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THE ROAD BACK TO BARRINGTON



The community of Barrington, and former residents of Barrington will have the opportunity to gather and share stories and memories of life in Barrington, Tasmania on Saturday 22nd February 2020 from 10am till 4pm.

During the day there will be plenty to look at, admire and be part of. The Barrington Hall will host many tables that will allow families to bring their history information to display during the day, so dig out those old photos and bring them along to remind visitors



of how your family made a difference to the community of Barrington.

Redwater Heritage Society, and Mr Terry Dooley will be bringing a steam engine that will be proudly on display, there will be a free jumping castle for the children, and free face painting.

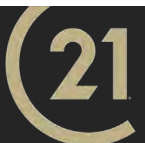
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EDITORIAL

What a strange "Summer" we are experiencing. Top of mind is still the bushfires being experienced throughout the mainland and on our own island. It is wonderful to see our community coming together to support all those in need as a result of the bushfires. We all share in the plight of those affected directly – feel for the plight of those who have lost loved ones (including the firefighters who have given their lives to save and protect others), the now homeless, those now without a means to make a living, the wildlife injured and now without a habitat to sustain them.

I am so proud of our community for the innovative ways that you have responded to raise funds to support those in need. One example is the Sheffield Bowls Club has "adopted" a Bowls Club that has lost their Clubhouse and their possessions. Some of our other clubs and organisations may feel that they would like to adopt a similar club or organisation to support in fire ravaged areas. That way the support can be direct and practical – but more importantly it creates a human bond that is emotionally and psychologically sustaining for both the givers and the receivers.

The Claude Road Hall Committee have raised an incredible amount of money for bushfire relief through their fundraiser slow food night, and with the support of other groups such as Sheffield Steam & Heritage Society.

The Lions Club of Kentish is also raising funds for the

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Lions Bushfire Relief and there is a donation tin at Sheffield Newsagency.

I am sure that we will all come up with more innovative ways to help make a difference to those in need. It fills the heart to know that you have been able to reach out to someone in need.

We are also approaching Steam Fest 2020 and International Muralfest and volunteers are a very important part of these events. If you can spare some hours to assist please contact the organisers and let them know that you are there to help even in a small way if you have limited time. (see page 22 and page 14). Mersey Community Care Inc are also really in need of volunteers to assist with visiting and shopping in both Railton and Sheffield. Can you help? (see page 16).

Can you come up with an event, or individual effort, to connect with others in our own community for Neighbour Day? (see page 11 & 14). It is the support and communication amongst those closest to our homes that brings us all the sense of community that supports us all in good times as well as bad. Let's make sure that we let others know that we are there for them without the need for a disaster! Just a smile, a kind word, a "how are you?", a "can I help with that?" shows that you are there for them as they are for you.

Enjoy FlowerFest in Sheffield on 1st & 2nd! In your own gardens you may like to assess the vulnerability to fire and use

the information here to guide.

Lesley & Doug

Back to Barrington 2020 (Cont.. Pg1)

Church - which has been lovingly restored and renovated by the now residents Robert and Ann Pickstone.

During the day The Barrington Store will be open with their shop memorabilia on display, and they will have memorial mugs, coasters and jigsaw puzzles of 'Back to Barrington' for sale, on behalf of Barrington Hall.



There will be an open garden at 39 Barrington Road the property that was once part of Barrington Public School.

The Kentish Lions will have their wonderful Food Van on site to keep us well fed and watered.

Please find more information on Facebook (Back to Barrington 2020) or contact Judy Wild 0427 241 756 or Penny Lane 0407 214

Barrington State School



822. See you all there - it's going to be an AMAZING day, one to remember for many a year to come. (See page 10)



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President of the Railton Community Progress Association which organised the event, Simon Hyvattinen was overjoyed with the results. "Over 500 bikes turned up including a record number of entrants in the competition. Thanks to all our volunteers and sponsors for making this event so successful and cementing the Railton Bike Show as a must-see bike event in Tasmania, and with over 1200 attendants. The word is spreading!"

Bikes came from all over the state and a contingent from the mainland added another dimension. Live music by



local group The Ringmasters created a sound backdrop to all the activities and a great range of food was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to all the sponsors and contributors to make the bike show a success.

Winners in the competition were:

- Tony Smith – Vintage.
- Dale Mulligan – Outfit
- Dennis Lockward – Offroad
- Jeff Burton – Harley Davidson
- Peter Bellchambers – European.
- Ron Hunter – British.

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Best of Show, The Mike Gyles Award, went to Adrian Quin.

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The Sheffield Cenotaph

The Sheffield Cenotaph that is located on the corner of Main & Henry Streets is currently undergoing some restorations. The base of the Cenotaph is in poor condition and is need of repair. The Sheffield RSL Sub Branch Inc has been fundraising and planning for this for some time. We have received grants from The Hub Inc, The Kentish Council and State Government. Our fundraising includes donations, Trivia Nights & raffles. The Cenotaph is located on School ground and without their help this project would not have been possible.

The changes are mainly to bring people off the busy roads and onto the grass area behind the Cenotaph and make it safer for all. There will be a new fence along the corner of Main & Henry Streets with steps and a ramp to the lawn area. The remainder of the Cenotaph will have a long planter pot and garden.

We have already built a steel fence between the Cenotaph and School with a generous donation from The Hub Inc There is also a Memorial Wall in place and there will be more news on the Wall at a later date. We would like to thank everyone for their support and donations in this important Community project. The Kentish Council and Davies Construction have been very helpful with their advice and recommendations to allow us to plan and move forward in a safe manner.

Have a look at Luke and his team at Davies Construction on the work site as the job progresses.



Kentish Lions Club Australian Bushfire Appeal Collection Tin

The Lions Club of Kentish in conjunction with Lions Club International will be making a substantial donation to the Australian Bushfire Appeal. **Sheffield Newsagency** have kindly consented to the Lions Club leaving a donation tin on their counter for community members who wish to donate and in turn can be added to the Club's donation. Donations can also be posted to the **Kentish Lions Club at PO Box 68 Sheffield** or to **Jan Crosswell President, Kentish Lions Club, 625 West Kentish Road Sheffield.**

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(Just up from Red Water Creek Railway)

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- Have a look around the Premises – see what we do
- Enjoy a Snag on the Sausage Sizzle
- Coffee and Cold Drinks
- Go for a Ride on the Red Water Creek Railway

'A Living Thing' Steanfest 2020

Sheffield, The Town of Murals, will host the 26th Annual SteamFest at the town's recreation precinct on the long weekend of March 7th – 9th 2020 at the Corner Main and Spring Street Sheffield.

It is known to visitors and locals alike as 'The Sheffield Steam and Heritage Centre in Spring Street. Behind its recently refurbished entrance it is home to a kilometre of 610mm rail track, 400 metres of 7.5, and 5 inch miniature rail track and sheds of railway rolling stock and historical machinery.

From its humble beginnings in 1994, SteamFest has grown to become one of this state's major festivals with intrastate, interstate and overseas exposure, and with patronage growing enormously. This thriving North West Coast township with a population of 1560 residents played host to over 10,000 visitors and volunteers in 2019 over the March long week-end. The economic flow-on effect of that was a major boost to the region as the summer season drew to a close.

The 2020 SteamFest event is organised and run on a fully voluntary basis. This will mark the winding down of another fantastic summer of steaming that enthralls so many visitors to our region. The rather quaint 2 foot gauge Krauss steam locomotive delights children through its similarity to a famous TV cartoon, complete with a real 'Fat Controller'. It also brings back memories to people who travelled on the Railton to Roland Branch Line as it ran through our town between 1914 and 1957.

SteamFest is more than a gathering of one or two steam engines. There are many steam traction engines, the tractors of their day, still working as a living display. Many of these have close links with this area and were pivotal in the development of the Kentish region, and Tasmania more generally. Additionally, there will be a number of steam rollers who will partake in

the always popular steam roller tug of war and road rolling displays. The traction engines drive one of the most complete sets of displays of steam power to be seen in Australia with steam powered rock crushing, threshing, straw pressing, chaff cutting and winching being undertaken with the steam train and majestic Mt Roland in the background.

Although we love our vintage steam powered machinery we graciously accept their successors. As such there is a huge working display of historical machinery on site, chattering away like hyperactive children clustered around their stately and slow moving grandparents, still with their heads in a previous century.

Returning to our theme 'A Living Thing' we would all agree that steam engines appear to be living things, they have movement, they grunt and groan as they do useful work. That wonderful children's TV series has given them voice, and a personality. Similarly, SteamFest takes on its own being. Each event is different, and will continue to be so. It is the expression of human imagination, skills and energy. It is estimated that 1500 hours of voluntary effort was devoted to last year's event, but that would be a considerable underestimate.

There are so many events on the program, so many exhibits and so much to see, the best I can do is refer you to this century's technology, websites and Facebook, while I go back to helping to run a railway.

Volunteers are always required and many campers and motorhomers join in the activity and fun. Please contact Jill Ridgway on mob 0448 631 922 if you would like to volunteer. Gates open at 9.30 and close at 5.00pm. One day is not long enough to take it all in!

Saturday 7th – Monday 9th of March 2020. www.steamfesttasmania.org.au

Thank You!

On behalf of the Sheffield RSL Sub Branch, we would like to thank the Local Businesses and Community for supporting our Christmas Raffle. We really appreciate your ongoing support.

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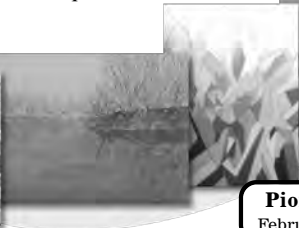
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Our first Featured Artist this month is **Nita Pountney** with a collection of acrylics, watercolours & pastels entitled: **"Blue Moods"**



Pioneer Gallery
February 1st - 29th 2020

Our second Featured Artist this month is **Gillian Robnik** with a collection of watercolours entitled: **"Memories Linger"**



Our opening hours are: Weekdays: 10am to 4pm Weekends: 10am to 3pm

West Kentish Hospice

At the end of my time in the Specialist Palliative Care Service I was asked to give a presentation on what I had learned. The most important thing was the one that put everything else into perspective.

The work we do in palliative care as doctors and nurses is only a very small part of someone's dying. It can be a very important part - relief of symptoms is vital - but most of the 'end of life' happens when we are not there. Dying is not a medical process; all medicine can do is make it more comfortable. All the rest is social, spiritual, psychological, however you want to name it. Dying, even if you have no family and few friends, should take place in the context of community, of the needs of the person and with the available expertise of those who know how to be present for the end.

This is why I feel so strongly that hospitals are the wrong place for this. Apart from the general surroundings not being particularly comfortable, they are overflowing with the options to meddle. To fiddle. To do this test - and that investigation - and give something else because the numbers are a bit off - because everyone there has been trained to do something, because surely doing something is always better than doing nothing?


In medicine we have lost the idea that doing nothing can be a choice, and that it can even be the right choice. Nothing isn't the withdrawal of care, or the cessation of caring. It is simply stopping the poking and prodding, the jabbing and manipulating. It is letting go of the 'But maybe if we did...' and 'Perhaps we should...' and 'Why don't we try...' and instead allowing time to listen, to comfort, to make comfortable and to respect. To allow someone to walk that final path with dignity, listened to and valued as one of us. We (and I'm not just talking about doctors and nurses) forget, or refuse to see, that when time is limited, wasting it in unnecessary tests and investigations, in worrying about results and outcomes that in reality will change nothing, this is time taken away from doing the things that are important, like simply living.

