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Thylacine sculpture deserves its stripes

A striking geometric metal sculpture dedicated to the long-lost Thylacine has been installed in front of the Sheffield Visitor Information Centre to mark Endangered Species Day.

Kentish Mayor Kate Haberle unveiled the sculpture alongside Deputy Mayor Penny Lane who first proposed the idea.

Commissioned for \$15,000, the tiger was designed by Karin Gethin and engineered by Michael Gethin of Gravelly Beach Metalworks using corten steel, also known as weathering steel.

The tiger's stripes are made of stainless steel.

The sculpture's angular design captures the mystery and movement of the Thylacine, blending contemporary art with environmental storytelling.

Its presence now anchors an important conversation in the heart of Tasmania's Outdoor Art Gallery.

Mayor Kate said the sculpture, a bold and modern interpretation of the Tasmanian Tiger, serves as both a tribute to the species and a reminder of the urgent need to protect those still on the brink.

"It will raise awareness of the need to look after our environment with so many threatened species in Tasmania," she said.
"The Thylacine represents a powerful lesson in conservation,

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Her Excellency visits Kentish corners

Her Excellency the Honourable Barbara Baker AC, Governor of Tasmania, made an official visit to Kentish on April 30.

Joined by her husband, Emeritus Professor Don Chalmers AO, Her Excellency visited schools, businesses and local attractions and met many members of the community.

"Travelling around to the many corners of our State on municipal visits is one of my favourite parts of my role," Her Excellency said.

"I was delighted to visit the vibrant Kentish municipality and spend some time admiring the stunning natural beauty, meeting local residents and learning more about the region's rich heritage."

Her Excellency began her day at the Lake Barrington International Rowing Museum, where she viewed the world-class rowing course which recently hosted 2500 athletes for the largest ever Australian Rowing Championships in March.

She then headed to the Sheffield School Farm, where she enjoyed touring the property, meeting students and hearing how the school provides innovative hands-on learning opportunities in agricultural studies.

"One of my areas of focus is education and youth engagement, and so I enjoyed the opportunity to visit the Farm to speak to students and learn about their innovative programs."

In Railton, Her Excellency visited the Cement Australia plant, which has been a key industry in the town for more than 100 years, where she learned about its sustainability projects.

She then returned to Sheffield where she toured the Kentish Men's Shed with its historic blacksmith's forge and also visited the Sheffield Steam and Heritage Centre.



Her Excellency and Professor Chalmers then headed to the award-winning Sheffield Visitor Information Centre where they had the chance to try some berry spirits distilled by Plump Berries and then toured the Art Gallery and Mural Park.

Her Excellency then visited Tandara Lodge, before concluding her visit with a civic reception at the Sheffield Town Hall

"It was a delight to visit this beautiful region and to meet so many members of the community, and I thank the Kentish Council for their hospitality in hosting us."



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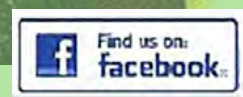
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Wilmot rubbish tip builds friendships

By Jo Ross

In our small town, community connection can show up in the most unexpected places — even at the local Tip. The Wilmot Tip is not like any other municipal Tip. It might sound strange to others, but those few hours each week at the Tip are precious to us. While most waste stations are quick, silent, in-and-out affairs, here in our little corner of the world, things are done differently.

Our Tip has become something far more meaningful: a social gathering point, a place for conversation, to swap news and share stories, it is an antidote to rural isolation.

At the centre of it all is a familiar face who brings people together, one trailer load at a time.

Our local Tip is something rare — a place that pulses with life, laughter, and connection, it is our social glue in a world that's becoming more disconnected by the day. It's become an unexpected but essential part of the social fabric of our community.

The Tip is not just a place to discard the week's waste. For many locals, it's a standing date, a kind of informal gathering, and a chance to check in with one another.

There's a rhythm to it. People arrive with a their rubbish in the boot or a trailer full of offcuts or old fencing — and stay for a conversation, a few shared stories and bursts of hearty laughter. Kids tag along and run into neighbours. Seniors drop by and leave with more than an empty boot — they leave with the warmth of human connection.

And at the heart of it all is Andrew, our Tip bloke.

For more than two decades, Andrew has been not just the

operator of the Tip, but its soul. He's the trusted, friendly face you see when you arrive, the person who remembers your last big cleanout, who asks how your aunt is doing or how the new pup's settling in.



He's the one who notices if someone hasn't been around in a while and quietly checks in through the grapevine. In a time when rural isolation is a growing concern, this kind of low-key, genuine connection can make all the difference. They call it "mental health" these days.

The Tip may not be glamorous, but it is vital. In towns like ours, where chance encounters aren't so common and loneliness can creep in unseen, even something as humble as taking out the rubbish can be a lifeline.

Conversations at the Tip have led to new friendships, local support networks, and that all-important feeling of being seen and valued in one's own community.

Wilmot is a small place with a big healthy heart. Our simple Tip operation delivers something no recycling depot or waste transfer station ever set out to offer: Belonging.

You can't fake that kind of community spirit. You can't schedule it. You can't replace it with a clipboard and a hi-vis vest. It's something that grows, quietly and patiently, over years of trust and shared connection.

So next time you head to the Wilmot Tip, remember, you're not just cleaning out the garage, you never leave the tip without a smile and you're participating in something deeply local, deeply human, and absolutely worth celebrating.

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Kentish House offers safe space for neurodiverse youth

Kentish House held its first Social Hub Program meeting on April 5. This program is designed to provide neurodiverse youth between the ages of 12 and 18 with an opportunity to socialise with their peers in a safe, supportive and fun environment.

Over the past months, Kentish House has been working with local parents and Sheffield School Year 12 student Morgan Woodham to create this new opportunity.

The Social Hub's goal is to create a safe space for young, neurodiverse people in the Kentish area where they can go and be themselves.

Attendees of The Social Hub's first meeting enjoyed games such as Uno and Bingo, along with toys such as Lego and sensory objects.

The Social Hub will be open every second Monday, during the school terms from 3-4:30pm. The Kentish House welcomes all young neurodiverse people to attend.

For more information, contact Cassandra:kentishhouse@glenhaven.org.au

What would they ask of us today?

Beautiful music from the Mountain Echoes vocal ensemble warmed the hearts of the packed crowd in the Wilmot Memorial Hall for the annual ceremony commemorating Weindorfer Day on Sunday, May 4.

More than 200 visitors enjoyed the golden autumn day as they explored the exhibits, listened to jazz vocals from Lee Brient, munched on barbecue food and excellent coffee and enjoyed the 140 vibrant art works of Cradle Mountain prepared by children from Wilmot, Sprent and Sheffield schools.

Some played Games of Yesteryear like hopscotch, marbles, skipping, quoits, while some watched the blacksmiths at work hammering over the anvil.

In the footsteps of Gustav and Kate Weindorfer, "What would they ask of us, today?" the keynote address by Phil Brumby called us to heed the importance of keeping natural wilderness as a vital part of our heritage on this earth and our responsibility to cherish the natural environment.

Indigenous Elder Aunty Kris spoke about our deep connection with the sacredness of the earth and everything in it and each other, during Welcome to Country.

People who took the Cradle Trail bus tour from Wilmot to Waldheim loved the Turning of the Fagus walk escorted by a cheerful Parks Ranger, the guided historic tour of Waldheim Chalet originally created by Gustav Weindorfer's own hands, and the sumptuous afternoon tea supplied by the generous volunteers from Wilmot.



Weindorfer Film Festival takes to the road



Hiscutt MLC, Mike Gaffney MLC, and The Hub in Sheffield.

The films will be shown at Cradle Mountain Hotel and Wilmot on **Saturday, June 7** and you can view the films at a special screening in Sheffield on **Sunday, June 8**, at the Uniting Church Hall, home of U3A, from 2-3pm.



Check out the Weindorfer Facebook page for details on how to book your space .

-Sandra Rowden-Rich

The Weindorfer Festival of Short Films delighted the judging panel of experts from Tasmania and Melbourne. The winning entries were as follows:

Paul Pritchard won the Open section with his film about overcoming adversity in the wilderness, *Larapinta End to End*. Lisa Leanne Dittman won second prize for *A Forest Manifesto*. Jack Hinz won the under-19 section with his film *Foundation*. Jasmin Ventura won second prize with *Big Boy*.

The winners receive cash of \$1000, an engraved trophy, a luxury accommodation package of two nights with dinners for two people at Discovery Parks at Cradle Mountain.

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Survey reflects customer satisfaction

Kentish Council is proud to share the results of its 2025 Community Satisfaction Survey, which highlights the community's recognition of Council's efforts and performance. Conducted in February by National Field Service, the results saw Council achieve an overall performance index score of 60 - well above the Victorian average of 53 - affirming Council's commitment to serving the Kentish municipality.

