



SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

Korumburra Community Hub



The new building is home to Myli Community Library, Milpara Community House and the Korumburra & District Historical Society. It also features three meeting rooms and a flexi space attached to a small kitchen.

Council would like to thank architects FJC Studio for their lovely design and 2Construct for the building work.

Council would also like to welcome the Hub's new facility manager, who is well known amongst the local community - Milpara Community House.

The design and development of the Korumburra Community Hub has taken a lot of discussion, ideas and involvement by many people and organisations within our community and Council would like to thank everyone who has played a role in this project. The facility has been shaped by our community and is expected to service Korumburra for many years to come.

The Korumburra Community Hub was funded by a significant contribution of \$5 million from the Victorian Government's Community Infrastructure Loans Scheme and \$750,000 from the Living Libraries Infrastructure Program. The total project cost was \$7 million which includes Council's contribution of \$1.25 million.

Other projects that are happening or planned for Korumburra include:

- New football and netball changerooms at the Korumburra Showgrounds
- A new car park behind Kelly's Bakery
- A new streetscape for Commercial Street
- A revitalised railway precinct, including a skate park and landscaped area
- A new mural on the building leading to the railway underpass

KORUMBURRA
Community Hub



Korumburra Business Association



The festive and holiday season is upon us once again. Whilst it is an exciting time for many it can also be a difficult time for others and a very busy time for some. Korumburra businesses are here to make the festive season more enjoyable. The benefits from shopping locally and eating locally are more than you may think...

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Everything you spend in Korumburra helps keep that business in Korumburra. Our businesses are a large part of the fabric of our town. There are also ways to support our business community that won't cost you any more than some time especially if you use social media.

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Korumburra Staying Strong

Korumburra Staying Strong has made great progress since the last edition of the Burra Flyer.



Check out Korumburra's new community connection tool - korumburra3950.com.au website. You'll find everything you need to know about what is happening in Korumburra. There is an awesome events page listing events happening around the district. Community Groups have a page promoting what they do and how you can contact them, you can also see the current and past Burra Flyers.

HELPING HANDS is another important section on the website - what is Helping Hands? Helping Hands is a tool that connects people wanting to help with particular projects, connects people to share the same interests, or assists community groups looking for people to assist them.

Community members or community groups can register their project, idea, or campaign they require assistance with. These projects can be anything from an idea you would like to see come to fruition to assisting a once off event or working bee. The grant funding has allowed Lissa Board to be engaged as the coordinator of this project. Lissa has been busy contacting community groups and individuals.

Register your interest via the website, to show your interest in helping on projects or register just to be connected to others with similar interests or register to have Lissa contact you with further information.

At the end of November all Korumburra mailboxes were delivered the Community Support Guide. This Guide has all local health and support services listed. The list is extremely comprehensive and there are services you may never have heard of. Please take a look and keep it in a known spot as you never know when one of these services may come in handy, if not for you it may be for someone you know. The booklet can also be accessed on the website under Helping Hands.

Korumburra Staying Strong is building a resilient community.

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Korumburra Italian Social Club

The Korumburra Italian Social Club located at 38 Bridge St Korumburra. The Committee aims to plan events for all of the community to enjoy.



Our last Pizza & Pasta Saturday 28th October was an amazing night with Local Band "BEGGS 2 DIFFER" They kept the dance floor full of Young and Senior all keen to learn all types of folk dances. Our Annual Christmas Night with Special Guest Santa will be on the 2nd December.

ELVIS is coming to Korumburra so Please book, share & save the date. Saturday 17th February 2024 Elvis Tribute Act, Performed by Damian Mullin

Performance up Close & Personal. For bookings follow the Link- <https://www.trybooking.com/CNCDF>

Tickets are required for entry to all our events and to be paid prior event to avoid disappointment & for catering. We hold meetings every 1st Wednesday of the Month. We hold a social luncheon every 2nd Wednesday of the Month. These are an open invite to ALL Members at a discounted rate and to the public at full cost. Call Arc for details & to confirm. Stay tuned on the Burra Flyer for our upcoming events and Facebook for all the details. We are a non for profit origination and our purpose is:

"To enrich the community with our culture, treating all people equal with respect and dignity" Our Venues are also available to hire for any occasion. We are also excited that after 50 Years we also have bar facilities available.

