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Outstanding Community Contributions Recognised

A number of Buloke's outstanding contributors were recognised for their dedication to the community at Buloke Shire Council's Australia Day Eve Awards, presented at Berriwillock Community Centre on Wednesday evening.

Among them, Len Storey of Wycheproof, was named Citizen of the Year, while Tessa Fitzpatrick, of Charlton, was named Young Citizen of the Year.

Event of the Year Award joint winners and International Mountain Day and Lions Club of Wycheproof "Show and Shine".

Citizen of the Year

Len Storey's life is filled with everyday acts of kindness, reacting as he sees a need, repairing or improving aesthetic features around town, working solo, without others noticing.

In collating his contributions, his nominees quickly realised he is an altruist to the extreme. He truly embodies the aphorism that giving is a powerful pathway to personal growth and happiness.

Len was born and raised at Wycheproof, where his family's hard-working farming ethic and iconic traits of a "true Australian and Mallee boy", were instilled from a young age. At the core of these was the importance of having passion as the foundation of giving.

"There is nothing Len hasn't contributed to across the Wycheproof community – over time he has been part of everything," wrote Mick Giddings.

Len is currently active in the celebration of "The Bills Water Trough" structure at Bakery on Broadway, and is finalising the details for the official plaque. He is also busy erecting an historic windmill structure in the refurbished Wycheproof P-12 College school grounds.

Len is always on top of weed control management at Railway-place, church precincts and other landmarks about town, as he believes it reflects community pride.

In recent months, he has engaged with local students in creating entries for the Steam-punk on Broadway Exhibition, completed minor storm damage restoration works to the Glenloth Hall and Wycheproof Cemetery, created floral art installations to "lift people's spirits" during COVID-19, and celebrate National Wattle Day and the re-opening of Bakery on Broadway.

He has been a keen athlete and tennis player his entire life and this enthusiasm evolved into volunteering and

serving as a committee member and president of many clubs in and around Wycheproof.

They include, but are not limited to, the Lawn Tennis Club, Lions Club, Cemetery Trust, Football Club, Men's Shed, Agricultural and Produce Society, Landcare, Young Farmers, Hospital and Hostel, Railway Group, Historical Society, Museum Court House and the town's former historical education centre, Glenloth/ Teddywaddy Fire Brigades, Charlton/Wycheproof Citizens' Band, St. Michael's Parish Wycheproof and Wycheproof Roman Catholic community, now East Wimmera Parish.

Len's natural leadership ability and professionalism also elevated him to representative positions on the Victorian Farming Federation Board and other similar consultative groups. He did not relish the spotlight, rather the opportunity to share his infectious passion for community, which has complemented his endless contributions throughout his entire life.

Young Citizen of the Year

Tessa Fitzpatrick has been described as an inspirational role model for the youth of Charlton.

She began adding her "voice of youth" to many community organisations from an early age, broadening these natural leadership abilities beyond her secondary school roles in School Representative Council, as House and Sports Captain, to becoming an ambassador on Rotary Exchange to Canada.

Throughout this time, Tessa was active in the local Youth Group. Her passion for participation in local sports, as a Charlton basketball and hockey player, has also been enriched with hockey umpiring and coaching, and as the Junior Girls' co-ordinator of Charlton's Basketball Association.

Her willingness to put her hand up to make a difference in Charlton is amplified by the number of organisations she quickly reconnected with and reached out to, since her return to Australia from Canada, where she also worked briefly.



• Buloke Citizen of the Year Pictured (L-R) Buloke Shire Council Mayor Cr Daryl Warren with Len Storey of Wycheproof.



• Buloke Young Citizen of the Year, Tessa Fitzpatrick, of Charlton.

Tessa chose to work locally and study online to continue to live in the community.

She is current president of the Charlton Hockey Club, has just nominated for a second term to the Charlton Neighbourhood House (CNH) Committee, and continues as an active member in a promotions and media capacity with the local Agricultural and Pastoral Society.

One of the CNH's link committee members for OK-Hotels, she co-ordinates community engagement between stakeholders, as well as the roster of local hospitality staff.

Tessa's passion for the natural environment has been pivotal to reinvigorating the Charlton Landcare Group's activities, as without her energetic injection, its activities may still be dormant. Her influence has also ensured that the "natural environment" is now considered as part of the CNH future strategic planning.

Elected as president mid-year in 2021, she has commenced the mammoth task of rebuilding this organisation. In this short window, she has already delivered two well attended diversity walks, and submitted applications for funding bird hides along the Avoca River and at the Wooroonook Lakes.

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• Australia's newest citizens, Carmella Capispian, Mera Bartlett and Rhealyn Rabanes.

Welcome to Three Dinkum Aussies

Buloke Shire welcomed three new citizens at an Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony held at the Australia Day Eve event, livestreamed for all to watch together online from the Berriwillock Community Centre on Wednesday evening.

In conducting the Ceremony, Buloke Shire Mayor Cr Daryl Warren said it was also an opportunity for all Australians to share what Australian citizenship means to them.

Member for Mildura Ali Cupper MP presented Citizen Certificates and a native plant to Rhealyn Rabanes, Carmella Capispian, Mera Bartlett.

"There is no greater privilege than our citizenship," Mayor Warren said.

"It's a life-long commitment to Australia's shared values, including respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, the rule of law and democracy, and equality of opportunity for all people."

Virus Outcomes: Border Permits

The “Buloke Times” has had occasion to comment on the Coronavirus, and has briefly referred to the situation for those who wished to cross the Victoria- New South Wales/South Australia borders.

The Victorian Ombudsman has now come out with a report severely criticising the state (Victorian) government for its handling of the border permit scheme.

In her investigation, the Ombudsman found that only 8% of 33,252 applications for exemption were granted by the Victorian Department of Health between July and September of the year 2021.

The investigation resulted from complaints by people living, in the normal course of events, in Victoria, but refused exemptions to travel to Victoria. Many of them were effectively homeless because of that refusal.

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The Ombudsman said that the overwhelming majority did not get to a decision-maker at all, and “the guidance did not change even as case numbers in Victoria grew and the risks evolved...The result was some of the most questionable decisions I have seen in my over seven years as Ombudsman”.

A spokesperson for the government said the report would be considered, and the border permit system had been revoked - there were now no domestic travel restrictions for travel into Victoria.

The shadow Agriculture Minister commented that in that time he had received thousands of calls from

Victorians, including farmers, who were denied an exemption to return home.

Among them were “sick Victorians unable to travel for critical medical treatment or to be with family, and farmers prevented from travelling to farms to tend live-stock and crops”.

It was not only that people were stuck in New South Wales. Those in communities along the Murray River or the border with South Australia were powerless because decisions were made (or not made !) in Melbourne.

Opposition interests are clearly not prepared to let pass by, without examination, the initial lack of decisions which led to so many deaths in the state. It can be seen that they, (as well as the independent Ombudsman), are not failing to oppose when something else goes wrong.

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Event of the Year

The International Mountain Day event, celebrated at Mount Wycheproof, drew international attention and re-connected the community to this significant geological wonder, known as the “Smallest Mountain in the World”.

The event engaged and reunited the community on a number of levels. ABC Wimmera Radio broadcasted their Breakfast Show from the top of the mount, inviting past and present residents to be interviewed or call-in and contribute to the live discussion, or just listen and reminisce.

Preparation for the event involved significant restoration works to the site, including improved public access, and renewal of walking tracks for preservation of the natural environment.

One of the key drivers, Jackie Noonan, who collaborated with the Friends of Mount Wycheproof to envision and create such a wonderful event, is given special mention.

Lions Club of Wycheproof “Show and Shine” is a major fundraiser for the community and many other charities that the Wycheproof Club supports.

The 2021 annual event was the fifth time it’s been held on the Sunday of the March long-weekend. The number of beautifully restored cars, motor-bikes and trucks, and distance these enthusiasts travel to be part of the event continues to climb.

Organisers remain committed to being inclusive of new ideas to put Wycheproof on show and reinvigorate the program of activities that complement the event.



• Dual winner of the Buloke Shire Council Event of the Year “International Mountain of the Year”, Friends of Mount Wycheproof, pictured with Mayor Cr Daryl Warren (left to right), Jackie Noonan, Alex Morrison, Mayor Cr. Warren, Martin Duke, Rebekah Lowe (Breakfast Presenter ABC Wimmera) and Andrew Kelso (producer ABC Wimmera).



• Dual winner of the Buloke Shire Council Event of the Year ‘Show and Shine’ – Lions Club of Wycheproof pictured with Mayor Cr Daryl Warren (left to right), Ian Marquis, Alex Morrison, Barry Crocket, Phil Gilleland, Elaine Ison Ritchie, Lynda Rumbold, Suzy Morrison and Len Storey.

MALLEE FARMER

Monthly supplement for The Buloke Times, Sea Lake & Wycheproof Times Ensign, North West Express and Robinvale Sentinel.



Flying the Flag

Lucy and Des Coffey fly the flag at the Birchip Australia Day Breakfast, where Julie Coffey was announced as Birchip Citizen of the Year.

Rainey Daniels provided the key note address in an interview with Birchip Community Forum secretary John Richmond.

Details of that address, and report from President Jak Goldsmith, with photos from the breakfast will appear in Tuesday’s “Buloke Times”.



A Goode Choice as Donald Citizen

Quiet achiever, Anthony (Tony) Goode, is Donald's latest Citizen of the Year.

Glowing testimonials from a lengthy list of organisations left no doubts as to Tony's contribution to the community since his arrival in Donald from his home town, St. Arnaud, in 1987.

In that time he has taught a variety of subjects at the Donald High School, including Year 12 Physics, Mathematics, History and Woodwork.

But his work has extended far beyond the classroom, as evidenced by written commendations referred to by Australia Day M.C., John McConville, at the Memorial Park on Wednesday morning.

Whilst education was, understandably, high on the list,

other pursuits to which Tony has given his time and talents have included St. Mary's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, and recycling of products for the benefit of countless causes.

On the sporting front, Tony has been awarded life membership of the Donald Tennis and Hockey Clubs, and the North-Central Football Umpires' Group.

Event of the Year

Named as Donald's Event of the Year was "Taking Care of Business", organized by the Donald Chamber of Commerce.

Held in the Anderson Blue Room at the Donald Recreation Reserve, the event aimed at bringing business

and the general community together.

Business representatives spoke of their experience, and the evening concluded with a Q. & A. session. Catered for by the Donald Show Committee, the event was attended by people from Warracknabeal, Rupanyup, Birchip, Donald, Charlton and Wycheproof.

Guest Speaker

Australia Day guest speaker was Helen Hilis, who spoke of her time as a resident of Donald. More details on Helen's illuminating address will appear in next Tuesday's "Buloke Times"

A barbecue manned by Donald Lions Club members rounded off a memorable morning in the park.



• Donald's Citizen of the Year for 2022, Tony Goode (right) with MC John McConville.



• Donald Chamber of Commerce and Industry representatives, left to right, Nicole Nunn and son Harry, Kez Duncan (chairperson) and Stacey Morris (secretary), after receiving Donald's Event of the Year recognition.



• Australia Day under Donald Park's shadiest tree.

Nominate Now for Volunteer Awards

Locals are being asked to thank the people in our community making a difference by nominating them for the 2021 Volunteering Awards.

Nominations close on Friday, January 28, and Member for Northern Victoria, Mark Gepp, is encouraging people from across the region to get involved.

Victorians have pulled together like never before over the past two years – supporting each other through COVID-19 – now is the time to say thank you to the volunteers, organisations and leaders who have been supporting Northern Victorian communities.

The awards recognise and celebrate volunteers across the state across eight awards categories, including for leadership, service, impact and teamwork.

Anyone can nominate a team, leaders or individuals doing great work – and it's quick and easy.

For the first time, the 2021 Volunteering Awards are being combined with the Premier's Volunteer Champion Awards to recognise and honour the thousands of people across our state who give their

time, energy and skills to support others.

Award highlights include the prestigious Premier's Volunteer of the Year Award, recognised with the Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Award. The winner will receive a \$10,000 prize to donate to a not-for-profit organisation of his or her choice.

To nominate for the 2021 Volunteering Awards, or for more details, visit: volunteeringvictoria.org.au.

Entertainment at Donald Pool

Over the coming weekend, an inflatable water-based play station will be set up in the Donald pool.

Donald 2000 has organised for the station to be in Donald, and will also be providing free Zooper Doopers to pool users.

Chairman, John McConville, encourages local residents to take advantage of the opportunity.

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Maddie Jennifer Bilkey,
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to proud parents,
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Jennifer Bilkey and great-
granddaughter to Marjorie
Goldsmith.

DEATH WHITE (Ryan).— Joan Frances 5/6/1929 - 22/1/2022

Mum, I'm glad you're
finally at peace.

I'll miss your smile and
the warmth of your eyes.
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caring and loving Mum
and I'll miss you so.

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Much loved mother-in-law
of Lindsay Rodda.

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thankful for my time.

Adored Granmee of Tom,
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Rest peaceful Granmee.

DEATH

BOWEN.— Peter James
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Loved and respected father
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Forever in our hearts.



