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Editorial This Autumn issue of the Burra Flyer booklet was produced by a small team of volunteers. Thanks to the work done by Sadie & Bill Jansen and John Abraham for this edition. Enjoy. You may also read the Flyer on our website along with other information for exploring Korumburra and surrounds.

Syd Whyte, KCDA President.

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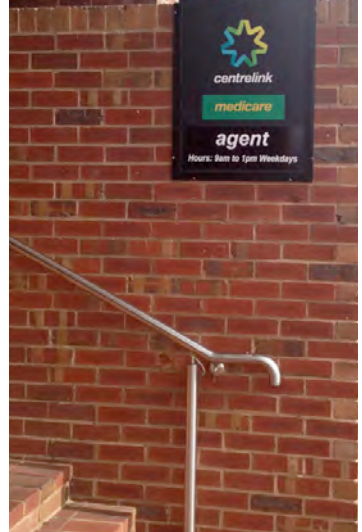
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With COVID-19 drastically affecting the community the Citizens Advice Bureau was forced to temporarily close its doors until the situation eased.

However, the Centrelink and Medicare agency remained open to help clients with their day-to-day Centrelink and Medicare activities.

“Emails and phone messages sent to the Bureau were still checked regularly and responded to,” said Jackie Horobin, the Bureau’s president.

“Once we came out of lockdown the Bureau’s Visitor Information Centre swung into action again helping visitors passing through Leongatha as well as locals.”



When not in lockdown, the Bureau provides information and help with regard to community services and can also access web-based information services for clients where needed. The Bureau also offers a photocopying service and offers the use of a tourism computer for those clients who haven’t got smart phones.

The Bureau has bus timetables, maps of local towns, movie timetables, volunteer group information and offers tax help at tax time.

The Bureau is always looking for volunteers so if you think you can help drop in or phone to ask for more details.

The Bureau is located at the Memorial Hall complex, Michael Place, Leongatha. Drop in between 10am and 2pm Monday to Friday or phone **5662-2111**

Korumburra Golf Club

The Korumburra Golf Club has recently seen an increase in membership, as well as more players participating in competitions. The weather has often given us four seasons in one week but when it is fine, there is nothing better than being out in the picturesque surrounds. Non-members can pay green fees and take advantage of occasional rounds of golf with family and friends.

The grounds staff and volunteers have continued to be busy with improvements to the course. With the intermittent rainfall, the Santa Ana couch grass has started to grow and spread over the line-planted fairways. Major earthworks have seen re-shaping around the dam on the 15th fairway and an amazing bridge has recently been built to go over the new water-way on the 4th fairway. Thanks to all those who work so hard to make the course better for all those who play golf regularly or on a casual basis.

Twilight golf on Thursdays has seen many playing in this social competition, and the club has been rapt to have newcomers join in on these evenings. Twilight golf will finish towards the end of daylight saving and restart sometime in November.

The women's Beginners Day was held in February with many women participating in golf for the very first time. There were also a number of people who have previously tried golf and now have joined up and taking the step of playing in competitions.

The club hosted the South Gippsland Women's Opening Day in February, with representatives from all the clubs in the district playing in the 4BBB event. The weather was fine and the club was relieved to have the day, especially when a Covid lock-down was announced on that day for the following five days.

The Men's and Women's Championships, Pennant and other significant golf events will be played through the months February into May. After most events being cancelled in 2020 due to Covid restrictions, we hope, that 2021 allows everyone's lives and to be as 'normal' as possible, on and off the course.



John Payne is running Junior Clinics during Term 1 from Sunday 7th February to Sunday 28th March, 9.30 – 10.30 am. Clinics: 8 weeks - \$150 (With Junior Membership paid* - \$75).

For any enquiries, including membership, green-fees, cart hire and lessons please phone John at the club **5655-1886**

Indoor Swimming Pool

Korumburra's Indoor Swimming Pool is opening under COVID-safe requirements and lessons, rehab sessions and private bookings have resumed.

If you have injuries, medical conditions or are recovering from an accident, you are welcome to join our Rehabilitation and Self-Help sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1.30 – 3 pm for \$2 per session. No bookings are required but patrons are asked to follow social distancing requirements that are in place. Chris will be on hand to assist, supervise and clarify the procedures to keep everyone safe. For further information call the message bank: 5655 1681.

Children's swimming lessons: For water babies and pre-school lessons contact Kaye Tipping on 5657 3317; for school age lessons contact Colette Pearl on 0417 058 154.

For private bookings, call the message bank 5655 1681 or make contact through the Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool Facebook page.

Burracudas Swimming Squad

Korumburra's Swimming Squad – the Burracudas – trained in the Korumburra Outdoor Pool over summer. With interclub carnivals cancelled for the 2020-21 season, the squad has concentrated on fun and fitness – a chance for members to refine their swimming technique in a supportive club environment. The season will conclude in March.



Current plans are that training will restart for the 2021-22 season in September. For information on joining the squad, contact

Lesley Turton, Squad Manager 0418 547 323

Korumburra Bowling Club

We are back on the green after a year of rest. The Korumburra Bowling Club is located at 20 Charles Street, in the sporting precinct of town.



Bowls is a challenging game but is simple. It is a sport that can be played at any age or by anyone with a disability. The club is very inclusive, and everyone is welcome. We provide loan bowls, free coaching, tea nights, weekly social bowls and competition matches. Make sure you give us a call to have a chat about the benefits of joining our club.

The 2020 – 2021 club champions are Caroline Snooks and Keith March.

Thanks to a grant from the South Gippsland Shire Council and the work of club members we are currently up grading our shelters on the bottom green. Our club is recognised in bowling community for the quality of its facilities and is often used to hold Division and State championship games

For more details or just to have a chat please phone the Club rooms on **5655 1246**.

Friends Of Ritchie Reserve working bees are conducted on the 1st Sunday of the month at Ritchie Reserve (Refer story Page 9). Parks and Arawata Landcare support monthly environmental rehabilitation to eradicate weed infestation and tidy up the reserve. Trees have been planted to enhance the park and we would appreciate more Korumburra and environs people to step up and assist with this important work. Ian Starkey is the honorary facilitator who coordinates with Parks, Wonthaggi, to assist with our project. Contact Ian Starkey **0490 861 086**

Arawata/Nerrena Tarwin Valley Landcare Groups joint walk on Friday evening, **5 March @ 5.30pm at Hamman's Bush**. All are welcome to come along and join in the environmental tour with activists explaining works carried out by the Arawata Landcare Group in conjunction with David Meikle and the shire works group. This iconic reserve affords calm reflection within the depths of the wild forest. Visitors can experience a living relic of the once vast, dense and almost impenetrable forest of the region.



Its now coming into autumn, which you could almost argue that our summer has been autumn weather, without the cold nights. If you haven't started getting onto your thistles, early autumn is a great time to get on top of those spiky things. The purple flowers may look pretty, but they produce a lot of seeds which spread by wind very easily. Can chip out large ones with a hoe, or there are a few different chemicals that can be used.

At time of writing, we have just started the 5 day snap lockdown. We had planned a propagation evening, cut

waiting to see with covid rules if we can still have the evening. In saying that we are hoping sometime in autumn to have another meeting, where we will hear about all the plantings that is coming up for all of Bass Coast Landcare Network, that we can hopefully get involved in (Covid19 rules permitting).