Because this is the secret of palliative care. Everyone thinks it is about dying, when in fact it is about living, of making a conscious decision to grab onto life, to do the things that are important, to use every moment of that time doing the things that matter to you.

A meeting will be held on the afternoon of Sunday 9th February 2pm @ Fudge 'N Good Coffee This is to discuss our fundraising launch at Steamfest, our plan for the rest of the year and lots of other things. We don't just need fundraisers, we need people who are willing to talk about their experiences/hopes/thoughts about palliative care and the future hospice, who can help drum up support.

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2020 KENTISH COUNCIL YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Congratulations Manisha

Congratulations to Manisha Kernan who was awarded the 2020 Kentish Council Youth Scholarship at the Council Meeting on Tuesday, 21 January 2020.

Manisha will be studying a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts at the University of Tasmania in Hobart during 2020.

The Youth Scholarship awards \$1,500 to a student to help defray expenses associated with relocating from Kentish.

The award was presented by Mayor Tim Wilson and accepted by Mandula Kernan on Manisha's behalf.



Bahá'í Faith.

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Railton Music Nights for Musicians and Singers

A Music Night took place on 15th January in the Railton Hotel, this is a fledgling idea where musicians and singers can come along to explore different genres of music. So, if you would like to share your experience or would like to learn more about music come along and join in. Phone David on 03 6496 1912. The group will be meeting each week.

2020 Sheffield FlowerFEST



Sat 1 & Sun 2 February, 10-3

The Kentish Garden Club is excited to invite you to "FlowerFEST 2020" our annual flower show. In addition to the traditional plant and produce stalls and cut flower displays, this year's show features the popular categories of floral cake decoration & vegetables. Devonshire tea & sausage sizzle also on offer!

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Neighbour Day is Australia's annual celebration of community, encouraging people to connect with those who live in their neighbourhood. Neighbours in communities across Tasmania are encouraged to come together on Neighbour Day for a cuppa, a picnic, or a street party.

The theme for Neighbour Day 2020 is social connection, which is the essence of Neighbour Day, every day. This year's campaign is actively supporting people to realise the social, emotional and mental benefits of connecting with others, and joining and taking part in social groups.

The primary aim of Neighbour Day is build better relationships with the people who live around us, especially the elderly and vulnerable. Neighbours are important because good relationships with others can transform communities. Social connection also makes us feel better as it helps prevent loneliness, isolation, and depression.

In 2020, the official Neighbour Day falls on Sunday 29 March. However, people can hold a Neighbour Day event on any day. Everyone organising a Neighbour Day event, or planning on doing something neighbourly (for example, printing and distributing the calling and connection card) is encouraged to register at : <https://www.tas.relationships.org.au/news-and-events/neighbour-day-2020> .

Neighbour Day is managed by Relationships Australia. In Tasmania, Relationships Australia Tasmania (RA Tas), has partnered with Healthy Tasmania (Department of Health) to deliver the Neighbour Day Community Challenge. Communities and neighbourhoods that register a Neighbour Day event are invited to enter the Challenge for a chance to win \$1000 or \$5000 towards an activity or infrastructure that builds social connection. (Continued on Page 14)

The Neighbour Day Community Challenge opens on 1 February, with entry closing on 8 March. Winners will be announced on 20 March.

North West Film Society



Why Don't You Try Something Different this Year!

North West Film Society (NWFS) films are screened at Reading Cinemas (formerly CMax) Devonport and commence at 6.30 p.m. We screen a minimum of 11 films each year.

The movies the North West Film Society screens vary from year to year depending on what's both new and available. The aim is for each film to be exceptional while avoiding being one that film viewers will be able to see as part of any mainstream cinema's normal fare.

Join for 2020 Full Membership (\$120) or a Part Membership (\$70)

See our website www.nwfs.org.au for information on membership, take a look at our 'Film History' and upcoming films.

Find us on Facebook – [nwfilmsociety](https://www.facebook.com/nwfilmsociety) or M 0431 484 727.

Why not drop by our Help Desk that always operates between 6 and 6.30 pm at each of our film shows. The next screening is on



12 February 2020

Parasite

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All unemployed, Ki-taek's family takes a peculiar interest in the wealthy and glamorous Parks for their livelihood, until they get entangled in an unexpected incident.

The following films will be screened:

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15 April 2020 – Sometimes Always Never

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SHEFFIELD COMMUNITY INFORMATION EVENING

Council will hold a community information evening to provide and receive information about the Sheffield area. The meeting will be held on Thursday 13th February 2020 at 7pm at the Sheffield Town Hall.

RAILTON COMMUNITY INFORMATION EVENING

Council will hold a community information evening to provide and receive information about the Railton area. The meeting will be held on Thursday 27th February 2020 at 7pm at the Kings Hall.

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Manisha Kernan from Paradise was awarded the \$1,500 scholarship offered by Council for a University or TAFE student required to live away from home as part of their studies. Manisha will be relocating to Hobart to attend the University of Tasmania to study a Bachelor of Art/Fine Arts. We wish Manisha all the best with her studies.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

On 26th January Council held its annual Australia Day Celebrations. Council congratulates the following award recipients:

Citizen of the Year – **Jill Ridgway**
Senior Citizen of the Year – **John and Judy Hope**
Young Citizen of the Year – **Kody Steers**
Community Event of the Year – **Gustav Weindorfer Memorial 2019**

KYO SCOOT SKATE BMX COMP

KYO Scoot Skate BMX Completion 2020 will kick off in Railton Skate Park on Saturday, 8 February 2020. Registrations will open at 11.30am with heats starting from 12pm. Compete and win great prizes!

A healthy lunch and water will be available for all participants. Helmets and a signed permission form are essential.

Contact Leigh on 6491 0200 for more information.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the Council Office, Sheffield Tuesday, 18th February 2020, 2019 commencing at 7:00pm.

WASTE TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Council's Waste Transfer Stations are open on the following days and times.

Sheffield Waste Transfer Station

East Victoria Street, Sheffield

Monday	12noon – 5pm
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Wednesday	12noon – 5pm
Thursday	8am – 1pm
Friday	8am – 1pm
Saturday	12noon – 5pm
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Dates: Tuesday 28th January 2020 to 18th February 2020 (inclusive)

Times: 7.30am to 4.30 pm each day

Purpose: Road surface upgrade

Due to the nature of the works traffic lights will be in place which will cause some delays in traffic flow. Council apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

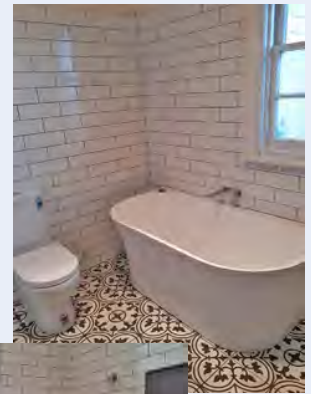
Clean Up Australia Day is being held around the nation on **Sunday 1 March 2020** and Council encourages anyone interested in becoming involved to register now.

Every year, hundreds of thousands of Australians get in and help clean up the environment by collecting and removing rubbish in their local areas. The Clean Up Day for Businesses will be held on Tuesday 25th February whilst the Clean Up Day for Schools will be held on Friday 28th February. Clean Up Australia Day is fun, easy and everyone can get involved. Individuals and local groups can either organise a Clean Up site or volunteer to join an existing site.

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BlazeAid Needs Your Help and Understanding Please

I would love more volunteers here at Adelong as we can cope with big numbers.

The property owners here are shedding many a tear (like the 45 year old lady who singularly put down the last of her injured Angus cows and the farmer on his second burn out in two months cried on my shoulders at the native animals dying that he had to leave behind because there were too many to cope with).

But already smiles are starting to break on sad faces as fresh faced blazeaiders make their massive difference.

Lexton blazeaid at Ballarat is bulging at the seams and Bruthen on Wednesday coming 22/1 will be the same.

Adelong last night had countless Victorians from Melbourne - it is only a few hours more up the Hume!

Adelong and Batlow is God's country- the people are beautiful - please come here to make a difference. This is where you are needed.

Soon Jingellic, Corryong and Cobargo will follow- just need a few more days training for the Coords here.

Thankyou for understanding

Please ask everyone to like facebook page - and teach others how to

Many thanks Kevin Butler BlazeAid Pres 0418 530 471 OR admin@blazeaid.com.au

Registering your Neighbour Day event

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We encourage everyone organising a Neighbour Day event, or planning on doing something neighbourly, to register your action. You can register as an individual, group or organisation or a Council.

By registering you are putting up your hand to show that you and your neighbours want to create a stronger community.

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Here are my three top tips:

Use Energy wisely!

- o Change to energy efficient bulbs
- o Unplug your computers, TV and other electrical appliances when not in use
- o Walk or use public transport when possible
- o Wash clothes in cold water

Eat a Climate friendly diet!

- o Choose more meat free meals
- o Support organic & local when possible
- o Don't waste food
- o Compost your scraps

Consume Less, Enjoy More!

- o Spend time in nature
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Robert's Gardening Tips

This is the best time to go shopping for plants, well for ideas for plants for your garden. With the weather being so dry and hot, it's a great time to see what is surviving in people's gardens without being watered. Arm yourself with a camera, and a notebook & pen, and go for a walk or a drive and you will soon see plants that are not just surviving, but thriving. I planted about 3000 *Lavandula angustifolia* (English Lavender) (Left) early spring, and they have had no irrigation, just what the weather has provided, and they are all going well, and now flowering.

Another plant I have spotted driving around is the carpet rose, and it comes in a number of colours (soft pink, bright pink, red, yellow). These roses will flower from early spring right through to the first frost and like the lavender, are thriving over summer. The pruning for both these plants is the same, just cut them into a bowl shape at the end of their flowering season. The other place to get information about what survives at this time of year is the Kentish Garden Club, and making friends at the same times is a win win! Cheers and Happy Gardening.

Supporting Traditional Hunting

The majority Liberal Government has delivered on its commitment to support traditional recreational pursuits and the Tasmanian way of life.

This year, the Government has made four additional areas of reserved land available for the 2020 recreational deer hunting season.

The new reserves are:

- Tooms Lake Conservation Area
- Buxton River Conservation Area
- St Pauls Regional Reserve
- Castle Carey Regional Reserve

There are now 10 reserves available to recreational hunters as part of our commitment to provide appropriate recreational opportunities for hunters.

These additional areas were added after considerable community and stakeholder consultation and have been rigorously assessed through the Reserve Activity Assessment process.

Recreational hunters play an important role in managing wild fallow deer populations and restricting the negative impact they have on both private and public land.

Similar to other reserves available for recreational hunting, access to the new reserves will be managed through a ballot system.

The ballot for all reserves available for hunting opened on Monday January 6, 2020, and will close on Monday January 27, 2020. The ballot will be drawn on January 28 and 29 with successful applicants being notified by email soon after the ballot.

Hunters need to also be aware of restrictions and requirements in place as part of ensuring values of the reserves are protected, including a no-hunting buffer zone of 500 metres around the new reserves to ensure public safety.

