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Bunyip Community Bank Sale Proposal

By Roman Kulkewycz



The Board of the Bunyip & District Community Enterprises Limited, the operator of the Community Bank Bunyip & District has notified it's shareholders of an extraordinary general meeting next Thursday 13th April at 7.00pm in the Bunyip Hall.

The Board is seeking approval from its shareholders to consider and if thought fit, to approve a proposal for the sale to Our Community Company Limited of BDCE's revenue right relating to the loans, deposits and other revenue generating business.

If shareholders do not approve or if completion does not proceed, the Company will continue to operate the Branch under the current franchise agreement with Bendigo Bank.

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Bunyip Community Bank Chairman Barry Crees said that, if agreed to by shareholders, this will give the Bunyip Branch more stability with staffing and general running matters. "The Board has put in 12 months of hard work and looked into all the implications of this proposal and it believes that this will be of great benefit to the local community," he said. "The last couple of years has been tough with low interest rates and the returns have been poor, but as things improve there will continue to be support for local community organisations", he said. The customers will still be able to access the same banking services as they always have been, with a much better guarantee of having a full complement of staff available each day.

O.C.C. Ltd was established in 1998 with the opening of Community Bank Lang Lang and has expanded with locations in Pearcedale, Koo Wee Rup, Narre Warren South and Tooradin. OCC Ltd has 9 company directors running the business and 24 staff who support the operations of the five branches.

O.C.C. has said that its focus of going forward is to keep physical banking services local for communities, continue to develop key partnerships within the communities we serve and focus on projects and initiatives that improve the wellbeing of all those who are a part of our communities.

There is currently a long list of shareholders (representing approximately 17% of the issued capital of the Company) who have registered as seeking to sell their shares but there are no third parties who have expressed interest in acquiring those shares. As such, this proposal represents the only realistic opportunity for shareholders to realise their investment in the Company.

Concerns have been expressed that the sale of the banking business may disenfranchise the Community with regards to equitable grants and sponsorship opportunities.

Available information on both the Company's website and the Letter to Shareholders fails to state the percentage, amount or regularity of any grants or sponsorship into the Bunyip area, just that O.C.C. Ltd wishes to in general terms develop partnerships within the communities, and to focus on projects to improve the wellbeing of those communities.

BDCE Chairman, Barry Crees stressed that it was in the best interest of all that shareholders attend this meeting to gain a full understanding of the proposal and cast an informed vote. The proposed sale will enable very good returns to Shareholders, retain a local branch for customers, staff keep their jobs and future sponsorship and grants for local communities in railway townships and surrounding areas.



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They let emergency workers know there's a Motorcycle Crash Card in the helmet. The card provides key information to speed up medical care after a crash, potentially saving lives.

Only paramedics and other emergency service personnel should safely remove a rider's helmet.

Cards are free and available across Victoria. Learn where you can collect your card: https://transport.vic.gov.au/crashcard.

Bunyip Fire Brigade will once again be out supporting the Royal Children's Hospital 'Good Friday Appeal' this April. We would like your support to this worthy cause by donating at any of the local RCH tins situated in businesses around town or on the day to our volunteers rattling tins. If you wish to help on the 7th April by door knocking, counting or can assist in coordinating, then please register your name via PM on our Facebook page or email for further information.

tracey.edwards@members.cfa.vic.gov.au





Did you know that CFA has an online learning module intended to support people who are caring for others living in high bushfire risk areas?

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Editor and Readers Page

Community newspapers are the voice of the community

Do you have a photo, story, poem, ditto, joke, holiday event etc. to share in our May Newsletter? I would love to receive your submissions, either drop them in the box at IGA or email me at editor@bunyipnews.org.au.

Bunyip Football Club

Ceremony to remind the families and close friends that this tragedy will never be forgotten

The Monument erected in honor of the 5 young Bunyip Footballers at the Football Reserve is being restored with a reinstated garden. On December 29th 1967 a charted



light aircraft crashed near Daly Waters NT. Killing the pilot and 5 young Bunyip men. The Monument was erected by the Citizens of the Bunyip District and opened in March 1968.

The devastation this disaster had on the community was immense. The population of Bunyip was less than a third as it is today, these 5 young men Breheny Michael 27 years, Noel Heatley 34 years, Peter Kay 27 years, Donald Smith 25

years and Barry Sullivan 23 years of age all lived and worked in the community and were very well known to the Towns people.

On April 29 at 2.45pm half time in the Senior game at the Bunyip Football Reserve Family members will plant a rose in memory of the 5 boys that their lives.



Anzac Day Services
Garfield Cenotaph April 25 at 1.00pm.
Bunyip Cenotaph April 25 at 2.00pm.



Bunyip Rodeo

Sunday 19th February saw our 6th Bunyip Rodeo go ahead on a beautiful sunny day and a 2year hiatus. The Rodeo attracted a record crowd and was a sold out event with gates being closed.

Bunyip Rodeo Group has a small committee, is a non for profit and partners with community groups to put on the event. This year the Rodeo partnered with Bunyip CFA, Bunyip Football and Netball Club, Men's Shed and Bunyip Tennis club.

