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Editors' Note

Something old, something new. First the new: the Korumburra Round Table (page 9) is a group you really need to know about as they are helping to make plans for Korumburra's future. They would love to know what your thoughts are. Also, some important new initiatives for Korumburra are announced by the Shire on page 10. Something old: Ivy O'Neill Park is new but who was Ivy O'Neill? The answer is on pages 4 and 5. Also look out for the story about the Korumburra volunteers in the 1914 - 18 war; as well as the background article on Burra Sports and Cycles' 30 year anniversary. Happy reading!

Don & Gail Patterson

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Ivy O'Neill Park, Mine Road Korumburra

Over the last 12 months or so we have seen the area on the corner of Mine Road and Issell Street transformed into a tidy park well worth a visit following the great effort of many people, largely the O'Neill family.

The O'Neill family has installed tables and seats which are undercover with an electric barbeque facility planned for the future. The family wish to thank all those who have assisted.

A large commemorative stone features a plaque dedicating the area to Ivy O'Neill who at the age

of 27 was left widowed following a mining accident when her husband Frank was killed and left with four boys (Ken, Vincent, Ray, and Charles) to raise by herself. This she largely did by keeping a few cows and sending the milk to the Korumburra Butter factory. They were hard times without government assistance.

It is also hoped in the near future to establish a walking path which in time will wind its way down to Coal Creek.

(see page 5 for more details about Ivy O'Neill)

120th Korumburra Show 2015

The Agricultural & Pastoral Society is already arranging and booking attractions for the 120th Korumburra Show that will be held next February on Saturday 14th. Extra resources will be required as we anticipate running a "Battle of the Bands" to offer the recent Busker Event artists an opportunity to further exhibit their musical skills. We look forward to the community, Youth Council and schools assisting with the organising and judging as well as participating in this key event.

The traditional activities of the annual Agricultural Show will still be happening with pony club and two ring events on the oval as well as the Showman's Guild rides, trade space, fire brigade, working horse and tractor display, pet parade, animal nursery, coloured sheep, chooks, cattle, exhibit pavilion with all of the crafts and competition, also food catering, Miss Showgirl, face painting, wine & cheese tasting, etc.



The magician will again present his amazing tricks at next year's Show

Some new attractions next year will be aboriginal art, Flyball dogs, line dancing and Irish dancing and historical readings/poetry from Margaret Walters and John Warner relating to the history of Korumburra.

On Sunday 15th February the whole day will be devoted to equestrian events with 3 rings active.

The vista of the Showgrounds is now greatly improved with the removal of five aged and dangerous trees and we look forward to planting colourful exotic trees in memory of families that have had several generations connected to the society.

The addition of the splendid lighting in 2013 through the Korumburra-Bena Football/Netball club is an excellent enhancement for events.

Next year there will be room for some new committee members. So anyone

who thinks they could assist and is interested in joining the team to help the community have an enjoyable show in Korumburra please contact Syd on 5655 1247 or Doug on 5655 2923.

Korumburra Croquet Club

The Korumburra Croquet Club season has drawn to a close with the AGM being held in May at the clubrooms in Victoria Street.

A social day will be held each month during the winter to keep in touch with members - new ones welcome.

Recently, members supported the Regional Championships held at Traralgon and Morwell

with refereeing and catering. Gippsland hosts these Championships every nine years.

In April we received a grant from South Gippsland Shire towards a new stove for our clubrooms. and more recently we received a grant from Vic Health for three sets of balls.

Our new season starts early in September.

Anyone who would like to try Croquet please contact Ruth 5655 2175 or Joan 5655 2126.

The life of Ivy Mary O'Neill

Ivy was born in 1899 at Leongatha, South Gippsland, the third child of 10 children of William and Minnie Bolch. Her parents were settlers on the Tarwin River at Koonwarra, having arrived from Melbourne several years earlier. Ivy's Grandparents, the Bolch family, were originally from Wuttenburg in Southern Germany, arriving in Melbourne in 1857 as a family of two parents and eight children.

Ivy went to Koonwarra School and later worked on the family farm. She married Francis Joseph (Frank) O'Neill in 1918 and had a family of 4 boys - Ken, Vinny, Ray and Charlie.

Tragedy unfortunately struck the family when Frank was killed by a rock fall in the Austral coal mine in 1927 leaving Ivy with her very young children. Ivy resisted calls from concerned friends to place the children in foster care and declared that she would raise the children on her own.

Over the years Ivy worked very hard, milking a few cows, rearing calves, having her own poultry for eggs and growing her own veggies to sustain the family at her small Mine Road, Korumburra property.

Ivy was indeed a very inspiring lady and mother of great dignity who was held in high esteem



*Ivy, aged 80, with sons
l to r; Ken, Vinny, Ray & Charlie.*

within her community. Ivy passed away in Korumburra at the age of 88 in 1987.

Her four sons all became very responsible community members, both Vinny and Ray serving in the AIF in New Guinea during WW2.

All four boys entered commercial life, Ken as a stock agent, beginning with the AML&F and later with Elders, still carrying on an agency until he was nearly 90 years old.

Vinny was also a stock agent, working with "Gippsland & Northern". As an auctioneer Vinny became a legend for his prowess at extracting bids from the stubbornest of cattle buyers.

Ray began his career as the manager of "Williams the Shoemen" in Korumburra and later Leongatha. Ray went on to co-found La Trobe Valley Permanent Building Society at Traralgon, a company that is now Latrobe Investments.

The youngest, Charlie, went on to own and operate a dairy farm at Korumburra.

All four boys were sportsmen, in their younger days playing football and later golf.

Sadly Vinny passed away in 1993, Ray in 2007 and Charlie in 2012.



*Ivy with
her very
young
family &
her sister
Olive with
her
husband
Les
Ullithorne
and child.*

Korumburra CWA

We currently have only six members and would love more people to join. I am sure there are some clever ladies out there. If you can sew, knit, crochet or do floral art etc, we would love to have you. We were very successful at the recent handicraft exhibition and we are very proud of our members.

We meet monthly for afternoon tea at members homes to discuss fundraising for our local community and organisations to which we distribute funds. C.W.A is not all scones, jam and cream. We meet at Milpara House on the 4th Friday of the month. Please come and join us. We would love to have you, as we are a friendly happy group.

Contact: Dot 5655 2004 or Norma 5655 1717.



Milpara (Korumburra's) Community House

Milpara Community House has something for everyone from the pre-schoolers at Playgroup to the Internet for the Over 50's. Why not drop in and see

for yourself at 21 Shellcott's Road, Korumburra. Milpara is part of a Learn Local network providing education and training in your community. We have classes for all levels of learning. Enrolling in an **adult education class** is also a great way to meet new people as well as learn a new skill. You can improve your reading and writing with an adult literacy class or an English for migrants class.

If you require skills for work, Milpara offers a range of **training courses** that are in demand by employers. Every term we run the following courses: First Aid courses; computer classes from beginners to the more advanced MS Office programs, MYOB, QuickBooks; Food Safety Level 1, Food Safety Supervisor Level 2, Responsible Service of Alcohol and Construction Induction required for entry to construction sites.

If **art and craft** is more your passion we offer painting and drawing with a local artist, beading and gift card making.

The **Creative Writing** class is a friendly class that encourages people at all levels of ability to develop their writing skills and past students have gone on to publish books.

For new people to the area we hold a quarterly **Newcomers' Luncheon**, where you can make friends and learn about the local area. Our next luncheons are on Tuesday 3rd June and 5th August at 12.30pm.

Milpara Men's Shed is situated at Coal Creek and is open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.30 am to 1 pm. For men who are not interested in the workshop-based men's shed we have a men's discussion group "For the Blokes" which meets every Friday morning at Milpara.

Milpara's community support services include a Centrelink Agency, emergency foodbank and an information and referral service.

We have a fantastic army of volunteers who form our committee of management, help out with Playgroup and in the office, tutor classes and cook for our food bank. We would love to hear from anyone who has a green thumb to keep our garden beds blooming and be involved in developing the new children's garden. Our AGM will be held in September and this is an opportunity to make a difference to your community by becoming a member of our committee of management.