Best way to keep updated is to follow us on Facebook, search **Korumburra Landcare Group**. If you are looking for resources on pest control (foxes/rabbits), weed control, or looking for an environmental crew to help maintain and control weeds on your property check out **Bass Coast Landcare Network**, yes Korumburra Landcare comes under the Bass Coast umbrella as we cover the upper Powlett Catchment.



Friends of Coal Creek

We welcome the new members who have recently joined us and would like to thank all our members for their support over the years. We thank them for their monetary assistance by both renewing their membership and with donations.

The Lands Department Building conclusion of works was interrupted by COVID hence Coal Creek quoted \$240 to complete drainage works to wind up that project. Thanks to up to 15 volunteers who gave up their time to assist Stuart Olsen and President Syd for 12 months to renovate, with re-blocking, wash-down walls high pressure, new verandas, 15 wallboards, window sashes, broken panes, replace stairs, extensive sanding, filling, undercoat and 2 finish coats painting, replace rusted roofing iron, undercoat and paint.

The Friends encourage members to link their Michaels IGA customer tag (community benefit membership) to Friends of Coal Creek. This too will help with restoration, and once the restoration of the Lands Office has been completed, future renovations in the park.

Friends of Coal Creek meet on the second Wednesday of the month. To become a member and support us the fee is \$20 each \$40 a family; (the term begins from 1st October each year). Anybody interested in assisting with labour for repairs to the buildings or in becoming a member may contact:

Joan on 5655-2126
or Syd on 5655-1247
or 0428 551 247

Friends of Ritchie Reserve

Ritchie Reserve is 25 acres of crown land which covered extensive mining activity, namely the Cardiff and Sunbeam mines. The reserve has significant stands of remnant temperate rain forest and is managed by Parks Victoria, Wonthaggi Depot.

The Friends of Ritchie Reserve was formed many years ago and is now functioning again where working bees are held every month on the 1st Sunday of the month from 10am -12noon. Organised by significant environmental activists in Ian Starkey, Dick Lester and Danny Drummond, recently the South Gippsland Conservation Society whom were active at the demise of the Lands Department.

History : - May 1969 from South Gippsland Shire Council as Public Land Manager

Ritchie Family History was Honoured.

The Ritchie family at Arawata which has a distinguished record of municipal service over a period of 70 years has been honoured with the naming of a council reserve at Korumburra.

Land at Silkstone from which the Korumburra Shire Council became the board of management last month is to be named the Ritchie Reserve for Natural Flora.

When this name was suggested by Cr S.C. Miles, the shire president at that time, Cr R.W. "Bob" Ritchie vacated the chair and left the chamber. Cr Bob Attenborough chaired the ensuing discussion.

Long Service of the Ritchies.

Cr Stan.C.Miles suggestion of this name followed considerable research into the municipal activities of the family.

- ★ Ex Cr John Ritchie (Bob Ritchie's Grandfather) was a member of the Woorayl Council from 1890 to 1893
- ★ Ex Cr Alexander John Ritchie (Bob Ritchie's father) was a member of the Korumburra Shire Council for a 23 Year period from 1921 to 1944
- ★ Cr Robert William "Bob" Ritchie had been in office for 18 years and was serving his third term as Shire President.

Other members of the family Ex Cr William Langham and Ex Cr Steven C Western served the shires of Woorayl, Poowong, and Jeetho respectively.

On returning to the chamber and being informed of this decision Cr Bob Ritchie claimed his record was not necessarily outstanding but sincerely thanked the council for this honour.

Gladys Ritchie, Bob's wife, was an inaugural member of Friends of Ritchie Reserve, when we had the Lands Dept. Anybody interested in becoming a member may contact

Syd Whyte, President 03 5655-1247

TAEKWON-DO Classes

KM Johnston Self-Defence and Fitness Classes have recommenced for 2021. Our classes are held at the Anglican Parish Hall, Tuesday evenings at 6pm.

Training fee is just \$10 per week for an all ages single.

Additional family members are just \$5 each.

This weekly fee for our Korumburra class, also entitles you to attend our Churchill and Mirboo North training classes, held on other evenings.

Call Kevin Johnston 0409 601 371



Korumburra RSL Sub Branch

What's Been Happening

Like most organisations within the state COVID-19 forced us to reconsider our calendar. As we know ANZAC day and Remembrance day were very 'low key' and we have had to postpone our RSL centenary activities. This may occur later in the year. However, 2021 calendar is "off and running". Some of events are:

Centenary RAAF

The RAAF is the second oldest independent Air Force in the world. This year marks the centenary of the RAAF's formation. A special commemorative BBQ will be conducted in Korumburra's Coleman park be the Cenotaph on Sunday 28 March. Commencing at 11:00. All welcome.

Special ANZAC Day dedication service for Korumburra School

On Monday 26 April a very special School assembly will be conducted at the Korumburra State school. The school will conduct the usual ANZAC commemoration however this will be supplemented by a dedication event that has been 100 years in the making. Commencing at 0900 in the school gymnasium. More to follow. This will be exciting for the school and the broader community.

ANZAC Day

Planning for ANZAC day is underway. We are waiting for conformation as to weather we can conduct our normal Dawn Service at Coleman Park. Please keep and eye out on social and or local media for the final word. Should the dawn service not proceed there will be the driveway "Stand To" option used for last year. Irrespective of if we conduct a Dawn service, our annual ANZAC appeal will proceed. Our "appeal packages" will again be located in shops and business throughout the district and please be aware of the new "Tap and Go" option for purchasing ANZAC Day badges.



New Book

The Korumburra RSL is now proud to announce the impending release its second book in the series documenting its research. Far from Home: For God King and Country. This book picks up where our first book (Far from Home: Our Fallen Heroes of Coleman park finished. The new book tells a bigger picture than before and lists the fate of all the known losses experienced within the former Shire for WW1, WW2 and up to contemporary times. Our research has now concluded, and our efforts has identified 366 local service men and women who are listed locally as having lost their life during their service. The most recent loss being 2011.

Each copy of For God King and Country has 747 pages. Each book is a “Hard Back” and filled with both colour and black/white imagery. As such, these books are not cheap. A hard copy of For God King and Country will cost \$170. Our budget only allows for limited production run. Many copies have already been pre-sold. These books will be available late April.

Further inquires: David Jackson 0474 136 469
Tony Moon 0490 376 327
Perry Neil 0498 087 571



From Bena Gnr Albert Le Roux. Died of wounds 28 Sep 1917



From Arawata, Pte Harald Warton KIA Crete 22 May 1941



Former Korumburra resident and past student of Korumburra State School Warrant Officer Ralph Proudlock. Ralf was killed in a flying accident in Borneo on 21 May 1945

Handy Calendar reminders ahead.

For those celestially attuned the Autumnal **Equinox** will occur on **March 20th**.



In Autumn, your clock **falls back** 1 hour.
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Mother's Day, Sunday, **9 May**.

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Arawata Community Hall

The Arawata Community Hall Association has been active despite the COVID restrictions. Instead of our usual casserole tea, a Pizza night was held. New residents to the area were welcomed by our President Craig Jackson.

We had a great team of hard worker preparing the old Arawata school grounds for our annual Australia Day Cricket Match. This in the past has attracted fantastic numbers of local people and ex Arawatians. This year the grounds were looking superb, and the pitch was ready. But we all know that Victoria can have all seasons in one day, and it was just our luck that it rained and made the game of cricket impossible, so instead we all took our picnic lunches and had them in the hall, we again welcomed new residents to our community.



