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## Dr Roberto CELADA (OAM)

Post-Nominals	OAM
Awarded on	26th January, 2026
Award event	Australia Day
Citation	For service to medicine as a General Practitioner

Partner and General Practitioner, Central Clinic, Warragul, 2000-2020.

General Practitioner, Drouin Medical Centre, 1992-2000.

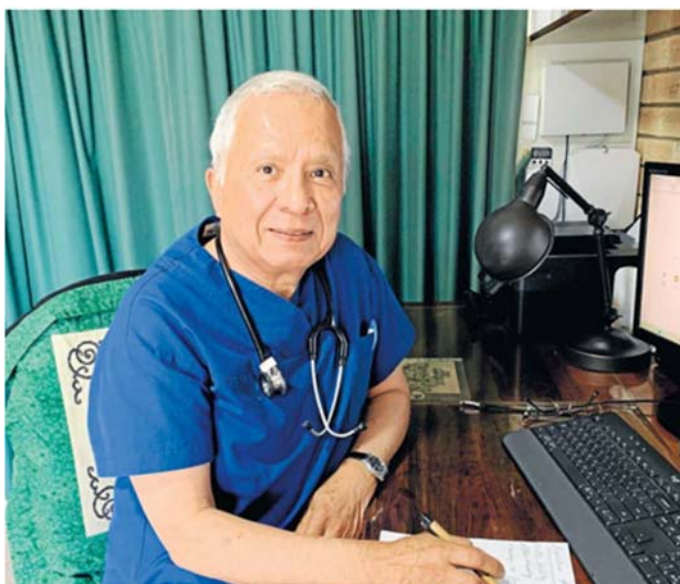
Visiting Practitioner, local aged-care facilities, 1993-2023.

Fellow, Royal Australian College of Practitioners, since 1994.

Practitioner at the Bunyip Medical Clinic and also a visiting practitioner at Garfield.

Bunyip Community would like to congratulate Dr Roberto Celada (OAM) who leads the Jolly Walkers every Tuesday Morning from Bunyip Medical Centre.

From humble beginnings Dr Roberto Celada with the support of his family, has made a difference. As a new Australian migrating from Mexico, Dr Celada is a testimony to the fact that given an opportunity, migrants to our country can add so much to this nation.



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2020	92.6	138.15	35.75	145.5	100.5	46	43.5	122	58.5	98	60	44	984.5
2021	67	37	35.75	61	54	76	93	44	100	113	93	22	833.0
2022	37	6	49	76	42	96	52.0	146	49	169	102	74	898.0
2023	30	29.5	66	77.0	75.0	75.0	31	55	49	147	88	124	846.5
2024	154	35	10	121	36	36	111	33	77	76	62	39	790.0
2025	82	30	48	31	25	45	76	46	63.5	70	152	42	710.5
2026	6												

## TALKIN' ...FISHIN'..... SALVAGE OPERATION

**Mission:** The recovery of snagged lures and arti'fish'ial bait collection. The removal of bait lines and the disposal of old tackle.

Although being there for collecting lures, the removal and disposal of old lines, sinkers and bait hooks is removing this potential threat, and only adds to the clearing of rivers of this type of rubbish and is both beneficial to the environment and the safety of native animals and birds, overall this is a good thing.

**Methods:** Scour opposite river banks, overhanging trees and branches, look for partly submerged branches or sub-surface logs and rocks all mid-stream hidden structures. Wade the river banks and stream edges to depths you feel comfortable with navigating. Always wear a PFD safety vest, stay out of strong currents and beware of deep holes, if you can't see the bottom, probe the depth with a wading staff as you walk. Avoid retrieving tackle from power lines or pumping station areas. Standing in waters and making power voltage contact is not only dangerous but potentially fatal. No lure is worth it!

**Equipment:** Booted chest waders or a full wet suit, PFD life vest, polaroid sunglasses, 1-2m extendable painters roller pole with hook and spring attached for reaching out and grabbing the lure or pulling the branch down. Line cutting tool on a lanyard, and a plastic container with a hole in the lid for lure storage. Old line and sinkers & hooks storage bag.