If you would like to share your skills at Milpara or would like further information about us, please contact the Co-ordinators Sandra or Jenni: 5655 2524 or email milpara@dcsi.net.au.

Carinya Lodge Auxiliary

We hold our monthly meetings at Carinya Lodge on the 2nd Monday of each month at 3.30 pm. On that day our members visit Carinya Lodge, take a tasty afternoon tea for the residents and have a friendly chat with the people they know as well as those they may not know so well.

We arrive about 2 pm and when afternoon tea is over we have a very short meeting in the Lodge Staff room.

The residents appreciate our visits each month and it is a rewarding experience for all concerned.

At our annual meeting we elected a new

President, Marion Frank. Lorraine Tousel retired after 15 years and we sincerely thank her for all she has done for Carinya Lodge for so many years. Marion is also a member of the general committee of Carinya Lodge, and we thank her for accepting this position.

We would welcome others to join our Auxiliary.

Please note this date in your calendar:


Soup, Sandwich and Sweets Luncheon - Friday 5th September.

The luncheon will be held at the Senior Citizen's Centre between 12 pm and 2 pm.

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Where is this sign?

What does it say?

You may well ask!

Thankfully the Korumburra Round Table committee is addressing this and other issues at its meetings (see article on the opposite page). By the way, the sign is on the Melbourne side of town on the embankment behind the first Korumburra town sign.

The words are:

*Welcome to Korumburra
Heritage Centre of South
Gippsland.*

We think the artwork depicted is a steam train, a horse pulled dray and maybe the poppet head.



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Korumburra Round Table

The Korumburra Round Table members have continued their regular monthly meetings and have embarked on some exciting new activities! June will mark the first six months of operation – and it has been an interesting and busy time for the members.

The initial call for nominations from community groups resulted in six nominations to the core group which met in October last year and elected the chair and started the process of establishing the terms of reference for the KRT and deciding to call for nominations from the community.

In November the core group met again and went through the nominations and decided on the final make up of the KRT. The group decided to meet monthly for the first six months of 2014 and then review what it had achieved and open nominations for the chair and membership again.

By the March 2014 meeting the committee wanted to start doing something positive for the Korumburra community so a small project team was established to look at what could be done to enhance the main gateway to Korumburra on the western approaches to the town on the South Gippsland Highway. The team came up with a project plan and put

a budget submission to the Council for consideration in the budget preparations in April.

A number of Council officers have made presentations to the KRT on various aspects of their areas of expertise and more are planned. We have also arranged a presentation by the Managing Director of South Gippsland Water for the July 2014 meeting.

The operation of the KRT will be reviewed by the membership at the June 2014 meeting. The Chair believes that the enthusiasm and energy of the committee bodes well for the long term viability of the KRT and would encourage the community to work with the Round Table!

If you are interested in the future development of Korumburra, or maybe you just have some thoughts on how best to take Korumburra into the future - then please contact John Davies, Round Table Chair on 5655 2027, or

Barbara Look, Council's Community Strengthening Officer on 5662 9319 or barbara.look@southgippsland.vic.gov.au All contributions and feedback welcomed!

Korumburra Landcare

Weed control is high on Korumburra Landcare's agenda as well as tree plantings. They have a tree planting planned for a property in the Kongwak area and another planned for Carinya Lodge in the near future.

Their next meeting is to be at the Outtrim Reserve on Friday 20th June. It is planned to have a casserole tea, starting at 7.00 pm with a

guest speaker. Later in the year a meeting will be held at Bronwyn and Burke's Prom Country Cheese property at Moyarra.

For anybody interested in becoming involved please contact:

Dave Bateman 0488 399 151 or Brian Enbom 5657 3261.



Come for the beauty... Stay for the lifestyle

Improvements for Korumburra in the pipeline

The recent rezoning of the Korumburra library site makes it more enticing and valuable to developers interested in a large retail site development, according to Council's Director of Development Services, Mr Phil Stone. (The Minister for Planning approved the change from Public Use Zone 7 to Commercial 1 Zone on 24 April.)

"I believe that appropriate development on this site has potential to stimulate the town's economy and to open opportunities for new community facilities," he said. "This is the kind of outcome Council envisaged when applying for the rezoning and naturally we would work with developers to come up with an appropriate plan. With the recent rezoning of residential land and clear strategic direction for the town centre outlined in the Korumburra Town Centre Framework Plan, a development on this site will provide a much desired boost for Korumburra."

At the time of printing, a further two Planning Scheme Amendments (PSA) that will have impacts on Korumburra and district are set to come before Council on 28 May for adoption.

They are:

PSA C92: Volunteer Heritage Overlay.

Five of the 18 properties that owners volunteered to have the Heritage Overlay

applied to, are in Korumburra. All have houses of heritage significance, with some having been built for people who were notably involved in the town's early growth and progress. Four of the properties are grouped near the intersection of Bridge and Victoria Streets and the fifth is located further along Bridge Street. The owners are keen to have recognition for buildings that are a visual reminder of the links to the community's roots.

PSA C93: Korumburra Town Centre Framework Plan

It proposes to include the relevant principles from the Korumburra Town Centre Framework Plan: Framework Report 2013 into the South Gippsland Planning Scheme. Any new developments (whether private or public) in the town which require a planning permit application are assessed according to these principles. The aim is to have development which provides access, safety, open space and services while retaining the character and views of the town... desires strongly conveyed during the consultation process.

Watch for articles in local newspapers after 28 May or visit www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au to read the Meeting Minutes to discover what happened!

Coal Creek Probus

Would you like to meet other people in your local community?

Semi-retired or retired - it doesn't matter; come along and join the fun. Our club is 11 years young and we have many varied activities: dine-out club, writing group, book exchange and tours. These are some of the interesting things we do.

In March our Members enjoyed a cruise trip out from Rhyll and later went on a tour of the Desalination Plant. Our April trip was a ride on the Melbourne Star and an interesting tour with lunch at Etihad Stadium. In June we are heading

to "The King and I". We are also planning a trip to Tasmania later in the year.

Maybe you have a special interest you would like to share with others? We would like to invite you to come along and see what Probus is all about - enjoying fellowship with like-minded people.

Our meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month, commencing at 10 am at the Showgrounds Amenities Complex, Korumburra.

President: Margaret Issell 5655 2514

Secretary: Cheryl Routley 5658 1074

Centenary of World War One 1914-2014

As we know this August marks the centenary of the start of WWI. The Korumburra RSL has decided to mark this occasion by researching and documenting, as far as possible, the details of our fallen servicemen commemorated on the Korumburra cenotaph. Our cenotaph honours those servicemen who lost their lives from the Shire of Poowong and Jeetho and later the Shire of Korumburra for both WWI and WWII. Listed on our cenotaph we have 165 men from WWI & 53 from WWII.

The first assumption that I have always believed is that the honour roll named all who went away and lost their lives, never to return home. Our research indicates that several of these soldiers listed not only returned home, but lived for many years after the Cenotaph was dedicated in 1922. The next assumption is that the soldiers/airmen listed are all locals. Whilst local families form the majority of names, there are some who, from reviewing their service records, have little, if any, known connection with our district. So the search for these connections continues.

One of the things that has become obvious is how quickly our district responded to the call for volunteers. Many of our volunteers would appear to have enlisted in August 1914, the same month that war was declared. Our local newspaper at the time "The Great Southern Advocate" reported on 20 Aug 1914 *"On Tuesday a number of volunteers from Korumburra, who have been accepted for the expeditionary force, left by the afternoon train for Melbourne, where they will go into camp with the other members. The Citizens Forces have been ordered to Queenscliff, and the Korumburra contingent will leave by train on Friday"*.

Groups of volunteers would be leaving over the next four years, a scene repeated many times for both WWI and WWII.

In reviewing the various campaigns and the locations of where our soldiers "fell", another point worth reflecting on

is the fact that most of the major battles of WWI and WWII are represented. We had soldiers lost on the first day at ANZAC, the battles of Lone Pine and "The Nek". Fromelles, Pozieres, Ypres, Beersheba, Le Hamel, Peronne and Villers Bretonneux are all represented with Bardia, Tobruk, El Alamein, Singapore, Malaya, Thailand, New Guinea and Borneo from WWII.