Never a dull moment at Arawata, we have had a friendly peacock go wandering from Mayfield Gallery – The Home of Fine art, we have had a Koala visit a property Kia Ora in Kardella Fairbank Road, and to top it off Syd Whyte forgot all about his dog Axel and left him behind at the showgrounds.

Jumbunna Hall

The Jumbunna Hall Committee recently held it's AGM with 31 people present including many new residents. Office Bearers elected; Brian Enbom, Peter Walker and Dawne Wylie as Treasurer.

The recently completed Strategic Plan was presented for discussion including current and future ideas.

Covid 19 forced us to abandon the long running Jumbunna Market for most of 2020. The good news is that we are now back up and running. Fingers crossed we will continue into 2021.

Jumbunna Market is held at Jumbunna Hall First Sunday of each month. You can also find us on the Jumbunna Stall at The Coal Creek Farmers Market Second Saturday of each month.

Resident musician Greg Walker is currently organizing an afternoon/evening concert comprising local talented musicians.

A BBQ lunch is being planned to celebrate the Jumbunna Hall's 125 years and to welcome our newcomers to the district. This will be held 12pm Sunday 14th March 2021 at Jumbunna Park. Further enquiries contact

Brian Enbom, President **0459 239 344**

Peter Walker, Secretary **0400 068 966**

Bena Hall

As uncertainty continues there is little to advise, but enjoy a feel good story...

In early December the Committee was delighted to be able to come to the rescue of an anxious local couple whose wedding plans had been cancelled twice and in serious doubt of a third cancellation. At short notice a terrific team effort by Committee Members to have the hall deep cleaned and looking bright was organised and local businesses found to assist with decorations and wedding plans. The couple held their ceremony in the park across the street from the Hall which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and on a day of superb weather the glamorous couple and their small group of guests made an elegant and stylish party to be long remembered.

During the shutdown some painting, and upgrading of power and lighting has occurred, and the purchase and installation of a new commercial dishwasher, oven and a pie warmer will improve both the comfort of patrons and catering capability at future events.

The Committee is wanting to compile a comprehensive list of email and/or phone contacts for all our patrons to expedite circulation of news, organisation of events and assist with bookings. This will reduce the need to print and distribute costly mail-outs and ease the administrative burden. To have your contact details included, please forward to info@benahall.com.au



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Carinya is a not-for-profit Aged Care facility run by a Committee of Management.

Exciting times at Carinya, as Carinya now has increased to a 60-bed assisted living Lodge, and 44 Independent Living Units. Carinya has completed some extensions to the Lodge and is in the process of refurbishing the original rooms. Court yards and surrounding gardens are also being developed. Planning is underway for four more Independent living units to be built.



The completion of the new Kitchen is divine with all meals cooked on the premises by the fantastic staff, there is nothing like a home cooked meal.

An area of undeveloped land between some of the Independent living units and the Lodge of Carinya is proposing to have an extensive walking track / parkland area, with outdoor entertaining, and community gardens a place for all residents of Carinya to enjoy with family and friends.



The residents have enjoyed seeing the progression and completion of the works.



The Dementia Specific section of Carinya is now operational, with residents enjoying a wide range of activities daily, to accommodate their individual needs.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions of gatherings of larger groups has not been permitted, however with the help of modern technology Zoom the Annual General Meeting for Carinya has taken place with Mrs Jenny Blackmore re-elected as President, we had two outgoing committee members Mrs. Lyn Perks and Mr. Max Hall between them they have over twenty years on the committee at Carinya. We Thank them for their valuable time spent on Committee.

Our major fundraising project of raise a calf is going well, Thank you to Mr. Alan Fraser and Mr. Eddie Hams for your coordinating of this project. A huge Thank you to all participants of the raise a calf fundraising, your efforts and support to Carinya is very much appreciated. If you would like to be a part of this amazing project, please contact Sarah at Carinya for details.



Korumburra Friends of Red Cross

We have just started holding our regular meetings. We have managed to have a few meals together between shut-downs but are now back to normal. Our meetings are at 11am in the Senior Citizens Centre in Radovick Street, the first Monday of each month and we would welcome new members.

We would like to congratulate three of our members who have received long service awards. Marg Woolley for 30 years service, Esma O'Flaherty for 30 years service and Janice McIvor for 10 years service.

We will be at the Korumburra IGA collecting for Red Cross Calling in March on Wednesday 3rd, Thursday 11th, Friday 19th and Wednesday 24th.



The South Gippsland Red Cross Emergency Services have been busy since December. After the fires, we have been involved in the COVID telephone calls, the CASI (Community Assistance Socialisation Initiative) telephone calls and the OWI (Outreach Wellbeing Initiative) calls, all initiated by DHHS to vulnerable and isolated people. We delivered food parcels to those who were vulnerable to the pandemic, we presented the Red Cross RediPlan through Zoom and Microsoft Teams, and recently face-to-face at Cape Paterson. In December we went back to Mallacoota for the one year anniversary of the fires to help support the local community and the holiday makers who were also there last year.

KORUMBURRA SENIOR CITIZENS

Are you 55 years or over?

Do you like to talk and laugh with friendly people and have a delicious 2 course meal at a very reasonable price?

Korumburra Senior Citizens have been closed since March 2020 due to Covid but we are now opening again following all precautions.

There is Bingo on Tuesday afternoons.

Each 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month we have lunch at 12noon.

On the last Thursday of the month we have a coffee morning at 10am.

During the year we have guest speakers, entertainment and general celebrations and occasional free trips, we visit other Senior groups and they come to us. Mobile garment and shoe shops visit and we have a great time making choices.

It is a great group of people with a wealth of experience.

Everybody is welcome. Membership is \$15 / person.

Contact: Jan McLaren 03 5655-1458

Korumburra Croquet Club

By the time the Flyer goes to print, we hopefully will have held our Singles Tournament. This will be the first one we've had in 18 months, thanks (or not) to COVID.

During January & February, we trialed Saturday morning play. Unfortunately the weather didn't play ball too often but no doubt it's worth doing again in following summers.

In April we will be celebrating our 100th birthday. Yes, croquet has been in Korumburra for that long! Past members, life members and Gippsland croquet clubs have been invited to partake, as have various VIPs. Period dress/costume is optional - there is sure to be a few people getting into the 1920s theme. And there will be lots of fun - the croquet will not be quite as it is normally played.

Once our "One hundred years of being Awesome" is over, and we've eaten all the birthday cake, croquet will continue on Saturday afternoons with a 1pm start and Tuesday mornings from 10am. New members are always welcome. Come and have a try - you may be pleasantly surprised!

We are located at **44 Victoria Street**

Contacts are Joan on **5655-2126**

or Helen on **5655-2247**

Or you can email us at korumburracroquetclub@gmail.com

We are also on Facebook - so take a look.



2nd Korumburra Scout Unit

2nd Korumburra Scouts are very excited to take on a new year and some new challenges. Our 2020 year was a lot different to our regular scouting year, so this year we hope to fill the programs full of outdoor gatherings, hikes, fishing, camping and even a good water slide or two over the warmer months.

All of our sections have room for new people wanting to come and enjoy some fun. Some Nights we meet at the scout hall (39 Queen Street Korumburra) other nights we might explore the local area, nothing too far though.