BOWEN.— Peter
26/01/2022

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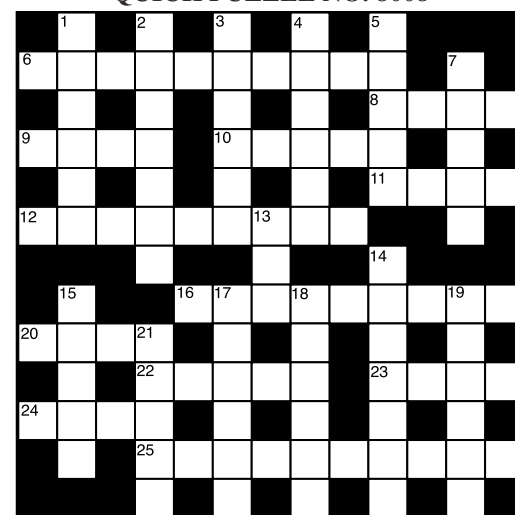
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- Perfect (5)
- Jealousy (4)
- Bird (9)
- Quilt (9)
- Work (4)
- Puzzle (5)
- Liberate (4)
- Joint (4)
- Seize (10)

DOWN

- Implement (6)
- Language (7)
- More unsightly (6)
- Fondle (6)
- Entire (5)
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Celebrations at Centenary Park

(By Quill)

A good turnout of people arrived for Australia Day breakfast and service at Centenary Park, Wycheproof. The Lions Club of Wycheproof hosted the gathering, serving bacon and egg breakfasts to appreciative guests.

It's always pretty relaxed and friendly over at Wycheproof, but even more pleasant was no need to check in, or wearing of masks out of doors, and smiles were everywhere you looked!

Lion Barry Crockett welcomed everyone to the morning service and started by acknowledging the traditional owners of the land and in particular, welcoming and honouring any aboriginal or Torres Strait islanders present.

Speaker

He then introduced the guest speaker, Leading Senior Constable Darrin Sheahan, who was to talk about what being Australian means to him.

Mr Sheahan spoke about growing up in suburbia, when it used to be more of a community, where you knew your neighbours, and kids played in the street, with a common curfew of "when the street lights go on".

He went on to a successful schooling, though he didn't enjoy the classroom, followed by joining the workforce. Mr Sheahan explained a strong desire to serve that might have been inspired by his paternal and maternal grandfathers who served in World War One and Two respectively.

He joined the police force, and following the academy, was assigned to some of the more difficult areas of Melbourne where he learned that



• Left to right, Councillor Carolyn Stewart, Leading Senior Constable Darrin Sheahan, Lion Phil Gilleland, Lion Barry Crockett, Wyche Alive president Martin Duke, Youth of the Year Hayley Mathieson, Buloke Citizen of the Year Len Storey, and seated, Wycheproof Citizen of the Year Eddie Malloy.

community of the suburbs he knew from his childhood was long gone.

After many years of enduring some horrific and lasting experiences, Darrin Sheahan decided that the time for country policing was 2016, when he moved to Wycheproof with his family, and he could once again enjoy that feeling of community, see kids playing in the street, coming home before the streetlights come on, and where everyone knew everyone else.

To him, the feeling of contributing to a true community is what being Australian means. Australia offers opportunity to anyone wanting to achieve their goals; despite broken homes, no further education, one can still attain success if they are willing to reach for it.

Awards

Following the guest speaker's interesting talk was the National Anthem and the Raising of the Flag, after which, Barry Crockett returned to the mike to call up the president of Wyche Alive, Martin Duke to present the Wycheproof awards.

Event of the Year went to International Mountain Day, held on December 11, 2020 and co-ordinated by Jackie Noonan; it even attracted ABC radio to the event, broadcasting from the mount. It was a great day enjoyed by many and very worth of the award.

Young Citizen of the Year award went to Hayley Mathieson, who is always willing to volunteer her time to help. She is not only a superstar netball coach of the younger players; she also plays "A" grade herself. Hayley is heavily involved with music, Wycheproof P-12's music captain and a talented clarinet player.

Wycheproof's Citizen of the Year went to a very humble Eddie Malloy, his long list of notable contributions within the town – far too many to



• Eddie Malloy humbly accepting his Wycheproof Citizen of the Year award.

mention – were waved off with his hand, and he vowed revenge on the person who nominated him, named and targeted on the day. A known gentleman, Eddie still visits the elderly, since he doesn't consider himself to be one.

Councillor Carolyn Stewart attended to present the Buloke Shire awards, where Wycheproof featured prominently. Wycheproof's Len Storey was named Buloke Shire's Citizen of the Year, and two events in Wycheproof shared the Event of the Year, Wycheproof's Show and Shine, and the International Mountain Day.

Closing the day, Lion Barry Crockett thanked everyone for attending, especially those

who assisted on the day, officially closing the proceedings with the announcement, "we've got more food for

those who missed out!" Sounded a bit like what it means to be Australian.



• Guest speaker Leading Senior Constable Darrin Sheahan spoke about what being Australian means to him.



• Phil Gilleland raises the flag as the National Anthem is sung in Centenary Park.

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Commitment to Community

At the 2022 Australia Day ceremony at Birchip Memorial Park Julie Coffey was announced as the Birchip Citizen of the Year and presented her certificate by Danny Glen, representing last year's winner, Joan Glen.

Julie has demonstrated exemplary service to her community over the past four decades. She held her first executive position as secretary of the Birchip Netball Club committee in 1985, and still holds executive positions on the Birchip Tennis Club and Birchip Leisure Centre some 36 years later, in 2021. Julie was also a long serving volunteer and executive member of the Birchip Agricultural & Pastoral Society, holding the position of secretary for ten years and working tirelessly to support the Birchip Shows. Her voluntary work throughout the past 36 years has been vast and varied, and has left an enormous imprint on the Birchip and wider North Central community.

Julie is a passionate sports woman and has made a big impact on and off the courts. She has been awarded life membership of the Birchip-Watchem Netball Club, Birchip Lawn Tennis Club and the North Central Netball Association for her exceptional, loyal and outstanding contribution over an extended period of time.

Netball

She began her commitment to the Birchip Netball Club as a player in the Under-14 team in 1976, which was the start of a long playing career that extended through to 2012, where a broken wrist abruptly ended her career. However, playing netball and winning three premierships, was only a small part of Julie's contribution to the Birchip Watchem club.

In 1985, she was secretary, whilst her mother Lorraine was president, and she played an integral role during the amalgamation of Birchip Netball Club and Watchem-Corack Netball Club in 1997. Julie held the position of the first President of Birchip-Watchem Netball Club Inc. in 1997 and continued in 1998.

Julie was bestowed Birchip-Watchem Netball Club Life Membership in 1998 in recognition for volunteer contributions; which included being president and secretary, as well as coach, player, umpire, committee member, My Netball co-ordinator, score secretary, along with contributing countless hours at working bees and fundraising activities.

She played an ongoing key role in the court resurfacing and facility upgrade of both courts from 2007-2012, and set about writing grants and approaching sponsors and donors and liaising with Local and State Government during the court resurfacing projects. Returning her interests back to the court surfaces from 2020-2021, as a member of Birchip-Watchem Netball Club's court redevelopment committee. She provided her knowledge from the previous projects to Local Government capital works officers, and provided her expertise and time to many advisory meetings during the redevelopment process.

Julie's commitment extended beyond her local club. She was committed to higher level netball, where she represented the North-Central "A" reserve team, winning Country week in 1985, and dedicated to the North-Central Netball Association. Julie's calm demeanour, and wealth of knowledge of netball and laws that govern the sport, have ensured she continues to be a valuable asset to the club and association and an impartial listener in dispute resolutions.

At association level, Julie has been a highly respected, long serving volunteer of the North-Central Netball Association, and was awarded a Life Membership in 2012, when she was acclaimed for her administration roles, which included president, secretary, score secretary and tournament secretary,

Tennis

Julie has been the long-standing treasurer of the Birchip Tennis Club, where she has successfully managed the finances to ensure the longevity of tennis as a sport in the local community. She has been the driving force for many of the initiatives to improve access to facilities through grant applications over the past twenty years.

She has fulfilled a number of other roles as well as holding the title of treasurer, and the club would be lost without her leadership. She plays a large role in co-ordinating the administration tasks of the club, including liaising with Tennis Victoria, co-ordinating memberships and insurance and, most recently, as the COVID safe officer.

Club House

Julie takes great pride in the new clubhouse and takes it upon herself to come back on a Sunday after tennis and make sure the kitchen and toilets are spotless. She co-ordinates the purchasing of the supplies for cleaning and the kitchen and she replenishes the drinks and coordinates the cash tin every week. She is always there at social functions and is always actively involved in the subsequent clean ups, and she undertakes all of these roles with very little fanfare.

Life Member

Over the lengthy years of her involvement with the club, Julie has also taken on the responsibility of match day captain, marking lines on the courts and co-ordinating club championships. Her vast contributions over many decades have been recognised with a life membership to the club, and she now remains the last life member actively playing tennis for the club.

Julie has also been a regular representative of the Birchip Club at league AGMs each year. She has upheld the wishes and ideas presented by

club members, whilst also acting in the best interests of tennis in our district. Her patience and general good nature ensures she is a respected member of these forums, even when the issues discussed are contrary to her own views on the matter.

Blaze Aid

Julie provided exemplary support for the Birchip Tennis Club as co-ordinators charged with setting up and operating the blaze Aid Birchip camp for volunteers who came to assist local district farmers from the Watchupga and Watchem areas after the Christmas 2016 fires which damaged fencing.

The Blaze Aid Birchip Camp operated from late January and closed in mid-March 2017 and Julie's contribution to its success was considerable. Julie's community spirit and sense of loyalty to Birchip is remarkable and was expressed in her "can do" attitude and determination not to let the side down in terms of Birchip community reputation.

Julie's co-ordinating and organizational skills are substantial, and they were ably demonstrated by rallying local entities, individuals and groups, to assist with catering and other assistance for the smooth running of the camp. her personal donation of time, energy and goods was also significant.

Birchip Community Leisure Centre

Julie is a tireless volunteer of the Birchip Community Leisure Centre whose time and effort cannot be understated. She has been a representative on the committee for over 25 years. Since 2009, she has held the executive roles of treasurer and secretary, and since 2015 has held both of these positions simultaneously.



• Birchip Citizen of the Year, Julie Coffey.

Julie is always working hard to ensure that the facilities on offer at the centre and across the recreational reserve are of a high standard and remain a positive feature of our community. She is proactive in organising the ongoing maintenance of the building facility, organising grounds keeping, liaising with key stakeholders within the community and the Buloke Shire, which can involve many hours per week of her personal time.

Her commitment to the success of the facility has seen her successfully apply for many thousands of dollars in grant funding to assist with the regular upgrading of amenities. This is evidenced by successful applications to the Sustainable Communities

Funding round which provided \$15,000 towards the upgrade of the kitchen facilities at the centre, involvement in the Female Friendly Facilities upgrade worth over \$180,000 as well as being instrumental in gathering funds for the pumping and irrigation facilities upgrade. During Covid 19 restrictions Julie worked hard to ensure the facility accessed all support available and did this in her own time.

She has been instrumental in supporting the managers employed by the Birchip Community Leisure Centre, and has spent countless hours working to support large functions ensuring that events run smoothly and patrons and visitors to the centre have a positive experience — all of

these efforts being completed in a volunteer capacity.

Like many volunteers, Julie does not have to do what she does. However, she does it because of her love for her small community and her desire to see it prosper. In the case of the Birchip Leisure Centre, she acknowledges that is a community hub for many, and provides the platform for sporting clubs, many of which her children and now grandchildren will be involved in, into the future.

Julie has recently demonstrated her love of Birchip by regularly posting photos and interesting information on the "I Grew Up in Birchip!" Facebook pages. These posts reflect the way in which Birchip is changing, with an emphasis

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• Julie's family members: Back row, left to right, Kelsey Taylor, Sassia Coffey, Kellie Matthews, Debra Redman, Eva Coffey, Bec Coffey. Middle row: Tim Coffey, Ted Coffey, Julie Coffey, Loraine Cunningham, Pippa Coffey, Dan Coffey. Front: Lewis Coffey, Jed Coffey, Beau Coffey, Emma Coffey, Jett Hinds.

The Story of Julie's Life

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on promoting the town in the hope of attracting new families.

She still exhibits the same amount of energy and enthusiasm about volunteering as she has for the past 40 years and shows no desire to reduce her volunteer commitments any time soon! She is incredibly optimistic about the future of Birchip, and her passion is infectious.

Qualities

One of the most refining qualities about Julie is her ability to be open-minded and always think of the bigger picture – making Birchip a better place to live. She is very easy to work with on a

committee, and is always considerate about listening to what everyone has to say. She is very active in the positive awareness of Birchip and its facilities further afield, encouraging those to come and visit or just get actively involved. She is the quintessential team player!

The Birchip community congratulates and thanks Julie Coffey for her continued outstanding commitment and service to the Birchip and district community.

Julie thanked the Birchip Forum for bestowing his recognition on her and thanked the people who nominated her, adding that she felt

privileged to join the list of recipients of this citizen award, and like those before her have said, she said, “You don’t take on positions within organisations to receive accolades. Like many others, I work for the clubs I have, because that’s what is done in small communities, and volunteers help provide so many sports and events in our town, and the clubs really are the life of our town.”

Julie noted that she fell into doing executive roles with clubs, as that was what she had seen her parents doing. Her Dad “Doc” was in the Lions Club, Apex Club, Golf Club and the Leisure Centre, and Mum Loraine

was in the netball club and Tehum Lake Aquatic Club.

Julie said: “My first executive position at 22 was secretary of the netball club, when Mum was president, and in small towns, you get recognised as having a set of skills for fulfilling administration roles, and then you become targeted to take on these roles going forward, but I alone am not the making of this award. I have worked with many people in their roles as presidents, secretaries, treasurers, selectors, coaches and umpires, and they have all given many hours and dedication to their positions with clubs and certainly helped me in any role I was doing, and

helped to run effective organisations. So, thank you to everyone I have ever worked with in these clubs.”

