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The **cover photo** is from the 18<sup>th</sup> green, displaying just one of the magnificent scenic views that are available to those people playing at the **Korumburra Golf Club**, topped off with some berries for the festive season.

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**Editorial** This Christmas issue of the Burra Flyer booklet was produced by a small team of volunteers.

Thanks to the work done by Sadie & Bill Jansen, John Abraham and Shirley Cowling for this compilation. Enjoy. You may also read the Flyer on our website along with other information for exploring Korumburra and surrounds.

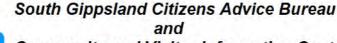
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#### NEWS UPDATE FROM

#### the







### Community and Visitor Information Centre

November 2020

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **NEW COMMITTEE**

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau held its Annual General Meeting on November 9 at the RSL annex building in Leongatha.

Shirley Reeves took the chair for the election of office bearers. The new office bearers are:

President: Jackie Horobin

Vice President: Liz Turner

Secretary: Judy Hetherington

Treasurer: Jan Byrne

Assistant Treasurer: Jenny Draper

Further committee members Phil Head and Sue McGrath.

Shirley Reeves, long time member of the Bureau, has stepped back from the committee this year, although she will remain heavily involved and attend to the co-opted positions of trainer support, social secretary and upkeep of the archival records.

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau is a referral service providing contacts for services around the shire. Its excellent database can provide a vast amount of information about local services.

For clients on low incomes, taxation office trained volunteers provide assistance with tax returns.

The Bureau's volunteers are trained to lend a sympathetic ear to clients who need to talk to someone who has the time to listen.

In addition, the Bureau is a Centrelink and Medicare agency operating from 9 am to 1 pm on weekdays.

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 you can call (03) 5662 2111 (Monday to Friday, 10 am to 2 pm).

#### 2020 TAX HELP PROGRAM EXTENDED

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) has extended the "Tax Help" program in 2020 due to the COVID lockdowns. The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau's tax-help volunteer Nicholas Peck has been helping people complete their returns and despite an interruption to the Bureau's opening days at the height of the lockdown, the program was resumed in November.

2020 has been the 32<sup>nd</sup> year of the "Tax Help program".

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau will continue to offer this service as long as there is a need.

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau is located opposite the Post Office in the Memorial Hall complex, Michael Place, Leongatha. It operates from Monday to Friday, 10 am to 2 pm. People can call in or phone 03 56 62-2111. The centre also operates as a Community and Visitor Information Centre and is open in this capacity seven days a week.

#### INFORMATION CENTRE OPEN TO VISITORS

The Community and Visitor Information Centre in Leongatha continues to serve tourists who are passing through the area.

Since the centre officially opened in November, 2008 "there had been a steady flow of visitors to the area come through the doors," said coordinator Jackie Horobin adding that, "the lockdown changed all that.". Visitors have been slowly trickling through since the "ring of steel" around Melbourne was removed.

The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau and the South Gippsland Shire Council are funding the centre. The centre is located on the corner of the hall complex up from the Leongatha post office.

For almost 30 years, volunteers at the South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau have provided a comprehensive information and referral service for the wider South Gippsland community. Now, in partnership with the South Gippsland Shire Council, and supported by many community groups, volunteers are providing visitor and tourism information and citizens advice for both locals and visitors Mondays to Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm.



South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau Inc and Visitor Information Centre



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#### **Korumburra Show Society**

(Korumburra & District A & P Society)

The Korumburra A & P Society have had a quite few months as the society felt the impact of the pandemic with all meetings having to be put on hold.

Our members & volunteers are busy keeping the grounds looking remarkable. As well as preparing to start replacing the roof on the young farmers pavilion, this has been a while in the making & we are all looking forward to seeing the roof replaced & hopefully have more use from this pavilion.

With the ring of steel coming down we have seen an influx of caravans & R. V's coming back to the area, with many staying around two to three nights. We are so please to be able to provide our grounds for this use & that the community is also benefitting from our visitors.

As many are hoping that the easing of restriction goes even lower on the next announcement, the show society are eagerly awaiting so a general meeting can be held & we can continue to move forward & start organising the 2022 show.

Brooke Howard Secretary – Korumburra A & P Society.



#### Korumburra Golf Club

2020 has been a strange and difficult time world-wide and our community has been impacted in so many ways as well. We would love for things to turn around in 2021 for everyone. As regards to golf, we hope we will be permitted to play golf as in the past and have functions for socialising and fund-raising. Also, more than ever, we need to support our local businesses who have always been generous in their donations to organisations and sporting groups.

We appreciate all that our staff and volunteers have done to improve the course and club-house. Much work is involved to continually develop the golf course. In particular, the Golf Club has committed to a conversion of the fairways to Santa Ana (Couch) grass and now all the fairways have been line planted. In that vein, fairways have been sprayed to kill off the competing grasses so that the Santa Ana can spread. This means that the fairways will be in great condition when the full Summer heat returns, and extends our season well into Autumn. Also, the completion of the 15th fairway, with a final reshaping of the area around the dam, and the addition of one more section of drainage pipe, would be complete by the end of November.

The *Mi Score App* has been initiated this year and eases the tasks in booking golf times, scoring throughout games and displaying winners.

Competitions are played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and many Public holidays with members and visitors most welcome. Green fee players can enjoy occasional games of golf, and, if needed, golf carts can be hired

Twilight golf started on 11 November and continues on Thursday evenings until March. This is usually a Canadian stableford comp over nine holes. Each week there is a varied combination of holes played with some novelty events at times. Family and friends like playing in the relaxed format and it is also a great opportunity for those new to the game to pair up with another person and learn some basics of golf. Members and non-members are most welcome, with a cost of just \$15 per pair. A time-sheet is in the foyer for those who would like to join in the social game. For those staying on for dinner, please bring your own as there will be no sharing due to Covid restrictions. Currently regulations on and off the course, require wearing masks, sanitizing, distancing, to name a few.

