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Learning That Lasts a Lifetime
Korumburra Music Festival Competition

This year’s music competition, held at the 125th Annual Show on 8th February, saw an amazing array of talent from local and far away performers.

WINNERS OF THE COMPETITION

BATTLE OF THE BANDS: Alana & Aaron Lopez Freeman, and Vincent Trease

INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL: Breanne Peters

SOLO SINGER: Aoife O’Connell

SOLO INSTRUMENTAL: Olivia Lay

UNDER 16 YRS: Cecily de Gooyer

UNDER 12 YEARS: Indigo Arileo

ENCOURAGEMENT AWARDS: Tom Collins and Noah Dube

Korumburra Show Raffle Winner

The KCDA sponsored a homeware package for a raffle run alongside this year’s 125th Korumburra Annual Show. This raffle required people to like and share the Korumburra Show Facebook page. The winner was drawn at the show on the evening of February 8th. The winner was Natasha McRae of Leongatha. She and her daughter Harper, pictured below, were thrilled with the goods.

Arawata Pet Day

The inaugural Arawata Pet Day will be held on Sunday 8th March next to the historic Arawata Church on Fairbank Rd, Arawata. The afternoon will commence with a ‘Blessing of the Pets Service’ conducted by the Reverend Dr Fran Grimes. Following the half hour service, there will be a pet parade and show with ten fun classes and prizes for every class winner. There will also be a pet photography and colouring competition in the Arawata Sunday School behind the church, with prizes awarded after a public vote.

Major sponsors of the day are Suzy Cowling of Dogtopia, Emma Brown from Glorious Googies and Moorabbin Veterinary Hospital. Lunch will be available for purchase.

Suzy’s border collies, Keiko and Rocky, will put on an exhibition trick show called Border Patrol after the pet show.

All pets are welcome on a lead or halter and pocket pets in travel cages. Send an email to Jedda at arawatamedia@gmail.com to be put on the mailing list for further updates.
Xander first sat at the piano at two years old, composing his own music. At age 4, he was still tinkering away, so he commenced lessons with Cheryl Connor from Korumburra. Xander knew what an octave of music was before he knew his alphabet. He has continued with lessons with Cheryl and decided that classical music is his favourite genre.

With that knowledge, Xander's parents Bron and Brad Beach introduced him to the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra and this is where he saw his first real harp! He immediately fell in love with this beautiful instrument and commenced lessons one year ago with Yinuo Mu who is the principal harpist with the orchestra. Xander’s harp certainly draws attention. With many people never having the opportunity to see one up close, he is always happy to share his beautiful instrument with admirers.

Xander practices piano for thirty minutes before school every day and harp for thirty mins after school. He has recently commenced his exam training with Carmel Slater. Xander is now preparing for this year’s eisteddfods, where he will be able to hone his performance skills and gain constructive feedback from the adjudicators.

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**A true local musician - Xander Beach**

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**125th Annual Korumburra Show - Aftermath**

The 125th Korumburra Show was held this year on 8th February 2020. We had a new judge involved in the annual Pet Parade. Cherie was overwhelmed with 28 pets large and small.

This year in the Kids Marquee we had five hundred free show bags distributed by 2.30pm to lots of very happy children.

Lots of happy faces and excited children visited the marquee on this lovely sunny day. Pictured right is Doug Appleton, the A & P Society’s Vice President, with the amazing sculptures completed by Rob Bast and Angie Polglaze. These two chain saw artists helped celebrate the town’s 125 Annual Show by entertaining those who visited. The sculptures are icons of the various events held at the Show ground and the Hereford is the symbol displayed on their letterhead.

We look forward to displaying these sculptures throughout the year at special events which they hold. The Society would like to thank the sponsors involved.

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**Coal Creek Probus**

Would you like to meet other people in your local community? Semi-retired or retired, it doesn’t matter; come along and join the fun. Our club is 16 years young and we have many varied activities: dine-out, book exchange and tours; these are just a few of the interesting things we do.

In the past few months many of us enjoyed an overnight tour to Ballarat, plus we also had a great day at the musical “Chicago” in January. Coming up we have a trip to the Vietnam museum and twilight cruise, a trip to William Rickett’s Sanctuary and Yarraview Nursery and a five day trip to Warrnambool and surrounds.

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

Our meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month, commencing at 10 am at the Korumburra Golf Club.

