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# ROADMAP TO RECOVERY

## 18 May 2020

- Gatherings increase to 10 people (except visitors to households for any purpose, which is capped at 5 people) for indoor and outdoor, including real estate, small religious gatherings and weddings. Funerals can extend to 30 people outdoors.
- Restaurants and cafes in all settings (including restaurants in pubs, clubs, hotels and RSLs) to open and seat patrons of up to 10 people at a time. Seated table service only with social distancing.
- Border controls remain in place, except Tasmanian residents can quarantine in their principal residence if it is suitable.
- Community and local government facilities and libraries allowed to open for up to 10 people.
- Park exercise equipment and playgrounds, pools and boot camps open for up to 10 people.
- Vulnerable people\* are encouraged to stay home and protect their health.

## Stage One - subject to Public Health advice

## 25 May 2020

- Kindergarten to Year 6 students return to learning at school.
- Year 11 and 12 students at extension schools and colleges return to learning at school.
- Aged care visits - move to national restrictions of two visitors, once a day.

## 15 June 2020

- Gatherings increase to 20 people at a time for indoor and outdoor, including restaurants/cafes, cinemas, museums, galleries, historic sites, religious gatherings and weddings.
- Visitors to households to be reviewed.
- Funerals up to 50 people.
- Accommodation, unlimited.
- Camping, overnight boating and shacks open.
- Open homes and auctions can resume with 20 people.
- Border controls remain in place.
- Gyms and boot camps for up to 20 people.
- Beauty services (including tattoo, nails, waxing, facials and tanning) for up to 20 people.
- Park exercise equipment and playgrounds open for up to 20 people.
- Outdoor community sport^ to resume, with up to 20 athletes/personnel.
- Indoor sport and recreation^, including pools with up to 20 people, no spectators.
- Vulnerable people\* are encouraged to stay home and protect their health.

Keep following the health advice and Social Distancing to progress to Stage Two and Stage Three on our road to social and economic recovery.

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## EDITORIAL

I am sure that there have been many positive things that have come out of our new way of life to which we have all had to adapt. Have you enjoyed more family time? Have you made a vegetable garden? Have you learned to cook? Have you shared the cooking and the gardening with the children? Have the children taught you how to use some of the technology that we have come to rely on to keep us in touch with family and friends that may have been more isolated than most of us? Have you started doing more exercise, or started walking the dog? Contacted old friends to make sure that they are OK?

These things are the things that you want to hang on to, and keep doing once we have established our "new normal". They are the things that will continue to keep us grounded and healthy both physically and mentally, That will help keep our families strong and happy.

Change was always scary for some and we would choose not to change when given the choice. Now it has been thrust upon us by necessity we now know that we can do this! Many things will continue to change for some time yet but we now know that we can readjust as needed.

As we progress through the three Stages for Recovery from the social and economic effects of the coronavirus pandemic we must not forget the medical aspects of the threat to our wellbeing. The restrictions imposed on us all are gradually being lifted because we have been either staying home to avoid risk of

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infection to both ourselves and others. Now is the time to start to take small steps forward without taking unnecessary risks. Social distance where you can and should, and download the CovidSafe app in the event that someone that has been closer to you is diagnosed with Covid-19 so that you can be tested. That way we can prevent having an outbreak that will set us all back to square one with lockdown restrictions and a new staged recovery. Continue to stay at home as much as possible if you are in vulnerable categories for your safety.

The most important thing is that we return to a more normal lifestyle in a positive frame of mind. By doing the things that you need to do like social distancing you have done the most important thing to keep yourself safe. Try not to be afraid to go out, just be mindful.

Your local businesses will need your support now more than ever as they will have made significant changes to how they do businesses to make sure that they keep you safe too! Let them know that you appreciate the sacrifices that they have made for you and the service that they have provided especially during the pandemic. BUY SOMETHING TASMANIAN, and more especially buy something local as our businesses need us to as they do not have the tourists to help maintain their incomes.

We are seeing at the moment what our towns are like without the tourists – quiet aren't they? Time will tell if we can support all the businesses that we have locally if they are only relying on local trade. Take care of each other. *Lesley & Doug*

# Cradle Coast Restart Hub

## *Regional Restart Hub launched to help businesses*

The Cradle Coast Authority (CCA) has launched a Regional Restart Hub on its website, to help businesses recover from the impact of COVID-19.

Spokesperson for the Devonport Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Rod Bramich, said the Regional Restart Hub would provide a valuable tool to support small businesses to get through the COVID-19 crisis.

“This is unlike anything our local small businesses have ever seen. The Regional Restart Hub will be a valuable source of information and will help businesses to know that they’re not alone, that we’re all in this together,” Mr Bramich said.

### *The Hub has three key features:*

**Request a mentor** – small business owners can complete a simple online form to help CCA match them with a volunteer mentor. This free service was in April.

**Funding Finder** – users can easily search for grants and other financial assistance, viewing key eligibility information at a glance.

**Tools, tips and checklists** – practical tools that small business owners can work through by themselves or with their mentor, to help them get their business back on track.

*(For more detail on these areas of assistance see page 10)*

CCA CEO Daryl Connelly said that while there were plenty of other websites seeking to pull together COVID-19 recovery information, this one was tailored to businesses in our region.

“The mentoring program and Funding Finder are Cradle



Coast Authority initiatives for Cradle Coast businesses. Our region has been hit harder than others, and our Member Councils and other partners – including UTAS and CPA Australia - are responding accordingly”.

These are all part of CCA’s immediate response to COVID-19. Our Regional Economic Development Steering Group is coordinating the development of a range of medium and long term solutions that will seek to complement, bring together and build on the good work of Chambers, the University of Tasmania, all tiers of government and other partners.

The Hub can be found at [www.cradlecoast.com/regional-restart-hub](http://www.cradlecoast.com/regional-restart-hub)



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# Gatherings & Social Distancing

## Why do we have maximum gathering numbers?

Advice from Public Health Services is that a staged easing of restrictions should occur to monitor the transmission risk of COVID-19. This includes a gradual increase in gathering numbers. Read about the current restrictions on gatherings and “Gatherings Direction” .

It is difficult to maintain physical distancing and effective hygiene measures in large public gatherings.

Restricting gathering numbers reduces the likelihood of transmission and provides opportunities for the community to continue effective hygiene practices.

## What is a gathering?

A gathering is the total number of people present in any single undivided space.

## What is the difference between indoor and outdoor gatherings?

An indoor space is any area, room or premises that is substantially enclosed by a roof and walls (this also applies to temporary structures, for example a marquee). Outdoor spaces are not enclosed by a roof or walls.

## How do I stay safe in a gathering?

COVID-19 is spread through contact with people. In any gathering or setting it is important to maintain:

## Why is staying 1.5 metres from others important?

Physical distancing continues to be the strongest safeguard to prevent the spread of COVID-19. You must continue to maintain a safe distance of no less than 1.5 metres between yourself and others, where safe and practical.

## Why is the 4 square metres per person rule important?

COVID-19 is spread through contact with people. Each person needs 4 square metres of space and this rule applies in all indoor or outdoor locations.

- physical distancing of at least 1.5 metres between people
- hand hygiene
- respiratory hygiene (sneeze or cough into your elbow or a tissues and clean your hands after coughing or • sneezing)
- frequent environmental cleaning and disinfection
- in your own house, when it is only you and your immediate household, and/or up to 5 visitors
- in private vehicles and all forms of public transport including at terminals and bus stops

## How to apply the 4 square metres per person rule

To comply with the 4 square metre rule, calculate the area of the room and divide the area of the room by 4, noting that the restriction on gathering numbers (as relevant to the type of premises) dictates the maximum number of people.

In cafes and restaurants, the operator of a premises must not allow people to enter or stay on the premises (whether outdoor or indoor) if the size of the premises is insufficient to allow for 4 square metres of space for each person (the four square metre rule).

### *Where practicable, the operator should:*

- Read more about requirements of businesses under the COVID-19 Safe Workplaces Framework.
- if delivering an item to, or removing it from, the premises
- if delivering medical, health, emergency or legal services, or end of life support, to a person at the premises and a range of other settings including schools and some workplaces.
- Ensure that staff and patrons are 1.5 metres away from each other. For groups of people dining at the same table, and for staff at times, this will not be practicable.
- Arrange the premises in such a way so that the 1.5 metre rule can be adhered to between patrons from different tables.
- Coordinate arrivals and seating of patrons so that crowding does not occur in arrival/waiting areas.
- Ensure that there is appropriate space between dine-in patrons and takeaway food pickup areas within the premises.

This page from [www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au) has been produced by the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

13 July 2020

- Gatherings: 50 – 100 (indoor/outdoor) with the maximum allowable number to be determined by Public Health.
- Aged care homes allowed 5 visitors and multiple visits
- Border controls remain in place.
- Consider opening bars, night clubs and casinos/gaming.
- Markets to open, subject to Public Health advice.
- Food courts and food vans at markets may open.
- Spas and bathhouses to reopen.
- Day trips and camping for school groups allowed.
- Outdoor community sport<sup>^</sup> to resume, with numbers to be guided by Public Health.
- Indoor sport and recreation<sup>^</sup>, including pools with numbers to be guided by Public Health.
- Vulnerable people\* are encouraged to stay home and protect their health.

## Stage 3 - subject to Public Health Advice

If we all keep doing what we need to do to keep ourselves and others safe we can look forward to these changes back toward a more normal way of life.

But it is still up to all of us to do the right things.

# Rules for Recovery to Continue

## Gatherings

Restrictions on gatherings remain in place in Tasmania to guide Tasmanians through a staged process on the road to recovery.

It is important to be aware of and follow current restrictions to reduce the risk of further outbreaks of COVID-19.

Under the current restrictions, you are allowed to leave your home to use businesses or services that are currently allowed to operate.

The number of people allowed to gather in indoor and outdoor settings is now 10. This may change depending on the size of the venue.

For example, at a large reserve you may have a few groups of 10 people, so long as they are all separate gatherings. However, in a small café, the maximum number of people may be limited to 2 or 3, if the surface area does not allow for four square metres per person.

There are exemptions to the 10 person rule. For example, more than 10 people may be on passenger transport, on a ferry service or vessel, at a medical, health or veterinary service, for the purpose of emergency services, at permitted businesses (e.g. supermarkets, pharmacies), at work (except if your venue or service is prohibited) and at school, childcare or educational institutions.