Additionally, some limitations on access have been placed on all four new reserves to minimise habit disturbance during breeding season for some species including wedge tailed eagles, as well as providing for other recreational activities in the reserves.

The four new reserves join the six existing reserves: Top Marshes Conservation area, Great Western Tiers Conservation Area, Five Mile Pinnacle Conservation Area, Central Plateau Conservation Area – Breton River & Mother Lord Plains, Great Western Tiers Conservation Area – Parson and Clerk Mountain, Great Lake Conservation Area – Tumbledown Creek and Gunns Marsh.

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Guy Barnett, Minister for Primary Industries and Water

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But did you know that sometimes vision problems show up in other behaviours? When a child begins to lose interest or play up in the classroom, it's not always obvious that it could be their eyes.

And look out for these symptoms of vision problems in kids:

- Frequent blinking
- Red or watery eyes
- Sensitivity to light
- Frequently rubbing eyes
- Difficulty concentrating
- Tilting head noticeably
- Covering or closing one eye
- Difficulty learning to read
- Holding a book very close when reading
- Leaving out confusing words when reading
- Squinting or sitting very close when watching television
- Difficulty recognising familiar people in the distance
- Complaints of headaches, blurred or double vision
- One eye turns in or out while the other points straight ahead.

Taking your child for a comprehensive eye check is the best way to rule out any issues that could affect their learning, and even their ability to play games during breaks. Optometrist Stephen Scott-Hoy is passionate about looking after families and helping you see clearly over your life. He is a member of the Australasian College of Behavioural Optometrists. To book an appointment is as easy as ringing Exsighting Vision on 64261420 or booking online via our Facebook Page or website www.exsightingvision.com.

GLOBAL WARMING

Fact or Fiction?

Despite all the denials of the “shock jocks” on commercial TV and Radio, Global Warming is a fact. You only have to look at the data. Mind you, this can be difficult to understand, so let us try to explain.

Global warming refers to the average temperature for the whole world. Here on the North West Coast we can look at the temperatures at Devonport Airport. On 12th Dec the Maximum & minimum temperatures were 20.9C and 12.7C giving an average of 16.8C for the day. On 13th Dec the Maximum & minimum temperatures were 18.8C and 9.6C giving an average of 14.2C for the day. Therefore the average temperature for the two days was 15.5C. The average for the whole year's 365 days is calculated in a similar way. Devonport's average is then combined with the averages of thousands of other places from around the world to find the Global Average for the whole year.

According to the data, the average Global temperature has risen by 0.8C since 1880. This (0.8C) may not sound much at all but the rate of change is increasing. In the 100 years between 1880 and 1980 the change was about 0.3C. In the last 40 years the change has been about 0.5C.

This increasing rate of change is having an impact on climate. We will be looking at how this happens in future articles.



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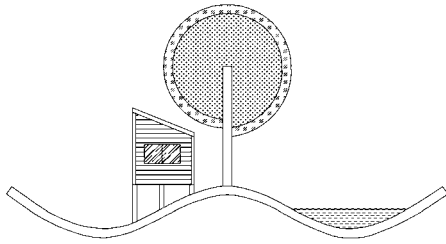




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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

I wish to thank The Kentish Voice for publishing my recent letter in the November issue. I feel proud and honoured to have received such an overwhelming positive response from your readers. Congratulations to the Mount Roland Preservation Society for apparently attracting about fifty people to their recent meeting at Claude Road. MRPS is a diverse group of people, some who have grown up in the area, others who have relocated to the area from other parts of the state or from interstate and even others from overseas. This group is made up of dedicated people who are donating their own time and resources to protect this wonderful mountain for the future benefit of everybody. It's reassuring to see an uprising against this sick idea of gouging a dozen bike tracks into the face of Mt Roland

Keep Mount Roland out of the hands of private investors.

Shane Foley.
Sheffield

In the editorial for the Kentish Voice, (Jan 2020) mention is made of accepting the arbiter's decision in relation to a cableway proposal. I personally feel this would be a fair request once all the details of the proposal have been put on the public table and rational discussion by the community has been taken into account. The current situation is far from that with only generalised details released so far.

The editorial states it is up to others to answer the many questions that have been put to the proponents yet it is inconceivable that a first class business plan would not have addressed all of these questions (and more) by now. It is not up to the Kentish Council or State Government to answer these questions. It is for the proponents. It is their proposal.

Given that the proponents haven't lodged with Parks & Wildlife their section of the Reserve Activity Assessment (RAA) which is required for such a development on public land, it should be noted that the assessment process is yet to begin. I believe this gives the community an opportunity for significant and meaningful public consultation on the proposed cableway. Are the proponents prepared to guarantee meaningful public input even if the level of RAA assessment doesn't require it?

Mike Hancock.

Nowhere Else

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Trains run every half hour between 11.00 am and 4.00 pm at the Sheffield Railway Station.

The Model Railway will also be open from 10.00am to 3.00pm these running days. The Model Club has five different scale tracks running: HO, DC, HO Digital Command Centre, N and On30 with a timer and a big button for the kids to start the train. The Model Club holds work days on each Thursday and Sunday between 10.00 and 12 noon at the Sheffield Steam and Heritage Centre.

SteamFest is just around the corner as well and volunteers are needed to make this weekend a wonderful event. Please ring Jill Ridgway for further information on Mob 0448 631 922.

RAILTON BOWLS CLUB

Well our season is back underway again, I hope everyone has had a wonderful Christmas break.

We have events coming up for the club that will require assistance, so any members that can assist it would be appreciated, please contact Noelene.

We have three dates for Bunnings barbecues, again assistance will be required, the dates are February 2nd, 23rd February and 22nd March. Come along and assist and help the club with fundraising.

Well done everyone who has won club games so far this season, and good luck pairs players for your upcoming games.

The Hub Veterans Day was held on Jan. 14th the winners for the day were:

Richard Creswell's team from Deloraine with second place going to Dennis Devine's team from Port Sorell, huge thanks to the ladies for the catering efforts, great day, it was very hot, but I think everyone enjoyed themselves.

Our mixed carnival will be held on 16th February, the format is two men and two ladies but casual dress, if you want an entry please contact secretary.

Wow the weather has been wonderful, but boy do we need rain badly, hope everyone gets some soon, all the best Noelene
Noelene Purton, Secretary 0409 768 863

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Railton parkrun happens every Saturday at 8.50am for briefing at Lions Park in Railton. It's a free, timed, non competitive 5km run, jog or walk. People of all abilities are welcome.

SHEFFIELD GOLF CLUB

The Ladies came back after the Christmas and New Year break and played two games. January Monthly Medal was won by Denise Morgan with a 68 nett. Second was her sister Geneen Duff on 69 nett.

January Stableford was won by Greta Mitchell with 40 points on a countback from Robyn Jones also on 40points.

Dec 21st 4BBB was won by Malcom Milner and Rodney Von Steiglitz with 48 points, second and third with 47 points was Ray Jago and Rod Shackleton, and Glen Connors and David Macmillan.

Last game for 2019 was a Stableford won by Gavin Murdock with 42 points. On 40 points was Wade Rockliff, Rod Von Steiglitz, and Errol Raddatz.

January Monthly Medal was won by Lyall Hardwick with a nett of 60 beating Greg Collis and Lyle Thomas both on 61 nett.

The Caltex Stableford was won by David Proud with 40 points. Second on 39 was David Jago beating Michael Chatwin and David Macmillan.

Sixty-four played in the Vets Open. Overall winner was Paul Bolton 47 points.

A Grade Winner was Tony Wooton on 42 points; B Grade Winner was Rodney Von Steiglitz 39 points; C Grade Winner was David Shaw 40 points.

24th December Stroke was won by Gerry Hopkins with a 64 nett. Second on 66 nett was Ray Jago.

Last game for the year Stableford won by David Macmillan with 42 points. Second on 40 points was Jason Crosswell.

January Monthly Medal was won by John Hope with a great 61 nett. Second was Neville Pulford on 65 nett.

Tuesday 14th January a 4 Ball Best Ball was won by Winston Duff and Daryl Baker 45 points. Runners-up were Eric Ansell and Wayne Ivory on 44 points. Third was Jonit Lunson and Rowan (Pop) Sherriff on 43 points.

Members can also access results and book upcoming events via;
<https://sheffield.1golf.com.au>

Sheffield Golf Club 6491 1184

Men's President Lyle Thomas 0418 141 727

Lady's President Janice Milner 0437908780

Green Fees (per Day): Adults \$15 and Juniors \$2

WILMOT WALKING GROUP

9am Fridays Wilmot Cricket Ground

Come and join us for a walk around the oval. Walk at your own pace. Bring your morning tea and have a chat after the walk.

Hope to see you there!

U3A TABLE TENNIS

Kentish U3A Table Tennis Group

Come and join us on Tuesday afternoons at the Town Hall 66 High Street Sheffield Group meets 2.00pm

With Level 1 Coach Graham Verrall

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

SHEFFIELD BOWLS CLUB

Back to Bowls after Xmas break, Pennant washed out for Ladies on Thursday, rain was very welcome. We had Trivia on Tuesday 21st Money raised is buying a Umpires' Kit for Malua Bowls Club that lost their Clubhouse, and possessions, in the fires, still have their two greens.

Congratulations to the winners of the Jessie Harris Memorial, Lyn Keygan and Jean McNab. Thank you to Brian Harris.



ABOVE : Lyn Keygan, Brian Harris, & Jean McNab

Two more Trivia nights next 18th February 7pm, tables of 8 or come along and join a table \$10.00 per person.

Social Day Wednesday last raised money for Fire Brigade given to Sheffield. Farmers Day Friday 31st January Sponsored by Roberts and Elders. Money raised from this day will go to Blaze Aid.

Bingo Tuesday 1pm is back come along and enjoy 2 Jackpots are growing \$\$\$\$\$

Counter Meals Saturday from 6pm.

Men B grade pair winners D Bateman, J Morris,

Men A grade B Short, S Charleston. A&B will represent the Club at Bowls North West.

Ladies to play theirs Monday 27th January.

Corporate Bowls starting Wednesday 12th 6pm put your Teams together ring Judy Hope 0419 374 089.

RAILTON SQUASH CENTRE

The function of the Railton Squash Centre's Special Committee of Council is to:

"Effectively operate and maintain the facility for the use, enjoyment and benefit of local residents".

New players and families of all levels of ability in are invited to participate in our family friendly Wednesday night rosters, which will re-commence in February 2020. A reminder that tokens for casual use at other times may be purchased at the Railton Motor and Tyre Service. For further information Linda can be contacted on 0417241315

Kate Campbell - Secretary,
Railton Squash Centre



FITNESS CLASSES

Group Community Fitness Classes are being held at the following venues each week:

Monday 8 - 9 am Barrington Hall
Tuesday 9 - 10 am Sheffield Town Hall
Wednesday 9 - 10 am Railton Blue/Green Hall
Friday 9 - 10 am Sheffield Town Hall

For more information please call Kerry on 0427 495 267

COMMUNITY NOTES

WILMOT PRODUCE SHARE

Always held on the first Tuesday evening of each month the Produce Share will be held at the Wilmot Memorial Hall between 6.00pm and 7.00pm on **Tuesday 4th February**. It is a great opportunity to share something from your garden or kitchen, and have fun socializing with the friends. It is a great way to meet people who come from all over the Kentish Municipality. Do come!