Lessons for beginner golfers through to experienced players are available for individuals and small groups with John Payne, Korumburra's golf professional.

For enquiries of competitions, green fees or lessons please check the website, Korumburra Golf Club on Facebook

or phone John at the club on 5655-1886.

## Korumburra Cricket Club Inc.

Associations Incorporation Number A5666. ABN 59 831 514 220 Affiliated with the Leongatha and District Cricket Association

PO Box 229, Korumburra 3950

President: Tim Morrison 0499 245 302

Secretary: Allan Summerfield 0418 766 135

Email: korumburra@club.cricketvictoria.com.au Website: korumburra.cricketvictoria.com.au

With a lot of sports stopped over the winter months if you are looking for a sporting outlet the Korumburra Cricket Club is always looking for more players young and old. The club has 4 senior sides and 4 junior sides. If you are new to town and would like to get involved in a sporting club the Korumburra Cricket Club is always welcoming to new players even if it is for a social outlet. If you would like any more information please contact Allan Summerfield 0418 766 135

Thank You

Allan Summerfield Secretary, Korumburra Cricket Club



#### **Indoor Swimming Pool**

Great news for our patrons – the Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool has reopened after our extended COVID-19 closure between March and October this year.

Swimming lessons and water awareness programs are available for under 18s. For school age swimming lessons contact Colette on 0417 058 154. For 'Water Babies' and preschool swimming sessions contact Kaye on 5657 3317.

The Rehabilitation and Self-Help sessions are also back on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1.30 – 3 pm. No bookings are necessary but there are some changes to allow us to operate in a Covidsafe environment. Under current restrictions, the number of people who can be in the facility and on the pool deck at one time is limited. Patrons are asked to please be patient if you are asked to wait before entering the building. Chris or Kim will be on hand to assist, supervise and clarify the new procedures. For further information, call the message bank on 5655 1681.

Private bookings are currently unavailable but the committee of management is continuing to monitor health and safety requirements and will re-introduce private bookings at the pool when it is possible to do so safely.

#### Burracudas Korumburra Swimming Squad

The Burracudas – are preparing for the summer season. The squad will be training at the Korumburra Outdoor Pool on Monday, Wednesday and

Thursday evenings from 6.00-7.00 pm. New members are welcome, so come along and have a go.

This year, participation in the squad offers members the chance to refine their swimming technique and have fun in a supportive club environment. There is no age limit for new members, but you must be competent in two strokes and able to swim at least 25 metres if under 10 years of age, and at least 50 metres if over 10 years of age.

For more information contact the Squad Manager, Lesley Turton on 0418 547 323.



As we all start emerging from the cold wet months, months of lockdowns and restrictions brought on by Covid19, we managed to have an AGM. Our Bass Coast Landcare Network Facilitator Geoff Trease did a lovely walk and talk of seed collecting around Outtrim Reserve. There were quite a few orchids and shrubs out in full flower, such a lovely little reserve, that everyone who enjoys nature should put on their to do list.

Left: **Stylidium graminifolium** (Grass Triggerplant), if you are gentle like a small insect, you lightly brush the flower







and the flower will "trigger" and close, which would trap the insect.

Middle: **Burchardia** umbellate (milkmaid) a type of lily that most the year you wouldn't know you had it in your garden, but when it flowers the white flowers are small and attractive

Right: **Goodenia ovata** (Hop goodenia), in this photo you can see the seed pods, not ready for seed collection yet. Hop Goodenia is a great establishing shrub for anyone's garden

We held a minutes silence in remembrance to Keith Marshall a long term member, past president and BCLN representative who passed away earlier this year as part of our AGM. The executive committee remains the same as last year, consistency is the key sometimes. We welcome all new members and love the continued support from existing members

The committee is hoping to have a meeting/guest speaker/event day late February, no details yet. Please keep up to date by **following Korumburra Landcare Group on Facebook.** We put a lot of local plant and pest species information, along with fun facts on all things nature.

Korumburra Landcare group hope everyone has a safe holiday period. Looking forward to 2021.



Volunteers and owners planting out the grant from the Catchment Management Authority "CMA" Victorian Landcare grant at a One Chain Rd Arawata

Arawata Landcare Group due to Covid has been active monthly as we are a major force in the Friends of Ritchie Reserve activity involving eradicating exotic weeds from the reserve. We have met monthly and missed only July and August due to lockdown. Prime weeds were Wild Tobacco, Euphorbia, bulbous weeds, Spanish Heath, Prunus, Ivy and others...Refer Friend of Ritchie Reserve FORR. Parks Victoria administer the area and have assisted lan Starley facilitate the project.

Photo above includes works planting trees on steep country facing Coalition Creek from a CMA grant 1 of 4 farms in the area. Other members attracted a 500-tree grant "One Tree at a Time" that assisted with Landslip and infill from prior projects.

Tree change locals have been very active improving their lot on these older farms and sub divisions, some new chums have signed up recently to participate in the extension work done by these valuable members...Syd Whyte President 0428 551 247

#### Korumburra PROBUS



Our last excursion in March - a visit to Parliament House and The Shrine, with lunch at a Zoo cafe.

Well, we survived nearly all of 2020 without a general meeting after the AGM in March. The Probus Committee met in November to plan activities for the next few months.