Our worst day of either war was 19 July 1916. We lost six killed in one day, with another three dying of wounds. For the month of July 1916 we lost 16 of our men. This was at Fromelles/Pozieres. At Mennin Road on 20 Sep 1917 we lost another six soldiers, with many additional deaths over the Sep/Oct 1917 period.

Unlike WWI, WWII also saw many of our local men join the Air Force. Twelve of our 53 losses from WWII are for RAAF personnel. Our airmen served throughout the war on many different "fronts". Many of our losses were for operations over Europe whilst serving with Bomber Command or Fighter Command.

The Korumburra RSL sub branch is planning to honour the memory of these men by conducting a special "Roll Call" on 25 April 2015. If you can help with information, photographs etc, or would like to participate by commemorating a fallen family member honoured on our Cenotaph, please contact the Korumburra RSL.

Tony Moon



This is believed to be an element of the "Citizens Forces departing Korumburra for Queenscliff on the 7 Sep 1914. This would be H Coy 48th Militia Bn. (The Kooyong Regt)

What's On at Korumburra Library – Winter 2014



World Wide Knit in Public Week!

Monday 16 June - Saturday 21 June Celebrate 'Worldwide Knit in Public Week' and drop into our pop up knitters lounge throughout the week! Bring your knitting or favourite yarn craft and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, browse our selection of textile titles and mingle with other crafters in your community.

Korumburra Library, Leongatha Library

Between the Covers

**Thursday 14 August, 10.30 am,
Korumburra Library**

Come and have a cuppa and a chat with other readers in your community. This session will focus on children and what they like to read, so if you're a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle or carer this will be a great session for you. Children welcome.

Children welcome.

Bookings are free but essential:
www.wgrlc.gov.au

Tech Talks

Need a hand with a new gadget or some help with email or surfing the web?

Call Korumburra Library to make a one hour appointment with one of our tech-savvy staff - we're not experts but we can help. ph 5655 1105

Heading north for winter?

Get tips on staying in touch with family and friends and managing your photos while travelling - your eDevice or smart phone can make it very easy!

Wed. 4 & 11 June, Leongatha Library, 2.30pm

Free bookings can be made at:
www.wgrlc.eventbrite.com.au

Celebrate National History Month!

Let us show you how your eDevice, laptop or our library computers can help you discover more of

your family history.

Wednesdays, 6 & 20 August
Leongatha Library, 2pm

Story Time

Korumburra Library, Mondays, 10.30am

Story Time with Julie-Anne is back - come along for a fast-paced, fun session of songs, stories and rhymes suitable for preschoolers. Younger siblings welcome.

Lego Club

Come and take over the Library with Lego! Suitable for kids 5-12 years.

Leongatha Library, 4pm, Thursdays 5 June, 3 July & 7 August

Blokes' Reading Shed: The Reading Hour 2014

Join in the nationwide celebrations for the Reading Hour at Leongatha Library with our "Blokes' Reading Shed" - calling all dads, granddads, uncles, carers and kids! Enter the Blokes' Reading Shed and share some seriously good kids books and stories, plus make your own fold up shed to take home!

Leongatha Library, Tuesday 19 August.

Nyora Mobile Library

The mobile library visits Nyora every second Saturday in Mitchell Street opposite the General Store from 10.15 am – 12.45 pm.

Coming dates:

June 7, 21

July 5, 19

August 2, 16 & 30

Korumburra Library hours

Monday	10.00 – 12.30	1.30 – 6.00
Tuesday		1.00 – 5.00
Wednesday	10.00 – 12.30	1.30 – 6.00
Thursday	10.00 – 12.30	1.30 – 6.00
Friday		1.00 – 5.00
Saturday	10.00 – 1.00	
Phone/Fax:	5655 1105	

Poowong Library

Story Time with Tracey is on every Tuesday at Poowong Library at 11.45am.

Poowong Library hours:

Thursday 3.30 – 5.30

Friday 11 – 12.30 1.30 – 4.30

Phone: 5659 2349



Get some ideas on good books to read with children at Korumburra Library's Between the Covers session on Thursday, 14th August (see opposite page for more details)

Vale Don Earl

It is with regret that we note the passing of long time contributor to the Burra Flyer, Don Earl.

Don helped to form the South Gippsland sub-branch of the National Servicemen of Australia in 1998 and had been sub-branch president since 2004. As president he regularly contributed articles to the Burra Flyer, reporting on and promoting the work of the association.



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COAL CREEK

Community Park & Museum

Teddy Bears Picnic
Sunday 8 June 2014
10.00am – 4.00pm

Bear Hunt

Hunting Licence \$5 per child (12 years and under)

Live Entertainment



Story Telling

\$2.00 per person

Tickets on Sale from Coal Creek
Story Telling shows 11.00 & 1.00

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Judging 11.45am

• Best Dressed Bear

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• Open Age Group

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



Coal Creek Community Park & Museum
South Gippsland Highway Korumburra
03 5655 1811 www.coalcreekvillage.com.au



Left and above: Korumburra Secondary College Year 8 students getting into the swing of their camp activities (see opposite page for details)

COAL CREEK

Coal Creek Community Park and Museum has had a very busy first half of 2014 with visitors making day trips from Melbourne. Feeding the ducks is always a favorite as is the bush tramway and general store.

Our Education program is having a massive autumn with over 1200 students visiting in May and another 700 students on the books for June. The majority of students are coming from the eastern suburbs of Melbourne. Education Program Leader Emma Fellows-Cooke said "We have now built up a reputation for high quality learning. Each year we are seeing more students enjoy the unique learning opportunities that Coal Creek can provide. Teachers like the fact the students can be immersed in history and get opportunities for hands on learning. In fact many children come back here with their parents and they turn into the tour guide using the knowledge they have gained."

Spooky things are happening at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum with the Television series "Paranormal Investigators" filming in the village. The series has been seen in several countries including Australia, New Zealand, England, USA and Canada amongst

others. Coal Creek ghost tour guides were on hand to offer local expertise to the crew.

Upcoming events:

Teddy Bears Picnic Sunday 8 June 2014 10.00am – 4.00pm

- Hunt for blocks and exchange for a teddy \$5.00 per ticket.
- Storytelling sessions \$2.00 per person
- Teddy competitions at the Church
- Free activities for the whole family

Tickets available for pre purchase from Coal Creek Community Park and Museum

Pirates Day Sunday 28 September 2014

- hunt for treasure
- family games
- best dressed pirate

Buy and decorate your boat for \$1 and then launch it on the lake!

Monthly events:

- Farmers Market - second Saturday of the month
- Ghost Tour - second Saturday of the month

Visit our website for more updates on what is happening at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum. (*see ad on opposite page*)

See you soon

Korumburra Secondary College

As part of the Year Eight curriculum at Korumburra Secondary College, each student is given the opportunity to participate in our annual Merricks UC camp on the Mornington Peninsula. While the weather would not seem conducive to snorkelling, rafting, tree climbing and surfing in May, the focus of this camp is always on 'moving beyond your comfort zone' and this year in particular – 'challenge by choice'. The students who attended took these challenges to heart and braved the weather (at times) and the water temperature, to achieve their individual goals. From a staff perspective, it was so encouraging to see the students

supporting each other, congratulating one another on their achievements and working so well in their 'teams'. Students themselves have spoken of this camp being an excellent opportunity to solidify friendship bonds and build new relationships with their peers and teachers at KSC.

Congratulations to Year Eight Co-ordinator Sam Hughes and Middle School Co-ordinator Linda Jennings, for their dedication and professionalism, in arranging yet another successful co-curricular camp for Korumburra Secondary College.

(*see photos on opposite page*)

Korumburra Community Development and Action Inc.

KCDA Inc.'s raffle for "Stag's Wheelbarrow" full of garden goodies was drawn on Anzac Day, 25th April. Many thanks to the Korumburra community for their great support as well as the volunteers who gave up their time to help out.

A special thank you to the sponsors Murray Goulburn, Landmark and Burra Hardware. Thanks also to Boston's Garage/Korumburra Car Co., Korumburra Newsagents, Michael's IGA supermarket and Korumburra Video and Discount Smokes for their assistance when called upon.