Plastic body lures and some metals will obviously not rust or corrode, but their hooks and split rings will, but these can be replaced easily with new ones. With average lure prices around \$14-\$18 each, this activity can be quite a cost saving and profitable exercise. Also keep an eye out for tied fly's, however they are pretty small and hard to spot in a tree, and are usually too damaged to reuse or be any good at all. There will be rivers and streams that are ideal for this pastime but depths or terrain will determine your success with this as slow deep water lakes and estuaries can also be accessed with kayaks or inflatable boats.



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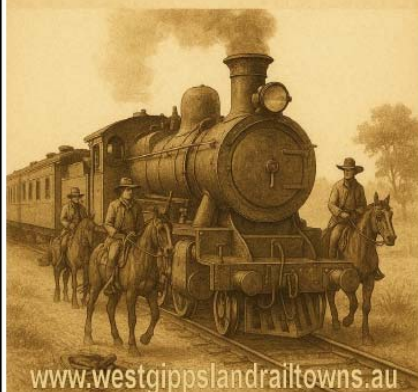
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## WEST GIPPSLAND RAIL TOWNS



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### New West Gippsland Rail Towns Website Launches to Support Local Business and Community

The Garfield Community Website Inc is proud to announce the official launch of the *West Gippsland Rail Towns* website - a vibrant new online hub created to promote local businesses, trades, and community events across the region's historic rail towns.

Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors **Southside Racing, Community Bank Bunyip & District** and **Community Shop Garfield** - the website is now live and open for business listings and event submissions.

Each township now also has its own dedicated website.

[NarNarGoonInfo.au](http://NarNarGoonInfo.au) - [TynongInfo.au](http://TynongInfo.au) - [Garfield.au](http://Garfield.au) and [BunyipInfo.au](http://BunyipInfo.au) - These websites have been set up in conjunction with the local Progress or Community Associations.

### Longwarry businesses and locals are welcome to join

Designed specifically for the communities along the West Gippsland railway corridor, the site provides a dedicated space where local businesses and tradespeople can connect with residents and visitors alike. Listings are **free for the first 12 months**, with a modest **annual fee of \$25 thereafter**, which goes directly toward site maintenance, with any surplus going back into the community. (*Offer ends 30 April 2026*)

Businesses and trades located within the Rail Towns area are encouraged to take advantage of this exclusive promotional opportunity. In addition to standard listings, participants can include **Special Deals**, contribute **blogs**, and receive **assistance setting up their initial profiles**.

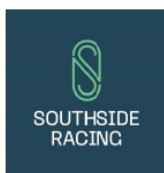
"We want this platform to reflect the heart of our local economy," said a spokesperson for Garfield Community Website Inc. "It's more than a directory — it's a space for connection, growth, and storytelling."

The new website also features a [comprehensive Event Calendar](#), open to the public. Community members can promote any local event simply by creating a free account with a valid email address.

Whether you're a business owner looking to reach a wider audience or a local organiser promoting an upcoming event, the *West Gippsland Rail Towns* website is your one-stop destination for connection and visibility in the region.

Visit: <https://westgippslandrailtowns.au> or simply <https://wgrt.au>

For more information or assistance: [admin@westgippslandrailtowns.au](mailto:admin@westgippslandrailtowns.au)



## Explore jobs, skills and career pathway opportunities at the 2026 Job and Skills Showcase

Connect with leading local businesses and uncover new career possibilities at Cardinia Shire Council's 2026 Jobs and Skills Showcase.

Held on Wednesday 18 March at the Cardinia Cultural Centre from 9:15am to 12pm, the 2026 Jobs and Skills Showcase will feature a range of exhibitors and activities to assist job seekers with information on current vacancies and career pathways.

The event will begin with a **Jobseeker Information Sessions**, presented by Workforce Australia - Local Jobs providing attendees with practical tools and tips to navigate the job market, discover in-demand industries, explore training pathways and learn how to stand out with resume and interview skills.

This will be followed by the **Jobs and Skills Showcase**, where attendees can meet local employers, training providers, trade professionals and support agencies all under one roof!