For information call 0429 004 417; or email produceshare@gmail.com; or join our Facebook group Wilmot Produce Share

WILMOT MUSEUM

Opening hours for Wilmot Museum from October - April inclusive are: Wednesday - Sunday 10:00am-2:00pm.

Other times by appointment. Phone 6492 1479. Gold Coin.

SHEFFIELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

Our Sub-Branch meetings are the first Monday night of every month @ 7.00pm at Sheffield RSL & Citizens Club.

Any queries our contact details are PO Box 14 Sheffield or email rsl.sheffield@gmail.com

President: Ian Hill 0402 103 368

Secretary: Teana Roetz 0402 869 379

New members welcome

We look forward to seeing you

New members welcome

The Sheffield RSL Sub Branch will be holding their AGM on Monday 3rd February 2020 @ 7.00pm Sharp. All Sub Branch Members welcome.

OLD TIME DANCES



Old Time Dancing at its best! With Deja Vu from 8.00pm to midnight. All Welcome.

February 8th Beulah Hall

March 14th Barrington Hall

April 18th Claude Road Hall

RAILTON NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE & GARDEN

Don't miss out on your copy of the **Railton Residents Cook Book** at the centre for \$5.00 there are around 50 great recipes from locals to try yourself. Profits made go back into our community.



If you need a chat or a quiet place to relax or read a book, inside or in the community garden please call in and see one of our amazing volunteers or you could come along, and volunteer.

All are most welcome.

If you have any excess garden produce, we are happy to have it here to give it back to the community.

What we offer at the centre –

- Community garden (welcome to all)
- Free Wi-Fi
- Internet facility available
- Local history
- Visitor information
- Worm juice fertiliser
- Plants for sale
- Photo copying –10c Black & white, 20c Coloured --Per Page
- Books for sale or swap
- DVD's for sale or swap

We are also Centrelink approved for new start allowance for volunteers over the age of 55.

Wednesday – Beginners Art 10am till 2pm

Thursday - Arts and Craft day 10.30am – 2.00pm.

Bring along your own project you're working on or have a go at something new.

Phone: 0400 035 995 Email: railtoncentre2@gmail.com

Monday- Friday 9.30am – 3.00pm

MOUNTAINEERS RELAY FOR LIFE

The Mountaineers Relay for Life Team really appreciates the support that the community provides for their fundraising efforts. Throughout the year the team holds numerous fundraising activities that are designed to be fun for everyone as well as supporting the Cancer Council.

The team holds raffles, sausage sizzles, cake stalls, Beef Beer and Burgundy nights, cinema nights, casserole evening, soup and sandwich luncheon, just to name a few. (We tend to just see what crops up throughout the year and go with it but these are our regular type events).

Thank you to everyone who has supported our events and raffles this year.

Watch out for information in The Kentish Voice and local posters and flyers with fun ways that you can support the Team in their fundraising efforts that provide much needed support for those who are challenged by Cancer. Let us all make 2020 a better year for all those challenged by Cancer by supporting the Mountaineers Relay For Life Team as they raise funds with fun during 2020.

KENTISH GARDEN CLUB

Festive Fun with Scarecrows



Scarecrows will be lining up at the Sheffield Town Hall following a fun workshop to create quirky decorations for February's FlowerFEST (February 1-2). These life-like straw characters were traditionally used to scare away birds from recently planted field crops but today's birds seem to have worked out that they are relatively harmless!

What's your garden problem?

In our regular problem section of our January garden club meeting, some great questions popped up.

Kiwi fruit problem Lack of fruit forming on kiwi fruit despite having both a male and female plant.

Solutions Suggested check that there are in fact a male and female for cross-pollination (the male flowers carry pollen). Also, it can take several years of growth before fruiting begins so be patient with newly planted vines. Keep these plants well watered during growing and fruiting season. Prune in winter to control spread of growth, which can be rampant.

Aquilegias problem How to control their spread in the garden?

Solutions Aquilegias or granny bonnets spread through seed and are traditional cottage garden plants for this reason. Best control is to prune off flowers heads before seedpods form or to remove plants as flowering finishes. Aquilegias readily cross pollinate and self seed providing lots of colour variations if they are left in the garden.

Thornless blackberries not fruiting The vigorous vine is failing to form good fruit and also parts seem to be dying back.

Solutions The problem with poor fruiting may be due to the prevalence of green vegetable bugs and other insects that feed on pollen and on the developing fruit. Control these insects by squashing them or letting them drop into a jar of soapy water to drown. Green vegetable bugs are often very difficult to see on the plant as they are the same colour as the leaves and flower sepals.



Thornless blackberries usually crop well in home gardens

Watering and feeding the vine will help the fruit that has formed develop. The drying and dieback seen on some stems may be a rust disease – prune back any diseased stems and put the prunings in rubbish bin or deep bury (do not compost).

Next meeting:

The Kentish Garden Club meets on the second Thursday of the month. The next meeting is on February 13 at 7.30pm at the Sheffield Bowls Club, Sheffield with guest speakers Dean and Heather Sparrow discussing native plants. The meeting will be preceded by a visit to the garden at Glencoe Country B&B at Barrington. For details of the garden visit or to find out more about the Club, call the Secretary, Jennifer Stackhouse, on 0488 047 011.

PIZZA CONNECTION

"As food is to the body, so is God's word to the soul."

Our next men's pizza night and the first for 2020, will be held on Friday 21st of this month, usual venue, Sheffield Town Hall at 6:30 pm.

Many of us learn a skill, profession or trade in our working lives, the process is a simple one, we begin by making a commitment to the task and then spent many years if not most of our life, being taught and learning how to succeed in that chosen vocation.

So it is with our Christian faith, we enter into it and then seek to realize its full potential through understanding and learning from others. Just as it is in any vocation, we can also decide not to continue or simply fall away with other concerns and interests becoming more important. The word mentor is widely used to describe someone who is an example and encourages us to keep on track.

Our speaker for the night is John Sypkes, a man who has given much of his life to mentoring or discipling those walking the Christian path. John decided many years ago he would seek to keep as many as possible "on track", he has authored a book called "Making Disciples" which contains the principles of how this is done.

John will share some of his experiences and particularly the miracles he has witnessed in his life long commitment to helping others, his sincerity and personal discipline will impress as he also speaks of his own life challenges. A new year, a time of refreshment and a new start, come along and bring a friend!

For information or to let us know you are coming; Craig 6429 3372, John 6491 2525 or John 0407 877 104.

THE HUB INC. REPORT

It's been great to catch up with everyone after our holidays break, and we have lots of bargains as usual.

We very much appreciated a number of our volunteers who wiped and dusted just before we opened.

We recently heard of the passing of Keith Kerr, Keith was a member of our committee a number of years ago and some may remember him as being in the shop on Fridays.

We are open Mondays to Fridays from 10am to 3.30 pm.

Thank you again, your support helps us to support clubs, groups and individuals in our Kentish Community.

The Committee

KENTISH PROBUS CLUB

The next meeting of the Kentish Probus Club will be 10am on the 11th February at the Sheffield Bowls Club.,

The Guest Speaker is Jenni Ashford, Pilgrimage to Spain.

Out outing will be a 'come if you can' lunch in Sheffield.

Visitors are always welcome.

For further information contact Annelise on 6496 1220



MERSEY COMMUNITY CARE

SOCIAL BUS TRIPS

MCCA offers Transport, Social Support, Spring Cleaning and Home Maintenance services to clients and their carers living in the Kentish municipality. For more information about becoming a volunteer or to find out more about the services that we provide, please phone 6424 8883.

Social Bus Trips are available to eligible clients of Mersey Community Care on Thursdays and Fridays.

If you would like to volunteer to assist clients on these trips please do not hesitate to get in touch on 6424 8883.

Thursday Half Day Bus Trips in February

- 6th I'm In Heaven, Ulverstone
- 13th Spreyton Cider Co., Spreyton
- 20th Cafe Zen, Shearwater
- 27th Pearl Oyster Bar & Cafe, Devonport

Friday Full Day Bus Trips In February

- 7th Kaydale Lodge, Nietta
- 14th Casino/Shopping, Launceston
- 21st Cradle Forest Inn, Moina
- 28th Ulverstone Returned Services Club, Ulverstone

Mersey Community Care are desperately seeking volunteers for visiting and shopping in Sheffield and Railton. Can you spare a few hours? (See page 16).

PIONEER GALLERY (W.A.S.S.)

During the month of February there will be two featured artists at the Pioneer Gallery, Pioneer Cres, Sheffield.

The first featured artist is Nita Pountney with a collection of acrylics, watercolours and pastes entitled "Blue Moods". The exhibition depicts the blue patterns in our world as can be observed in waters, skies and ice, and in the landscape in general.



Our second featured artist is Gillian Robnik with a collection of watercolours entitled "Memories Linger". The subject I have chosen aims to honour the Pioneer settlers with all their hopes and dreams, and to salvage memories of old buildings, some in danger of disappearing altogether, for future generations.

KENTISH COMMUNITY MENS SHED SHEFFIELD

The Kentish Men's Shed invite the people of Kentish and visitors to our wonderful district for an Open Day at the men's Shed, Spring Street, Sheffield from 11.00am on Saturday 1st February.

Come and see the Bannons Forge in action with our own Blacksmithies, Bryan Hardy and B.J. Pedersen, in action. Have a look around the premises and see what we do at the Men's Shed; see the plans for our new extension funded by the Premier's Fund; enjoy a snack at the sausage sizzle; with coffee and cold drinks. And have a chat with our members.

This event will be a fundraiser to support Men's Sheds in NSW that have been devastated by the bushfires.

Great news from the builders! We will be starting our extension on 22nd February. This news has been well received by the members! Ready for fitting out once completed.



We have been approached by a mystery Dr Who buff to build a Tardis Police Box. This will be a challenge for our members. Once completed, the mystery person will be revealed.

The Kentish Men's Shed meets at the shed, Spring Street, Sheffield, every Thursday from 9.00am till 3.00pm. New members are very welcome.

Terry Hughes,
President 0429 122 520.

SHEFFIELD CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club meets on the last Sunday of the month 3pm-5pm at the Community Rooms. Call 0438 912 280 for details

WILMOT WEDNESDAY CRAFT

Wednesday Craft is held at the Wilmot Memorial Hall from 10.00am until 2.00pm every Wednesday. Small donation..

FUDGE 'N GOOD COFFEE GALLERY

Our February artist is Joanne Mitchelson who creates very detailed watercolours of mainly Tasmanian landscapes and seascapes, plus birds and botanical artworks.

She will be at Fudge n' Good Coffee on Saturday, 1st February with a very special treat for us, playing the harp as well as showcasing her wonderful artworks. Her hubby, Hamish, might even join her on the violin. Looking forward to seeing you there.

THE CHAPEL LOUNGE

A free pop up tea room, called THE CHAPEL LOUNGE, is happening on the last Wednesday of every month, from 1:30 - 3:30pm in the back hall of the Sheffield Bible Chapel in High Street.

You are welcome to bring a friend or to find a friend here. Join us and enjoy some traditional treats, with a cuppa and a chat or choose a quiet spot on one of our lounges to recharge your batteries at no cost.

Find us opposite the main carpark in town, just a short step up the Church laneway. We'd love to welcome you.

Cheers, the Lounge Crew.