As the Community Network Group, KCDA Inc. is registered to run **raffles** and may auspice other groups in the Korumburra Community to enable them to meet the requirements of the Liquor and Gambling Commission. Those wishing to run a raffle and needing to apply to

the shire for a permit may contact us accordingly for the registration details.

We also have a membership with our **local radio 3mfm** so other Community groups are able to promote an event with them under the KCDA Inc. name. Should other Korumburra Community groups who are not incorporated wish to run an event, they may contact us to discuss the possibility of insurance.

Also KCDA Inc. is responsible for the **Korumburra Community Website** which promotes Community groups in our area as well as their events. The website address is www.korumburracommunity.org.au

KCDA Inc. is in the process of establishing **Bocce** in the area. Anybody wishing to know more may phone Syd on 0428 551 247.



Koringal Women's Service Club Inc.

Koringal Womens Service Club is a group of hardworking women who raise funds to give back to the community.

Fundraising efforts include raffles and catering at a variety of events such as birthdays, funerals and special dinners. You can also see our members serving the community at events such as Daffodil Day, and volunteering where help is most needed.

We had a wonderful night at Manna Gum Restaurant in Inverloch for our Christmas Breakup, being made all the more special as we presented long serving member Bev Hall with the honor of a Life Membership. Bev has been front and centre of Koringal for many years, forever doing the best she can for our community and we are grateful for her generous and cheerful contribution. She is a wonderful representative of our club.

This year we have made a strong start, now counting 20 members. We have been busy already catering for various funerals, washing dishes for the Bowling Club, and organising catering for the Rotary Art Show and Milpara's "Fine Food" Evening.

The Korumburra Agricultural Show is always a highlight of our year, and we competed successfully in the Cooking and Craft Sections. As well as providing some of our members to help with stewarding, Koringal donates the cash prizes for the Junior Section.

Already we have made some impressive donations, starting with a defibrillator for the Golf Club, something we hope will never be needed. We gave the Sth Gippsland Tourist Railway a donation towards the refurbishment of the floor, and look forward to visiting soon to see the end result. The Loch SES received \$3000, some of which will be used to buy a defibrillator for the truck, and Korumburra Youth Theatre received \$1000 to offset some of the costs of putting on drama classes and a terrific presentation at the end of the year.

We are planning a full year with varied activities for members, meeting on the last Tuesday of the month, so if you would like to join us and offer your time and efforts for the Community, please give us a call.

Sue Van Sinderen, 5664 3226

June, 0409 004 317.

Korumburra and District Historical Society

Members meet for the monthly meeting at 8 pm on the first Thursday of each month. The program for the coming months is as follows:

June 5th: Glen Falcke, General Manager, Operations at Burra Foods will speak about what is happening at Burra Foods.

July 3rd: Members to bring along an item of historical interest and speak about it.

August 7th. Dennis Conn, a member of the Society, to speak on his trip to Britain and parts of Europe.

The weather may be chilly, but there is a warm welcome awaiting new members and visitors.

The rooms are also open on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30 pm when there are often visitors seeking information on the town and families who have been in the area.

Work is proceeding on the MacQueen exhibit for 'Coal Creek' with an opening proposed for November.

Students from St. Joseph's Primary School who visited in May were interested in historical photos on a "Then and Now" theme, and members were pleased to be able to host them and answer questions which arose.

Recent visitors have been seeking information relating to the Hancock, Cope and Bell families, and members have been in touch with a lady who wishes to return a trophy to the town which was won at a Sheep Dog Trial 30 or 40 years ago.

We invite readers of the Flyer to call in on a Tuesday afternoon, or come to a meeting. You will be made most welcome.

Janet Wilson, Secretary.

South Gippsland Community Houses



Milpara (Korumburra)
Community House
(5655 2524)



Leongatha Community House
(5662 3962)

Foster & District
Community House &
Learning Centres
(5682 1101)



Venus Bay Community
Centre (5663 7499)



Do you have a skill that you think someone else might be interested in learning? Do you think that you could pass that skill on to others? Then there are Community Houses in South Gippsland that would like to hear from you!

The four Community Houses and Learning Centres in South Gippsland are working together to search for new tutors and volunteers. Are you an expert in wood-turning? Do you beaver away at quilting? Are you a whiz at leadlighting? Whatever your skills might be, there are many people who would like to learn that skill – and Community Houses are great for sharing those skills!

Neighbourhood Houses and Learning Centres were established in Victoria in the early 1970s

and they are still going strong! Today there are over 400 Community Houses across Victoria and nearly 147,000 people visit Community Houses each week!

All four houses and centres in South Gippsland have new term brochures and newsletters out now, full of activities for everyone. A Coordinator at one of the Community Houses commented, "We have a great range of activities – but we are always looking for new ideas. We would love to hear from the community – with new skills, new thoughts, quirky possibilities. Come and talk to us!"

For further information, contact the Community Houses near you and have a chat!

Korumburra Horticultural Society

The sasanqua camellias are all blooming their hearts out now and they look fabulous. These tough and adaptable evergreen plants make a lovely shrub and also hedge readily. In my garden there are two hedges of the white "setsugekka" planted to



provide a background to borders and they are a mass of bloom. These hedges are kept to about six feet high and have not had a drop of water all year apart from rainfall. I feed them twice a year and clip them here and there whenever I wander past. They grow quickly and make a very easy care hedge which provides a terrific backdrop with its deep green shiny leaves and the blossom is a bonus. They come in many colours. At present the nurseries have them in bloom. Go for a visit, get out your wallet, make a local nursery person happy and give yourself a gift that will keep on giving. A row of sasanquas would make a great replacement for an old fence and look a whole lot better.

The citrus trees are now giving us fruit and they just love Gippsland. Do yourself a favour and plant an orange, lime or lemon, or indeed, all three. They would make a wonderful street tree, rather than the stuff we usually plant that doesn't produce anything useful. On winter days the bright fruit glows, the green leaves shine and they have blossom that feeds bees while producing a tremendous perfume.

Daphne will soon be in flower too. This little shrub has an enormous sweet scent and can perfume all the area around your home, as it does mine. They do tend to keel over if unhappy, but if you



find a spot that suits them they will live a long time with almost no care.

It is now your last chance to get spring bulbs in the ground or pot. These plants are the harbingers of spring and we all learnt the poem "Daffodils" at school (if you are as old as

me). They certainly brighten up a spot in the garden and do well under deciduous trees such as birch, as do bluebells and grape hyacinths. We are very lucky to have some daffodil breeders living and working in Gippsland. You can meet one or two at the Leongatha Horticultural Society meetings. Join a local club and meet interesting people.

Crocuses are lovely but don't last long so plant them under a low plant such as creeping thyme which they will grow through, and then you get twice the show from a small patch of ground.

Hellebores are a lovely winter flowering plant that will happily grow on the south side of your house or under deciduous trees. Their nodding blooms are particularly welcome in winter, when not much is flowering and they self seed readily. Free plants!



There is still time to plant winter growing vegies such as broad beans, beetroot, cabbage, onions, rhubarb & parsnips. Cut back asparagus when the tops brown off.

Bare rooted plants and roses can be ordered now and planted in winter.

Take time to enjoy the stunning autumn leaves and gather them up to put in your compost, or put them straight on the garden as mulch.

We are very lucky to live in a part of the world that has very good soil and dependable rainfall (usually - although there is an El Nino year forecast). Get out and take advantage of this and plant a pretty and productive garden. It will give you much pleasure and everyone else too.

The Korumburra Horticultural Society meets on the first Tuesday of every month at Coal Creek at 1.30 pm. Guests and new members are welcome. Enquiries to the secretary on 5655 2565.

Leongatha Horticultural Society

**58th LEONGATHA
DAFFODIL & FLORAL SHOW**

Memorial Hall

Thursday, 28th August 2pm – 5pm
Friday, 29th August 9am – 5pm
Saturday, 30th August 9am – 4pm

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*Crocuses are one of the early signs
of spring (see opposite page)*

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Coal Creek Farmers' Market for the community

Delicious produce grown, caught and cooked by locals is just one of the important ingredients that makes the Coal Creek Farmers' Market an inspirational destination for the

whole community.