For all Enquires contact:

Arc Gammaldi (President) 0419 507 410

Frank Parini (Treasure) 0456 056 507

Maria Condoluci (Vice President) 0437 288

822 for all Tickets Sarina (Secretary)

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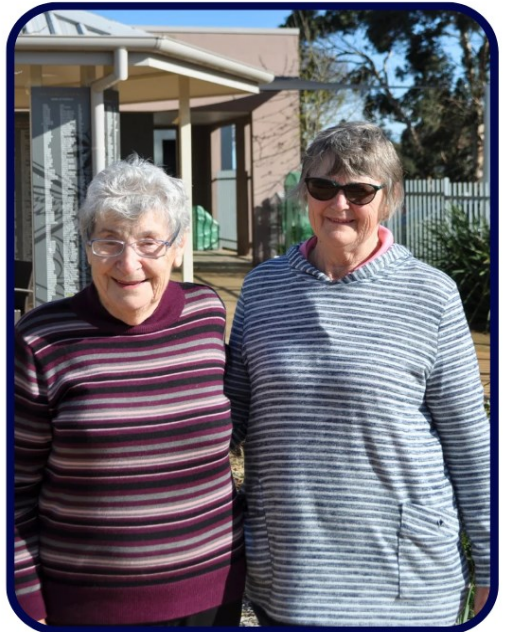
- Aged Care Facilities
- Planned Activities Groups
- Administration
- Patient Transportation

Possible locations include Korumburra, Leongatha, Mirboo North & Tarwin Lower.

Reach out to our Volunteer Co-Ordinator for more information or scan the QR code to fill out an application.

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And keeping the fun, laughter, and balance in our everyday lives.

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WHILE STILL ENGAGING IN DISCUSSION
ON CURRENT ISSUES AND HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD
THAT MATTER

Our Coffee Connections are in Korumburra & Wonthaggi

Other social events cover areas within Bass Coast & Sth Gippsland

[Find all our social activities on Facebook:](#)

The Friendship Circle – Reaching Out

Connect with us at – Tiny Teapot Korumburra 10am on the 1st & 3rd Friday

ALL WELCOME

[CONNECTING WITH YOUR SHARED HUMANITY](#)

Korumburra Baptist Church

The Korumburra Baptist Church expresses appreciation for all the prayers and support from our community during this difficult year. Many of you shared our grief with the loss of our three church family members. We give thanks to God that our pastor, Ian, is miraculously still with us and slowly improving.

As we draw near to Christmas, we celebrate our loving God who sent His Son Jesus to share our human experience. He shows us what God is like, how to live our best lives, and to provide, through his death and resurrection, a way for all of us to come into a personal relationship with him. He is our life and hope.

We welcome you to join us in our Christmas events:

Christmas Day Service at 10am (rather than our usual 10.30am service).

Free Christmas Day Lunch at Coleman Park. 12 noon. BYO picnic rug or chair.
RSVP by 18 December with Belinda mob. 0434 125 739.

Regards

Pam Atkinson
Korumburra Baptist Church

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Belinda: 0434 125 739

Korumburra Churches





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Our support of the Korumburra community continues. In the past three months we have catered for a number of events, including Morning and Afternoon Teas, Birthdays, Lunches, Anniversaries and Funerals. All our members donate their cooking and time to raise funds which we give back to our community.

We have been able to make donations to the Amenities Complex for some kitchen upgrades, and to the Korumburra RSL as part of their recent renovations. Samaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes is a charity we have always supported, and we filled 13 boxes with goodies this year. Karmai Childrens Centre have a new defibrillator, and "Share the Dignity" charity received a donation of \$500 this year. Donations are made annually to the local schools for their end of year celebrations or awards.

Volunteering in the Community is a great way to keep us busy. Koringal members have helped out with a donation and catering at the Sheep Dog trials, as well as a donation and handing out sweets at the Halloween night at Coal Creek which was a lot of fun for everyone.

We regularly contribute to Milpara's Food Bank by cooking and providing home made meals for the freezer. This will continue when their move is made to the new Hub. A few of our members attended the Volunteers lunch that was held at Milpara recently.

We are a friendly and sociable group. We have gained a few new members in the past months, and we look forward to working together. Our AGM is held at the end of November with an interesting guest speaker, and everyone is welcome.

Our meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 2pm at the home of Helen Pearce, 80 Bridge St. Korumburra, and new members are always happily put to work!

Anyone can now check out our Facebook Page at "Koringal Woman's Service Club", or contact us on our email address: koringal1975@gmail.com. We are happy to discuss any ideas for donations or activities.

President Jo Cash, 0438 551995 or Secretary Sue Van Sinderen, 0401 039824.

Korumburra RSL Sub Branch –



Another enjoyable, busy few months have passed with a bus trip to HMAS Cerberus to attend the Royal Aust Navy band performance following lunch at Balnarring. A further bus trip to the National Vietnam Veterans Museum at Phillip Island followed by lunch at San Remo was thoroughly enjoyed by all. We had a visit from Tom MacIntosh (state govt member) and Minister Natalie Sulymen who enjoyed scones, a cuppa and a chat at our hall.

Perry Neil was presented with the highest RSL award – Meritorious Service award by Dr Rob Webster the president of RSL Victoria.

A big thank you to the community supporting and donating to our annual Poppy Appeal.

And grateful thank you to the support given to our Remembrance Day service.