Read more about gatherings and physical distancing rules at [www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au)

You can take day trips within Tasmania but must observe restrictions around national parks and reserves, businesses and services, shacks and household visits.

It is important to keep up to date with the rules on gathering sizes for each activity and premises.

## Household visits

Visits to households increase to up to 5 people at any one time (the 5 people is in addition to those who live in the house).

Social visits in private households are allowed, however you are encouraged to stay at your residence overnight.

You should continue to maintain physical distancing at all times when you are out (staying at least 1.5 metres from other people), wash your hands regularly and cover coughs and sneezes.

If you are unwell you should stay home and arrange testing for coronavirus, even if you have very minor cough or cold symptoms.

## Vulnerable Tasmanians

Vulnerable people are encouraged to continue to stay home and protect their health, or take extra precautions when out and about. This advice applies to:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 50 years and older with one or more chronic medical conditions
- People 65 years and older with chronic medical conditions
- All people 70 years and older
- People with compromised immune systems
- People with a disability, if you have received medical advice to do so.
- This does not mean that these people are unable to leave home for services or supplies, or to visit others for social support and connection.

• But members of these high-risk groups should take extra precautions to avoid unwell visitors, including unwell children who might not fully understand physical distancing boundaries.

**Movement between residences**

People with more than one residence in Tasmania – such as shack owners - must continue to base themselves in their primary residence. However, if there is a need for a household member to quarantine, then the second residence could be used to separate household members.

Owners may attend a second residence to complete urgent repairs, maintenance or for a security check, but should only stay as long as necessary to complete the relevant task.

**Moving house**

If you are currently in the process of moving house within Tasmania, a common sense approach should be applied to leaving your current home for the purpose of moving your belongings to your new home.

Once you have moved your belongings and left your previous place of residence, your new house will become your primary residence. You will need to comply with the directions to remain in your primary residence.



## HELP KEEP CORONA VIRUS OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY

The COVIDSafe App for mobile phones helps protect our community from coronavirus.

It helps public health workers let people know when they've been close to someone who has coronavirus. Your information is stored securely by the app on your phone.

The more people who use the app, the better it works and the sooner we can get our community back to normal

**DOWNLOAD THE COVIDSAFE APP TODAY AND KEEP KENTISH SAFE.**



# Kentish U3A Inc. Monthly Report



Semester 2 will happen sometime, just not sure when. At least the restrictions are beginning to ease. It's still a matter of 'wait and see' though.

There is a new class that will start up when this happens.

Papercrafts sound interesting and should be a lot of fun. It will be a 6 week course made up of:

Box making - 1 week Card Making - 1 week Paper Tole - 1 week Iris paper folding - 1 week Scrapbooking - 2 weeks.

All the skills learnt can be used in scrapbooking. There will be a total cost of \$30 per person. At the end of the course all participants will be able to take home their mats, knives, storage box etc. and everything they have made. Which means you'll be able to make more creations at home with your new found skills. Classes are limited to 6 participants. If you are interested you can contact Judy on 0428576872. More details next month.

Ukulele members have been keeping in touch via email and video clips of music. Techniques are being circulated to the members to inspire them and encourage practise. Keep up the practice so you'll be ready for the Kentish Uke Fest during Mural Fest.

**IN THE SPOTLIGHT** (and in their own words) - *Local/Family History, Weigh Me and Walking for Leisure*

**Barbara, Local/Family History tutor.** 'Local History classes are held the last Thursday of the month and Family History classes will be held the second Thursday of the month. Local history takes in all aspects including houses, land titles and all other local history items. If you would like more information ring me on 6491 1180.'

**Lynne, Weigh Me tutor.** 'Weigh Me is not another weight loss class, there are no piggy corners, everyone is weighed in complete privacy. In fact the only occasion that the word weight is ever used is when we set ourselves a challenge. To lose weight, to stay the same weight or to set targets for special occasions is the choice of the individual. Our classes are about support, and during the past weeks in lockdown for many of us it has been wonderful to hear a softly spoken voice urging us on and keeping up our spirits helping us see that there is that soft glow of positivity at the end of a dark tunnel lined with negativity. We are approaching, hopefully, the time when we can come together across a table, share a coffee and a good recipe and a great laugh. For further details call me on 0407 240 450.'

**Margaret, Walking for Leisure tutor.** 'I'm not sure if we were originally set up as a 'walking around the town/block group' with the title 'Walking for Leisure'. However, it has turned into a more serious bush walking group, and we still feel it is for leisure and pleasure.

Yes, we walk for 2 hours, 3 hours or all day. Often it takes a 2 hour drive to get to our chosen place in all kinds of weather but the exertion, the views, the mountains and the waterfalls are all worth it. We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful environment to explore. Many of our members are keen photographers and there are always opportunities to capture

fungi, orchids, birds and of course magnificent views. Such a pity we couldn't make it to Cradle Mountain to see the 'turning of the Fagus' this Autumn. Each semester I plan a program that I hope is varied, some new and some already visited, where members can choose to participate within their abilities. If you like to get out in the great outdoors come and join us. All enquiries to me on 0421 648 123. Namaste, Margaret.'

**Leoni, our course co-ordinator,** is always on the lookout for new start-up courses. If you'd like to give it a go please give Leoni a call on 0429705062 and she'll help you get started. It's very rewarding sharing your knowledge and expertise with others.

Till next month

Narelle Newton - 0407660272 (Publicity Officer Kentish U3A)

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## Community Bank assisting with Covid-19 Recovery

We have, we hope, begun the process of recovering from the impacts of COVID-19. This recovery will be long and difficult and we hope that our governments, which have shown such admirable leadership so far, will be there to assist.

While the Kentish community has been shaken badly by the social and economic symptoms of the virus, we may have also been given an enhanced appreciation of the solidarity and cooperation needed to recuperate from the pandemic.

Here at the Sheffield and Railton Community Bank, and on the Board, we have been looking for new opportunities to promote the resilient spirit needed to restore forward momentum. We have been supporting our Council's initiatives to create a business forum to bring together our small and medium sized enterprises to assist each other to recover, and our Branch manager, Grant, and our staff, have been providing great support to our customers as trusted advisors. The Branch has been able to remain open as normal throughout and our Branch staff have done a magnificent job in dealing with the new realities.

As a community bank dependent on, and committed to the well-being of everyone in our area, it is no empty slogan to say that we are all in this together.

We would love to hear from you if you have any ideas and suggestions as to how we can assist. Please feel free to contact us through the Branch.

Lynn Hayward

Chair. KFS Ltd (Sheffield and Railton Community Bank)

PROTECTING YOURSELF AND OTHERS



# COVID-19 testing in Deloraine

If you have any cold or flu symptoms, such as:

- Fever
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Sore/itchy throat

It is recommended you get tested for COVID-19.

A mobile testing unit will be available in Deloraine:

- Saturday 30 May
- Sunday 31 May

Call your GP or the Public Health Hotline (1800 671 738) to request a test. You must have a referral.

For more information on COVID-19 in Tasmania visit [www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au), or phone the Tasmanian Public Health Hotline.

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VC campaign continues for WWII hero born in Lower Barrington

## Teddy Sheean deserves Victoria Cross says Brian Mitchell MP in speech to federal parliament

**BRIAN MITCHELL MP — THURSDAY 14 MAY 2020**  
Tasmanians learned yesterday with great shock that the Government had decided not to posthumously award Teddy Sheean a Victoria Cross.

What made yesterday's announcement grievous for Tasmanians was that a tribunal had recommended to the Government that the posthumous award be awarded. The Government has, for its own reasons, decided not to grant this award.

Tasmanians are united on this. This cuts across all political divides—Labor, Liberal and independent. Tasmanians are united: Teddy Sheean deserves this award. His story is well known. I am sure



• Teddy Sheean was 18 when he died saving 49 Aussie sailors.

most here will be familiar with it—18 years old, lying down on the deck of the HMAS Armadale, shooting at Japanese planes whilst they're strafing his colleagues in the water. He is credited with saving 49 lives and he got a

mention in despatches. There has been a 30-year campaign for him to get a VC. It has gone through a number of different processes. The campaign has failed at every turn.

New hearings were held in Hobart and, in July last year, the Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal recommended to the Government that the posthumous Victoria Cross be awarded. So it is with great disappointment, anger and outrage that we learn that the Government has decided not to award it. All I can say is: please reconsider.

This award is well deserved by any contemporary standards or even standards of the day. I can't imagine why at the time it was decided that he was not deserving of this award, but Teddy Sheean is deserving of this award.

I really do hope that the Government reconsiders its decision and awards it.

### GREAT NEWS!

MY OFFICE AT 53B MAIN ROAD PERTH RE-OPENS MONDAY 25 MAY 2020. WHILE RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE I AM CONTINUING TO LIMIT MY TRAVEL TO ESSENTIAL PURPOSES BUT I LOOK FORWARD TO VISITING THE KENTISH REGION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

## Brian Mitchell MP

Your Federal Member for Lyons

Contact Brian: 6398 1115 (Perth office) | [brian.mitchell.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:brian.mitchell.mp@aph.gov.au)



Authorised by Brian Mitchell MP (ALP, Tasmania) 53B Main Road Perth, TAS 7300

# MAYORS MESSAGE 22 MAY

Construction of the final stage of the Wild Mersey Mountain Bike Trail is underway with work commencing on 55km of trails in the Badgers Range. Keep up to date with the project on the Wild Mersey Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/wildmerseymountainbiketrails/>

The Hopes Mil Corner Redevelopment has started and will continue for six weeks. Council will be creating new seating, garden beds and planning, new fencing and five new murals. It should look fantastic when the works are done. If you are using the Walking Track remember to be cautious to obey the signage and directions on site.

Kentish Council has commenced work on our future economic development and investment strategy. This strategy will guide the Council's economic development actions from 2020 to 2025.

As COVID-19 will have a considerable impact on the economy for months to come, our Coronavirus response and recovery plans will shape the development of this strategy in addition to broader vision considerations.

Feedback is welcomed at any time to Council's Economic and Tourism Development Officer, Hannah Allwood, and will also be sort through an online survey and community consultation. Further updates will be coming soon. Council aims to have the new Strategy finalised by the end October.