### Key event information:

Date: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 Time:

9:15am – 12:00pm

Tickets - <https://www.try booking.com/DHVXN>

The Cardinia Jobs and Skills Showcase and information session is free to attend, but booking is required. To book, please visit <https://www.try booking.com/DHVXN>

The 2026 Cardinia Jobs and Skills Showcase is proudly supported by Workforce Australia - Local Jobs, Federation University and Star News Group.

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*Volunteer Secretary*

The **Bunyip Historical Society**  
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6 - 7 meetings a year, basic correspondence,  
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## Sarah Alice Kraft

Sarah was one of eight children born in Castlemaine in 1863 to Lawrence and Mary Anne Finch. After moving to the district in 1878 Sarah's father Lawrence was granted a hotel licence for the Gippsland Hotel in Bunyip. Sarah, her mother, and sisters helped in the hotel as her father became busier with his work as a contractor. As her sisters married Sarah became more involved with the running of the hotel. Sarah registered the birth of a daughter Elizabeth Annie known to the family as Daisy. With both her parents getting older and raising her daughter Sarah took on more duties in running the hotel.

In 1897 a William George Kraft became the proprietor of the hotel and Sarah and he married in 1898. Sarah continued to own and hold the licence of the hotel which was known as Kraft's Gippsland Hotel. Like her father Sarah was a great supporter of the local community. For over twenty-five years she was honorary secretary or assistant secretary of the Bunyip cemetery trust and involved in the Bunyip Red Cross and joined in the patriotic fundraising during the war years. In 1915 Sarah applied for a licence to open a hotel in Koo Wee Rup, it was noted that she had thirty-years' experience in the industry and had owned the Gippsland Hotel for fourteen years. Kraft's Gippsland Hotel was sold in 1911.

Sarah was a good businesswoman, who ran the hotel with little trouble. There was instance in 1904 when she was in court having to answer an allegation of breaching licensing laws by refusing to serve a meal to James Douglas, a farmer. A number of witnesses were cross examined. The bench dismissed the case declaring that Sarah Kraft had a good reason to refuse a meal to Douglas, because he had been harbouring her daughter Daisy, and then denied that she was at his house. It was simply a case of a mother protecting her daughter.

Sarah died on 20 June 1933 aged seventy, George died two years later on 5 July 1935 they are both buried in the Bunyip Cemetery.

### Sources

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# BRAG

Reducing Bunyip and Districts carbon footprint

## It's not hard. Residents rock at recycling soft plastics

BRAG volunteers have been busy visiting Bendigo Bank Bunyip to collect your soft plastics to be recycled. We've seen an increase in boxes to be collected. From one box every 2-3 weeks in July last year to almost one box a week! Well done everyone.

Want to contribute? It's not too late. Pop into the bank and drop your soft plastics off at the TerraCycle collection box. Thanks to Bendigo Bank Bunyip for funding this initiative. BRAG is looking into other funding sources to keep this program going.

BRAG loves recycling initiatives but it's even better when waste is avoided or refused in the first place.

**What's the best way to manage waste?** Let's look at the waste management hierarchy.

The hierarchy is an order of preference for managing waste. Disposal of waste to landfill is the least preferred option.

It's better to avoid generating waste than to manage its consequences. Use the hierarchy to consider ways to avoid or minimise creating waste before you look at other options.

Before sending waste to landfill, consider opportunities higher up the hierarchy. Avoiding landfill can have financial as well as environmental benefits.



### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



**BRAG on the BBQ at Bunyip Market**  
Sunday 25 January

Funds from the BBQ at the market raised \$400 for BRAG! Thanks Bunyip Market for giving back to community groups like us. Cheers to all the BBQ lovers who bought food from the stall.

### CONTACT US

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### ABOUT US

Bunyip Renewables Action Group is a not-for-profit community group that aims to reduce the carbon footprint of the Bunyip district by facilitating the town's switch to renewable energy.

### DONATE

To BRAG via Container Deposit Scheme code: C2000010517

## ***My Adventures As A Fireman***

### ***By Roman Kulkewycz***

***“As we are in the middle of the fire season, I fondly recall my days as a member of the Maffra Fire Brigade. Anyone thinking of joining the fire brigade, should do so. The comradeship, the skills learnt and the “fun” involved will give you great satisfaction as well and your contribution to the community will make your decision to join a very positive and rewarding one.”***

I never contemplated joining the Maffra Fire Brigade as I saw how hard they trained and what hard work it was attending an incident/ fire plus the required dedication to duty that each fire fighter showed made me certain I wouldn't be able to score highly on either of those two important requisites. I was too busy enjoying the good life!