KNIT, NATTER & CRAFT GROUP

The Knit & Natter group are in full swing for 2020. All are welcome no matter what craft you prefer. We meet every Thursday at 10 - 12am in the small hall at the rear of the Sheffield Bible Chapel in High St. 2 doors up from Bossimis. Contacts: Julie 0408 116 251 or Patricia 0409 814 999

KENTISH FIELD NATURALISTS GROUP

Are you interested in joining the Kentish Field Naturalists? Come along to the Kentish Field Naturalists Group. Our meetings are usually held at 10 am on the third Saturday of each month, and are usually followed up with an outing. We have about 20 members of all ages. Amongst us, are members who are very knowledgeable about local birds, plants and animals. We also know of so many lovely places in our surroundings to enjoy. There is no membership fee, as we want to make it affordable to everyone.

Everyone is welcome to our first meeting for 2020!

Time and date: 10 am Sat. February 15 th.
Topic: A Citizen Science Forum. – Changing the balance of nature

A lot of attention is given to the way human intervention leads to a dramatic decrease in the numbers of native birds, animals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, insects and plants. We are going to focus on the opposite - the native species which thrive on human intervention to the natural environment in our area.

Place: Sheffield Uniting Church Supper Room, corner of Main/ Henry Street.

Followed by a 'tidying up' working bee and picnic lunch at O'Neill's Creek Nature Walk, Gowrie Park.

At our first meeting in 2016, we decided to 'adopt' the O'Neill's Creek Nature Walk at Gowrie Park as a group project, in the hope of improving and promoting it. This very beautiful area is quite close to Sheffield. The improvements are thanks to a Kentish Council Community grant and also The Hub, and have been achieved with the assistance of The Men's Shed and Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife staff, Ken Brooks and Ben Hill. Many thanks to Alex McLachlan and Basil Kleynendorst, who put up the signs.

If you are interested, contact Leoni Read at leoni.read@westnet.com.au or phone 0429 705 062

RAILTON COMMUNITY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

All records were broken at the 4th Railton Annual Bike Show held on 19th January, in the new location at the Recreation Ground on Native Rock Road. This enabled organisers, Railton Community Progress Association, to experiment with the format and vehicle control. (see page 4)

The Ride to Railton, instigated as a lead up to the Bike Show, which happens on the second Sunday of the month will continue to run in 2020 with the next ride scheduled for Sunday 9th Feb 2020. Meet in the main street of Railton, opposite Burgers and Bikes, at 11am for a leisurely bike ride around the local area.

New Railton Market will be on Saturday 29th February inside and outside the Kings Hall. Not just a market but an opportunity to start up your small business idea. Doors open at 9 am and the day finishes at 1 pm.

We are expecting 35 stalls of handmade crafts, fashion items, bric a brac, plants, vegetables and much more. Market day is also a time to meet up with friends for a coffee and cake so come on down and spend some time in the friendly market.

Monies raised at the market go towards projects in Railton so if you would like to volunteer to help or if you would like to donate cakes for selling in the canteen on the day please contact Angus on 0448 880 726.

An opportunity exists for a young person to learn how to run a market. Skills learnt include; set up and management, media access; finances and food handling and safety. Learning these skills will go towards your employment cv and will indicate to potential employers your reliability, management Skills and community commitment. If you are interested in this voluntary position contact Angus on 0448 880 726.

Music night. A group of musicians hope to meet regularly to play a variety of music at the Railton Hotel, this is a new initiative where musicians and singers can come along to explore different genres of music.

People interested in joining others to play music together in Railton please email davidtranter4@gmail.com or phone 6496 1912.

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Stage 1 Water Restrictions

There continues to be little rainfall in most of the state with some areas recording the lowest rainfall on record. Given the below average rainfall received and the current forecasts, restrictions are now in place for the majority of the state.

Water restrictions announced on 20 January 2020 will be in place until 31 March 2020.

TasWater's water restrictions are a common-sense set of rules to reduce demand and make sure we all use water wisely. The rules apply to drinking water only. They do not apply to greywater, tank water (rainwater), bore water or recycled water. If we all do our bit and save a little, together we'll make a big difference.

Please conserve water on Total Fire Ban days

On days of Total Fire Ban, please minimise non-essential water use to conserve water for firefighting and prevention. Your consideration in limiting non-essential water use such as garden watering or lawn sprinklers will help to ensure that the Tasmania Fire Service and residents who may be facing a bushfire threat have water available for fire fighting and prevention. More information about water usage during a fire ban can be found here.

We thank you for your cooperation. For up to date information about Total Fire Bans and any current bushfire threats, please visit www.fire.tas.gov.au.

For permitted uses see TasWater Water Restrictions Policy

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Mural Auction in Sheffield

People of Tasmania have a chance to collect an example of one of the region's iconic tourist attractions - a mural from Sheffield: Town of Murals.

Each year, nine finalists from around Australia and the World gather in Sheffield for the annual Davies Construction International Mural Fest painting competition. This competition attracts some of the best mural artists in the world.

This year, Kentish Arts, Commerce & Tourism Inc., which runs International Mural Fest is auctioning some of the finalist murals from the 2018 year. All of the murals are on display either at the town entrance or in Mural Park.

The mural theme "Our Wonderful World" is captured by the individual artists in different ways.

"Tens of thousands of visitors each year come to see our murals and here's a chance for Tasmanians to have one of the best murals at their own home or office," Kentish ACT Inc. President Des Brown said.

They all feature outstanding mural - painting technique because they are all among the best 9 murals from each year's International Mural Fest.

All murals are 4.8 metres long and 2.1 metres high. All Murals will start with a low reserve price.

What: *Davies Construction*

International Mural Fest – Auction.

Where: *Mural Park Pioneer Cres.
Sheffield.*

When: *Monday - March 9th 2020
at 12.00 noon.*

Des Brown President: Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism Inc.
Mobile - 0429 911 517

Lot 1 "I'll journey soon around the World"

Artist: *Gwenda! Laher & Jack Buzelin*

From a young age, the quest for adventure is real in one's heart. One's spirit and enthusiasm - all encompassing. Visions of journeys across the waves to distant lands hold excitement, yet are perilous. By the lure of uncovering our wonderful world - we are rewarded by discovering - ourselves!

Lot 2 "One Starry Night they came together.."

Artist: *Fereleth Lee & Jacqueline La Cava*

This wonderful world is represented here by native animals from all our continents. Animals that would normally be predator and prey, walk alongside each other in harmony and comradeship. The Children of Our Future lead the way, bringing the light of Knowledge and Peace in their wake.

Lot 3 A Deeper Understanding

Artist: *Damian Cazaly*

Look into Mother Nature, her face will tell a story

Of Land that's seen destruction, and history rort with pain.

Listen to her story, a secret she will tell:

To conquer has no substance For life cannot be bound. To fly within that wisdom is power to show your heart.

Lot 4 Our Wonderful World

Artist: *Judy Nelson & Jon Nelson*

As caretakers, our choices today define our future. By respecting each others traditions and customs, may we continue to come together to become one multicultural, harmonious community. By recognizing the fragility of our indigenous flora and fauna, may we continue to work together to save our planet for our children

Lot 5 "CELEBRATING DIVERSITY"

Artist: *Frances Wregg & Suzanne Burger*

The Children are running, Let them always run free, With flags of all nations, Waving in harmony, Come together for a future, Celebrating diversity.

Lot 6 A moment

Artist: *Emily Smith*

This work is an uplifting reminder to sit together. To share a meal and celebrate life in the whimsical greenery of Tasmania, underneath the wattle blossoms and fern fronds.

To put aside our differences, tell night time stories and spoken mysteries like our forefathers did.

Lot 7 ...And The World Will Be As One

Artist: *Annette Matthews*

At peace with ourselves we see with more precision the beauty of the world around us, especially this treasured island we call our home. Hope, compassion, generosity, empathy and creativity; against pessimism, conflict, greed, hate and destruction.

Lot 8 Rising from Remembrance

Artist: *Crystal Barbre*

These poppies represent remembrance of wars past and the hope we can learn to reject violence, and embrace the beauty of the world we live in. In learning to value all ways of life, we put violence aside, and create a brighter future.



Lot 1 Mural@ Cnr West Nook Rd & Main St



Lot 5 Mural in Mural Park behind Mural 3



Lot 2 Mural@ Cnr West Nook Rd & Main St



Lot 6 Mural in Mural Park behind Mural 6



Lot 3 Mural in Mural Park behind Mural 1



Lot 7 Mural in Mural Park behind Mural 8



Lot 4 Mural in Mural Park behind Mural 2



Lot 8 Mural in Mural Park on Sheffield Arts Centre Wall



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KENTISH U3A – February 7th is Registration Day

Payment can be paid by EFT or direct deposit to the Kentish U3A Bendigo Bank account BSB 633000 A/C 156837346. **Please put your name and course in the EFT description.**

If you are over 50, it's important to socialise and keep your mind and body active.

MONDAY	COURSE DETAILS
Tai Chi	10 – 11am Kings Hall, Railton (Advanced and Beginners)
Creative Crafters	1.00 – 4 pm Working Art Space, Albert St. [2 nd & 4 th Mondays]
Film Group	1.30 pm Sheffield Uniting Church (1 st Monday)
Music Group	1.30 pm Working Art Space, Albert St. (3 rd Monday)
TUESDAY	
Weigh – Me / Swimming	10.30 – 1.30 pm Sheffield Uniting Church plus trip to Splash Swimming Centre
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WEDNESDAY	
Walking for Leisure	Meet 9am rear of Don Store Carpark
Balance and Bones [Easy]	9.00 - 10 am Kentish Health Centre
Improve your Art Skills	11 am – 3 pm Roland Art Gallery
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THURSDAY	
Kentish Local History	10 am – 12 at the Kentish Museum [monthly, last Thurs]
Beginner Ukulele	10.00 am – 12 Sheffield Uniting Church
Zumba	2 - 3 pm Kentish Health Centre
Coffee & Book Club	4 – 5 pm Sheffield Library, Henry St [monthly, last Thurs]
FRIDAY	
Balance and Bones (Advanced)	9.00 – 10.00 am Kentish Health Centre
Gardening Sheffield	10.00 – 12 Meet at Blacksmith Cafe [1 st and 3 rd Fridays]
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Beginner Kayaking	Contact Jennifer Braid ph: 0400 376 937
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Beginner Café German	11am - 12 in the Fudge Café

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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 on the hyphens to discover the “Theme Word/s”.

Fire Resistant & Fire Retardant Plants

These plants have been found to provide some degree of protection during bushfires.

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During extreme bushfire events neither these nor other plant types will protect your property.

Good design and use of the plants listed will, however, reduce the chance of being burnt out.

Simple test to gauge the fire vulnerability of the trees and shrubs in your garden:

When fire restrictions permit burning off, throw a small sample of foliage from each tree and shrub onto a fire and see how much it flares up.

Consider removing plants with foliage which flares fiercely.

You can then re-plant with suitable fire resistant or fire retardant plants from the list on page 34 & 39 or others you have found.

Fire Resistant Plants.