The previous Kentish Economic Development Strategy 2014-2019, including an economic profile and associated documents, is still available for reference and can be downloaded here:

Combined Kentish Economic Development Strategy  
<https://www.kentish.tas.gov.au/council/economic-development>

It is refreshing to have some health restrictions eased. This will be a long road back for many. I look forward to June 15 with some of our tourism based businesses re-opening to a smaller audience. Council will play its role in the recovery.

Council is wanting to return to open meetings with public attendance. We are looking at options for the June meeting. Stay tuned on this one.

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Once it was in place, the front wing was added and the front two rooms were used for the Warden and Council Clerks Office until the Town Hall was built in 1914.

Council Meetings were held on a Saturday in the Court House.

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We're looking to help pet owners that could do with a little act of kindness right now. We are providing a months food shipped to the door free of charge. This means they'll be able to feed their pet a high-quality food for a month without spending.

It's just a little act of kindness that might make a big difference to someone's day.



So, if you have a friend or family member who is having difficult time, then show them that you care and nominate them here by going to:

[https://arcsupport.org.au/actofkindness/?mc\\_cid=27f9fbd45f&mc\\_eid=72dbeaa5f8](https://arcsupport.org.au/actofkindness/?mc_cid=27f9fbd45f&mc_eid=72dbeaa5f8)

## STAY CONNECTED

Primary Health Tasmania invites local groups, clubs, and organisations to apply for a small grant to help stay connected via video-conferencing.

Grants of up to \$230 are available to contribute towards the purchase of an annual video-conferencing subscription.



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# Cradle Coast Restart Hub Services

## FREE MENTORING

*Available to all businesses, community groups, not-for-profits, and clubs.*

Our volunteer mentors are experienced business people who want to give back to the region by helping business owners get back on their feet. Our partnership with CPA Australia means there are plenty of qualified accountants in the mix, as well as people from a range of professional backgrounds. The mentoring will be provided by telephone or video-conference at a time, frequency, and duration determined by the mentor and mentee.

Our mentors are backed up by the Tasmanian School of Business and Economics through our partnership with UTAS, and have agreed to maintain confidentiality and avoid any conflict of interest.

**Some examples of what mentors may assist with:**

- Act as a source of information and insight
- Being a sounding board – helping you make sense of ideas and options
- Suggest relevant options for you to seek professional support or advice

Our focus is to ensure we can create quality relationships between mentee and mentor, to help us in the matching process mentees and mentors will need to provide some brief details. Volunteer mentors will ensure the information that could be used to identify the mentee or business is not shared and will treat all dealings with the mentee confidentially.

To get started, simply complete the form below and our staff will then match you with a mentor. This information may be shared with your mentor. Please give as much information as possible as it will assist with the matching process.

<https://www.cradlecoast.com/regional-restart-hub/free-mentoring/>

## FUNDING FINDER

Find and apply for grants and government funding with the

Cradle Coast Funding Finder.

This is a free service provided by the Cradle Coast Authority. Search for and filter funding opportunities by specifying a location, industry and type of project, and view key eligibility information at a glance. The Funding Finder also provides users with email alerts and other tools to maximise your chances of receiving the funding you need.

The site is updated daily and includes the most up-to-date COVID-19 stimulus package funding and hundreds of other funding opportunities provided by government, not-for-profit organisations and the private sector.

<https://www.cradlecoast.com/regional-restart-hub/funding-finder/>

## TIPS, TRICKS & CHECKLISTS

*The following Tips for Businesses in Tough Times provide forward-looking strategies to assist with business recovery.*

If you would like support working through some of the actions below register here for our free mentoring program.

Perform a finance health check

Undertake a SWOT analysis

Review your business plan and rewrite where appropriate

Focus on innovation and efficiency

Take advantage of opportunities

Review and revise your marketing plan

Remain focused on improve cash position

Focus on improving profitability

Consider your funding options

Address the weaknesses in your business

You don't have to go through this alone! These documents might help you identify areas where you would like some free help from one of our business mentors, or you might like a mentor to work through some of these documents with you.

The following links are found on the Cradle Coast Website on the Tips, Tricks & Checklists tab:

CPA Australia COVID-19 Contingency Plan Template

CPA Australia Preparing for COVID-19 Guide Business

Viability Assessment Tool

The Digital Ready Website

Fair Work Ombudsman

Managing Through COVID-19

Employment Issues

Tourism Tasmania Virtual Backgrounds for Zoom

Business Tasmania

The Wellbeing Toolkit

Buy Something Tasmanian

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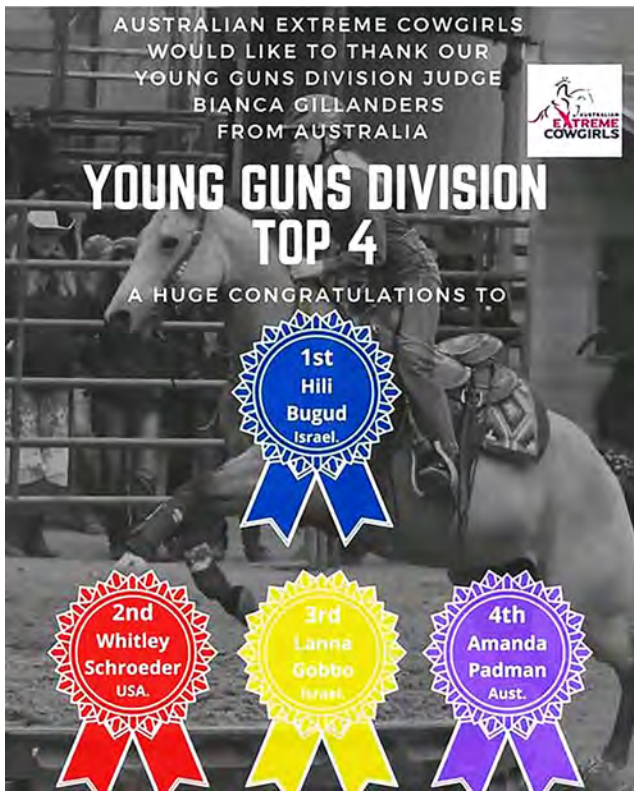
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# Congratulations Amanda Padman!

Amanda and Boof came in 4th place in the Young Guns Division in the Australian Extreme Cowgirls Virtual Show! So proud of you!

## FUNDING BOOST FOR LOCAL COUNCILS

The Morrison Coalition Government has today announced the establishment of a new \$500 million Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program, and bringing forward \$1.3 billion of the 2020-21 Financial Assistance Grant payment to assist local governments across Australia.

Liberal Senator for Tasmania, Claire Chandler, said Kentish

Council will receive \$467,855 as part of the \$500 million infrastructure program, which is focused on supporting local jobs and businesses, and energise local economies which have been impacted by the coronavirus.

“Funding through the new program will provide a great boost to Kentish Council to help deliver priority projects, such as upgrades to local roads and other community infrastructure projects,” Senator Chandler said.

“The Local Road and Community Infrastructure Program will not only support jobs, construction businesses and the economy, it will improve our local roads and provide for new and upgraded amenities to help communities stay connected.

“Potential road projects delivered through the funding may include constructing or improving bridges and tunnels, street lighting, and heavy vehicle facilities such as rest areas.

“Eligible community infrastructure projects include new or upgraded bicycle and walking paths, community facilities, picnic shelters, or barbeque facilities.

“I will be working closely with the council to make sure projects get under way to support jobs and businesses as soon as possible.”

Further information and allocations under Local Road and Community Infrastructure programs can be found at <https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/lrci>.

### SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES AT WORK

	<b>1</b>	Avoid in-person meetings. Use online conferencing, email or the phone when possible, even when people are in the same building.
	<b>2</b>	Unavoidable in-person meetings should be short, in a large meeting room where people can sit at least three feet from each other; avoid shaking hands.
	<b>3</b>	Eliminate unnecessary travel and cancel or postpone nonessential meetings, gatherings, workshops and training sessions.
	<b>4</b>	Do not congregate in work rooms, pantries, copier rooms or other areas where people socialize. Keep six feet apart when possible.
	<b>5</b>	Bring lunch and eat at your desk or away from others (avoid lunchrooms and crowded restaurants).
	<b>6</b>	Avoid public transportation (walk, cycle, drive a car) or go early or late to avoid rush-hour crowding on public transportation.
	<b>7</b>	Limit recreational or other leisure classes, meetings, activities, etc., where close contact with others is likely.



# STAYING CONNECTED WITH TIM WILSON

Hello again,

If you are intending on hosting an online meeting, there are some tips and tricks to having a smooth meeting. These include:

- Ask participants to mute their microphones whenever they are not speaking – background noise is distracting.
- Consider disabling the video component of the meeting if the quality of audio and video starts to drop – video uses a lot of bandwidth. Sometimes it is safer to turn the video off – an example would be when a participant is being a distraction to others (sometimes people do funny things when they forget their camera is on).
- Don't forget to think about what décor you show behind yourself in the video – are you really happy to show your peeling wallpaper?
- Where will you host the meeting from? Which rooms will suit best? Outside might seem nice but consider the sun and wind playing havoc not to mention a rogue pet poodle.
- What clothing is suitable. We tend to dress down at home, will your hoody be acceptable in a business meeting?
- Will you record the meeting? It may be good to have a record for the future. If you decide to record then let the participants know.
- Send an email after the meeting stating the main decisions made.
- It is difficult to speak when you can hear an echo. This problem can often be avoided when participants wear headphones.

Laptops are pretty handy. You can cart them around and have

quick access to a computer. They have some limitations that become evident when you use them all day long. These limitations include a small screen, a sometimes pokey keyboard and not so efficient trackpad. If you are using a laptop day in and day out then you may want to consider improving the experience. A wireless mouse and keyboard can give you more room to move and an external monitor will give you so much more space to work. These extras are easily disconnected when you want to wander off with your laptop. It is worth a thought.