President: Helen Taylor 5655 2785
Secretary: Di Schellekens 5655 2504
Welcome to 2020. We hope everybody has a great year. The last three months at Korumburra Probus have been full of friendship, fellowship and fun as well as lots of laughter.

We had a great Christmas lunch in December, with entertainment provided by Glen Mason. January guest speakers were four club members who spoke on a very entertaining selection of topics. At our most recent meeting, Ian Wallace gave us a insight into teaching in many places including Pentridge Prison.

In January, over forty members descended on Tiny Tea Pot for a very cosy enjoyable lunch. In February, we had a picnic in the park in the hall due to inclement weather. Our annual Christmas trip to the Drum Theatre was great fun, followed by lunch at the Lyndhurst Hotel. We are really looking forward to our mystery trip in March and a trip around some local attractions is planned soon.

In March, the ‘Get Away Club’ is heading to Echuca with some members towing caravans and some staying in cabins. We would love to see you at our next meeting at the Amenities Complex Korumburra Showgrounds on the second Monday of each month at 9:45 am.

For further information contact President Graham Walker 0418 556 037, or Secretary Helen Willison 0429 810 311.

From left: Trish McCraw, Ian and Judy Wallace.
Welcome to Carinya Aged Care and Retirement Living, set among the rolling green hills of Korumburra. Our village hosts 46 independent living units, each with generous living spaces designed for your long term comfort and security. An environment where you can feel safe, well connected and enjoy peace of mind whilst living within a supportive community and in easy reach of the town’s major facilities. Currently there are four new units under construction, due for occupancy late April this year.

Each unit boasts beautiful country views, two bedroom open plan living, alfresco area, and a secure garage offering low maintenance and hassle-free living. These units are offered under a loan/lease tenure with the option to consider one of the established units currently available along with rental options (conditions apply). Maintaining your independence is essential as you make the transition from your working life to retirement. As you progress through life, happiness and relaxation become a priority and life in a retirement village may be the right solution for you. Carinya Aged Care facility offers permanent and respite care hosting 43 beds with a current $7 million re-development underway which will see a further 17 beds and refurbishment of existing rooms.

Carinya operates as a not-for-profit organisation and is one of South Gippsland’s most desired Aged Care and Retirement Living facilities. Should you wish to discuss retirement living and enquire about what Carinya has to offer, please contact the Village Manager, Michelle Burgess: 0467 220 253 or Carinya Administration: 5655 2125.
FOR AGES 6-12

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For more information please contact us at:
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Hosted by the
Combined Churches of Korumburra
Friends of Coal Creek

We would like to thank the volunteers who have assisted in the restoration of the Lands Office and the public for their support. We thank them for their monetary assistance by both renewing their membership and with donations. The Friends encourage their members to join the F.O.C.C. customer tag (community benefit membership) at Michael’s I.G.A., and once the restoration of the Lands Office has been completed, any additional money raised will assist renovations in other areas in the park.

Friends of Coal Creek hold their meetings on the second Wednesday of the month. To become a member and support us, the fee is $20 each or $40 a family; (the term begins from the 1st October each year.) Anybody interested in assisting with the repairs to the buildings (in the form of labour) or in becoming a member may contact Joan on 5655 2126, or Syd on 5655 1247.

SATURDAY 28TH MARCH

A FUN NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT
RICHARD STREET RECREATION RESERVE
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Terry Lay (centre) and band
playing: Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton, Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald Songs, Kasey Chambers, Sara Storer, etc.

Jenny Taylor and Band (Jenny, Christine, Peter Barton, Lenny.)

FOR FURTHER DETAILS
Joan Hopkins 0408 505 789 or
Shirley 0400 976 248 or 5657 3350 and leave a message
KM Johnston Taekwondo Korumburra welcomes new brother and sister members (Caleb and Aamika pictured center) with fellow students Zara far left and Sophi far right. Both Caleb and Aamika have great potential showing good natural agility, flexibility and strength and should do great at Taekwondo with a little hard work.

Taekwondo is a great activity that teaches self defence using hands and feet. It also greatly improves balance, flexibility, strength, perseverance, coordination, focus and fitness. Our classes are held on Tuesdays at 6pm at the Korumburra Primary School.