The Getaway Group is heading to Echuca in late November, because we can! The days away are up to the individual or couples, but three or four days seeing new landscapes and meeting new people - socially distancing ourselves of course - will be wonderful.

We have organised a Christmas get-together at Outtrim Oval, which is BYO food and drinks, and it will be wonderful to catch up with those friends we haven't seen for many months.

The intention is to start the New Year with a general meeting, but whether that is possible is yet to be determined. If you need any more information, please contact Helen Willison, on 0429810311.

#### Combined PROBUS Club of Coal Creek

The last few months have been challenging for all of us.

Our Club is normally very social and by this time of the year we would usually have been on a number of monthly outings plus trips away.



We DID have a number of outings in January through to March, but since then of course, everything had to stop!

Covid restrictions impacted all social clubs, so now we have to look forward to 2021.

We have quite a number of interesting outings on hold till next year including our postponed trip to Warrnambool which we hope to do in April.

As previously mentioned we are very social with lunches after our meetings and also another lunch during the month (which we have just tentatively started again, with regulated numbers), plus a monthly Friday evening at the Korumburra Bowls Club. We also have a book exchange for our avid readers.

We try to keep in touch with our Members who are unwell or very elderly, plus give support to Members and their families who lose a loved one. Our Carer and Committee work together to provide a network of support for these and all our Members.

During the pandemic many Members have kept in touch by phone and during our short "respite" between restrictions many small groups got together again.

We would love to see more people join our Club when we are up and running again. We invite you to come along and see what PROBUS is all about – enjoying friendship with like-minded people.

#### COME TO A MONTHLY MEETING AND SAY HELLO

Our meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month commencing at 10 am at the Korumburra Golf Club.

Contact: Kevin Loffler (President) 5655 1818 Helen Taylor (Acting Secretary) 5655 2785

#### Korumburra Lions Club



Lions Christmas Cakes are available at Korumburra Newsagency, Burra Hardware Hairpoint hairdressers

1.5kg Christmas cake: \$17

1kg size cake: \$13

#### Something interesting about our cakes

Annual Sales nationally are approx. \$6,500,000 and funds raised by Lions Clubs and Districts are directed to Saving Sight, Health, Welfare and Humanitarian projects are in the order of \$2,000,000 per year.

It is estimated that since the inception of the program as a Lions National Project, funds raised have exceeded \$50,000,000. **That's impressive.** 

#### **The History**

In 1965 Australian Lions visiting America witnessed their cake project, upon returning home to Goulburn in NSW they decided to give it a go, home baking and packaging, a degree of doubt existed. Soon after it became a larger project of the Australian Lions Clubs to raise funds for the "Save Sight Project".

The first volume cake sales were baked by Big Sister, part of Reckitts and Coleman group of companies and were 3 lbs cakes. In 1975 the cakes became metric and converted to 1.5kg. In 1986 the cake profile changed to a larger lower cake. Over the years cakes have been baked to a consistent recipe by Australian leading food companies including Big Sister, Gartnell and White, Arnotts, Sara Lee and since 1983 by the present manufacturer Top Taste, the baking division of George Western Foods.

This is an outstanding result for the Lions Clubs participating in the program.

Please try a Lions Christmas Cake and have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

lan Wilson 0407572265





#### Korumburra RSL Sub Branch

Centenary Year 2020

Thanks to the Korumburra community for their generosity in purchasing Poppies this year.

Our fence is finally about to be erected and the memorial garden will soon be established plus we will soon be painting the outside of the hall.

Our RSL Ladies Aux is in recess for a few months and we look forward to pushing on next year with an earnest combined membership drive for Koprumburra RSL Sub Branch.

2021 will be our 100 plus 1 years of operation so we are again planning some interesting activities without the threat of COVID19. Please keep in mind the aims of the RSL are still worthwhile today as ever they were. Any enquiries can be made as below:

David Jackson Pres. Korumburra RSL Sub Branch 0474 136 469

djfrt@bigpond.com



Our Cenotaph on Remembrance Day with some of the Poppies knitted by the Korumburra & nearby CWA Ladies

Beautiful & moving!

Thanks & Lest We Forget

#### **Music Festival Competition**

The cancellation of the show next February 2021 also means there will not be a Music Competition, however looking forward to better times, when again we may entertain Korumburra and its Community.

Shirley Cowling (an entertainment member)

#### Friends of Coal Creek Skip Track

The Coronavirus has severely affected the progress of volunteers at the Lands office. Restoration was coming along well thanks to many volunteers and with the better weather, however with social distancing it prevented volunteers from working together. Thanks to our President and the builder Stuart Olson the Lands Office is almost ready for the acquittal with the shire who assisted friends with a grant. It will be ready for when the Coal Creek Community Park and Museum Opens to the Public.

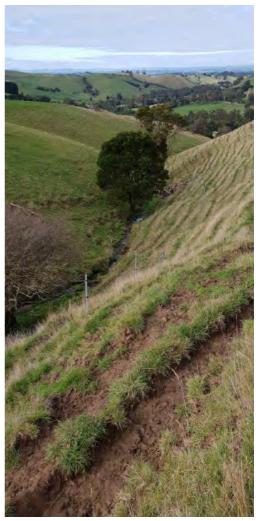
It was most disappointing that Friends had to cancel the entertainment of local artists planned for last March because of Social Distancing due to the Coronavirus. They had planned to use local artists and celebrate the near

completion of the Lands Office as well as say thank you to our members and volunteers by providing entertainment for our town.

Due to the Coronavirus Friends of Coal Creek have not held meetings since the Social Distancing was introduced.