Acknowledgement

Julie acknowledged Gary Connelly who mentored her in his ten years as president of the A. & P. Society, while Julie was in the secretary’s role and her employer, the Birchip P-12 School for its great support of her and the whole community, providing facilities and resources that help volunteer organisations in the community.

Julie noted that, last year, staff from the Birchip P-12 School fulfilled many roles in the community, including that of president and treasurer of

the Birchip Tennis Club, president of the Hockey Club, treasurer of the Aquatic Club, president of Wirrim CWA, president of the Hospital Auxiliary, president of the Trotting Club, treasurer of the CFA, president of the Netball Club, umpires convenor of the netball club, coaches of the netball and hockey club, junior tennis co-ordinator, junior cricket co-ordinator, auskick coordinator, secretary of Birchip Forum, and secretary of the Birchip Leisure Centre.

In concluding, Julie thanked husband Ted, who has been a constant support over the past forty years, and all the volunteers who make Birchip an excellent community to live in.

Kaylene is Charlton's Choice

During Charlton's Australia Day celebration at the Shire Hall on Wednesday, Kaylene Cossar was named as the district's Citizen of the Year, and presented with the award by the 2020 winner, Kevin Matthews.

Other Charlton awards announced were Young Citizen, Tessa Fitzpatrick, and Event of the Year, the R.S.L. Digger's Day “Thank You Dinner”. These two awards will be featured in the next issue of the “Buloke Times”, along with other observations and photographs by Jenny Pollard.

Those submitting nominations for Charlton Citizen of the Year pointed out that Kaylene has been heavily involved in numerous community organisations and projects over many years. However, it was her involvement in the establishment of The CIRCLE after the 2011 flood, and more recently, the Charlton Neighbourhood House, that was highlighted in her nomination.

After the devastating January 2011 flood, Kaylene stepped up to help the community and subsequently became a key member of the Charlton Recovery Committee and it's People's Sub-committee. The committee identified the need for a Community Resource Centre as a central point for individuals to obtain advice and support.

The CIRCLE

It was Kaylene who came up with the name “The Charlton Information Resource Centre and Learning Environment”, known as The CIRCLE. A location was secured and Kaylene sourced the bond and the first year's rent. Her amazing energy combined with her consummate skills as a communicator, networker and negotiator, led to The CIRCLE being painted by volunteers, furnished, and fitted with telephones and computers within a matter of days.

Kaylene's strong organisational skills were evidenced with her ability to match the numerous offers of help and resources with community groups and individuals in need. This included “The Buddy System” which involved volunteers visiting the vulnerable and isolated for a “Cuppa & a Chat”. Kaylene

also successfully negotiated with the East Wimmera Health Service for the provision of a psychologist for 2 days a week for most of the first two years of the life of the CIRCLE.

The CIRCLE eventually closed due to a lack of funding but had served the community admirably when it was most needed. Kaylene's input over that time was substantial and a large proportion of The CIRCLE's success can be genuinely attributed to her driving force, vision and dedication.

Neighbourhood House

In 2018 when new funding became available to establish Neighbourhood Houses, Kaylene was approached by Charlton Forum to assist with the submission to the State Government. A very strong application was submitted and was successful. Auspiced by Charlton Forum, a sub-committee was established with Kaylene as the inaugural chairperson. Again, she was the driving force, providing excellent leadership for her committee and strong direction.

Kaylene was instrumental in negotiating with the Rex Theatre to use part of its premises and she was responsible for producing most of the operational policies and procedures required to operate as a Neighbourhood House.

The Neighbourhood House quickly became operational, opening in February 2019, offering numerous services to the community. Kaylene was instrumental in fostering various collaborations with other community groups, and is also the driving force behind many of the programs and services it offers. It has since become an invaluable asset to the community. With her guidance they have secured numerous grants for many programs and projects in the three years it has been operating. Kaylene has been re-elected as chairperson for a third term, and continues to provide invaluable support to

the coordinator, other staff and the Committee, and dedicates many hours a week to its continuing operation.

In other community service, Kaylene served on the Charlton College P-12 School Council from 2006 to 2018, including two terms as president. An extremely hands-on President, during her first term Kaylene was a welcome support to the Principal during the construction of the new Primary School and Science & Language Buildings.

Kaylene was actively involved in her children's sport. Most noteworthy was her involvement with the Football Ladies' Auxiliary for approximately 10 years, holding the roles at various times of president, secretary and treasurer. She was also secretary of the Basketball Club for a period of ten years, in which she was involved in all aspects of the running of the club.

Charlton Park

Kaylene is a Charlton Park 2020 committee member and is manager of grants for the committee. She undertook the major work involved in obtaining the \$325,000 Building Better Regions Fund grant. She also contributed many hours to help prepare the new building to be ready for the opening.

Kaylene has been involved with the CFA for many years and at one point was employed as a Brigade Support Officer. She became secretary of the Yeungroon CFA in 2017 and has been secretary of the Volunteer Fire Brigades of Victoria for 2 years. She brings her extensive experience to these roles.

Economic Development

Kaylene is chairperson of the Buloke Shire Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee. This is a volunteer role, and she represents both Charlton and the wider Buloke Community.

She is currently involved in numerous community projects ranging from art and culture to the environment and community wellbeing. She is



• Charlton Forum President, Bruce Gardner is pictured with Charlton Citizen of the Year, Kayleen Cossar (left) and Charlton and Buloke Young Citizen of the Year, Tessa Fitzpatrick.

also a member of several project control groups including the newly completed River Front Project and the upcoming Streetscape works. Kaylene's dedication to the ongoing wellbeing and prosperity of her local community is outstanding.

Response

Thanking the Forum and her nominators, Kayleen said she was humbled to be a recipient, and acknowledged the volunteering work of many in the crowd.

While touching on the sensitivities generated by Australia Day, she emphasized that “Reflection, Respect and Celebration” were communal grounds upon which all shared agreement.

“Our community survives on volunteerism” she said, “and no one person can achieve what we as a collective have. I have been very fortunate to volunteer in a number of organizations, and I thank everyone involved in these for guiding me, mentoring and supporting me. Volunteering has helped me develop many skills, form many friendships and networks, and helped me feel connected.”

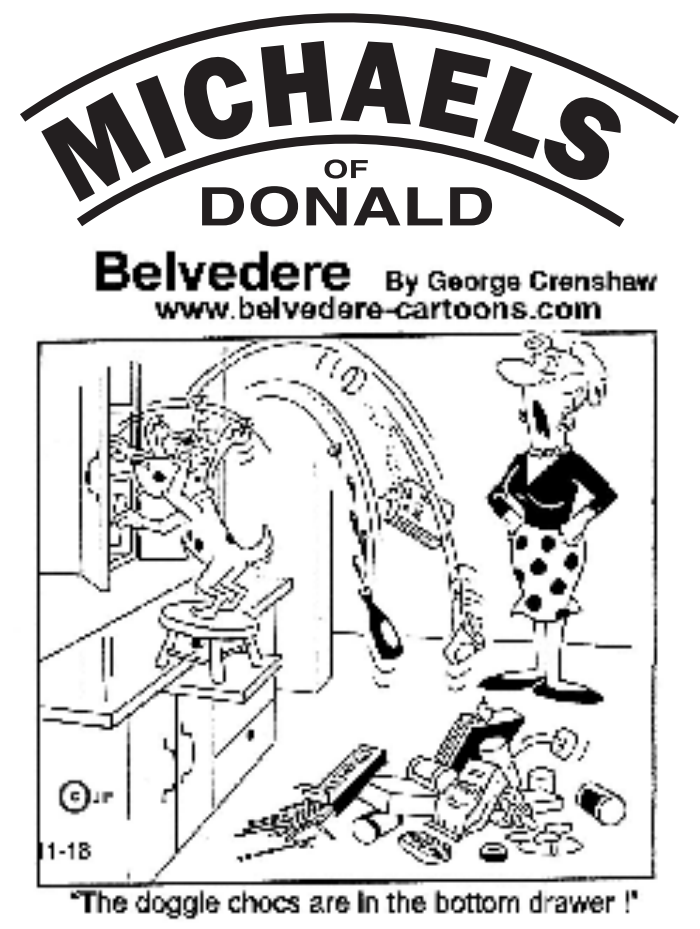
With goals of making community “better, stronger, more cohesive and inclusive and giving everyone a voice”, Kayleen said witnessing

Charlton bounce back from setbacks to become stronger and more vibrant has been the result of tireless community work.

In the long journey towards the establishment of the Charlton Neighbourhood House, Kayleen also acknowledged the many supporters,

highlighting Geoff Wright as a visionary, who unfortunately did not see this dream become a reality.

Thanking her family and friends for their “tremendous support”, Kayleen concluded by congratulating Tessa Fitzpatrick on both her Charlton and Buloke Awards.



YOUR THREE-DAY TV GUIDE Friday

ABC

6:00 News Breakfast [s]
9:00 ABC News Mornings [s]
10:00 Our Dementia Choir (PG) [s]
11:10 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces [s]
12:00 ABC News At Noon [s]
1:00 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One (PG) [s]
2:00 Noddy Toyland Detective 7:05 The Deep 7:30 Spicks And Specks (PG) 8:00 QI (M I) 8:30 Live At The Apollo (MA15+) 8:15 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (M s) 10:00 Gavin And Stacey (M s) 10:30 Insert Name Here (PG) 11:05 Schitt's Creek (PG) 11:25 The Trip To Greece (PG) 11:55 Archer (M I) 12:15 Dead Pixels (M I,s) 12:40 The Young Offenders (MA15+) 1:10 David Attenborough's Kingdom Of Plants

7:30 Monty Don's American Gardens [s] – Monty visits the east from Missouri to Chicago, then across to New York and Philadelphia, exploring prairies, city roof-top vegetable gardens, and the history of America's most famous public green space, Central Park.

8:35 Midsomer Murders: Send In The Clowns (PG) [s] – Things take a curious turn when Fabbes Circus comes to town, bringing with it a chain of sinister clown sightings, threatening notions and dangerous circus acts. Barnaby has to face his fears to solve the case.

10:05 Mum: Judy (M I) [s] – Kelly and Jason are up early and going on holiday. Michael's had a terrible night and has something he wants to tell Cathy.

10:35 ABC Late News [s]
11:00 Qi: Post (M I) [s]
11:35 Killing Eve: I Have A Thing About Bathrooms (MA15+) [s]
12:15 rage (MA15+) [s]

ABC TV PLUS (CH22)

5:00 Children's Programs **1:30** Tish Tash **2:00** Rusty Rivets **2:35** Book Hungry Bears **3:05** Curious George **3:30** Play School **4:00** Bananas In Pyjamas **4:25** Thomas And Friends **5:00** Nella The Princess Knight **5:35** Luo Bao Bei **6:05** Octonauts **6:25** Peter Rabbit **7:00** Dino Dana **7:30** Spicks And Specks (PG) **8:00** Hard Quiz (PG) **8:30** Movie: "Dead Europe" (MA15+) ('12) Stars: Ewen Leslie (In English/ Greek/ French/ Hungarian) **9:50** Doctor Who (PG) **10:15** Brassic (M I,s) **11:40** Qi: L-Animals (PG) **12:10** Community: Basic Lapine Urology (PG) **12:35** Parks And Recreation: Soda Tax (PG) **12:55** TBA **1:40** ABC News Update

ABC ME (CH23)

6:00 Children's Programs **7:10** Kung Fu Panda: Legends Of Awesomeness **7:35** The Fairly OddParents **7:55** The Neobuddhas **8:10** The Rubbish World Of Dave Spud **8:20** Hardball (PG) **9:00** Nella The Princess Knight **9:35** Luo Bao Bei **9:50** Octonauts **10:20** Teenage Boss **10:40** Jandal Burn **4:30** Detention Adventure (PG) **5:00** First Day (PG) **5:25** ITCH (PG) **6:00** Miraculous: Tales Of Ladybug And Cat Noir **6:30** Operation Ouchi! (PG) **7:00** Movie: "Leap!" (AKA Ballerina) (G) (M I) Stars: Ellie Fanning **8:25** Sluggers **9:40** The Young Offenders (PG) **10:00** Voltorn: Legendary Defender: Know Your Enemy (PG)

PRIME7

6:00 Sunrise [s]
9:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Pre Game [s]
10:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 2: Session 1 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
12:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 2: Session 2 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
2:40 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Tea Break [s]
3:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 2: Session 3 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
5:00 The Chase Australia (PG) [s] – Hosted by Larry Emdur, The Chase is a general knowledge race where players must ensure they stay one step ahead of the Chaser, some of the finest quiz brains in Australia.
6:00 Seven News [s] – Seven News live and comprehensive coverage of breaking news and local, national and international top stories, plus sport, finance and lifestyle news.
7:00 Cricket: Big Bash League: Final: Teams TBA 'Live' From TBA [s]
11:30 Movie: "Goodfellas" (MA15+) ('90) – The story of Henry Hill and his life, from his childhood relationship with his wife Karen Hill and his mob partners Jimmy Conway and Tommy DeVito in the Italian-American crime syndicate. Stars: Ray Liotta, Robert De Niro, Joe Pesci, Lorraine Bracco, Paul Sorvino, Frank Sivero, Tony Darrow, Mike Starr, Frank Vincent

7TWO (CH72)

6:00 Home Shopping **6:30** Travel Oz: Hamilton Island/ Mary Mackillop (PG) **8:00** Harry's Practice **8:30** Million Dollar Minute **9:30** NBC Today **12:00** Bargain Hunt: Angsey **1:4** 1:00 Million Dollar Minute **2:00** Lesion 7:00 The Exterminator (PG) **12:30** Pawn Stars (PG) **1:30** RSPCA Animal Rescue **5:00** Escape To The Country: Shropshire **6:00** Bargain Hunt: Oswestry **22** 7:00 Better Homes And Gardens Summer **8:30** The Amazing Race **9:00** The Australian Pickers (PG) **7:00** Pawn Stars (PG) **8:30** Movie: "War For The Planet Of The Apes" (M v) ('17) Stars: Andy Serkis **11:20** Movie: "Fire Down Below" (M I,v) ('97) Stars: Harry Dean Stanton