When my teenage son David was needing some guidance in his life, I suggested to him to join the Maffra Fire Brigade. There he would meet and mix with good people and this I hoped would rub off on him and help him to become a better citizen.

The Bennett name was synonymous with the Maffra Fire Brigade and every Bennett that I knew had an active connection to the brigade. The Bennett families were highly regarded and respected in the Maffra community. Another name which in my estimation gave the brigade an esteemed respect was that of the late Captain Ron Pitt. The dedication that Ron showed to the captaincy and his leadership qualities brought the brigade a lot of respect, both within brigade circles and in the general community. Ron owned his own plumbing business, and this allowed him to conduct a lot of brigade business during working hours. I often wonder how much better off he would have been financially if he hadn't let brigade business interfere with his work. He gave so much of himself for the community through the brigade.

Anyway, here I am telling my son David about how good it would be for him to join the brigade, when he caught me completely off guard and said, “Hey dad if the brigade is that good, why aren't you in it?” I stumbled for an answer, then in desperation turned to my wife Wilma to support me with a plausible reply. But to no avail, she too looked at me in a way that told me that she would like to hear my answer as well. Suddenly it was two against one. The next thing I vividly remember to this day, is sitting at the Pitts' kitchen table with David and myself filling out application forms to become members of the Maffra Fire Brigade. “What do we write in in this square Ron? do I tick YES in this box “After our names had been submitted, the committee voted us in as members, although I don't know if there were any “against” votes when our names were read out.

At the time when we joined the brigade, the fire station was in Pearson Street, and this was not suitable anymore due to the bigger tankers and equipment that we carried. Our meeting room was an old weatherboard room with a sunken spongy squeaky floor. There were framed photos of brigade achievers holding up their trophies proudly on display. Every inch of wall space was taken up with brigade photographs or award certificates. Walking on the floor was like walking on an old mattress. It was riddled with white ants and was buckling as it was being eaten away. We were elated when the news came through that a new station was to be built in Johnson Street which would be jointly shared by the Ambulance Service that was currently housed in cramped conditions in Queen Street. It was a feeling of joy when we were able to spread our wings out in our new premises. Everything so modern and new with so much space. David relished being a member of the fire brigade and good friendships were formed with his peers.

Now, I will tell you about some of my memories during my time at Maffra Fire Brigade. I can remember when the hotel veranda at the Metropolitan Hotel in the main street collapsed. I think it was during a Maffra Demo Competition long weekend in January. It happened whilst all the competing brigades were marching through the main street in a torchlight procession. As the procession passed the Metropolitan Hotel, down she came and suddenly there were screaming, traumatised and injured people lying on the footpath everywhere, some buried by the collapsed rubble. It was a chaotic scene. Luckily nobody was killed. I was at home at the time when a police car pulled up in the driveway and David rushed inside telling us about the tragedy and grabbing blankets and fluffy cuddly toys to take down to comfort the injured. The brigade worked hand in hand with the police and ambulance to help and care for those injured.

As with all brigades there is a lot of training which is necessary as part of the fire fighter's role. New recruits have to complete a “minimum skills” course before they can go out to an incident. This is not only for their safety and benefit, but also to protect the seasoned members from the recruits making costly mistakes and jeopardising the safety of the entire crew. One of the courses that I did with a fellow member was in Traralgon. It was a First Aid Course, which was followed by a written exam. After the test the two of us sat down and verbally compared our answers whilst waiting for the official marks to come through my mate asked me, “what answer did you write down to the question “What does A.B.C. stand for?” I replied that it stood for Airway, Breathing and Circulation. “I thought it stood for, Always Be Careful,” he replied. He got a cross for that answer.