It's also a platform for local schools, clubs and organisations to raise funds for their projects and connect with other locals by running the community BBQ. It's a feature on market day (local butcher, local baker of course) and great to know that your money is going back into the area. The CWA load up their stall with home-baked delights and raise money to help others.

One of our hard working volunteers Deb Lopez-Freeman has been nominated for a Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority award for her passionate work with the Korumburra Secondary College's VCAL students. She's helped forge a positive link with the market and get the students involved.

We also have the knowledgeable and tirelessly accommodating Meredith Freeman from Grow Lightly. Her veg. garden talks have become a huge draw card.

We are grateful to all the committed stall holders who share their knowledge and their samples of



a VCAL student giving Edie May a manicure for Mothers' Day

their products on the Community Stage. Recently we've seen Mark Brammar from Strzelecki Heritage apples giving a cider making demonstration, Gil Freeman from Grow Lightly making sour dough bread and Paula and Ilan from Mirboo Pastured Poultry farm chickens sharing a delish dish with the hungry shoppers.

There's a wonderful atmosphere amongst the gum trees, so drop by on the second Saturday every month. Be sure to sign up to the newsletter for updates and specials, and make sure you bring your appetite!

14th June, 12th July, 9th August
8am - 12.30pm @ Coal Creek

New Butchers in Town

Father and son team, Paul & Paul Osborne, are the new owners of the butchery business at the top end of Commercial Street.

With over 38 years experience, they are able to supply most cuts (including special orders) as well as your regular meat needs. For more details see their advertisement on page 27.

New Business in Town?

If you are a new business in Korumburra, the Burra Flyer would like to help you get off to a flying start.

If you advertise in the Flyer we will include a short article introducing you and your business to the community - free of charge.

Contact the editors:
burraflyer@gmail.com



2nd Korumburra Scouts enjoying Crazy Hair Day at Relay for Life



Scouts participating in a 13 km hike along the George Bass Coastal walk from San Remo to Powlett River Caravan Park, Kilaruda.

2nd Korumburra Scout Group

Scouting in Korumburra is very healthy in numbers and the scouts are enjoying the fun, learning and active happenings.

Joey Scouts (5-8 years) had an extraordinary camp at Lardner Park, Warragul recently. Leader Michael Hart and his Joey Scouts joined approximately 700 other Joey Scouts from around Victoria at "Kangaree". They all enjoyed a wonderful weekend with a great "WOW!" factor.

Our Joey Scout mob in Korumburra has three leaders and a Youth Helper all delivering great weekly programs. Give Michael a call (5659 2122) or visit the Scout Hall in Queen Street on Tuesday nights at 5 pm. You are most welcome.

Cub Scouts (8-11 Yrs) are practising their camping skills as they prepare for "Cuboree" their major Victorian Camp. Cuboree will be held later this year at Gilwell Park, Gembrook.

During May a practice camp-out at Bunyip, near Tonimbuk, saw these Cub Scouts horse riding, working hard to prepare their gear, practising knots, washing dishes and generally honing the skills needed to make for a comfortable camping experience. Then there were these horses!!!

Grey Wolf Badges were gained recently by Alex Blackmore, Mitchell Sawyers and Lachlan Murrell. Congratulations and Well Done to these three young Cub Scouts.

If your young person is interested in Cub Scouts please call 5655 2326 for further information, or visit the Scout Hall, Queen Street, on Thursday

evenings from 7.00 pm-8.30 pm. You are most welcome.

Scouts (11-15 yrs) in Korumburra are thriving. Three Leaders, enthusiastic parent helpers and 30 keen and energetic youth members make visiting the Scout Hall in Queen Street on Tuesday evenings from 7 pm the place to be.

Thomas Whiteside has completed his **Australian Scout Medallion**, the highest Scout Award for 15 yr old Scouts. Thomas, along with other recipients from across Victoria, was presented with his Award by the Victorian Chief Commissioner, Brendan Watson, recently at a special ceremony in Melbourne. Congratulations and Well Done, Thomas!

The Scouts are looking forward to many more exciting adventures planned for the coming weeks including caving and the Boer War Service Day at the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne. The genesis of the Scouting movement goes back to the siege of Mafeking during the Boer War, at which the founder of Scouting, Lord Robert Baden-Powell, was involved.

2nd Korumburra welcomes any enquiries from girls and boys 5 - 15 yrs as well as any adults who are looking for rewarding voluntary work. Please contact the phone numbers already mentioned or Shirley Reeves on 5655 2273 for further details.

Friends of Coal Creek

Friends of Coal Creek hold their meetings on the second Wednesday of the month. They are still raising funds to repair the buildings for which they are responsible. The good news is that thanks to Michael's I.G.A.'s assistance we are now registered for the Community Benefit Scheme and eligible for Market Day promotion, which occurred on 15th May. This will help cover the costs of the restoration work and on-going maintenance. They would like to thank I.G.A. for all their assistance and the public for their response.

They are also in the process of raising funds through other sources and have been given the

go-ahead on the next building to be repaired which will be the Auctioneers Room.

Anybody interested in assisting with labour to repair the buildings, or becoming a member, please contact for further information: Joan on 5655 2126, or Wayne on 5662 2013.

Membership is \$20 each or \$40 a family annually (the term begins from 1st October each year).

They also encourage our members to join the F.O.C.C. customer tag (community benefit membership) at Michael's I.G.A. Korumburra or Leongatha.

Korumburra Anglican Parish

Rector: Reverend Jenny Ramage. Phone: 5655 1007 or Mob: 0407 369 486

Groups that you are welcome to come and join.

BOOK CLUB: Last Tuesday of each month
We read books from the Adult Education Centre and the Library.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN in the Parish Hall, 10 am, 3rd Friday of each month.

We have lots of fun choosing a menu, cooking and eating together. Please come and join us and have fun. Cost: \$6.

ART FOR HEART: 1st & 3rd Friday afternoons each month from 12.30 pm to 4.00 pm in the meeting room under the Parish hall. Art for Heart – bring your unfinished creative work and join us for coffee and a chat as we complete our projects and maybe get to think of some new things to do.

Special event: The Great Debate

There are many times when people approach me with questions about God, scripture and church. It is evident that some are seeking out God, others a place to express deep hurt caused by the “church” and the failure of the church to care for them in a time of need. The role of the church of today is to accept the mistakes of the past, to engage with people and to tell the story, to allow honest conversations about God, Church and the world.

We are providing an opportunity to come and listen to and ask questions about God, Church and the world.

**The Great Debate:
“Is God relevant today?”
21st June 2014, 7.30pm
Masonic Hall, Poowong**

Cost is \$5 per adult. BYO drinks and nibbles. Tea and coffee provided.

Funds raised donated to Milpara Community House.

The affirmative team is led by Bishop of Gippsland Anglican Diocese. The opposing team will be led by Dave Philpot.

Please come and enjoy the discussions.

Church Service Times:

1st Sunday of the month:

St. Paul's, Korumburra:

8.00 am: Holy Communion

9.30 am: Prayer, Praise and Proclamation Service

3rd Sunday

9.30 am: St. Paul's, Holy Communion

2nd and 4th Sunday:

9.30 am: St. Paul's, Holy Communion.

11.00 am: Poowong, Holy Communion

5th Sunday:

9.30 am: St. Paul's, Parish Worship

Mondays: 7.30 pm: Holy Communion

Wednesdays: 11.30 am: Prayer for Healing and Holy Communion, St. Paul's.

St Joseph's Catholic Parish

St Joseph's Church, Guys Road, Korumburra. St Vincent's Church, Victoria Street, Loch.

Parish Priest: Fr Peter Kooloos

Presbytery: 31 Ogilvy Street, Leongatha.