7MATE (CH73)

6:00 Home Shopping **6:30** Big Angry Fish (PG) **7:30** Creek To Coast **8:00** Storage Wars Texas (PG) **8:30** Pawn Stars (PG) **9:00** American Pickers (PG) **10:00** A Football Life (PG) **11:00** America's Game (PG) **11:40** Billy The Exterminator (PG) **12:30** Pawnography (PG) **1:30** Picked Off (PG) **2:30** Shipping Wars (PG) **3:00** PBR Australia: 2021 Monster Energy Tour (PG) **4:00** AITLH Timbersports (PG) **4:30** Heavy Rescue (PG) **5:30** Storage Wars Texas (PG) **6:00** American Pickers (PG) **7:00** Pawn Stars (PG) **8:30** Movie: "War For The Planet Of The Apes" (M v) ('17) Stars: Andy Serkis **11:20** Movie: "Fire Down Below" (M I,v) ('97) Stars: Harry Dean Stanton

WIN

6:00 The Talk (PG) [s]
7:00 Judge Judy (PG) [s]
7:30 The Bold And The Beautiful (PG) [s]
8:00 Studio 10 (PG) [s]
12:00 Dr Phil (M I) [s]
1:00 I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here! (PG) [s]
2:30 The Bachelor (PG) [s]
3:00 Judge Judy (PG) [s]
3:30 Left Off The Map [s]
4:00 Farm To Fork [s]
4:30 The Bold And The Beautiful (PG) [s]
5:00 10 News First [s]
6:30 The Project (PG) [s]
7:30 The Graham Norton Show (M) [s] – Join the hilarious and cheeky Graham Norton as he chats with famous guests: Sir Kenneth Branagh, Vicky McClure, Rachel Zegler, Rose Matafeo, Lemnuel Sandé.
8:30 The Graham Norton Show (M) [s] – Join the hilarious and cheeky Graham Norton as he chats with guests Ricky Gervais, Kate Blanchett, Ant & Dec, Elvis Anicic and The Streets.
9:35 The Montreal Comedy Festival (MA15+) [s] – Featuring stand-up comedy from the most famous comedians from Australia and beyond.
10:35 Steph Tisdell's Identity Theft (MA15+) [s] – Identity Theft is Steph Tisdell's rip-roariously funny show with insights interwoven throughout. Expect the laughs to be fast and deadly, with a mixture of daring, witty, personal and surreal comedy.

GO! (CH88)

6:00 Children's Programs **12:00** The Incredible Hulk (PG) **1:00** seaQUEST DSV (PG) **2:00** The A-Team (PG) **3:00** The Nanny (PG) **3:30** 3rd Rock From The Sun (PG) **4:00** That 70s Show (PG) **4:30** The Doctor Who: The Eleventh Hour (PG) **5:00** WIN News **6:00** Movie: "Antz" (PG) ('98) Stars: Woody Allen **7:30** Movie: "Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted" (PG) ('12) Stars: Ben Stiller **9:15** Movie: "Bad Neighbours" (MA15+) ('14) Stars: Seth Rogen **11:15** Malcolm In The Middle (PG) **12:15** The Carrie Diaries (M s) **1:15** Summer House (M I,s) **2:10** Love Island USA (MA15+) **3:00** Bakugan: Battle Planet (PG) **3:30** Ninja: Masters Of Spinjitzu (PG) **4:00** Home Shopping

GEM (CH80)

6:00 Home Shopping **7:00** Religious Programs **7:30** Home Shopping **10:30** Australia's Top Ten Of Everything (PG) **11:30** My Favorite Martian: Martin's Favourite Martian **12:00** Seaway: Hot Line (PG) **1:00** The Carrie Diaries (M) **1:30** Islands: Nearshore Islands (PG) **2:00** The Young And The Restless (PG) **3:00** Antiques Roadshow: Bowood House 2 - (Part 2) **3:30** Movie: "I Believe In You" (PG) ('52) Stars: Celia Johnson **5:30** Keeping Up Appearances (PG) **6:30** Antiques Roadshow: India Special **7:30** A Fire Inside (M) **8:00** Movie: "Blown Away" (M I,v) ('94) Stars: Jeff Bridges **11:55** The Equalizer (M v) **12:55** Garden Gurus Moments **1:00** Home Shopping

NINE

6:00 Today [s]
9:00 Today Extra [s]
11:00 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Pre Show "Live" From Melbourne Park [s] – Wide World of Sports presents the 2022 Australian Open, live from Melbourne Park. Join us for the opening Grand Slam of the year, with host Tony Jones and expert commentary throughout the tournament.
12:00 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Day Session "Live" From Melbourne Park [s] – Wide World of Sports presents the 2022 Australian Open, live from Melbourne Park.
4:00 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Afternoon Session "Live" From Melbourne Park [s]
6:00 NINE News [s]
6:30 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Pre Show "Live" From Melbourne Park [s]
7:30 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Night Session "Live" From Melbourne Park [s]
11:00 New Amsterdam: Double Blind (M) [s] – When tasked with turning the opioid epidemic around, Max shuts down the ED and proposes a massive change; Sharpe goes to great lengths to prove a point.
12:00 Reverie: Point Of Origin (M v) [s] – With an upgrade set for January, the team must deal with a renegade founder Oliver's attempt to bring it all crashing down.
1:00 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures: Dirt N Dust Festival (PG) [s] – Starting in Townsville, the Bondi Lifeguards head off on an epic road trip to Julia Creek.
1:45 The Project (PG) [s]
2:45 Football: Matildas v Thailand "Live" From Mumbai Football Arena, India [s]

BOLD (CH1)

6:00 Home Shopping **8:00** Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures **9:00** I Fish Summer Series **9:30** Jake And The Fatman (PG) **10:30** Diagnosis Murder (PG) **11:30** JAG (PG) **1:30** Star Trek: The Next Generation: The Neutral Zone (PG) **2:30** Jake And The Fatman: Wish You Were Here (PG) **3:40** Diagnosis Murder: Left-Handed Murder (PG) **5:30** JAG: Dangerous Game/ In Thin Air (PG) **7:30** NCIS: Masquerade (M) **8:30** Law & Order: SVU: Signatures/ Unbroken (M) **10:30** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation: A Little Murder/ Abra-Cadaver (M) **12:30** Home Shopping **2:00** Seal Team: All That Matters (M I,s) **3:00** NCIS: New Orleans (M) **5:00** Diagnosis Murder (PG)

PEACH (CH11)

6:00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) **7:00** NBL Slam **7:30** Seinfeld (PG) **8:00** Becker (PG) **9:00** The Middle (PG) **10:00** Frasier (PG) **11:00** The King Of Queens (PG) **12:00** Genera (PG) **1:00** The Big Bang Theory (PG) **1:30** Seinfeld (PG) **3:00** The King Of Queens (PG) **4:00** Becker (PG) **5:00** Frasier (PG) **6:00** Friends: The One With Rachel's Inadvertent Kiss/ The One Where Rachel Smokes/ The One Where Ross Can't Flirt/ The One With The Girl Who Gets Her Hair Cut/ The One With The Theory (PG) **9:30** Mom (M I,s) **10:30** Nancy Drew (M I) **11:00** Friends (PG) **12:00** Home Shopping **1:30** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (PG) **3:30** Becker (PG)

SBS

5:00 France 24 Feature News
5:15 NHK World English News
5:30 Worldwatch – Deutsche Welle English News **6:00** France 24 News **6:30** Al Jazeera English News **7:00** BBC News **7:30** Italian News **8:10** Filipino News **8:40** French News **9:30** Greek News **10:30** German News **11:00** Spanish News **11:30** Turkish News **12:00** Arabic News **12:30** ABC America: World News Tonight
1:00 PBS Newshour
2:00 Where Are You Really From? (PG)
3:00 NITV News **3:15** The News
3:30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo (PG)
4:00 Great Canadian Railroad Journeys: Edmonton To Jasper (PG)
5:05 Jeopardy! (PG)
5:30 Letters And Numbers
6:00 Mastermind
6:30 SBS World News
7:35 Good With Wood
8:30 Walking Britain's Roman Roads: Fosse Way (PG) – Dan Jones travels along Fosse Way, known for its hedonism, for 230 miles through the heart of England. The Latin word for ditch, 'fossa', is likely to have inspired its name.
9:20 Ancient Superstructures: Petra The Desert Rose
10:15 SBS World News
10:45 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown (M I,s)
11:35 Agatha Christie's Criminal Games: Peaky Blinders (M I,s)
1:20 The Killing (M I) (In Danish)
4:25 Vice Guide To Film (MA15+)

SBS VICELAND (CH32)

5:00 Worldwatch **12:00** Scienceology And The Aftermath (M I) **2:20** Frozen Faith (M) **2:45** Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista **2:55** Jungletown (PG) **3:45** ABC America: The World's Most Beautiful Railway **4:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **4:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **4:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **4:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **5:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **5:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **5:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **5:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **6:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **6:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **6:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **6:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **7:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **7:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **7:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **7:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **8:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **8:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **8:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **8:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **9:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **9:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **9:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **9:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **10:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **10:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **10:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **10:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **11:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **11:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **11:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **11:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **12:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **12:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **12:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **12:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **13:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **13:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **13:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **13:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **14:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **14:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **14:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **14:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **15:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **15:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **15:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **15:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **16:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **16:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **16:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **16:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **17:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **17:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **17:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **17:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **18:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **18:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **18:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **18:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **19:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **19:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **19:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **19:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **20:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **20:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **20:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **20:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **21:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **21:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **21:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **21:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **22:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **22:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **22:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **22:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **23:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **23:15** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **23:30** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **23:45** The World's Most Beautiful Railway **24:00** The World's Most Beautiful Railway

Saturday

ABC

6:00 rage (PG) [s]
7:00 Weekend Breakfast [s]
10:00 rage (PG) [s]
11:00 rage Guest Programmer (PG) [s]
12:00 ABC News At Noon [s]
12:30 Australia Remastered: Pacific Ocean [s]
2:30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces [s]
3:30 Landline Summer [s]
5:00 Basketball: WNBL: Round 9: Perth Lynx v Bendigo Spirit 'Live' From TBA [s]
7:00 ABC News [s]
7:30 Death In Paradise (PG) [s] – The team are baffled when an archaeologist is poisoned during a dig but there is no evidence to prove how it was done. Meanwhile, Neville tests his skills in an island crab-cooking competition.
8:30 All Creatures Great And Small (PG) [s] – Just when James is settling into life in the Dales, Siegfried's younger brother Tristan arrives bringing his own unique brand of chaos. James also visits wealthy widow Mrs Pumphrey and her poorly Pekingese Tricki Woo.
9:15 Call The Midwife (M I) [s] – Mother Mildred returns and helps a docker family tackle an unshared teenage pneumococci. Lucille cares for an unmarried teenage mother who wants to keep her baby.
10:20 Father Brown: The Folly Of Jephthah (M I) [s]
11:00 Finding Alice (M I) [s] – Alice's decision to try for a baby using the sperm Harry mysteriously stored before he died is met with doubts from Charlotte and Sarah.
11:50 rage Guest Programmer (MA15+) [s]

ABC TV PLUS (CH22)

5:00 Children's Programs **1:30** Tish Tash **2:00** Rusty Rivets **2:35** Book Hungry Bears **3:00** Arthur **3:30** Play School **4:00** Bananas In Pyjamas **4:25** Thomas And Friends **5:00** Nella The Princess Knight **5:35** Luo Bao Bei **6:05** Octonauts **6:30** Noddy Toyland Detective **7:05** The Deep **7:30** Spicks And Specks (PG) **8:00** QI (M I) **8:30** Live At The Apollo (MA15+) **8:15** Whose Line Is It Anyway? (M s) **10:00** Gavin And Stacey (M s) **10:30** Insert Name Here (PG) **11:05** Schitt's Creek (PG) **11:25** The Trip To Greece (PG) **11:55** Archer (M I) **12:15** Dead Pixels (M I,s) **12:40** The Young Offenders (MA15+) 1:10 David Attenborough's Kingdom Of Plants

ABC ME (CH23)

6:00 Children's Programs **10:45** Red Dirt Riders **11:00** Log Horizon (PG) **11:30** Dragon Ball Super (PG) **12:15** Voltorn: Legendary Defender **12:45** Teenage Boss **1:00** Jandal Burn **4:30** Detention Adventure (PG) **5:00** First Day (PG) **5:25** ITCH (PG) **6:00** Miraculous: Tales Of Ladybug And Cat Noir **6:30** MyHysters Junior (PG) **7:20** Mindful Earth **7:30** Shaun The Sheep **7:35** The Strange Chores **8:00** Kung Fu Panda: Legends Of Awesomeness: The Po Who Cried Ghost **8:25** Sluggers: The Return **8:45** Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs: The Boy Who Cried Robot **9:00** Hank Zipper: The War Of The Words (PG) **9:25** Degrossi: The Next Generation: Basket Case (PG)