They plan to hold their A/G/M within the month. To become a member and support us with work in Park the fee is \$20 each \$40 a family; (the term begins from the 1st October each year.) Anybody interested in becoming a member may contact Joan Hopkins on 56552126 (Treasurer), or Syd or Syd Whyte on 56551247 (President).





#### Friends of Ritchie Reserve

Friends of Ritchie Reserve have reformed and is under the Parks administration, however has severely lacked any love for 20 Years. Ian Starkey has worked with Brian Martin, Parks Victoria, and managed for the Friends to perform passive rehabilitation of the land. Ian and Dick Lester along with Arawata Landcare Group, David Meikle and Danny Drummond (ex Parks) to coordinate weed abatement to restore the reserve for a walking destination along the "Skip Track" a Korumburra Rotary Club project with members under John O'Neil and Ken Sim.

lan had received notice from Parks Vic that we can restart working bees in September. However, there are a number of protocols we need to follow i.e. social distancing, register names and addresses of people participating and sanitisers etc. Please bring your own tools, hoes, shovels, loppers, lan will have sanitised hand saws available for use that have been kindly provided by Parks Victoria. The main target weeds are Tree Tobacco, Ivy and Lily type weeds that have bulbs that we need to dig out. Again, we have bags provided by Parks Victoria so we can transport the bulbs out.

We nominally meet on the 1st Sunday of each month at 10am until 12noon. We meet at the old entrance just after Fishers timber yard at Silkstone. Regards Ian Starkey 0490 861 086. November, we planted some more tube stock and then we proceeded East along the highway and dealt with the Spanish Heath in the road reserve. December 6th, we plan to catch up after for lunch at Ruby to review our progress to date. Roll up is predominantly Arawata Landcare members and the conservation minded and we look forward for volunteers from Korumburra and surrounds to bolster the numbers. Refer to the KCDA website calendar for dates <a href="https://korumburra3950.com.au">https://korumburra3950.com.au</a>





#### **Korumburra Primary School**

Term 4 began with all students and staff returning to school after COVID lockdown. Everyone was happy to be back to some normality!

As all camps were stopped due to the lockdown the year 4's missed out on their 2 night camp to Allambee. To compensate they had a camp activities day at school followed the next day by attending on site at Allambee Camp for the day.

Year 3's also missed out on their first overnight camp to Cowes, but attended for the day on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

Book Week was celebrated with a dress-up day and the Library hosted a very successful Book Fair.

The 2021 preps have been attending school for their transition sessions discovering what's ahead of them next year.

Statewide transition day is set down for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December where the Kinder kids attend KPS and the year 6's attend their selected Secondary College.



Book Week Dress Up Day – Isabel, Liliyana and Clayton

Parent Teacher interviews will be

held via WebEx this year on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> December. Parents are required to book an appointment online through Compass.

Year 6 Graduation will go ahead, albeit differently from other years. Parents/carers cannot attend, but the ceremony will be broadcast on an online platform.

Our final assembly for 2020 will take place online on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December (time to be announced) and the student's last day of school, for what has been an exceptional 2020, is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

School resumes Thursday 28th January, 2021.

KPS can be contacted on 5655 1309 korumburra.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Making Remembrance Day poppies Quinn, Pearl, Taylah and Mahalia





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Carinya is very proud to have three centenarians, our beautiful Golden Girls Flo, Lorna, and Kath. The secret of their great age is with the times, take each day as it comes and live each day to the fullest. These ladies are a huge part of the Carinya community and participate in activities daily.





An update on the current lodge development from being a 43 to a 60-bed facility is almost completed. It is with great excitement that the second dining room the New kitchen, Laundry and other residential rooms are so close to occupancy and are days away from being in full use, much to the delight of staff and residents. All the original rooms are also in the process of being refurbished. This has been a mammoth

task relocating many residents into other rooms in Carinya whilst their room is worked on. We anticipate that in early 2021 the redevelopment of the internal lodge will commence.

Fantastic news! All new units for the Independent living have been occupied in the Retirement Village. As the lodge development draws to a finish, the original Carinya Crescent Units which have been utilised for the development will become available for rent. If you are looking for a property rental please call Lyn at Carinya.

Throughout the pandemic, Carinya have been guided by DHS regarding visitation restrictions. Now after many weeks our family members are able to once again come inside Carinya visiting their loved ones. We still have DHS restrictions regarding visitation. All in all everything is running smoothly and its wonderful to see family members again. During the pandemic months staff have worked tirelessly to have the resident's Holistic lifestyle and Wellbeing

attended. All activities at Carinya have continued, even having zoom Church services and music concerts. The Carinya Auxiliary group have kept in touch with the residents still supplying Birthday wishes and gifts to all resident. Fellowship group have been sending messages of inspiration to residents and maybe a treat or two.





Our calf rearing fundraising project for the new development is going well and the spring grass is in abundance. We are still looking for sponsorship and if you feel you would be able to help in some way towards this project please contact Carinya. We realise not everyone can raise a calf. Maybe you are wanting to support Carinya with a donation, or support our sponsor a room project.

Carinya Lodge Homes Inc is a Not-for-Profit organisation and Carinya's Committee of Management is a run by volunteers. Carinya as a community based organisation appreciate the support of our local community. To keep our facility running with our high standards we thank our Amazing Staff including; Domestic, Kitchen, Care, Wellbeing-Lifestyle, Administration and Management. All giving fantastic support to all of our residents.

As 2020 comes to an end, the Residents of Carinya, would like to wish Everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the best for 2021.



# **OPEN GARDENS**

# Sunday 13th DECEMBER

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

35 Radovick Street Korumburra

Entry fee \$5 Children 14 to 16 \$2 under 14 free

All proceeds go to the Cancer Council Victoria for cancer research





**ENQUIRIES** 

0400 976 248 0408 660 651



ARE YOU ALONE THIS CHRISTMAS DAY?
IS CHRISTMAS A DIFFICULT TIME FOR YOU?