Sometimes we get stuck with technology and it can be frustrating. What do you do when your smartphone does weird things? You should consider an online forum where others congregate to solve problems. The best Australian Technology forum (in my opinion) is Whirlpool. It has thousands of users and is updated daily. You can post a question here and you will probably get an answer. I use it when I get stuck. Is it time to get unstuck? <https://forums.whirlpool.net.au/>

The Cloud. It sounds very natural. With technology it refers to huge computers that store data. They are not up in the sky, instead they are located in huge “server farms” which are secure locations where thousands of computers store data in climate controlled environments. Having your data stored on the Cloud has advantages such as being able to move from device to device and still have your information available. If you lose your laptop then (hopefully) your data will be safe and sound in the Cloud. The cloud also allows more than one person to work on a document at the same time which is good for teams. There are risks as well. These include security – are your documents secure “out there”? Also if the Cloud stops working for a time, you may not be able to access your documents. That can be frustrating. Common Cloud services include Google Drive, Microsoft OneDrive and Apple iCloud.

Tim



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5 Austin Place, Sheffield

Mon-Fri 9am-4pm Ph. 6491 2322 / 0447 325 343

[kentishhouse@glenhaven.org.au](mailto:kentishhouse@glenhaven.org.au)

Kentish House continues to offer support and assistance .

From 27th May 2020 Emergency Relief and Food Pick Up on a Wednesday and Bread Pick Up on Friday will return to a face to face service at Kentish House. Anyone wishing to receive items via delivery are asked to phone Kentish House 0447 325 343 the day before.

Nils (No Interest Loans) appointments are available via phone or face to face to complete applications. For further information or an appointment contact Kentish House

Green Room, youth space will reopen 11th June 2020, 3:00pm-4:30pm. Open to 12-18yr old.

Note this information is subject to change.

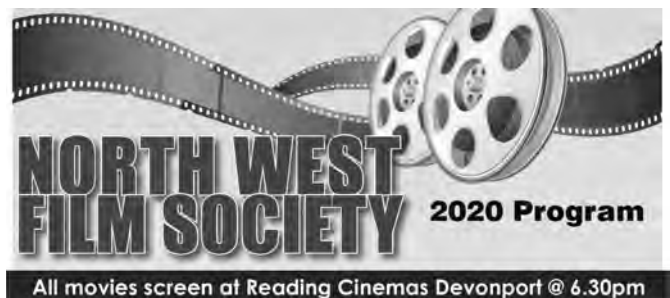
Changes will be notified asap.

Kentish House coordinator Cassandra is available via phone Mon-day – Friday 9am-4pm. 0447 325 343 / 6491 2322

We ask that if you or any member of your household currently have

- \* a cold, cough, flu like symptoms, fever; or
- \* have been asked to self-isolate/waiting a covid-19 test result; or
- \* been in contact with any-one who has been asked to self-isolate/ waiting a covid-19 test re-sult;

**that you do not attend Kentish House/program.**



All proposed screenings by Northwest Film Society have been cancelled at present.

Regrettably, following recent Government restrictions and the closure of Reading Cinemas, we will not be able to screen movies until further notice.

Membership will be held over in credit until such time as we are able to reconvene.

We will be in touch as soon as we have further news. We are disappointed, but look forward to seeing you again in the future.

Contact: [Enwfs@nwfs.org.au](mailto:Enwfs@nwfs.org.au)

M 0431 484 727

# KENTISH COUNCIL

## RATES

A reminder that the fourth and final rate instalment for the 2019/20 financial year was due and payable on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Rates notices for the 2020/21 financial year will be posted out in July. Please ensure Council has your current postal details and pension concession details if eligible.

## PENSION REMISSIONS

Are you eligible for a pension remission on your property in 2020/21? To be eligible for a remission the claimant must be responsible for the payment of rates on the property, have a Pensioner Concession, Health Care or Department of Veteran Affairs card valid as of 1<sup>st</sup> July for the financial year in which you are making a claim.

If you have claimed a remission in previous years and your circumstances have not changed, the remission will be automatically applied.

## DOG REGISTRATION

Dog registration renewals are due again on 1 July 2020. All dogs over the age of 6 months must be registered to the Council in which municipality they live. Renewal notices will be sent out to the postal address on our dog register.

Anyone who has moved in the last 12 months should contact Council to have their details updated or their dog de-registered if it has passed away.

## LIFE TIME TAGS

Life time tags are now issued for all dog's registration. These new tags are a small metal disc with your dog's unique tag number and Council's contact number on one side, with the other side blank for you to engrave your contact details if you choose.

This tag will stay with your dog for life and you will only be required to pay the renewal fee each year. Replacement tags are available through Council if lost or damaged, a replacement fee applies.

## HOPES MILL CORNER REDEVELOPMENT

Works will be undertaken at Hopes Mill Corner, Sheffield for a period of six weeks from Tuesday 19 May 2020.

Works will include new seating, new garden beds and plantings, new post and rail fencing, and five new mural structures.

The site will be closed to the public for the duration of the works. Limited access will be provided for those using the Walking Track. Please obey all signage and directions at the site.

For further information contact Team Leader Green Spaces Sam Blackwood-Beattie on 6491 0200.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2020-2025

Council has commenced work on our future economic development strategy. This strategy will guide the council's economic development actions from 2020 to 2025. As COVID-19 will have a considerable impact on the economy for months to come, our coronavirus recovery plans will shape the development of this strategy in addition to broader vision considerations. Feedback is welcomed at any time to council's Economic and Tourism Development Officer, Hannah Allwood. Feedback will also be sort through an online community and business survey coming soon and through the public comment stage of the strategy anticipated for later this year. Further information and updates can be found on the website.

## KENTISH BUSINESS NETWORKING GROUP

There is now a space for the Kentish business community to freely share and discuss ideas online.

While this group was set up by Council, it has been handed to the business community to moderate and so is a community-owned space available for any business owner/ operator in the Kentish municipal area to join and participate in. Make this group meaningful by getting involved, sharing your thoughts, questions and experiences -

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/kentishbusinessnetworkingtasmantia/>

## WILD MERSEY MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS UPDATE

Construction of the final stage of the Wild Mersey mountain bike trail project is underway. After complying with all the requirements for interstate travellers, nationally renowned trail builder Trailscapes has started to build the 55+kms of trails in the Badgers Range.

The project schedule will see construction commence in Sheffield and trails built through to Railton before the end of the year. Some of the new trails will be available to ride by December 2020, allowing riders to travel from Sheffield to Railton or Latrobe, and ride some of the trails on the lower sections of the Badgers Range.

To keep up to date with the project check out the Wild Mersey facebook page.

## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, 16 June, 2020 commencing at 7:00pm.

# Stroke Telemedicine Equipment NWRH

The Tasmanian Liberal Government is committed to providing better access to health services for all Tasmanians.

Recently Leonie Hiscutt MLC had the pleasure of launching new acute Stroke Telemedicine Service, which will be delivered in partnership with the Victorian Stroke Telemedicine (VST) Service and has been supported by the generous philanthropic equipment donation from the Elphinstone Group.

The Stroke Telemedicine Service will provide the North West Regional Hospital and the Launceston General Hospital with immediate access to skilled neurologists for decision support to assist in the acute management of stroke patients.

This will include the identification of patients who would potentially benefit most from thrombolysis as well as facilitate the transfer of more complex patients to tertiary services for more specialised help.

With the support of this program, as well as local neurologists employed in the North, patients at the NWRH will have 24/7 access to dedicated acute level stroke services for the first time.

I would like to especially thank the Elphinstone Group for its generous donation, including stroke and cardiac equipment, that has enabled the development of a Stroke Service at the NWRH.

# VALE KEN BAILEY

For the members of the Kentish Community Mens Shed the passing of Ken Bailey presents a time of sadness and reflection. Aside from being a foundation member, Kens' contribution and generosity was such that his Life Membership was well deserved and an inadequate reward for his selflessness.

At 86 Ken had a full and rewarding life an account of which was published in the Mens Shed notes in The Voice in 2016 reproduced here:

"One of the Mens Shed foundation members is Ken Bailey who, with his bride of 'a good spell' lives in Roland and enjoys a splendid view of our mountain. Ken is an interesting man whose long life took many turns. He hails from Nottinghamshire (Robin Hood country) and at age ten was already working in a bakehouse as the pot boy. He simply explains this as being necessary with the war following the great depression his Grandma needed help to keep the family together. At fourteen he became a live-in porter and progressed into the kitchens where cooking became a lifelong pursuit interrupted by National Service (Royal Lincolnshire Regiment) then the Green Howards. Serving nine years in all .Ken spent time at Spandau prison guarding Rudolf Hess. In '63 came the Merchant Navy serving as a steward on the Cunard line going to the Americas transferring to Australia based in Fremantle on board the State Shipping service and all ports to Darwin where during cyclone Tracey his vessel was stopped in its tracks and turned sharply around by the immense power of the winds. And on to BHP in Whyalla on the China run carrying iron ore .Then for a change of scenery it was sailing on the Light house ships servicing lights up and down the East Coast. This was when he was introduced to wood turning and carving, a pursuit followed by many a light house keeper to while away the lonely hours. Then followed a stint sailing on the North Sea servicing oil rigs and winning a frost bitten ear and in '82 when a bus driver for the National Coal Board he met Josie Drayton, a match made in heaven."

Ken did not have a funeral for us to pay our respects. Both he and Josie were in quarantine (for the second time) following a spell in the Launceston General. Kenny was cremated and Josie will gather in Victoria with family members. We offer our sincere condolences to Josephine and family and wish them well.

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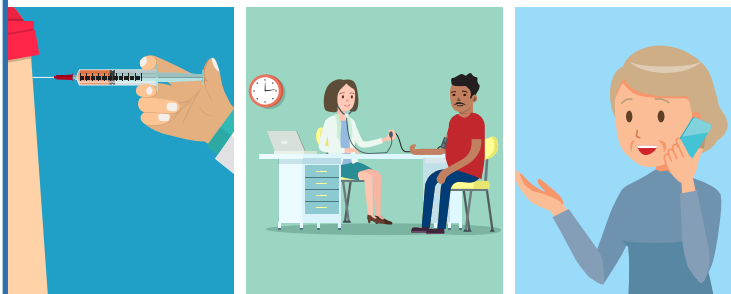
# KEEP YOUR HEALTH ON TRACK



Now more than ever, it's important to keep your health and wellbeing on track. Your GP and health services are still there for you, so there's no need to put off or miss medical appointments, or ignore symptoms during isolation.

There are safe ways of getting all sorts of care, including consultations, vaccinations and prescriptions. You may be able to have a phone or video appointment or even have your medicines delivered.