New blinds have been installed with the compliments of Dollar Curtains and Blinds of Wonthaggi. Furthermore, we recently had installed a reverse cycle air conditioning unit in the Billiards room –

Thanks to a most generous donation by the Koringal Women's Club and we would urge all our members to support these generous benefactors.

Plans are afoot for room painting and installation of lighting over the billiard table in the New Year.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

David Jackson Pres

0474 136 469

South Gippsland Orchid Society



South Gippsland Orchid Society are changing their meeting times. From our first meeting in the New Year our meeting will be conducted on the 2nd Wednesday of each month commencing at 2.00 pm, we will still be meeting at Angling Club Rooms Korumburra Rd Wonthaggi.

We are a very welcoming club and if you have any concerns or questions re growing your orchids please call me on 0428 547 466, please note our first meeting in 2024 will be February.

Stamp Club

The Stamp clubs are not meeting in December as they will be holding their Christmas parties



So in January the Anderson Inlet Stamp Club will be meeting on the second Wednesday that being the 10th starting at 1.30pm at the Uniting Church in William St Inverloch. Then in February the club will meet on the 14th.

The theme in January will be Olympic games on stamps and in February the theme will be Commonwealth games on stamps.

The Korumburra Stamp club will meet on the third Thursday of each month so in January the meeting will be held on the 18th starting at 7.30pm at the Anglican hall in Bridge St Korumburra. the theme for that night will be the letter Y the in February the meeting will be held on the 15th with the theme being the letter Z.

On the 27th of January the Korumburra Stamp Club will be holding their annual stamp and coin fair starting at 9.00am and concluding at 3.00pm Dealers from Melbourne and country will be in attendance the venue will be the Anglican hall in Bridge St Korumburra.

Then on the 9th of March the Anderson Inlet stamp club will be holding their stamp and coin fair the venue will be the Uniting Church in William St Inverloch starting at 9.00am and concluding at 3.00pm with dealers from Melbourne and local in attendance. All are welcome to either the club meetings or the Fair's

For any Information please ring Peter on 9024 0206.

Scrabble Club

Fancy a game of Lexiko? Or how about Alph? Appropriately enough for a word game, it was only when Scrabble acquired the name millions now know it by that it really started to take off, spawning special sets for kids and travellers, tournaments with fat cash prizes - even a television show.



Today, more than 150 million sets have been sold in 29 languages. It has found its way into many homes and an estimated 30,000 games are started around the world every hour, which is an awful lot of rainy afternoons and otherwise congenial family gatherings ruined by spats over whether 'za' is a legitimate word or not!

Scrabble Club in Korumburra however is a friendly fun game played on a Thursday afternoon from 1—4pm in members homes. We even use a Scrabble dictionary to check for some unusual words when seven tricky letters are pulled out of the bag.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Nancye on 5658 1835.

Korumburra Swimming Club



Korumburra's Swimming Squad – the Burracudas – are preparing for the summer carnival season. Summer training will begin in the Korumburra Outdoor Pool with a 'Bring A Friend Night' on Monday 4th December. Training sessions will be held throughout the season on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:45-7:00 pm.

The Burracudas are a friendly, family club with a focus on enjoyment, fitness and personal development. The Club competes against other local clubs in the South Gippsland Swimming Association. The season's first carnival will be held on 10th December in Leongatha. Further carnivals will be held throughout the region on Sundays in February and March 2024.

Swimming with the club offers members an opportunity to refine their swimming technique and swim competitively. Swimmers of all ages and abilities are welcome, swimmers under 10 years of age must be able to swim at least 25 meters in two strokes and those over 10 years of age must be able to swim at least 50 meters in two strokes.

For more information, check out the Club's Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/groups/ksc.burracudas/Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ksc.burracudas/Korumburra%20Indoor%20Swimming%20Pool)

Thanks to grant funding of \$600 from the South Gippsland Shire Council, the Committee has been able to purchase a new photometer to replace one that was stolen from the pool earlier this year. Before purchasing the new equipment, we were able to maintain water quality during the year thanks to a loaned photometer from South Gippsland Splash. We are fortunate to have generous community support to keep the pool running for all our users.

The pool is available for private bookings in half hour blocks for only \$15. To make a booking, call the message bank on 5655 1681 or make contact through the Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool Facebook page.

Rehabilitation and Self-Help sessions operate on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1.30 – 3 pm for \$2 per session. No bookings required, just come along to a session and someone will assist you. For further information, call the message bank: 5655 1681.

Children's swimming lessons are available. For Water Babies and pre-school lessons contact Kaye Tipping on 0419 568 714. For school age lessons contact Dylan Muir on 0400 032 734.



Korumburra Uniting Church



On October 1st, the Uniting Churches of Leongatha, Korumburra and Loch-Poowong welcomed their new minister, Rev. Arnie Wierenga.