Joey Scouts	5-8 years	Tuesday nights
Cub Scouts	8-11 years	Thursday
Scouts	11-15 years	Tuesdays

Coal Creek Venturers Currently in Recess

For times and leaders in charge, please contact Shane.

Congratulations to those who received District Awards for our Group this Year, 2020



Charlie Graham-Cross	Cub of the district
Haley Amor	Venturer of the district
Michael Hart	All Scouter of the district
Shirley Reeves,	district commissioners award

Danni Amor was also the South Gippsland Young Citizen of the Year 2021.

Leadership roles for those over 18 please call Shane Moodie 0417 127 420
For Hall Hire call Shirley 0427 804 362



Some of our Venturers Scouts and Joeys, have already been enjoying themselves with the Australia Day Celebration at Coleman Park.

KCDA

The Australia Day Celebrations went well this year despite the rain. We were extremely happy to have the facilities of the 2nd Korumburra Scout Hall. The scouts did a wonderful job of cooking the sausages and onions. A huge *Thank You* to the Leaders, Parents, Committee and Joeys, Scouts and Venturers for their terrific assistance on the day.

Congratulations to two locals on their Australia Day Awards. Well done to both these deserving recipients.

- **Meredith Freeman** received the 2021 Citizen of the Year; and,
- **Danni Amor**, 13 year old, received the 2021 Young Citizen of the Year.



It was also a very special day for Mr Adrian See, born in Canada, and after many years in Australia he wished to become an Australian citizen. During 2020 when this became a reality he was unable to have a public ceremony due to Covid restrictions and had to receive his citizenship online, so Australia Day 2021 spent in Korumburra with family and friends in the Scout Hall at Coleman Park, Adrian was delighted to be a part of this special celebration with the Scout Group and local community members as "AN AUSSIE" it was very special to him.

World Day of Prayer

On Friday 5 March 2021 at 7.30 pm, people will gather at St Joseph's Church in Korumburra to celebrate World Day of Prayer.

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world; their hopes, concerns and prayers.

The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 170 countries. It begins in Samoa, and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world – through Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas before finishing in American Samoa some 39 hours later.

Women of the Republic of Vanuatu have prepared this year's service, which will include prayers, readings and music. All members of the public are warmly invited to attend and participate in the service which will be followed by supper.

Korumburra Baptist Church

This past year has been an unusual in many ways. We have had to do and learn new things. But amid all the uncertainty and changes, some things have remained constant.

God, who is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow, has proved to be a rock and a refuge, sustaining us day by day and enabling us to remain calm and hopeful. Our faith has given us strength. We have had to learn to worship online and find new ways to care for each other. If you need any support please contact us.

Now we have reached a point where some activities can resume with all the appropriate COVID safe measures in place. We are once again holding our 10.30am Sunday worship services, worshipping in the church with limited numbers. When the weather is suitable we have been meeting on the lawn beside the church. We are also continuing to stream our services online.



If you would like to access our service online or to be part of the congregation at one of our services, please contact me. You would be most welcome.

Ian Wilkinson, Pastor 03 5658-1366
or email korbaps@bigpond.com

Korumburra Uniting Church

We're back to weekly worship, celebrating being back, even if it means wearing our masks. Some of our worship recently has been via live stream from Glen Waverley Uniting Church, a vibrant, and engaging form of worship which we are enjoying. If you are reading this early in the month of March you will perhaps see that the World Day of Prayer will be held at St. Josephs Catholic Church at 7.30 p.m. on Friday 5th. March. You are assured of a warm welcome at our weekly worship, or the World Day of Prayer worship.

Janet Wilson, Secretary of Church Council. janet.wil@outlook.com

Saint Joseph's Catholic Church

Ann Hemming, Parish Secretary 03 5662-2020

St. Laurence's Leongatha
St. Joseph's Korumburra

Korumburra's Opportunity Shops

Recycle, do yourself and the planet a favour. Save fabrics and furniture from landfill. Browse the op shops for garments and pre-loved household goods. Grab yourself a reuse bargain.

Anglican Parish Op Shop

7 Mine Road

Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm

We currently have lots of stock and bargains. Furniture items and electrical goods are also available. Come and check out our excellent prices.

Friends of Hillside Lodge Op Shop

36-40 Commercial St

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[facebook.com/youropshop](https://www.facebook.com/youropshop)

Anne 0434 215 171

Free pickup and delivery, including furniture. All monies stay in Korumburra.

House of Hope Foundation

63 Commercial St

Vinnies Op Shop

145 Little Commercial St

Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm

Phone: 5658-1103

Korumburra Italian Social Club



The Korumburra Italian Social Club at 38 Bridge St Korumburra, has been running for over 47 years.

What a strange year it's been with Covid. All our events were cancelled and we look forward to planning new events when things become safe to do so. The Committee aims to plan events for all of the community to enjoy. These include our famous homemade "Pizza and Pasta Nights", and let's get some famous comedians back.

Our members have recently gotten back into playing cards and Tombola (Bingo) once a week. What joy this brought back. New members are always welcome so please contact us for details.

We hold meetings every 1st Friday of the Month.

Stay tuned to the Burra Flyer for our upcoming events and Facebook for all the details. Bookings are essential for all our events. Tickets are required for entry and to be paid prior event to avoid disappointment.

For all Enquires & Tickets contact: Arc Gammaldi, President **0419 507 410**
 Frank Parini, Treasurer **0456 056 507**
 Maria Condoluci, Vice President **0437 288 822**

Email: Sarina, Secretary korumburraitaliansocialclub@gmail.com

Our venues are also available to hire for any occasion.



**Korumburra
Men's Shed**

At the Old Goods Shed Behind the
Korumburra Post Office

Tuesdays: 9:30 am - 1 pm

Wednesdays: 9:30 am - 3 pm

New Members Welcome - Booking Required

John: 0411 485 113



**Korumburra
Men's Shed**

Hospital Garden

Thursdays

9:00 am - 12 pm

New Members Welcome



Korumburra Horticultural Society

This will be the third year of a local event to celebrate Australia's iconic tree on its special day, March 23. It is also the third year that Richard (Dick) Lester will open his Mardan garden – though that was not the intention this year. The plan for a bigger, new event has to be postponed until - hopefully!- 2022.

National Eucalypt Day was started a few years ago by the Eucalypt Australia Trust. The unusual story about the trust itself, its objectives and recent activities can be found online - just google Eucalypt Day- it's all there. Information is also available at the open garden.

Dick Lester is well known in our communities for his active support of Australia's natural environment, including his off-grid home. He's a gum tree guru and grows more than fifty species of uncommon eucalypts, including local rarer species and numerous drier zone types.

By successfully experimenting with species beyond their natural environments, Richard is developing an arboretum of trees that many of us have rarely seen. And of practical interest, he has mature specimens of smaller mallee types that are becoming available here, such as the 'purple' Coffin Bay Mallee. They have survived and thrived because of Richard's planting techniques.



A visit to Weeroona may not reveal all, but will encourage much!

Page 24, Eucalypt Day open days at Weeroona supported by Korumburra Horticultural Society, Friends of Ritchie Reserve & others.