The day started off with music to entertain the crowd by Jessica Rose Music, rides and a carnival. The action was plenty with thrills and spills starting at 1pm to entertain the crowd for over 4 hours.

Events included Bull ride, Saddle Bronc and barrel racing, the









Davina and Henry the Bunyip

My name is Davina Veenstra, and I am delighted to share with you the release of my new book Henry the Bunyip's A to Z of Friends.

During lockdown I found myself with the time to bring to life a vision I had of a soft toy and book that paid tribute to Henry Rodger the baker who owned the bakery that is now home to the Bunyip Social Hub at 27 Main Street, Bunyip.

Writing Henry the Bunyip stories is a joy to me and most of my stories relate to characters and animals that I have known whilst growing up in Bunyip or friends and family members

My parents equally both were creative and talented, both telling stories whether it be

around the campfire with the 4WD club or at home in front of the slow combustion stove.



In the 1960s my parents moved to Bunyip from Trida located at Mount Worth, and we ran a small pig farm, to our delight our pigs were rather successful at the Royal Melbourne Show, due to this some of our pigs were then selected to be exported to Japan for breeding.

Having been educated locally at Bunyip Primary School and Drouin High School, some of my teachers may be surprised to learn that I am now a published author. I was known to be a bit of a chatterbox.

Writing a book takes some time, I would suggest with planning, illustrating and all the bits and pieces a good couple of years is needed. My new book Henry the Bunyip's A to Z of Friends is available for purchase along with a plush toy of Henry, these sell separately for \$25 each. These can be purchased either by reaching out to me or by visiting Henry's website www.henrythebunyip.com where you can also read up on other adventures Henry has had.

Over the last year I have had the rewarding opportunity to read Henry's book to kindergartens, daycares and schools, it is my pleasure that I am able to continue doing this and watching the children light up as I read to them because they are too learning their ABC.

I hope you will enjoy my new book.

Best wishes

Davina and Henry the Bunyip

	Bunyip Rainfall Totals												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
2020	92.6	138.15	35.75	145.5	100.	46.0	43.5	122.0	58.5	98.0	60.0	44.0	984.5
2021	67.0	37.0	35.75	61.0	54.0	76.0	93.0	44.0	100.0	113.0	93.0	22.0	833
2022	37.0	6.0	49.0	76.0	42.0	96.0	52.0	146.0	49	169	102	74	898
2023	30.0	29.5	66.0										



Bags, we're inundated or over whelmed with them in all shapes and styles to fit a purpose.

Rod bags, Tackle bags, Keeper bags, Reel bags, Bait bags, Surf bags, Waterproof bags and the list goes on...Like a woman looking for the perfect handbag, there is also a need for bag to be fit for the purpose of fishing, just the right amount of storage and pockets for all the bits of tackle we carry, most of it unnecessary. Room is needed for a spare reel or spool, line, lures, hooks and sinkers all in their own containers, all forms of terminal tackle, leaders and rigs already tied to go.

Although not all bags will suit every trip, there's the day trips, weekend trips and extended holidays, so sometimes you'll need a bigger bag or smaller one according to the length of the trip or type of fishing you're going to be doing. The trend these days is for tackle shops to sell you the bag as a complete system with plastic tackle boxes included. That's okay if you're new to this game, but it leaves little room for anything else and generally the zip pocket holding them in opens from the side of the bag.

The minimum price you'll pay for a bag like these is around \$100 or more. Why not buy the bag that is as close as possible to suit **your** purpose.

My suggestion is that you look around at Tool bags, Camera bags, and Utility bags of all types. These are usually well made and of stronger trade quality material, many with waterproof zippers and hard base, also facilitating many accessories like scissors, containers and rigs with pockets and compartments throughout. They are tough and not all, but most are a fraction of the price of 'designer' tackle bags, Less Gucci more Makita!

Catcha, The TackleMan ®









Garfield Community Garden Calendar (Australia Temperate Climate) - April

April brings us well into autumn, and the days are now getting shorter. While the soil is still warm, it's a good time to plant trees, shrubs, and herbs, as their roots will have a chance to take hold before winter.

This is also the last chance to harvest fruit such as apples and pears (if they are ripe) before they're damaged by frost. (To tell if an apple or pear is ripe, lift the fruit up gently in the palm of your hand, and give it a slight twist. Ripe fruit will come away easily with the stalk still attached to the fruit).