Standout results for the Council included high scores in the appearance of public areas, arts centres, emergency management, and tourism development. These areas are a testament to the collaborative efforts of Council and community partners in maintaining the character and vitality of the municipality.

While celebrating these accomplishments, Council acknowledges that there are areas where improvement is needed - particularly in waste management, road maintenance, and

planning services. These aspects, which significantly influenced public perception, are receiving targeted attention.

Over the coming year, Council has committed to finalising the development of its waste strategy, and documenting and communicating its service levels relating to our roads and operations within the community. Through projects such as the development of a revised Structure Plan for Railton, industrial land strategy and regional land use planning, Council will also be improving our communication and engagement relating to planning matters. More broadly, greater transparency and engagement with the community will be a key focus.

Mayor Kate Haberle stated, "We thank everyone who participated in the survey. Feedback assists Council in understanding community's expectations of Council's facilities and services."

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Advertorial

Finding the right job - or even figuring out where to start - can be hard, especially in regional areas. That's where Vicki, your local West North West Working Engagement Officer, comes in.

Vicki is passionate about helping people throughout the Kentish region build their confidence, connect with training or education, and take the next step in their employment journey. She holds a drop-in session every two months at Kentish House in Sheffield and is also available by appointment, phone, or email to ensure her support is accessible to everyone.

"Whether you're looking for your first job, thinking about a career change, or just don't know what's out there, I'm here to help," says Vicki. "There's no one-size-fits-all solution when it comes to employment. Every person's story matters, and my role is to walk alongside you to find the path that works."

Vicki's role in Sheffield is part of the broader West North West Working initiative - a regional jobs hub funded through the Jobs Tasmania Regional Jobs Hub Network. The program is focused on strengthening local employment outcomes by

working closely with both job seekers and employers across the North West and West Coasts of Tasmania.

Through this program, Vicki offers free, personalised support to people in the Kentish region. Her work includes everything from helping prepare resumes and cover letters to building interview confidence, exploring local job and training opportunities, and linking people with the right services and support.

This community-based approach means that support is tailored to the unique needs and strengths of each individual.

"My role is really about listening first," Vicki explains. "From there, I help people build their confidence, explore options they might not have considered, and connect with the resources that will help them move forward. It's all about empowering people at their own pace."

"Sometimes, it's just having someone to talk to who listens and understands your local situation. Living and working in this area myself, I know the challenges - but also the opportunities that are out there."

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Time to dig and divide those perennials

Gardening with Robert Gower

It has been an interesting year in the garden, with the lack of rain over summer and autumn. This has been the first year I have had irrigation set to come on each day on our orchard and we've had a bumper crop on all the fruit trees. Nice problem to have. Mind you, it's kept Liz busy in the kitchen, very busy with her preserving. From time to time I've watered other areas of the garden when I felt they needed it, but for the best part I try to let the plants survive.

Now that we are into June, my focus is on cleaning up some of my perennial beds. Some, like Nepeta (cat mint) are ready to be pruned back. Now is also a good time to dig and divide. Spread them into other areas of the garden or give some to friends. Persicaria and Sedums can be pruned and divided.

Some friends are just sew special

Mt Roland Sew Friends held a very successful Friendship day on April 5. Attended by 62 quilters on a beautiful day at Claude Road Hall, everyone received a beautiful handmade sheep pincushion made by Carole.

Veena made our major raffle which was won by Lynette. Lots of fun and prizes along with fantastic food made for a wonderful day. Lower numbers gave a bit more room.

The 50+ quilts on display were the charity quilts from the Fabric for Drought Project made by members of MRSF and many wonderful volunteers from across Tasmania. They will be distributed later in the year.

We still have good numbers at our regular meetings on the second Wednesday each month. Please contact Coralanne on 0488 089 001 if you or your group would like to visit.

Last winter I lost a lot of Dahlias due to the frost, so if you are concerned, you can dig them up and place them in a box, and keep them in the shed till Spring. Just put some straw or sugar cane mulch underneath and on top of them.

Next job on my list is to weed out the twitch and sorrel with my garden fork, removing as many runners as possible.

I have a number of peonies, and they like a higher pH, so I will be putting some lime around them. In Spring they will get a good feed of manure to get them growing. If you do need to move them, now is the best time, just don't plant them any deeper than 5cm or they won't flower.

Mulching is the last job until the daffodils and tulips start to push up, then they will get a high nitrogen fertilizer which the tulips, in particular, like so they can grow nice and tall.



Lynette thanks Veena for the beautiful quilt she made for the raffle at Mt Roland Sew Friends' Friendship Day.



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Service mural transforms landscape



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Stories on the walls of the hall told of the achievements and efforts of Kentish men and women who had gone to war to fight for our freedoms. Among them was Ron Murphett, who Nadia knew as a child as he was related to her stepfather.

Also Jack Dawson and Don McCoy, friends who had recognised the need to build a hall to serve the community – “to honour the local diggers, these men who left their homes to fight for their country”.

“The first hall burnt down and it took two years to rebuild,” said Nadia. “I’ve painted them with this cheeky interaction.”

The Salute to Service mural was formally unveiled by Kentish Mayor Kate Haberle on May 17.

The mural honours not just those depicted on the mural but all who sacrificed so much during the World Wars of the 20th century. May We Never Forget.

The names of those depicted are (left to right):

Nina Finn (nee Hetherington), Women’s Auxiliary Australian Air Force) - WW2

Jack Dawson, 22nd Australian Infantry Battalion - WW2

Donald John (Don) McCoy, 53rd Australian Anti Aircraft Regiment - WW2

Reginald Clifford (Reg) O’Neill, 40th Australian Infantry Battalion - WW2

Ernest Henry (Ern) Reed, 12th Australian Infantry Battalion - WW1

William Thomas (Bill) Whiley, 7th Light Trench Mortar Battery - WW1

William Arthur John (Arthur) Reed, 52nd Australian Infantry Battalion - WW1

Albert Arthur (Albie) Stephens, 40th Australian Infantry Battalion - WW1

Victor Valentine Hetherington, 40th Australian Infantry Battalion - WW1

Ronald Charles (Ron) Murfet, 25th Australian infantry Battalion - WW2

Ernest William Billing, 40th Australian Infantry Battalion - WW1

Claude Road Memorial Hall secretary Kim Johnson said plans were underway to have an information plaque installed next to the mural.

“We will also endeavour to create a QR information board with more personal information about each of these heroes,” she said.

“If anyone has stories or anecdotes - perhaps stories passed down from ancestors - we would love to hear from you.”

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Citizen scientists add knowledge

Spending time outdoors is one of life's joys, particularly when there is time to just be in the moment. It is surprising how many interesting things you might see and want to know more.

The iNaturalist website <https://www.inaturalist.org> is a great source of information and a way to reach out to others with a similar interest. It allows you to record your observations, share them with other curious people and discuss your findings with more knowledgeable naturalists. Every observation contributes to the collective knowledge of biodiversity, no matter how rare or common. The inaturalist app can be downloaded for free.

Another fun and free app is frog id, put together by the Australian Museum (<https://www.frogid.net.au/>). You can learn all about frogs, from frog etiquette to the diversity of species. This app also allows you to upload audible frog recordings and identify species.

Bird life Australia is just one place to learn more about birds and there are so many other sites and subjects to explore. One way to get to know the birds in your area is to take part in the annual Aussie bird count <https://aussiebirdcount.org.au/>.

Developing a curiosity about nature can also lead to participation in citizen science, which offers opportunities for learning from and collaborating with others while volunteering time to carry out scientific work.

In addition to the annual Aussie Bird count, there are many other groups. One is Nature Trackers, <https://naturetrackers.au/>. Projects include Where? Where? Wedgie! (which concluded in May), Claws on the Line and Call Trackers.

The objective of Claws on the Line is to monitor Tasmania's burrowing crayfish colonies. Five threatened burrowing crayfish species live in northern and western Tasmania, but the initial focus is on the endangered Central North burrowing crayfish, found only in a small patch of northern Tasmania.



Call trackers enables people to borrow an acoustic recorder and install it at a chosen location, focusing on calls from the Australian Bittern.

Closer to home, if you have bandicoots in your garden, particularly eastern barred bandicoots, NRM North has produced a booklet on designing bandicoot friendly gardens. <https://nrmnorth.org.au/biodiversity/eastern-barred-bandicoot-project> These animals, like many others, rely on certain vegetation communities to flourish. Motion sensor cameras are a great way to see what animals and birds are visiting your garden when you are not looking.

Another excellent example of citizen science at work is Mount Roland Land Care's project called Life on the Mountain. More information is available on our website. <https://www.mountrolandlandcare.org.au/lifeonthemountain>

In other news, our autumn tree planting program was concluded with primary school students from Sheffield School planting 100 trees on a local property. The tree seedlings used were grown by our own local youth-run native plant nursery. In all, an additional 1200 trees were planted across five properties in Kentish this autumn.

