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## **Curtain falls on Music Hall revival**

#### By Don Thwaites

In the mid 1970s, the Kentish Lions Club experimented with some theatre shows to raise funds at the Sheffield Town Hall. These proved very successful and were a lot of fun. The shows grew into a regular old-time music hall event, held every year in August with two matinees and four evening dinner shows.

Audiences came from far and wide. Locals were always keen to get tickets for the last night as the cast often kept some hilarious tricks up their sleeves.

The show's cast was originally made up of Lions Club members, but soon members of the community were keen to join. There was live music most years, sometimes a whizz-bang electronic keyboard. The 2019 show had a rock band with guitars, drums and the full 60s experience!

Audience participation was encouraged with sing-alongs, and there was usually plenty of heckling. One night around the year 2000 Joan Pankiv performed a song from the movie *Titanic* and after the applause died down, a young man in the audience called out "Could you please do that again?" The audience erupted with laughter and soon everyone joined the call for a repeat performance. Such was the Kentish Music Hall.

There were always solo performances featuring the talents in our community – amazingly good. There was singing and dancing and lots of funny sketches, introduced and guided by the Master of Ceremonies. A favourite was Kath Braid (*right*) who performed a hilarious stand-up routine every year.

No show was complete without the melodrama, where the stories of Pirate kings, Robin Hood or Cinderella, were twisted

into craziness. Every show was original and drew on the talents of the cast.

The show brought a great deal of activity to the community. It was a great winter event and was the talk of the town in the weeks before - and after - the show. It was also an outlet for talent hidden in the community.

But it all came to an end with Covid19. The 2019 show was the last. Sadly, the drive for Music Hall in our club is gone.

Kentish Lions can no longer support such a big event.

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## Props & costumes looking for new home

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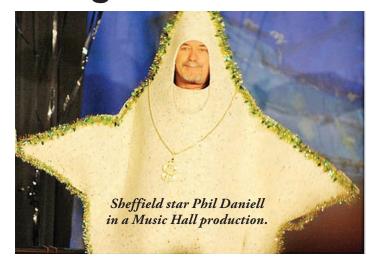
With the goodwill of everyone who participated in the music hall over the years, we are hopeful we can "pass the baton" to another group in Kentish for a new generation of performances.

The Club has a huge number of costumes covering many different genres. These costumes are currently stored in a room at the Town Hall. But they need to be moved.

The Kentish Lions Club is prepared to pass all or some of the costumes to another interested group at no cost. If no other Kentish group takes up the mantle and can store all of the costumes and everything that goes with it, we will offer it to drama groups outside of Kentish.

If you are part of a drama group or want to start one and are interested in doing a show like Music Hall, get in touch with the Lions Club at kentishlions@gmail.com

Creating or building such a group has many benefits, with friendships made and confidence built. Many people are involved, not just on stage but in the background making costumes and props and getting backstage operations just right. Lions had a liquor licence for the dinner shows and the Sheffield Bowls Club cooked and served the meals. It was the main fundraiser for both clubs.



#### **Editor's Note:**

The ad for SMT in the August edition of *The Kentish Voice* was placed upside down at the request of the advertiser, who hoped it would attract attention.

It certainly did as many readers thought it was a production error. Good to see Bauke is right side up again this month.

\*\*Heather\*\*

## Country characters spin Wilmot yarns

Wilmot Yarns is a fun community evening full of tall tales and true stories about Wilmot district and characters. Come enjoy a yarn over a cuppa and Wilmot country supper at the Wilmot Town Hall at 7pm on Saturday, September 14.

We celebrate some of the great story-tellers of the area: Freda Clerke, Dennis Maxwell and George Richards. Eight storytellers will share their favorite local tales followed by the traditional country supper provided by the Wilmot Memorial Hall Committee. A Welcome to Country will acknowledge local aboriginal knowledge and history.

Well-known characters Rodney Miles and Phillip Richards will MC and keep order, although no one is sure who will keep them in order.

Local stories cover Lower Wilmot to the Vale of Belvoir, Erriba, Masons Road, Narrawah and Wilmot City. Wilmot district had four distinct areas with their own school, halls, post office, footy and cricket teams. Other sporting groups included badminton, rifle shooting, fishing, pigeon racing and wood chopping clubs.

Narrawah was once called Lehmantown for the large Lehman family who settled there.

We thank Kentish Council, Tasmanian Women In Agriculture and Senator Richard Colbeck for their financial sponsorship, and Jo Ross for the poster design. Lucky door prizes come from local business contributions: Beth Miles (Nutrimetics), Milo Meats Ulverstone, T&K Shipton Tractors, Stihl Devonport, SteamPlus, Elders, Sandy Bay Gin, Forth Valley Native Nursery and Speedy Tyres.

Sharon King, an award-winning photographer, will take photos during the event. Sharon is third generation West Kentish farmer whose uncle was the kind-hearted Jimmy King.



Rodney Miles (left) and Phillip Richards discuss the direction of proceedings.

Wilmot Yarns is a community event organised by Dawn Bishop, Alison and Phillip Richards, Dianne and Glen Curran. Cherish the stories you tell and the ones you hear for they shape our world and give meaning to life.

Book early with Dianne (0499 980 246) as numbers are limited. Entry is by gold coin donation.

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Lady Crackpot would like to thank all who supported the Railton RSL when they screened "The Legacy of the Laird of Lower Crackpot"

## Visitor Centre needs ambassadors



The Sheffield Visitor Information Centre, the heart of the town renowned for its vibrant murals and rich history, is calling for individuals with a passion for tourism to consider volunteering.

As the gateway for countless visitors eager to explore the charm and natural beauty of our region, the Centre plays a crucial role in ensuring tourists leave with lasting memories.

We are currently seeking dedicated volunteers who are eager to share their love of Sheffield and its surrounding areas with visitors. As a volunteer at the Sheffield Visitor Information Centre, you will have the opportunity to:

- Engage with Visitors: help travellers discover the attractions, events, and hidden gems that make Sheffield unique.
- Enhance Local Knowledge: provide information on local history, culture, and natural landmarks, enriching the experience of every visitor.

#### 🆬 Kentish House

16-18 Station St, Sheffield Mon-Thu 9am-4pm & Fri 9am-2pm Ph. 6491 2322 / 0447 325 343 kentishhouse@glenhaven.org.au

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#### FREE LEGAL INFORMATION APPOINTMENTS

North West Community Legal Centre are offering **FREE** legal information appointments at Kentish House.

To make an appointment please contact North West Community Legal Centre **6424 8720**.

#### KENTISH HOUSE PLAYGROUP

Enjoy play time and activities with your child/ren 0-5 years.

Tuesdays 9:00-11:00am during school terms

#### MR PERFECT BBQ

Gents of Kentish you are invited to a FREE blokes BBQ

Saturday 28th September 2024 11:00am -12:30pm Health Park Sheffield \*

In case of bad weather join us at Blacksmith Café for a hot drink and chat

#### SERVICES AUSTRALIA (CENTRELINK)

Visiting Sheffield (9:30-11 am) and Railton (12-12:30pm) **Wednesday 25th September.** 

Contact Kentish House to book specific appointment times alternatively, walk-ins are welcome.

FOOD PICK UP & BREAD PICK UP AT KENTISH HOUSE

Food & Bread Pick-up: Wednesday's 9:30 - 11am

Amounts available vary, items available are on a first in-basis.

 Support Community Tourism: be a part of the driving force that keeps Sheffield's tourism vibrant and welcoming, contributing to the economic growth of our community.

Volunteering at the Centre is not just about providing information; it's about making connections, sharing stories, and being the face of our welcoming town. Whether you're a local with deep roots in the community or someone new to the area looking to get involved, your contribution can make a significant difference.

Why Volunteer?

- Flexible Hours: We understand everyone has different schedules. Whether you can spare a few hours a week or more, your time is valuable to us.
- Meet New People: Engage with fellow volunteers and visitors from all walks of life.
- Learn and Grow: Expand your knowledge about Sheffield and the broader region, and take pride in promoting our local area

No prior experience is necessary - just a friendly demeanour and a willingness to share your enthusiasm for Sheffield and its surrounding attractions.

If you have a love for the area, a passion for helping others, and a desire to play a vital role in our tourism industry, please contact Michelle at the Centre on 0429 556 219.

Be a part of something special and help us continue to make Sheffield a must-visit destination in Tasmania.

Above left: Volunteer Cranston Gilbert with staff member Janelle Gardiner. Cranston has been travelling from Deloraine to Sheffield to volunteer for four hours a week at the Visitor Information Centre since July 2020.

"I love Sheffield so I came to give it a go and I'm still here," he said. "It's good for me as mixing with people is not my strong point but this forces you to. Mostly the people are nice so I enjoy it."

The Centre takes bookings for Maria Island, Mt Field huts and Waldheim cabins.



## Follow Gulliver to magical Mural Fest



Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism will introduce a public mural at this year's Mural Fest from November 3-9.

The *Gulliver's Travels* mural will be available for members of the public to paint at the Arts Centre and follows the success of last year's paint-a-square public mural painting.

This year's theme is 'The Magic of the Minuscule' and nine murals will be painted over a seven-day period.

A Photographic Exhibition and Kids Art Exhibition will be hosted at the Sheffield Arts Centre.

KACT President Sandy Brattstrom said financial backing from the community was required for a successful event.

"We are grateful for the support we are receiving from our sponsors and volunteers and look forward to a great event in November, but we are still seeking financial support from the community," she said.

Mural Fest is organised, managed, and staffed by volunteers - with no paid positions. KACT relies heavily on the generosity of individuals and businesses who value the creation of nine new murals each year in Mural Park.

"Not only do these murals add to our area's identity as 'Tasmania's Outdoor Art Gallery', they drive significant tourism and business to the area," Sandy said.

She said Mural Fest also needed more volunteers. "Whether



it be helping with meet and greet, looking after the artists, selling raffle tickets, working at the voting table, helping in the kitchen, helping put in place protective weather screens for the artist...whether it be for a few hours, a day or several days, there are many tasks requiring assistance.

"Volunteering is fun and rewarding and a great opportunity to meet new people, gain new skills and make a difference in the community in which we live."

If you would like to make a financial contribution or volunteer, please contact info@muralfest.com.au or phone 0427 475 113.

### Check 'em out for Andrea

A tribute to Andrea O'Grady, a cherished member of the Sheffield Vet Clinic, will be held at the Sheffield Town Hall on Friday, October 11.