Things to Do This Month:

- Plant new trees, shrubs, climbers, annuals and perennials.
- Gather and compost autumn leaves.
- Divide overgrown perennials, collect their seeds, prune those that have finished flowering,
- Relocate evergreen shrubs (can be done either in autumn and early spring).
- Prune tall shrubs to reduce their height to better resist winter winds.
- Collect and sow seeds from berry producing trees and shrubs.
- Propagation of hardwood cuttings is done in autumn prune off 30cm long shoots of current season's growth, cut off the soft growing tip, cut off the bottom end below a bud, and dip end into rooting hormone. Make a 'slit trench' by pushing a spade into soil and rocking it back and forth. In clay soil, add some coarse sand for drainage. Put cuttings in so 2/3 is below the soil, and press the soil down around them. Cuttings will root and be ready to plant next autumn.
- Dig in cool season green manures that were sown in early autumn (such as rapeseed, broad beans, fenugreek, linseed, lupins, mustard, oats, subclover, and vetch) before they flower.
- Prune brambleberries after they finish fruiting cut out the canes that fruited, and tie in the newly grown canes to the support wires on the berry trellises.
- Blackcurrants (and brambleberries) can be pruned from now till winter time.
- Continue planting garlic, strawberry runners and shallot bulbs.
- Harvest and store root crops continue lifting beetroot and carrots and finish lifting potatoes. Leave parsnips in ground, they need some cold to taste the best.
- Cut down asparagus foliage that has turned yellow (if it wasn't done in March) and top-dress the asparagus crowns with compost or manure.
- Empty compost bins into the garden to prepare soil for next season.
- Cover ponds with netting to prevent autumn leaves rotting in the water. Also, feed the fish less food, as they are less active as the days shortens and uneaten food will foul the water.

Sow in April		Harvest	Sow in April		Harvest
		(weeks)			(weeks)
Beetroot	ds	7-10	Mustard greens	d	5-8
Broad beans	d	12-22	Oregano	S	6-8
Burdock	d	17-18	Pak Choy	d	6-11
Carrot	d	12-18	Parsley	ds	9-19
Chives	ds	7-11	Peas	d	9-11
Corn Salad	d	5-8	Radish	d	5-7
Endive	ds	10-11	Rocket	d	21-35 days
Florence	d	14-20	Shallots	d	12-15
Fennel					
Garlic	d	17-25	Silverbeet	ds	7-12
Kale	ds	7-9	Snow Peas	d	12-14
Kohlrabi	d	7-10	Spinach	d	5-11
Lettuce	ds	8-12	Swedes	d	10-14
Mizuna	d	35-50 days	Turnip	d	6-9

Key:

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

Planting Guide courtesy of Deep Green Permaculture (http://deepgreenpermaculture.com/

Community Legend Passes Away By Roman Kulkewycz

The communities of Garfield, Bunyip and surrounding district are mourning the death of John Marsh who passed away peacefully at home in the presence of his family on March 21, 2023, aged 85 years. John was a tireless community worker, a gentle quietly spoken, kind and considerate man. A local legend. I first met John when I started work at Hillview Bunyip Aged Care, in 2004. He seemed to be always there in his overalls, working, so much so that I thought he was a permanent employee. Such was his dedication to the community, that he generously gave much of his time, labour and knowledge.



John Bernard Born April 27, 1937, to Frances Marsh and Violet Marsh nee

Malcolm. Dearly loved and loving husband of Nellie for 61 wonderful years. Much loved father and father-in-law of Sharyn and Barry, Anthony and Donna, Vanessa, Matthew and Marilyn. Adored Grampa of Brianna, Madeleine, Alexandra, Meggan, Isabel, Aaron, Taylah, Sean, Emma and Katie Rae. John was a stalwart of the local community. Fittingly the flag in the Garfield Main Street was at half-mast in his honour.

Some of his many achievements include 17 years on the Garfield Primary School Council, 20 years with Garfield Scouts as a Queen Scout (achieved in 1956) and leader, 44 years on the Board for the Bunyip Shelley Memorial Hospital, then Community Centre and now Hillview Bunyip Aged Care, culminating with the John Marsh Wing named in his honour. He was mowing lawns there up until only a few weeks ago.

Thirty years on the Bunyip Medical Centre Committee until it was sold to Dr. Georgy. Dr. Georgy and John shared an extraordinary friendship and the care received from dr. Georgy particularly during John's illness and last days was wonderful

Thirty five years with the Gippsland Historical Automobile club (GHAC) Westenders— the last 15 years as Secretary.

Sixty five years with the Masonic Lodge, firstly Bunyip then at Forest Lodge Warragul.

Citizen of the Year in 1990 for the then Pakenham Shire

Australia Day Achievement Award in 2009 for the Cardinia Shire Council.

Owner of FJB Marsh & Son Plumbing in Garfield, firstly working with his dad from 1954, then taking over the business after Frank's death in 1970, until his retirement in 1999. The business is still in the family, coming up to 100 years next year. John's sons continue working in the business, with Anthony running it.

The Memorial Service to celebrate the life of Mr. John Bernard Marsh, late of Garfield, was held last yesterday Tuesday, March 28.



The Difference Between - by John





What's the Difference Between a Mouse and a Rat Infestation?

Rats have stronger jaws and can cause significant structural damage. These pests can gnaw through wood, metal, plastic, and even concrete, damaging walls, electrical wiring, and pipes. They also tend to hoard food, resulting in debris and waste.

Mice tend to cause less severe deterioration than rats. They typically nibble on smaller items like food packages, clothing, and books. However, their constant gnawing and nesting can cause damage to insulation, wallpaper, and other materials in a home.