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## SPORTING ACTIVITIES

### SHEFFIELD GOLF CLUB

After 52 Days competition golf has returned on May 19th – a VETS Stableford with 24 starters. The winner was Ron Duff with 36 points, second on 35 points was Gerry Hopkins.

Some social golf has been played with only two players per hole. We are now allowed to have four players per hole. Social distancing is still required.

Please check the Golf Club website and the Facebook page for any changes in what we can do.

We are now heading into wet and windy weather.

Preferred lie tee to green are in play until further notice.

The type of game to be played will be set weekly.

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

### RAILTON BOWLS CLUB

Due to the restrictions placed upon everyone, we have had a doors closed. Hope everyone is staying safe and well in your homes, due to our season being cut short and some events not held, we hope if everything goes well we might be able to host something in September when we re-open our doors. Our first item on the calendar will be our AGM, we are looking for members to stand up and take over the following positions: Secretary, Treasurer, Sponsorship, Catering and Publicity, these are just some of the positions that are vacant also we have two vacancies on the committee. Please think hard about assisting with taking up any one of these positions to lighten the load. We have been informed that some winter competitions will be starting up, there are very heavy restrictions on the bowler, please take note and do the right thing, this will allow us all to get back quicker. Our thanks goes to our sponsors, without them all clubs struggle, but we have been very lucky to have such faithful sponsors: Cement Aust., Stihl Shop Devonport, Anvers Chocolates, Treloar Transport, JMR Labour Hire, The Sheffield Shed, The Hub, Kentish Financial, Turnballs Pharmacy, Railton Motor and Tyre, Kentish Council- these wonderful businesses have assisted us greatly, if you go into any of these please say thankyou from us as a member and bowler.

Hopefully we might have a plan for re-opening, stay safe everyone and keep in touch.

All the best and until next month, Noelene Purton



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## COMMUNITY NOTES

### KENTISH COMMUNITY MENS SHED SHEFFIELD

We are saddened at the passing of Kenny Bailey, our Life member and one of the founding members of the Kentish Community Men's Shed. Kenny was a well-liked gentleman among our members and his wisdom will be missed. Our thoughts go to his wife Josie.

Continuation of maintenance during Covid-19. Some of the members have been revamping the gardens and water irrigation system. Some of the members have planted plants from their gardens. The brick pathway has been completed to the entrance gate and work now continues to the main shed entrance.

In the new extension painting of the floor has been completed by Peter Morris and Jim Morris, with the



*ABOVE : Noel Bass hard at work*



*LEFT : New member Mick Bailey laying irrigation pipes.*

*BELOW: Mike Taylor lining walls in the new shed extension.*

lining of the walls started by Mike Taylor. When completed machines will be placed.

Members have been contacting each other by phone and email to keep their spirits up. This is one way of supporting the mental health and well-being of our members during Covid-19.



THE KENTISH COMMUNITY MEN'S SHED REMAINS CLOSED AT PRESENT. Once the restrictions are lifted we will meet at the men's Shed Spring St, Sheffield every Thursday from 9am - 3pm. Terry Hughes, President 0429 122 520.

### RAILTON COMMUNITY PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

**The New Railton Market** for May was cancelled due to restrictions and we are now working towards the next market in August. So now is the time to investigate new products. Priority for August's market will be given to those who have already held stalls, and if you are considering having a stall and don't know how to go about it please contact the Market coordinator on 0448 880 726.

**Ride to Railton.** The second Sunday of the month motorcyclists are invited to meet in the centre of town at 11 am. We will start with a coffee and chat and then turn out for a ride. L and P riders are welcome to join us. Restrictions may still apply so please Contact Angus on 0448 880 726.

**Music Group.** We hope you are taking the opportunity to dust off your instruments or trying something new. If you are a beginner, a seasoned professional, or have never played an instrument before you will be welcome to join us for some music fun. Details later. Contact David on 03 6496 1912.

**Let's celebrate!** Yes. Celebrate. When this corona time is over, and it is safe to do so, the Progress Association invites you all to an event. Details will come together later so lets all look forward to good times again.

Many good things have been happening during these past weeks. We have seen many acts of kindness and community spirit, something for which Railton is known for, so if you know someone or a family that is doing it tough reach out to them. If you have fruit or vegetables in your garden share them. And if there is someone out there who is doing it even tougher let us know and we will see what we can do.

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### WORKING ART SPACE SHEFFIELD

Our two galleries, the Albert Gallery and the Pioneer Gallery will remain closed until the current restrictions are relaxed. We are using this time to make some improvements to our internal procedures and look forward to the time when we can hold a re-opening. In the meantime stay home and stay safe.

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### THE HUB INC. REPORT

This month we pay tribute to Mr. Ron Murfet who passed away recently.

Ron and his wife Jean volunteered at the HUB for many years. Jean at the counter in the shop and Ron sorting recycling that had been collected by those with the HUB ute.

Ron & Jean introduced Eli & Ethel How to the HUB. Our sympathy and thoughts to the family.

At this point we do not have an opening date and initially our hours and days may be a bit different, but keep a look out for the flags out the front.

Keep safe and well, and we look forward to seeing everyone when we are able to open again.

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

The Committee

### SHEFFIELD LIBRARY

**Libraries Tasmania has begun a staged approach to easing the restrictions enforced by COVID-19, offering limited services at some sites in line with physical distancing guidelines.**

We began on Monday, 18 May 2020 by offering a **Click & Collect** borrowing service at Launceston Library, weekdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. We now plan to follow with similar services at other large libraries around the state.

If you wish to borrow from one of the below libraries, you will be able to place a hold online and come in to collect your items next week, starting on the following days:

Monday 25 May – Burnie

Tuesday 26 May – Devonport

If you are placing holds via our website, you will need to search for items on our dedicated 'Click & Collect' site – you'll find the link on our front page, just scroll down until you see the box. Change your pick up library to either of these. You will be notified when your items arrive, and the times available for collection.

**We have approval to provide a 'Click & Collect' service from Sheffield library, if you are online, keep checking our website or Devonport library's Facebook page, or the notices on the library's entry doors for our start date.**

If you aren't online, and are not able to access our website through friends, we will contact you about placing holds. If you have a list of items you'd like, drop it into our returns box with your details and we'll place what holds we can for you.

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Go to [www.libraries.tas.gov.au](http://www.libraries.tas.gov.au).

\* Select eLibrary on the home page, where you will find information about borrowing eResources online.

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Ancestry for libraries is currently able to be accessed from your home computer, just use your normal library log in.

## KENTISH GARDEN CLUB

### *Still Keeping in contact with social media*



Facebook has been a great way for members of the Kentish Garden Club to keep in touch while face-to-face meetings are out of the question. Many members are sharing pictures of plants that are flowering or fruiting in their gardens or of curious fungi found in gardens or on expeditions.

A popular recent post was of a pumpkin. Not just any pumpkin but probably best described as a pumpkin only its mother could love! Despite its ugly, warty-look, this pumpkin has a bit of a pedigree. It is a French heritage variety called 'Galeux D'Eysines' and the 'warts' are natural features. As they are only skin deep they don't affect the flesh.

This particular variety originated in France's Bordeaux area but the one posted on our Facebook page, which weighed in at 8.85kg and measured 35cm diameter across the top, comes from



**ABOVE: Pumpkin 'Galeux D'Eysines'.  
Photo Heather Sparrow**

Dean and Heather Sparrow's garden at Nook.

Heather says the skin is thin and flavour delicious but you don't get many fruit to the vine. The seeds are available from Diggers Club for anyone who'd like to give a go next spring.

Sow pumpkin seeds directly in the garden or in individual seedling pots to plant out in late spring after all threat of frost has past. They grow well in a warm, sunny spot with shelter from cold winds. Fertilise regularly and keep well watered as our dry summers roll around. Harvest fruit in late autumn and store in a cool dry spot.

Until restrictions are relaxed, Kentish Garden Club will continue to meet via social media and keep in contact through regular emails. We look forward to meeting again in spring.

For any queries about the club contact Jennifer Stackhouse on 0488 047 011 or follow Kentish Garden Club or Facebook.

Jennifer Stackhouse

President, Kentish Garden Club

## PIZZA CONNECTION

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

We continue to experience life under the cloud of Covid 19 and the restrictions and conditions imposed as a consequence. Some of these are slowly being relaxed but we still seem to be a long way from what we might call, normality. As we have been unable to hold our men's pizza nights, we asked some of our past guest speakers to share brief messages on their response to Covid 19, these have been progressively featured on our Facebook site, another two have been added in recent weeks. If you are looking for slick clips by professional presenters, then you will be disappointed, but if you want to hear heartfelt thoughts of local men, then access through Facebook or Google; Sheffield Pizza Connection and click onto videos.

As previously advised, although our pizza night proposed for 29 May was cancelled, the next night is under consideration. After 13 July and the introduction of stage 3 of the lifting of restrictions, gatherings of 50 – 100 may be allowed, subject to Public Health. This number is not enough for a pizza night and it is presumed that there will still be social distancing but hopefully, there will be further lifting of restrictions.

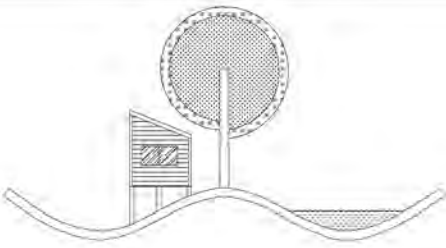
Given the lead time needed to plan a night, we are tentatively considering our next night for late July or early August. Many obstacles and limitations can occur before then but there is a need to at least plan for recovery. More will be advised in the next edition.

In the meantime, for further information on Pizza Connection; Craig 6429 3372, John 6491 2525, John 0407 877 104.

## FUDGE 'N GOOD COFFEE GALLERY

Our June artist is Karen Wakefield, (Kaz). It is always very exciting to exhibit Kaz's mosaic works, which never fail to delight and inspire. Kaz especially loves doing mosaic art as, in her words, there are always different materials, colours and patterns to use. She is very clever in her ability to put expression and personality into each piece and, often, quirkiness and humour as well. Kaz will be exhibiting all of June, so now that you are able to sit in our café and enjoy a coffee, why not come and be dazzled by her art at the same time. The staff at Fudge are looking forward to seeing you.