The "Check 'Em Out" fundraiser, hosted by the Vet Clinic, aims to raise \$10,000 to support the McGrath Breast Care Nurses, who played a significant role in Andrea's care.

Andrea, who spent 14 years as a Veterinary Nurse at the clinic, was well-known for her kindness, dedication, and the joy she brought to her colleagues and the wider community.

After a courageous six-year battle with breast cancer, Andrea passed away earlier this year, leaving behind a legacy of strength and compassion.

The evening promises to be a vibrant celebration, featuring performances by popular local bands "Kitty & The Rockets" and "The Amber Lamps". Guests are encouraged to dress in pink and enter the Best Dressed competition.

To show their commitment, members of the vet clinic staff have pledged to shave their heads if the fundraising goal is met.

Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$25 for children (aged 12-17). Children under 12 can attend for free.

All proceeds will go to the McGrath Foundation, ensuring that breast cancer patients receive the care and support they deserve, just as Andrea did.

For tickets, please visit https://events.humanitix.com/check-em-out-breast-cancer-fundraiser/tickets



## Never too old to learn new tricks

Just turned 80, British-born Sheffield multi-media artist Nita Pountney is about to start a new chapter in her life with her partner of six years, John.

The former rock climber, bush walker, caver, farmer and teacher, who took up kayaking a few years ago with U3A, says: "Anything is possible at 80."

The retired teacher started painting for the first time when she turned 61 and her avian artworks are currently on exhibition at the Sheffield Art Gallery until the end of September. *For the Love of Birds* features acrylics, pyrography on wood and paper, drawings and sculpture.

"As a child, I used to do country walks with my father and so I knew the plants and all the birds in England," Nita said. "When I came to Australia in 1978, the first books I bought were on birds and native plants. My love of birds and plants from my childhood has continued all through my life."

The range of mediums in the exhibition is impressive for someone who had only done creative craft with her primary school students before embarking on Certificate Level 4 in Art and then a Diploma in Art the year after at Devonport TAFE.

"I went along to TAFE thinking I might like to do printing, but the only teacher there was the painting teacher and he said, 'Come and join our class and bring a few paintings with you – show me your portfolio,' and I laughed because I didn't have a portfolio! I'd been to adult ed watercolour classes and that's all I could show. I was terrified as it was a one year, full-time course. I think I was the only person in the course who hadn't done art as part their life. Got through that – and I've never looked back."

Losing her first husband to a heart attack and having to sell the farm and house they had built together, Nita retired from teaching and moved to Leith, where she renovated an 1895 cottage and cleared half an acre of overgrown garden. After six years of being a widow, she met her partner, Geoff.

The next move was to a 2.5 hectare garden near Forth, where once again she established a thriving garden. After only 10 years together, Geoff contracted Motor Neurone Disease and passed away six weeks after diagnosis. Three years later she moved to Sheffield where she had established a great group of friends through Art and Kentish Lions Music Hall, in which she performed and directed the last show before Covid hit.





Plans for her recent 80th birthday celebrations – a 'P' Party: "come dressed as something starting with the letter P, pirate, professional lady, pussycat" – were cancelled by Sheffield's freezing temperatures. Pipes in the roof froze and burst, collapsing the ceiling and flooding half the house.

"This was not the way I hoped to celebrate my 80th birthday." Christmas in July at Claude Road Hall doubled as a surprise birthday party for Nita.

"That's one of the reasons I just love being in this community. People look out for each other," she said. "It's just fabulous."

Her effervescent nature has been tested in recent times, with personal and health challenges, but Nita has bounced back to resume all her activities. Despite the flooding and a burnt-out clutch that left her stranded by the road for four hours recently, she's still ready for the postponed party when the house is put back together. She and John will celebrate a future life together in this community they call home.

## Community Expo showcases groups

Mayor Kate Haberle is pleased to announce that Kentish Council is hosting a Community Group Expo at the Sheffield Town Hall on **Saturday, September 21**, 2024.

This free community event is designed to showcase the organisations, clubs, groups, assistance providers, sports, and activities that are available for our community in the Kentish municipality.

Mayor Haberle said: "The Community Group Expo is a great opportunity for community members to connect with local organisations.

"Everyone in the community is invited to come along and discover the variety of activities available in Kentish.

"Whether looking to volunteer, participate, or seek assistance, there's a group for everyone to get involved."

Organisations, clubs, and groups based in the Kentish municipality, and those who provide services to the people in the Kentish local community, are welcome to exhibit.

It is free to exhibit and free for the community to come along. The Community Group Expo will run from 10am to 2pm. For more information or an exhibitor registration form, please email Fiona at Kentish.Community.Group.Expo@gmail.com

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## Kentish Community Group Expo

Showcase your community group!

Saturday 21 Sept 2024

10am - 2pm

**Sheffield Town Hall** 

#### **Exhibitor registrations extended!**

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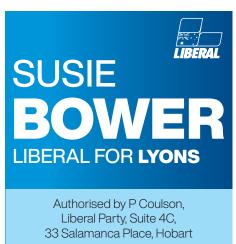
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## Clean-up crew faces down litter louts



#### **By Leoni Read**

On Saturday, August 10, our Kentish Clean-Up Group, which now has 14 volunteers dedicated to keeping our roadsides litter-free, spent a morning picking up 28 bags of rubbish, 19 tyres, bits of building rubbish and lots of car parts. Our team felt really pleased with our effort to clean the entire Bridle Track.

It is simply mind-blowing to think of all the trailer loads of rubbish we have picked up from roadsides over the last year. It amounts to tons and tons of it. A lot of what we find is unsecured stuff on its way to the tip. But it's obvious that most

## 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

#### Wednesday 25th September 2024

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

Please phone Cassandra @Kentish House on 0447325343 book a specific appointment time or walk-ins are welcom



of the stuff we pick up is chucked out of a car window. What makes a person think it's OK to chuck their rubbish out of their car? Not just in the Kentish area either.

Launnie Litter Free goes out every week to clean up around Launceston. One of our volunteers regularly cleans up in Don and Devonport. There are other groups throughout Tasmania.

Sadly, the litter re-appears in no time. Whenever I walk my dog along the same route every day, past the "Welcome to Sheffield" sign, there's always rubbish to pick up. Today I travelled the Bridle Track and was outraged to pick up quite a large bag of rubbish in the very same area we'd felt so pleased to have cleaned up just over a week ago.

It is very discouraging but our Kentish Clean-Up Group will continue holding Roadside Litter Clean-Ups. Several members, including myself are so concerned, we are going to try Launnie Litter Free's model, and go out for an hour each week.

I pointed out last month, that half of the rubbish we pick up is recyclable. Half!

Obviously there is no easy answer. But it has made us all the more determined. We are going to try new strategies and, hopefully, recruit even more volunteers.

Our next Roadside Litter Clean Up will be of the Sheffield Road, from Nook Road to Acacia Hills, 9.30 am to 12 noon on Saturday, September 14.

For more information, contact Leoni Read on 0429 705 062.

#### Doco focus on rural women

The voices of 1000 rural women are being sought for a groundbreaking new documentary on Australia's rural, regional and remote women.

Rural Daughters, the featurelength documentary by award-winning CheekyMac Productions, will follow the personal journeys of some of Australia's most inspiring rural women in their efforts to overcome barriers, effect change and live a successful,



purpose-driven life in the regions.

In addition to their stories, a nationwide 1000 Rural Women Survey has been developed to capture the experiences of rural women on a broad range of topics from natural disasters, health and domestic violence to societal attitudes, racial prejudice, Tall Poppy Syndrome, community life and female role models.

The documentary and survey is the initiative of producer Danielle McAlpine Johnson (*above*) from Gippsland, Victoria. She hopes for more than 1000 survey responses to provide a statistical snapshot of rural women.

"Surveying 1000 rural women is a bold target, but we hope women take this opportunity to tell us about their lives and be a part of a collective voice in the Rural Daughters story," she said. The results are to be used to inform policy and develop

The results are to be used to inform policy and develop educational resources in Australian schools. The survey is available online until the end of September at cheekymac.com/rural-daughters

#### KENTISH COUNCIL

#### **RATES REMINDER**

A reminder that the first rates instalment for the 2024/2025 financial year was due and payable on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024. Should you be experiencing financial difficulties, please contact our Rates Officer to discuss payment arrangement options. The second-rate instalment is due on or before 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.

#### PENSION REMISSION

Are you eligible for a pension remission on your property for the 2024/2025 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 2024.

If you believe you are eligible to claim a pension remission, please fill in the Application for Pensioner Remission form located on the Council website <a href="www.kentish.tas.gov.au">www.kentish.tas.gov.au</a> or at the Council Offices.

#### DRAFT STOCK UNDERPASS POLICY

Council is seeking feedback until the end of September 2024 on a draft Stock Underpass Policy before being formally considered by Council.

The purpose of the policy is to financially assist farmers with the installation of stock underpasses to improve the safety of the road network and allow for the uncontrolled movement of stock across the road carriageway safely, without affecting other road users.

The draft Policy aims to provide clear direction to the farming community on the processes and arrangements for approval and construction of stock underpasses beneath Council's Public Road network, in keeping with the following principles:

 To provide farmers with alternative options to reduce the burden of managing stock crossings over public roads.

- To value the contribution underpasses can make to the safety of the community; and
- To promote and encourage removal of the need for stock to cross road surfaces.

Please refer to Council website www.kentish.tas.gov.au for further information.

#### DOG REGISTRATION REMIDER

A reminder to all dog owners that annual registrations for 2024/2025 financial year are now overdue. You are required to register your dog annually. By registering your dog, it makes reuniting easier if your dog becomes lost. Payment for registrations can be made at the Council Office or at any Service Tasmania outlet.

If you can't make it in person, you may arrange renewal payments over the phone by calling Council on 6491 0200. As registrations are now overdue, non-payment may result in a fine being issued.

Council needs to be advised in writing 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; or
- You no longer have your dog.

You can update your details by filling in the Change of Details Form, located on the Council website <a href="www.kentish.tas.gov.au">www.kentish.tas.gov.au</a> or in person at the Council Offices.

#### **COUNCIL WEBSITE CUSTOMER REQUESTS**

Have you noticed something that needs our attention? Our website <a href="www.kentish.tas.gov.au">www.kentish.tas.gov.au</a> features a handy "Customer Request" icon. You can use this icon to report maintenance items, road works requests, animal or general complaints or even make suggestions.

#### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council office on **Tuesday 17**<sup>th</sup> **September 2024** commencing at 6:00pm.

PO Box 63, SHEFFIELD Ph: (03) 6491 0200 Office Hours: 8:00am - 4:30pm weekdays

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

## September 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 TASMANIANS**

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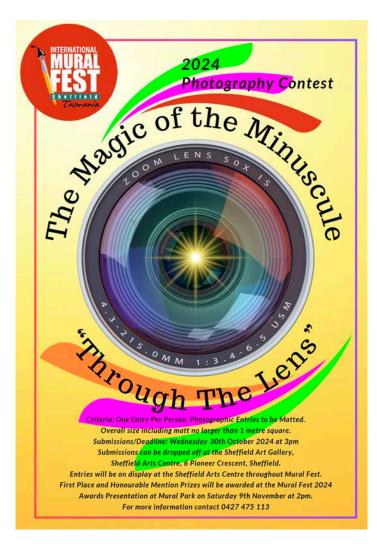
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- 2. South clan dines out (8,6)
- 3. Fresh navels in demand (3,7,4)
- 4. Point gun (5,3)
- 5. Ten gun barrage (6)
- 6. Recoiling arms (4)
- 7. War put Anna in jeopardy (10)
- 8. An air raid (5)
- 9. Shoots aircraft? (5,6)

10. i.e. drivers corrupted (9)

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#### SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB



Since you read about us last time we have reached the Finals! Our Seniors ended the year 12 points or 3 games clear of our closest opposition in the Motton Preston Demons. Our boys had a week off coming into Finals - a great opportunity to get any injuries fixed or to just get prepared mentally. On Saturday, August 24, we met the Demons at

Maidstone Park and with a win, we advance to the big dance! Our Reserves were looking like fan favorites for this season but coming off against Wesley Vale with a loss in round 17 they fell to second on the ladder. They knew they would have a fight on their hands coming up against Forth in the Qualifying Final, Unfortunately the scoreboard didn't go their way and they come out with L. They are now taking the hard route to Grand Final Glory. They verse Turners Beach on Sunday, August 25, at Maidstone Park. A win will advance them to the preliminary

On Saturday, August 17, we held our Best and Fairest Evening at the Sheffield RSL. We would like to thank Jamie and team for their hospitality and accommodation.

finals; a loss will bring their season to a close.

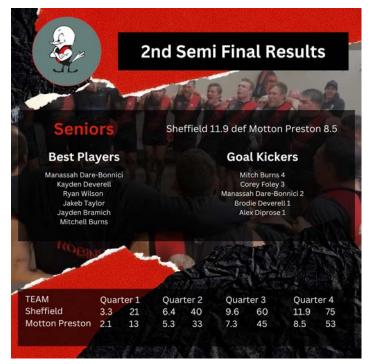
Senior Graeme "Brum" Bramich Best and Fairest winner for 2024 is Aaron McNab with 48 Votes. The Runner-up was Kayden Deverell on 42 votes. A dominant forward and backman taking charge of the count. Both deserving recipients of 1st and 2nd.

1st Semi Final Results Sheffield 10.9 def Turners Beach 3.5 **Best Players Goal Kickers** randon Webb Kaleb Lee 3 Adam Norris 1 Will Bryan Nick Barrett Brandon Foley: Joey Walters Ouarter 1 Quarter 2 Quarter 3 Quarter 4 Sheffield 10.9 10 Turners Beach 14 3.5 23 Reserve Lewis "The Beast" Marshall Best and Fairest winner for 2024 is Nick Barrett with his third Reserves Best and Fairest with the mighty Robins! Not far behind him was Will Bryan, a new recruit making waves in the Reserves competition. A bit different to our Seniors, these two are predominantly mid fielders and again both very deserving recipients of 1st and 2nd. With the NWFA Les Hicks Best and Fairest Count and Annual Dinner taking place on August 31, it is only fitting to congratulate each of our players.

Seniors; Kayden Deverell, Brodie Deverell, James Knight and Aaron McNab; Reserves; Adam Garwood, Nick Barrett, Corey Foley, Shane Campbell and Adam Norris.



Kayden Deverell takes a mark.



#### **RAILTON PARKRUN**

This edition of *The Voice* sees a shout out to our four-legged volunteers and their dedicated owners. Often, we find our bark runners keeping a watchful eye out for parkrun participants and waiting patiently alongside their 'mum or dad'.

We encourage doggy participation and have many regulars who attend on a weekly basis.

Each dog is presented with their very own unique Railton parkrun bandana and is welcomed into the park run family.

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.

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

Many thanks to Linda and the many other volunteers who support the Railton parkrun each and every week.



Volunteer Linda Santalab with her dogs Smithy and Elsie.

#### **FORTH SCORCHERS**



Junior paddlers at Forth are keen to get back into Slalom Cross and Slalom after watching Jessica and Noemie Fox collect gold in their Olympic races.

This year the club built a launching ramp for the Slalom Cross. Paddlers enjoy the zing of the launch, the chaos and excitement of the challenges, as they charge into each other and the gates, while staying in their kayak.

Members are keen to have some races in the upcoming spring and summer in preparation for the National Age Championships at Forth in 2025. Dougal Folder will be hoping to make the finals after his bronze in the Tasmanian Age Championships.

The canoe club at Forth has slalom training and paddling for new members. Over the past three years, the Forth slalom course has become a popular state and national attraction for slalom training and events.

Who: Juniors aged 11-13.

What: Learn to kayak and race canoe slalom.

Where: Club training facilities on Forth River, and Ulverstone Swimming Centre.

When: Starts in October and continues until December. Paddle twice a week.

Register now for a zoom information session. Registration closes September 15, 2024. Contact club secretary Russell Horton 0400 255 946 or tascanoeclub@paddle.org.au

#### Trout season free for junior anglers

#### By Guy Barnett

For another season, junior anglers and young Tasmanians can go out and chase trout for free.

To fish Tasmania's inland lakes and rivers, junior anglers from 14 to 17 years old are required to hold an inland angling licence but can apply for a free licence through the Inland Fisheries Service (IFS) website, or via an agent. Those under 14 years of age are not required to hold a licence.

There is nothing better than quality time outdoors alongside friends and family and it's even better when you can end the day with a fresh fish dinner to boot.

Under our 2030 Strong Plan for Tasmania's Future, this great initiative will remain in place for at least the next three years.

This is about fostering the next generation of young anglers, supporting an active and healthy lifestyle and ensuring young Tasmanians have every opportunity to appreciate the natural beauty on offer in Tassie.

Licences are available at: https://www.ifs.tas.gov.au/anglers/manage





#### SHEFFIELD GOLF



Sadly, one of our Life Members Neville Weeks (*left*) passed away on July 4. Neville had been involved with the Golf Club for many years and held the position of Club Captain for 19 years.

It was always a highlight during his presentations knowing that there would be a new joke to be told and I don't think any were ever repeated.

Once Neville no longer played the game, he would be seen around the course doing his bit raking up sticks, leaves etc. to keep the course looking good.

He became the Licensee and loved his many years behind the bar and keeping an eye on players making sure no one slipped onto the course without paying their Green Fees.

There were so many things that Neville did without people knowing and this has been noted more now than ever. *RIP Neville*.

Our thoughts are also with Laurie Lang who is having some health issues. Laurie has been our Webmaster for many years, continuing after retiring from golf. Thinking of you at this time, Laurie.

Monthly Medal Winners

Members: Sponsored by IGA Everyday Sheffield was won by Allan Duncan with 65 nett from Maklyn Jones 68 nett

Vets: Sponsored by Sheffield Tyre & Mechanical won by Glen Connors 67 nett from Greg Collis 68 nett

Ladies: Sponsored by Bossimi's Bakery was won by Susie Coombs 71 nett from Janice Williams 75 nett

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

20/7 Stableford was won by Noel Meyers with 38 pts from Mark Jones 35 pts

27/7 Ambrose 3 Sponsored by Camper Plus was won by Brett Coombs, Rodney Von Stieglitz and Maklyn Jones with 56.333 nett from Roland Proud, Ryan Patterson and Mark Bramich 57.5 nett

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10/8 Pinehurst Foursome was won by Scott Westbrook and Ben Corbett with 61.125 nett from Greg Collis and Tony Brown with 62.375 nett

17/8 Stableford was won by Ben Corbett with a great 41pts from Winston Duff 37 pts

Vets:

23/7 The Vets & Ladies combined to play an Ambrose 2, Greg Collis and Lyell Hardwicke won with 60.5 nett from Gerry Hopkins and Peter Orchard with 62 nett

30/7 Once again the Vets & Ladies combined to play a Foursome. Matthew Knight and Mark Jones won with 61.5 from Wayne Ivory and Helen Clarke 63.5 on a countback from Robyn Jones and Helen Lloyd-Jones 63.5 nett.

13/8 Stableford saw Greg Collis win with an impressive 41 Pts from Brett Coombs with 33 pts

Ladies:

13/8 Stableford won by Helen Lloyd-Jones with a great 37 pts from Susie Coombs 32 pts

Sheffield Golf Club 0418 199 873. Green Fees (per day): Adults \$20.00 - Please note the Green Fees increase; Juniors \$5.00.

## Business grants up to \$10k for plant, equipment

The Enabling Business Grant Program helps Tasmanian businesses to grow, adapt and innovate by providing grants of between \$2,500 and \$10,000 for capital purchases that align to the enabling business and technology themes of the Small Business Growth Strategy 2026.

The program guidelines have been updated and the program will now open a week earlier on October 22, 2024.

The update also confirms the GST status of grants - GST does not apply to grants distributed under this program, but grants may be treated as assessable income depending on individual circumstances.

Capital purchases are defined as business assets (also known as plant and equipment) purchased by a business such as machinery, electronic payment terminals and computers.

All successful applicants will be required to provide a cash contribution of at least 30 per cent towards the total purchase cost. The total value of the proposed purchase/s must not exceed \$50,000, including GST

View the Enabling Business Grant Program for more information https://www.business.tas.gov.au/funding/general/enabling\_business\_grant\_program



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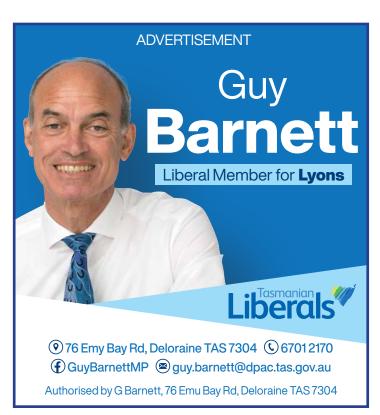
## Let me know how I can help.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can assist you, your club, group or organisation.