Regarding their behaviour, rats are more active at night and tend to be shy around humans. Mice are often more courageous in humans' presence because of differences in their natural behaviour and adaptations to their environment.

Because mice often scavenge for food in areas near humans, mice have evolved to be more tolerant of humans and other larger creatures. Over time, this increased exposure to humans has made them less afraid and more likely to approach people.

On the other hand, rats have evolved to be warier of potential predators and are more likely to hide when humans are around.

Mice and Rats Diseases

What is the difference between a mouse and a rat bite?

Rats and mice are known carriers of diseases that can be transmitted through their urine, feces, bites, or contact with their fur. Some of the most common conditions associated with rats and mice include:

Salmonellosis: A bacterial infection that can cause food poisoning and is commonly spread through contaminated food or water.

Hantavirus: A severe respiratory illness spread through inhalation of dust contaminated with rodent urine or droppings.

Leptospirosis: A bacterial infection that can cause flu-like symptoms and is transmitted through contact with contaminated water or soil.

Rodent Elimination Tips

Rodents can be a nuisance and pose a health risk to humans and pets. Despite the difference between a mouse and a rat infestation, you can typically utilise the same methods to keep them at bay. While we recommend utilising a pest control agency to remove these pests from your home, here are some tips you can try on your own.

Before you try any at-home pest control methods, inspect your home for cracks and holes, and seal them with steel wool, caulking, or foam sealant. Pay special attention to areas where utilities enter the home, such as pipes and vents.

Plus, it's also helpful to properly store the food in your kitchen and pantry. Keep items in airtight containers, and ensure the kitchen and pantry are clean and free of crumbs by tidying up after cooking and meals.

Additionally, remove any potential attractants that may encourage rodents to hang around your yard. Rodents

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Bunyip- Garfield Probus Club

We boarded a bus early one morning to travel to the MCG for a tour of the grounds and also the Sports Museum. On arrival we had morning tea which was provided by some of our members and we also celebrated a Birthday with a cake for one of our group.



When we met our guides we were divided into two groups and the set out to discover and learn a lot about the Mighty G. Everyone was so impressed when they took us onto the hallowed ground where we gazed at all the stands that surrounded us. The football and cricket followers probably had experienced being at matches before and no doubt have special memories but for all the others it was truly an amazing experience too.

The atmosphere would be unbelievable when it was full for both the Football and the cricket and other events like the Ed Sheerin concert.

After this advent they were madly working on preparing the soil so they could lay new grass down ready for the start of the Football Season so we were also able to watch them working on it. They do cover the cricket pitch with extra rolls of grass during the Footy Season protect it. We were able to have a look at one of the players change rooms then the Media Centre which is name after Ron Casey. Other areas we



looked at was the Melbourne Cricket Club which is mem-

bers - only and the Long Room before going to the Sports Museum.

The Cricket/ Football are combined with so much history like the cricketer who has hit the longest distance into the crowd at the MCG with no one achieving this yet to this day. The Football and Cricket fans spent their time seeking out all about their legends while the others experienced the Horse Racing and also the Olympic Games that was held in Melbourne in 1956 and that's when television first came to Australia.

By this time everyone was looking for lunch so we went to the Trudle Cafe and catch up with the others before boarding the bus to travel home.

It certainly was worth going and having a guided tour. Many thanks to the outings team.

Our next outing was to the Drouin Croquet Club to learn how to play the game. We were put into teams of four with one of their members making up the number so they could play along side of us and teach us the rules/ maybe. It was a challenge but some really did well. After a few games the Dinner bell sounded and a lovely BBQ complete with a range of salad was served all done by the Club. Then the games continued until everyone had a couple of games or more than afternoon tea was served. It was a lot of fun and we did learn about the game. Our President thanked them for making us very welcome and we plan to make it a yearly advent to test out our skills once again.

Helen

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BRAG UPDATE APRIL 2023

"LET'S GIVE BUNYIP SOMETHING TO BRAG ABOUT!"

OUR VISION:

Bunyip and District will become an environmentally sustainable, carbon neutral community.

OUR MISSION:

To reduce Bunyip and District's carbon footprint.

Part of our Community Engagement goal is:

"informing the Bunyip Community about how they can reduce their energy consumption..."

This message is for small business owners about managing your business energy costs:

Sustainable Australia Fund is working with Cardinia Shire to facilitate

Environmental Upgrade Agreements:

- 100% finance for environmentally sustainable upgrades to your business repaid quarterly with your rates payments.
- o Payments can be shared between renter and owner of the premises.
- For more information: https://www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/energy-efficiency-and-reducing-emissions
- Solar Victoria is offering substantial solar rebates for businesses wanting to install solar panels/batteries
 - o Rebate \$3500
 - o Interest free loan \$1000-\$5000
 - o Available to business owners (do not have to own the property) with 1-50 employees.
 - More information: www.solar.vic.gov.au

SOLAR FARM FOR BUNYIP??



BRAG is working with Komo Energy to investigate the feasibility of a community solar farm in Bunyip. We would like to hear from the community, and in particular, the neighbours of any concerns or considerations.