As I was a bit of a mug photojournalist, I was writing a lot of reports for The Gippsland Times and The Maffra Spectator at the time which included writing twice a week on Maffra Football. Quite often I wouldn't go to the away games. I hated getting home in the cold dark winter nights. So, after the game or the next day, I would ring a mate who was at the game and ask him all the quarter time scores and any highlights from Maffra's perspective and I would write up the game as if I was there. Of all the years that I did this, I was never challenged on anything that I wrote. After I joined the brigade, I thought it might be a good idea to start a brigade newsletter. The committee approved the idea, and I put up a box for suggestions as to what to name our newsletter. After the expired time, I opened the box to find mine was the only suggestion inside, so the "Fire Break" was born and to this day it still comes out monthly, with a new editor of course. When I moved to Garfield in West Gippsland, I joined a committee to establish a local newsletter, and I was its first editor. To this day it's called "The Garfield Spectator" I was quite outspoken when hiding behind the pen in those days. They say that the pen is mightier than the sword. One issue of Fire Break came out which was critical of something the "Runners" were doing. No one said anything before the issue went to print, although it was proofread. So, all the copies were printed and ready for distribution at the following meeting. At the meeting when the newsletter was handed out, there on the front page lots of words had been blotted out with White Out. Obviously, someone had taken offence at what I had written and had quietly gone through a whole bottle of White Out censoring 60 individual issues. No one admitted to doing this, but it made me more considerate and less critical when writing future newsletters. I think the change in tempo of my future editions was approved as in the year 2001 the brigade voted me as the Maffra "Firefighter of The Year". I am very proud of this award and the trophy holds a pride of place in our home.

I remember attending the West Sale Training facility and how scared I was using the Breathing Apparatus as I crawled through a hot, dark, burning, smoke filled training room. Real fire, real dangerous heat! These training sessions are used to prepare for the real situation. I also experienced real firefighting when as part of a Group, I was sent on a tanker to fight a forest fire at Golden Beach to protect a pine plantation. It was a twelve-hour stint – I thought I'd be gone for only a few hours. We arrived at the fire, the roar of the flames tearing through the trees, the heat and the choking smoke that not only burned our throats but stung our eyes to the point of despair. If one was standing at the back of a tanker, the front couldn't be seen due to the thick smoke which carried burning embers that descended upon us and burnt our skins and clothing. There were water bombing planes dropping sewerage water from the sewerage pond at Dutson Downs onto the fire, quite often missing their target and covering us on the ground in liquid "sewerage". Yet such oppressive conditions brought out in every one of us a great spirit of comradeship and strengthened our bonds of friendship. It's a wonderful community organisation that should be considered no matter what your age – there is always something you can do. Please consider.

My treasured "Maffra Fireman of the Year 2001 "



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## Free green waste drop-off in Pakenham!

To help residents clear out their gardens and tidy up their properties this summer, Cardinia Shire Council is holding free green waste drop off days this February.

From **7–14 February 2026**, residents can drop off their green waste at the Future Recycling Transfer Station in Pakenham.

This free service gives residents a convenient and environmentally friendly way to dispose of green waste, in addition to the optional food and garden waste bin.

Residential green waste can be dropped off, including:

- garden clippings
- tree branches and trunks (up to 30 centimetres wide and 1 metre long)
- weeds
- grass clippings
- leaves
- flowers

### **Drop-off dates and location**

Future Recycling Transfer Station, 30–32 Exchange Drive, Pakenham

### **Operating times:**

- Saturday 7 February: 8am – 2pm
- Sunday 8 February: Closed
- Monday 9 – Friday 13 February: 7:30am – 3:30pm
- Saturday 14 February: 8am – 2pm

This drop-off service is only open to Cardinia Shire residents, so please present photo ID as proof of residence when you arrive. Residential green waste is only accepted via cars, utes and trailers; commercial vehicles or business operators cannot access this service to dispose of green waste.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Brett Owen is encouraging the community to use this opportunity to dispose of excess garden waste responsibly.

“You can help keep our shire tidy and safe. These drop-off days are a simple, practical way for residents to clean up their properties and help reduce fire risks, especially during summer.”

Council runs a range of free waste drop-off events throughout the year to help residents manage their waste safely, responsibly, and sustainably.

## ***Wellbeing Support Grants now open***

Applications are now open for Cardinia Shire Council's 2026-27 Wellbeing Support Grants program.