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You'll find my office at 36 King Edward Street, Ulverstone Office Hours: 9am-4:30pm | Monday, Tuesday - Thursday, Friday







North West Film Society screens at **Reading Cinemas Best St Devonport** Bookings essential for all movies via **Humanitix** 

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



14th August @ 7pm

#### The Three Musketeers: D'Artagnan

M | 121 mins | 2023 | France | Drama, Adventure

After ariving in Paris D'Artagnan is drawn into the heart of a real war where the future of France is at stake. He aligns himself with Athos, Porthos and Aramis, three musketeers of



#### 11th September @ 7pm **Perfect Days**

M | 124 mins | 2023 | Japan | Drama

An Oscar-nominated Japanese drama that gently excavates the life of a cleaner, and the shadows that lurk inside.



#### 16th October @ 7pm The Taste of Things

M | 135 mins | 2023 | France | Drama, History, Romance

An adaptation of Marcel Rouff's classic 1924 novel. Eugénie, a renowned cook and Dodin, a brilliant epicure, form a culinary partnership that extends beyond the kitchen.

Annual or Part Memberships available For more details visit the NWFS website - <u>www.nwfs.org.au</u> or Phone – 0431 484 727 Our membership recruitment desk operates between 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm at every screening. Find us on Facebook - nwfilmsociety



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#### **KENTISH LIONS**

Kentish LIONS has been busy in the last month. We catered for the Tasmanian Endurance Riders Club at Baker's Beach, raising over \$700. We did a Bunnings BBQ in August which raised \$890 for our community.

We continue to provide support for those who find themselves in need. This may be in the form of gift vouchers or other help. We recently provided a load of firewood to a family in need.

We thank Kentish Council for a grant that allowed us to purchase a Defibrillator. This will be at all events that the Club attends. We are looking at making it available to other local community groups (subject to conditions).

Kentish LIONS meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month. If you are interested in serving you community and want to know more, pleases email kentishlions@gmail.com

#### CLAUDE ROAD MARKET

Our Spring market is on **Saturday, September 21,** from 9am to 1pm so come along and see what's on offer - maybe start your Christmas shopping! There will be a hall full of treasures and a kitchen full of home-cooked goodies so come to shop, stay to eat and then grab a take-away!

To book a stall, please text Heather on 0407 546 486.

#### **CLAUDE ROAD HALL AGM**

The Claude Road Hall Committee will be holding our AGM on **Monday, September 23**, 6pm at Claude Road hall and we would love for you to join us.

We are a small, dynamic committee which meets only four times a year for about an hour, and you would have a chance to contribute to the future maintenance and development of our wonderful hall. Being on a committee can be rewarding – let us prove that to you!

#### **HUB REPORT**

Thank you again for your support. We are open Mondays to Fridays, 10am to 3pm.

Recent donations: Railton RSL \$1600; Cancer Council \$500; Sheffield School \$500; Railton Bowls Club \$650; Lower Barrington Community Hall \$1500; Royal Perth Show Wood chopping J.B. \$4000.

We look forward to your next visit, as we support our Kentish community. - The Committee

#### **KENTISH PROBUS CLUB**

The next meeting of the Kentish Probus Club will be on September 10 at 10am at the Sheffield Bowls Club The guest speaker will be NBN's Ammah re: Digital Legacy.

Outing this month is a luncheon at Devonport Country Club. Visitors are always welcome. For further information, please contact Annelise on 6496 1220.

#### WILMOT HISTORIC MUSEUM

Wilmot Museum houses items, records and artefacts of the early pioneers of the Wilmot region from the 1890s until the present time. Open Saturday and Sundays, 11am to 2pm.

#### **KENTISH MEN'S SHED**



Diorama details: Hydro Tas reps inspect the topography.

Somehow or other our members manage to slough off the depressions of wintry weather and continue to achieve goals that are both interesting and worthwhile.

Our flinty hearted treasurer Paul Robinson has put the finishing touches to the display cabinet bespoke for Aurora and it now needs only for Gina Harvey (Aurora) to greenlight his work and their Pumped Hydro Diorama will be displayed at the Sheffield Visitor Information Centre.

As mentioned last month, Andy Walsh steams on with restoring Dorothy (our 1949 David Brown Cropmaster) having secured information relating to previous repairs to her engine. This involved tracking down her previous owner John Young, now resident in the South but formerly on his farm on Old Paradise Road. When contacted, John was amazed that Dorothy yet lived as he had thought her bound for the scrapheap. Photos being proof positive he is now convinced and pleased that his old friend will be around for a long time.

August was a milestone month for we were finally given our own dedicated connection to Tas Networks, this being a requirement before our 16 solar panels could begin work supplying "free "power to our facility.

Our power bills will shrink to manageable and not give our Treasurer (Scrooge) conniptions.

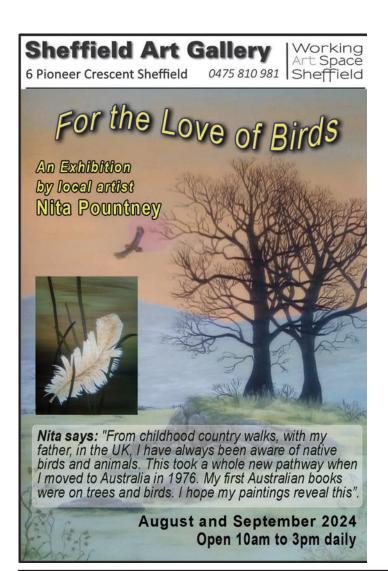
We are grateful to the Tasmanian Men's Shed and The Hub for their generosity in funding this wonderful development. Visitors are welcomed at our shed; we open Thursdays and Saturdays 9am-1pm. Information, call Terry on 0429 122 520.

#### **ROLAND MARKET**

The Roland Market will be held on **Saturday, October 19**, at the Roland Gospel Hall from 9am to 1pm.

The markets are held twice a year and raise funds for the restoration and return of the Roland Mural to public display,

To keep up to date with progress, please visit the Roland Market Facebook page.



ELIZABETH BRODERICK & Co.

Tasmania Fire Service and State Emergency Service members are invited to take part in the TFS-SES

#### Workplace Culture Review

The independent Review, by Elizabeth Broderick and Co, will look at what the TFS and SES do well and what the organisations can do better to build a diverse, safe and inclusive workplace culture.

If you're a TFS or SES employee or volunteer (or you recently left), we'd like to hear from you.

The Review is independent and confidential.

Learn more

about how you can participate



elizabethbroderick.com.au/tfs-ses-review

#### **PROJECT UPDATE**

## Cethana pumped hydro project



## Planning is progressing on the proposed pumped hydro project at Cethana. Our focus over the coming few months will be on:

#### Workforce accommodation

Over the next few months, we will be looking into options for accommodating construction workers.

At peak construction it is expected there could be as many as 350 people employed. To meet this need we are investigating the development of a temporary worker accommodation village.

#### Social impact assessment

Over the next six months we will be out in the community to share important findings from technical studies. These studies examine how the project will impact the local environment and the community.

Your feedback on these studies will help us decide how to best manage any impact.

#### Talk to our team

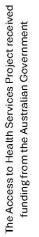
We will be at Claude Road Market on 21 September. Please drop by for a chat about the project and ask your questions.

Or, contact us through the website below.

**How to find** You can find out more about the workforce accommodation strategy and upcoming events **out more...** at our project page. Visit **https://connect.hydro.com.au/cethana-pumpedhydro** 

	Kentish Health Services	& Programs Calendar – S	September 2024	
Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday	Every Thursday	Every Friday
10.00am - 3.30pm: CHSP @ KAAC *	10.00am - 3.00pm: CHSP @ KAAC *	9.30am - 11.00am: Food pick up for	10.30am - 11.30am: Fitness Class	5.30pm-7.30pm: Munting
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Mindfulness Session @ Breathers, Zoom	LBCH */**	10.15am: Ladies Social Badminton	3.00pm - 4.30pm: Green Room	Gym *
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8.00pm - 9.30pm: Peer Support for	9.00am - 11.00am: KIDS Parenting	10.00am - 12.00pm: NDIS Mission	11.00am - 12.30pm: Diet Culture,	12.00pm - 1.00pm: Science HDR
Infertility, Birth Trauma, Pregnancy &	Support (Playgroup) @ KH	Australia @ KH	Weight Stigma & Disordered Eating	x batyr Mental Health & Wellbeing
Child Loss @ The Nest, Zoom **	10.00am - 12.00pm: Palliative Care for	12.00pm-1.30pm: LGBTQIA+ Sexual	@ UQ Wellbeing, Zoom **	@ batyr, Zoom **
	A&TSI Professionals @ IPEPA, Zoom **	& Reproductive Health @ WHISE,	6.30pm-9.45pm: Work & Study	Cacalific Machan
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9.00am - 12.00pm: North West	Institute Australia, Zoom **		Headspace online	28th Saturday
Community Legal Centre @ KH **	*	18 <sup>th</sup>	â	11.00am – 12.30pm
	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am - 12.00pm: Strong Families,	12 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Perfect BBQ @ Sheffield
16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am - 12.00pm: Yarning about	Safe Kids @ KH	All Day - R U OK?Day	Health Park (Blacksmiths Café if
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KAAC: Kentish Adult Activity Centre	11.00am = 12.00pm; Advanced Care	update; if you would like a PDF or printed copy of this month's update,	ed copy of this month's update,	• LBCH
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#### **COMBINED BAND CONCERT**

Sheffield School will host a combined concert with the Latrobe Federal Band on **Sunday, September 29,** at 2pm at the school.

Our wonderful Beginner and Concert Band will perform, and combine with Latrobe Federal Band's Beginner and Junior ensembles to perform together. Latrobe Federal Band will also perform at the concert.

Come along and support our musicians of all ages!

## REDWATER CREEK STEAM & HERITAGE CENTRE AGM

Notice to all members of Redwater Creek Steam and Heritage Society Inc: The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be conducted in the Nook Building on the RWC site on **Saturday, September 28**, 2024, at 2pm.

The Rail Safety Management System, under which the railway operates, is being reviewed and members are encouraged to make comments and suggestions.