Jonathan Prendergast from Komo Energy attended the recent Bunyip Show to help BRAG members begin the community consultation phase of a proposed community owned solar farm for Bunyip.

It is proposed that this small solar farm will be located around the dam on the Agricultural Society land south of the Recreation Reserve The project will include the planting of screening vegetation to the south of the installation.

For more information and answers to some FAQs please go to the Bunyip Community facebook page or the BRAG website www.bragbunyip.org.au



We welcome your comments via email to bragbunyip@gmail.com

"FUTURE TRANSPORT" ART COMPETITION AT BUNYIP SHOW

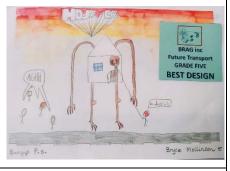












Students were invited to imagine transportation in a future, sustainable Bunyip.



Thanks to those students and teachers who took up the theme, there were many creative designs submitted and BRAG committee members had a hard job picking the winners.

Takeaway Menu Bunyip Expresso cafe Thursday & Friday only(Till 7:00 pm)

Phone 03 5629 5377		
Non-Veg		
1. Butter Chicken		\$15
(Chicken cooked in smooth gravy with tomato, butter, cream and onion)		
2 .Goat Curry		\$18
(Goat cooked in tomato and onion gravy with spices)		
3. Chicken Curry		\$15
(Chicken cooked in tomato and onion gravy with spices)		
4. Karahi Chicken		\$18
(Chicken cooked with capsicum and tomato chunks)		7.77
5. Chicken Vindaloo		\$18
(Chicken cooked in coconut milk and mustard seed)		4.0
6. Chicken saaq		\$17
(Chicken cooked in Spinach with tomato, onion ,Garlic and ginger)		
7. Goat saag	- 3	\$18
(Goat cooked in Spinach with tomato, onion ,Garlic and ginger)		
Vegetarian		
8. Daal Makhani		\$15
(Black lentil cooked with Onion, tomato, ginger and garlic and spices)		
9. Chickpea Curry		\$15
(Chickpea cooked with onion, tomato, ginger, garlic and spices)		
10. Shahi Paneer		\$15
(Paneer cheese cooked in smooth gravy with tomato, cream and onion)		
11. Mutter Mushroom		\$15
(Garden peas & Mushrooms cooked in tomato, cream and onion gravy)		3000
12. Karahi Paneer		\$18
(Paneer cheese cooked with capsicum and tomato chunks)		
13. Saag Paneer		\$18
(Paneer cheese cooked in Spinach with tomato, onion, ginger and garlic Sides	c)	
	\$5	
	\$3.50	
	\$3.50	
	\$4.50	
	2.4	



FUNERAL CELEBRANCY

At that time of grief and sadness we all need someone to relieve some of the burden associated with a funeral. Bryan Sharp (local Garfield resident) has been helping families with funeral celebrancy for the past 10 years. Bryan customises every service to genuinely celebrate the life of the family member. Every service is different because every person is different. Bryan can give expert advice on all aspects of the funeral service and how it can best honour your loved one. When that saddest time comes and you engage a Funeral Director just ask them to book the services of Bryan as your You will get service with celebrant. compassion, understanding and support.

Bryan Sharp Funeral Celebrancy Services – Ph: 0421 617 275

email: bryan.sharp1@bigpond.com

Submit your photos to win!

Cardinia Shire Council is inviting residents to share their photos of the shire to win!

The What's on Cardinia photo competition aims to showcase the diverse and unique landscape of Cardinia Shire's environment and people.

The photo competition is open to all ages, and each entrant can submit up to 10 of their own images.

The photos will be judged by a selection panel, who will select 30 final images. The 30 final images will then be posted on the What's on Cardinia Facebook page for a week from 9am Monday 15 May. The photo with the most 'likes' at 5pm Monday 22 May will be crowned the winner!

1st place: a \$500 Visa gift card
2nd place: a \$300 Visa gift card
3rd place: a \$200 Visa gift card

Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Tammy Radford encouraged residents to make a submission.

"From the stunning hills to the fertile farmland, our townships, our people, and our unique flora and fauna – there's no shortage of inspiration in Cardinia Shire.

"I look forward to seeing everyone's entries and celebrating our shire's incredible people and places. Happy snapping!" she said.

Entries close at 5pm on Thursday 4 May 2023. Winners will be announced on Tuesday 23 May 2023.

For more information, or to submit your images, head to www.whatsoncardinia.com.au or contact Council's Economic Development team on 1300 787 624.



Last Sunday Each Month......8am - 1pm

Tony 0407 563 441 Sunday 30th April 2023

New Stallholders Welcome

Roman 0417 360 783

Site Fee - ONLY \$15

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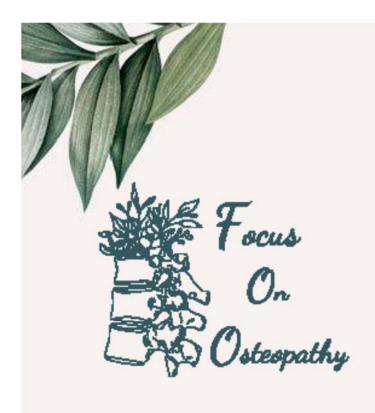
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Put dairy ponds on your farm 'to do' list, says EPA

EPA Victoria (EPA) officers returning from inspections in South Gippsland's dairying districts say farmers should be putting dairy effluent ponds on their 'to do' list before winter sets in.