PRIME7

6:00 Home Shopping **7:00** Weekend Sunrise [s]
10:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 3: Session 1 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
12:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 3: Session 2 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
2:40 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Tea Break [s]
3:00 Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Day 3: Session 3 'Live' From Manuka Oval [s]
5:00 Seven News At 5 [s]
5:30 Border Security - Australia's Front Line (PG) [s] – A passenger has declared only tobacco but it's clear straight away he isn't telling the whole truth. Border Force officers at the Sydney Mail Centre make an unlikely find inside hydraulic pumps.
7:30 Movie: "Fast & Furious 6" (M I,v) ('13) – Since the Rio heist, Dom and his team are scattered across the globe until Hobbs enlists their help to track a dangerous crook in London, where Dom learns his girlfriend Letty is still alive. Stars: Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson, Jordana Brewster, Michelle Rodriguez, Tyrese Gibson, Sung Kang, Gal Gadot
10:10 Movie: "Non-Stop" (M I,v) ('14) Stars: Liam Neeson, Julianne Moore, Scott McNairy, Michelle Dockery, Nate Parker, Corey Stoll, Lupita Nyong'o, Omar Metwally
12:30 Home Shopping

7TWO (CH72)

6:00 Home Shopping **8:30** Travel Oz: Kakadu, Kimberley Roundup/ Queensland (PG) **10:00** Weekender **10:30** Creek To Coast **11:00** The Amazing Homemakers (PG) **12:00** Seven's Horse Racing "Live" From Royal Randwick, The Valley And The Sunshine Coast **5:30** Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success: Dinner Party Winners **6:30** The Hotel Inspector: Hotel Celebrity, Bournemouth (PG) **7:30** Movie: "Step Up 2: The Streets" (PG) ('08) Stars: Robert Hoffman **1:20** Summer House (M I,s) **2:10** Below Deck Mediterranean (MA15+) **3:00** Power Rangers Dino Fury (PG) **3:30** Thunderbirds (PG)

7MATE (CH73)

6:00 ITM Fishing Show (PG) **6:30** Big Angry Fish (PG) **7:30** Fishing And Adventure (PG) **8:00** Home Shopping **9:30** Cricket: The Women's Ashes: Australia v England: Pre Game **10:00** On Tour With Allan Border (PG) **10:30** Night Thunder **11:30** Live Off Road (PG) **12:00** Shipping Wars (PG) **12:30** AITLH Timbersports (PG) **1:00** AFL Women's: Round 4: Adelaide v Melbourne "Live" **3:00** Step Outside With Phil Burt (PG) **5:00** Stars: Dylan O'Brien **9:15** Movie: "We Are Marshall" (PG) ('06) Stars: Anthony Mackie **10:15** Movie: "The Replacements" (M) ('00) Stars: Brooke Langton **12:50** The Underdogs Show (M) **2:00** Australia ReDiscovered (PG)

WIN

6:00 Good Chef Bad Chef [s]
8:00 Religious Programs [s]
7:00 Healthy Homes Australia [s]
7:30 Escape Fishing With ET [s]
8:00 My Market Kitchen [s]
8:30 Pooches At Play [s]
9:00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey [s]
9:30 Studio 10: Saturday [s]
12:00 All 4 Adventure [s]
1:00 What's Up Down Under [s]
2:30 Everybodys Out With Justine Schofield [s]
2:00 My Market Kitchen [s]
2:30 Destination Dessert [s]
3:00 Three Blue Ducks (PG) [s]
3:30 Road Less Travelled [s]
4:00 Taste Of Australia With Hayden Quinn [s]
5:00 10 News First [s]
6:00 Bondi Rescue (PG) [s]
7:00 Football: League Men: Round 12: Western Union v Melbourne City "Live" From AAMI Park [s]
10:00 Ambulance UK (PG) [s] – The staff of Manchester's North West Ambulance Service have to deal with the consequences of youth violence when they attend a 13-year-old boy who has been stabbed.
11:00 Ambulance UK (PG) [s] – While most enjoy a hot May bank holiday weekend in Manchester, North West Ambulance Service paramedics Gary and Claire face matters of life and death.
12:00 Home Shopping
5:00 Religious Programs

GO! (CH88)

6:00 Children's Programs **12:00** Bakugan: Geogan Rising (PG) **12:30** Beyblade Burst Rise (PG) **1:00** Power Rangers Dino Fury (PG) **1:30** Clarence (PG) **1:50** Malcolm In The Middle (PG) **2:20** Movie: "Pokémon: The Movie: Time, Gentlemen Please" (G) ('52) Stars: Eddie Byrne **2:50** Movie: "Gun Belt" (PG) ('53) Stars: George Montgomery **4:15** Movie: "Red River" (G) ('48) Stars: John Wayne **7:00** Movie: "My Fair Lady" (PG) ('54) Stars: Audrey Hepburn **10:30** Movie: "Det French Lieutenant's Woman" (M I) ('81) Stars: Meryl Streep **1:00** Home Shopping **4:30** Religious Programs **5:00** Home Shopping

GEM (CH80)

6:00 Home Shopping **7:00** Religious Programs **8:30** Home Shopping **10:00** My Favorite Martian **10:30** The Baron (PG) **11:35** Edgar Wallace Mysteries (PG) **12:55** Movie: "Time, Gentlemen Please" (G) ('52) Stars: Eddie Byrne **2:50** Movie: "Gun Belt" (PG) ('53) Stars: George Montgomery **4:15** Movie: "Red River" (G) ('48) Stars: John Wayne **7:00** Movie: "My Fair Lady" (PG) ('54) Stars: Audrey Hepburn **10:30** Movie: "Det French Lieutenant's Woman" (M I) ('81) Stars: Meryl Streep **1:00** Home Shopping **4:30** Religious Programs **5:00** Home Shopping

NINE

6:00 Easy Eats [s]
7:00 Weekend Sunrise [s]
10:00 Today Extra Summer [s]
12:00 Cybershack (PG) [s]
12:30 Destination WA [s]
1:30 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures (PG) [s]
2:00 Driving Test (PG) [s]
2:00 Movie: "The Indian In The Cupboard" (PG) ('95) Stars: Hal Scardino, Lindsay Crouse, Richard Jenkins, Rishi Bhat, Steve Coogan, David Keith
4:00 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Afternoon Session "Live" From Melbourne Park [s] – Wide World of Sports presents the 2022 Australian Open, live from Melbourne Park. Join us for the opening Grand Slam of the year, with host Tony Kelly and expert commentary throughout the tournament.
5:00 NINE News: First At Five [s]
5:30 Country House Hunters Australia [s]
6:00 NINE News Saturday [s]
6:30 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Pre Show "Live" From Melbourne Park [s]
7:30 Tennis: Australian Open Tennis: Women's Singles Finals "Live" From Melbourne Park [s]
12:00 New Amsterdam: Perspectives (M I) [s] – Max, Bloom and Reynolds recount a patient's past encounter that could throw them into a massive lawsuit; Iggy confronts a local middle school about its teaching policies; Kapoor lets his superstitions take over.
1:00 Manifest: Airplane Bottles (M d,v) [s]
2:00 Home Shopping
5:30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron (PG) [s]

BOLD (CH1)

Donald Races This Sunday

(By Peter Hibberd)

A small meeting of 7 races awaits punters at the Donald Racing Centre, this Sunday with a 1.40 p.m. start. Gates will be open by 12, and patrons will be required to show full vaccination status upon entry.

The main building with all the facilities could be the place to be with the forecasted weather. The track rating is a good 3, the curator has spending some long nights watering the track; well done to Graeme and staff.

Looking for a winner in race 4, Mount Madeira, trained at Stawell by Andrew Bobbin, was very good at its last start at Stawell. On Sunday it drops in weight and has drawn well.

In the last race, California Sunset, first up from a spell is the horse to beat. Has had two recent trials so should be ready to win.

Race one: Harbourmaster, Beyondtastic, Patmos Island.

Race two: Greta Moon, Cartesan, Fontein Del Rosso.

Race three: Dodgy One, Rivinado, All Purpose.

Race four: Mount Madeira, French Moon, Halgard.

Race five: Jimmys Secret, Simkin, Grande Marengo.

Race six: Absconded, Diss and Dot, Hot Seat.

Race seven: California Sunset, Thunder Park, Fixated.

Best bets: Mount Madeira, California Sunset.

Since school returns next week, the races might be the perfect family fun day to end the holidays with. To keep the kids occupied, the team from Kelly Sports will be at the Donald racecourse from 12.30 until 4.30 p.m. running supervised activities, crafts and games, while parents can relax, have a drink and enjoy all that trackside has to offer.

Donald Fields

1. DONALD MOTOR LODGE THREE-YEARS-OLD MAIDEN PLATE

3-Y-O. Mdn. Set Weights. 1350 Metres. \$25,000. 1.40 PM			
1	Beyondtastic (Mathew Ellerton)	L King	10 58.0
2	Harbourmaster (Henry Dwyer)	M T Aitken	2 58.0
3	Martini Crusader (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)		13 58.0
4	Morpurgo (Henry Dwyer)	M Poy	8 58.0
5	Patmos Island (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)		9 58.0
6	Royal Shakespeare (Lucinda Boyd)	Ms L Boyd	12 58.0
7	Scamster (Jamie Edwards)	J D Hill	5 58.0
8	Sir Phoenix (NZ) (Matt Cumani)	W T Price(a0)	16 58.0
9	Chambery (Brian & Ashley McKnight)	Ms C Puls	1 56.0
10	Clear Air (Julie Scott)	N Farley	4 56.0
11	Delta Rules (Tom Conlan)	L J Neindorf(a0)	6 56.0
12	Dutch Action (Ben Brisbane)		17 56.0

13	Nasdana (Mathew Ellerton)	L Riordan	7 56.0
14	Shesablinder (Peter Chow)	H Grace	18 56.0
15e	Gus The Bus (Jody Thompson)		3 58.0
16e	Halcyon East (Dan O'Sullivan)	W T Price(a0)	11 58.0
17e	Tricennalia (Ben & JD Hayes)	J Fry	14 58.0
18e	Anonymous Source (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)		15 58.0

Ballots: Sweet Angel

2. DONALD STEEL METALAND 4YO+ MAIDEN PLATE

4-Y-O & Up. Mdn. Set Weights. 1350 Metres. \$25,000. 2.15 PM			
1	Cartesan (IRE) (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)	Ms L Meech	13 59.5
2	Deploy And Destroy (Jamie Edwards)		9 59.5
3	Gold Vee Eye Pea (Matt Ivill)	R P Downey	2 59.5
4	Kumana (Nathan Hobson)	L Riordan	7 59.5
5	Shoot Ur Shot (Kevin Corstens)	W Gordon	17 59.5
6	Stagger Together (NZ) (Barry Goodwin)	L King	11 59.5
7	Anahera (Ben Brisbane)	Ms M J Lloyd(a0)	14 57.5
8	Ashmosa (Rhys Archard)	J Fry	15 57.5
9	Equicentre (Helen Burns)	N Farley	1 57.5
10	Fontaine Del Rosso (Timothy Beggs)	Ms T J Bull(a1.5)	8 57.5
11	Greta Moon (Michael O'Leary)	H T Coffey	6 57.5
12	Lika Mosh (Gwenda Johnstone)		12 57.5
13	Our Mask (Dean Binaisse)	L J Neindorf(a0)	5 57.5
14	Typically Brazen (Jamie Edwards)	J D Hill	18 57.5
15e	Merewether Beach (James & Lisa Dodgson)	Ms T J Hope(a0)	4 59.5
16e	I Shot The Sheriff (Cheryl Weller)		10 59.5
17e	Common Request (NZ) (Daryl Archard)	M T Aitken	16 59.5
18e	Silent Admirer (David Noonan)	M Poy	3 59.5

Ballots: Fiorente Spree, Pure Kirra

3. BUSBIZ MAIDEN PLATE

3-Y-O & Up. Mdn. Set Weights. 2000 Metres. \$25,000. 2.50 PM			
1	All Purpose (NZ) (Matt Cumani)	R P Downey	1 59.5
2	Humpback (Nathan Hobson)	Ms L Boyd	3 59.5
3	Moon Dog (Mark Sues)		11 59.5
4	Northvic (Austy Coffey)	Ms S O O'Meara(a4)	8 59.5
5	Reforestation (Nigel Blackiston)	L W German(a0)	2 59.5
6	Rivinado (Matt Cumani)	J Fry	12 59.5
7	Dodgy One (NZ) (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)	H T Coffey	5 58.0
8	Betty's Reward (Jacqui Sims)	Ms T J Hope(a0)	7 57.5
9	Lankan Legend (Ben & JD Hayes)	J D Hill	9 57.5
10	Mokgadi (Rhys Archard)	L Riordan	10 57.5
11	Padstow Polly (Stephen Lenehan)	N Punch	4 57.5
12	Princess Tina (Paul Koumis)	W Gordon	14 57.5
13	The Oracle (Keith Carnes)	H Grace	6 57.5
14	Treasure Chest (Rodney Foster)	N Farley	13 57.5

4. BULOKE PLUMBING BM64 HANDICAP

3-Y-O & Up. BM64. 2000 Metres. \$25,000. 3.30 PM			
1	Mount Madeira (NZ) (Andrew Bobbin)	W Gordon	3 61.0
2	Daneway (NZ) (Mick Price & Michael Kent (Jnr))	J D Hill	7 58.5
3	Four Outlaws (Michael O'Leary)	M Poy	9 58.5
4	French Moon (Symon Wilde)	Ms L Meech	12 58.5
5	Mr Joobs (Archie Alexander)	M T Aitken	6 58.5
6	Mevius (Thomas Carberry)	N Farley	10 58.0
7	Bannerton (Austy Coffey)	H T Coffey	2 57.0
8	Halgard (NZ) (Paul Preusker)	L J Neindorf(a0)	13 57.0