Saturday, March 20
& Sunday, March 21
10am-4pm

Richard Lester,
731 Mardan Road,
Koorooman (Leongatha)

Information: **0419 624 122**
or lesterrc46@gmail.com



NATIONAL
Eucalypt **DAY**
23 March

SUPPORTED IN GIPPSLAND
BY

RICHARD LESTER

KORUMBURRA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
FRIENDS OF RITCHIE RESERVE

CELEBRATED AT RICHARD'S
Little Weeroona
731 MARDAN ROAD
KOOROOMAN



Open

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
MARCH 20-21
10AM TO 4PM

FREE ENTRY.
SMALL DONATION APPRECIATED

INFORMATION: **0419 624 122**

KORUMBURRA WORKING HORSE & TRACTOR RALLY

ANNUAL VINTAGE RALLY

20TH & 21ST MARCH 2021

5875 SOUTH GIPPSLAND HWY NYORA

METRO QUARRIES SITE (OPPOSITE LANG LANG GOLF COURSE)

2021 RALLY THEME IS NORTH AMERICAN



Rally Features:

- Annual Tractor Pull
- Clydesdale Horses
- Blacksmith Shop
- Vintage Tractors
- The Police Axemen Wood
- Tractor Trek
- Harvest Working Displays
- Earthmoving Displays
- Traction Engines
- Grand Parade
- Vintage Engines
- Sheep Shearing
- Classic Cars
- Vintage Trucks
- Whip Cracking
- Children's Activities

TAKE A JOURNEY BACK THROUGH TIME & EXPERIENCE LIVING HISTORY

For more information please see our Facebook Page: **Korumburra Working Horse and Tractor Rally**
or contact the secretary by email at viccarfrae97@gmail.com

For further information on stall sites at the rally please contact the secretary.



President: Graeme Harley
Ph: 0401 246 382

Secretary: Viv Carfrae
Ph: 0487 286 250

Horses: Merv Allen
Ph: 0408 595 015

Engines: Greg Trease
Ph: 0417 534 385

Tractors: Steve Harley
Ph: 0458 648 198

PENDING COVID RESTRICTIONS – RALLY WILL BE RUN IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES

Admission Prices: Adults \$10.00 Under 16 Free

Exhibitors Free Entry – Onsite camping available for Exhibitors - NHMA Rules Apply



KORUMBURRA LIONS CLUB NEW BEGINNINGS...

The Korumburra Lions Club is at a crossroad, and they want to keep on driving; however, they can't achieve this without community support. **We need you.**

Ian Wilson, Club President, said, "We need members with varying abilities. We need people who can cook, people who can cater, people who can build, practical people, people who can type and we need people who can count. There are positions for everyone in our community and at our club."

The Korumburra Lions Club is starting again. Can you make a difference and help keep the club for Korumburra?

Are you a person who has some time? Do you want to meet new friends? Do you want to help build a better community? Do you want to support families, schools and causes in need? Do you want to have some fun?

If the answer is **maybe**, then give it a try. If the answer **yes**, then give it a try. **We need you.**

Together, we can make a difference

If you are interested please act now.

Email: korumburralions@yahoo.com.au or **Phone:** Ian Wilson 0407 572 265

The Korumburra Lions are organising a membership drive BBQ at the IGA on Thursday 1st April from 10.30am. We would love you to come along, meet some people and have some laughs, no commitment required other than a half an hour of your time.

We need you.





Milpara Community House

Milpara is so many things to so many people it is hard to sum up what we do neatly. Recently described it as a ‘Community Builder’, as it helps build friendships, skills, confidence and a feeling of belonging for people of our community. It is not just a place for old people or Centrelink. If you live in our community, Milpara is a non-judgemental, safe neighbourhood house for all.

Milpara now offers courses, classes and workshops to improve skills (employment/study) and enjoyment of life. It offers social and wellbeing opportunities and has been the starting place for many friendships. It offers support through emergency Foodbank, Centrelink agency, visiting services and of course a friendly chat or cuppa when that’s what is needed. It has built a lot over its 40 years but retains its original intention and living up to the meaning of its name “Meeting Place”.

Please check out our website for a list of activities and courses currently on offer www.milparacommunityhouse.org.au we are now also taking online bookings.

During public health any lockdowns Milpara will only operate essential services:

Emergency Foodbank	Monday to Friday	9:30am - 4:30pm
Centrelink Agent	Tuesdays	10am - 2pm
	and Wednesday & Thursdays	10am - 1pm

We can also assist with printing of essential documents - with no contact. All other Community House activities will be cancelled with exception of our online activities.

Give the friendly staff at Milpara a call on **5655-2524**

Financial Counselling in a Nutshell

FREE Financial Counselling is available right here in Korumburra. Stuart from Anglicare visits Milpara, for bookings please call Anglicare 1800 286 260.

Financial counsellors, provide advice and support to people in financial difficulty. In contrast to financial planners who provide wealth creation strategies, financial counsellors provide practical advice to help people who have debts and are struggling to meet ordinary living expenses.

How effective is financial counselling?

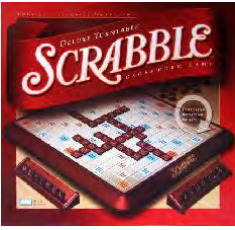
- 66% resolve their financial difficulties
- 74% avoid legal action
- 53% avoid bankruptcy
- 63% improve their mental wellbeing
- 45% improve their physical health



Neighbourhood Houses
The heart of our community

If you are struggling, you’re not alone and there is help. The earlier the better, don’t leave it too late. There have been some fantastic success stories from people who have accessed this service here at Milpara. Often people visit feeling nothing can be done but leave with a smile. Come and see Stuart yourself.

Scrabble Group



Great news! We are back into the KDCA meeting rooms in Radovick Street! Let's hope we can continue at that venue. It was very hard not being allowed out or not being able to have more than 2 or 4 people playing at home. Some players resorted temporarily to online games and some got out of the habit of being available on Thursdays.

We are a friendly, flexible group who welcome new or seasoned scrabblers. There is always room at the table for another scrabbler. Games are on Thursday afternoons from 1pm. Come along!

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 is Nancye on 03 5658-1835

Stamp Clubs

The stamp clubs went into limbo during the pandemic. The Anderson Inlet Stamp Club meet for the Christmas break with gathering and meet in January and February, both functions were held in private homes.

Next meetings are to be held on **Wednesdays**
at the **Uniting Church, William Street, Inverloch:**

10th March,
14th April,
12th May.

The Korumburra Stamp club has not met since last year and there are no plans as yet to resume meetings. Any information on these clubs please contact

Peter Treadwell on 03 9024-0206

South Gippsland Orchid Society

Hi everyone a big welcome back. We have certainly hit the ground running this year with our first meeting on February 10th. It was great to welcome members back and enjoy the opportunity to catch up. During the evening we were given a potting demonstration by Frank Thomas which was very well received. Our club has guest speakers on a regular basis and in March we welcome Helen Richards a very highly regarded person in the orchid world, Helen will be discussing Terrestrial Orchids.

The club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Angling CUB rooms, recreational reserve Korumburra Rd, Wonthaggi at 7.00 pm. All welcome Covid permitting, please ring beforehand for update.

Regards, John Betts 0428 547 466

Korumburra and District Historical Society

We were able to hold our annual meeting in February, and who would have thought, it was held at the Soccer/Cricket Ground in Richard Street. We need to be aware of being safe, and this seemed to fit the bill beautifully. Now, that's a bit history making isn't it?

Next meeting will also be at this venue, on Thursday 4th. March at 2pm.