The officers visited 10 farms and issued one Official Warning, but in most cases gave compliance advice to help farmers to keep their dairy effluent management systems up to standard.

EPA Gippsland Regional Manager Jessica Bandiera says last year's wet spring and flooding in parts of the state were reminders of the hazards of an overgrown or backed up dairy effluent system.

"The threat from a neglected dairy effluent management system is in overflows and leaks, and any rainy weather can send backed up effluent pouring over the edge," Ms Bandiera said.

"Dairy farmers need to get some maintenance done on their dairy effluent ponds, pumps and pipes as soon as they can," she said.

"It's the most effective way to make sure dairy effluent is a fertiliser that's good for your farm, not a pollutant that threatens waterways and neighbouring properties."

The pollutants can include:

- nutrients
- pesticides
- fertilisers
- milk from washdown, spillage and waste milk, and
- contaminated soil washed away by heavy rain.

Letting those pollutants escape into channels, drains and waterways can reduce oxygen levels, kill aquatic life, encourage toxic algae and create the danger of disease.

"Dairy farmers can prevent effluent ponds from overflowing by de-sludging, controlling weeds and irrigating the water component to pasture when weather conditions are appropriate," Ms Bandiera said.

"The end of summer is the best time to clean out ponds ahead of winter wet weather, while keeping effluent irrigation equipment in good condition and preparing to deal with any pipe or pump failures," she said.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

There's information how Victoria's General Environmental Duty applies to farms, on the EPA website epa.vic.gov.au/for-business/find-a-topic/agricultural-guidance

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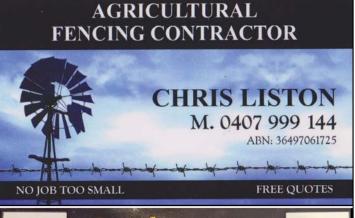
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Young people have a ball at Pride Formal



On Saturday 4 March, young people from Cardinia Shire and beyond were thrilled with the return of Council's annual Pride Formal, held at the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre.

Now in its sixth year, the Pride Formal is a free event for LGBTIQA+ young people, friends, and allies to come together and celebrate in a safe, discrimination-free environment to embrace pride, diversity, and inclusion for all.

This year, the event saw over 130 young people hit the dance floor with highlights including lip sync battles and prizes awarded for 'best moves' and 'best dressed' - where all young people were encouraged to express and celebrate their most authentic self.

A highlight from the night was a special drag performance by long-time Cardinia Pride member, Claire Sanderson, otherwise known as Dia Thundara.

A relaxed sensory space was also set up for those needing a break from the dance floor or just somewhere to chill out and chat. A photo booth was available for young people to capture lasting memories of their big night.

"We're really privileged and proud to hold this important and exciting event for our young people," Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Tammy Radford said.

"It was fantastic to see so many of Cardinia's young people out celebrating who they are, expressing their individuality and having a great time.

"Supporting our local LGBTIQA+ community is something we're very proud of. Hosting the annual Pride Formal is one way we demonstrate Council's commitment to fostering a sense of belonging for all people within our shire," the Mayor said.

"Events like this are pretty rare in the outer suburbs, so to have over 130 young people come together to celebrate who they are is quite impressive."

Pride Formal is made possible each year with the efforts of dedicated young people from the Be Ur Self and Cardinia Pride groups, who volunteer their time to help plan and deliver the event, supported by Cardinia Shire Council's Youth Services team and LGBTIQA+ internal action group.

The event is also supported by FReeZA, a Victorian Government initiative that supports young Victorians to get involved in their community by planning and running drug, smoke, and alcohol-free events for other young people.

"The ongoing success of this great event is truly a credit to all of the young LGBTQIA+ people in our community and their friends, families and allies. We hope that everyone had an unforgettable night and look forward to supporting Pride Formal for years to come."

For more information about this event and other activities available for young people who identify as LGBTIQA+, contact Youth Services on 1800 496 884 or email myplace@cardinia.vic.gov.au

A recent photo posted on the Bunyip Historical Society's Facebook page created some enthusiastic discussion about the newspaper the Bunyip Garfield Express Newspaper. Posted by the Berwick Pakenham Historical Society, the photo shows the recent construction of an office for the newspaper but date unknown. It was determined that the now non operational newspaper was established in 1883 and closed in 1979. The paper was incorporated into the Warragul Gazette and along with the Pakenham Gazette now covers much of the area.

On an early copy of the paper it states that the paper was established in 1883 and printed by H.S Davey in Main St, Drouin in 1904. In January 1909 it states "printed and published for the proprietors Quaife & Kennedy at their office Main Street, Bunyip. In 1913 Joseph Kennedy printed at Main Street premises in Bunyip.