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Weekend Mass Times:

Korumburra Sunday at 9.30 am

Loch: 5 pm (6 pm daylight saving)

Weekday Mass Times

Wednesday: Walsh Parish Centre Chapel,
10.15 am

Thursday: Carinya Lodge Hostel at 9.45am

Friday: Hillside Lodge at 9.30 am

Korumburra Baptist Church

39 Mine Road, KORUMBURRA

Regular activities at Korumburra Baptist Church include:

Sunday morning service at 10.30 am,

Bible Studies: Midweek day time and evening groups at various venues,

Playgroup on Tuesday mornings for the littlies and their Mums, starting at 10 am,

History & Ideas meeting on the third Tuesday each month at the Church hall at 7:30 pm,

Ladies Craft morning at 9:30 am on the first Wednesday of each month, in the Church hall.

We farewelled a long-standing and faithful member of our church recently. Doug Lay was known around town as “Mr. Baptist”, having attended for 82 of his 84 years. He will be greatly missed.

Our church dinner will be held on Friday, 20th June with proceeds contributing towards a new heating system.

For information regarding any of these activities please contact Pastor Ian Wilkinson, phone 5658 1366 or email korbaps@aanet.com.au or just come along on Sunday morning and check us out.

Korumburra Church times

Korumburra Anglican Church

Sundays, 9.30 am, Bridge Street.
(see full details page 24)

Korumburra Baptist Church

Sundays, 10.30 am, Mine Road,
(see article, this page)

Korumburra Uniting Church

Sundays, 9.30 am, Bridge Street,
Korumburra

Southern Hills Assembly of God Church

Sundays, 10 am, 4 Mine Road, K'burra
Pastor Rob Davey, 5655 2478

St Joseph's Catholic Church

(see page 24)

At a "Music Craft" class Christine McKenzie ran, two students were given the challenge to come up with a ballad about Korumburra. One of them is presented below, the other on page 36:

Blowflies still Buzz at Korumburra

Chorus

*Korumburra, Korumburra, welcome to this place.
Korumburra, Korumburra, a town so full of grace.*

“Blowfly Valley” is the ancient name,
Korumburra's the name that we retain.
The Ghost still walks up and down Cooks Hill,
Whom does it look for? It's a secret still.
Hills roll by to the valleys below,
Creeks trickle past the many trees that grow.
Those water courses slip quietly underground;
to appear as ponds, much further down.

Chorus

Tankers still roll to farms out of town,
Collecting precious milk from dairies all around,
Garages were many, Pubs and Banks here too.
Stores, too numerous to mention here for you.
Remember the old milkman named 'Monkey Man',
and Harry Hogg too, with his grocery van.
The old Post Office still a memorable place,
Oh! so many others, all deserve a space.

Chorus

Coal mines are now hidden from you and me,
But Coal Creek Village still has a mine to see.
Much more history is at our village too,
Old trains and buildings are there to wander through.
Cities are not far away, but about an hour or so.
The trains once travelled, now cars have to go.
Much has gone, but so much more has come,
Visit our town and see what it's become.

Chorus

*Korumburra, Korumburra, welcome to this place.
Korumburra, Korumburra, a town so full of grace.*

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Music for the two ballads was composed by Terry Lay, Christine McKenzie and Pam W.

Burra Sports & Cycles - 30 Years and Going Strong

Struggling to bring up 4 young children and pay off our farm we soon realised that our small farm was not going to provide us with enough income to move forward in life.

It was either increase the size of our farm or look for something else – the farm next door was for sale at \$1.5 million, which was way above our budget, (I didn't like milking cows that much anyway) and it would take us a long time to pay that amount back to the bank.

Allan “Cobra” Summerfield said to us, “Why don't you buy the sports store in Korumburra. It's for sale and you would be good at it.”

We made an offer which was accepted, had a holiday to QLD then **started the “Burra Sports & Toy Shop”, 107 Commercial Street, Korumburra on 1st June 1984**, selling all sporting products, bikes and a good range of toys.

In 1984 the bottom Pub was still standing, the ANZ bank and the cenotaph were at the top of the street, the entrance to the Caravan Park was through the Botanical Gardens, the Chinese Restaurant was in the Top of the Town building and expensive shoes cost \$59.95.

We were still dairying at the time, taking it in shifts to work at the shop or the farm. It took us many months to get accounts with the major suppliers as we had no credit rating – running a farm did not count, which meant many trips to Melbourne to pick up and pay “cash” for our stock. After 2-3 years we sold the dairy cattle and bought beef cattle which made it much

easier. In 1989-92 the Recession hit so Allan went to work for Alex Scott & Co leaving Lyn to run the business.

Next door to us was Connell's Bakery which was later bought by the Kellys who then decided to move their business into the shop now rented by Parry's Gift Store. The bottom end of the street went very quiet with the loss of the bakery.

On 1st November 1996 we moved our business to 59 Commercial Street and renamed it Burra Sports & Cycles dropping the toys because of limitations with floor space. The building was owned at the time by the late Doug Lay who offered us free rent for 6 months if we were willing to shift – a very generous offer that allowed us to put that money into refitting the building.

Over the years we have met many wonderful people and made some great friends: Paul Roos, Melbourne Coach, Norma Plummer, Vic Netball coach, Western Bulldogs players Doug Hawkins, Brad Johnson, Rohan Smith and Matthew Dent, Andrew Goodwin and Lanard Copeland, Melbourne Tigers players, to name a few. Many of our Reps will be lifelong friends.

Over the years we have had businesses open up against us, some have stayed and some have gone.

The town has changed in lots of ways, but the people have been loyal and friendly, supporting us for 30 years. Thank You.

Lyn & Allan Perks



Final Musicians' Corner wrap-up

Sadly, due to financial constraints and costs involved in running this event, we have had our final gathering in a year of beautiful music-making. Musicians Corner will not be run in Korumburra on a monthly basis any more.

I would like to add a special thank you to an amazing accompanist Cheryl Connor, who happily took on things on the spur of the moment, presenting everything in her calm and very confident manner. Thanks Cheryl.

On the last of these extraordinary nights we had a great array of strange and eclectic performers (instruments not people).

Recorder, clarinet, flute, French horn, violin, voice, piano, piano accordion, rap and guitar. Well, you just had to be there!

Thank you to all who have come and been part of the audience....and also to those who have presented practised works.

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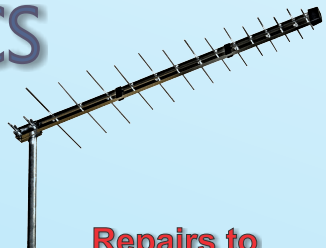
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Above and left: KSC Cross Country participants off and running. (see article page 29)



Carmel Lillis, last year's winner of the Coal Creek Literary Festival Writers Competition (see article page 29)

Korumburra Community Access Centre

As winter approaches and the nights get cooler it's a perfect time to snuggle up on the couch in front of the fire and read a good book.

At the Centre we have a table full of second-hand books which can be purchased, so all you book readers come on in and take a look. We also have craft magazines.

Our mini markets are now taking a short break. **The next mini market will be on Saturday, 6th September.** Thank you to all our customers who support our mini markets.

We will be running a raffle at IGA during the winter months. Keep a look out for that.

Korumburra Secondary College

KSC had some incredibly exciting news when it was announced in the state budget that we would be receiving \$5.6mil to help rebuild our school. We have been assured that this is only the first step of the funding available to help us build modern, state of the art educational facilities. The first step of the project for us will be to engage with staff, students, parents and community members about the sort of school and teaching and learning we would like. We look forward to starting this work shortly.

Our annual school cross country was fantastic, being run on a redesigned course, making it a genuine cross country run, mud and all, and completely on school grounds. Many staff and students participated with great energy.

(see photos on opposite page)

We have also had many students on Outdoor Ed bushwalks to locations such as Wilsons Promontory and Mt Baw Baw. We have four students who have spent most of this term living and completing their schooling at the Gnurad-Gundidj Leadership camp. We look forward to welcoming them back next term and hearing of their experiences.

Our year 7 and 9 students recently completed the annual NAPLAN testing. Later this year we will receive the results of these tests. These results will provide us with valuable information to help us reflect on our current curriculum and teaching practices and plan for the future.

Coal Creek Literary Festival - \$500 for Best Short Story

The Coal Creek Literary Festival will be running a number of writing competitions this year as part of the festival. The main competition will again be the Bert van Bedaf Memorial Award for the best short story. Bert was an integral part of getting the Coal Creek Literary Festival off the ground 8 years ago. After Bert passed away in 2010, the open short story competition was renamed to honour his memory. The prize money was increased to \$500 and has since drawn a very high standard of entries.