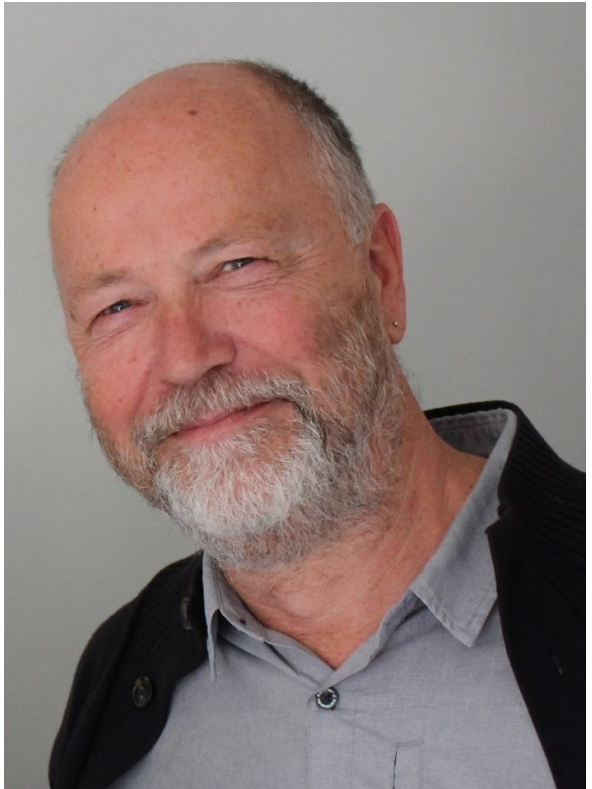
Arnie grew up by the beach in Tasmania, appreciating the rolling green hills that surrounded home. He trained as a broadcasting technician and after a decade working on mountain tops with transmitters felt a call to ministry. Responding to that call, he trained at the University of Divinity in Melbourne and was ordained in 2001.

Arnie has been in congregational ministry in Hughesdale & Oakleigh, Mooroolbark and now here in Korumburra. He has most recently been pastor to the ministers across Gippsland as a Presbytery Minister, a role he shared with his wife, Rev. Jennie Gordon. Jennie has just commenced congregational ministry at Cowes, on Phillip Island.

Arnie is excited to immerse in ministry in our local community. He loves the rolling green hills that surround us and is enjoying calling this new place home.

Gatherings at Korumburra are at 10.00am on Sundays, but with Arnie working across the Korumburra, Poowong and Leongatha area he is spending time at each and therefore is not with us at Korumburra each week. Sue and Gavin Sharp are working with Arnie and also lead worship at Korumburra. Arnie is at Korumburra on the second Sunday each month, Sue and Gavin are with us on the third Sunday. There will be worship on Christmas Eve which happens to be a Sunday, and Christmas Day worship will be at Leongatha. There will be Christmas Carols at Arawata on Thursday 21st. December at 7.00 p.m.

Contact janet.wil@outlook.com for a complete list of times and places. We would be delighted to have you join with us.



Anglican Parish of Korumburra & Poowong



What's on in the Parish:

Church Service Times

St Paul's Korumburra

2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday of the Month: 9.30am Holy Communion

1st Sunday of the Month: 9.30am Family Service

5th Sunday of the Month: 9.30am All Parish Worship

Every Wednesday Term Time: 9.30am Mainly Music in the Hall, 11.00am Holy Communion

All Saints Poowong

1st Sunday of the Month: 11.00am Holy Communion

3rd Sunday of the Month: 11.00am Family Service

Everyone is invited to the:

Community Meal: This is free on the 1st Friday of every month at 5.30pm in the Parish Hall on Bridge Road. Fabulous musicians provide great entertainment, a delicious menu, and an enjoyable way to make new friends. Remember, there is no charge for the evening.

Mainly Music: For toddlers and Mums at 9.30am on Wednesdays term time in the Hall. Stories and songs and a light refreshment for the littlies and a cuppa for the mums.

The Poowong Community Garden: A part of All Saints Church is open for everyone to enjoy, including picking the seasonal vegetables as you need them.

Holy Communion Services at St Pauls now incorporates Childrens Playtime in the Parish Hall.

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Carinya Aged Care

Since 2006, the Greenhills Community Benevolent Society Inc. has made generous donations totalling approximately \$500,000. These contributions have been instrumental in several significant improvements within the Carinya's facility.

The funds have enabled the construction of an independent living unit, providing residents with more comfortable and self-sufficient living arrangements. Additionally, the society generously contributed to the construction of another independent living unit, further expanding the capacity to serve the community.

But their benevolence extended far beyond just housing. The Greenhills donations reached into the very fabric of Carinya. Upgrades were made to essential equipment, and a fresh look was brought to the old dining area, including new comfortable chairs, tables and floor coverings at that time breathing new life into a space filled with cherished memories.