Herbert H Pettit was in Main St, Bunyip in 1917 and in 1918 printing in Drouin. In July of 1918 Frank Shelford Hodge printed at his office in Main St, Bunyip. June & July 1920 he was still printing at Main St, Bunyip and was editor until his death in 1945. From an old copy of the express Des Dickson was editor and publisher Dec 1946 and located in High Street. In the years preceding its closure, the office remained in High Street Bunyip.

The Bunyip Historical Society has been fortunate to receive several grants for the digitisation of the paper and has in its collection the years 1904 – 1920. The society received a Public Records Office grant of \$11,748.00 in 2021 and this covers the years 1938-1948. Due to a backlog of projects created by the pandemic it is due to be commenced by the State Library of Victoria in December of this year. Once completed this will be available as an online resource via TROVE facilitated by the National Library of Australia.

While the district is covered by the larger print media of the Warragul and Pakenham Gazettes the area is fortunate to have the 'Bunyip & District
Community News' and 'The Garfield Spectator' to
cover local news and events. These newsletters are
run by volunteers, and rely on contributions from
local community groups and organisations to fill
their pages.

The Berwick-Pakenham Historical Society would love to hear from anyone that may be able to help with their enquiries of a date for this office. They can be contacted by email on BPHS1961@gmail.com or by contacting the secretary on 0497 901 965.





Above and below photos courtesy of the Bunyip Historical Society





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Invitation to the Landcare Community Planting Day on 7th May

On the 7th May at 9.30am – 2.00pm there will be a Community Planting Day at Lovers Lane in Garfield which is being funded by Melbourne Water. At present there is a vacant section of neglected unused land consisting of over 5 acres. The aim is to plant it out over two consecutive years. Weed control on the site has commenced by Melbourne Water and on the roadsides by Cardinia Shire Council.

The tree planting and weed control project along Lovers Lane / Walkers Road drain has the highest strategic environmental importance. This area is located along a designated biolink corridor, as defined in Cardinia Shire's Biolink Corridor Plan (search on the internet for Cardinia Biolink Plan to see where the nearest biolink is located to your property). The Lovers Lane corridor is one of 48 mapped priority corridors within Cardinia Shire.

The Lovers Lane re-vegetation project aims to improve the connectivity of our native plants to help animals to move throughout the landscape. The proposed planting will help the Southern Brown Bandicoot move from Koo Wee Rup to Garfield. Bandicoots have been observed along the drain.

Walkers Road Drain eventually enters the Bunyip River and this project will start to form a corridor connecting both sites and will complement major weed control and revegetation projects currently being undertaken by Melbourne Water in the Upper reaches of the Bunyip River.

The Cannibal Creek Landcare Group plus members of other landcare groups in the Western Port Catchment Landcare Network are hoping that locals are able to come and help us plant out this area.

Last year Cannibal Creek and Bunyip Landcare groups together held a community planting day in Tonimbuk on a Parks Victoria site with over 76 people attending putting in over 2800 plants. We are hoping that this year we will be able to achieve a similar or if not better attendance to make it a successful planting day.

On the day there will be a coffee van and barbecue in attendance for all the volunteers. The barbecue will be manned by a local volunteer organisation

Some of the areas of the levy banks will be cleared of weeds and planted out with grasses and small shrubs in two more plantings later in the year by the Cannibal Creek Landcare Group. This project will need to continue over several years as the Lovers Lane / Walkers Road section is over 800 metres in length and revegetation is required on both sides of the drain.

If you would like to come along and help create valuable habitat for this area please RSVP to cannibalcreeklandcare@gmail.com by 1st May, as this will assist with catering. You may even be lucky enough to see a bandicoot!



Photo of Lovers Lane Planting Site - Sunday 7th May @ 9.30am–2.00pm

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Bunyip Fire Brigade Station – 15 Pearson St Bunyip Recreation Reserve – Nar Nar Goon-Longwarry Rd - 2—Footy and Tennis Areas Bunyip & District Men's Shed – 22 A'Beckett Rd (off Anderson St)

Hillview Bunyip Aged Care – 22 A'Beckett Rd IGA Supermarket Foyer – 2/6 Main St

CANNIBAL CREEK

Cannibal Creek Reserve – 133 Garfield North

GARFIELD

Garfield Bowling Club – Beswick St Garfield Golf Club – 180 Thirteen Mile Rd Garfield Post Office – 77 Main St Garfield Recreation Reserve – Beswick St

LONGWARRY

Longwarry Supermarket (next to ATM)

MARYKNOLL

Maryknoll Fire Brigade Station – 16 Koolbirra Rd

NAR NAR GOON

Nar Nar Goon Fire Brigade Station – 6 Carney St

Nar Nar Goon Recreation Reserve – Spencer St

TONIMBUK

Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre – 370 Sanders Rd, Bunyip North

Tonimbuk Hall - Tonimbuk Road

TYNONG

Tynong Fire Brigade Station – 47 Nar Nar Goon-Longwarry Rd

Tynong Recreation Reserve – Park Rd Tynong Post Office, General Store – 40 Railway Ave