Past winning entries have been posted on the Coal Creek Literary Festival web site at <http://www.coalcreekliteraryfestival.com/>.

The competition is open to anyone with an imagination, a pen and paper or word processing program. You can enter as many times as you like, each entry must have a \$15 entry fee.

The festival will also be running two poetry competitions. The Open Poetry competition

offers a \$200 prize, while the under 18 poetry competition is offering a \$100 prize. There will also be a \$100 prize for the under 18 short story competition. Past winners in all categories are on the Coal Creek Literary Festival website.

Now entering its 4th year, the Bert van Bedaf award has proved to be a very popular part of the Coal Creek Literary Festival with entries coming from all over Australia. Entry forms can be downloaded from the Coal Creek Literary Festival web site or can be picked up from Coal Creek in Korumburra. Conditions and entry fees are all on the entry form. Entries close on 26th September and winners are announced at the Literary Festival on 4th October.

So if you have a story crawling around in your head, something Grandpa did when he was a kid, a weird dream crying out for a meaning, get it down on paper and send it in. It could be worth \$500.

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau is located in the Memorial Hall complex, Michael Place, Leongatha opposite the Post Office.

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10 am - 4 pm

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Calling all potential volunteers!

Do you have a skill or talent you would like to share? Gippsland Southern Health Service is currently seeking volunteers for Alchera House and Hillside Lodge, our two Korumburra based residential aged care facilities.

As a volunteer you will have an opportunity to make friends, share your talents and spend time with very appreciative residents. You will get the chance to make a real difference in our community.

Gippsland Southern Health Service has a vibrant and active Volunteer group contributing to many hospital services, volunteers are an integral part of the team. Volunteers have the opportunity to learn new skills, gain experience and make friends through the program.

We would love to hear from 'arty/crafty' men and women - musicians, beauticians, builders, story tellers or anyone who has a hobby or interest to share.

If you are a good listener, communicate well with others and are willing to commit approximately 2-3 hours a week for a minimum of 12 months; please call us. Orientation, training and ongoing support will be provided for successful applicants.

If you see yourself in this role and are willing to make a commitment to giving some of your time please contact Leslie Adams, Volunteer Program Coordinator on 5667 5520 or email leslie.adams@gshs.com.au

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15th August for September Issue
15th November for December Issue

South Gippsland Concert Band



Our 40th Birthday year officially started after our AGM in April. The Committee members were re-appointed unopposed, and the highlight of the night was our Conductor Eric Cross being awarded Life Membership for services rendered, a well-deserved accolade.

In May we combined with Boroondara Symphonic Band from Melbourne. The event comprised Master classes, followed by a rehearsal and an evening concert. Boroondara chose popular music from the 60's and a great time was had by all.

Our next big event is our very special *Children's Concert being held on Saturday 5th July in the Anglican Church Hall in Korumburra starting at 2.00 p.m.* The programme will be chosen specifically to please the kids. Please watch for flyers round town for further details or phone Em on 5655 1767 nearer the date.

Have you, over the past forty years, ever been a member of Leongatha Concert Band and/or South Gippsland Wind Orchestra, or perhaps you know of someone who has? On the week-end of 4th and 5th October we are planning a Band

Re-union, and we would love to hear from you. We may be contacted by email or phone, or details can be left for us at Reception at Coal Creek. Watch our Website too (see below) to keep up with what's happening.

Do you wish to return to music after a break? Are you new to the area and want to keep up your musical skills? Have you always wanted to learn to play an instrument and decided 2014 is the time? We would love to hear from you and offer loads of assistance to get you started.

You can contact us by email at admin@sgconband.net or phone Em on 5655 1767. Our website, www.sgconband.net will keep you up to date with our happenings.

With the longer evenings upon us and with the approach of winter we will once again be giving light concerts for the residents of Rose Lodge, Alchera House, Carinya Lodge and Hillside Nursing Homes.

We really enjoy going to these venues as we are made so very welcome, and it's a great opportunity for us to catch up with the residents.



South Gippsland Shire Brass Band



The Band has recently performed on Anzac Day, and at the Tea Cosy Festival at Fish Creek.

The Band always welcomes new members, of different age groups. (Age is no barrier).

Perhaps you have just moved into the area, can play a brass instrument, or just want to learn. (Present and former members of the South Gippsland Schools Music Programme would be most welcome).

We have a modest membership fee, and supply instruments and uniform. We play a wide variety of music from classics to pop.

If you just enjoy music, and would like to come along and listen, or play, you would be most welcome. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings, at 7.30pm at the Leongatha Courthouse, or contact Darryl Hunt on 5662 3623.

Friends of the South Gippsland Shire Brass Band.

If you would like to become a friend of the Band, and receive first preference and discount on concert tickets, please send your contact details to PO Box 57 Leongatha 3953.

Garden Club Event

Annual Conference of South Gippsland Garden Clubs, July 19th, Leongatha

Local, informal garden groups, no matter how small, are welcome to join this interesting event. Ph: Josie 5657 3292 or Lillian 5657 3268 or email: lbrittain@fastmail.fm

Korumburra Community Website:

The Korumburra Community has a website to promote the town's events. Check it out at www.korumburracommunity.org.au

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 Poowong Pre School's Children's Art Festival

Korumburra Red Cross

2014 is the celebration of 100 years of Red Cross in Australia. *Korumburra Branch will be planting a Centenary Rose in the Senior Citizens garden on Monday, 8th September at 10 am followed by morning tea.* Come along to help us celebrate.

March was Red Cross Calling month. Grateful thanks to our generous community for \$1300 to further the work of Red Cross. Our one-day Mothers' Day raffle raised \$260 with Hugh Hendry being the lucky winner.

One of our members was involved in catering for the fire fighters at the Hazelwood Mine fire. This proved to be a long day and quite an

experience in feeding up to 500 people.

We continue to collect used stamps and do meals on wheels once a month.

Are you interested in knitting **trauma teddies** for Red Cross? If so, please ring Helen 5655 1271 or Karlee 5655 1917. The late Mrs Glad MacQueen knitted many teddies and Red Cross is very grateful for her donations over the years.

If you have any old photos, etc. of Red Cross in Korumburra from the early days please contact us. There will be a display in the Korumburra Library during September ***Australian Red Cross 1914-2014 - The Power of Humanity*** - 100 years of People helping People.



Jumbunna Bush Market

On the 1st Sunday of the month the Jumbunna Bush Market is held in the local hall on Cruickshank Road, Jumbunna. It runs from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm. For those in Sth Gippsland it is a pleasant Sunday drive to Jumbunna.

There is a variety of stalls, mostly home grown and home made goods for sale, as well as an array of plants and crafts. What's more they are always looking for more stallholders for their large hall. **A very nominal fee is charged (\$6.00) for a market with all stalls under cover.** As it is undercover it doesn't matter what our weather does, whether it is hot or raining there is shelter from the elements.

There is quite an array of homemade cakes and

sandwiches to have with a "cuppa" at the most reasonable price around in our community. Why not go for a picturesque drive and have a cuppa or if you are a late starter on Sundays, a sausage for lunch, or even breakfast. For the book worm there are plenty of books for sale.

The Historical walk will take part in October to coincide with the market's 30th anniversary, and will be run by Barry who, as always, gives a very interesting commentary on the area's history.

All proceeds from the Bush Market go back into the Hall Funds for ongoing maintenance.

For details contact Dawn on 5657 3253 or Brian on 5657 3261.



South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau and Community & Visitor Information Centre



The Visitor Information Centre in the Memorial Hall complex in Leongatha has had visitors from all over the country, with many overseas visitors coming through. Many parts of Victoria are represented, and the statistics of visitor numbers to the centre have increased dramatically. When you're next in Leongatha why not drop in to see just how much your own backyard has to offer?

For those not already familiar with the South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau read on to see how it helps people in all sorts of ways.