If so, Korumburra churches invite you to a

# FREE CHRISTMAS PICNIC LUNCH\*

CHRISTMAS DAY 25 DECEMBER 2020, 12 NOON

COLEMAN PARK 39 QUEEN ST, KORUMBURRA

RSVP by 18 December.
Please BYO picnic rug or chair.
Dietary requirements catered for on request.

PLEASE CALL BELINDA ON 0422 521 924



**Karmai** Community Childrens Centre is a busy hive of activity and at this time of year is working towards end of year celebrations, children preparing to head off to school next year and planning and preparation for our School Holiday Programs. We run, School Aged Holiday programs and Kinder aged Holidays programs in the January summer break and then each of the term breaks throughout the year to support our working families and also to give children a different experience over the holidays. The programs are developed in conjunction with the children so that we can ensure we cater for the children's interests. Our programs consist of craft, physical activities, community excursions, exploration of ideas and much more. Programs usually come out 3 weeks prior to the holiday break, for further information, please contact the corporate team on 03 5655 2121.

Sue Ritchie · Operational Manager







#### **Korumburra Round Table**

Korumburra Round Table has been continuing to meet via Zoom although much shorter meetings and we are very much looking forward to face to face meetings resuming very soon.

The Terms of Reference was reviewed recently for the first time since KRT was formed with a few minor changes made.

December & June is a time when new members are considered. If you would be interested in joining to assist in providing a collective voice of community groups that serve the needs of Korumburra community, please email korumburraroundtable@gmail.com for a nomination form. Community members will be drawn from community groups whose primary focus is Korumburra.

#### **Arawata Community Hall**

The Arawata Community Hall Association has been running a Farmer's Breakfast on Caulfield Cup weekend as the main fundraiser for the Hall since 1983. Closure of all Community Halls during the Covid pandemic meant that we had to



develop a new way of holding this event and the "Drive Up and Park" Farmers Breakfast for 2020 was a terrific success. With Shire, Police and Vic Gov Covid Line approval of our Covid Safe event in hand, the morning proceeded beautifully. We served as many hot cooked breakfasts as we had in 2019 and sold over \$300 in donated home made local preserves, jams and pantry items. The Caulfield Cup Sweep winners included a new resident of Arawata.

We were thrilled to enter a new spirit of co-operation and have our event cross promoted on the social media pages of the Jeetho, Bena, Poowong, Ruby, Jumbunna and Loch communities as well. Thank you to the Sentinel Times for attendance and coverage of the first Community Hall Covid safe event in the region.

In other news for the district we have several Arawata residents learning to use tablets and navigate internet services with Learning to Grow Facilitator at Milpara Community House, courtesy of a Shire Grant.

As we enter the home strait of 2020, we will all be looking forward to navigating a 'Covid normal' Summer.

#### Jumbunna Hall

Unfortunately Covid restrictions since March have prevented the Jumbunna Hall from running it's long established monthly market.

Celebrating 125 years of Jumbunna Hall's existence with a get together / BBQ to welcome newcomers and was also cancelled. We recently renewed a water pump and purchased a BBQ with funds raised from the Christmas raffle.

The community is saddened with the loss of three valued citizens;

- Keith Marshall in April 2020. Many will remember Keith from Jumbunna Nursery, Tearooms and popular plant stall at the market.
- ♦ Keith Smith in June 2020, after a life time of dairy farming in Gooches Road.
- Mr Ray Durkin, a long time Jumbunna resident has also passed away.

Three past residents; Mr. Bruce Dowell, Mrs. Sylvia Arthur (Herring) and Mrs. Betty Cruickshank, who have also died.

Jumbunna Hall has completed a strategic plan in conjunction with Michelle Harris from Gippsport and will shortly make a submission to South Gippsland Shire Council.

As we get back to normal, we are planning to resume the Jumbunna Market on **Sunday January 3rd 2021** depending on Covid restrictions.

Brian Enbom President 0459 239 344



David Taffe was educated at Napier Boys High Agriculture School in New Zealand.

Barbara Taffe trained to be a nurse at Royal Melbourne Hospital.

Taffe Roses Rose Nursery opened at Elwood in the 1980's where Barbara gained a great knowledge of plants and started a Landscape & Floristry Course. After moving from Melbourne to Bena, 2500 old fashioned

fragrant roses were planted for the Cut Flower Market.

Roses are delivered to our wholesaler Impulse Flowers in Carnegie twice weekly. Our roses are also available at wholesale prices at our home gate or delivered to locals.

Contact David 0434 355 991 or Barbara 0434 925 640

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Korumburra Scout Unit



2<sup>nd</sup> Korumburra Scout Youth are all very excited to head back to indoor and outdoor Scouting again.

It is great to be able to get out and stretch ones legs a little further from home, it opens the opportunity for use to start Scouting together again.

With about 4 weeks of Scouting left until we break for the School Christmas holidays all the Youth, 5years to 18 years are busily planning what they want to do.

The new scouting programme offers all the great learning Scouting skills for life, but now has many bright and challenging new ideas. With the Covid 19 restrictions being eased, there is even more creativity and ingenuity being shown by our wonderful Leaders when running our Scouting nights.

Currently all Scouts are taking part in a Community challenge – 10,000 acts of kindness. This is about connecting with those who need their day brightened. Our Scouts of all ages are kindness champions and can do amazing things for people – bring in rubbish bins, a bunch of flowers, buy a newspaper or magazine, just a smile and friendly hello.