Council is inviting local community groups, not-for-profit organisations and volunteer-led initiatives to apply for the 2026–27 Wellbeing Support Grants to help fund projects that improve the health, wellbeing, resilience and social connection of Cardinia Shire residents.

As part of Council's 2026-27 Wellbeing Support Grants, eligible groups can apply for the following three categories:

### **Seeding grant (up to \$5,000)**

To support setting up new organisations, groups, clubs, projects, programs or services.

### **Volunteer Support grant (up to \$3,000)**

To grow and develop volunteering in Cardinia Shire, such as:

establishing volunteering programs

training and development of volunteers, where not mandated by regulation, nor within the scope of training that is provided by the organisation\* promotion of volunteering opportunities.

### **Small change grant (up to \$1,000)**

To help with a range of minor operational and equipment costs that cannot be met through other funding sources. Applications for community Christmas decorations will be considered.

These grants aim to empower local organisations to deliver programs that support community participation, build inclusion, and enhance the sustainability of community services.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Brett Owen is encouraging all eligible groups to apply for a grant this year if they have a project, program or initiative in mind.

"Our grants support non-for-profit groups to continue to thrive; establishing new community connections, forming new groups, and starting community-focussed projects and services."

In 2025, Council received a record number of applications, successfully awarding 54 programs, groups and initiatives with a grant. Successful grants included:

Christmas decorations

Sporting and craft supplies

Kitchen and IT equipment

First-aid

Training and workshops

Volunteer recruitment

Setup costs for new groups

"We want to continue to make Cardinia Shire a great place to live, work and play, and community groups play a vital role in improving quality of life and establishing a sense of belonging and connection for our residents across the shire." Mayor Owen said.

Applications for the 2026-27 grant program are open from 27 January and will close on 10 April 2026.

To find out more about Council's grant programs, visit [www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/grants](http://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/grants)



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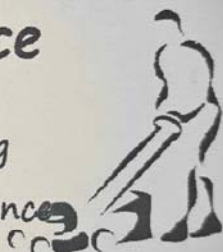
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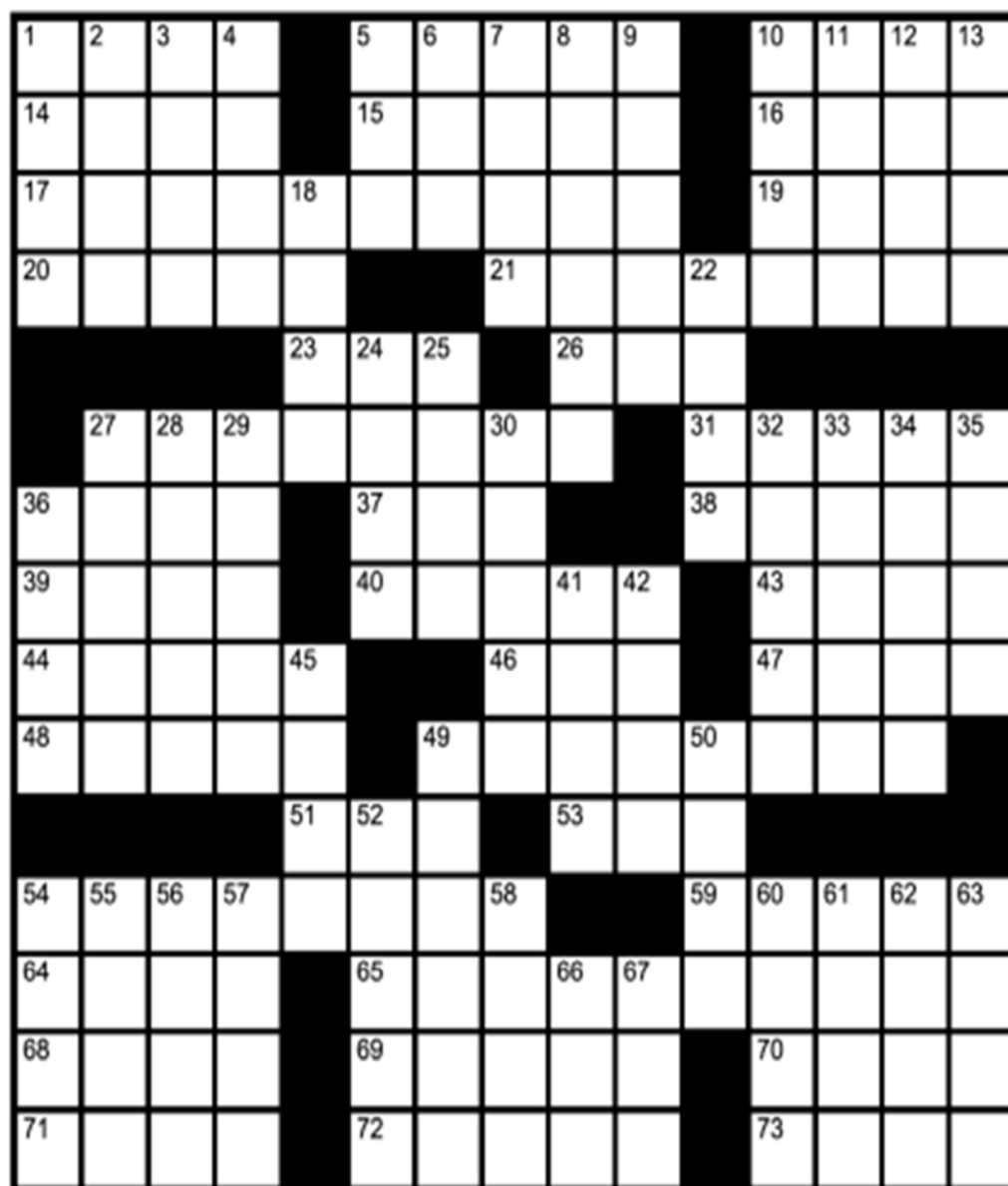
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55 Rajah's wife  
56 Sound on Old MacDonald's farm  
57 Merriment  
58 "\_\_\_ Smile" (1976 hit)  
60 Eight furlongs  
61 Shade of black  
62 Genesis grandson  
63 Actual being  
66 Called the shots  
67 Psyches