The Tasmanian recycling scheme is now operating. MRLC is a registered charity, so when you recycle bottles and cans you can donate your earnings to Mount Roland Land Care some or all of the time. Every 80 containers recycled will mean one more tree can be planted. A can or plastic bottle is useful for only a very short time, but a tree lasts for decades and contributes so much to our environment.



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Happy 90th Birthday to Lyell Hardwicke who continues to play twice a week. Keep up the good work Lyell.

Pennant was a very short roster for the ladies. Devonport came to Sheffield and our ladies had a good win 4/1 but the following week travelled to Thirlstane for the final game where all five were defeated.

The men played Devonport at Devonport with a 4/3 loss followed by West Coast at Rosebery with a 7/0 loss.

Thank you to all the Pennant players this year for representing our Club and doing your best.

Monthly Medal Winners

Members: Sponsored by IGA Everyday Sheffield winner was Owen Von Stieglitz with 61 nett from Stephen Hope 68 nett on a countback from Peter Orchard 68 nett from Scott Gale 68 nett from David Macmillan 68 nett. This is also the first round of the Singles Championships.

Ladies Sponsored by Denise and Philip Morgan was won by Susie Coombs 73 nett from Judy Denney 75 nett

Once again a huge thank you to our Monthly Medal Sponsors.

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26/4 2nd Rd Singles Championship was won by Noel Meyers with 68 nett from Ryan Patterson with 70 nett on a countback from Glen Connors 70 nett

10/5 3rd Rd Singles Championship was won by Brett Coombs with 64 nett from Glen Connors 65 nett on a countback from Mark Hollingsworth 65 nett

17/5 4th & final Rd Championship was won by Maklyn Jones with 61 nett from Tony Wootton 68 nett on a countback from Winston Duff 61 nett

Championship winners are:

Gross Noel Meyers 286 followed by Peter Orchard 327 and young Maklyn Jones 328

Nett Maklyn Jones 272 nett, Glenn Connors 282 nett and Noel Meyers 282 nett

Maklyn was also the junior Gross and Nett winner. Congratulations and well done.

Vets:

22/4 Ambrose 3 was won by Helen Lloyd-Jones, Anna Balestrieri and Noel Meyers with 57.167 from Lyell Hardwicke, Greg Collis and Michael Meaney with 59.333

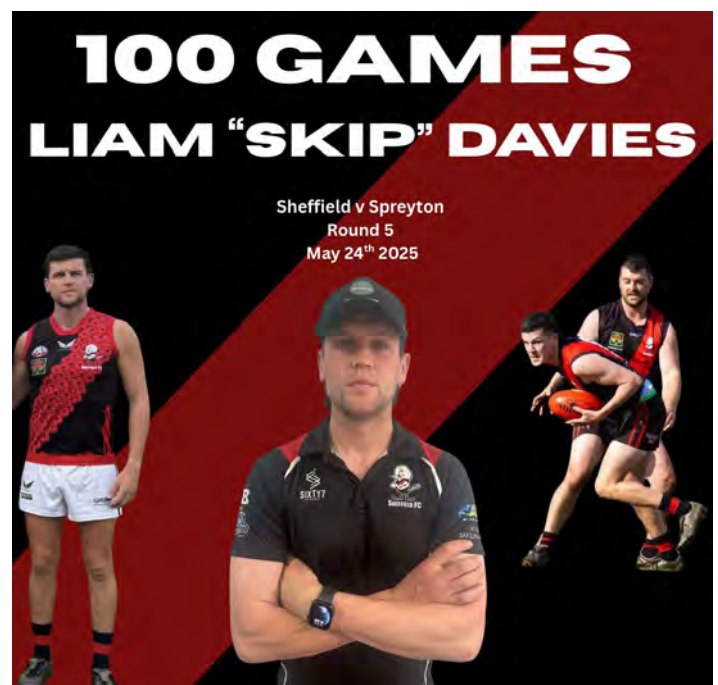
29/4 Split 6's was won by David and Max Jago with 67 nett from Michael Haberle and Neil Denney 60 nett.

Ladies: The ladies combined with the Vets for their competitions this month

Sheffield Golf Club 0418 199 873

Green Fees (per day) Adults \$20; Juniors \$5.

SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB



Robins premierships captain Liam Davies celebrated his 100th game in the match against Spreyton on Saturday, May 24.

A Sheffield Football Club spokesperson said: "His leadership and work on the field is first class but we can't go past what he does off it. He is the first person to put his hand up to do anything around the club.

"Congratulations Liam and we hope there are 100 more games to come."

RAILTON PARKRUN

May was a month for some significant milestones for our park run. On Saturday, May 10, 32 people participated in the event, which included a very special mother/son duo.



Desi Binns completed her 150th parkrun and Tye Binns (left) completed his 100th event. Congratulations to our regulars Desi and Tye on a great effort.

On May 17 we celebrated a 'triple header' with Caitlin Burk (top right) celebrating her 100th event.

One of our regular junior park runners, Charlotte Ireland, volunteered for the 100th time and Kim Reader was congratulated by the 41 participants as she

volunteered in her 200th event. As we all know, parkrun would not be possible without the ongoing support of volunteers and we thank Charlotte and Kim as well as other volunteers for their continued support.

A reminder that Parkrun is a free family friendly community event, where you can walk, jog or run in an idyllic bush setting.

To register go to parkrun Australia, please bring along the barcode you will be issued with to ensure your participation and results are recorded.

Parkrunners and their 'bark runners' (dogs on leashes) meet every Saturday morning at 8:50am at the Syke's Sanctuary entrance on Kimberley Road.



Volunteers: Kim Reader and Charlotte Ireland.

A poster for 'COUNTRY NIGHT' presented by Sheffield Football Club. The poster features a dark background with white musical notes, a horseshoe, a banjo, and a red cowboy boot. The text reads: 'SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB PRESENTS COUNTRY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC FROM ZAC WEEKS & BAND 28 JUNE | 7:00PM SHEFFIELD FC CLUBROOMS TICKETS CAN BE PRE PURCHASED AVAILABLE FROM 1st MAY \$20 PER PERSON INCLUDES NIBBLE FOOD'.

RAILTON PICKLEBALL

Social games of Pickleball are held on Sundays from 10am-noon at the Railton Recreation and Community Centre, corner Crocker Street and Ennis Avenue.

Pickleball is a hybrid: a paddle game played with a baseball-sized wiffleball over a tennis-type net on a Badminton-sized court. All welcome, no experience necessary. \$5/session.

For more information, please contact Kate on 0407 510 857.

RAILTON SQUASH CENTRE

Located in Gilbin Street, Railton, we would encourage locals and visitors to Kentish to utilise this wonderful community asset, through the 'casual hire process'.

Tokens operate the lights for the squash courts and are available from the Railton Motor & Tyre Service.

For further information or to play on a regular/semi regular basis, please contact Linda Cassidy on 0417 241 315.

**Please email your sports news to:
editor@thekentishvoice.com.au**

KENTISH SCOUTS



Lion Michael Meaney accepts the Certificate of Thanks from Scout Sophie.

How great is our community? Since we began, we have worked with many different groups and businesses within Sheffield for fundraising and raising awareness of our group and other worthwhile causes.

We would like to give a massive shout out to the Kentish Lions Club for their extremely generous donation towards our fundraising efforts for the Cancer Council when we took part in Relay for Life in March.

Sophie presented Michael with a certificate of appreciation at the May Club meeting.

Kentish Scouts welcome the opportunity to collaborate with groups in our community, so please reach out with your ideas. Please contact Tanya, Scout Chairperson, on 0438 559 317.

CLAUDE ROAD MARKET

Raising Money for Kentish House

Saturday, June 21, 9am-1pm

At the last meeting of the Claude Road Hall Committee it was decided that every year we would devote one of our markets to raising funds for a local organisation. This year our chosen organisation is Kentish House – a wonderful facility that provides assistance to vulnerable locals.

We will have a broad range of indoor and outdoor stallholders so come along and shop then stop and have something to eat – or just grab something to take home for later. We will have our usual range of sweets and affordable meals.

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KENTISH LIONS

The Lions club of Kentish is proud to have served the Kentish community since 1969. And we continue to do so today. We have recently been providing help for community members who have to downsize.

We provide the arms and legs to help sort and dispose of unwanted items that they can't do themselves. We have provided firewood to needy families who otherwise would suffer from the cold that is gripping us now.

If you are finding yourself in difficulty or if you know of someone needing help, reach out to us. We can be contacted via our Facebook page or email kentishlions@gmail.com

We continue to provide simple and nutritious breakfast to children at all three Kentish schools.

We have gained six new members since July 2024 and they are strong contributors to our activities.