All ages from kids to adults are welcome. Contact club instructor Kevin Johnston for more details on 0409 601 371.
Exhibition of Work
by Thea and Friends

Federation Art Gallery Foyer
Commercial Street, Korumburra
Open Monday 24 February to Saturday 14 March
Gallery hours:
Monday to Thursday and Saturday mornings

Korumburra Men’s Shed
Hospital Garden

Thursdays
9:00 am - 12 pm
New Members Welcome

Tuesdays and Wednesdays
At the Old Goods Shed
Behind the Korumburra Post Office
9:30 am - 1 pm
New Members Welcome
This Rural Minds Community Workshop is a relaxed way to learn about mental wellbeing and resilience for you, your family, friends and community. Specifically designed for rural and remote communities, Rural Minds is just good, solid, practical, information without the bull……… dust.

**SPONSORED COMMUNITY WORKSHOP**

**Korumburra VIC**

Thursday 19th March 2020 – 9:30am – 2:00pm with Light Lunch Provided

Milpara Community House – 21 Shellots Rd, Korumburra Vic 3950

Registration: nichollsbelinda@gmail.com
Belinda Nicholls ph: 0432 960 587

This subsidised workshop combines practical, culturally-relevant information around risk factors, signs and symptoms, prevention tips/techniques and where and how to get assistance. Lunch and morning tea will be provided. Bookings essential by March 12. Contact Belinda, see poster above for details.
The Friday night gala performance continues to be a highlight. This year’s Gala Concert features Gippsland’s only Cuban big band, the Boolarra Social Club. They are sure to get everyone up and dancing. Boolarra Social Club brings together members of world-class salsa and rumba bands to play Cuban/Latin music styles. They have played to sell-out shows in international venues, country halls and national festivals. The infectious, vibrant, high octane music includes styles such as sultry boleros, upbeat mambos, salsa, Afro Cuban rumbas, traditional son, danzon and guajirases. Also featured on the Friday Night program is Inverloch’s own Streeton Court Big Band which plays the old classics to the more modern Buble numbers.

The Inverloch Jazz Festival continues to thrive. For this year’s Festival, two new music venues have been added to cater for increased patronage and to provide even more choice for those who love their jazz. You can expect to hear the traditional jazz music of the 1920s and 1930s, the ‘Trad Jazz’, but there will also be mainstream jazz from the 1940s and 1950s, the ‘swing’ generated by the big bands of that era. Look out also for contemporary jazz that includes a wide range of jazz styles and sub-genres typically from the 1960s onwards. It can be characterised as more ‘free-style’ and less constrained by the stylistic rules of previous eras. And for those music enthusiasts whose passion is blues music, there will be plenty to interest you too.

Full weekend badge: $99.
Friday Night Only: $35.
A Saturday or Sunday day pass: $50.
Saturday or Sunday Evening tickets, only available at the Ticketing Desk from 5pm each day: $25.

Pippa Wilson
On Sunday, January 12th, from 6am, the Lions Club provided hot food for a large crowd at the South Gippsland Historical Car Club’s Annual Swap Day. At this event we partnered with the Show Society. We thank them and other individuals for a massive effort. When asked for help, these people are always ready to assist.

On Saturday February 8th, the Lions provided food for the judges, stewards, officials and the public at the 125th Annual Show, many thanks to the helpers who again provided assistance. We need people who enjoy hands-on involvement and can help in projects helping the disadvantaged, elderly, youth and those affected by disasters. Lions have been part of the Korumburra community for over 50 years.

In the last issue of the Burra Flyer I mentioned the reality of our club’s dwindling membership, and that change and hopefully renewal might happen otherwise come June/July this club will have no office bearers.

Currently our club meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. On the second Monday we have a business meeting in the KCDA meeting room, Radovick Street, Korumburra for a 7pm start. The fourth Monday, we have a social get together for a meal with partners at the Middle Hotel starting at 6.30pm, there is no formal meeting. You are most welcome to attend these gatherings. Crucial to our continuation we need new members to identify a new worthwhile project for our town and district.

Please consider this, we need your support and involvement.

For general Lions information go to www.lionsclubs.org.au
Local contact Ian 0407 562 265

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burragardensupplies@bigpond.com
The South Gippsland Concert Band concluded its busy round of Christmas events with the Carols in Meeniyan, before breaking for the summer. This year we are keen to get into the busy schedule of many planned performances which will challenge the players and excite audience members across a number of different venues playing many different genres of music. Starting with a performance at Mossvale in February, Jazz at Inverloch in March and a Band Bash in July just to name a few. The band rehearses on Monday nights at Coal Creek from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. If you play an instrument or have one you used to play, come along to our friendly rehearsals and enjoy some music making. Contact Manager Em Barton for further details on 5655 1767.