In a remarkable move in 2014, Greenhills spearheaded the installation and upgrade of solar panels, making Carinya more sustainable and eco-friendly. Since being monitored in February 2022, these panels have already saved Carinya approximately \$45,000, resources that can now be reinvested to enhance the care and comfort of the residents.

To honour this enduring partnership, Carinya has installed plaques throughout the facility. The most recent additions include a room plaque, a plaque on the Community Tree, and the dedication of an entire wing named "Greenhills".

Carinya is forever grateful to have the support of Greenhills and is excited to soon share the plans for the most recent donation made at our recent Annual General Meeting. At this meeting, another \$15,000 has been generously donated, further solidifying the partnership and ensuring that Carinya's mission continues.

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Korumburra Horticultural Society

There are a number of formal and casual garden clubs in our region, most of which celebrate Christmas with a lunch or tea, then take a holiday in January.

Several near-by clubs are affiliated with the Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria- Leongatha, Poowong, Inverloch and San Remo, as is Welshpool. They join for an Annual Regional Conference and some hold yearly flower shows along with regular monthly meetings and occasional spontaneous initiatives.

Here in Korumburra, the agricultural show in early February includes- among its many other attractions- a flower show. Details of 'the Ag Show' will soon start to appear around town.

Then in late March Friends of Korumburra Botanic Park will organise South Gippsland's sixth annual celebration of National Eucalypt Day. The full story of NED 24 will be well covered in March Burra Flyer.

As readers will already know Korumburra Horticultural Society is no longer active, but our remnants hope to meet early next year to organise a memorial tree planting in conjunction with the Botanic Park.

Grow Lightly

Grow Lightly has been running in Korumburra for over ten years. The main aim is to give people access to high quality local food, through producers who live within a sixty kilometre radius of the town.

Meredith and Gil Freeman, who were awarded OAMs in this year's Australia Day Honours for services to the Community, and their friends Ken and Henry Halasa initiated the concept, and it has evolved and changed through the years, but has always maintained its not-for-profit, local and organic base.

Currently it is run as an online shop with The Food Hub as its centre - not the new one - the small cottage on Silkstone Road, next to Coal Creek Community Park. Customers order online from 2pm each Friday through to 5pm Sunday, with pick up on the following Wednesday. Deliveries are also made to pick up points in Inverloch, Wonthaggi, Loch and fortnightly to Foster.

The Food Hub acts as a delivery point for producers on Tuesdays and a distribution and pick up point on Wednesdays. Grow Lightly also opens the Food Hub at Coal Creek Market days on the second Saturday of each month.

If you are interested in finding out more, you can check out the web site at growlightly.com.au or contact info@growlightly.com.au if you would like to volunteer or have any produce which you might like to sell.

Korumburra Cemetery Trust

Over the past few months the Korumburra Cemetery Trust Committee has been busy adding a new rose garden for eighteen Interments, also adding a base for our marble seats and table donated to the Cemetery. We are hoping to have this project completed before Christmas. Thanks to MM Paving and Haymes Paint Shop Wonthaggi for their assistance with this project.

The Committee are also working on some safety issues to improve walkways and roads etc to ensure visitors moving around the cemetery avoid accidents. This will be ongoing around the grounds and also as we improve safety when funerals are held.

Special Thanks to our caretakers Andrew and Fay Siekman and also Debbie and Terry Williams our Grave Diggers for their assistance over the winter months with some very wet surrounds to work with. We managed to meet all the needs for funerals including a double vault installation.

Projects we are looking at include possible cementing the internal paths within the Monumental Garden, adding another twelve plots in the Lawn Section for Headstones and a single vault. If anyone is interested in reinstalling a vault over the summer months as it is very difficult to move trucks/cranes around during the winter, contact us if this suits. Geoff Wyatt 0413 081 136

Still working and planning on the opening of another stage of the cemetery extension to be completed 2024-25. Roads, beams, rose garden, entrances and fencing are still having work completed on them as well as having the cemetery records on line.

Good to hear a lot of positive comments about the condition of the cemetery from visitors and locals when where out there working at Trust working bees and funerals. A credit to the Caretaker and the Trust Members led by Chairman Bill Ross.

The funeral industry is trending to move to more cremations than burials. The Korumburra Cemetery is well placed with reservations available in the Monumental Garden, Niche Walls and Rose Garden, We also can add ashes to graves in lawn and monumental if required.

The Trust handle all Bronze Plaque orders for the Cemetery, delivery is approximate six weeks from placement of order refer Geoff Wyatt 0413 081 136, Email wyatt@waterfront.net.au for a order form and brochures if required. (Note Burials in the Bronze plaque Section are charged for a Standard plaque 381*279 (8 Lines Text) in the Burials Costs). Headstones enquires to Wakeleys Wonthaggi Rose 0419 396 537 or Keenans Memorial Morwell Lou 0400 076 736. Reservation for Graves in the Monumental Section are still available @\$790, you can have a Headstone, a full Grave structure is not required in this section this is \$300 less than the Lawn Section where no Reservations are available.