Bunnings BBQs is significant fundraiser for the Club. Money raised is used to help those in our community in need.

Our wood raffle at the Federal Election raised nearly \$400.

We are conducting our LIONS Children's eye screening again at local schools. This program aims to identify children with vision concerns and recommend they seek professional help.

Our meetings are 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month. Guests are welcome. If you'd like to know more about LIONS, come along to a meeting or contact us at kentishlions@gmail.com.

HUB REPORT

A BIG thank you to our Hub volunteers, May 19-25 was Volunteer week. This year's theme "Connecting Communities." Thank you to all the volunteers in Kentish.

Recent donations

The ShitBox Rally (for Cancer) \$3000. Safe travelling as the team head from Perth to Darwin this month.

We look forward to your next visit to the HUB. We are open Monday-Friday 10am-3pm.

- *The Committee*

KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next meeting of the Kentish Probus Club will be June 10 at 10am at the Sheffield Bowls Club. Guest Speaker is Jean Treloar.

Outing this month is a Luncheon at The Gateway Hotel.

Visitors are always welcome. For further information, please contact Annelise on 6496 1220.



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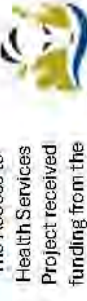
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Kentish Health Services & Programs Calendar – June 2025				
Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday	Every Thursday	Every Friday
10.00am – 3.30pm: CHSP @ KAAC * 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Navigating Relationships Peer Group Chat (12-25's) @ Headspace online	9.00am – 11.00am: Playgroup (0-5's) @ Kentish House 10.00am: Mountain Learners Homeschool Meet @ Kings Park 10.00am – 3.00pm: CHSP @ KAAC * 11.00am: Fitness Class @ LBCH * 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Qheadspeer Peer Group Chat (LGBTIQ+ & allies, 12-25's) @ Headspace online	9.30am – 11.00am: Food pick up for Kentish residents @ KH 10.15am: Ladies Social Badminton @ LBCH * 6.30pm – 9.45pm: General Coping Peer Group Chat (12-25's) @ Headspace online 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Adults Supporting Young People (for family & other adults) @ Headspace – text-based group chat	9.00am – 1.00pm: Kentish Men's Shed 10.30am: Fitness Class @ LBCH */** 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Green Room (Youth 11-17's) @ Sheffield Youth Centre 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Yarnspace Peer Group Chat (A&TSI 12-25's) @ Headspace online 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Work & Study Peer Group Chat (12-25's) @ Headspace online	2.00pm – 3.00pm: The Chatty Cafe @ Turnbull's Pharmacy 2.30pm: Mountain Learners Homeschool Meet @ Kings Park 5.30pm – 7.30pm: Munting Taekwondo @ Sheffield School Gym * Every Weekend Saturday 8.50am: Railton Park Run @ Sykes Sanctuary, Kimberley Rd 9.00am – 12.00pm: Kentish Men's Shed 12.30pm: Social Bowls @ Sheffield Bowls Club * Sunday 10.00am: Social Pickleball @ Railton Rec & Comm. Centre *
Specific Mondays	Specific Tuesdays	Specific Wednesdays	Specific Thursdays	Specific Fridays & Weekends
2nd 6.30 – 7.30am: Winter Boot Camp @ Rural Health */** 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Social Hub (for neurodiverse young people, 12-18's) @ Kentish House 9th – Public Holiday: Kentish House is closed today 6.30 – 7.30am: Winter Boot Camp @ Rural Health */** 16th 6.30 – 7.30am: Winter Boot Camp @ Rural Health */** 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Social Hub (for neurodiverse young people, 12-18's) @ Kentish House 23rd 6.30 – 7.30am: Winter Boot Camp @ Rural Health */** 9.00am – 12.00pm: North West Community Legal Centre @ KH ** 30th 3.00pm – 4.30pm: Social Hub (for neurodiverse young people, 12-18's) @ Kentish House	3rd 9.00am – 11.00am: KIDS Parenting Support (Playgroup) @ Kentish House 10.00am – 12.30pm: Respite and Residential Aged Care Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 7.00pm – 8.30pm: Respite and Residential Aged Care Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 10th 10.00am – 12.30pm: Planning for Life and End of Life Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 7.00pm – 8.30pm: Planning for Life and End of Life Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 17th 9.00am – 11.00am: Early Childhood Care Coordinator (Playgroup) @ KH 9.30am – 2.30pm: Voices for Health Summit @ Launceston Conference Centre ** 10.00am – 12.30pm: Caring for the Carer Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 7.00pm – 8.30pm: Caring for the Carer Info Session for Carers @ Care2Serve, Online ** 24th 9.00am – 11.00am: KIDS Parenting Support (Playgroup) @ Kentish House	4th 6.30pm – 9.45pm: Depression & Anxiety: Support your Young Person with mental health challenges (for family & other adults) @ Headspace online 11th 10.00am – 12.00pm: NDIS Mission Australia @ KH 18th 1.00pm – 2.00pm: YesAllMen – the role that all men can play in preventing violence against women @ Our Watch, Webinar 25th 9.30am – 11.00am: Rural Health @ Kentish House 9.30am – 11.00am: Services Australia @ Kentish House 12.00pm – 12.30pm: Services Australia @ Kings Hall, Railton NOTE: The Voices for Health Summit (Tuesday 17 th) is open to community members, book below: https://shorturl.at/g4nxt If you would like a hand booking, text/call Ruby.	12th Kentish House is closed today 3.30pm – 5.00pm: Textiles Crafting Group @ Sheffield Library 26th 4.00pm – 5.00pm: Book Chat (no set reading) @ Sheffield Library Proudly sponsored by:  The Access to Health Services Project received funding from the Australian Government    	6th Kentish House is closed today 13th No NILS appointments available at Kentish House today 9.00am – 11.00am: Social Craft Group @ Kentish House 20th 9.00am – 11.00am: Social Craft Group @ Kentish House 27th 9.00am – 11.00am: Social Craft Group @ Kentish House Acronyms: A&TSI: Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander FB: Facebook – Kentish House & Sheffield Noticeboard KAAC: Kentish Adult Activity Centre KH: Kentish House LBCH: Lower Barrington Community Hall All services/programs are free unless marked with an *. No bookings required unless marked with an **. This calendar is a condensed version of the monthly Kentish health services update; if you would like a PDF or printed copy of this month's update, please contact Kentish House: Ruby on 0497 780 216 or Cassandra on 0447 325 343



KENTISH MEN'S SHED

Here it is June already, half another year gone and still so much to do. Looking around the shed shows all kind of endeavour, from cotton reel boxes, tractor bits and pieces, a railway carriage undergoing a serious facelift and the winter garden all set for planting. Now that our trusty and well-beloved treasurer has downsized, he must, quite a matter of course, expend his nervous energies in assisting old Green Grass in the garden.

On the other hand, we can report that our Lady Governor has written to express her thanks for the warm welcome and hospitality she and her party enjoyed during her recent visit to our town.

The good folk of our sister city, Wilmot, are flushed with the success of their Weindorfer celebration day and the Men's Shedders who participated report an enjoyable day spent providing the veritable loaves and local sausages to the hungry. Our blacksmiths were also busy with the forge resounding from hammer blows as they produced various artefacts.

Then we hosted local boy Jeremy Rockliff who just happens to be our Premier, together with Brett Whiteley, another local success story who served as a minister in the Federal Parliament. It was evident that they were comfortable in the Shed environment and showed an interest in our endeavours.

We can reveal a little-known fact about Rockliff who confided that, as a young man, he worked for Lifeline as a telephone councillor and thus he was able to relate to the benefits arising from the men's shed as an important community asset in combating social isolation and providing opportunity for men to participate at a level of their own need and choosing.

We are also happy to report that our friends at Tandara, ever pro-active, have enabled two of their residents to come to the shed and even if it is just a long cuppa and chinwag, they will have the opportunity to engage in things that interest them and find, perhaps, old friends from earlier times.

Visitors are always welcome. We are open from 9am to 1pm Thursdays and Saturdays. Call Terry on 0429 122 520.

WORKING ART SPACE SHEFFIELD

Sheffield Art Gallery – 6 Pioneer Crescent, Sheffield

The current exhibition at Sheffield Art Gallery is entitled "Wild" and is on display until the end of July. It is a joint exhibition by two local artists showcasing their unique interpretation of the theme.

The official opening is on Sunday, June 1, from 2.30-4pm.

Ruth Rutherford creates unique pieces created from Tasmanian clay that she has sourced and processed herself. Each piece is shaped by hand in an intuitive organic process.

Tactile and earthy best describes her work. Pit firing permeates the clay with unpredictability, echoing ancient traditions. Her naïve instinctive approach allows the clay to speak for itself and is as much about feeling as they are about form.