Korumburra Horticultural Society

It’s crepe myrtle time again. All over town they are blooming and looking lovely. We are so lucky to live in South Gippsland where the soil is good and we get rain. It’s a great place for gardeners and we are able to measure the years passing via blooming and ripening times. I have also noticed that lots of magnolias are sporting blooms again, and of course the roses are still going. While we are seeing colour and having fun in our gardens, other Australians are suffering through this catastrophic summer with fire and flood and drought. So many have lost their homes and gardens, not to mention all the wildlife that is gone. It would have been much worse without our firemen and women, and those who came to Australia to help. They are all heroes to me.

The regional annual general meeting was held last week at Leongatha and a new president elected. Mr Ralph Slaughter from Warragul has taken the position, allowing Fran Grylls from Welshpool to step down from a position she has filled well for many years. The next regional meeting will be at Poowong, and they have planning well underway.

Our March meeting will include a talk from the owner of the truffle farm near Jumbunna. In April we are planning to discuss growing plants from cuttings. In May we are going to learn more about plants everyone grows ie, weeds, from a member of the Warragul club who has a degree in conservation.

Korumburra Horticultural Society suffered a great loss early this year with the death of Maisie Brookes. Maisie lived in this area her entire long and productive life and was a founding member of the club, present at the very first meeting, which her husband Bob chaired. Maisie was always active in the community and at the great age of 93 was still running our show bench each month. She was given a well deserved life membership some years ago, and will be very sadly missed.

Korumburra Horticultural Society meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm at Coal Creek. Visitors are happily received and members provide afternoon tea and a warm welcome.
The Burra Flyer

Korumburra Friends of Red Cross

As everyone is aware, the fire season started early and has been quite devastating. Red Cross Emergency Services have been extremely active in response to the emergency. Our local group have been to Lakes Entrance, Bairnsdale, Somerville (to meet the evacuees from Mallacoota) and into Mallacoota itself assisting with Relief Centres and registering those affected so friends and relatives know they are safe. We also provide psychological first aid to those who are effected by the fires. We help facilitate the application of grants from several other agencies and the government. At this point we are starting to move into our recovery activities- outreach in the affected areas. So far of the $127m donated up until the end of January, $61.5m has been dispersed. For those with houses destroyed, a grant of $20,000 has been given, those hospitalised: $7,500, $5,000 for those with damaged homes, and a total of $1m for bereavement support. Despite what has been said in the media, the overheads amount to approximately 5% of donations. Without the generous donations from Australians, this would not have been possible.

You can keep track of Red Cross plans and spending at www.redcross.org.au/bushfirefunds.

Korumburra Friends of Red Cross

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Open Monday to Thursday and Saturday Mornings

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During the month of May as part of

**Creative Gippsland’s**

**Come and Play in May**

**“The Making of a Painting”**

Collaborative painting by 10 Local Artists
(with Silent Auction of the final Artwork)

and

**Exhibition by Local Artists**

Federation Art Gallery
Commercial Street, Korumburra

Gallery open daily
Sunday 3rd May to Saturday 30th May

To Support the

**Bushfire Relief**

**Sunday 3rd May**  Collaborative Painting begins and exhibition available to be viewed

**Sunday 10th May**  OPENING at 2pm Wine and snacks provided

**Saturday 30th May**  CLOSING  Final bids and Silent Auction results at 2pm
The KCDA was formed at a public meeting in 2002 from the merger of the Korumburra Community Development Committee and the partners in the Community Building Program. Our mission statement is: To work together with all sectors of the community to further improve the quality of community life. There are a number of benefits available to your community group through the KCDA. The first is the use of 3MFM for free advertising of Korumburra community events. If your group is not incorporated and wishes to hold an event perhaps you would be interested in joining us at our meeting held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm, and we can see what assistance we can provide. KCDA now have a public address system available for hire by community groups. Were you there for the Australia Day celebration? Well the system was in use at Coleman Park. It is a system suitable for indoors as well as smaller outdoor gatherings where the sound is not required to cover a large area. Two microphones and speaker with an amp suitable for someone without a lot of experience. A conditionally refundable bond is required, plus a hire fee of $50. Is your community group having an event? Contact Shirley on 0400 976 248 to learn more. Community Groups are encouraged to use our website: www.korumburracommunity.org.au. If you would like to advertise an event, the email address to provide your information is administrator@korumburracommunity.org.au There is a notice board situated outside the Korumburra Hotel. The public may use this community board for events in the Korumburra area and neighbouring towns. Have a look and find out what’s happening in our town. Community groups may book the meeting rooms in the old Access Centre now known as the KCDA. Inc Meeting Room. Bookings may be made by contacting Don Patterson on 5658 1083 or emailing kcda@korumburracommunity.org.au Welcome Kits: are you new to the area? Ask your estate agent for a welcome kit. Don’t forget to promote your community group in the Burra Flyer to increase your group’s membership and promote your events. Contact the editor at burraflyer@gmail.com. Finally, get the Korumburra Town app to see what is happening around town.