We are excited to think that we may be able to have more of our earlier papers digitised, something we can do if we gain funding through our application for a Local History Grant. There are already a number of our early papers available on Trove, and this is a wonderful resource if you are looking for something on our earlier history. Of course there are Melbourne papers also available, which means that there is information there on local matters which might have made it into the news more broadly.

Our other excitement is that we are almost ready to be putting plaques explaining the history of some of our buildings onto those buildings. Members will be visiting business people seeking their willingness to be involved in this.

Janet Wilson janet.wil@outlook.com

South Gippsland Shire Heritage Study 2004

The Korumburra Comfort Station for Women, designed and constructed in 1944 by the Public Works Department, at 3 Radovick Street, Korumburra.

Historic, Social and Aesthetic Significance

The Comfort Station for Women is an Interwar Art Deco Public Convenience of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the town of Korumburra. KOR-RA-003 meets AHC criterion of Significance. (A.4, C.1, E.1 and F.1)

Historically and socially, the quality of the design and prominent location of the facility on one of Korumburra's main commercial streets illustrates prevailing attitudes to the provision of separate public conveniences for women in the pre-World War 2 period.

Aesthetically, it is a well resolved interwar public building, which is notable as a locally rare example that features progressive Moderne influences such as the stepped pylon at the south west corner.

South Gippsland Shire Heritage Study 2004 Description from pages 314/315 of 911.

The *Korumburra Comfort Station for Women* at 3 Radovick Street, Korumburra is a cream brick single storey moderne structure with a high parapet concealing its skillion roof. At the southwest corner is a rendered brick pylon in stepped art deco style bearing the sign, "Comfort Station", in characteristically simple upper case lettering. The building has been converted from a women's only facility to cater for both sexes, but the present doors and some interior detail appear to be original. The windows are closely spaced double hung. Stylistically, the building is related to the adjacent State Bank, which was renovated in 1940.

An “historic” verandah in faux Victorian style has recently been added, which detracts from the character and stark simplicity of the original design.

History

The *Korumburra Comfort Station for Women* was completed in September 1944. Designed and constructed by the Public Works Department, the cost of the facility was £1,500 of which £500 was provided by a State Government grant with the balance paid by Council. Mrs EE Harrison was appointed as the first attendant and cleaner in October 1944 at a salary of £3 per week. The facility was later converted for use by both sexes, and a verandah was added in the 1980s.

The Korumburra Council meeting of 19 May 1943 included two motions in relation to public conveniences; one that the public lavatory at the Shire Hall would be opened at 8am and locked up at 5pm daily, and a second that a report be prepared on a suitable site for a further public sanitary convenience in Korumburra. A report was duly received at the June meeting of Council, which resolved to purchase land in Radovick Street from Mr AF Broughton for use as a ladies lavatory and rest rooms. It was further resolved that the cost of the new facility would be charged to all Ridings on the "basis of Shire valuations" and that "eventually the public lavatory at the Shire Hall be reserved for the use of men only".

The Public Works Department subsequently advised in October, 1943 that the Minister had approved an allocation of £200 for the construction of a comfort station for women, which was later increased to £500. Accordingly, Council resolved to agree to the proposal of the PWD for the construction of the facility at an estimated cost of £1,500. The Council contribution was apportioned in lots of £267 to Korumburra, Arawata and Jumbunna, and £100 to Poowong and Jeetho.

It is recommended that the Korumburra Comfort Station for Women be added to the Schedule to the South Gippsland Planning Scheme Heritage Overlay as part of the Radovick Street heritage precinct.

Extent of Designation: The whole of the property as defined by the Title. Conservation Recommendations

Conserve and maintain original building and site context. It would be desirable to remove the inappropriate later verandah and, if cover over entries is required, to replace it with stylistically more appropriate canopies. The most simple form would be flat concrete, either cantilevered or carried on circular steel posts. See Heritage Policy.

Reference:

Shire of Korumburra Council Minute Book No. 9. May 1943 - October, 1944.

KCDA meeting room is now open to the public.

For information about bookings contact Sadie - burraflyer@gmail.com



**KORINGAL
WOMENS SERVICE
CLUB INC. A0004236P**

Office Bearers for 2021 are:	President:	Jo Cash,
	Vice-President:	Wendy Green,
	Secretary:	Sue VanSinderen,
	Treasurer:	Renate Dennemoser,
	Catering Officer:	Bev Hall,
	Flower Secretary:	Jess Cruickshank
	and Publicity:	Julie Watt.

**P.O.Box 180
Korumburra VIC 3950**

Koringal Womens Service Club is a group of 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. Our members also serve the Community at events such as Halloween at Coal Creek, the Korumburra Show, delivering Meals on Wheels, and providing casseroles for Milpara's Foodbank. During 2020 we were unable to host many fundraising events, but kept in touch with the community and each other via email, phone, and zoom where possible.

Our Annual General Meeting was held at the end of November when we were able to hold a face to face meeting, and was chaired by Les Eastman, former councillor and Shire President. Office Bearers for 2021 were elected.

We were able to present our newest member Di Hayes with her membership badge.

In December we held our Christmas Party Luncheon at the Middle Hotel, and some of our members had the privilege of attending end-of-year celebrations at the local schools, presenting some awards to deserving children and those finishing their primary school years. We are always pleased to be involved with the children of the district and able to assist in even a small way with their education.

We usually meet on the last Tuesday of each month, and have decided to try daytime meetings at this time to see how we go. Hopefully we will be able to start catering soon as things with Covid settle down. If you would like to join us and offer your time and efforts with our friendly group we would be happy to hear from you.

Jo Cash 0438 551 995
or Sue VanSinderen 0401 039 824

Book Club meets at the KCDA meeting room every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1pm.
Contact Liane Rankin 0401 528 826

Korumburra Singers (previously Milpara) meet at the KCDA meeting room each Wednesday at 1pm.
Contact Liane Rankin 0401 528 826



What a great start to the year at our first meeting of 2021. We had pretty much a full house, other than Burra Foods CEO Stewart Carson, who 'sat among us' via zoom. (He never misses, and we

love this close connection with our town's biggest employer).

First up, we had our very last report from Bryan Sword who has now resigned as Economic Development Director at council, and is heading off with his family on new adventures. We were introduced to his temporary replacement, Allison Jones, whom we can tell already is going to be fabulous.

Bryan reported in on the community hub development (the naming process is currently underway) and also the official 'sod turning' for the rail trail – an event I attended as Round Table rep. This latter project is still on track to be completed by the end of the year in terms of the actual trail (the bridge work will take a little longer) which is so exciting for the residents of Korumburra and surrounds. We then sent Bryan off with a bundle of local produce and wished him well.

In other news: our Secondary School Principal Vaya Dauphin was justifiably glowing as she added to the news of the recent walkway launch with the announcement of the successful tenders for the \$12.8 million rebuild, to commence at the school next year. The firm of architects is VTA, and Vaya had met with them during the day. Watch this space as that project develops.

Grow Lightly, in the middle of our main street, is going from strength to strength, and its latest venture is a plan to establish a community garden in the town, to complement the one up at the hospital. Another member of the Round Table knew of a possible site in a very central location, and so a few of our reps will work together with Grow Lightly and the council to try and get that happening.

And finally there is renewed interest in rejuvenating the Korumburra Friends of the Botanic Park, with one of the Round Table having strong links to the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne, and all the advantages that that affiliation could bring. Have you been down to the end of Bridge Street lately and had a look? Leading into Autumn it is glorious, and if you are interested in getting involved, send us an email. And as always, our Facebook site is regularly updated. See you next month!