We wish all a wonderful holiday break, Christmas and 2021. A big thank you to the Community who continue to help us. We at 2<sup>nd</sup> Korumburra are looking forward to a big bounce back from 2020 and a 2021 – stronger than ever.

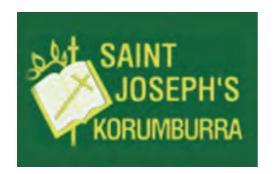
Joey Scouts for those	5 to 8 years	ring Michael on 5659-2122
Cub Scouts for ages	8 to 11 years	contact Heidi 0418 384 128
Scouts for youth ages	11 to 15 years	leader Debbra 0409 404 820
Coal Creek Venturers	15 to 18 years	Belinda 0407 838 268
Leadership roles for those	over 18	please call Shane 0417 127 420
	For Hall Hire	call Shirley 0427 804 362

A great time to join 2<sup>nd</sup> Korumburra Scouts - No fees until March 2021.



#### St Joseph's Catholic Church

Due to Covid restrictions, St Joseph's Korumburra has had to close the doors quite a lot for 2020. We are currently allowed 20 people plus a Priest to offer a mass with strict rules according to the Covid Safety plan in place. Parishioners have to currently contact the Parish Office to book a spot. We are hoping that the restrictions will ease a little more and our capacity will be with 1 person per 4m<sup>2</sup> in place and then we can offer a maximum of 40 people to a mass gathering. If anyone has any questions please contact Ann.



Ann Hemming, Parish Secretary St. Laurence's Leongatha St. Joseph's Korumburra 03 5662-2020





#### Milpara Community House can help you keep connected!

We got devices! Milpara is keen to assist people to stay connected and has recently purchased some tablets, netbooks and dongles. For the record, a dongle is a magic little thing that provides instant WiFi and allows you to access the internet. These devices will be available for loan and come with friendly help/support to get you started in using technology to connect with



friends and family. If this sounds like something you or someone you care about would be interested in please make contact with Milpara 5655 2524.

While we appreciate that nothing really compare to face-to-face contact, in these odd times online connection can be valuable. Zoom and other online platforms have proven to be a fantastic alternative to in-person contact through recent times. It is opening new opportunities to connect with people.



All people serving alcohol in Victoria need the RSA (Responsible service of Alcohol) certificate which is approved by the Director of Liquor Licensing Victoria. 4 hrs

RSA- Responsible Service of Alcohol \$45 The Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation have approved the delivery of RSA to Victorians online during the COVID-19 pandemic. Learners will complete 5 eLearning sections, submit a short (2 min max) role play video and a short written answer assessment [3 questions) for our assessment. Once assessed as competent an email with the electronic VCGLR certificate will be sent to learners. Training and assessment provided by CFT International RTO #21120.

Milpana Community House Bookings: Milpara 5655 2524 or visit website and follow link.

www.milparacommunityhouse.org.au

Food Safety Courses also available on line.

Milpara staff are happy to help get you started if this is something completely new for you. Have you been putting off trying it? Think it's just too hard and scary? Unsure where to start? Then give the friendly staff at Milpara a call on 5655 2524. If you do not have the technology to get started, please still make contact. We are currently looking at ways to assist to ensure everyone can stay connected Stay safe and remember a little kindness goes a long way particularly in these times.

#### **Anglican Parish of Korumburra and Poowong**





Our Parish churches, St Pauls in Korumburra and also All Saints in Poowong, are centres that always seek to be at the heart of community issues and events. When open St Pauls church services are at 9:30 every Sunday with a Family Service on the first Sunday of the month. We also have a Parish Hall that is normally open for community groups to meet for a variety of activities.

All Saints Church in Poowong provides a local service for the communities of Poowong, Loch and Nyora and surrounding areas on the first and third Sundays at 11:00AM. At present we are planning a community garden behind the church, providing a meeting place for locals, supported by the businesses and groups in Poowong.

As you walk past St Pauls you would normally see an open door every day inviting you to come inside for quiet contemplation. Unfortunately, with the situation at the moment due to lockdown rules, the church has had to close. But our prayers are the key that will unlock the doors because although the Church may be closed God is still open for business. We still meet each Sunday via Zoom at 9:30 on a Sunday for a Praise, Prayer and Proclamation Service. You can also follow us on our Facebook page where a weekly message via a YouTube link is uploaded.

If you have any prayerful needs or would like to find out more about us please contact our

Minister: Rev Dr Fran Grimes, 5655 1007 - fgrimes@dcsi.net.au or warden Martin Shaw, 0409 921 863 - beau garden@hotmail.com



#### **Korumburra and District Historical Society**

The last meeting of the Society was in March when Elini Coursivanos from the South Gippsland Shire spoke to members. Elini is employed by the Shire to update a heritage study which was done in 2004. It was a great experience for members to hear from such an engaging speaker who is so enthusiastic about her area of study. Six months, and counting, with no meetings, but there are people contacting the Society to find out about our/their history, and the history of their families. Frederick Walter Henry Schulz operated the newsagency business in Korumburra in the late twenties, into the nineteen forties. He left when he went to serve in WW2 in New Guinea. There might be people who remember the Schulz name in Korumburra. Another enquiry has come relating to J.C. Andrews who had a cordial business in Korumburra. That's just one more name from our past. We cannot forecast when we might be able to meet again, we need just in the present time to stay apart to stay together as the advertising goes, however we must be getting closer to getting together.

Janet Wilson, Secretary. <u>Janet.wil@outlook.com</u>

#### **Assistant Historians**

The history of trotting in Gippsland is currently being compiled for release as a book next year.