Ruth will be giving talks on her work on Tuesday, June 3, at 11am, Sunday, June 8, 11.30am, Friday, June 13, 1pm, Saturday, June 14, 10.30am.

Susan Kennerley, whom locals may know from Artnook, creates her art using a variety of media, including acrylic paint, Ink and Wash, Coloured Pencil, Graphite Drawing, Pastels (Pen

and Pencil), and Charcoal. In this exhibition she focusses on the wild, predominantly animal portraits, in particular the big cat family and wolves. Her subject matter is not limited to these themes however, as she also does portraits and street scenes.



She offers workshops in all the above media, for any level including absolute beginners.

Opening hours: 10am to 3pm daily.

Working Art Space – 4-6 Albert Street, Sheffield

Printing classes: Every Tuesday between 10.30am and 2.30pm. Minimal cost of \$3.00 per person to cover inks and paper.

Interested? Contact Fay on 0400 491 272 or email faylilly@hotmail.com

Botanical Drawing: Saturdays from 1-3.30pm.

If you would like to take part, please contact Colette Binder on 0439 426 665 for more information.

Pop by our Albert Street Gallery on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

KENTISH COUNCIL

DOG REGISTRATION

Registering your dog helps us reunite you quickly if they become lost.

- All dogs over the age of 6 months must be microchipped (unless legally exempt), and registered.
- Registration must be renewed every year by 31st July (\$5 Discount off the full fee applies prior to 31 July).
- If you do not register your dog within a reasonable time, you may receive a fine.
- If you have more than 2 domestic dogs or 4 working dogs, you must also apply for a Kennel Licence.

If your pet is already registered with Council, we will send you your pet registration in July when it is due for renewal. Please ensure your contact details are up to date with Council, and it is your responsibility to notify Council of any changes that effect your dog, i.e., new property, change of owner, leaving the municipality or if deceased.

You will need the details from your renewal notice to make the payment and can renew your pet registration in the following ways:

- **Pay Online on the Council website.**
- **Pay by Bpay using the biller code and payment reference number.**
- **Pay in person at the Council office at 69 High Street, Sheffield during business hours.**
- **Pay by phone by calling Council during business hours.**
- **Pay by post by sending a cheque to Council.**
- **Pay in person at the Sheffield Service Tasmania at 64 High Street, Sheffield during business hours.**

LIFETIME TAGS

A reminder that lifetime tags are now issued for all dog registrations. These tags are a small metal disc with your dog's unique tag number and Council's contact number on one side, with the other side blank for you to engrave your contact details if you choose. This tag will stay with your dog for life, and you will only be required to pay the renewal fee each year. Replacement tags are available through Council if lost or damaged, a replacement fee applies.

Keep your details up to date

Under the Dog Control Act, it is the owner's legal responsibility to notify Council in writing of any changes that effect the registration details for their dog. Council will be mailing out dog renewal notices on July 1st, 2025, and if Council does not have your current details, then you may not receive your renewal notice.

It is equally important to keep your microchip details up to date. Council cannot update your microchip details for you, so if your circumstances change, please contact the relevant microchip register.

Friendly reminder to ensure your details are correct prior to the 20th June 2025.

Council needs to know if:

- You have moved to a new address in the Council area with your dog.
- You have moved to a different Council with your dog.
- You no longer have your dog.

You can update your details by filling in the Change of Details Form, located on the Council website or in person at the Council Offices.

RATES REMINDER

Ratepayers should receive their rates notices for the 2024/2025 financial year before **31st July 2025**. Please ensure Council has your current postal details. You can also have your rates notices sent to your email address. If you have not received your rates notice by the end of July, please contact our Rates Officer, Chris at the Council Offices.

PENSION REMISSIONS

Are you eligible for a pension remission on your property for the 2025/2026 financial year? To be eligible for a remission you must be responsible for the payment of rates on the property, have a Pension Concession, Health Care or Department of Veteran Affairs card valid as of **1st July** for the financial year in which you are making a claim, and it must be your principal place of residence on the **1st July 2025**. If you received a pension remission in previous years and your circumstances have not changed, you will not need to provide your concession details again and the remission will be automatically applied.

FREE GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP

Do you need funding for your community group or club? A free Grant Writing Workshop is being held on Wednesday, 5 June from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the Sheffield Town Hall. Details are below:

NEED FUNDING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY GROUP / CLUB?

Come along to our FREE Grant Writing Workshops

Wednesday June 5
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A casual drop-in session where you can chat with grant providers including:

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- ✓ Latrobe & Kentish Councils

To register please phone Kentish Council on 03 6491 0200



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council office on **Tuesday, 17 June, 2025** commencing at 6:00pm.

PO Box 63, SHEFFIELD Ph. (03) 6491 0200 Office Hours: 8:00am – 4:30pm week days

Following an emergency e.g. flood, fire, wind storms etc. Council can be contacted for information and referral to support services.

Mayor's message: Wow days in Kentish



I wonder if you know what WOW Day stands for. I wasn't sure until I read about it on Facebook. It is Wear Orange Wednesday in honour of the emergency service volunteers.

This is a wonderful way to acknowledge the amazing work that our volunteers do not only in times of emergencies but through a commitment to training and

connecting with our community. They are always ready to step up to keep our region safe in all kinds of weather.

Your dedication and energy help to strengthen our communities and provide exceptional training for anyone who would like to join this fantastic team.

As it is Volunteers Week, I would like to acknowledge and thank all those residents who put their hand up to volunteer in many organisations across Kentish. We would not have such an amazing area to live and play if it were not for these dedicated, caring people who are reaching out to provide a wonderful array of opportunities for all to enjoy.

It has been a very busy month with lots of exciting events that have taken place. Have you noticed the Tasmanian Tiger sculpture outside the Sheffield Information Centre? It stands quite majestically and was unveiled on Endangered Species Day. We are very proud of our unique natural heritage and this sculpture is a timely reminder that we need to protect our environment with so many threatened species in Tasmania.

A competition is being held to name the Tassie Tiger. Entry forms are available at the Sheffield Information Center or online at www.shefieldtasmanian.com.au with the closing date being June 6. I encourage everyone to get your entries in as the prize is a Parks and Wildlife Tasmania Annual Parks Pass.

On April 30, I had the great honour of hosting the Governor of Tasmania, Her Excellency Barbara Baker AC and her husband Emeritus Professor Don Chalmers AO for their visit to the Kentish Municipality.

Apply for a life-saving Defib

The Tasmanian Government is delivering another 90 life-saving defibrillators for community groups and businesses to host.

Minister for Health, Jacquie Petrusma, said when a person suffers a cardiac arrest, their chance of survival declines by almost 10 per cent with each passing minute.

"Having access to an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) can mean the difference between life and death," she said.

"Since 2014, we've provided around 360 free life-saving defibrillators to Tasmanian communities."

Another 90 AEDs will become available to community groups through the second round of the fund in the 2025-26 financial year to further enhance access to life-saving equipment in critical situations.

The device can be located through the GoodSAM Responder phone app, which supports cardiac arrest responses by alerting nearby registered responders and providing the location of patients and the closest defibrillators.

For more information, visit the Department of Health website.

Send your news to:
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We had a full day visiting numerous places and the day culminated with a Civic reception in Town Hall where representatives from groups and organisations were invited to attend. I received a letter from the Governor expressing her appreciation for the very warm welcome they received and how much they enjoyed meeting local residents as well as taking in all the spectacular views as they travelled around the district.

Congratulations to Nadia Mitchell for painting the beautiful mural which has been positioned on the side of the container at the Claude Road Hall. It was a privilege for me to perform the unveiling or celebration of completion as we have been watching this mural as a work in progress. As we learn from the lives of the service men and women depicted in the mural, we gain some semblance of their courage and bravery and it also provides us with a deep appreciation of the losses and sacrifice that were endured throughout war times.

This mural will be a constant reminder to us all to be thankful and grateful for the men and women who served in world conflicts. We will continue to honour their courage, resilience and their enduring legacy.

Winter sport is up and running so I wish all our Kentish teams a successful season. It is important to enjoy your sport with all that it entails. Commitment, doing your best and being a positive team member will ensure that everyone can be an integral part of the team and feel valued for the contribution they bring to the game.

With the colder weather now upon us, it is important to look after yourself with the various flu bugs around that are trying to invade our systems. Enjoy being outside in the sunshine when you can and keep active as much as possible.



June / July 2025

North West Film Society screens at
Reading Cinemas Best St Devonport

Preview all films at: www.nwfs.org.au/upcoming-films



11th June @ 7pm
Anora
MA15+ | 139 mins | 2024 | USA | Drama, Romance
Anora, a sex worker from Brooklyn, gets her chance at a Cinderella story when she meets and marries the son of an oligarch. Once the news reaches Russia, her fairytale is threatened as the parents set out for New York to get the marriage annulled.