Korumburra Probus



Korumburra Probus continues to gather at the Amenities Complex at the Showgrounds. We have had five new members join so far this year and look forward to seeing you soon.

Our guest speaker last month was Jan Hewitt of Jan's Plan. She has just returned from her eighteenth trip to Cambodia, where she has been helping families and children since 2008. She is a truly wonderful and caring individual. See her photo below with Lyn Perks, our guest speaker co-ordinator. If you would like to donate to Jan's Plan - she guarantees all funds will go to those in need - her bank details are: Jan's Plan BSB 633-000 Account 151580933.

Our November meeting coincides with the Sheep Dog Trials on the Showgrounds Oval, so we are having lunch there after our meeting and watching those incredibly clever dogs.

In late November we have a day trip to Yarram planned to check out the local attractions, with lunch at the Yarram Country Club, and in early December we head to the Drum Theatre for our annual Christmas entertainment, followed by lunch at the Cardinia Club in Pakenham.

Our Christmas lunch is booked and sorted - catered meal, background music, door prizes, soft and alcoholic drinks and lots of conversation and laughter. A fitting way to end a busy year.

In 2024 we will be heading on a Mystery Trip in February - who knows what's in store! Stay tuned for more enjoyable excursions in April and March.

See you soon! Any questions, please contact Helen Willison on 0429 810 311.



South Gippsland Singers Inc.



Our members returned to rehearsals after our Winter break refreshed and enthusiastic for our remaining 2023 events. It was a wonderful social night and performance opportunity when we presented a medley of songs at the Meeniyah Tavern Night on September 2nd

On 7 October we met with the Bass Coast Chorale for a friendly challenge of “Spix and Spex”, a music trivia event which resulted in a great fun social night.

Currently we are enjoying polishing up our repertoire for a combined concert to be performed at the Memorial Hall in Leongatha with the Australian Welsh Male Choir. This is to be held on Sunday 26 November and we are all really looking forward to the opportunity to “share the stage” with such an experienced group.

As well as including our recently performed Les Miserables medley our repertoire will include some haunting numbers such as *Imagine* by John Lennon and Yoko Ono. We also have a couple of cheeky numbers including *Four Chords*, where we (at lightning speed,) put together some 24 excerpts of songs in the one piece.

We will finish our year with an afternoon of Christmas cheer performing and sharing some Christmas songs with residents of some of our local Aged Care facilities.

After an end of year dinner to celebrate our year of singing we will take a Summer break, returning in February for yet another year.

The South Gippsland Singers meet at the Dakers Centre, Smith Street, Leongatha on Wednesdays 7.30pm-9.30pm. We welcome anyone who wants to just come along for a couple of weeks to see what we are all about. Experience is not essential to join our choir. We learn by ear so there is no pre requisite to be able to read music.

If you would like further information contact Kerry Rogers 0407 347 492 or email sgsingersc@gmail.com



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8:30 - 12:30

The Leongatha Horticultural Society

Hello gardeners, welcome to the Leongatha Horticultural Society - we are a group of garden-mad locals that meet once a month, every fourth Thursday at the Dakers Centre, Smith Street, Leongatha at 2.00pm.

At every meeting we have what is called a 'Show Bench' where according to what is in season/flowering we bring lovely examples of what nature creates - judging by what is displayed, our members must have superb gardens, or have the knack of just sticking something in the ground - and it grows. We are lucky in Leongatha to have rich red soil and very good rainfall which helps.

November is a bumper month for our club, our Rose Spectacular was held on the 18th and 19th November at the Dakers Centre - the venue was a stunning sight - roses everywhere and the fragrance of so many blooms was intoxicating.

Our last meeting of the year is a bus tour that one of our members, Heather arranges for us every year. Just so you know what you've missed – the bus departs Leongatha early morning as we journey to a well-chosen plant nursery, stopping for a delicious morning tea generously supplied by our legendary cook/member Josie before we arrive at our lunch venue. On this occasion we visited a large private garden, had some fun with lucky draws and completed the day with some afternoon tea before returning to Leongatha - as you'd expect, the bus luggage compartment was chock-a-block with "just a few plants" that we all really need.

As we take a break over December, the next scheduled meetings in 2024 will be as follows:

Thursday, 25th January, 2024.

Thursday 29th February, 2024.

The venue is The Dakers Centre, Corner Watt and Smith Street, Leongatha at 2.00pm.

We will announce the theme or speaker for each meeting on our Facebook site: Leongatha Garden Club. Recently, we have noticed an increase of new members to our gardening club, who have been sharing and commenting about the many beautiful gardens that have been showcased on our site recently.