9	Vivacious Award (Paul Preusker)	J Fry	8 57.0
10	Shadow Hawk (NZ) (Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young)		4 56.5
11	Uniquely (Dan O'Sullivan)	W T Price(a0)	11 56.0
12	Shilajit (NZ) (Dan O'Sullivan)		5 55.5
13	Pearl Rain (Patrick Payne)		1 55.0

5. MEGELEC ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS 0 - 58 HANDICAP

3-Y-O & Up. 0 - 58. 350 Metres. \$25,000. 4.08 PM			
1	Jimmy's Secret (NZ) (Symon Wilde)	Ms L Meech	3 60.0
2	Simkin (NZ) (Mark Sues)	M Poy	7 60.0
3	Bill The Bee (Kym Hann)	L King	5 59.5
4	Atomic Texie (Luke Williams)	C Atkinson	10 58.5
5	Themagicneverends (Lucinda Boyd)	Ms L Boyd	6 58.5
6	Chevron Prince (Brett Bunfield)	L W German(a0)	4 58.0
7	Red Robin (Linc Sullivan)	N Farley	11 58.0
8	Melissa Kate (NZ) (Bob and Kane Post)	Ms K M Walters	9 57.0
9	Magestic Diva (Kevin McCartin)	H T Coffey	12 54.5
10	Grande Marengo (Wendy Kelly)	W T Price(a0)	1 54.0
11	Too Much Lip (Michael Cornish & Donna Gaskin)	Ms T J Hope(a0)	2 54.0
12	Peg Leg Ben (Jamie Barry)	H Grace	8 54.0

6. BET365 TOP TOTE PLUS 0 - 58 HANDICAP

3-Y-O & Up. 0 - 58. Metres. \$25,000. 4.43 PM			
1	Hot Seat (Brian & Ashley McKnight)	Ms C Puls	8 60.0
2	Full Force Gale (Thomas Carberry)	N Farley	15 59.5
3	Stately Star (Carly Cook)	M Poy	3 59.5
4	Censored (Aaron Laing)	J D Hill	1 59.0
5	Diss And Dot (Peter Chow)	Ms L Lafferty(a0)	9 58.0
6	Duns 'n' Roses (Rhys Archard)	L Riordan	10 58.0
7	Surekat (Ben Brisbane)	W Gordon	4 58.0
8	Absconded (Shay Keating)	J Fry	5 57.5
9	Free Flying Star (Patrick Payne)		13 57.0
10	Northern Bliss (Nigel Blackiston)	L W German(a0)	7 57.0
11	Testa Life (Jane Duncan)	Ms T J Hope(a0)	6 57.0
12	Vingt Cinger (Peter R Gray)	Ms T J Bull(a1.5)	11 55.5
13	Centaines Portrait (Jamie Barry)	H Grace	14 54.0
14	I'll Be Gone (Stephen Lenehan)	N Punch	16 54.0
15e	Daliapour's Turf (Alicia MacPherson)		2 57.5
16e	King Of Memphis (Alicia MacPherson)		12 56.0

7. GOLDACRES BM64 HANDICAP

3-Y-O & Up. BM64. 1200 Metres. \$25,000. 5.15 PM			
1	Mccain (Patrick Payne)		14 61.5
2	Tycoon Dancer (Kane Harris)	W Gordon	13 61.5
3	Volatore (Ciaron Maher & David Eustace)	Ms L Meech	6 61.5
4	Fixated (Ben & JD Hayes)	J Fry	7 60.0
5	Greetings Ned (Austy Coffey)	H T Coffey	9 60.0
6	California Sunset (Nigel Blackiston)	L W German(a0)	8 59.5
7	Wilga Hill (Kym Hann)	L King	5 59.0
8	Bon Shadow (Gwenda Johnstone)	J D Hill	3 58.5
9	Mission River (Alicia MacPherson)		11 58.5
10	Thunder Park (Paul Preusker)		4 58.5
11	Unlimited Ability (Bob and Kane Post)	Ms K M Walters	1 58.5
12	Zoutons (Brendon Hearps)	M Poy	15 58.5
13	Numpy (Archie Alexander)	W T Price(a0)	2 56.5
14	Moon Over Alice (Daniel Bowman)	L Riordan	16 54.5
15e	Astro Castro (Helen Burns)	N Farley	10 58.0
16e	Petonimi (Mark Sues)		12 57.5

At BCG's Trials Review Day ...

New Artificial Intelligence Technology

(By Janine Batters)

The new artificial intelligence (AI) technology, Weedetect from Goldacres, will be showcased at BCG's Trials Review Day on Friday, February 25, at the Birchip Leisure Centre.

Goldacres' Research and Development expert, Dave Tuppen, will explain to attendees Weedetect's capabilities.

The Goldacres G6 Crop Cruiser Series 2 fitted with AI precision spraying technology Weedetect will be on site at the event, adding value to Dave's presentation.

BCG Senior Manager of Extension, Tom Draffen, said the technology couldn't have come at a better time:

"Trials Review Day is about introducing attendees to science and technology which can improve farm profitability," said Tom.

"We know from our members that the rising costs of inputs are causing concern. It is also well documented that many people learn best from a hands-on experience.

Opportunity

"Having Dave Tuppen present the Weedetect technology on site is a great opportunity for farmers to see if this new technology could benefit their farming system."

Dave said he was looking forward to attending the event.

"At Goldacres we are

always working towards the next big thing to help farmers improve their profitability," he said.

"With Weedetect's ability to detect and selectively target weeds in crop, it has the very real potential to dramatically reduce the cost of a year-round spraying program. Blanket sprays will diminish remarkably.

"With this type of technology now available we also hope to see a shift to lighter, smaller tank capacity, which is again a real plus for the farmer."

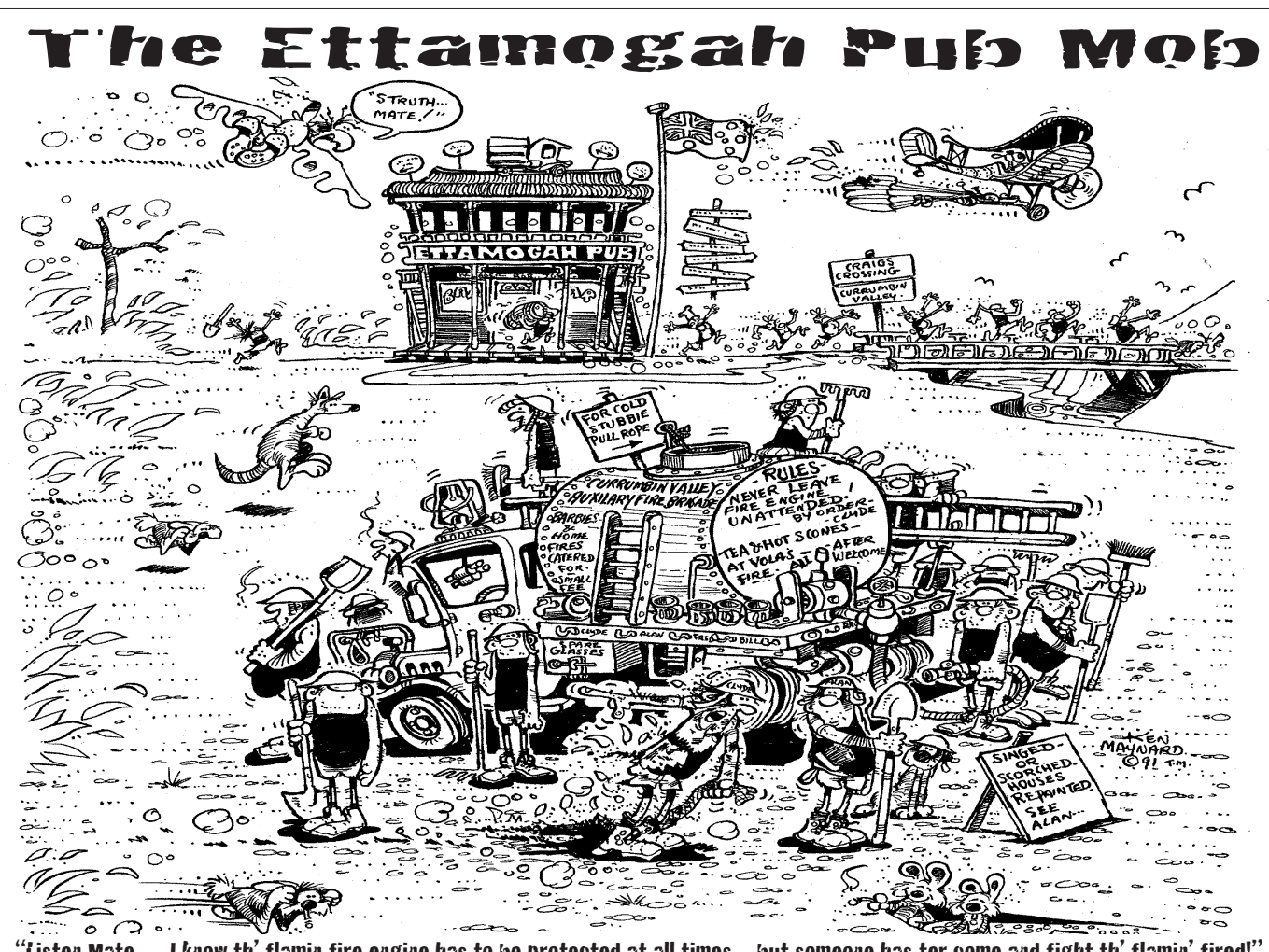
Compatible Crops

Crops that Weedetect is currently compatible with include wheat, barley, oats, canola, lupins, sorghum, potatoes and cotton, detecting broadleaf and rye grass weeds.

Weedetect has two configurations, green on brown with green on green an upgradable option.

BCG's Trials Review Day is a members' only event. To become a member visit bcg.org.au/memberships/ or call (03) 5492 2787. Register for the event at bcg.org.au/events/

• Goldacres G6 Crop Cruiser,



"Listen Mate ... I know th' flamin fire engine has to be protected at all times .. but someone has ter come and fight th' flamin' fired!"

Wimmera Mallee Juniors at Horsham Country Week

During the first week of January, the Wimmera Mallee under-15 team spent the week in Horsham at the annual Country Week.

The team was composed of players from right across our region, with cricketers coming from Birchip, Brim, Charlton, Donald, Marnoo, St. Arnaud and Warracknabeal, and was scheduled to play 3 games in a round robin format, each game being a 50/50 over format prior to moving through to finals.

Monday

The first match on Monday, saw Wimmera Mallee up against Warrnambool Blue at Dimboola. Wimmera Mallee won the toss and elected to bat. Jimmy Duxson and Will Noble started well, before Jimmy was caught by the keeper. Elliott Fitzpatrick came to the crease and was looking good prior to being caught trying to go over the top. Colby Anderson was next in, and he and Will Noble struck up a fine 71-run partnership, Colby being bowled for 27 after a great innings. Cooper Boyle was the next batter in, and it wasn't long after when Will Noble was caught by the 'keeper ending his wonderful innings just short of the half-century, for 48. Wickets fell in quick succession, Cooper Boyle the batter to see it through to the end finishing on 20 not out. Wimmera Mallee finishing 7 for 144.

With a reasonable total to defend they entered the field with confidence and when Colby gained an l.b.w. dismissal in the second over, things were looking positive. However, the Warrnambool batters stood strongly and maintained a solid run rate throughout, the second wicket not falling until the 24th. over, when Maddison Fitzpatrick took a catch off brother Elliott's bowling, Warrnambool surpassing Wimmera Mallee's total in the 31st. over, finishing 2 for 152.

Tuesday

On Tuesday, the team headed back out to Dimboola to play Portland. Wimmera Mallee won the toss once again and elected to bat. Jimmy Duxson and Will Noble again opened the innings. It was Will who fell early when a well struck ball held up in the wind to be caught by the man at cover.

While the next three wickets fell around every 5 overs, Wimmera Mallee was able to keep the run rate up. Max Inkster joined Jimmy Duxson and the two struck up a 44-run partnership prior to Jimmy's strong innings coming to an end when he was caught just after making a half century, for 54. Max was dismissed shortly after making a solid 19 runs. Maddison Fitzpatrick worked hard to add another 19 to the score prior to being run out with a couple of overs to go.

Wimmera Mallee finished its innings 8 for 181 after the 50 overs.



• Wimmera Mallee Under 15s: Back row, left to right, Cooper Anderson (coach), Cooper Boyle, Will Ison, Elliott Fitzpatrick, Connor Boyle. Centre: Max Inkster, Colby Anderson, Nick Thompson, Kynan Torney, Glenn Pearse. Front: Kobe MacGregor, Will Noble, Jimmy Duxson, Maddison Fitzpatrick.

Wimmera Mallee entered the field a different team from the previous day, being highly motivated and full of voice. (It's thought there was something in the rolls at lunch that day.) Elliott Fitzpatrick gained a wicket in the first over, following through and diving forward to take an athletic catch. The enthusiasm in the field remained high, and in the third over Glenn Pearse took a great catch off the bowling of Colby Anderson. Fielders were running hard and sliding to stop all runs possible. A great example was the diving catch that Max Inkster took in gully off the bowling of Elliott Fitzpatrick. Portland struggled to make runs, Jimmy and Elliott bowling out the innings. Jimmy gaining a catch from his own bowling, Glenn Pearse taking another catch off Jimmy's bowling, and Jimmy bowling another. Jimmy finished with 4 for 16 off 10 overs, while from the other end, Nick Thompson as 'keeper took a catch off Elliott's bowling, Elliott bowled another and dismissed one l.b.w. to finish with 5 for 18 off 7.2 overs, Wimmera Mallee dismissing Portland for 66 runs after 29.2 overs.