Please pencil in March 8-10, 2025, as a big date claimer in your diaries. This will be the 30th SteamFest and the Motto is "Thirty years on and a Whole New Look." We will need all the volunteers we can find and all assistance is welcome.

For information, please contact Jill Ridgway on 0448 631 922.

#### **WORKING ART SPACE SHEFFIELD**

#### Sheffield Art Gallery - 6 Pioneer Crescent, Sheffield

'For the Love of Birds'. For the months of August and September, the Gallery will be exhibiting the works of local artist, Nita Pountney. (*See story, Page 7*) This selection of her artwork demonstrates her lifelong love for birds.

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

Botanical Drawing: Saturdays from 1.00pm to 3.30pm. Contact Colette Binder on 0439 426 665 for more information.

Pottery: Wednesdays from 10.00am. \$20 membership and \$3.00 a week to attend either or both days.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays please feel free to pop by our Albert Street Gallery to view our pottery and other art displays.

#### SHEFFIELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

Our next meeting is a social night on Monday, September 2, so please bring your partner and a plate.

We will be selling Legacy badges on Friday, September 6, and we will need some volunteers to man the table. The honour boards have been collected and are being re-furbished; the mural will be done when the weather is better.

Stuart and I will be attending a forum on governance in Burnie at the end of August and will tell you more at the social night.

The Lone Pine tree enclosure in King George's park could do with some TLC - any suggestions?

Lest We Forget

- George MacDonald, President

#### LIBRARY AID INTERNATIONAL

The Kentish arm of Library Aid International, a Christian charity run by Sheffield Uniting Church, holds working bees in Beulah Hall each Monday from 10am to 2pm. We have recruited many volunteers and have been most grateful for the financial support from The Hub, Claude Road Hall Committee and the Combined Kentish Church Leaders.

Last week was quite a momentous occasion for our local group - we filled a whole 6m container with boxes of donated books, educational resources, edible food plants information, library shelving, sports equipment and educational games.

The container will be shipped to the PNG island of New Britain for use in a university, higher college and many local schools. Reporting on the distribution of the container's contents will be posted on the website: https://libraryaid.org

Having completed one shipment, we are about to start all over again. Purchasing and freighting a container of books is expensive, and a major undertaking.

This is where you can help! Support us. Come to the Quiz Night at the Railton RSL on September 20. We are also looking for more volunteers to dedicate a few hours one day a week to help sort and package donated books.

Contact Leoni Read on 0429 705 062.

#### LIBRARY AID QUIZ NIGHT

Our Kentish Library Aid International volunteers are packing books to send to schools in the Solomon Islands - Help make this happen! Bring your friends to our Fundraiser Quiz Night at the Railton RSL on **Friday, September 20**, from 7pm. Organise a table with up to eight frieds. Entry is \$10 each. Lots of fun and prizes! Contact Leoni 0429 705 062 to book.

#### **RAILTON RSL SUB-BRANCH**

The Railton RSL is going along well, we could do with some more volunteers though.

Coming up in September:

September 19 Burger night starts up. See ad below.

September 20 Quiz Night - all funds raised go to Library Aid International (*see above*).

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 4, from 6.30pm. It will be open to the community.

Opening hours are: Thursday, Friday, Saturday 4.30-8pm.



# Find 7 Magic Minutes to Appreciate the Little Things

With Winter finally over, what better way to ring in Spring than spending a minute every weekend to think about what little things in life make you happy?

In conjunction with Kentish House, the Mental Health Council of Tasmania and supported by the Tasmanian Government, I would like to invite anyone and everyone in the community to participate in this project.



Everyone is welcome to attend, have a few nibbles and see what others have captured in their appreciation of the little things in life!

If you have any questions or would like me to text, email or print you out the prompts, please reach out to me on **0497 780 216** or **a2hskentish@glenhaven.org.au**.

Ruby

Access 2 Health Services Regional Project Support Worker



Over the next 7 weeks, a prompt will go up on the Kentish House Facebook page

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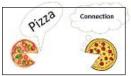
every 12pm noon on Saturday. Read the prompt and think about what it means to you – then take a photo, draw a picture, or make a collage. At the end of 7 weeks, if you'd like to display your work, we will celebrate with an exhibition at Kentish House on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, from 12pm to 6pm for Mental Health Week.



#### **COMMUNITY NOTES =**

#### **PIZZA CONNECTION**

September 27 Nick Booth October 25 Stephen Atkins Both at 6:30pm Sheffield Town Hall



On Sept 27: Nick is a Senior Pastor and Evangelist at Romaine Park moving from Brisbane with his family in 2019. A builder by trade, he has volunteered and had a wide variety of ministries at various locations, building the church physically and spiritually for over three decades.

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With a heart based on prayer, his desire for all is to develop a very deep love for God, His word, His presence, His person and His people.

Oct 25: Stephen Atkins's presentation is for Women and Men. Stephen will be presenting songs from his latest album, "Fearless Traveller", and will be speaking on the topic "Heaven, how to get there". So come one, come all.

Come all you gentlemen on September 27 and enjoy fellowship, sup together on pizza and listen to a man who loves God and shares that love with others so they can meet God.

Contact Derek 0498 071 529 or Craig 0400 921 187.

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#### **Book Review**

## Mrs Jeffries Dusts for Clues by Emily Brightwell

A fast-paced murder mystery, set in a quaint old-fashioned town near London. The Police Inspector doesn't enjoy solving complex crimes, especially murders, but must try his best to prove himself. He feels faint at the sheer thought of inspecting human remains, but must pull himself together quickly, before Scotland Yard takes over the case.

The characters are described so well, every little humorous saying makes you want to MRS & JEFFRIES DUSTS FOR CLUES housekeeper's job is murder EMILY BRIGHTWELL

giggle out loud. As a reader, you will find yourself wanting to know every detail about them, just as much as wanting to know all the answers of the crimes.

To keep you enthralled, a second dead body is found, so the plot and the gossip becomes more exciting. The Inspector's faithful servants keep themselves busy trying to help their Master by finding out all the gossip around town, helping their boss unravel the secrets of those involved and uncover the clues to solve the murder.

I didn't want this book to end. Thoroughly entertaining! *Review by Michelle* 

Visit www.libraries.tas.gov.au or pop into your local library.

#### **SPRAYING PROGRAM**

The public are advised that Council will be undertaking its town, parks and reserves, rural and urban road spraying program in the Latrobe Municipality commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024, for a period of approximately twelve weeks, weather permitting. If you require further information or do not wish to have herbicide sprayed adjacent to your property, please contact the Latrobe Council on 6426 4444 to register your name on Council's No Spray Register

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## TasFarmers lobbies for freight offset

#### Comment by TasFarmers

The Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme, first announced by Gough Whitlam in March 1976, was designed to bridge the geographical gap between Tasmania and the mainland by providing financial assistance to freight-disadvantaged producers.

Originally described as a scheme to equalise freight costs as if there were a land bridge between Tasmania and the mainland, the subsidy was calculated as the difference between the cost of sea freight and transport across a bridge.

Today, many Tasmanians view Bass Strait as part of Australia's national transport network, expecting it to be seamlessly integrated into the national highway system.

However, the reality is different: Tasmania remains inadequately connected, and the current scheme lacks legislative indexation, relying instead on ministerial direction. This often results in neglect until the next crisis arises.

There is an urgent need to update the scheme to ensure it effectively supports Tasmanian farmers and places them on an equal footing with their mainland counterparts. A comprehensive review must accurately assess the true financial burden on producers and adjust the subsidy accordingly.

A fair playing field in interstate freight costs is essential, but it is equally important to consider the scheme's economic benefits. The offset plays a crucial role in stimulating Tasmania's economy and enhancing its competitive edge. Future adjustments must enable Tasmanian agriculture to compete more effectively, leverage Tasmania's brand advantage, and create new investment opportunities on the island.

TasFarmers advocates not just for an increase in the offset but for a thorough review of the scheme's operations to ensure it delivers tangible benefits to Tasmanians.

Canberra has never fully committed to a cohesive national highway policy that included Tasmania. When Tasmania is not being left off the map and overlooked entirely, the freight offset often becomes a target for budget cuts.

A refreshed and robust Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme is vital for maintaining fair competition, connecting our federation and supporting Tasmania's economic growth.

As Gough Whitlam said, "It's time." We congratulate Senator Tammy Tyrell and welcome the timely establishment of a select committee of inquiry.

What we need now is a renewed commitment from the federal government to address this issue comprehensively.

## Propogate easy-to-grow native grasses and save

Spring is here. It seems to have snuck up on me this year.

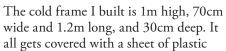
I have grown approx. 1000 native grasses including Poa labillardieri, Lomandra longifolia (*right*), Orthrosanthus multi flours and Poa poiformis. All are still in tubes waiting to go into the ground. They are all to go in the north boundary garden.

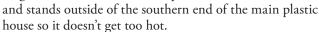
Last weekend I sprayed all the weeds in that bed, where there are c800 Poas already. The good thing with the Poas, I've noticed, is that the wildlife haven't eaten them, including the many rabbits we have on the property.

The Poas are quite easy to grow from seed. I collected seed in December, placed it in a paper bag and gave it a quick shake. The seed comes away easily. Next, using plug trays, I lightly scattered the seed on top of the seed raising mix and put the trays in a cold frame made just for this purpose. It took 6-8wks to germinate and from there I tuned them up.

It was the same with the Orthrosanthus and the Lomandra. I did cover these lightly with Vermiculite and they took 12

weeks to germinate. None of these seeds needed any pre-treatment. Hopefully the wildlife keep their end of the bargain and don't eat them once planted.





By making the effort to propagate my own grasses I have saved over \$2500. Each tubed grass would have cost at least \$2.50 each and with 5 acres, I need a lot more. There are a lot of plants out there, including natives, that are easy to grow and with a little bit of research through your garden club or internet, you can get the information you need to propagate successfully. Give it a go!

Happy Gardening!

- Robert Gower



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## Protect new growth in case of frost



Mrs R Glover (left) from Wilmot was a champion local daffodil grower who displayed daffodils at the Sheffield Daffodil Show in 1940s. This photo is from a newspaper clipping given to the Kentish Garden Club. Although the Daffodil Show is no longer held in Sheffield, flowers are still celebrated at the annual Sheffield FlowerFEST to be held next February at Sheffield Town Hall).