## **COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

### **Bunyip & District Agricultural Society**

Philippa Demsey – 0450 380589 or  
bunyipshow@gmail.com 8pm on 3rd Wed

### **Bunyip Cemetery**

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

### **Moy-Yan Neighbourhood House**

0428 372 686 - Beswick St & Garfield Scout Hall,  
Garfield

### **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@bunyiphistory.org.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 Sun Month)**

Sheree 0439 286 150

### **Longwarry & District Fire Brigade Market**

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

### **Bunyip Medical Centre** 03 5629 5111

### **Bunyip & District Men's Shed**

President Allan Berry....0429 296 140  
(Meets each Wednesday 8:30am to 2:00pm)

### **Bunyip Community Op Shop**

bunyipopshop@outlook.com

### **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**

Rev'd Christine Angus,  
Priest in Charge, 0409 217 321

### **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

### **BRAG (Bunyip Renewables Action Group Inc)**

Helen Ross: 0411274025 bragbunyip@gmail.com

### **Garfield Community Website** www.garfield.au

### **Bunyip Connect Inc.** bunyipconnectinc@gmail.com

## **COMMUNITY CLUBS**

### **Bunyip Equestrian Club**

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

### **Bunyip Bulls Basketball Club**

info@bunyipbullsbasketball.com.au

### **Garfield Bowling Club**

garfieldbowlingclub@gmail.com

Tournament or Twilight Bowls – 5629 2384

### **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**

President: Cass Hackett  
0435 869 348

### **Bunyip Junior Football Club**

Rachel Thorne (President) 0409 480 722  
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**

(Meets at 10 am 1st Tuesday each month at Garfield  
Community Hall)

bunyipgarfieldprobus@gmail.com

### **Bunyip Pony Club**

Wendy Smith 0407 552 295

(every second Sunday Pound Road reserve)

### **Lillico Pony Club**

Sam Daly 0425 743 175

(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 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

### **Iona Cricket Club**

Michael Neilson—0438 295 966

### **Drouin and District Chess Club**

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

### **Longwarry Angling Club**

longwarryanglingclub@gmail.com  
Trevor Wheeler 0407366503