Wednesday

On Wednesday, Wimmera Mallee played the evening game against Hamilton District Cricket Association, at City oval under lights.

Wimmera Mallee lost the toss and was sent out to field. Wimmera Mallee's opening bowlers, Elliott Fitzpatrick and Colby Anderson, gave away few runs in their opening spell. A change in bowling brought the first wicket in the 12th. over when Nick Thompson gained a stumping off the bowling of Jimmy Duxson. The second wicket fell in the next over when Connor Boyle took a catch off his own bowling. Jimmy picked up two more in the 14th., one he caught himself, and Kynan

Torney caught another. Jimmy gained his fourth for the game in the 16th. over, with Will Noble also taking a catch. Things were looking all right, however, Wimmera Mallee became lack lustre in the field, signs of fatigue setting in. It wasn't until the 31st. that the next breakthrough came when Will Ison took a catch off the bowling of Max Inkster. Max picked up the long awaited wicket, clean bowling the top run scorer. Connor Boyle picked up his second wicket in the 47th. over when Elliott Fitzpatrick took a catch. Hamilton finishing 8 for 169 at the end of the 50 overs. The crowd built during the break and was vocal from ball one. The partnership between Jimmy Duxson and Maddison Fitzpatrick kept them entertained, the two putting on a 48 run partnership before Jimmy was stumped for 28. Cooper Boyle came to the crease and the impressive batting continued. Maddison was next out, though, being run out for 28 from a direct hit. Will Ison and Cooper combined to put together an entertaining 47-run partnership, which included Will heading a ball for 4 to the boundary, before Cooper was caught for 35 after an innings consisting of 3 fours and 2 sixes. Colby Anderson came to the crease and the big hitting continued, Colby making 31 runs before being caught. The youngest team member, Kobe MacGregor, came in next with 10 runs to get, and he and Will Ison took the team to the finish, Will finishing with a personal best of 24 runs, Wimmera Mallee winning the match 6 for 171, gaining it a place in the semi-final.

Semi-final

Thursday's semi-final was a 9 a.m. start, playing the undefeated Warrnambool Gold. Wimmera Mallee's players arrived at City Oval feeling as though they had just left.

Wimmera Mallee won the toss and elected to bat first. Openers Jimmy Duxson and Will Noble got the team off to a solid start, putting 47 runs on the board prior to Jimmy being caught for 26. The next batter to make runs was Cooper Boyle, who finished on 11, also caught out. Max Inkster joined Will at the crease and together they produced a 64-run partnership before Max was run out. Will Noble batted out the entire innings making his first half century and finishing on the score of 68, Wimmera Mallee finishing 6 for 171 after 50 overs. With a total to defend the team made its way out on to the field. It was excitement after the first ball when a noise was heard as the ball passed the batter's glove and Nick Thompson took a catch behind; however, it was declared not out by the umpire. In the 7th. over, Colby Anderson gained a break through when Max Inkster took a catch.

The change to spin brought about a wicket off Jimmy

Duxson's bowling in the 12th. over, when Colby took a catch at mid-wicket. Runs flowed in following overs, Wimmera Mallee gaining the third wicket in the 29th. over though the bowling of Connor Boyle, with Max taking his second catch for the game, Warrnambool Gold overtaking Wimmera Mallee's total in the 20th. over.

Play-Off

This placed Wimmera Mallee in the play-off for third place in a twenty-twenty match on Friday morning, at Sunnyside against South West.

South West won the toss and elected to bat. The tempo of the game notably lifted from the start, until Elliott Fitzpatrick dismissed a batter, clean bowled. It was Maddison Fitzpatrick who took the second wicket, l.b.w., and then in her third over she picked up another two wickets, Nick Thompson taking a catch and Maddison clean bowling the next to make it three for the day. In the 12th. over Max Inkster picked up

the fifth wicket, with Jimmy Duxson taking a catch, and then Max gained another in his next over when Cooper Boyle took a catch. Kobe MacGregor was next to break through in the 19th when he clean bowled the batter to take his first wicket for the tournament.

Wimmera Mallee went in to bat and made a positive start. Elliott Fitzpatrick making 15 off 11 balls before being caught. Nick Thompson came to the crease and he and Connor Boyle added another 23 runs before Connor was caught out for 17, beating his highest score. Wickets fell fast. Kobe MacGregor made a quick 10 runs off 8 balls, Nick Thompson finishing top scorer making 32 runs off 36 balls. Wimmera Mallee all out for 95, well short of the required total, placing it fourth for the tournament.

The group is to be congratulated on making the semi-final. Credit to coach Cooper Anderson, who was ably assisted during the week by Tim Spear.



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“Season Can’t Have Another Duck-dive”

Leader of The Nationals Peter Walsh is calling on the Victorian Agriculture Minister Mary-Anne Thomas to announce a duck season in full this year.

“The GMA provided its recommendation to the State Government on January 25 last year, so we know the Government has received the advice for the upcoming season,” Mr Walsh said.

“The pandemic, shorter seasons and reduced bag limits has been disappointing for hunters, they deserve a full season.”

Most recent data estimate duck populations have remained strong across Victoria, with numbers between 2.9 and 3.6 million game ducks. Consecutive wet years, combined with La Niña conditions over summer have only improved populations.

“There is no reason for the Minister to reduce bag limits

or the length of the season, particularly when other states have just announced full seasons,” Mr Walsh said.

“Recreational shooters spend money and support local shops and businesses when they travel, this needs to be encouraged.

“This is not just about shooting; recreational hunters inject \$356 million into the regional economy – a massive boost to our local businesses as they recover and rebuild.

“The Minister must announce a full season. Anything but is just another political ploy to attract inner-city votes.”



• Peter Walsh

Mr Walsh said rather than harvesting city votes in an election year, State Labor should look beyond the outskirts of Melbourne and support regional businesses and recreators.

Tyrrell Bowlers Busy

Tyrrell Playing Area bowls results for the past week were as follows:

Saturday Division 1

Berriwillock lost to Sea Lake by 64 to 65 shots. M. Ryan 24 d. N. Watson 22, T. Emonson 24 d. A. Louttit 22, S. Wight 16 lost to R. Stacey 21.

Woomelang lost to Birchip by 67 to 71 shots. R. Malcolm 22 d. W. Clark 20, M. Keenan 22 d. R. Kemp 19, M. Duthie 23 lost to K. Reid 32.

Culgoa lost to Quambatook by 70 shots to 72. P. Brook 21 d. P. Schlitz 15, T. Gravestocks 33 d. C. Manners 23, P. Loughran 16 lost to D. Williams 34.

Ladder			
	Pts	Shots Up	%
Birchip	56	209	181.0
Quambatook	33	-11	96.9
Berriwillock	27	-1	99.7
Sea Lake	27	-92	75.9
Culgoa	19	-35	90.2
Woomelang	18	-70	80.3

Saturday Division 2 Berriwillock lost to Sea Lake by 30 shots to 69. I. Summerhayes 14 lost to R. Allan 41, P. Schodde 16 lost to L. Harker 28.

Woomelang drew with Birchip 45 shots each. L. Down 26 d. G. Smith 20, D. Jobson 19 lost to N. Noonan 25.

Quambatook had the bye.

Ladder			
	Pts	Shots Up	%
Birchip	28	123	196.1
Quambatook	23	-62	66.3
Sea Lake	15	25	113.9
Berriwillock	8	-66	47.6
Woomelang	6	-20	87.2

Midweek Sea Lake lost to Birchip by 31 to 44 shots. C. Watson 8 lost to M. Connelly 29, S. Allan 23 d. P. Hogan 15.

Quambatook defeated Woomelang by 64 shots to 34. R. Waldron 33 d. V. Mitchell 21, D. Manners 31 d. J. Pratt 13.

Ladder			
	Pts	Shots Up	%
Woomelang	34	61	130.3
Birchip	31	7	102.7
Berriwillock	26	23	114.8
Sea Lake	19	-46	81.2
Quambatook	18	-45	84.7

Regional Over 60s Pairs Regional finals for Over 60s Pairs were played on Sunday, at Murray Downs.

Peter Brook and Kerry Power, from Culgoa, were up against the Sunraysia team of A, Erskine and W, Gardner. They got off to an excellent start, and it was well into the second half of the 15-end game that Sunraysia drew level.

At the start of final end, the Tyrrell team was just one shot down. The men both had bowls around the kitty before Sunraysia was able to move it so that it won the end by two shots. This team then went on to defeat the Northern District team by 12 to 9 shots in the final. In the women’s even, Peg Hogan and Moya Connelly, from Birchip, were up against the Sunraysia team of J. Osborne and M. Scheele.

Birchip Bowlers On Woomelang Grass

Birchip bowlers drove north west up the Sunraysia Highway to Woomelang, where they played their first match of the season on a grass green.

Conditions were on the warm side, but the greens were in good condition.

Both Divisions were close, with the visitors clawing their way to victory in Division 1, and a draw was the end result in Division 2.

In Division 1, “Reidy”, Mick, “Sauce” and “Waffle” took on the Malcom Duthie-led team. The southerners got off to a slow start and were well down at the break. With the experience of 17 club championships between them, and some bowling arm tweaks from “Sauce” and “Waffle”, Birchip came home with a wet sail to eventually win the rink by nine, 32 shots to 23.

The second Division 1 contest saw “Clarky”, “Frogga”, Tony and President Bryan take on Rohan Malcolm, who had the help of a pair of brilliant ladies.

Woomelang completely dominated the first half of the day’s play but the “Clarky”-led team found its mojo as the day unfolded. Birchip took the lead after the 22nd. end, but then gave it up straight away. Scores were level going into the final end, which Woomelang won. This gave Birchip a two shot loss of 20 to 22 shots. “Kempy”, “Carty”, Owen and “Trolly” took on Mark Keenan’s crew. Birchip was handcuffed early, with the Woomelang skipper consistently winning ends with his final bowl.

By the 19th. end, scores were level and the match was there for the taking. But it was the locals who lifted, which enabled them to grab a three-shot victory over Birchip, with final scores of 19 shots to 22. Overall Birchip won by four shots, even though Woomelang won two of the three rinks.

Final scores were 71 to 67 shots.

In Division 2, Bobby Noonan, “Coop”, Ray and “Blackie”, took on Deb Jobson’s team. “Blackie”, after getting cleared back from Berriwillock midweek, led the way.

Birchip won the early ends and was never headed. The margin did narrow late, but the visitors had done enough and hung on to a six shot victory, 25 shots to 19.

The final contest of the day saw “Smithy”, “Simmo”, John Ritchie and “Blairy” take on Les Down’s team, which played one short.

It was a tight contest early but the locals strung a handful of ends together going into lunch which gave them a comfortable lead.

With full stomachs, it was Birchip which found form after the break, and the game was up for the taking. But it was Woomelang which picked up six shots on the 22nd. end, which ended up being the final margin when shots were tallied.

Woomelang won by 26 to 20 shots.



The final result was a draw, 45 shots each.

Scribe’s Observations

- Glen Trollope was rewarded for his consistent form with his first game in Division 1, and he bowled well.
- John Ritchie played his first game for the club. It’s hoped he doesn’t get poached by the Demons next year.
- “Clarky” and Bobby were full of information after being back seat passengers on the trip to Woomelang.
- Stanley apparently played brilliantly for Woomelang! He obviously doesn’t know the 80% rule when representing the opposition.

– “You gotta be up”

Twilight Bowls Starts February 1

Do you enjoy a game of bowls played in a relaxed atmosphere in the cool of the evening?

If you do, Donald Golf Bowls Club’s twilight mini pennant is for you.

The four week competition, sponsored by Community Bank Donald and District, will start on Tuesday, February 1, concluding on February 22.

No experience is necessary, and bowls are available. All participants need is a pair of flat soled shoes (no heels).

Enter as a team of 3 or individually to Peter Raynes (5497 1143 or 0417 586 174), Geoff Stopps (0402 374 940), or Walter Goldsbury (0427 976 219), or at the clubhouse prior to 6 o’clock on the night.

Roll up will start at 6.30, with play to start at 7 o’clock, with a 10 o’clock finish, teams of three players using 3 bowls each.

To make it easier for participants to grab a bite to eat and relax prior to bowling, a barbecue will be available each night from 5.30.

Twilight bowls is a lot of fun and is a great way to meet people.

It is also a great way for workmates to relax in a social atmosphere. So why not get a team together (players are interchangeable throughout the series) and join in the fun?



Are You Eligible for a Business Energy Saver?

Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance offers a small business energy saver program, which has proven successful for one of Donald’s small businesses, DCIRS, run by Emily Mills.

DCIRS has received a new fridge, almost fully paid for, to upgrade business equipment to become more energy efficient. Emily said that the process to receive the fridge and the rebate was seamless.

“The representatives were friendly and provided great

communication and the energy savings will be fantastic!” she said. The program is still open to those small businesses seeking to upgrade equipment for energy efficiency. To be eligible, your small business must have 1 to 19 employees and be operated from a commercial (non-residential) premises.

For more information, or to register your interest, visit cvga.org.au and click on the Small Business Energy Saver tab from the home screen. Alternatively, you can call 1300 845 280 to have your small business benefit from this program.

Your Blood is Worth Bottling

If you are visiting Ballarat or Bendigo and have a bit of time to spare, a trip to the Blood Bank would be a very rewarding experience.

You will need to book, by phoning 13 14 95.



Race is On for Finals Berths

With just four rounds of the North Central Playing Area’s midweek pennant’s 2021-’22 home-and-away series remaining, the race is on to secure a berth in the upcoming finals.

Only ladder leader Korong Vale seems assured of maintaining its current position, but with a bye next round, and the challengers coming thick and fast, it could find itself deposited prior to the finals.