Welcome spring but watch for late frosts

Spring is definitely springing in gardens around Kentish with bulbs, including golden daffodils, in bloom and flowers on blossom and fruit trees. In surrounding bushland, flowers are abundant.

But spring is a fickle time of the year with temperatures swinging between warm, sunny days to a return to the cold conditions of winter with chilly winds and late frosts.

Enjoy spring in the garden and start planting but keep a watchful eye for cold nights. Keep frost-sensitive plants such as tomatoes and dahlias protected until mid to late spring. Late

frost can also damage blossoms on fruiting

plants and may reduce crops later in the season.

Spring growth will also reveal the damage that winter's extremely cold, frosty snap in July has caused to plants.

New growth should be appearing below burnt and damaged growth. Start pruning away frost damage to encourage new growth. Water and feed plants that are beginning to recover.

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Where plants don't recover from the damage they experienced in winter, replace them with plants that coped well with our week of frosts such as deciduous shrubs, hellebores or bulbs.

Protect new growth

This can include keeping seedlings in pots in a glasshouse or on a sheltered porch or covering garden plants with a frost cloth (or even a sheet or plastic shield) when nights are clear and low temperatures are forecast.

Temperatures below 2C are low enough to damage plants, especially tomatoes and those in lush growth. Another option is to use an anti-desiccant spray such as Envy or Droughtshield to add a temporary protective coating.

#### Next meeting

The next meeting of the Kentish Garden Club is on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 6.30pm at the Bible Chapel, 45 High Street, Sheffield with guest speaker Gerry Hopkins, who will discuss tool care and sharpening. All welcome. Call Jennifer Stackhouse (KGC President) on 0488 047 011.

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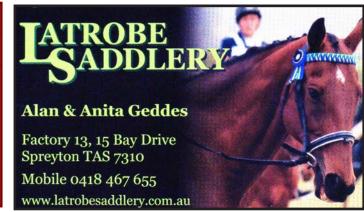


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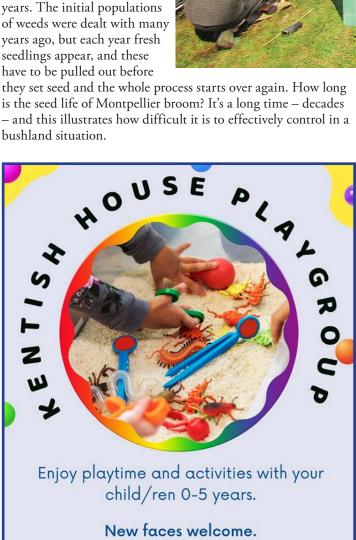




## Landcare group moves mountains

It's Spring, and after a cold winter everything is starting to move. For Mount Roland Land Care that means a busy couple of months ahead with weeding and tree planting days and also the Group's AGM.

Weeding kicked off on August 24 with a successful weeding bee to tackle Montpellier Broom growing beside Claude Road in the Mount Roland Regional Reserve. This environmental weed, notable for its attractive yellow flowers in late August/September, is a significant threat to native bushland areas such as the foothills of Mount Roland, and it has been on the radar of MRLC for well over 10 years. The initial populations of weeds were dealt with many years ago, but each year fresh seedlings appear, and these have to be pulled out before



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The job gets easier each year, but continuing to monitor and deal with Montpellier broom on Mount Roland will remain a key priority of the group for some time yet.

The spring tree planting program begins on Saturday, September 7, at Wilmot, followed by planting at Barrington on September 15 and then Carey's Road on October 5. Each of these very popular events is held on a Saturday morning between 10am and 12 noon, and is followed by a shared lunch. All are welcome to attend though pre-registration is essential. The tree planting program is funded by the Tasmanian Government through its Healthy Tas program.

Weeding continues into October and November and the focus turns to another major weed threat to Mount Roland – Foxgloves. This popular garden plant has spread explosively in the last decade, and is actively invading many bushland areas across Tasmania at an alarming rate.

The Tasmanian government is considering making foxgloves a Declared Weed, and has recently commenced the process to see whether foxgloves may safely be controlled through the release of biocontrol agents — ie, bugs introduced directly to help reduce foxglove numbers. That's a long process and there are no guarantees of success — it will be probably 10 years before we see any real outcome.

In the meantime, MRLC holds Saturday working bees at key strategic areas where foxgloves are already a major problem. The McCoy's Road weeding bee will be on October 12, while the King's Road event will be on November 9.

The Mount Roland Land Care Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 15, at the Claude Road Hall, from 1:30pm. This year is the group's 25th anniversary, and presentations will look at the group's past and forward to the future where we involve the next generation in the ongoing care of our local environment. It promises to be an inspiring day.

All events are open to the public though pre-registration is essential. Email secretary@mountrolandlandcare.org.au

## Lucky students can learn harp, ukulele

The Kentish Harp Combo, subgroup of The Folk Federation of Tasmania, runs a student harp ensemble in Sheffield. This came about after the inaugural School Holiday Harp and Ukulele workshops which were held in April 2024.

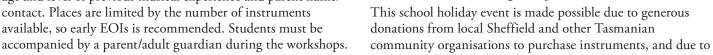
The ensemble participants ages range from 8-17 and they meet on a regular basis to learn both technical skills and repertoire on the harp. They are currently practising a varied repertoire and will be performing this later in the year at the Mount Roland Folk Festival.

In the October school holidays there will be workshops for the existing ensemble group and in addition we will be holding some beginner harp workshops, with the opportunity for some additional students to join the existing ensemble.

There will also be some separate ukulele workshops at the same time for students who might like to learn a few new songs on the ukulele.

Kentish Harp Combo Workshop Dates 9th-11th October 2024, for students aged 8-17. For beginner harp workshops and ukulele workshops no prior musical experience is needed. Students with or without prior musical experience are all welcome. Come and join the fun for a magical musical experience.

Expressions of interest to Kate Fraser ph 0412 322 729 or Kentish.harp.combo@gmail.com Please provide student name/ age and level of previous musical experience and parent name/ contact. Places are limited by the number of instruments available, so early EOIs is recommended. Students must be





The workshops will be held in Sheffield, and more specific details of the times and locations will be advised closer to the event, to those who are signed up.

#### Telcos delay 3G switchover

Telstra and Optus have postponed until October 28 the closure of the 3G network and its replacement, a minimum 4G service.

The switchover has now been delayed by another two months to enable more people to ensure their devices can make and receive calls after this date.

Telstra and Optus will also invest in a public safety campaign to ensure anyone still depending on 3G for calls or data is aware of the actions they need to take to stay connected.

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#### 250k grants for GP clinics

The Tasmanian Government is offering eligible GP clinics grants of up to \$250,000 to ensure they can continue to operate and provide the care Tasmanians need.

Minister for Health Guy Barnett said the grants would allow eligible GPs to enhance their services and recruit more staff.

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## Early settlers of Dasher Valley

It is probable that Jeffries Road was originally a cattle track used by Field's stockmen to move his cattle from the lush growth at Duck Marsh on the Dasher River to the open plains along the Don River at Kentishbury (West Kentish). It was here on the north side of Jeffries Rd where Surveyor Dooley's blocks for sale ended. On the south side of this rim road, high above the Dasher valley, was the beginning of Foster's Estate, which took up most of Paradise and parts of Claude Rd.

Last month's article concluded with young **Reuben & Margaret Austin** settling on the corner block of Old Paradise Rd & Jeffries Rd in April 1862, and in 1865 Reuben standing on a log on the foothills of Mt Roland, declaring the district to be Paradise. The first two settlers along Jeffries Rd were **Henry Overton**, who arrived about 1862, and **Joseph Harman** in 1865, hence the original name 'Harman's and Overton's Rd'.

#### 189 & 227 Jeffries Rd Springfield 45acres Henry Overton

Following a shipboard romance aboard the Whirlwind that arrived in Launceston in Jan 1855, Henry Overton (22) married **Sophia Manning** (21) in Oct 1856 and were among the very first settlers to come to Kentish. Henry was probably employed clearing scrub on another pioneer's property until he and Sophia could afford to purchase their own property, **Springfield**, along Jefferies Rd, close to Reuben Austin's property. It was Henry Overton's house from which the exploring party crossed the Dasher River and climbed the steep slopes into the foothills of Mt Roland when Reuben Austin proclaimed it to be 'Paradise'.

As Henry Overton's property joined **Edmund Lord's** property, it was not surprising to find Henry Overton's house used for the first meetings of the **Christian Brethren** evangelists in late 1874. On the third night, Henry gave his life to Jesus and became a committed Christian. Nearly all the surrounding pioneers with their large families were impacted by the same preaching. When the **Kentishbury Gospel Hall** was placed in the hands of seven trustees, the first two names were Henry Overton and Reuben Austin.

Out of 10 Overton children, only five survived infancy, and all followed their parents' new faith. They were **William, Ellenor** (Mrs Walter Parker), Mary (Mrs James Turnbull), Rosena (Mrs James Kirkcaldy) and Charlie Overton. In 1909, Henry Overton underwent a long surgical incision without pain relief in Dr Ratten's hospital to remove a cancer along his lip. He died 14 months later, in April 1911, aged 78.

Henry's youngest son, Charlie Overton, had taken his father's farm and, in Oct 1901, married **Lillian Ridge** from Launceston, who had come down for the annual conference of the Kentishbury Gospel Hall. They had four children: **Stan, Harry, Lilly Dean & Ella Frost**.

#### 167 Jeffries Rd Glen Dhu 50acres Joseph Harman

Joseph Harman purchased the property next to Henry Overton in 1865. Shortly after his arrival from England in August 1857, Joseph Harman married Eliza Connelly from Cork, Ireland. He was Baptist, and she was Roman Catholic. They had five children: Henry, James, Kathleen (Mrs Edwin Young), Mary and Maggie (Mrs Walter Crack). As the children grew, Eliza fretted over her children not being raised Catholic. Once she gathered them up and took them to Sheffield where a visiting priest planned to baptise them, but Joseph gave chase and brought them back home before the deed could be accomplished.

In the late 1890s Joseph & Eliza retired to Devonport, and son Henry Harman took over the farm. In June 1898 Henry married Ada Ridge, the sister of Lillian Ridge who married their neighbour Charlie Overton. Being a carpenter, Henry built a two-storey house facing the Dasher Valley and the mountain. Ada ran their homestead like clockwork. She got herself a ram's horn, and from her front veranda, every day at noon except Sunday, she blew the horn to alert the district it was time for lunch. Even the working animals got to recognise her call. When the Baptist Church was organised about 1893, Henry and Ada became foundation members, with Ada becoming the organist. When the Harmans sold their property about 1930, Harry & Blanche Overton purchased it.