Researcher Kyle Galley is looking to contact people who have had an association with the sport, or the families of past participants.

Any items of interest such as newspaper cuttings or photographs, and anecdotes are important to help piece together the history of local trotting which has been conducted in various forms at almost 80 towns from Pakenham up to Bainsdale, and down to the coast.

The first trotting event at Korumburra was in 1912 with races conducted at sports carnivals over many years.

A Trotting Club was also in operation at Korumburra Showgrounds in the 1970s.

Any items of memorabilia loaned would be copied and returned.

Kyle Galley can be contacted on 0409 342 477 or email kylergalley@hotmail.com

#### **Korumburra Uniting Church**

As with so many organisations, the church has not met in numbers since mid March, with the last worship on 15th. March being at Loch. Since then members are being well catered for with a service of worship supplied to them by the Pastoral Relations people from the Gippsland Presbytery. There are other ways too of worshipping, with some members able to worship online. One particular source of this is the Glen Waverley Uniting Church which has a weekly worship service available on line. It's easy enough to find, and it is a very energetic and meaningful form of worship for those who are connecting to this. There was to be a meeting of Church Council in August but this had to be cancelled, and then followed further restrictions. We hope soon to have news of how we can gather safely.

Janet Wilson, Secretary of Church Council. <u>Janet.wil@outlook.com</u>

#### Korumburra Croquet Club

Welcome to croquet, a sport which has survived in Korumburra for more than 99 years.

The pandemic meant that we were severely limited in numbers and therefore tournaments and other events were cancelled, and therefore normal avenues of income were not available.



However, like many other sports clubs, croquet has been the recipient of COVID funding which gave us some respite.

As restrictions ease, we look forward to a full complement of players for normal Saturday afternoon social games or Tuesday morning practice.

Recently, some members took part in a promotional video & interview for Fauldings who plan to highlight the benefits of exercise for senior citizens. Some Oscar performances!

Normally at this time of year we would have held a Come & Try day. Instead, you are invited any Tuesday morning from 10am to enjoy learning some new skills. Or perhaps you're free on Saturday afternoons? We are there from 12.30pm. You can find us at 44 Victoria St Korumburra. Come and say hello!

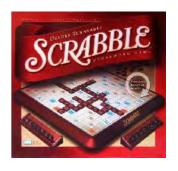
Contacts are Helen on 5655 2247 or Joan on 5655 2126

rcashin24@gmail.com

#### **Scrabble Group**

Here is a challenge for you. You're ready to start a game of scrabble and you pick out 7 tiles. What word can you make to give you as many points as possible?

That's the easy bit. Trying to fit it in when there is other tiles already on the board is another matter. Or having 7 vowels to make a word with. As in A A U U U I O.



As yet, our group is still unable to access the meeting rooms in Radovick St due to social distancing rules.

Once the Shire Council allows access to the rooms, scrabble will again be played on a Thursday afternoon from 1pm. Fingers crossed it will happen SOON because we all miss the physical social contact. Smiling at a computer screen doesn't really make anyone feel warm and fuzzy, nor can you pass around the home made biscuits.

Our contact person is Nancye on 5658 1835.



rcashin24@gmail.com

#### South Gippsland Orchid Society.



Welcome back to all of our friends, from South Gippsland Orchid Society.

The good thing about Covid is that our flowers did not have to wear masks! Wouldn't you just know it, one of the really good years, with the majority having a great flowering season.

Our new season will (Covid permitting) get under way in Feb 2021, we will still be meeting in the Angling Club rooms at

Wonthaggi Football Ground. For further information please contact 0428547466.

Looking forward to a very enjoyable year, John Betts

#### CWA Korumburra

In February 2021it will be the 90th anniversary of the CWA Korumburra branch. Begun on 9th February 1931at a private home in Radovick Street.

The aim was, and still is, to improve the lives of country women and children. From 1939-1945 the member numbers reduced substantially as many members moved into other work for the war effort. Over the years our branch has been directly involved in improving our town, including the building of a comfort station and the first seats in Commercial Street. In the 1950's the branch boasted a membership of 150. The branch has survived high's and low's. The year of 2020 being one of those lows. Because of social restrictions due to COVID-19 we were unable to hold any meetings between March and October. Hopefully those days are behind us. At our November 2020 AGM we regrettably accepted the resignation of our long time member and President Norma Head who has been a member over nearly all those years mentioned above.

Her guidance and leadership has been indispensable and we thank her for her dedicated service. Our new president is Joanne Knox who joined the branch in 2017 and we wish her every success

We also have an active member involved in the Kongwak market, making jams, biscuits, slices etc who would welcome any assistance. If you are a keen baker, or would like to be involved in the actives the branch hold throughout the year, including morning teas, displays, craft you are more than welcome to come to our meetings. Our current membership is down to 6, if the branch is to continue and get to it's 100th anniversary we need new members. We meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at Milpara Community House at 1pm. . Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions please send an email or call before arriving to ensure the meeting is going ahead or if the venue has changed. Details are below.



Louise Knight
CWA Korumburra Branch
Secretary/Treasurer
louise.e@me.com
0409 418 917



Korumburra Medical Centre continues to provide quality care for the community. The clinic is open our regular hours, but coming to an appointment may be a little different from pre-covid days.

**Telehealth** appointments remain an option for those that do not require a face to face consultation. However, from October 2020 bulk-billing of teleheath will only be for those who meet our normal bulk-billing requirements

\*pensioners, healthcare card holders and children under 16 years.

All other telehealth consults will be privately billed, unless discussed and agreed prior to the appointment with your doctor.