Pee-Wee Lewis, President

korumburroundtable@gmail.com



MEDIA RELEASES

View all of Council's media releases at
www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/media

Geographic naming proposal

South Gippsland Shire Council is proposing to officially name the Community Hub in Korumburra.

This naming is needed because public safety is paramount. By providing a unique name and registering with Geographic Names Victoria, will ensure emergency services and the general public can locate the Hub easily.



The new Community Hub once constructed will be located behind the shop precinct in Little Commercial St, Korumburra.

Members of the public can provide feedback on the names proposed or submit name nomination(s) by one of the following methods:

Phone: 5662-9200

email: council@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

Website: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/naming

Further information on the proposal is available at South Gippsland Shire Council Website: [Naming Roads, Places & Features - Current Projects](#)

All name submissions must comply with *Naming rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities – 2016*.

All submissions must be received by **Friday 2 April 2021**.

NEW PATHWAY OPENED in Korumburra

A new shared pathway connecting the Korumburra township with the Korumburra Secondary College is now officially open following a small COVID-safe ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday 8 February. The pathway, which is located on Jumbunna Road, will help school students to safely access the Secondary College. It will also benefit nearby residents.

The 1.3km shared pathway was advocated for by members of the Korumburra Round Table with support from the Korumburra Business Association. Terry Waycott was one of the driving forces of the project, working to generate support and submitting a budget submission to Council.

The complex pathway design was developed by local company Beveridge Williams and constructed by A1 Civil from Drouin, who successfully navigated many COVID-19 restrictions to complete the project. The 2.5 metre-wide pathway is designed to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists and includes hand rail support in a number of sections for additional safety.

The opening was attended by South Gippsland Shire Council CEO Kerryn Ellis, Member for Gippsland South Danny O'Brien and representatives from the Korumburra Round Table, Korumburra Business Association and A1 Civil. The project cost was \$907,000 and was funded by South Gippsland Shire Council.



Kerry Ellis (South Gippsland Shire Council CEO) and Terry Waycott (Korumburra Round Table) cutting the ribbon.



Kim McGill (A1 Civil), Kerry Ellis (SGSC CEO), Mark Leighton (A1 Civil), Jesse Joyce (SGSCI – Senior Project Engineer), Terry Waycott (Korumburra Round Table)

“The Shared Pathway is a great example of a project where a need was identified by community members and then progressed via a budget submission to Council. It’s always pleasing to see a successful partnership between Council and the community and in this case the result is a great new asset for Korumburra.” - Kerry Ellis

“The Shared Pathway has been a number of years in the making. The project was funded from Council’s Footpath Renewal allocation, but this was not a straightforward renewal project. The Pathway required significant engineering and design and was constructed during challenging COVID-19 conditions. I would like to thank and congratulate everyone involved in this project.”

Nicole de Longville

Communications Assistant

COAL CREEK LITERARY FESTIVAL 2021

This year's Coal Creek Literary Festival will be presenting to a worldwide audience.

Instead of the usual one-day festival in October, which has been run at Coal Creek for the past 12 years, this year's event will be showcased online.

The authors that are taking part in the festival will be the subjects of filmed interviews, which will be uploaded to the Coal Creek website, YouTube and Facebook for the general public to view and enjoy each month for the rest of this year.

The festival committee are using this strategy to solve the uncertainty of holding a public event at Coal Creek in the usual way with the possibility that COVID-19 could cause a lockdown at any time. A big bonus of the festival this year is that instead of the usual 8-12 authors, it will be possible to showcase over 20 plus authors.

The short story and poetry writing competitions will recommence again for 2021 with entries closing on Friday October 1.

Emma Fellows-Cooke

Coal Creek Education Program Leader

WRITERS in LIBRARIES

Five local writers have been selected to take part in a one-month residency program across four South Gippsland libraries.

The successful writers, who were selected from a very competitive field, are: Jenny Taylor, Jillian Durance, CS Hughes, John Tebbutt and the Loch Writers Group. The writers will each complete either a poem, short story, an essay or song that responds to the themes of isolation, emergence and connection. The writers will develop their works while based at Korumburra, Mirboo North, Leongatha or Foster libraries.

Once the residency is complete the works will be published as a collection online. Excerpts of the works will also be printed onto large posters and installed in streetscapes throughout the shire for the community to enjoy.

Writers in Libraries is a feature of South Gippsland Shire Council's \$2M COVID-19 Community Support Package which aims to assist with regional recovery. As part of the package \$252,000 has been allocated to ten creative projects that aim at raising the profile of arts and culture in South Gippsland through a diverse range of events, workshops and activities.

For more information on Writers in Libraries, including the times and locations when the writers will be onsite in each library, please visit:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/writersinlibraries



South Gippsland
Shire Council

Jenny Taylor

Jenny started her writing life as a poet before taking up song writing. With a 30-year career as a singing/performance teacher and a choir director, she is well versed in producing written technical and procedural documents related to music and is a published song writer. The subjects she writes about are diverse, with the moods ranging from gentle and joyful to quite confronting. During COVID, Jenny chose to focus on writing uplifting songs as she felt her audiences needed that.



Jillian Durance

Jillian enjoys writing local community history in book and essay form. For the past few years, she has been working on a memoir of the historic house in which she lives. The memoir weaves together the stories of past inhabitants with an account of her own contemporary experience of restoring the place as a beloved home. In 2007 Jillian won the Victorian Community History Prize for her work 'Still Going Strong: The Story of the Moyarra Honor Roll' and was again short-listed in 2017 for her publication 'The Shrine on the Mountain: The Story of St. Peter's Memorial Church, Kinglake.'



CS Hughes

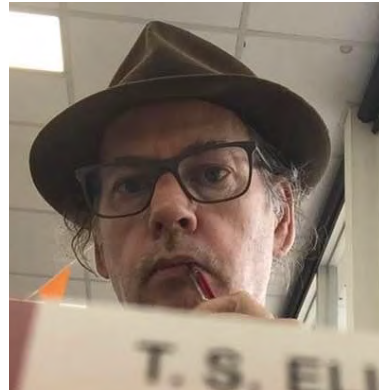
CS Hughes is a local children's poet but he has also written short stories, articles and essays. He has produced several poetry collections including 'The Book of Whimsies', 'The Little Book of Funerals', 'The Book of Bird & Bear' as well as the illustrated children's verse, 'Sweet Christmas'. At the start of last year, CS edited a poetry collection called 'From the Ashes' which featured some of Australia's most renowned poets – as well as those just starting out – to provide a unified response to the 2019/20 bushfires crisis and to raise funds for charities that were working to rescue injured animals. A member and organiser for Burra Poets, CS was busy during COVID, releasing a speculative poetry narrative which featured a hand printed Lino print artwork.



John Tebbutt

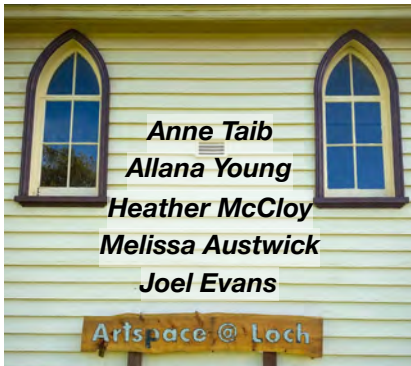
John is a factual writer – an essayist, journalist, audio documentarian with an interest in historical and contemporary practices in media and cultural performance. As part of this writing project, John will be seeking interviews with a range of local creatives to document their experiences of isolation. How did they deal with it? What emerged creatively? And how has there been a reconnection with the local community?