Burracudas - Korumburra’s swimming squad

The 2019/20 swimming season is underway. Thirty four swimmers in the Burracuda squad have competed in carnivals in Wonthaggi, Toora, Phillip Island and Leongatha. The annual Korumburra Swimming Carnival was held on Sunday 23rd February. This successful community event is always well supported by our swimmers, volunteers and local businesses. A huge thank you to the following donors to our fundraising raffle: McKenzie Family, Jenny’s Frames, Alex Scott & Staff, Burra Brewery, Rainbow Palace, Burra Garden Supplies, The Bicycle Store, Luscious Café and The Tiny Teapot. Swimming training is held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the Korumburra Outdoor Pool. For information, contact the Squad Manager Lesley Turton on 0418 547 323.
The Royal High Jinx
Fri. Feb 14th 8pm Ruby Hall
Melbourne’s mesmerising contemporary world music band The Royal High Jinx have burst onto Australian festival stages with originality, virtuosity and theatricality. Their songs & tunes are inspired by European traditions, peppered with Gypsy Jazz, Latin, Balkan & Swing grooves with a pinch of folk.
www.trybooking.com/BHCEC

Canyon Callers
Fri. June 5th 8pm Ruby Hall
A new and inspiring Melbourne based band who present a program of Western Swing music from the likes of Bob Wills & His Texas Playboys, Ferlon Young and the wonderful “Asleep at the Wheel”. Featuring Ben Franz, Steve Temple, Jacob McGuffie and Brooke Russell on vocals also showcasing a sprinkling of Brooke’s original songs.
www.trybooking.com/BHCES

Lady Ha Ha!
Fri. Aug 7th 8pm Ruby Hall
A new show specifically devised for the Café Culture Series. Powerhouse talent & winner of Performer of the Year 2017 MBAS award, Kelly Auty is joined by her rendibly proficient musical friends Sarah Caroll, Lisette Payet, Felicia Bassgal & Jen Hawley in a show designed to make you laugh out loud at a fist full of funny songs, & gasp at the divine harmonies.
www.trybooking.com/BHCFP

La Busca Tango
Fri. Dec 4th 8pm Ruby Hall
Be transported from a time of great romance, passion & eloquence to modern day Australia. Piano, guitar, violin, double bass & flute provide backing for Argentinian singer & dancer Juan Vernoe. They specialise in traditional tangos from early 20th century Argentina & contemporary Australian composed music.
www.trybooking.com/BHCGA

Just shows to go—
Tickets David ☎ 0407 625 166 or South Gippsland Shire Reception, 9 Smith St. Leongatha
get your 60s stuff out and have a great time, enjoy a drink, a laugh and use your brain cells. Our north end project is nearly complete and looks terrific. A lot of work has gone into this. Thankyou to everyone no matter how small or big for an enormous effort.

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Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool

Do you know that you can hire the Korumburra Indoor Swimming Pool? The pool is managed by a volunteer committee and is available for hire in half hour blocks for only $15. Ongoing weekly bookings are available, but you can also hire just a single session – a fun Sunday or school holiday activity for the family or a group of friends.

Call our message bank if you are interested and we will return your call: 5655 1681.

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 to 3 pm for $2 per session.

No bookings required, just come along to a session and someone will assist you, or 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.

Korumburra Bowling Club

What a busy time at the club after our Christmas break. The men’s and women’s club championship was played with Shane O’Loughlin winning the A grade and men’s runner up was Allan Jordan. The women’s winner was Anne Lye, with runner up Robyn Hutson. The Christmas raffle was won by Jo Lomango and second prize went to Mikarra Richard.