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Jan Crosswell 0439 911 382

Athalie Verrall 0439 738 770

## Heath Tips during COVID -19

Rural Health Tasmania, Sheffield suggest to:

- nclude immune boosting foods such as apples, berries, garlic, lemons, limes, oranges, leeks and radishes in your diet.
- Enjoy some time outside walking in the fresh air and sunshine.

- Chat with family/friends who make you laugh and give you a boost.
- Connect with your health practitioner for support and to follow your health care plan. Especially if you are feeling unwell or managing chronic health issues.

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## A Time for Hydro Tasmania to Help

As the economic and social impacts of the coronavirus pandemic continue, Hydro Tasmania is following its annual Community Grant Program with the launch of a new series of COVID-19 Community Grants.

Firstly, as part of its largest Community Grant Program funding round yet, Hydro Tasmania is providing up to \$5000 to 11 recipients, all of them either small community or volunteer groups and not-for-profit organisations that are active throughout the state.

Secondly, applications are now invited for COVID-19 Community Grants of up to \$10,000 for community groups who are dealing with the ongoing impacts of the current pandemic.

Hydro Tasmania CEO Steve Davy said the business is here to make life better for every Tasmanian.

“Our clean energy powers the economy and with projects like Battery of the Nation we’re building the state’s future prosperity,

but we also want to make direct contributions to the community that will really make an immediate difference,” Mr Davy said.

“Whether it’s helping the most disadvantaged among us or just putting a smile on someone’s face, Hydro Tasmania is proud to support the people who support their fellow Tasmanians.

“When we launched the fourth year of our Community Grant Program obviously none of us could have predicted what 2020 would be like, so we’re announcing this new one-off round of COVID-19 Community Grants to provide additional support.”

“Our wish is that both our annual Community Grant Program and the new COVID-19 Community Grants will help to keep Tasmanians not only safe, but united with a sense of hope for their future,” Mr Davy said.

Applications for Hydro Tasmania’s new COVID-19 Community Grants are open from 25 May and will close on 5 June. More information and application forms are available from: [hydro.com.au/community-grants](http://hydro.com.au/community-grants).

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# Getting Tasmania Back in Business

In the coming weeks and months, the attention of Tasmanians and Australians will increasingly turn to the recovery plan for both our economy and our way of life following COVID-19.

Of course, we will have to remain continually vigilant in protecting the community and each other from COVID-19 infections, right up until a vaccine is available. However, the commitment and discipline shown by the overwhelming majority of Tasmanians over the last two months has given us the opportunity to see the light at the end of the tunnel, a road back to a more normal way of life.

My focus in the weeks and months ahead is to gather from the community your ideas and suggestions about how Tasmania can get back in business, and how we continue to grow local investment and job creating initiatives.

I'd like to hear from you about what measures or policies you think should be put in place to get business up and running again and Tasmanians back to work.

The support measures put in place by state and federal governments to support local businesses and keep people in jobs

during the crisis is at levels never seen before in this county, with the Federal Government support package already reaching more than \$320 billion. These measures have helped to avoid millions of job losses and thousands of business closures.

However, there's no avoiding the fact that there is a tough road ahead and as a state we must think strategically and capitalise on every opportunity to get our local businesses thriving again and to get Tasmanians back into work.

The focus for Australia during the recovery period should be on building the businesses and industries that employ Australians, but which also add to our national production capacity and supply chains. Food production, energy security, advanced manufacturing and high quality education and skills training will be critical industries that must be supported to rebuild and grow. Tasmania already has an excellent reputation in each of these areas, and we should look to build upon these strengths and create new jobs for Tasmanians.

Claire Chandler, Liberal Senator for Tasmania

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## Where to Get Help if Stressed

**Department of Health Social Work Services:**

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**Beyond Blue: 1300 224 636 (24 hours, 7 days)**

**MensLine Australia: 1300 789 978 (24 hours, 7 days)**

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**Headspace: 1800 650 890**

**Red Cross - 1800 733 276**

**Salvation Army - 13 72 58**

**Rural Business Tasmania (financial counselling) - 6334 2768**

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*Please take the time to check on your family, friends and neighbours.*

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## Robert's Gardening Tips

*Rose season is well past, so why am I so excited about roses?*

Well, because it's time to go shopping for more! There are so many different types of roses and every colour, except for true blue. You have the modern roses, and then you have all the old fashioned roses. In the latter group is the Species roses, which are responsible for all the modern roses we have today. One such group of roses is the Rugosa Rose, which hold a special place in my list of favourites (which is always growing!). The Rugosa rose was first introduced to Europe in the late 1700's, from Japan, Korea and China. In the early days these roses would have been quite common in the Australian home garden, and their hips would have been used to make rosehip syrup. The Rugosa roses are the most robust of all the rose family. They mostly flower at the start of Spring. There are some that repeat over the season, and then come autumn they develop the golden foliage with large red hips that hang on the bush during winter giving much needed interest when there are few flowers. They come in a range of colours; pinks, reds, purples and white. If you buy these today they are grafted and tend to stay under control, but if grown from a cutting they will forget where they were planted and therefore make great hedges. So this is the first rose on my shopping list. Over the past month I have been working on making a rose arbour, but more about that next month when it

is finished. Time now for a cup of tea and some cake while I add more roses to my list, then off to Allan's Nursery, in Prospect. Happy Gardening.

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# Contact Lens and Glasses wearers need to be extra mindful during Covid-19 Pandemic.

Extract from *Optometry Australia Good Vision for Life March 31st 2020*

Full article available: [www.goodvisionforlife.com.au](http://www.goodvisionforlife.com.au)

While health experts are urging Australians to avoid touching their face and eyes during COVID-19, this is a little harder for those who rely on contact lenses and glasses. With this in mind, Optometry Australia is urging all Australians to be extra diligent with their hygiene practices and follow the below tips to lower their risk of infection during this global pandemic.

There is currently no scientific evidence that wearing spectacles instead of contact lenses provides protection against COVID-19, and in line with general advice on safe wear, contact lenses should not be worn if you are unwell.

## Practice good hand hygiene

Practising good hand hygiene is one of the most effective ways to prevent and slow the spread of the virus. While it might seem obvious that contact lens wearers should wash their hands thoroughly before putting lenses on their eyes, a recent study of over 950 daily disposable wearers in the US found that 44 per cent did not wash their hands before insertion.

“COVID-19 presents a good opportunity to revisit hand hygiene, not to mention a chance to remind contact lens wearers what constitutes healthy use,” said Luke Arundel, Chief Clinical Officer at Optometry Australia. “Always wash your hands thoroughly with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds before and after inserting and removing your contact lenses,” he said.

*Ceasing contact lens wear when sick is advised, consistent with guidance for other types of illness.*

## Avoid touching your face

Although it's difficult, resisting the urge to touch your face is extremely important to avoid contracting COVID-19. Health experts are urging people to avoid the eyes, nose and mouth in particular, as these are the most common gateways for viruses to spread.

## Clean your glasses

Although COVID-19 is largely spread through direct close contact with an infected person, it can also be contracted by

touching surfaces that have been contaminated. While it is important to wash your hands after touching any surface, it is equally important to ensure you are cleaning any objects that come into contact with a surface - including your glasses. Some viruses such as COVID-19 can remain on hard surfaces for hours to days, which can be transferred to spectacles wearers' fingers and faces. This especially holds true for 'presbyopes' (people generally over the age of 40 who wear reading glasses) as they may be putting them on and off their face multiple times a day.

## Spectacles are Not Proven to Offer Protection.

There is no scientific evidence that wearing spectacles or glasses provide protection against COVID-19 or other viral transmissions.

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# June Crozzle

Blackwood	E	G	D	I	R	B	D	O	O	W	L	L	I	H
Coal(River)	L	K	O	O	N	C	R	A	N	B	R	O	O	K
Colebrook	A	L	S	S	D	R	O	F	R	O	E	L	C	O
Cradoc	D	S	O	M	H	A	N	O	O	V	D	A	U	O
Cranbrook	S	Y	A	A	O	S	K	A	O	I	R	O	L	R
Cullenswood	D	A	K	S	S	T	T	C	N	T	Y	D	L	B
Don	O	B	W	T	S	L	R	A	D	E	B	A	E	E
Hillwood	O	M	O	O	A	E	N	N	L	E	G	S	N	L
Lagoons	W	U	O	N	T	O	A	R	A	O	S	O	S	O
Lockota	K	S	D	S	O	L	E	C	O	F	W	U	W	C
Low(Head)	C	S	Y	L	R	T	H	N	C	R	A	D	O	C
Nook	A	O	A	E	S	O	S	Y	E	L	M	R	O	O
Oaks	L	P	V	O	R	I	E	L	T	O	N	S	D	T
Oakwood	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”.													
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**Solution**  
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## Fun With Words

In addition to our Crozzle provided by a local contributor this month we have an extra puzzle for your enjoyment  
- **Change a Letter and Pair.**

For each Name in the Left Column, Change 1 Letter to create a new First Name and Pair it with a Surname in the Right Column to find a well known Tasmanian.

e.g. 10. Change “s” to “y” = Guy.  
Now Pair Guy to Green = Guy Green / 10B

### Change a Letter then Pair

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|------------|--------------|
| 01. Vicky  | A. Newman    |
| 02. Kane   | B. Green     |
| 03. Bill   | C. Lyons     |
| 04. Darren | D. Walker    |
| 05. Fay    | E. Warner    |
| 06. Bevin  | F. Bethune   |
| 07. Mark   | G. Baldock   |
| 08. Jax    | H. Boon      |
| 09. Agnes  | I. Ponting   |
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## Cancer Council Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

# VIRTUAL AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

In this time of social distancing, Cancer Council Tasmania is encouraging you to put the kettle on and reconnect with the ones you love by hosting a virtual morning tea via video chat from the comfort of your own home.

### About the event

- 2020 marks the 23rd year of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in Tasmania. The national event is one of Cancer Council Tasmania's leading fundraising efforts and we are encouraging hosts to continue to show their support, even in the current climate.
- The official Australia's Biggest Morning Tea date is Thursday 28th May 2020
- however participants can register to host at any time throughout the year.
- Anyone can register host a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. Simply register online as a host and choose a day and time to reconnect with the ones you love.
- Since Australia's Biggest Morning Tea began in Tasmania in 1998, Cancer Council Tasmania's generous community supporters have raised more than \$5 million by hosting morning teas.
- It's one of the organisation's biggest fundraisers and the money raised is vital as it funds programs and services for those going through cancer including life-saving research, prevention, support programs and information services.
- With those impacted by cancer at a higher risk of COVID-19 due to their weakened immune systems, your support is now more important than ever before.
- Every dollar raised helps support Tasmanians facing a cancer diagnosis during an incredibly stressful and challenging time.