John has had a career in teaching at a university level and publishing academic essays and also producing radio programs as a freelancer for ABC Radio National (Hindsight, Media Report). He looks forward to writing about the life of local artists under lockdown, in the time of pandemic.



The Loch Writers Group

The Loch Writers Group consists of five members: Anne Taib, Allana Young, Heather McCloy, Melissa Austwick and Joel Evans. They have different backgrounds but are unified as residents of Loch Village. The group meet weekly for two hours and share texts that are produced around a common theme or prompt. They recently displayed examples of their work at an Exhibition of Local Artists at the Artspace at Loch.



The Loch Writers Group explore a wide writing forms including short story, personal narrative, poetry and short articles. Due to the regular nature of their meetings they favour a genre known as Flash Fiction which sets a word limit on each written piece - often 500 words or less. The group have become adept at producing very tight, engaging pieces exploring prompt or theme, which often relates to their lives in Loch, particularly during the COVID experience, or to our life experience more generally.

"The selected writers are all very talented and will undoubtedly each will offer a very different perspective on the isolation, emergence and connection theme. The selection process for this project was extremely difficult as we were lucky to receive so many excellent applications. We would like to thank everyone who took an interest in this new and exciting project for South Gippsland. We can't wait to see the end result."

Mary Sullivan

Arts Development Officer

L2P Learner Driver Program

South Gippsland Shire Council is seeking volunteer mentor drivers to help young people in our community obtain their drivers licences.

The L2P Learner Driver Program is a state-wide initiative designed to help disadvantaged young people aged between 16 to 21 gain driving experience under the supervision of a fully licensed driver. Drivers licences – particularly in country communities – can help a young person to gain greater independence and increase work opportunities.

But currently there are more young people needing driving assistance than there are drivers to mentor them, which is why volunteers are urgently needed.



To become a driver mentor you need to be fully licensed and be able to give one to two hours of time to mentoring each week. The regularity helps learner drivers to retain information and the hours contribute to the 120 hours of driving experience that is required to be eligible to take a driving test.

Volunteer drivers will be

supported in their mentoring role by L2P project staff.

The L2P Learner Driver Program has been running for over ten years in South Gippsland and has helped 224 young people. Over 4,800 drive trips have been undertaken through the program equalling over 10,300 hours of driving experience.

For more information or to express your interest in becoming an L2P driver mentor please visit: www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/L2P

"The L2P Learner Driver Program is very important, particularly for disadvantaged young people in rural communities. We would like to encourage anyone who has the capacity to help out, to give it a go. It's a great way to make a difference in your local community. Not only will you be helping young people you will also be supporting the next generation of drivers to become safe and responsible road users".

**- Denise Trani 5662-9200
L2P Coordinator**

Christine Legg

Marketing & Communications Officer

Korumburra Southern Lights

The recent circuit breaker lockdown has reaffirmed our decision not to proceed with our 2021 Southern Lights Festival.

We have however, decided to continue with our Southern Lights – Light Drum Display and will display and light up our drums from the 18th March 2021 over a 5 week period.

The Lights drums will be lit up on the following nights between dusk and 10:00pm:

MARCH 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

APRIL 2021 (Victorian School Holidays)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	Easter	
Easter		6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17

Spread the word and plan to have your family and friend come and visit Korumburra.



Korumburra Business Association

Looking to a Brighter Future We need to continue our support of local businesses at all times to ensure they all make it through these very difficult times. We always look for positives.

We managed to hold our 2020 AGM in a public setting on Wednesday 10th February. We had a great turn out of members and were extremely fortunate that we were able to have our guest speaker South Gippsland Shire CEO Kerryn Ellis, attend to conduct the formal induction of our new committee and offer us an update on what the Shire has planned for Korumburra in the very near future.

We are very pleased to introduce our new committee for the 2021 year and look forward to a bright and refreshing time ahead with our 3 new general committee members.

We would like to thank Gil Freeman for his past support on our Committee and wish him all the best as he searches for that elusive retirement phase in his life.

Since the last Burra Flyer, we have been working hard to secure some grants to roll out the following:

- A new sign for the Industrial Estate
- A Korumburra Business Association Website
- A Korumburra television advertising campaign on WIN Gippsland
- An outdoor dining area



KBA Committee

Back: Michelle Beggs (Kellys Bakery), Jennifer Kerrie (Milpara), Kelly Hughes - Treasurer (Burra Garden Supplies), Kate Murphy – Vice President (KM Law),

Front: Shirley Arestia – Secretary (Burra Barber & Alex Scott), Noelene Cosson – President (DMS Afimilk), and Peter Snow (Merchants).

Thanking everyone who continues to support our local business.



Korumburra Rotary carried out maintenance on the Skip Track below Coal Creek and look forward to assisting with the easement extension into Ritchie Reserve. Korumburra is an Inclusive community where your participation would be greatly appreciated in the wide range of activities in our space...

please consider Ted Burley, President 0417 357 475

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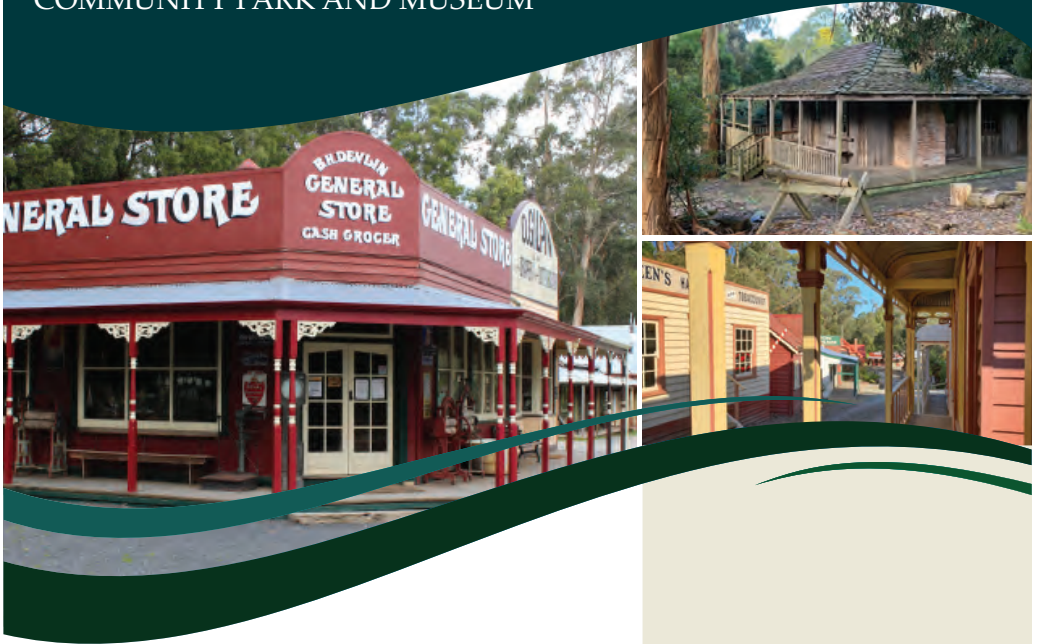
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