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COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Bunyip & District Agricultural Society

Philippa Demsey - 0450 380589 or

bunyipshow@gmail.com Meets at 8pm on 3rd Wed

Bunyip Cemetery

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

Bunyip & District Community House

0481 895 509

Bunyip & District Fire Station

1800 240 667 or 000

Bunyip Hall Hire

0407 834 443 or susananderson@dcsi.net.au

Bunyip Historical Society

0419 156 844 - bhs@dcsi.net.au

Justice of the Peace (JP)

Martin Sayers, OAM JP 0411 074 468 / 5629 5339 S. Don McLean, JP- 0401 655 303

Bunyip Landcare Group

bunyiplcg@gmail.com

Phone: 0407834443

Facebook: Bunyip Landcare Group Inc.

Cannibal Creek Landcare Group

Pam Cunningham - 0407 876 935

Bunyip Community Market (Last Sunday Month)

Tony Arrigo OAM - 0407 563 441

Longwarry & District Fire Brigade Market

Janine 0419 158 946 1st Sun. monthly (March to Dec)

Bunyip Medical Centre

03 5629 5111

Bunyip & District Men's Shed

President Allan Berry....0429 296 140

(Meets each Wednesday 9:30am to 2:00pm)

Bunyip Community Op Shop

5629 6117 (After hours Tony Arrigo 0407 563 441)

Garfield Community Op Shop

0490 141 918

Bunyip Police Station

5629 5205 or 000

Bunyip R.S.L Sub-Branch

David Papley - 0438 295 568

Bunyip Scouts Australia Tracey Cooke

gl.1stbunyip@scoutsvictoria.com.au

Bunyip & District SES

1800 240 667 or 000

Anglican Church of St Thomas Bunyip

Raelene Carroll – 03 5644 3388

Bunyip Country Women's Association CWA:

Wendy - 0417 352 258

(Meeting at 10.30 am/craft 11am on 3rd Friday at Hillview Aged Centre - Eileen Dawes Rooms)

Garfield Community Garden

Meet Every Weekend - Meg 0466 496 107

gcggarfieldcommunitygarden@gmail.com

Labertouche & District Hunters Group

Meet 2nd Sat Bi-Monthly at Labertouche

Trevor 0439 692 602 knightline58@hotmail.com

Bunyip Social Hub

Davina 0420 372 998 bunyipsocialhub@gmail.com

Drouin and District Chess Club

Meets 7pm Monday - Drouin Senior Citizens Club Nick de Weger convenor 0413239717 New players welcome

BRAG (Bunyip Renewables Action Group Inc)

Helen Ross: 0411274025 <u>bragbunyip@gmail.com</u>

COMMUNITY CLUBS

Bunyip Equestrian Club

(Adult) bunyipec@gmail.com (1st Sat month)

Bunyip Bulls Basketball Club

info@bunyipbullsbasketball.com.au

Garfield Bowling Club

garfieldbowlingclub@gmail.com - 0435 355 352

Tournament or Twilight Bowls - 0411 288 799

Longwarry Bowls Club

Trevor or Judy Eastwell – 03 5623 3631 / Ken White – 03 5625 4034

Bunyip Bulls Cricket Club

A. Robb 0402 678 552 Ian McConnell 0419 400 630

Garfield Golf Club

Thirteen Mile Rd, Garfield - 03 5629 2794

Bunyip Football Club

Secretary 0422 335 660

bunyip.f.c@bigpond.com

Bunyip Junior Football Club

Shara McAuley (President) 0400 296 817

admin@bunyipjfc.com.au

Bunyip Netball Club

Lisa Visser 0408 396 251

bunyipnetballclub@bigpond.com

Bunyip Patch Workers Club

Barb - 0407 294326

Bunyip-Garfield Probus Club

Secretary – 5625 4350 (Meets at 10 am 1st Tuesday each month at Garfield Community Hall)

Bunyip Pony Club

Wendy Smith 0407 552 295

(every second Sunday Pound Road reserve)

Lillico Pony Club

Brett Withall 0407 500 211

(every fourth Sunday Pound Road Reserve)

Rotary Club of Bunyip-Garfield

Graeme Squires – 0417 105 598 (Dinner meeting

each Wednesday at 6:30 pm)

Bunyip Singers Club

Dorothy Myers – 03 5629 5601 (Meets at Bunyip Hall every Monday 9:30 am)

Bunyip Slimmers Club

Maree McRae – 0468 411 144 (Meets every Friday 9.30am at Bunyip Uniting Church)

Bunyip & District Soccer Club

Martin Jeric - 0418 104 242

Sorella Callisthenics Club

Samantha Holt 0421 424 079 sorellacc@hotmail.com

St Vincent De Paul Society

Assistance Line - 1800 305 330

Bunyip Tennis Club

Vanessa Kent - 0401 422 084

Bunyip Butterfly Dance

Mondays—Jen 0402 141 582

Iona Cricket Club

Michael Neilson-0438 295 966