### How to host a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

- Registering to host a virtual morning tea is easy. Follow these simple steps to get involved:
- Decide a time and date and register to host at [biggestmorningtea.com.au](http://biggestmorningtea.com.au) or by contacting Cancer Council Tasmania on 1300 65 65 85.
- Create an online fundraising page that you can easily share with your guests
- Wait for your free host kit to arrive in the post with everything you need to make their virtual morning tea a success.
- Check out your online video options (Zoom, Facebook Messenger, Skype) and try them out!
- Use your decorations to jazz up your at home workspace or kitchen area to show your support. Think bunting, streamers, tablecloths – anything that will make your virtual morning tea look bright and colourful on video chat!
- Get your friends together and host!

### Why host a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea?

Hosting a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event is a great way to stay connected with those you love, while also raising much needed funds for a very important cause.

Show your support for those touched by cancer and spread kindness during this uncertain time. Because [#charitybeginsathome](https://www.cancer.org.au/charitybeginsathome) and we can all do our part.

### FOR WORKPLACES;

- We know that for many workplaces, Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a loved tradition. Just because you're working from home, doesn't mean you can't still enjoy your annual morning tea with your workmates.
- Hosting a workplace virtual morning tea will support you to reconnect, keep your team culture strong and morale high.
- Take advantage of your videoconferencing tools and host a virtual morning tea or team bake off with the ingredients in your cupboard.
- Encourage staff to share photos and donate what they usually would spend on an office morning tea to Cancer Council Tasmania instead.
- Or simply donate the \$5 you would have spent on your daily takeaway coffee or the bus ride fare to and from work.
- Every little bit helps!

### FOR COMMUNITY / FAMILY / FRIENDS

- For friends, families and neighbours, a cuppa over video chat is the perfect way to stay in touch and support each other.
- Use tools like Skype, Zoom or Facetime to stay connected and share a morning tea with the ones you love.
- Or even have a cuppa at the end of your driveway and share morning tea from a distance with the other people on your street.
- Start a Facebook group with family and friends to share your favourite recipe ideas and chat about who's baking what.
- Share your best home-cooked recipes in return for a donation to your biggest morning tea fundraising page.
- Donate the \$5 you would have spent on your daily takeaway coffee
- Or simply dial in and share a cuppa and have a chat with those important to you and donate what you would have spent on making your morning tea treats.
- Every little bit helps!

### Why should I still host an event?

- Every day in Tasmania, 9 Tasmanians are diagnosed with cancer.
- The sudden and overwhelming emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic won't stop the impact of cancer in our community, and in some instances may exacerbate it—which is why your support is so important.
- People impacted by cancer are at a greater risk of contracting COVID-19 than the general population because of their weakened immune systems. Which is why they need our support now more than ever.
- Your support is vital, as it will provide us with essential funding to run critical programs and services for those who need it most now.
- Our services include Cancer Council 13 11 20, which provides information and support to all Tasmanians impacted by cancer. This service is especially important in today's changing landscape.

These services are not government funded but are funded through the generosity of people like you. Which is why we need your support. For How to Host See page 31



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## How to Host a Cancer Council Virtual Biggest Morning Tea

Register to host a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea from your own home. Visit [biggestmorningtea.com.au](http://biggestmorningtea.com.au) or call 1300 65 65 85 to get started.

The official date is 28 May 2020, however you can host your virtual tea anytime this year.

The money you raise through your virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is more important than ever before. It will enable us to support those impacted with cancer during this unprecedented time and continue to fund vital cancer services for those who need it most today.

- When you register, you will receive a free morning tea host kit with everything you need to plan your virtual event.
- If you're unable to host or attend a morning tea yourself and still want to contribute, you can donate directly through the website at [biggestmorningtea.com.au](http://biggestmorningtea.com.au).
- Donate the cost of a daily takeaway coffee, your bus fare to work or the cost of buying lunch.
- Every dollar you raise, however big or small, makes a huge difference.

### Cancer facts and figures

One Australian is diagnosed with cancer approximately every 5 minutes, the length of an average tea break.

- 1 in 2 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer before the age of 85.
- 9 Tasmanians will be diagnosed with cancer every day.
- It's estimated that 138,000 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer this year – that's over 370 per day.

It's estimated that over 1.1 million Australians have either survived a diagnosis or are currently living with cancer.

### Hashtags

We encourage hosts to use the following hashtags on social media:

#CharityBeginsAtHome

#AustraliasBiggestMorningTea

About Cancer Council Tasmania

Cancer Council is Tasmania's leading cancer charity working across every aspect of every cancer. Every day, we support families affected by cancer when they need it most, speak out on behalf of the community on cancer issues, empower people to reduce their cancer risk, and find new ways to better detect and treat cancer. With your help, we're getting closer to a cancer free future every minute, every hour, every day. Find out more at [canertas.org.au](http://canertas.org.au).

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# Welcome to Early West Kentish by Alan F Dyer

The first pioneers on the Kentish Plains settled on both sides of the *Don River between Shoreys Rd and Careys Rd*, and from them emerged the first signs of community. **Francis von Bibra**, a committed Wesleyan, opened his home for church services and tea meetings. He also used his home as an evening school for older children who, during the day, helped their parents clear their blocks. **Robert Manley** (*Glenfield*) added a storeroom in his house to carry basic supplies needed by settlers during the long winter months when their outlet road became impassable. **John Dyer** (*Cloverdale*) offered his barn for public gatherings and his extensive river flats for picnics and ploughing contests. Neighbouring settlers were **William Braid** (*Spring Hill*), **George Redpath** (*Parkville*), **John Charleston** (*Tower Hill*) and **John Davies** (*Springfield*), and **George Butler**, who leased *Vermont Vale* prior to purchasing his own property in Nook. After Francis von Bibra moved on, local settlers erected the **Don School Room** close to the creek on the edge of his property, where **John Harris** became the first teacher, followed by **John Nunn**. Close-by they also erected the **Don Chapel**, a small Wesleyan church, to serve this emerging community. Two decades later, in 1883/4, this district was given the name **West Kentish** for the first time. Let's take an overview of the district commencing from the township of Sheffield.

## South along West Kentish Rd:

Between Sheffield and Shoreys Rd, Surveyor Dooley and other speculators had secured all the prime land along its western side. Later **Charles & Agnes Banfield** (10 chn) lived in the house on the corner of **Cables Road**, where they produced bacon for the West Coast mining towns. *Banfield* eventually sold to **Benjamin Bye**.

Original settlers up **Cables Rd** were **James & Mary Cables** from Arboath, Scotland, who built the first flour mill in Kentish driven by a water wheel. Well-educated James often helped his semi-literate neighbours with their business matters. Next property was **Edwin & Jane Morse** (8 chn) at *Glenfield*, and on top of the hill was **Henry & Mary Day** (6 chn) at *Mt Pleasant*. Between Cables Rd and Shoreys Rd, *Moss Bank's* first owner was **Ben Meyers**, followed by **Arthur Davis**, son of our first local doctor, then **Horace Smith**, and later **A J Skirving & son Joe**. In the early days there was another farm between *Moss Banks* and **Shorey Rd** owned by **A Evans**, then **Woodburys**.

Commencing again from Sheffield along the eastern side of West Kentish Rd, **Thomas Johnson Snr** of *Sherwood* purchased land which included **Field's stockyards** opposite the entrance to **Cables Rd**. Johnson divided it into three farms, selling the first to **William McCoy** (now school farm), second to **Wm & Susan (Manning) Jones** (*Kentish Vale*), and the third farm, *Banksyne*, he kept for his son, **Lewis**. Between *Banksyne* and **Haberles Road**, all remaining land was purchased by **Joseph Crack**. In the early 1870s, after the Christian Brethren evangelists had such a revival in Kentish, Crack gave one acre of this land to erect the first Gospel Hall in 1875. It stood 200m before Haberle's corner until destroyed by fire in 1930. The intriguing story of this influential church and its many families is told in my book *God was their Rock*, now available online. Upon Cracks' death, **Harry & Anne Day** purchased this prime property, and in 1908 erected their commodious homestead *Benacah*, which still dominates the landscape today.

## Haberles Rd:

On the corner **Charles Billing Snr** had a blacksmith shop and

next-door was **John Turnbull's** house. Further along Haberles road, Joseph Crack lived with 2nd wife Jane (4 boys), where they planted those lovely English trees which today surround the family home of **Mayor Tim & Helen Wilson**. Across the road lived the **James Kirkcaldys**, then **Northrop family**, later **Geoff Haberles**, now the **Felcher-Ways**.

**Shoreys Rd:** Opposite **Billing's** blacksmith shop, **John May** had a wheelwright shop prior to moving to Staverton. **William Shorey** from Gloucestershire spent 10 years farming in New York State, USA, before coming to Tasmania and establishing his *Gretton Hill* farm. Over the Don River from his farm is the corner entrance to *Blackberry Park*, leased for a time by **Isaac Wilson**. In 1877 **David & Margaret (Charleton) Hope Jnr** (7chn) built *Donside*, now one of the oldest surviving pioneer homes in Kentish. Between *Donside* and the entrance to *Blackberry Park* was the Don Chapel, opened 9 September 1879. Most trustees of this little Wesleyan Church, like **William Braid**, **George Redpath**, **David Hope**, **William Shorey**, **David Cormack**, **John Duff**, **Thomas Hope**, and **William Morris**, were Scottish Presbyterians, who, finding no church of their own faith, initially threw their lot in with the Wesleyans.

Further along Shoreys Rd was the Don School Room already mentioned, which **Wm Braid** helped build in 1870. He had a Sunday School there prior to building the Wesleyan Chapel. Today an Ash tree marks the spot of this first school in Kentish. Beyond the Don School, we come into the heart of 'Braid country', where a group of inter-related Scottish families settled. In May 1861, **William & Ann Braid** (7chn) bought *Spring Hill*, then added (in 1882) *Eureka*, previously owned by von Bibra. **George & Margaret (Braid) Redpath** (2chn) settled at *Park Hill*, and behind them **John & Isabella (Braid) Charleston** (9 chn) lived at *Tower Hill*.