23rd July @ 7pm
The Brutalist
MA15+ | 216 mins | 2024 | USA | Epic, Drama
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Riding builds confidence



This National Volunteer Week, Riding for the Disabled Association of Tasmania is shining a spotlight on the dedicated volunteers who have been the driving force behind its programs for half a century.

As the organisation celebrates 50 years of supporting Tasmanians through horse-related activities, it is taking a moment to honour those who generously give their time and energy to make it all happen.

“Volunteers are the backbone of RDA Tasmania,” said RDA Tasmania Chair, Stephanie Mirowski. “Their dedication is woven into every success story we have seen over the past five decades. National Volunteer Week is the perfect moment to celebrate their generosity and the difference they make.”

RDA Tasmania began as a grassroots initiative and has grown into a thriving community organisation. Today, nationally accredited coaches and dedicated volunteers collaborate to provide horse-based programs for individuals of all ages living with disabilities or additional support needs. Each session is designed to build confidence, independence, and physical well-being while offering a welcoming and inclusive community.

RDA Tasmania is celebrating its golden anniversary with a community storytelling campaign, encouraging past and present volunteers, participants, and supporters to share their stories. Contact Claudia Nevah on 0429 943 247 or email admin@rdatas.org.au

Visiting service

If you need help with Centrelink, Medicare and Child Support payments and services, we plan to visit your community soon.

**Services Australia will be visiting
Sheffield and Railton.**

The team will be located at the following venues and times:

25th June 2025

**Kentish House, Sheffield 09:30 am to 11 am
Kings Hall, Railton 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm**

Please phone Cassandra at @Kentish House on 0447325343 to book a specific appointment time, or walk-ins are welcome.



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**Kentish House
Craft Group**

TERM ONE 2025

- Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th Feb. 9-11 am
- Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March. 9-11 am
- Friday 4th, 11th April. 9-11 am

All craft sessions are held at
Kentish House
18 Station St. Sheffield

Market Moves

with **Corinne Nicholson**
Principal
Roberts Nicholson
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As we head into another dry autumn and wait for the long anticipated “break” in the weather, it’s more important than ever to recognise the value and significance of our local farmland.

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with **Jon Delaine**
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ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

These three people have something in common. Neither of them knows each other and they are passionate about one aspect of the environment that brings them together.

Simon Reeve is a BBC journalist who has finished his documentary on South America. Aide Hazlaz is the director of 'Threaded Together', and Shien McCain often can't remember what and how many she ordered.

Let's put the puzzle together, beginning with a 20-year-old Shien addicted to buying hundreds of clothing items, having spent over \$3k at the time of this investigation. How can someone afford to buy so much? If you are in the age group like Shien, you probably know of the many fashion design companies that can make clothes as cheap as \$10 in thousands of assorted styles year in and year out.



No wonder Shien can't remember the contents inside her carton, let alone what is hanging in several wardrobes crammed full of inexpensive, fashionable clothing. One thing she does know is that many of her clothing articles are thrown away, having never been worn or hardly worn!

Aide is a former fashion designer who became so appalled at the fashion wastage that she set up a community Melbourne warehouse hub in 2012, where unsold brand new fashion but outdated clothing is stored. Once it would have been dumped. The outfits are freely redirected upon request through a network of charities and others in real need to all parts of the country. Since its inception, a few fashion and commercial companies have now donated to the hub, supporting the generosity of its volunteers and the costs of freight.

Simon is a well-known global reporter who has been travelling the southern continent. The coastal city of Arica in Chile is a wealthy and sunny haven built on the fortunes of copper.

In the desert, which joins the outskirts, is the city's rubbish

dump. Here, as Simon began to wander were tens of thousands of buried and partially buried clothing, much of it brand new! One particular garment he found had a hefty price tag from a high-fashion retail shop in New York: a jacket made out of cashmere!

This is where fast fashion and old garments go to die, says Simon.

In the UK alone, 13 million items of clothing are discarded per week! It appears local traders import unsold clothing globally in the hope of off-selling in the US and the EU; if not, it gets dumped in Arica!

Back in Melbourne, Aide says 1/3 of fashion clothing is sold, another 1/3 is discounted, and the remaining 1/3 is never sold, which either ends up in 'Op Shops' or is dumped somewhere. It's an international global market on steroids, she says, with 350k new styles per annum!

Dr Alice Payne from the School of Fashion and Textiles at RMIT Melbourne states that part of the cause of so much waste is the cheap fabric and low cost of production from the developing world. She says part of the reason for the low cost is the material being used, of which 60% is synthetic, of which, you may be surprised, is plastic, which in turn is made out of fossil fuels!

Meanwhile, Simon from his investigation states it takes 3 tonnes of water to produce a pair of pants, of which the clothing industry alone uses around a 1/4 of all the chemicals found on Earth. In terms of the carbon footprint, the fashion industry alone contributes about 10% of all global carbon dioxide emissions.

To put it another way that's all of the global emissions from shipping and airplanes combined! Simone says this is fashion's 'dirty secret' and while we have been keeping a 'watchful eye' on other commodities and industries, the fashion industry has somehow 'slipped under the environmental radar'.

And if you are wondering what happened to Shien she has now reduced the number of clothing she buys and donates the castoffs to others and 'Op-Shops. What do you do with your unwanted clothing?



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**Kentish
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Wilmot's farming past on display

At the May meeting of the Kentish Garden

Club, club member Jean Macdonald presented a talk about the history of agriculture and horticulture at Wilmot where her family have farmed for many generations. Jean is involved in the Wilmot Museum and keen to share this story of Wilmot's past with club members.

Jean says the first European settlers arrived at Wilmot in the early 1890s. The main concern in those early days were to clear land to sow oats and other crops for food for stock. Land clearing was mostly done by hand, using crosscut saws, axes, and teams of bullocks.

Everyone had at least a house cow, pigs, a horse and or bullocks. Farms had an orchard and vegetable patch, so many families were self-sufficient. Some examples of early farming tools are on display at the Wilmot Museum.

The museum is housed in the former Church of England building, established in 1897. The driving force behind the church was local settler Henry Buxton, who helped build it. A pew made Henry Buxton as well as his spirit level, which he brought out from England, are both in the collection of the Wilmot Museum. The church doubled as a school until 1903.

Discover more with a visit to Wilmot Museum at 67 Main Street, Wilmot. Opening hours during winter (May to September), are Saturday and Sunday from 11am-2pm. Admission is \$3. For details call (03) 6492 1121, see the website (shefieldtasmania.com.au/wilmot-historic-museum) or follow

the museum on Facebook. For a copy of Jean's talk, text your email to 0488 047 011.

Discover more about orchids

The next meeting of the Kentish Garden Club is June 14 at 2pm at Barrington Hall, 52 Barrington Road, Barrington from 2pm. Guest speaker is orchid expert Warren Brooks, who will discuss orchid care, including mounting orchids. He will also



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Coal rush to the Mersey River;

While driving through Acacia Hills on your way to Devonport, you cross over a small stream called 'Coal Creek', which flows into the Don River at nearby Bott's Gorge. This insignificant sign, 'Coal Creek', on the roadside is the only visible indication of the first mining venture, not only in the Kentish municipality but on the entire NW coast.

It became the catalyst for scores of other coal mines to open around the Mersey estuary, most of which were short-lived, but led to the first settlers coming to the Kentish Plains. This is where we commence a few articles on some of Kentish's historic mining ventures, but for those with no interest in fossicking for gold, we'll alternate them with other saucy subjects.

In April 1851, because of very rough seas, Launceston timber merchants **Wm Dean** and **Benjamin Cocker** chose to journey overland from the Forth River back to Launceston. As night fell on the first day, they sought shelter in the rough hut of two burly timber-splitters named **Powell** and **Ayres** near Bott's Gorge. Dean noticed that the hut fire was fuelled by coal and the next morning asked the timber-splitters to show them where it came from. They were taken to a creek where they were shown an outcrop of coal – the first discovery of coal in NW Tasmania. Impressed, Dean & Cocker paid the splitters five sovereigns to keep the matter quiet while they hurried back to Launceston with their specimens.

Dean quickly formed a syndicate of businessmen and sold 1000 shares at £25 each to form **The Mersey Coal Co** and persuaded Launceston town surveyor **Wm Dawson** to come and manage their mine. In a rather extravagant way, in June 1851, they purchased 1700 acres (9690ha) of land, and within three months, Benjamin's brother **David Cocker** and William Dean had become the first settlers at Spreyton.

While William Dean concentrated on building huts and cottages, purchasing mining machinery and recruiting experienced miners from England for their coal mine at Bott's Gorge, David Cocker set about building the first steam-driven sawmill near the present-day Spreyton Cider Factory. Then they built a four-mile-long horse-drawn wooden tramway along Coal Mine Flat (now Sheffield Main Road) out to a shipping jetty they erected at Dean's Point (now the Devonport Golf Club).