We are running most of our regular services, so please don't delay your routine appointments. When you come to see our doctors, nurses, or other health professionals at the clinic, we request you ring from your car when you arrive (where possible) and we will then ring you when we are ready to see you, and invite you in.

Please be aware we will ask you questions about your health prior to you entering the clinic, and request you use the hand sanitizer provided.

**Masks** are also required to be worn by all persons entering the clinic.

If you are deemed a possible high covid risk because of your illness, or you are unable to wear a mask this will discussed with you before you enter the clinic, and alternate arrangements will be made to see you and provide the appropriate medical care.

Our patient and staff health is our top priority, and every effort is being taken to minimize risk when you attend your appointments.

Staying COVID safe on MPH. Mask up, Physical distancing and Hand hygiene. If sick, get tested and stay at home.







#### **MEDIA RELEASE**



Shire Council

South Gippsland Shire Council is excited to announce that Coal Creek Community Park and Museum will be opening its doors again on 5 December.

Coal Creek closed to the public on 20 March due to COVID-19. Now it is preparing to open just in time for the Christmas / New Year holiday period.

Coal Creek Community Park and Museum Coordinator Rowena Ashley is looking forward to welcoming visitors, staff and volunteers back to the park.

"It will be great to see people enjoy the park once more. It has been a long time coming" said Ms Ashley.

In order for Coal Creek to reopen, there has had to be some changes to the way in which visitors can enjoy the park.

Visitors will now be required to book a ticket via Coal Creek's website to access the park. Tickets will be available from 27 November. There will also be number limits and two time slots each day to keep the park COVID safe.

To ensure all visitors are safe, the park will be reopened in stages. The first of which will not include the opening of outbuildings and the train will not be operating.

"We understand that this approach may cause some frustration for visitors, however we must ensure the safety of our staff, volunteers and the public. We strongly believe that the park can still be enjoyed with these restrictions in place. Bring a picnic basket, fill it up locally and come enjoy the park with us. We can't wait to see you" remarked Ms Ashley.

For tickets and more information about Coal Creek's reopening,

please visit: <u>www.coalcreekcommunityparkandmuseum.com</u>

To view all of Council's media releases please visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/media



Nicole de Longville

**Communications Assistant** 

#### **CHAIN SAW ARTWORK**

Korumburra's 125<sup>TH</sup> Show this year was commemorated with Chain Saw Artwork as memorabilia of the enduring achievement.

Some of the chain saw artwork master pieces, which the Korumburra & District A & P Society are to commemorate their  $125^{th}$  Show.







#### **Korumburra Business Association**

Well 2020 has been an exceptional year so far with many of us keen to put it behind us. COVID-19 at the very least has tested us in many ways.

For many it has no longer been business as usual, but it has been extremely uplifting to see how these businesses have adapted with takeaway menus, modifying appointments, using telephone calls and emails to communicate, creating new websites and online bookings, and strengthening their online stores.

So what can you do to help?

Now more than ever, our local businesses need the support of our locals. Every purchase, whether it is small or large, makes a difference. Our local businesses are the ones that donate to your Schools, your Sporting Clubs, your Community, so now is the time to make sure you support them.

We encourage you to Think Local, Be Local and Buy Local.



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To order or for more details Email: <a href="mailto:vegiebags@growlightly.com.au">vegiebags@growlightly.com.au</a>

#### What's in the bag?

Produce is local and seasonal, so we can't tell you exactly what's going into the bag even a couple of days ahead. We can say that there will be a range of produce, including some fruit, some vegies for cooking, and some leafy greens. Scroll up to the top for this week's details.

Apples and potatoes are also available as extras, along with a few pantry items such as preserves.

https://openfoodnetwork.org.au/growlightly-vegiebags/shop

#### Online bulk orders

The online shop is open on Monday from 12pm until 8pm. If there are changes and you are a regular customer you will be notified. If you have questions, please Email **produce@growlightly.com.au**For the on-line shop.

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#### **Coal Creek Farmers Market**

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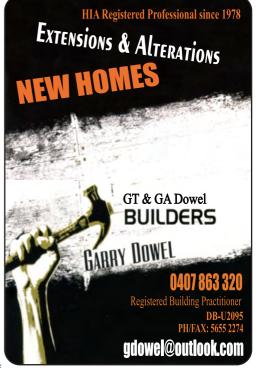
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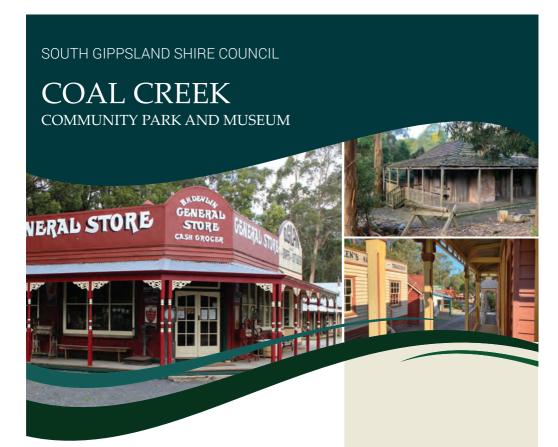
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Coal Creek Community Park and Museum is currently closed, but we look forward to welcoming you back again soon.

We are currently working on a plan to reopen Coal Creek Community Park and Museum in line with State Government guidelines for providing a safe environment for visitors, staff and volunteers during COVID-19.

Reopening dates and details will be listed on our Facebook page and website. On reopening all visits will be ticket only entry via the website:

coalcreekcommunityparkandmuseum.com

All events at Coal Creek are cancelled until further notice. The layout of the park means that we cannot ensure that the State Government's social distancing provisions are complied with.



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