#### 'William & Pamela Whiley became the first settlers in Paradise.'

#### **Extent of Foster's Estate**

The massive section of the upper Dasher Valley granted to Foster's Estate took up almost the whole of Paradise and the eastern part of Claude Road. Its northern boundary ran along Jeffries Rd, its eastern boundary along Harland Rise Rd and its western boundary along Lockwood Rd. Its southern boundary commenced on the corner of Harland Rise Rd, Paradise and ran in a straight line westward until it joined Lockwood Rd, Claude Road. In the mid-1870s, when **Surveyor Dooley** went up onto the Paradise plateau searching for more blocks to sell to settlers, he surveyed two 50-acre blocks on the mountain side of Foster's Estate in Lower Paradise and several good blocks on the mountain side of Harland Rise Rd.

#### Paradise's First Settlers: Wm & Pamela Whiley

So, in August 1877 these first two new 50-acre blocks were purchased by William & Pamela Whiley and son Thomas (22), who became the first settlers in Paradise. They called their property Hilltop, a name retained by Arn Morse when, years later, he owned the same property. Sadly, Pamela Whiley died of cancer on Boxing Day 1881, and two years later, William Whiley sold out to George & Amelia Morse, who called the property Norwood. Other Whiley family members bought most of the land between Paradise and Claude Rd and farmed it for well over 100 years.

#### 1887 Foster's first big auction

Prior to Foster's auction of the lower end of Paradise and the Dasher River flats on 21 April 1887, it was necessary to survey access roads to subdivide this area into 16 saleable blocks. These roads are now named Short Cut Rd and Pages Rd. Paradise Rd, which had previously ended at Jeffries Rd, was also extended down to the Dasher River ford and, on its southside, rise straight up a very steep hill until it reached George Morse's property on top of the plateau. Prior to this, Whiley and Morse's access to their holdings was over a rough, muddy cart track up through the bush on Foster's Estate.

At the April 1887 auction, Joseph Harman bought all the steep land between Jeffries Rd and the Dasher River, and his two sons, Henry and James, purchased much of the river flats on the south side of the Dasher. Pioneer settler **Henry Day** of West Kentish purchased two long blocks, one on either side of the Dasher River. His first block of 78 acres, began near Jeffries Rd and descended down Austin's hill to the Dasher River.

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His second block of 131 acres, commenced on the south side of the river and climbed straight up the very steep hill to the property his brother-in-law **George Morse** had recently purchased. The newly surveyed road to Paradise ran straight through the centre of both Day's blocks.

Over 20 years earlier, **Henry & Mary (Morse) Day** had settled on a property at the end of Cables Rd, West Kentish, where they raised their four boys and two girls. Henry Day probably bought these Paradise blocks for his oldest sons, but in the 1880s, they had caught 'gold fever' and were busy prospecting and purchasing bush blocks in the back country.

In 1894 Henry reached a deal with his third son, **Harry Day**, who had just married **Annie Young** of Barrington, to take over his land on the eastern side of the extended Paradise Rd and his brother-in-law George Morse to buy the 48 acres on the western side of the extended Paradise Rd from his Norwood property on top of the hill down to the Dasher River.

#### Early settlers at the Dasher River

Harry & Annie Day built their house on the southside of the Dasher River at a junction of a cart track that opened in the late 1870s as the shortest way to reach the gold diggings at the Minnow River. This track went eastward straight up over the hill and down the other side to the Minnow River at Lower Beulah. Apart from Harry Day's house, at what is now 15 Watts Rd, James Green had an early house there and Edwin Young had a farm further up the hillside. In 1903 Ben & Margaret Sharman purchased Harry Day's property and brought Ben's aged immigrant parents, Ted & Christiana Sharman, to live with them. Ben had two children, Ted Jr b1904 loved to play the harmonica and Vera b1906 sing.

The next owners were **Percy & Susan Hampton** (12 children), followed by **Stan & Dot Bramich**. When the Bramichs retired to Albert St, Sheffield, Dot became a tireless worker for the **Roland Boys' Home**. About 1971, **Kevin Treloar** was next to purchase this property. **Clarrie & Faye Milne** moved into the old house, which they pulled down and replaced with a Hydro house from Gowrie Park. Clarrie, who worked most of his life with the PMG Dept, was a well-known coastal axeman.

After Ben Sharman sold to Percy Hampton, he built a new house further up the bush track at 32 Watts Rd. This was eventually taken over by their daughter, Vera, who married **Cecil Watts**, hence the present name of the road.

After **Gordon & Stella Sharman** married in 1952, they lived across the road from Cecil & Vera Watts at 34 Watts Rd. Gordon became an experienced bushman. Over the wintertime, he would trap and snare kangaroos, wallabies and possums in the backcountry and in summertime he would fish the Forth and Mersey Rivers. Gordon enjoyed woodchopping competitions and won some trophies. Stella was a keen horsewoman and broke in horses. Later in life, Stella was involved in a wide range of community activities: Sheffield School, Kentish Hockey Club's Women's Committee, Badminton, the Claude Road Hall Committee, the Hub and Kentish Museum. She was awarded Kentish Citizen of the Year in 1985.

#### 209 Paradise Rd Rolana: George & Amelia Morse's 2nd home

Having outgrown their first primitive home, Norwood, on top of the hill, in 1900 George had Sheffield carpenter John L Dyer build a new house halfway down Morse's steep hill where there was year-round access to spring water. They called it **Rolana** but after 1914 called it **Berridale** to avoid confusion with the new railway terminus named **Roland**.

Beside their new house was a notoriously steep hill, soon called 'Morse's hill'. Because water from a couple of springs usually trickled down the centre of the road, it was also treacherously slippery and constantly tested man, animal and machine to the very limit. There were many accidents.

On Christmas Day 1908, **Alice Manning** & children were badly injured when thrown from their cart onto the metal road after their horse bolted out of control downhill. Four years later, on Christmas Eve 1912, **Sam Richardson** was riding his bicycle down the hill when the front wheel collapsed. He lay unconscious on the road for two hours until discovered. In both cases and many others, the injured were conveyed to the Morses' homestead, and the doctor called. Once, Shorey's traction engine and drum, straining up Morse's hill, broke a shaft and blocked the road for more than a week.

George & Amelia's surviving children were Roy, Lilian (Mrs Stan Forward), Ella (Mrs Chas Dazeley), Ivy (Mrs Phil Moss), Ira, Clive, Ruby (Mrs Eric Lord), Arnold and Cyril Baden-Powell Morse – the only one born at Rolana and on the same day news was received that the Boers' seven-month siege of Mafeking was broken.

The whole family became active members of the Christian Brethren assemblies, and regular Sunday evening services were held in their home for years and then in their corrugated iron granary until 1916 when a Gospel Hall was moved from North Beulah onto George's farm. Amelia died July 1919 and George passed away in July 1923 in his 84th year.

After George's death, his two youngest sons, Arnold (23) and Cyril (20), continued to work the family farm in partnership – Arnold living up on Hilltop and Cyril at Berriedale. Two years after Cyril Morse died in 1964, **Ken and Dulcie French** purchased Berriedale and raised their four children there: **Margaret, Phyllis, Rose-Marie and Robert**. They sold to **Tony & Iwin Woodruff** from Darwin; he was a retired detective and she a policewoman. Tony had worked on the Azaria Chamberlain case and had to return to Darwin for the baby's inquest. Then came **Wally & Jan Canniford**, curator of museums, and others.

#### Paradise Gospel Hall

In August 1916, the small split-shingle Gospel Hall previously erected on John & Albert Austin's property at the top end of Beulah was dismantled, hauled across the Dasher River at Duck Marsh and re-erected in the top corner of George Morse's farm in Paradise. It lasted six years. On a wild, stormy night in the spring of 1922, it collapsed like a pack of cards at the very hour their prayer meeting was usually held. Fortunately, because of bad weather, it had been called off.

The following year, a replacement hall made of weatherboards with a galvanised iron roof was erected. Sunday school and services were held there for 35 years. The lower end of Paradise was Gospel Hall territory, and the top end of Paradise was Baptist territory, yet Christian goodwill prevailed. Sunday night services alternated between these two churches much of the time. In the early 1960s Girdlestone Transport picked up the Paradise Gospel Hall in one piece and set it down behind the present

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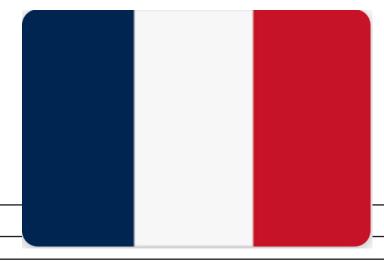
## Gear up for French fun over du café

"Comment allez-vous?" Did you learn French at school? Over lunch at the Gear Café last year, the U3A Topiary Group discovered that all the members had studied French at High School.

Just for fun, we decided then and there to start a U3A "French for Fun" group.

We now have eight members, including the invaluable Ian Anderson, who lived in France for several years and guides us on our pronunciation.

If you would like to brush-up your French, join us from 12.30-1.30pm on Wednesdays at the Gear Café in Railton.