As always, you are welcome to join our Facebook community or even come to one of our meetings for a wonderful afternoon of gardening know-how in the company of a very friendly group.



Korumburra Landcare



Korumburra Landcare Group is Quietly Buzzing! Springtime is busy in the natural world! Similarly, while our Landcare planting season is completed with 7,200 plants in the ground, the committee is buzzing with activity behind the scenes.

Earlier this year our committee circulated a member survey to hear their views on what our group should focus on in the future. We asked our members: What do we keep doing? What else should we do? Anything we should stop doing? And What's the best thing about our group? We were delighted that nearly 50% of our members replied! Their feedback confirmed our commitment to traditional Landcare activities of revegetation, restoration of native bushland, community involvement in planting days, and providing a welcoming and friendly atmosphere at group events.

They also presented us with new ideas that we are excited to explore, possible new projects and events, spreading our landcaring activities across the whole year.

In October we held our AGM. It included a "Walk & Talk" with the Friends of Woodford Reserve in Korumburra. We all saw the great progress they've made in their plantings in just 18 months! We have a new committee on board. Donald Creed and Melynda Dawson stepping back after many years with our group. We sincerely thank them for their invaluable dedication and hard work.

We look forward to working with our members again in 2024, to strengthening our relationships with other community organisations, and continuing to care and contribute to Korumburra and regional environments.

Contact: korumburralandcare@gmail.com Photo below by Melynda Dawson



Poowong 150th Anniversary



I am writing on behalf of the 150th Poowong Anniversary Committee regarding our celebrations to be held next year, particularly on the weekend of Friday 19th to Sunday 21st April 2024.

The 150th Committee has made considerable progress in striving for a successful weekend of events. To enhance the plans already in place we are encouraging groups, clubs, businesses and individuals to arrange their own activity for the weekend.

While the key festivities are planned for April other events will take place throughout the year. Events planned and co-ordinated to date include the following:

Friday 19th	150 th Anniversary Ball	Poowong Public Hall
Saturday 20th	Home games PFNC - tbc	Recreation Reserve
Saturday evening	Community dinner, book launch	Poowong Public Hall
Sunday 21 st	Church service [NonDen]	Poowong Public Hall
Sunday 21st	School -Back to	tba

The 150th Committee will be undertaking general advertising/promotion of the celebrations. Email: poowong150th@gmail.com



POOWONG 150th Anniversary 20-21 APRIL 2024

Co-ordinated by Poowong Community Consultative Committee Inc.

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A new project is taught every month, BYO materials (some available for a small donation).

Or bring your own projects or UFO's and skills & ideas to share.

Twice monthly on Wednesdays 1pm - 4pm



December	January		February		March	
6 th	10 th	24 th	7 th	21 st	10 th	24 th

KCDA Building 3 Radovick St. Korumburra

Cost - \$2 for venue fee

These are free afternoon workshops welcoming everyone into an inclusive space, encouraging creativity, connection & good conversation.

Further details: Allie 0409 415 327



Citizens Advice Bureau Hosts 'GET-ONLINE-WEEK' Event



On October 19 during Get Online Week the South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau hosted a session to help seniors become more familiar with digital devices like smart phones, iPads, and laptops.

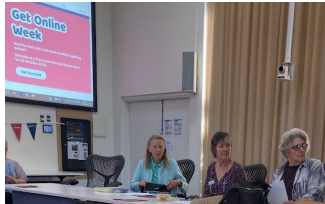
About twenty people attended and guest presenters from Bendigo Bank and talked about the dangers of scams and what to watch out for.

One Bureau volunteer talked about applications (“apps”) which can be extremely useful for a host of activities (emergency help, health monitoring, weather watch, fitness programs etc.)

The initiative was sponsored by Get Online Week (which ran October 16-22), an annual digital inclusion campaign organised by **Good Things Foundation**.

After a lunch provided by the Bureau the attendees matched up with Bureau volunteers who showed them how to use their digital devices (like smart phones).

The Citizens Advice Bureau is located in the Memorial Hall complex, Michael Place, Leongatha on the corner opposite the post office, or it can be contacted on (03) 5662 2111.



South Gippsland Highway, Korumburra Ph: 5658 1687 Open 7 days a week



Coal Creek Spinners

Lots of things happening at the Coal Creek Spinners as usual. Recently we celebrated Halloween at Coal Creek and the Spinners Cottage was alive with spectral figures and witchy people spinning their future yarns while spinning spooky yarns about the future. It was great to see the room so well decorated and so many people involved in the fun. We continue to meet every Monday from 11 am to 1 pm, with our General meetings held on the first Monday of the month. We are also there while the Farmers Market is on, on the second Saturday of the month with our stall and demonstrating spinning, and we are also at Coal Creek on the third Sunday of the month.