## Back to West Kentish Rd:

*Wendur* was originally owned by **Edward Easton**, then **William Lutterell** in 1901, and **George Parker** in 1918. In 1925 **Max & Elsie Braid** bought it to raise their 3 children, the youngest being the present owner, **Ian Braid**, who now leases it to tenants.

## Brown Hill Rd:

**John & Margaret Duff** arrived Jan 1864 and called their property *The Gully*, later *Glenleigh*. Duff undertook some road contract work. When eldest son Robert married, John divided his property. The top half he sold to **Robert & Eva (Day) Duff**, who accessed *Lily Valley farm* off West Kentish Rd. Across Brown Hill Rd, opposite the Duffs, lived **William & Christiana Morris** in an area called *Inchman's Hollow*. Son **George & Agnes Morris** took over after their parents. Later **Colin Duff and Wm Kirkcaldy** lived there before the house was eventually destroyed by fire.

## Continuing along West Kentish Rd:

**John & Elizabeth Dyer's** original home was built down beside the Don River, but in 1902 his son **George with wife Louise Dyer** built the replacement *Clover Dale* up on top of the hill next to the West Kentish Rd, which has since been demolished. It was Surveyor Dooley's original intention for the West Kentish Rd to continue directly southward along what later became Lockwood's Rd. Instead, early settlers took a sharp turn westward and cut through the middle of both *Glenfield* and *Vermont Vale* properties, crossing the Don River to access land further west towards the **Promised Land**.

# Welcome to Early West Kentish(Continued) by Alan F Dyer

## Lockwood Rd:

First settlers were **Angus & Mary (Duff) McNab** (9chn), **Peter & Grace Pease** (6chn) at *Cragalee*, and his ex-convict brother **Robert & Mary Anne Pease** at *Holly Hill*. Mary Anne, with 2 small children, followed her convict husband to Tasmania. Later she and Robert sponsored his brothers **Peter & George Pease** to come and join them. After Peter died, Grace married pioneer widower **Joseph Wilson** in his son **J T Wilson's Sheffield Inn**. When the West Kentish Railway Siding was constructed in 1914, Lockwood Rd was re-routed to pass by this station.

## Careys Rd & Browns Rd:

**John & Margaret Davies** (9chn) at *Springfield* were one of the first to buy land in Kentish. With their neighbours **William & Eliza Excell** (10chn) across **Careys Road**, both Welsh families had originally come out to the Tarleton coal mines. South of the Excells were **William & Hannah Jackson** (3chn). Jackson had dropped his medical studies in England to try his luck on the Victorian goldfields. In Kentish he tried to help the sick. **Henry & Dinah (Dyer) Arnott** owned *Glentana*, while his brother **Robert & Eva (Day) Arnott** lived on the corner block where today entrepreneur **Des Brown** has developed his cluster of luxurious **Eagle Nest** accommodation villas with sensational views of Mt Roland. Further down Carey's Rd were **John & Mary Carey** at *Wantirna*. At the end of Brown's Rd, **William & Elizabeth Morris Snr** lived in their *Rose Bank* home, which was later destroyed by fire.

## Further out West Kentish Rd:

two influential speculators from Torquay (E. D'port) put their heads together and bought two adjoining 320 acre blocks that covered all the land from Davies' property to as far west as the present road to Roland. They were **Police Superintendent John Reynolds** and **Police Magistrate Wm T Noyes**, who had both arrived at Torquay at the end of the 1850s. John Reynolds had charge of the Police District between Port Sorell and Penguin district for 18 years, during which time he purchased Devonport's Formby Hotel. Eventually his property was sold to brothers **Sam & John Lamprey** who had both married Carey sisters. Wm Noyes was a bachelor who retired in 1866 and returned to England. Part of Noyes' land was eventually purchased by **Donald & Rachel Cameron** of *Wesley Dale*, Chudleigh in 1884.

## West Kentish Township

In that same year, 1884, the Government purchased a small corner of **John Davies'** big block on the northern side of the West Kentish Rd to build a new public school and Post Office. It was what to call this new district that resulted in the name West Kentish.

## State School and Post Office 1886:

Local builders **Harrison & Charleston** built this new school, catering for 60 children and a schoolteacher's residence. Late in 1885 **John W Hutton** was appointed school principal and local postmaster. The new Post Office opened on 1 Jan 1886, and the new school a month later. On 1 March 1886, John Hutton's wife Elizabeth (21) gave birth to their second child in the new school-teacher's residence, where they remained for 18 years, eventually having 10 children. John Hutton was a popular figure, encouraging the formation of both the West Kentish Cricket and Football Clubs.

## Cameron's Hall & Sportsground 1890:

**Donald Cameron** was also a sports-loving community man who

offered his flat paddock as a cricket and football ground. He even erected a slab building, known as **Cameron's Hall**, where the sport clubs and locals met. West Kentish produced keen sports clubs with many notable players. In 1890 the Presbyterian Synod of Tasmania sought to open several Presbyterian churches amongst the many Scottish settlers throughout the Kentish district. Being Scottish, **Don & Rachel Cameron** offered their new hall for a Presbyterian tea meeting on Wednesday 3 December 1890, attended by the Church Moderator of Tasmania. Catering was done by **Mesdames Cameron, Braid, Redpath, McNab, Morris, Boutcher, Arnott, and others**. This resulted in most of the Scottish people deserting the Wesleyan services in the Don Chapel on Shoreys Rd and commencing Presbyterian services in Cameron Hall, West Kentish. A minister was assigned to visit each Sunday, a Sunday School started, and a couple of years later a block was purchased to build their own Presbyterian church.

## Padman builds New Country Store.

In 1899, **Donald Cameron** sold part of his farm to young entrepreneur **Vern Padman** from Sheffield, who erected a large general store with a house behind that still stands today. Then he replaced Cameron's Hall with a larger hall that had a movable stage and gallery capable of holding 100 people. It was opened on 13 June 1900 with the West Kentish Cricket Club holding its annual concert and ball. Padman did stay long, and in February 1901, sold his new general store/house to Irishman **Joseph McClenaghan**, but retained ownership of his new Hall. In May 1903, Donald Cameron sold the remainder of his farm to **Jim & Elizabeth Cox** before moving to Penguin. Jim dug miles of trenches to drain his marshy ground and in 1915 erected the present house *Eden Vale*. In 1946 **Claude & Jean Davies** bought this farm which is still owned by family.

## McClenaghans take over Store 1901.

**Joe McClenaghan** had worked for Holder Brothers, Fingal for many years before commencing on his own. He and his wife Ethel walked from Sheffield out to West Kentish, each carrying just one suitcase. But before long, these two popular shopkeepers had a thriving business. **Walter Parker** opened a blacksmith shop and **George Wright** a bootmaker business. An Exclusive Brethren Hall opened in 1907, but only lasted about 8 years before closing. When the Roland Railway Line opened, Vern Padman removed his hall from West Kentish into Sheffield opposite the new Railway Station. In August 1936, **Jack & Gertrude McClenaghan**, who succeeded his parents in the shop, built a new galvanised Public Hall.

The surviving Presbyterian trustees of the original Wesleyan Chapel on Shorey's Rd sold it 20 May 1912, for a private residence to **John Jordan**, who was leasing *Blackberry Park farm*. On 15 Aug 1915, the new Presbyterian church, built opposite the West Kentish shop by **Horace Padman**, finally opened. Its church elders were **Rev John Meers, James Hope (Sheffield), James Braid (WK) & Wm Milne (Paradise)**. Things went well for a couple of decades, but when the Synod was unable to replace their ministers, all three Presbyterian congregations in Kentish closed. In a strange twist of events, in Oct 1937 the Sheffield circuit of Methodist churches decided to purchase the empty Presbyterian church to recommence Methodist services in West Kentish. These continued for nearly two decades, but eventually the old wooden church was demolished. The West Kentish School closed in 1935 and **Luck Bros** transported its two buildings into Sheffield to become the domestic science block of the first Area School opened in Tasmania.

## CHURCH NOTICES

**Please note that most Church Services have been cancelled until further notice due to Government order in response to the COVID-19 threat to your health and the wellbeing of our community members. Please contact the various Churches for guidance and current advice as this situation is constantly evolving.**

### Lower Barrington Baptist Church

Sheffield Road, Lower Barrington  
 Pastor: Rev Chris Aulich  
 Sunday Services are still in abeyance, and we will consider resuming in Stage 2, depending on State Government advice. Church services are held, by emailing / hand delivering service sheets to the fellowship to continue our communion with God from home.  
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## Anglican Churches

Church Service Times :

### Railton

2nd Sunday H.C. 9 a.m.  
 4th Sunday M.P. 9 a.m.

### Kimberley

1st & 2nd Sundays MP. 10:30 a.m.  
 3rd Sunday HC. 10:30 a.m.  
 4th Sunday Home Church 10:30 a.m.  
 5th Sunday No services

### Roland Gospel Hall

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Always pray to have eyes that see the best, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith.

## POLICE REPORT

With winter now in its official months it is again time to do those checks on the vehicle (the ones that you have all been doing on a regular basis in any case). Are your tyres in good condition? Do your headlights, brake lights and indicators work? Is there any fraying of the seat belts? These are just some of the checks you can do to ensure your car is as safe as can be.

Remember to drive to the conditions (icy roads, sun in the eyes) and take things a little slower. Let's arrive at our destinations alive.

There has been a number of crimes committed within the last month in the Kentish area where an unoccupied house in Beulah was entered and items stolen. Police are investigating. There has also been a number of fraud matters reported to police. One of these included a computer related crime where remote access to the computer was granted and monies removed from a bank account. The offender in this circumstance posed as being from the NBN. There are a number of scams similar to this such as someone pretending to be calling on behalf of the bank, some one calling from Microsoft etc usually asking for banking details. There are a number of other scams which can be located on the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC – previously known ACORN). This can be located at [www.cyber.gov.au](http://www.cyber.gov.au) which is a reporting mechanism and a hub for information relating to cybercrime.

In other matters, the Sheffield District School was also targeted with several windows being damaged. A youth has been interviewed by police and is currently being dealt with under the Youth Justice division.

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