So important was this first NW coast mining venture that **Governor Denison** visited the mine in Feb 1853 to see the first five wagons of coal hauled to the jetty for shipment to Launceston. This was five years before Surveyor Dooley began carving up the Kentish Plains for the first settlers. In Dec 1854, a Wesleyan minister preached at the Bott's Gorge mining camp to 30 adults and 40 children.

The new Launceston syndicate located three beds of coal, but the coal seams were less than half a metre thick and constantly disrupted by fault lines. They drove a shaft down 300ft, but no coal was found. After spending near £20,000 in their futile endeavours, the company wound up, and the miners were paid off in 1857.

For several decades, this site was covered by crumbling buildings and foxgloves.

Immediately after the Bott's Gorge find, other coal strikes occurred along the southern bank of the Mersey River, particularly around Tarleton area, which initially produced well, with towns forming at Tarleton, Ballahoo Island and Sherwood. Well-known Kentish pioneers who owned some of these coal mines were **Thomas Johnson Sr**, **Francis von Bibra**,

Surveyor William Dawson (who had moved to Sherwood) and **John Ramsdale** at Dulverton. By the mid-1850s, when the mines were producing 1000 tonnes of coal a month, the population of the Tarleton township rose to 300, with two hotels, three stores and provision for a school.

In 1861, government surveyor **Charles Gould** produced a map of the Mersey coalfields that indicated coal might be found on the Kelcey Tiers, Bonney Tiers and the entire extent of the Badgers Range.

But again, like Bott's Gorge mine, the coal seams proved to be narrow and fractured, with fault lines often causing the coal to abruptly stop. After a few years and the spending of thousands of pounds, many mines ended up becoming unprofitable and gradually fizzled out. By 1866, Tarleton's population had reduced to 60, and in 1870 only one family was left living in the township.

Many of the sacked miners moved inland to buy their own block of land on which they cut timber and searched for coal. Within a decade, these same pioneers covered much of the Kentish district. It seems strange today, but the gritty, gravelly Badgers Range was leased out long before anyone could get their hands on the fertile Kentish Plains.

'With a few pieces of gold specks found, they were greatly encouraged.'

New coal deposits were found, mainly on the Railton-Dulverton side of the Badgers, where it continued to be mined for the next 90 years. In Oct 1882, coal was found on the southern end of the Badgers within a mile of Sheffield and people lit a fire in front of Sheffield's main general store to test its quality. At times, up to 25 small mines were operating, employing a total of 100 men. By 1935, there were still 50 coal miners employed between Newbed and Dulverton. For a list of these mines, see my Kentish Voice article 'Dulverton, Railton and Newbed' for Dec 2021.

The last of these mines to close was 'The Black Beauty' in 1944. The six small 'Nook' mines were on the southern side of Bonney Tiers at the eastern end of Acacia Hills.

For 15 years, from 1931 to 1946, 12,383 tonnes of coal were taken from the two remaining mines at Tarleton. The coal went first to Goliath Cement Works at Railton, then to the Ovaltine factory at Spreyton. It is estimated that 300,000 tonnes of coal were taken from these Mersey River mines.

1859 Gold Rush to the Forth River

Shortly after District Surveyor James Dooley came to live in Forth in 1858, he went searching for pine timber in the Upper Forth River Valley accompanied by local farmer **James Jones**. On the banks of both the Wilmot and Upper Forth Rivers, they saw what appeared to be gold specks, but as neither of them had any experience in gold mining, they decided to concentrate on finding pine timber.

When Forth's first resident, **James 'Philosopher' Smith** (later the Hon James Smith), heard their story, he told them they had let a good opportunity pass by which they may deeply regret. Smith, a prospector, wanted to investigate these gold sightings. His whole idea was to find a workable goldfield.

The Forth River itself was so full of steep ravines and gorges

Gold rush to the Forth

By Alan F Dyer

that to get to its upper reaches, exploration parties from the Forth village had to roughly follow the present-day Cradle Mt Road back to Middlesex Plains to meet the original VDL Co road, then travel eastward down the Five-Mile Rise to where it crossed the Forth River at present-day Lorinna.

In April 1859, James Smith, with James Jones and Jeremiah Johnson, after being held up by some very wintery weather, arrived at the banks of the Wilmot River just as it began to rise. Smith's party barely had time to secure a small quantity of sand and gravel from holes in the rock before they were forced to retreat to higher ground. With the few pieces of gold specks they found, they were greatly encouraged. But provisions now running low, they were obliged to return home.

James Smith equipped a second expedition and, this time, reached the Upper Forth River at the present-day town of Lorinna, where gold specks were found in sand beneath the rocks. They followed the river south until they came to the junction of the Dove River and located a lode of galena with a little gold.

But their most exciting finds came from following the river a couple miles north of Lorinna, just prior to it entering the long and treacherous gorge called by Hellyer 'The Forth Gates', where two walls of rock rise up perpendicularly on each side of the river for about 800ft. Here they panned flaky gold bits from alluvial deposits on the east bank of the river. Excitedly, they called the place Golden Point, for Smith felt sure payable gold must lay close by.

Meanwhile, the Tasmanian Government passed the Gold Field Regulation Act 1859, offering £5000 to the first person to find payable gold. Farmer James Jones, who had been with Surveyor Dooley on his initial visit, tried to claim this reward for himself but was unsuccessful. On a third trip, to test the value of their gold bearing sites, Smith took a party of five on a 12-day search. They included neighbour **James Fenton** and close friends **Joseph Raymond** and **Wm Crosby** of Don. The party dug several small shafts, and although encouraging finds were made, none were of a size that could make them economically viable. Philosopher Smith was not to be disheartened. He continued prospecting around Cradle Mt and Black Bluff until, in 1871, he discovered the famous tin mine at Mt Bischoff, which forever made him famous.

Settlers Distracted by Gold Discovery – May 1859

The sensational news of gold in the Forth River reported in Launceston newspapers created lots of local excitement on the coast and disrupted the momentum towards the opening of the Kentish Plains. Two separate public meetings were called for those interested in these new gold finds: Mersey residents met at **Thos Johnson's** Dalrymple Inn, Ballahoo, while Forth residents met at Logan's Inn at Leith.

At the meeting held in the Dalrymple Inn on 6 July 1859, a committee was formed to further gold exploration. It comprised **Thomas Johnson, George Atkinson Jr, John Harrison, Wm King, H King, Amos Langmaid, Clarkson, Lyons, Roberts, Scott, James Cartledge, John Matthews** and **Edward Allen**. William Dawson, recently appointed surveyor for the Devon Road Trust, offered to extend the rough track recently created up to the Kentish Plains by continuing it up over Mt Claude, south to Gad's Hill, then down to join the old VDL Co track where it crossed the Forth River at Lorinna.

Dawson started almost immediately with many coal miners

assisting him. Just over a month later, on 10 August, he arrived back at Tarleton to report the track was complete. Ten miners had pushed ahead of him, and by the time he reached them, they were already prospecting. He said he saw a youth wash 14 specks of gold from one dishful of gravel.

At the Leith meeting one week later, 13 July 1859, it was resolved to cut a bridle track up the west side of the Forth River, roughly following the present-day Cradle Mt Road to avoid trekking through several steep and dangerous gorges in the Forth Valley.

Surveyor Dooley volunteered his services to mark out this track, and a committee was appointed to collect subscriptions to defray expenses of cutting it back to Golden Point.

At the end of the meeting, James Fenton JP challenged James Jones, who was claiming in the newspaper to be the first discoverer of gold up the River Forth. When **Jeremiah Johnson** was asked to corroborate or deny John's statements, he most emphatically denied them.

It was some weeks however before Surveyor Dooley could get away from his survey work on the Kentish Plains to open this track. The first prospecting parties didn't travel inland from Forth Village until mid-Nov 1859. It was tough work, with prospecting impossible unless the river was running at a low ebb. There were no signs of any sustainable goldfield.

In the summer of 1859–60, the Tas Government hired **Ronald Campbell Gunn**, accompanied by **Surveyor Peter Lette** and some diggers, to investigate all mining sites where gold specks had been found. Gunn was a renowned botanist but had limited geological expertise. At the Upper Forth site, he found no gold and was dismissive of Golden Point, causing James (Philosopher) Smith to be very critical of his hasty conclusion. Gunn was more successful in finding an unknown plain behind Ulverstone that forever afterwards has carried his name.

During Nov & Dec 1861, **Wm R Bell** (son of **Robert Bell** of Bell's Parade, Latrobe) and **Francis von Bibra** made their first prospecting venture inland to look for gold in the River Forth. From Mt Claude, they descended into the Forth River somewhere near the present-day Cethana Dam on the north side of the Forth Gates, where they found gold specks. Then they travelled back over Mt Claude to Lorinna and up the Forth River to Golden Point.