- We provide information and referrals with regard to benefits, pensions and concessions, youth issues, leisure and recreation, consumer affairs, emergency relief and health; and we will access web-based information services for clients.
- We refer clients to social workers, financial

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- For clients on low incomes, taxation office trained volunteers provide assistance with tax returns.
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- Our volunteers are trained to lend a sympathetic ear to clients who need to talk to someone who has the time to listen.
- We are a Centrelink agency (9 am to 1 pm Mon-Fri only).

Consider contacting the South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau next time you want to find out something and don't know where to turn. The Bureau is located in the Memorial Hall complex, Michael Place, Leongatha, or call 5662 2111 (Monday to Friday, 10 am - 4 pm).

For Korumburra residents, Milpara also offers Centrelink Services (see page 6)

Korumburra Volleyball Inc.

Volleyball is played on Thursday evenings at SPLASH! in Leongatha. Spikezone and Juniors start at 6pm and Seniors at 7.30pm. Individual players with any level of experience welcome.

Korumburra Volleyball Inc. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/189068481131711/>

On the **Queen's Birthday weekend in June (7-9)** Korumburra Volleyball Inc. will be conducting this year's **Victorian Volleyball Country Championships**. We invite spectators to come and see competition of a very high level between players from all corners of the state.

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Contact: Russell 0418 301 681, Mandy (AH) 5662 4395, Tom (BH) 5658 1043 for details.

Korumburra Senior Citizens

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Bingo is on Tuesday afternoons at 1.30 pm and Bias Bowls on Saturdays at 1.00 pm.

Bus trips are arranged to places of interest, members choice. Join the concert group and share your talents.

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- **Motor Cars**
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- assisting to conciliate a dispute with a business or landlord
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To make an appointment to see a staff member from Consumer Affairs Victoria at the Korumburra Court House, phone 51165701.

At a "Music Craft" class Christine McKenzie ran, two students were given the challenge to come up with a ballad about Korumburra. One of them is presented below, the other on p25:

The Ballad of Korumburra.

There's a town placed where the hills surround.

In the depths of land, coal seams were found.

From the days of old, a Town was born.

That's the way it is in Korumburra.

People came from many distant lands

To clear this country, with hard-working hands.
Cattle, milk and peas can still be seen.

That's the way it is in Korumburra.

The shops are a treat up and down the street.

Murals tell stories for us to keep.

And although our street is a little steep...

That's the way it is in Korumburra.

The sunlight dances on the rains that fall.

Music fills the land with winds that call.

Seasons bring forth scenic beauty.

That's the way it is in Korumburra.

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Korumburra Craft Group



We meet at Coal Creek every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 10.30am to 2.30pm. There is no charge and tea and coffee are provided. The object is to have a "get together" with craft, patchwork, knitting, crochet and U.F.Os.

Everyone is welcome to come. There are no classes provided. Enquiries: Nellie 5655 1371 Betty 5655 1378

Korumburra Golf Club



Winter is creeping up on us but luckily we have been experiencing some lovely sunny autumn days which have kept the course dry and in great condition so why not come down and have a hit. Green fee

players and social groups are most welcome.

Both our Men's and Women's Championships have been played and we congratulate our new Club Champions, Tyler Marotti (Men) and Lee Clements (Women).

The Club will be hosting an Auction Night on 12th July at 7.00 pm including Christmas in July Dinner for \$30.00 per person. If interested

please contact Mr Ian Gibson on 0412 726 973. Individual or group bookings taken.

Don't forget that the club is open for counter meals every Friday night followed by Bingo (eyes down at 8.00 p.m.). Why not get a group together and come along for a meal and then enjoy the fun at Bingo?

Did you know that our Club function room is available for hire? If you would like some further information, please do not hesitate to contact the club on 5655 1886 or via email to korumburragolf@dcsi.net.au

What's on in Poowong?

Anyone for Cards? Come and play 500 and Euchre. Every Tuesday, 1.30 pm, Poowong Football Club. Enquiries ph. 5655 1433

Poowong Uniting Church Lunch: Each third Tuesday in the month starting at 12 noon.

Poowong to Warragul Bus: Every Thursday a bus departs at 9.40 am from the Poowong Post Office, returning to Poowong at 2.30 pm.

Mya Mya Café: Poowong Uniting Church every Wednesday from 9.30 am. to 3.00 pm

Craft Meeting: Poowong Uniting Church every fourth Wednesday from 10. 00 to 12 noon.

Poowong Garden Club: Every first Tuesday at the Primary School at 7.30 pm.

For further details contact Hannah on 5659 2034.

Storytime: Poowong library on Tuesdays, 11.45 am to 12.15 pm for preschool aged children.

South Gippsland/Bass Ostomy Support Group

This group meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Call Thea on 5655 2628 for the meeting place.

All interested persons are welcome to come. It is cost free.

Do you know of a "Hidden Gem" or Korumburra feature that you would like us to share with visitors and locals? Please tell the Editors so that it can be published in the Burra Flyer.

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Wed 13 Friends of Coal Creek (p 23)

Thu 14 Between the Covers, K'burra Lib (p 12, 13)

Fri 15 Anglican Community Kitchen (p 24)

Sat 16 K'burra Bena vs M.D.U. home match

Tue 19 Coal Creek Probus (p 10)
Blokes Reading Shed, L'gatha Lib. (p 12)

Fri 22 CWA (p 5)
Dick Reynolds Book launch (p 8)

Tue 26 Koringal (p 16)

Thu 28 Senior Cits morning tea (p 36)
L'gatha Daffodil & Floral Show (p 19)

Fri 29 L'gatha Daffodil & Floral Show (p 19)

Sat 30 L'gatha Daffodil & Floral Show (p 19)

September

Tue 02 Ostomy Support (p 37)

Fri 05 Carinya Lodge Aux luncheon (p 6)

Sat 06 Access Centre mini market

Mon 08 K'burra Red Cross 100th celebrations (p 34)

Weekly Events

Mondays Korumburra Library Storytime (p 12)
K'burra HAPI group
SG Concert Band rehearsals (p 32)

Tuesdays K'burra HAPI group
Baptist Playgroup (p 12)
Poowong Library Storytime (p 37)

Milpara Men's Shed (p 6)
Consumer Affairs advice (p 36)
Historical Society rooms open (p 17)
Poowong Cards (p 37)
Centrelink office, Milpara (p 6)

Wednesdays Milpara Men's Shed (p 6)
Poowong UC Mya Mya Café (p 37)
Consumer Affairs advice (p 36)
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SG Shire Brass Band rehearsal (p 32)

Thursdays Nyora HAPI group
Poowong to Warragul Bus (p 37)
Milpara Creative Writing class (p 6)
(2nd & 4th) K'burra Craft Group (p 36)
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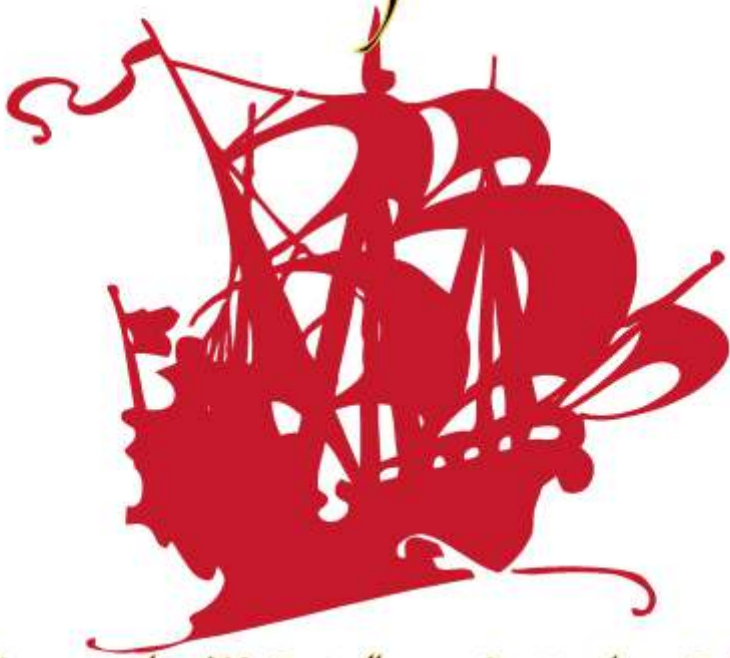
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