Plants that will not burn in the face of continued flame:

Botanical name	Common name
<i>Atriplex cinerea</i>	Coast Saltbush
<i>Atriplex leptocarpa</i>	Slender-fruit Saltbush
<i>Atriplex limbata</i>	Spreading Saltbush
<i>Atriplex lindleyi</i>	Flat-top Saltbush
<i>Atriplex nummularia</i>	Old-man Saltbush
<i>Atriplex rhagodioides</i>	Silver Saltbush
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	Berry Saltbush
<i>Atriplex vesicaria</i>	Bladder Saltbush
<i>Carpobrotus glaucescens</i>	Bluish Pigface
<i>Carpobrotus modestus</i>	Inland Pigface
<i>Carpobrotus rossii</i>	Karkalla
<i>Carpobrotus virescens</i>	Pigface
<i>Chenopodium desertorum</i>	Frosted Goosefoot
<i>Disphyma crassifolium ssp clavellatum</i>	Rounded Noon-flower
<i>Einadia hastata</i>	Saloop
<i>Einadia nutans ssp nutans</i>	Nodding Saltbush
<i>Enchylaena tomentosa</i>	Ruby Saltbush
<i>Eremophila debilis</i>	Creeping Emu-bush
<i>Hakea salicifolia</i>	Willow-leaved hakea
<i>Maireana brevifolia</i>	Short-leaf Bluebush
<i>Maireana decalvans</i>	Black Cotton-bush
<i>Maireana enchylaenoides</i>	Wingless Bluebush
<i>Maireana erioclada</i>	Rosy Bluebush
<i>Maireana excavata</i>	Bottle Bluebush
<i>Maireana georgei</i>	Slit-wing Bluebush
<i>Maireana microphylla</i>	Small-leaf Bluebush
<i>Maireana oppositifolia</i>	Heathy Bluebush
<i>Maireana pentagona</i>	Hairy Bluebush
<i>Maireana pentatropis</i>	Erect Bluebush
<i>Maireana pyramidata</i>	Sago Bush
<i>Maireana radiata</i>	Radiant Bluebush
<i>Maireana rohrlachii</i>	Rohrlach's Bluebush
<i>Maireana sedifolia</i>	Pearl Bluebush
<i>Maireana turbinata</i>	Satiny Bluebush
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	White Cedar
<i>Mimulus repens</i>	Creeping Monkey-flower
<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	Common Boobialla
<i>Myoporum parvifolium</i>	Creeping Myoporum
<i>Rhagodia candolleana</i>	Seaberry Saltbush
Botanical name	Common name
<i>Rhagodia crassifolia</i>	Fleshy Saltbush
<i>Rhagodia parabolica</i>	Fragrant Saltbush
<i>Rhagodia spinescens</i>	Hedge Saltbush
<i>Sarcozona praecox</i>	Sarcozona
<i>Scaevola calendulacea</i>	Dune Fan-flower
<i>Scaevola hookeri</i>	Creeping Fan-flower
<i>Sclerolaena diacantha</i>	Grey Copperburr
<i>Sclerolaena spp</i>	All Copperburrs
<i>Selliera radicans</i>	Shiny Swamp-mat
<i>Zygophyllum apiculatum</i>	Pointed Twin-leaf

Botanical name

Common name

Zygophyllum billardierei

Coast Twin-leaf

Zygophyllum spp

All Twin-leaf plants

Fire Retardant Plants. Plants that will not burn in the first wave of a bushfire, but may burn once dried out:

Botanical name

Common name

Acacia acinacea

Gold-dust Wattle

Acacia argyrophylla

Silver Mulga

Acacia baileyana

Cootamundra Wattle

Acacia binervia

Coast Myall

Acacia brachybotrya

Grey Mulga

Acacia buxifolia

Box-leaf Wattle

Acacia caerulescens

Limestone Blue Wattle

Acacia cardiophylla

Wyalong Wattle

Acacia cultriformis

Knife-leaf Wattle

Acacia Cyclops

Western Coastal Wattle

Acacia dealbata

Silver Wattle

Acacia deanei

Deane's Wattle

Acacia decora

Western Silver Wattle

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Early Black-wattle

Acacia elata

Cedar Wattle

Acacia farinosa

Mealy Wattle

Acacia fimbriata

Fringed Wattle

Acacia floribunda

White Sallow-wattle

Acacia glandulicarpa

Hairy-pod Wattle

Acacia howittii

Sticky Wattle

Acacia implexa

Lightwood

Acacia iteaphylla

Flinders Range Wattle

Acacia kettlewelliae

Buffalo Wattle

Acacia ligulata

Small Cooba

Acacia mearnsii

Black Wattle

Acacia melanoxylon

Blackwood

Acacia microcarpa

Manna Wattle

Acacia nano-dealbata

Dwarf Silver Wattle

Acacia obliquinervia

Mountain Hickory Wattle

Acacia oswaldii

Umbrella Wattle

Acacia pendula

Weeping Myall

Acacia penninervis

Hickory Wattle

Acacia podalyriifolia

Queensland Silver Wattle

Acacia pravissima

Ovens Wattle

Acacia prominens

Gosford or Golden Rain Wattle

Acacia salicina

Willow Wattle

Acacia saligna

Golden Wreathe Wattle

Acacia stenophylla

Eumong

Acacia terminalis

Sunshine Wattle

Acacia vestita

Hairy Wattle

Ajuga australis

Austral Bugle

Alectryon oleifolius ssp canescens

Cattle Bush

Alyxia buxifolia

Sea Box

Angophora costata

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Brachychiton populneus

Kurrajong

Bursaria spinosa

Sweet Bursaria

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Upper Barrington Beginnings

by Alan F Dyer

What is quite unique about the pioneers of Upper Barrington is that so many of them belonged to the thriving **Wesleyan Church** at **Westbury**, whose circuit included district churches at **Hagley, Whitemore, Genore, and Exton**. Commencing in 1865, young families from these districts were part of a planned migration, that not only had the blessing of the local Westbury minister, but indeed was initiated and supported by the three main Wesleyan church-planting missionary leaders in Tasmania **Rev John Smithies, Rev Joseph Waterhouse, and Rev William Quick**.

In the late 1850s & 60s, the Wesleyan Methodist movement began spreading rapidly throughout Tasmania, doubling their adherents in little more than a decade. This reflected similar growth throughout the British colonies, particularly in the Pacific islands like Tonga and Fiji, where Wesleyan missionaries were transforming cannibals into Christians. These were 'the glory days' of the Methodist movement, and locally in Tasmania many high-profile business & civil leaders were among its adherents. In 1868, four years after the American evangelist Rev Wm (California) Taylor held evangelistic meetings in Tasmania, the Wesleyans counted 47 chapels erected around our island, plus another 44 preaching places.

Rev John Smithies (1802-1872) was born in Sheffield, England to a prominent Wesleyan family. From 1828 John spent nearly a decade as a missionary in Newfoundland where he married Hannah Witt in October 1830. Their first three children were born in Newfoundland, two back in England, one aboard a ship bound for the new colony in Western Australia, and their last seven at the Swan River settlement of Perth. Rev Smithies became the founder of Methodism in Western Australia and was highly regarded. In 1854, John (54) and Hannah brought their large teenage family to VDL, where most of them settled. Over the next decade or so, Rev Smithies served several times as President of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference of Tasmania. By 1864 the ageing Rev Smithies qualified for a clergy pension, but instead volunteered to accompany a young minister to Torquay (East Devonport) to establish a new church circuit in the fast-growing Mersey River region. This circuit included the uninhabited forests of Barrington, where the Government had just advertised about 40 newly surveyed bush blocks for sale. Rev Smithies was at Torquay for three years and it seems more than reasonable to assume that this church-planting pioneer was behind the migration of many Wesleyan families from Westbury to Barrington. In 1868, Rev Smithies (66) returned to Westbury to help **Rev Joseph Waterhouse (40)** appointed to the new brick Wesleyan church built there in 1867. Three years later, Rev and Mrs Smithies moved to Upper Barrington where he ended his days helping the fledgling church there.

Rev Joseph Waterhouse (1828-1881) was one of three clergy sons of the late Rev John Waterhouse (1789-1842) who arrived in Hobart Town in 1839 to take up his appointment as General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Australasia & Polynesia. He was responsible for all the separate British colonies on the mainland, including VDL, NZ, and Pacific Islands. He had completed two lengthy missionary voyages to the Pacific islands before becoming ill and dying of cancer in Hobart, March 1842 aged 53. Following in his father's footsteps, young **Rev Joseph Waterhouse (22)** was ordained and married in Adelaide in 1850 before leaving for Fiji, where he undertook three lengthy periods of pioneering missionary work. Known for his compassionate character and

astute business mind, he was the first man to enter the house of the cannibalistic King Cakoabau of Fiji and is credited with his conversion to Christianity. Because of deteriorating health, Rev Waterhouse returned to Tasmania in 1864, where he played a leading role in Wesleyan church matters and in 1867 was made minister of the newly erected church in Westbury.

The first Wesleyan chapel at Westbury was built in 1840 where shortly afterwards **Rev Jabez Waterhouse** (Joseph's brother) established the Westbury circuit in all the surrounding districts. By the early 1860s, this original wooden church needed to be replaced with a much larger building. At the next State Conference, it was decided that the replacement churches needed at Westbury, Launceston, and New Town should be of a 'superior nature, built of stone or brick, gothic in style, with stain-glass windows and modern pulpits.' The foundation stone for this new Westbury church was laid on 24 October 1865 by Rev Wm A Quick, from Horton College, Ross. It was officially opened 17 March 1867 with a seating capacity for over 350 people.

Rev William Quick (1820 -1910) was another nationally recognised Wesleyan leader who in 1843 went as a missionary to Sierra Leone on the west coast of Africa, but because of ill health was forced to return to England. He was next sent to Australia in 1856 and, after 3 years in NSW, sent to Tasmania as Principal of Horton College, the prestigious Wesleyan institute at Ross, that between 1855-1894 provided superior private education to nearly 800 Tasmanian boys and young men.

1865 Migration to Upper Barrington

Settling Wesleyan pioneers in new districts was a strategy **Rev John Smithies** used successfully in Western Australia and **Rev Joseph Waterhouse** on islands around Fiji. The idea certainly had acceptance with young married families around Westbury because there was no longer any vacant land to purchase their own properties. The first group, having visited Upper Barrington and made their selection in 1864, began moving their families on site early in 1865 to commence the arduous task of establishing their homes, farms, and a Wesleyan church community. The first arrivals included the families of **John & Charles Coleman, Alexander G Smith, John Harman, Benjamin Green, Charles Packett, and William Smith**. Before leaving Westbury, John Coleman was appointed their spiritual leader with the responsibility of caring for these Wesleyan families in their new environment. It was also arranged that Rev John Smithies' young offsider, Rev George Heywood at Torquay (East D'port), should periodically push up through the heavy forest to visit Upper Barrington, which he began to do even before they had completed constructing their homes.

John Coleman took his spiritual responsibility seriously. As soon as his house was completed he opened it twice on Sundays for Wesleyan services and once through the week for prayer meetings. Young Alex G Smith became his loyal co-worker in these spiritual endeavours. When the Mersey Wesleyan circuit was first formed, John Denney of Melrose, accompanied by his son-in-law Frank von Bibra, were the first local preachers to visit Upper Barrington. Their arrival, one Saturday afternoon, was well remembered by John and Chas Coleman, who were splitting timber slabs at the time. A few words of greetings and they all knelt on the ground to lift their voices in grateful prayer. Over the following years, a steady stream of Wesleyan Methodist families, such as the **Thomas Bennetts, Billings,**

Upper Barrington Beginnings (Continued) by Alan F Dyer

Byes, Frenches, Huntingtons, Huttons, Ivories, Masons, Nevins, Poultons, Powells, Pullens, Ratcliffs, George Waterhouses, Weeks, and Wyllies came to Upper Barrington, completely out-numbering any other pioneers. Some Scottish families, such as Cottons, Huttons, Kerkhams, Robertsons, and Tuxworths, finding no Presbyterian church, initially joined this flourishing local Wesleyan Church community.