Wycheproof currently holds down second place, following its win over Wedderburn.

It needs to win its three remaining games (with a bye in round 18) to stay in the running.

Donald suffered a set-back on Tuesday, when it had its colours lowered by Donald Golf, and dropped a rung on the ladder, but retains a spot in the top four.

With a bye in round 16, Donald needs to win its three remaining games to be assured of a place in the finals.

Boort struggled to throw off a persistent Charlton, but

managed to secure 8 points to four and moved into fourth place, at Wedderburn’s expense.

With games to come against Wedderburn, Donald Golf, St. Arnaud and Donald, the finals have started early for Boort, which must keep winning.

Wedderburn and Donald Golf look to be the most realistic challengers for a finals berth, but their form has been unpredictable and inconsistent, good enough at its best but not always produced.

Wedderburn went down to Wycheproof on Tuesday, and must bounce back against Boort next week.

Donald Golf found some winning form against Donald, but must repeat the effort against Wycheproof next round.

Korong Vale accounted for St. Arnaud Country Club and

has a week to prepare for its round 16 challenge meeting with Charlton.

Details:
Wedderburn 55-2 lost to Wycheproof 74-10.

Sandra Steel, Lance Standfield, Bob Passalick, Ian Hall (s) 22 d. Lynette Nicholls, Shirley McKenna, Lorraine Milburn, Jono Grylls (s) 19.

Helen Stephenson, Fay Lockhart, Neville White, Laurie Witham (s) 17 lost to Betty Taylor, Carol Jones, Pauline Gardner, Jeannie Grylls (s) 20.

Robina Little, Glenda Hunter, Andrew Caserta, Ruth Hall (s) 16 lost to Andrea Coatsworth, Jason McKay, Alan Jones, Dale Groves (s) 35.

Charlton 55-4 lost to Boort 71-8.

Eily Rosewall, Brian Patton, Doug Gretgrix, Kevin



• Donald’s Ev Adams delivers her bowl against Donald Golf on Tuesday.

	P	W	L	D	Bye	F	A	S/D	%	Pts
Korong Vale	14	6	3	4	1	663	557	106	119.03	92
Wycheproof	14	5	4	4	1	660	585	75	112.82	85
Donald	14	5	4	4	1	661	606	55	109.08	83
Boort	14	5	4	3	2	640	621	19	103.06	80
Wedderburn	14	6	3	3	2	644	621	23	103.70	77
Donald Golf	14	5	4	3	2	619	647	-28	95.67	74
Charlton	14	3	6	4	1	644	629	15	102.38	70
St. Arnaud	13	3	5	4	1	518	577	-59	89.77	67
St. Arnaud Country Club	14	2	7	3	2	526	732	-206	71.86	44

Wiley (s) 20 d. Alan Gould, Phyl Baker, Jo Maxted, Laurie Maxted (s) 17.

Joo Ong, John Headon, Dale McCallum, Richard Porter (s) 21 d. Lorna Gardner, Pamela Gould, Graeme Gardner, Thelma Moresi (s) 13.

Diane Roberts, Neil Cossar, Gary Bateson, Lynne Southwell (s) 14 Gillian Tweddle, Margaret Nelson, Tania Noles, Ken Strachan (s) 41.

Korong Vale 85-10 d. St. Arnaud Country Club 64-2.

Laurie Barby, Yvonne Cashen, Wayne Keenan, Amy

Roberts (s) 25 lost to Faye Rodger, Betty McDonald, Lyn Moulday, Rhonda Marchment (s) 26.

Susan Nelson, Keith Griffiths, Judy Matthews, Joan Murnane (s) 33 d. Rhonda Pole, Yvonne Templar, Colleen Bond, Heather Esmore (s) 15.

Joan Earl, Robert Ashley, Dorothy Gibson, John Gibson (s) 27 d. Dianne Fullarton, Patricia Goode, Sue Wright, Amanda Marland (s) 23.

Donald 70-2 lost to Donald Golf 76-10.

Alison McEwen, Beth Hollis, Jack Collins, Lindy Morgan (s) 31 d. Corazon Stopps, Mary Murray, Merilyn Frank, Margaret Kelly (s) 20.

Ev Adams, Kelvin Adamson, Marion McEwen, Margaret Quick (s) 18 lost to Sue Donnellon, Colleen Raynes, Lynette Borden, Brenda Dixon (s) 25.

John Howley, Joan Wood, Brenda Brennan, Beryl Milne (s) 21 lost to Thelma Boyd, Enid Brasier, Joyce Hollis, Pam Rollinson (s) 31.

North-Central Pennant Bowls

This Week’s Selected Club Teams

DIVISION ONE
Round 13, Saturday, January 29.

Boort v. Donald
BOORT
K. Walton, I. Mercer, K. Ritchie, T. Moresi (s)
P. Waters, I. Allison, G. Gardner, K. Depiazza (s)
K. Birt, J. Maxted, L. Maxted, S. Morris (s)
DONALD GOLF
W. Livingston, J. Hollis, G. Harmer, T. Hollis (s)
G. Geddes, S. Hollis, G. Rigby, P. Hibberd (s)
L. Borden, A. Frank, R. Reseigh, W. Gniel (s)
Cars: G. Rigby, P. Hibberd, A. Frank, leave 12 noon.

Wycheproof v. Charlton
WYCHEPROOF
P. Connolly, J. McLean, D. Groves, G. Coatsworth (s)
A. Coatsworth, F. Grylls, B. Macdonald, A. Mead (s)
N. Coles, V. Grant, A. Jones, E. Rayes (s)
CHARLTON
J. Cox, N. Cossar, S. Perry, K. Wiley (s)
J. Ong, M. O’Brien, P. Watts, L. Southwell (s)
D. McCallum, D. Gretgrix, J. Headon, K. North (s)

St. Arnaud Country Club v. Donald
ST. ARNAUD COUNTRY CLUB
M. Pole, J. Nevill, B. Rodger, J. Abbott (s)
D. Goode, D. Moulday, T. McDonald, M. Esmore (s)
T. Marland, L. Lynch, K. Meade, B. McGregor (s)
DONALD
I. McEwen, N. Barber, M. Harris, P. Kelly (s)
J. Howley, L. Kelly, J. Collins, B. Hegarty (s)
J. Aitken, P. Wyllie, K. Adamson, N. Hollis (s)

Wedderburn v. St. Arnaud
WEDDERBURN
A. Noordennan, G. Burnside, A. Caserta, N. Holt (s)
D. Stephenson, L. Holt, B. Hargreaves, B. Montebello (s)
A. Holtn, L. Standfield, J. Grant, L. Witham (s)
ST. ARNAUD
T. Amos, C. Marchment, A. Dyke, A. Jackson (s)
T. McSwain, D. Shepherd, M. Wood, G. Hancock (s)
G. McNally, K. Dyke, G. Simpson, P. McRae (s)

DIVISION TWO
Round 13, Saturday, January 29.

Boort v. Donald Golf
BOORT
P. Gould, L. Gardner, T. Noles, J. Hampson (s)
J. Nelson, B. McDonald, P. Baker, K. Strachan (s)
R. Taylor, A. Matley, A. Gould, G. Hudson (s)
DONALD GOLF
M. Raynes, B. Bayles, M. Kelly, G. Wood (s)
B. Brasier, R. Adams, S. O’Shea, M. Frank (s)
J. Meyer, J. Slater, P. Raynes, G. Stopps (s)
Cars: P. Raynes, B. Bayles, S. O’Shea, leave 12 noon.

Wycheproof v. Charlton
WYCHEPROOF
D. Nicholls, R. Pollard, D. Denney, G. Allan (s)
J. McKay, A. Wallace, J. Grylls, P. Coles (s)
R. Grylls, R. Tierney, J. Nicholls, S. Barratt (s)
CHARLTON
K. Patton, D. Roberts, E. Rosewall, G. Bateson (s)
B. Fitzpatrick, G. Wain, R. Porter (s)
B. Chester, I. Southwell, D. Finlay, C. Stewart (s)

Wedderburn v. Korong Vale
WEDDERBURN
H. Stephenson, P. Norman, N. White, B. Passalick (s)
R. Guelfo, B. Green, T. Benaim, T. Jackson (s)
S. Smyth, R. Little, R. Hall, I. Hall (s)
KORONG VALE
S. Nelson, R. Ashley, J. Matthews, J. Murnane (s)
L. Barby, Y. Cashen, D. Gibson, A. Roberts (s)
J. Earl, K. Griffiths, W. Keenan, J. Gibson (s)
St. Arnaud Country Club v. Donald
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F. Rodger, T. Pollock, D. McAllister, R. Pole (s)
G. White, T. Caine, P. Mullins, A. Marland (s)
J. Jorgensen, G. Fullarton, D. Mullins, C. Webb (s)
DONALD
K. Smith, J. Subprom, D. Romeo, M. McEwen (s)
C. Perry, M. Quick, B. Milne, L. Morgan (s)
T. Farrer, F. McConville, B. Hollis, G. Davidson (s)
Bye: St. Arnaud.



• Donald Golf skipper, Pam Rollinson, in action against Donald on Tuesday, during midweek pennant.

Wedderburn Cups This Sunday

(By Peter Hibberd)

Harness racing returns to Wedderburn this Sunday, for the running of its feature races of the year.

The Loddon Shire Wedderburn Pacing Cup and the Insurance House Wedderburn Trotters' Cup both have \$14,500 in prizemoney and have attracted good quality

fields with plenty of chances in both races.

In the Trotters' Cup, trainer Jason McNaulty, I think, holds the key to the race with Chissy and Travel Bug both

racing well. The Greg Norman-trained Blue Coman is the definite danger.

The Pacing Cup has plenty of depth, with numerous chances. Puntarno Stride should improve on his recent form and is drawn well. The Charlton trainers could have as many as four runners in this race.

Looking for a winner in race one, the Gavan Holt-owned Glengariff should start the day off well. In race two, a horse by the name of Carleno is having its first race start. This horse is a full brother to a very good racehorse in San Carlo, a winner

of 30 races; was very impressive at last week's trials at Shepparton.

In the last race, Ellen Tormey driving Happyaslarry can finish a winner for the punters.

Selections

Race one: Glengariff, Jack of the Green, Birthday Suit.

Race two: Carleno, It's a Good Feeling, Ceeulater.

Race three: Choir Queen, Be My Girl, Tassiedevil Stride.

Race four: You Betyahavtime, Crossroader, Bragheeta.

Race five: Travel Bug, Blue Coman, Chissy.

Race six: Satchmo Strikes, Mauries Bonus, Okinawa Beach.

Race seven: Puntaro Stride, Brallos Pass, Vanquish Stride.

Race eight: Happyaslarry, Dashndot, Wendys Watching.

Best bets: Glengariff, Carleno, Happyaslarry.

Previous Cup Winners

Pacers: 2019, Emain Macha; 2020, Little Peanut; 2021, Pembroke Charlie.

Trotters: 2019, Belts; 2020, Maori Law; 2021, Well Defined.

The 2020 winner, Maori Law, has since gone on to win the most recent interdominion final, so again proves that the smaller clubs attract the potential stars of the future.

Winners

The Sanderson kids continued their racetrack battle at Mildura this time with Abby defeating Ryan by a head margin, for the Anderson stable-trained horses.

Ryan has also driven winners at Bendigo and Cobram. Trainer John Tormey contin-

ues his winning run with Shaq and Glens of Tokoa.

Last week I wrote about John Richard going to "Tassie" to continue his racing career. Yes, he won! On Sunday at Devonport, paying \$25.50 for the win.

Vale Frank Evans

A legend in the local harness racing industry passed away last Tuesday.

Frank had many good horses in his career; the mare I think that set him up with many winners was Lunar Lass. One of her foals was a trotter called Flair who produced multiple winners – In Opulence, Diamante, Misty Gift, Compressor and Fully Focussed. My thoughts go to all the family. His funeral is today (Friday) at St. Arnaud.



• Jeffcott's Tom Reekie, 104. (Amanda Reid photo)

Tom's Ton

As reported in Tuesday's "Times", one of Wimmera Mallee cricket's highest scoring games this season was the "B" grade battle between Birchip and Jeffcott, at Birchip.

With a match total of almost 400 runs, and only 7 wickets taken, honours were clearly claimed by five of those batting.

For instance, with Jeffcott facing up first, Tom Reekie scored a memorable, unbeaten 104. Joseph Praveen added 35, George Rejo 12, and the 40-overs total climbed to 5/185. Surprisingly, it wasn't sufficient for a Jeffcott victory.

Up stepped Birchip's Mark Trollope, who also batted from start to finish, for 86 not out. Add to that James Paley's 69 not out, and Will Hogan's 19, and the winning tally reached 196, for the loss of only two wickets.

Tomorrow

Last Saturday's win against Brim K.S.H. elevates St. Arnaud to top of the "A" grade ladder. These two teams are now both on 42 points, with the Saints holding a percentage advantage.

Tomorrow they both face serious challenges. Brim K.S.H. will be all out to hold off home side, Donald, which trails the two top teams by only 3 points, while Birchip at home will be desperate to keep its finals hopes alive, against St. Arnaud, at Birchip.

It hasn't been the best of seasons for Marnoo and Wycheproof-Narraport, which meet at Marnoo, while Jeffcott has the bye.

In "B" grade, St. Mary's holds top place, though only by 3 points. Breathing down the leader's neck are four teams – Birchip, St. Arnaud, Charlton, and Jeffcott, all on 33 points, with Southern Mallee Giants a further 3 points back.

The "B" grade draw for tomorrow: Giants v. Jeffcott, St. Arnaud v. Birchip, St. Mary's v. Watchem, Brim K.S.H. v. Charlton.

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