DAY	COURSE DETAILS
MONDAY	
Move with Ease	10.00-11.00am Sheffield Uniting Church Contact Nita: 0437 795 374
Pétanque/Molkky	11.15am-12.45pm Health Centre Park. Contact Nita: 0437-795-374
Social Mah-Jong Group 1	1.00pm (1st and 3rd Mondays.) Blacksmith Café Contact Ali: 0410 742 012
Accordion Group	3.00-4.00pm Uniting Church Hall Contact Paul Fraser: 0499 776 953
TUESDAY	
Wellness & Support	9.15-10.30am (Weigh in) Sheffield Uniting Church, then at Blacksmith Café for Coffee & support Contact Lynne: 0407 240 450
Pickle Ball	9.00-11am Railton Recreation Community Centre Crocker St. Railton Kate 0407 510 857
Table Tennis	3.00-6.00pm. Sheffield Town Hall Contact Don: 0458 343 059
Basic Guitar	1.00-3.00pm Sheffield Uniting Church Contact Mark 0428 515 445
WEDNESDAY	
Cycling the flat paths	(1st Wed.) Contact Margaret: 0421 648 123
Walking for leisure	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed.) Contact Margaret: 0421 648 123
Nature Walks	(2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed.) Contact Greg: 0438 589 173
Topiary	10.00-12.00pmTopiary Paddock Crockers St. Railton Contact Leoni: 0429 705 062
French for fun	12.30-1.30pm at Gear Café Railton Contact Leoni: 0429 705 062
Balance and Bones	9.00-10.00am & 10.00-11.00am Health Centre Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
Cryptic Crosswords	2.00pm (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed) Blacksmith Café. Contact Margaret: 6491 1175
THURSDAY	
Challenging Walk	9.00 (1st Thur.) Meet at Don Store carpark. Contact Lindsay: 0434 984 570
Ukulele	9.30-12.00pm Sheffield Uniting Church Contact Mark 0428 515 445
Line Dancing	9.00-10.00am Health Centre Contact: Narelle 0407660272
Zumba	2.00-3.00pm.Sheffield Uniting Church Contact Colette 0439 426 665
FRIDAY	
Kayaking	Kayaking (in winter recess). Contact: Jennifer 0400 376 937
Balance & Bones	9.00-10.00am Health Centre Contact Jennifer: 0400 376 937
The Joy of Maths	10.30-11.30am Uniting Church Hall Contact John: 0457262040
Cribbage	2.00-4.00pm Sheffield Uniting Church Contact Mark: 0428 515 445
SATURDAY	
Botanical drawing	1.00-3:30pm Working Art Space Contact Colette 0439 426 665

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER**

#### By Geoffrey Curtis

"Fly me to the Moon, Let me play among the stars, Let me see what spring is like On a Jupiter and Mars, in other words" – what will we do to the Moon? Apologies to the singer and the writer of this famous song but it has to be said, who owns the Moon and any of the other celestial bodies?

The answer is no one as yet but don't hold your breath - changes are on the way.

Currently there are several laws about Space, including the 1967 UN's 'Outer Space Treaty and International Law, Space Exploration on the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies', the 1979 'Moon Treaty' as well as a host of other laws, pacts and committees.

To put this into today's modern context of laws and jurisdiction much is outdated, and the various powers have the biggest agendas.

Back on Earth there is the threat of mining the sea floors for metal ores. The image on the right is an artist's re-creation of how rocks will be swept up like a tractor plowing a field. Pumped to the surface any residue will be dumped back into the ocean. So, what is the problem?

There are many concerns and very little is understood about how mining can affect the ecosystem or what might happen to the biological communities that interact in their physical environment. We are talking about several thousands of square kilometres most of which is in international deep waters.

If this was on land, it would be like ripping up a large tract of the vegetation just to get to the rocks lying beneath without having to dig very deep from the north of Tasmania to Hobart!

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miner and metal stock market will tell you. What is driving this new venture is the potential growth from clean technologies, and that will involve demand for lithium, graphite, cobalt, nickel, manganese, rare earth elements and copper in that foreseeable order. These are the metals for batteries, wind turbine, solar panels, and other new technologies.

Why go for deep sea mining? First of all, not all metal ores can be easily extracted, the deeper the open cut mine or underground tunnel the greater the cost. Secondly, not all rocks are found in an accessible place, and thirdly many nations have their own laws that would prohibit extraction in places that are deemed culturally and environmentally sensitive.

We have had so many environmental fights over the last 60 years from logging native forest to 'banning the bomb' and edging out fossil fuels. It seems both ridiculous and harmful to exploit beneath the waves causing more environmental damage.

However, if you are a government of a sinking Pacific atoll with few resources to build sea walls as increasing global climate temperatures are now causing rising sea levels, what would you do? When a mining company offers you the finance to protect your island and its peoples, there has to be a good reason and that is to mine offshore the rocks that so many industries want.



This is currently on the table for many poorer nations in places in the Indian to the Atlantic Oceans.

Back to the Moon. It would seem feasible to simply fly to the Moon and start digging what you want, where you want and how much you want to mine. To do that is feasible at least in the long term.

The technology is possible but first there are two difficulties to overcome, water and air. Until now no country or private venture has landed at the poles where possibly there is ice. Digging will be easy but how to transfer the resource back to earth is something to overcome but it will happen.

Supposing all of this is possible in the next 30 years, now the biggest hurdle is who owns the Moon or at least part of it? Should there be laws in place on the Moon and Earth's deep sea extraction? How can nations and corporations agree to do the right thing and how would you police such places? What are your thoughts to complex changing environmental situations here on Earth and the Moon?

Geoffrey Curtis is a social commentator and environmental advocate. Email geoffwcurtis@hotmail.com

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#### Thanks for the farm, Alicja!



A very big and heartfelt thank you to local artist Alicja Swiderska (*left*) for designing and preparing such a beautiful mural for our community and visitors to Sheffield to paint over the past couple of months. It was an absolute joy to work with you on this project and watch it unfold and become a reality!

And thank you to the more than 100 people of all ages who joined in the fun, gave it a go and, along with Alicja, created a very special mural which will be enjoyed by many, for years to come.

You will be able to view 'The Family Farmstead' at its new home at Hopes Mill Corner in the next few weeks.

- Sandy Brattstrom

President, Kentish Arts, Commerce & Tourism

#### **POLICE REPORT**

Motor vehicle stealing

On the 7th of August 2024 a motor vehicle was stolen from a Cethana Road residence. It was located crashed in Gowrie Park. The vehicle was forensically analysed, and results of analysis are still pending.

Stealing

At the start of July 2024 Treloar Civil Quarries started road work to build a roundabout at the intersection of Main and High Street, Sheffield. Between the 12th and 13th of August 2024, several road signs have been stolen from the work site.

Burglary/stealing

Overnight, between the 20th and 21st of August 2024, the Blacksmith Café in Sheffield was unlawfully entered. Person responsible has stolen cash.

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## Mental health worsens without social support

Nearly 75% of Tasmanians experiencing moderate to severe mental health conditions are missing out on crucial psychosocial supports, according to a new report.

The 'Analysis of unmet need for psychosocial supports outside of the National Disability Insurance Scheme – Final Report' was released after the Mental Health Council of Tasmania (MHCT) signed a joint statement with 80 other mental health organisations across the country calling for it to be made public.

The report was originally slated for release in March this year, as part of the bilateral mental health agreement between federal, state and territory governments.

MHCT CEO Connie Digolis welcomed the report but cautioned that it would be meaningless if state and federal governments didn't work together to invest in crucial supports.

"We have known for a long time that a lot of people were falling in the gap - missing out on supports they need to be and stay well," she said. "But until now we didn't know how big that gap was. Closing this gap in supports is a shared responsibility between our state and federal governments.

"They must step up and give these vital supports the investment they rightly deserve, as a matter of urgency."

Psychosocial supports, usually delivered by community managed mental health organisations, help people with moderate to severe mental health issues live independently in the community. Without access to these supports many people become increasingly unwell, until they need more acute, complex and costly forms of intervention and care.

"We know that people experiencing mental illness are overrepresented in our hospitals and our justice system," Ms Digolis said. "That's why psychosocial supports are so important – they help people living with mental health conditions be and stay well."

Ms Digolis noted the data only included those aged 12-65, and said state and federal governments must now work with stakeholders to interrogate the data to ensure it accurately reflected the full scope of the gap and the experience of Tasmanians with mental health conditions.

"MHCT and the community mental health sector is ready to work with the state and federal government to assess the data in the report and the implications for Tasmania," she said.

"We must prioritise funding to drastically increase the availability of psychosocial supports to ensure all Tasmanians who need and deserve support can access it."

The Productivity Commission's 2020 Mental Health Inquiry Report recommended governments urgently prioritise investment in psychosocial supports to address the gap.

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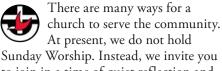
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#### Kentish Anglican Community Church St.Johns

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	For the Love of Birds by Nita Pountney, Sheffield Art Gallery	
Sept 1-2	Steam Engine rides 11am-4pm, Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, 14 Spring Street	
Sept 2	Sheffield RSL Sub-branch social night 7pm Sheffield RSL, Main Street	
Sept 7	Mount Roland Land Care Spring tree planting 10am, Wilmot (see P26)	
	Landscape painting workshop with Helena Ambrosia 10am-4pm, Sheffield Arts Centre	
Sept 10	Kentish Probus Club 10am, Sheffield Bowls Club	
	Battlescars support group, 7-9pm, 58-60 High Street, Sheffield (see P10)	
Sept 12	Kentish Men's Shed AGM 10am, Spring Street, Sheffield	
	Textile & Craft 3.30-5pm, Sheffield Library, 12 Henry Street	
	Kentish Garden Club 6.30pm, Bible Chapel, 45 High Street, Sheffield	
Sept 14	Roadside Clean-up 9.30am, Sheffield Road (see P8)	
	Wilmot Yarns 7pm, Wilmot Town Hall	
Sept 15	Mount Roland Land Care AGM 1.30pm, Claude Road Hall	
	Registrations close for Forth learn to kayak (see P13)	
	Sheffield Show & Shine vintage cars & bikes 10am-3pm, Sheffield RSL carpark	
Sept 16	Trivia 6.30pm for 7, Sheffield RSL	
Sept 17	Kentish Council meeting 6pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield	
Sept 20	Quiz Night fundraiser for Library Aid International 7pm, Railton RSL, Foster Street	
Sept 21	Claude Road Hall market 9am-1pm, Claude Road Hall	
	Community Group Expo 10am-2pm, Sheffield Town Hall	
Sept 23	Claude Road Hall AGM, 6pm, Claude Road Hall	
Sept 25	Services Australia 9.30-11am, Sheffield; 12-12.30pm Railton	
Sept 26	Book Chat Sheffield Library 4-5pm, 12 Henry Street, Sheffield	
	Railton Community Meeting 7pm, King's Hall, Railton	
Sept 27	Pizza Connection men's night 6.30pm, Sheffield Town Hall	
Sept 28	Mr Perfect BBQ 11am-12.30pm, Heath Park, Sheffield	
	Redwater Creek Steam & Heritage Centre AGM 2pm, on site	
Sept 29	Combined bands concert 2pm, Sheffield School, 12 Henry Street, Sheffield	

## Cryptic Puzzle Answers

1. Tahune 6. Snug

2. Schouten Island 7. Narawntapu

3. Van Diemen's Land 8. Riana

4. South Arm 9. Gunns Plains

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