Leading Clergy invest in Upper Barrington

Just when it seemed so unusual to have a church denomination invading a new district, things became even stranger still. In the late 1860s, the three most imminent Wesleyan church leaders in Tasmania all bought property in Upper Barrington. First was our pioneer missionary to Fiji **Rev Joseph Waterhouse**, currently in charge of the new Westbury church. He bought up 12 unsold bush blocks between Morey's Road and Nowhere Else corner. Next was **Rev Wm A Quick**, President of the famed Horton College, Ross, who purchased 85 acres at the end of Hendersons road and 200 acres in Allison's Rd. Then **Rev Nathaniel Bennett**, another leading clergyman from Adelaide, then Hobart, currently in charge of Launceston, purchased two 105 & 79 acre blocks along Weeks Road. This unprecedented action followed shortly after the first big National Wesleyan Conference was held in Launceston in January 1867. The only plausible explanation is that, at this conference, these leaders discussed and approved of the concept that purchasing prime property was a far more profitable investment strategy than leaving their funds in local banks. All these blocks bought by the clergy were leased out and later sold off, often to new Wesleyan settlers.

1869 Building the First Chapel

In addition to weekly church services in John & Isabel Coleman's house at Upper Barrington, Miss Annie Smith, together with Charles Coleman, commenced a Sunday school in May 1869. This only increased the need to erect their own local Wesleyan Chapel. On 23 Dec 1869, Rev Joseph Waterhouse transferred 1 acre of land, part of a block he had recently purchased from Alexander Smith, to the following trustees: **John Coleman, Chas Coleman, Chas Packett, John Harman, John McFarlane, Benjamin Green, Alex Smith, & Thomas Smith.** To commence clearing, the first tree felled was a small blackwood by Rev Andrew Inglis from the Mersey circuit. Six months later on 29 June 1870 Rev Ed Nye, having replaced Rev Inglis at Latrobe, rode up to Barrington through mud up to his waist to hold their first 'love feast'. The new chapel was opened on Sunday 18 December, 1870 by the Rev Nathaniel Bennett of Launceston, who also led the public tea meeting next day. Mrs Euphemia Wyllie offered to cook on her out-sized camp oven while Mrs Best sent a wagon load of cakes from Deloraine. A charge of 1s 6d was made for the refreshments to aid the Building Fund.

It was during the building of this chapel, Rev John Smithies (68) and his wife Hannah decided to move from Westbury to Upper Barrington. He occupied one of Rev Waterhouse's farm blocks and their unmarried daughter began a school teacher. For the next 18 months, with declining health, Rev Smithies shepherded his fledgling flock. Then, after nearly 44 years of continuous Christian service, this faithful pioneer minister died there on 17 June, 1872 aged 70, of 'accelerated paralysis.' He was one of the first to be buried in a graveyard of the Upper Barrington church. To honour this first Methodist minister's pioneering work in WA, the Rev John Smithies Park was established in Kingsley, a northern suburb of Perth, while the Methodist Church of WA

have attached a special memorial plaque to his gravestone here in Upper Barrington. Rev Smithies' grandson **Fred Smithies OBE** became the well-known Cradle Mt mountaineer and photographer.

Having regained his health, in 1870 Rev Joseph Waterhouse left Westbury for Victoria to prepare to return to Fiji the following year. **Wm Varnham Smith** of '*Ferngrove*,' Upper Barrington, became property agent for Rev Waterhouse's real estate around Barrington. Interestingly, Joseph Waterhouse donated his extensive library of fine books on all subjects to the people of Barrington. He appointed three trustees to be responsible for the '**Public Library of Barrington**', almost certainly housed in their new Chapel.

After completing a further seven years in Fiji, Rev Waterhouse retired from missionary work. He visited Barrington briefly in 1879, prior to becoming clergyman of the Sandhurst circuit (now Bendigo, Vic). After his first Sunday sermon, Rev Waterhouse requested urgent leave to sail to New Zealand and bring home their 25-year old son who had become serious ill. Returning with his son aboard the ss Tararua on 29 April 1881, their boat was shipwrecked off Dunedin with the loss of 131 passengers. Rev Joseph Waterhouse (54), his son, and three other missionaries were all drowned. Back in Bendigo, his widow was left with 9 surviving children in a new church where she knew no one. It took some years to issue deeds for the various properties Waterhouse owned in Upper Barrington.

1885 Church replaced after Bushfire

Sparks smouldering from a hollow stump blazed up and ignited the dry shingle roof of the chapel on 8 March, 1884. First to arrive on the scene were **Alex Hutton** and eldest son **Robert**. They were helped by **Misses Hutton, Cooper, and Pullen**, who between them saved all the chapel furniture just before the roof caved in. Within months after this destructive fire, a large committee was formed to build a new church - this time to be insured, have an iron roof, and a 100-gallon tank placed on site. Designed by Wm Gadsby, Latrobe, the new 35ft x 25ft building was erected by William & Charles French for £250 and opened on Sunday 25 January 1885 by Rev. R. Thompson, minister in charge of the Mersey Circuit. The next day a popular tea-meeting was held with food provided by **Mesdames Mason, Russell, Cotton, Smith, French, and Packett.**

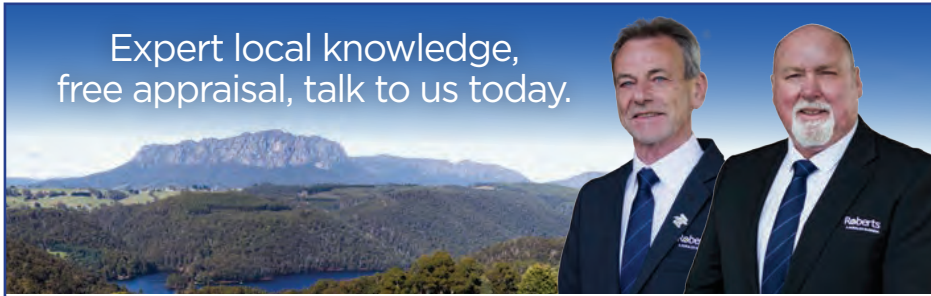
Wesleyan Methodist Heritage

The unique Wesleyan beginnings of Upper Barrington had an incredible impact upon the district for generations. Several young men like **Bertram Wyllie, Reg Bye, and Doug Packett** became ministers, while others served overseas with various missionary organisations.

For decades descendants of these pioneering families held significant roles in the Upper Barrington church, such as trustees, deacons, local preachers, SS teaching, organ playing, and Women's Guild. Offspring from families like the **Colemans, Coopers, Frenches, Masons, Pullens, Rockliffs, Russells, Smiths, and Wyllies** have distinguished themselves as Wardens of Kentish, State politics, or in other various academic fields.

So much must be omitted in this brief summary, but after 130 years, changing circumstances saw this historic church sold in November 1995 for a private dwelling. Though now closed, the church's rich spiritual heritage, combined with the district's fertile chocolate soil, still makes it one of Kentish's most desirable locations to live.

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Fire Retardant Plants. (from page 34)

Botanical name	Common name	Botanical name	Common name
Cheilanthes austrotenuifolia	Green Rock-fern	Lagunaria patersoni	Lord Howe Island Hibiscus
Cheilanthes sieberi	Narrow Rock-fern	Lasiopetalum macrophyllum	Scrubby Velvet-bush
Coprosma hirtella	Rough Coprosma	Lasiopetalum schulzenii	Drooping Velvet-bush
Corymbia maculata	Spotted Gum	Myoporum acuminatum	Boobiolla
Cyathea australis	Rough Tree-fern	Myoporum bateae	Pink Boobiolla
Derwentia derwentiana	Derwent Speedwell	Myoporum montanum	Waterbush
Dianella brevicaulis	Small-flower Flax-lily	Myoporum petiolatum	Sticky Boobiolla
Dianella callicarpa	Swamp Flax-lily	Myoporum platycarpum	Sugarwood
Dianella longifolia	Pale Flax-lily	Myoporum velutinum	Woolly Boobiolla
Dianella revoluta	Black-anther Flax-lily	Pittosporum angustifolium	Weeping Pittosporum
Dianella tarda	Late-flower Flax-lily	Pittosporum bicolor	Banyalla
Dianella tasmanica	Tasman Flax-lily	Pittosporum phylliraeoides	Butterbush
Dichondra repens	Kidney-weed	Pittosporum revolutum	Rough-fruit Pittosporum
Doodia aspera	Prickly Rasp-fern	Pittosporum undulatum	Sweet Pittosporum
Doodia australis	Common Rasp-fern	Scleranthus biflorus	Twin-flower Knawel
Eremophila deserti	Waterbush	Senecio odoratus	Scented Groundsel
Eremophila saligna	White Emu-bush	Senecio pinnatifolius	Variable Groundsel
Eremophila santalina	Sandalwood Emu-bush	Solanum aviculare	Kangaroo Apple
Ficus macrophylla	Moreton Bay Fig	Solanum esuriale	Quena
Ficus rubiginosa	Rusty Fig	Solanum laciniatum	Large Kangaroo Apple
Frankenia pauciflora	Southern Sea-heath	Solanum simile	Oondoroo
Grevillea nudiflora	Leafless-flowered Grevillea	Syzigium (Acmena) smithii	Lilly Pilly
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While we know our volunteers don't seek payment for their service, this support will help to insulate them from financial

loss while appropriately recognising the risks they are facing to protect communities from these devastating fires.

This announcement follows similar action taken by the Morrison Government to extend paid leave provisions for public servants who volunteer to fight fires across the country.

The Commonwealth stands ready to deliver whatever further assistance is requested by the states.

Our firefighters are doing an amazing job under difficult circumstances and with more hot weather ahead, I join the community in thanking them for protecting the community.

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As volunteers, we give of our time and effort for the promotion of the Kentish area at every opportunity. We understand that to reinforce the presentation of the town, we need quality souvenirs. It goes without saying that the mural books, magnets and other souvenirs we zealously distribute to businesses, are essential for maintaining that Sheffield is an ever-growing and ongoing popular tourist destination.

The efforts put in by all the volunteers at Sheffield Inc. is not intended for the vanity of personal recognition, but for the glory of the municipality; 'Sheffield, Town of Murals in Tasmania's Outdoor Art Gallery.' Thank you once again for honouring us with the nominations for Local Hero Award.

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WHATS ON IN FEBRUARY? (CONT...)

