cancelled due to excessive red tape



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## Regular Updates



For regular updates on Hanson's Bunyip North Quarry EES Project, please register with the project Community Contact Database.

You may register your preferred contact method as email, phone or postal letters.

Please be advised all project update communication distributed via the database are also available via the Hanson Webpage.





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Thursday June 17	3.00pm	Hillview Bunyip (22 A'Beckett Rd.)	
Sunday June 20	9.00am	Longwarry Union Church (9 Drouin Rd.)	
Sunday June 27	9.00am	Bunyip Uniting Church (9 Nash Rd.)	
Sunday July 4	9.00am	Garfield Uniting Church (13 Garfield Rd.)	

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and conclude with food and good conversation.

SUNDAY 4 JULY St.THOMAS' FEAST DAY Bishop Richard Treloar

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Today we welcome the Koromburra-Bena FNC to our home deck.

Last week, we played Cora Lynn on a very chilly day down at the Dome and came away with just the one win in the reserves. The injury curse continued but hopefully we will start to get a few players back.

The under 16's had a tough day but are continually learning. Nate Vandenbroek was again good, while Tahi Murphy also impressed.

The 18's competed well and went down by about 4 goals. These boys are

going well and regularly have players in the ones. Ed Hately-Smith and Lachie Johnson the best.

The reserves got back on the winners list and are playing a good style of footy.

Robbie Hughes kicked 3, Jack Tomkins started and Brad Wolfe has settled in nicely.

The senior group, again minus a number of key players, went down to a quick and polished Cobra outfit.

Jeb McLeod was good in an unfamiliar role while Alex McMillan battled one out in the ruck.

Tonight we have our famous doubles function and look forward to a great night Aussie

#### SENIORS GAME DAY REPORT

Tim McGibney

ROUND 4 - NAR NAR GOON 14.11-95 def BUNYIP 12.13-85

ROUND 5 - PHILLIP ISLAND 25.23-173 def BUNYIP 2.6-18

ROUND 6 - CORALYN 14.19-103 def BUNYIP 5.11-41

Another tough game and another disappointing result. We played well in patches and showed glimpses of our ability but unfortunately were unable to capitalise on our chances in front of goals and wasted early momentum which made our things difficult. Finally starting to get some players back from injury so fingers crossed for a better result this week.

### **RESERVES GAME DAY REPORT**

Smitty & CJ

#### **ROUND 4 - BUNYIP 15.12-102 def NAR NAR GOON 4.2-26**

Last Saturday Bunyip turned on the weather and gave us a perfect day to take on Nar Nar Goon on our home deck. All the reserves put in a great week on the track with a huge attendance on Thursday night, which makes for a great vibe around the club.

Brandon Pompei kicked the first major for us and we finished the first quarter with five goals straight as a result of some great ball movement. Jake Buckingham played his first game for the year and had immediate impact through the midfield.

Best on ground went to Tom McLean after another goal kicking masterclass booting seven through the big sticks. Four on the trot for the reserves boys with great depth in the list. We look forward to the next challenge at Phillip Island.

ROUND 5 - PHILLIP ISLAND 5.9-39 def BUNYIP 5.7-37

#### ROUND 6 - BUNYIP 10.9-69 def CORA LYNN 2.3-15

Last week the reserves had to wait an extra day for our footy fix as we took on Cora Lynn on a Sunday. After being handed our first loss by Phillip Island the week before the boys were all eager to bounce back.

With a wealth of knowledge lining up against the Cobras the reserves showed how well we can play when we work together and play our brand of footy. His holiness Robbie Hughes lead the goal kicking for the game booting three and doing countless other acts to keep the ball in our forward fifty. The Haddrick brothers put up another dominant day in the ruck giving our midfielders first use, one of those mids being Brad Wolfe who was easily in the best for us on the day.

Best on ground went to a half back Jack Tomkins who had a plethora of intercept marks and rebounded for us exceptionally, his best game of the season thus far. Jack can play both ends of the ground and always puts in 100% effort.

This week we welcome Korumburra to the 3815. Good luck to all other grades of football and netball.

#### **COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

Bunyip & District Agricultural Society Philippa Demsey – 0450 380589 or \_bunyipshow@gmail.com (Meets at 8pm on 3rd Wednesday at Bunyip Community Hall)

**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/Treasurer 0458 142 727 (Meets each Wednesday 9:30am to 2:00pm)

**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
Bunyip R.S.L Sub-Branch David Papley – 0438
295 568

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 <u>bunyipsocialhub@gmail.com</u>

Drouin and District Chess Club meets 7pm every Monday at the Drouin Senior Citizens Club 1 Oak St. Drouin. Contact Nick de Weger convenor 0413239717. New players welcome.

#### **COMMUNITY CLUBS**

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

**Bunyip Bulls Basketball Club** 

info@bunyipbullsbasketball.com.au

Garfield Bowling Club - email garfieldbowl-

ingclub@gmail.com - 0435 355 352

Tournament or Twilight Bowls - 0411 288 799

**Longwarry Bowls Club** Trevor or Judy Eastwell – 03 5623 3631 or Ken White – 03 5625 4034

**Bunyip Bulls Cricket Club** Arch Robb – 0402 678 552

or Ian McConnell - 0419 400 630

**Garfield Golf Club** Thirteen Mile Rd, Garfield – 03 5629 2794

**Bunyip Football Club** Secretary – 0422 335 660 or bunyip.f.c@bigpond.com

Bunyip Junior Football Club President Noel Mollison – 0438 513 443 or \_noelxchloe@bigpond.com
Bunyip Netball Club Secretary Deanna Gallasch – 0408 505 292 or \_bunyipnetballclub@hotmail.com
Bunyip Patch Workers Club Barb – 0407 294326
Bunyip-Garfield Probus Club Secretary – 5625
4350 (Meets at 10 am 1st Tuesday each month at

Bunyip Pony Club Wendy Smith 0407 552 295 (every second Sunday Pound Road reserve)
Lillico Pony Club Brett Withall 0407 500 211 (every fourth Sunday Pound Road Reserve)

Rotary Club of Bunyip-Garfield Graeme Squires – 0417 105 598 (Dinner meeting each Wednesday at 6:30 pm)

Bunyip Singers Club Dorothy Myers – 03 5629 5601 (Meets at Bunyip Hall every Monday 9:30 am) Bunyip Slimmers Club Maree McRae – 0468 411 144 (Meets every Wednesday at Bunyip Uniting Church)

**Bunyip & District Soccer Club** Adrian Gatti – 0417 590 830

**Sorella Callisthenics Club** Samantha Holt – 0421 424 079 or

sorellacc@hotmail.com

Garfield Community Hall)

**St Vincent De Paul Society** Assistance Line - 1800 305 330

Bunyip Tennis Club Vanessa Kent – 0401 422 084 Bunyip Uncle Bobs Club Len Trewin -0427 867 797

The Justice of the Peace signing and witnessing centre is at the Warragul Library at 75 Victoria Street. Local JPs provide their services at the Library from 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday.

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