We have recently had some people learning to spin which has been great and we are happy to teach anyone who would like to come on a Monday between 11 am and pm! No need to bring a wheel. We have recently had a Wee Peggy Wheel donated to teach newcomers and it is an easy one to learn on. Come on down!

The Korumburra Show is coming up on the second Saturday in February 2024 and as usual the Coal Creek Spinners will be involved in supporting the Show by offering prizes. This year we are sponsoring a new prize for the best exhibit by a novice (an entrant who has not won a prize before) in classes 40 to 49 (2023) namely Hand spinning, Hand dyeing, Wet felting, Needle felting, Hand knitting (using hand spun natural fibres) or Crochet (using hand spun natural fibres). We encourage any spinners, knitters or other crafters to get involved and enter to win one of the prizes.

We continue to welcome new members. If you are interested in spinning, weaving and all things fibre related come along to one of our meetings to see what it's like. We meet every Monday at Arcadia Studios in Coal Creek from 11 am to about 1 pm. Bring your lunch and any fibre related craft and if it's hot the aircon will be on. We have a Facebook page: Coal Creek Spinners and a monthly newsletter. For more information contact our President Jenny Vidler on 0418 554 018 or our Secretary Jo McLeay on 0402 087 017.



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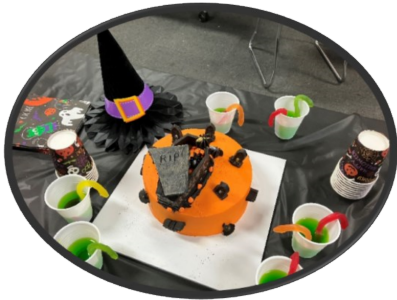
Whitelion Youth and Berry Street run mentoring programs for young people in Out of Home Care in Gippsland, where young people are matched with mentors from their communities.

Community Connections and Community Integration Programs run across all of Gippsland. Recently we held a Halloween themed night where mentors and mentees joined in. We had best costume and runner up. Guess how many skulls and eyeballs in the jars with Lego being the prizes won. The prizes were generously donated by The Sixth Child Organisation.

The Community Integration and Community Connection programs are always looking for volunteers to support young people and we would like to offer this volunteering opportunity with you the Korumburra community. We have been lucky to have Korumburra mentors and young people be a part of this experience in the past. All training and support provided, and we are asking for 3 hours of your time a fortnight.

If this sounds like something, you want to be a part of please contact us.

Chloe 0417 660 586 or Fiona 0498004849 or fwilliamson@berrystreet.org.au



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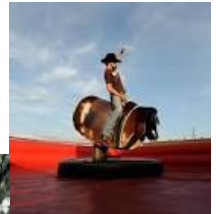


PRESENTS

THE KORUMBURRA SHOW 10th of FEBRUARY 2024

WITH LOTS TO DO AND SEE FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

We are planning to have the usual music competition, exhibits with cooking craft, plants etc. animals galore more cattle as well sheep goats, Pet parade, chain saw artist Andrew Noble. We will also have the Dog High jump and Fly Ball, Twilight Market, Mechanical Bull - Competition, Popular Picassos Band, cars galore, including go-karts motorcycles, activities for children open to the public from 9.00 am finishing with the fireworks which will commence at 9pm.



40 years of Jumbunna Bush Market

On Sunday 1 October, Jumbunna celebrated 40 years of its bush market, with cake and free sausage sizzle for traders and visitors alike.

Cutting the cake are (from left) (picture down below) Dawne Wylie, Thelma Faragher and June Elliott. Jumbunna Hall President Brian Enbom thanked traders, patrons and the community for their ongoing support.

Long-term resident Shirley Cowling donated the cake.

Book the date

Coming up on Sunday 14 January, Jumbunna will hold its second Craft Destash Market.

Designers and makers will sell their excess craft supplies at incredibly low prices. So, if you are into any type of craft – sewing, weaving, knitting/crochet, beading, patchwork, painting, and so much more – come and find some incredible treasures.

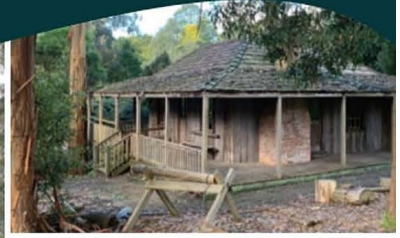
If you are a maker or designer wanting to sell your excess supplies, send an email to artisan.market.jumbunna@gmail.com



SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

COAL CREEK

COMMUNITY PARK AND MUSEUM



Coal Creek is open:
Friday to Monday, 10am to 4pm.

(7 days during Victorian School Holidays)

Coal Creek Community Park and Museum is a heritage listed, recreated coal mining village, depicting the history of South Gippsland from the 1870's. Step back into the past, enjoy the beautiful grounds and parklands and immerse yourself in the latest exhibitions and events.

coalcreekcommunityparkandmuseum.com
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