EXHIBITIONS

Feb 1st to	Feb 29th	Nita Pountney Exhibition & Gillian Robnik Ceramics , Pioneer Gallery, Pioneer Parade, Sheffield, (pg 8 & 25)
Feb 1st to	Feb 29th	Joanne Mitchelson Exquisite Watercolour Exhibition , Fudge 'N Good Coffee, Main St, Sheffield (see page 26)

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Every Monday		U3A Tai Chi , 10am - 11.00am ,Kings Hall, Railton (see page 31)
	2nd & 4th Mon	U3A Creative Crafters , 1.00pm - 4.00pm, WASS, 2 Albert St Sheffield, (see page 31) Community Group Fitness Class , Barrington Hall, 8am - 9 am, (see page 23)
Every Tuesday		Community Group Fitness Class , Sheffield Town Hall, 9am - 10 am, (see page 23) Playgroup , 9.00am - 11.30am, Kentish House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield, (see page 15) U3A Weigh Me/Swimming , 10.30am- 1.30pm, Sheffield Uniting Church Hall & - Splash Aquatic Centre, (see pg 31)
	2nd & 4th Tue	U3A What Bird is That? , 8.30am, Meet Don Store Carpark, BINGO , Sheffield Bowls Club, Eyes Down 1.30pm, (see page 23) TRIVIA , Sheffield Bowls Club, 7.00pm (see page 23) Child Health Nurse, School Dentist & Physiotherapist , Rural Health Sheffield, 1b Henry Street, Sheffield (pg 15) Mental Health Clinician , Rural Health Sheffield, 1b Henry Street, Sheffield (see page 15) U3A Table Tennis , Sheffield Town Hall, High Street, Sheffield, 2.00pm -4pm (see page22 & 31)
Every Wednesday		Wilmot Craft , Wilmot Memorial Hall,10am-2.00pm, (see page 26) Community Group Fitness Class , Green Hall, 9am - 10 am, (see page 23)
	Not Pub Hol	Emergency Relief Program , Kentish Family Support House, 10am - 12 noon, (see page 15) Sheffield Sole Mates , 9.30am - 10.00am Rural Health Centre, 1b Henry Street,Sheffield, (see page 15) Mental Health Clinician , Rural Health Sheffield, 1b Henry Street, Sheffield (see page 15) U3A Walking For Leisure, Meet 9.00am, Don Store Carpark , (see pg31) U3A Improve Your Art Skills , 11.00am - 3.00pm, Roland Art Gallery,(see page 31)
	2nd & 4th Wed	U3A Cryptic Crosswords , 2.00pm, 2 Roland Court Sheffield, (see page 31) Beginners Art , !0am - 2pm, Railton Neighbourhood Centre, (see page 24)
	School Terms	Family Friendly Squash Games & Raquetball , Railton Squash Centre, 6.30pm see (page 23) U3A Balance & Bones (Easy) , Kentish Health Centre, 9.00am - 10.00am, (see page 31)
Every Thursday		Sheffield Mens Shed , Redwater Creek, Spring Street, Sheffield, 9.00 am –3.00pm (see page26)
	School Terms	The Green Room , (Ages 12-24)3.00-4.30pm (see page15) Arts & Crafts , Railton Neighbourhood Centre, 10.30am - 2.00pm (see page 24) Physiotherapist , Rural Health Sheffield, 1b Henry Street, Sheffield (see page 15) U3A Beginner Ukulele , 10.00am - 12.00pm, Sheffield Uniting Church Hall, (see page 31) U3A Zumba Gold , 2.00pm - 3.00pm, Activities Room, Kentish Health Centre, 1b Henry St, Sheffield, (see page 31) Café On The Park , 1.30pm Community Room, RHT, 1B Henry Street, Sheffield, (see page 15 January Ed) Knit, Natter & Craft Group , Bible Chapel, High St, 10.00am- 12 noon, (see page 27) Redwater Creek Model Railway Club , Redwater Creek Railway, 9.00am-12 noon, (see page 22) Social Half Day Bus Trip , Mersey Community Care, (see page 25)
Every Friday		Social Full Day Bus Trips , Mersey Community Care Inc., (See page 25) Wilmot Walking Group , 9.00am, Wilmot Cricket Ground, (see page 22) U3A Balance & Bones (Advanced) , Kentish Health Centre,9.00am - 10.00am, (see page 31) U3A Beginner Kayaking , (see page 31)
	2nd & 4th Fri	U3A The Art of Topiary , 10.00am-12 noon, Meet at Railton Neighbourhood Centre, (see page 31)
	1st & 3rd Fri	U3A Gardening Sheffield , Meet Blacksmiths Café, 10.00 am-noon, (see page 31) Community Group Fitness Class , Sheffield Town Hall, 9am - 10 am, (see page23)
Every Saturday		parkrun , Lions Park, Railton, 8.50am, (see page 22) U3A Beginner Café German , 11.00am - 12 noon, Fudge 'N Good Coffee, Main St, Sheffield, (see page 31) Counter Teas, Sheffield Bowls Club , (see page 23)
Every Sunday		Live Music , 1pm-5pm, Sheffield Hotel, (see page 39) Redwater Creek Model Railway Club , Redwater Creek Railway, 9.00am-12.00pm, (see page22)

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES BY DAY AND DATE

Saturday	Feb 1st	Redwater Creek Steam Train Rides , Spring Street, 11.00 am - 4.00pm, (see page 8 &22) Redwater Creek Model Railway , Spring Street, 10.00 am -3.00pm, (see page 8 & 22) Meet the artist Joanne Mitchelson at Fudge 'N Good Coffee Gallery, Main St, Sheffield, (see page 26) Men's Shed Open Day , from 11.00am, The Men's Shed, Spring Street, Sheffield, (see page 5 & 26) FlowerFEST 2020 , 10.00am - 3.00pm, Sheffield Town Hall, High St, Sheffield, (See page 9 & 24) Registrations Open for Neighbour Day Events , (see page 11)
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WHATS ON IN FEBRUARY? (CONT...)

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES BY DAY AND DATE (CONTINUED)

Sunday	Feb 2nd	Redwater Creek Steam Train Rides , Spring Street, 11.00 am - 4.00pm, (see page 8 & 22) Redwater Creek Model Railway , Spring Street, 10.00 am -3.00pm, (see page 8 & 22) FlowerFEST 2020 , 10.00am - 3.00pm, Sheffield Town Hall, High St, Sheffield, (See page 9 &24) National Servicemans Assoc. Meeting , 10.30am, Devonport RSL
Monday	Feb 3rd	Mates4Mates , Fudge & Good Coffee, 47 Main St, Sheffield, 10.00am Sheffield RSL Sub-Branch AGM , 7.00pm, Sheffield RSL & Citizens Club Inc., (see page23) Sheffield RSL Sub-Branch Meeting , 7.00pm, Sheffield RSL & Citizens Club Inc., (see page23) U3A Film Group , 1.30pm, Kentish Health Centre, (see page 31)
Tuesday	Feb 4th	Wilmot Produce Share , Wilmot Memorial Hall, 6.00pm - 7.00pm, (see page 23)
Wednesday	Feb 5th	Rock & Rhyme , 9.30am-10.00am, Sheffield Library, (see page 28 January Edition)
Saturday	Feb 8th	Old Time Dance , 8.00pm - midnight, Beulah Hall, Beulah (see page 23) KYO SCOOT, SKATE BMX Competition , Registrations 11.30am, Heats 12.00pm, (see page 12 & 21)
Sunday	Feb 9th	Ride to Railton , 11.00am, Railton Main St, opp Burgers & Bikes, (see page 27) West Kentish Hospice Meeting , 2.00pm, Fudge & Good Coffee, (see page 7)
Tuesday	Feb 11th	Kentish Probus Club Meeting , 10.00am, Sheffield Bowls Club, (see page 25)
Wednesday	Feb 12th	Corporate Bowls Commences , 6.00pm, Sheffield Bowls Club, (see page 23) North West Film Society Screening , "Parasite", 6.30pm, Reading Cinema, Devonport, (see page 11)
Thursday	Feb 13th	Sheffield Community Information Evening , , 7.00pm, Sheffield Town Hall, High St, Sheffield, (see page 12) Kentish Garden Club Meeting , 7.30pm, Sheffield Bowls Club, (see page 24)
Friday	Feb 14th	Valentine's Day
Saturday	Feb 15th	Field Naturalists Group , 10.am, Sheffield Uniting Church Supper Room, Main St, (see page 26)
Sunday	Feb 16th	Mixed Bowls Carnival , Railton Bowls Club, (see page 22) Ride to Railton , 10.30am, Railton Town Centre, (see page 30)
Monday	Feb 17th	U3A Music Group , 1.30pm, Working Art Space, Albert St, Sheffield, (see page 31)
Tuesday	Feb 18th	Kentish Council Meeting , 7.00pm, Council Office, High Street, Sheffield (see page 12)
Wednesday	Feb 19th	Sheffield Cancer Support Group, Cancer Council , 9.30am Start, (see page38 January Edition))
Thursday	Feb 20th	Mersey Mens Cancer Support Group , Cancer Council, (see page38 January Edition))
Friday	Feb 21st	Pizza Connection , 6.00pm, Sheffield Town Hall, High Street, Sheffield, (see page 25)
Saturday	Feb 22nd	Back to Barrington , from 10.00am, Barrington Road, Barrington, (see page 1, 3 & 10)
Sunday	Feb 23rd	Chess Club , 3.00pm - 5.00pm, Sheffield Community Rooms, High St, Sheffield (see page 26)
Tuesday	Feb 25th	Clean-Up Australia Day for Businesses (see page 12)
Wednesday	Feb 26th	Mural Fest Volunteers Coffee Meeting , 3.00pm, Tasmazia, 500 Staverton Rd, Promised Land, (see page 14) Advocacy Tasmania , 1.00pm - 2.00pm, Kentish House, 5 Austin Place, Sheffield, (see page 15) The Chapel Lounge , 1.30pm - 3.30pm, Rear Hall, Sheffield Bible Chapel, High Street, Sheffield, (see page 26)
Thursday	Feb 27th	Coffee, Books & More , 4.00pm - 5.00pm, Sheffield Library, (see page 28 January Edition & page 31) U3A Kentish Local History , 10.00am - 12 noon, Kentish Museum, Main St, Sheffield, (see page 31) Railton Community Information Evening , , 7.00pm, Kings Hall, Railton, (see page 12)
Friday	Feb 28th	Clean-Up Australia Day for Schools (see page 12) A Day At The Creek Warm-Up , 7.30pm, Mole Creek Hotel under the Magnolia Tree, (see page 27)
Saturday	Feb 29th	A Day At The Creek , 7.30pm, Mole Creek Hotel Grounds, 90 Pioneer Drv, Mole Creek,(see page 27) New Railton Market, 9.00am - 1.00pm , Inside & Outside Kings Hall, Railton (see page 27)
OTHER ACTIVITIES FOR THE DIARY - March 2020		
Sunday	Mar 1st	Clean-Up Australia Day (see page 12)
Saturday	Mar 7th	Steamfest 2020 , Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, Spring St, Sheffield (see page 7 & 22)
Sunday	Mar 8th	Steamfest 2020 , Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, Spring St, Sheffield (see page 7 & 22) Taste of the North West , 11.00am - 6.00pm, King George V Park, Sheffield, (see page 29)
Monday	Mar 9th	Steamfest 2020 , Sheffield Steam & Heritage Centre, Spring St, Sheffield (see page 7 & 22) Large Mural Auction , 12 noon, Mural Park, Sheffield, (see page 28)
Sunday	Apr 12th	International Mural Fest Begins , Mural Park, Sheffield

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Communities already on water restrictions remain unchanged, except for Bridport which will be increased to Stage 2.

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