In both places, gold specks were not present in quantities large enough to create a payable goldfield. Wm R Bell went on to become a well-known prospector, giving his name to Bell Mt near Wilmot.

Again, in May 1865, the Tas Government brought **Ed Hargraves**, the discoverer of gold in NSW, to examine possible gold sites in the state. At the Upper Forth River, what little interest he aroused soon died out, leaving only a few abandoned prospecting holes to mark their efforts.

This was the first of several gold rushes into the Kentish backcountry, none of which have ever found 'the elusive golden lode', though some prospectors spent their lifetimes looking for it. Of course, today Golden Point, the Forth Gates and all prospects of finding this gold lode are submerged beneath Lake Cethana.

Around 1970/71, when the HEC engineers were boring a 2½ mile tunnel from the Wilmot River Dam through these hills into Lake Cethana, apparently they were told, 'If you strike gold, keep quiet and keep tunnelling.'

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Hieroglyphs reveal Egypt's secrets

Greg Slater's two uncles were stationed in Egypt during WWI and they instilled in him a

fascination with the ancient land that has stayed with him for more than 60 years.

Greg will be the guest speaker at U3A on **Monday, June 2**, from 1-3pm where he will talk about how the Egyptians used hieroglyphs to record their language. He will also detail the struggles of the pioneering translators.

"The translation of their written language opened up a window on a vibrant and sophisticated culture and threw out almost 1500 years of guesses and nonsense about the ancient Egyptians," Greg said.

Greg has just returned from his annual two-week trip to Egypt

and says he found no evidence for recent claims that pyramids extend down much deeper than first thought.

"Another flaky theory," he says, promising his talk will be free of bunkum and aliens.

Greg studied hieroglyphs at the Ancient Languages School at Macquarie University and keeps in regular contact with academics and guides to compare translations.

"It's a highly sophisticated culture with interesting views on life and architecture," he said.

The lecture will detail how the language works and its structure. Greg will do some translations and explain what they mean for our understanding of this fascinating ancient culture.

The two-hour talk will be held at the Uniting Church in Sheffield with a coffee break halfway through. All welcome.

Trails for all types on U3A guided walks



By Lindsay Parker

For those who love the great outdoors, there

are plenty of opportunities on offer for U3A members to enjoy walking in the natural environment of Tasmania's magnificent north west.

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The nature rambles are for spotting and identifying birds, fungi and native orchids, or other oddities, many so small and well disguised you would pass them by unnoticed without someone to point them out for you.

Each walk is a separate outing, so you can sign in to come along only to those that interest you and are within your capabilities.

For more information on how to join in, contact one of the group leaders (Greg, Margaret or Lindsay) or sign up to the Kentish Walks Facebook group.

Incredible vistas: hikers enjoy Cradle Mountain's panorama from Mt Kate. Photo: Lindsay Parker



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Guitar - Tue 2pm; Ukelele -

Thu 10am; Cribbage - Fri 2pm

Mark 0428 515 445

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Margaret 0421 648 123

Nature walk:

Greg 0438 589 173

Balance & Bones - Wed 9 & 10am; Fri 9am

Jennifer 0400 376 937

Crosswords - Wed 1pm

Margaret 6491 1175

Challenging walk:

Lindsay 0434 984 570

Maths - Fri 10am

John 0457 262 040

Zumba - Thu 2pm

Drawing - Sat 1pm

Colette 0439 426 665

For more information, please visit kentishu3a.u3anet.org.au

U3A - the University of the Third Age - is a global movement for retired or semi-retired people wanting more out of life.

June Crozzle

All words go in a straight line but in any direction – Up, Down, Left, Right, Diagonal. Most words are joined to another word by at least one letter, so any letter may be used in more than one word. Circle the words in the graph as you find them and when all the words are circled, there will be letters left over. Write these in the spaces below to discover the Theme Word.

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CRYPTIC PUZZLE TASMANIA Answers P35

1. Clone rate disturbing (9)
2. Mabel developed into a peach of a dish (5)
3. (male wish censored!) (8)
4. Lean nude X recants. Teach new pose! (13,7)
5. X - C (4)
6. Beat up number (6)
7. Foul math result (8)
8. Sibbs teacher's nightmare (7,5)
9. ... damns care free attitude (9)
10. Could be first by almost a metre (7)

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Offence(s): Stealing

On April 22, a male suspect entered the Service Station on Foster Street, Railton. The suspect walked behind the service desk, opened a drawer and stolen a packet of cigarettes. The suspect then left the store without paying.

Offender has been charged.

Offence(s): Stealing

On April 27, a male suspect has attended United Service Station Sheffield where he has filled his vehicle with \$70 of fuel. He entered the store and attempted to pay for the fuel. Two cards were declined for payment with insufficient funds.

Reporting Person allowed suspect to leave after he had agreed to go and access the monies owed and that he would return and make payment. Suspect left in the vehicle and did not return.

Offender has been charged.

Offence(s): Destroy/Injure Property

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Overnight between May 8-9 unknown person/s have attended an address in Roland Court, Sheffield, where they have entered into a carport and used an implement to slash three tyres of a vehicle parked there.

Investigations Continuing

Offence(s): Injure Property

On May 20 at approximately 22:30hrs, unknown person/s have thrown eggs filled with red paint at a residence in Morrison Street, Railton.

Investigations Continuing

Offence(s): Burglary- Stealing

Sometime between April 5 and May 17, unknown persons have forced entry into an old wooden outbuilding located at the South East Corner of 14 Spring Street Sheffield-Sheffield Steam and Heritage Centre .

They have forced open an awning to gain entry and then ransacked the building, stealing bed sheets, pillowcases and a key. Investigations Continuing

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Get festive and decorate Main Street

As the chill of winter approaches, it is time to warm up our community spirit. Think about how you can decorate your residence or business along Main Street to brighten the streetscape and enhance community spirit.

Businesses are encouraged to help us spread winter cheer and participate in Wintermas by organising events or specials during the month of July that our community and visitors to the area can enjoy. Let us know what you are planning, so we can promote your activities on social media, in the July edition of *The Kentish Voice* and on the Sheffield Community Noticeboard Facebook page.

If you are a residence and/or business along Main Street in Sheffield and need some help decorating, please let us know (phone or text 0427 475 113).

Voting for the best decorated shopfront/residence in Sheffield will commence on July 1 – stay tuned for where you can vote.

Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism looks forward to conducting free lantern making workshops which will take place at the Sheffield Arts Centre on Sunday 22nd June, Saturday 28th June and Saturday 5th July from 10am to 12 Noon, culminating in 'A Gathering of the Lanterns' parade from Albert Gallery along the Mosaic Pathway to Mural Park on Saturday, July 12.

You can craft your own festive cheer at a fun Christmas card-making workshop at the Sheffield Arts Centre on Saturday, July 19, at 10am. As spaces are limited for the workshops, please call or text 0427 475 113 to reserve. Mark your calendars for Wintermas and stay tuned for the activity schedule.

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

Jun 1	Wild Exhibition opening 2.30pm, Sheffield Art Gallery, 6 Pioneer Crescent
Jun 2	Egyptian hieroglyphics 1-3pm, U3A lecture series, Sheffield Uniting Church
May 31 Jun 1	Steam Engine rides 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, 14 Spring Street
June 4	Free Grant Writing workshop 5-7pm, Sheffield Town Hall (see p18)
June 6	Thylacine naming competition closes (see p2)
June 7	Weindorfer Film Festival screening Wilmot and Cradle Mountain
June 8	Weindorfer Film Festival screening 2-3pm, Uniting Church, Main Street, Sheffield
Jun 10	Kentish Probus meeting 10am, Sheffield Bowls Club
Jun 14	Kentish Garden Club 2pm, Barrington Hall, 52 Barrington Road
	Slow Cooker Night 5.30pm, Beulah Hall, Daveys Road, Beulah
Jun 16	Trivia 6.30 for 7pm, Sheffield RSL, 77 Main Street, Sheffield
Jun 17	Kentish Council meeting 6pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield
Jun 21	Claude Road Market 9am-1pm, Claude Road Memorial Hall, 787 Claude Road
	Midwinter Casserole Night 6pm, Barrington Hall
Jun 25	Services Australia 9.30-11am Sheffield; 12-12.3pm Railton
Jun 26	Book Chat 4-5pm, Sheffield Library, 12 Henry Street
Jun 28	Mr Perfect BBQ 11am-12.30pm, Health Park, Sheffield
	Country Night 7pm, Sheffield Football Club (see p12)

Cryptic Puzzle Answers

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| 1. Electrona | 6. Natone |
| 2. Melba | 7. Falmouth |
| 3. Lewisham | 8. Sisters Beach |
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