Winners from our Melbourne Cup day were first: Norm Green, second Anne Lye, and third John Halliday. The club hosted the men’s pairs champions Ken Cecil and Snookey, who beat Tarwin and Mirboo North to get to the semi final but unfortunately couldn’t get over the line against Inverloch. Great effort guys!

Pennant finished the season with only one team getting into the finals. Division 3 made it through. Good luck to everyone playing.

A trivia night is scheduled for March, the theme being "Hippie" so get your 60s stuff out and have a great time, enjoy a drink, a laugh and use your brain cells.

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Burra Poets invites you to share in a celebration of poetry and Gippsland. *Gippsland Stories* will present poems inspired by Gippsland’s landscape, community and history. Select entries will be included in our poster installation at the Federation Gallery Korumburra and all eligible entries will be published in our *Gippsland Stories* chapbook.

- Entry is free. Australian residents only please. Residents outside Gippsland welcome.
- Poems must be inspired by places, people or events in Gippsland.
- Burra Poets members may submit up to five poems, all other submissions are capped at three poems.
- Each poem must be accompanied by a brief description about its inspiration.
- You may include a short biography to accompany your poems.

Submission via email to: burrapoets@crickhollowbooks.com.au

- Please use “Gippsland Stories” in the subject line.
- Poems, descriptions and bios must be sent as an attachment and not in the body of the email. Entries submitted as an email message will not be accepted. Please send as a Word or Pages attachment, no PDF files.

Submission via post to:
Burra Poets
PO Box 440
Korumburra
VIC 3950
Please include your name contact details.

Entries close 11.59 pm Sunday March 15th.
Events and Happenings

Korumburra Golf Club

The rainfall through the summer months has provided continued greenery and the work done by the staff and many volunteers at the Korumburra Golf Club provide a well maintained and spectacular course. The course has undergone major works and the regrowth on the replanted fairways with santa ana couch grass is spreading out well.

Korumburra Golf Club is seeing a resurgence in attendance at junior and ladies Clinics, since John Payne, our PGA professional, has been at the club. Beginner ladies clinics will start on Friday 21st February at 10 am and the junior clinics are running in Term 1 on Sunday mornings at 9.30. Please contact John on 0491 115 962 for information on clinics or private lessons.

Women’s beginner’s day in February was very successful with fifteen people new to this sport out on the course giving ‘golf a go’. The club appreciates the attendance of all those people and encourages new golfers to continue participating as golf can bring fun (as well as frustration, at times), exercise, camaraderie and so much more to benefit one’s well-being.

The new handicap system has increased the highest handicap to 54 which is encouraging for beginners as it provides increased confidence in overall results.

Twilight golf will finish on Thursday, March 26, depending on the weather at that time. This is a very popular event with experienced and beginner golfers appreciating a social hit of golf and the shared buffet meal afterwards.

Men’s and Women’s pennant matches and championships will be conducted through March until May, as well as many other events within our own club and through the South Gippsland district. The club’s presentation evening is Saturday, 30th May, with major trophies awarded, plus dinner and entertainment for an enjoyable and relaxing night.

The clubhouse is a comfortable setting to have a coffee or cool drink and there are amazing views of the surrounding countryside. There are also reasonably priced meals available on Friday nights, which can be ordered from 6 until 7.20 pm. Some people stay on after dinner to play bingo, which starts at 8 pm. The club also runs bingo in the Middle Hotel on Tuesdays, with ‘eyes-down’ at 10 am.

Many individuals and groups hire the clubhouse for a range of occasions such as weddings, engagements, birthdays and daytime and evening meetings. The club has a built-in projector and large screen that is readily available for power point presentations at meetings or photo displays for special occasions.

Further details about upcoming golf events or hiring the club-house, can be obtained on www.korumburragolf.com.au, the Korumburra App, ‘liking’ Korumburra Golf Club on Facebook or by phoning the club, 5655 1886.
Korumburra Round Table

In 2017, at the request of the South Gippsland Shire Council, the Round Table embarked on the ambitious project of compiling a community plan for Korumburra, which was then to be communicated back to Council and the wider community.

These days so many towns have a community plan as a roadmap for their future, and it was great to join their ranks.

To undertake this project, representatives of the KRT spoke to over 20 sporting and community groups for their input on the projects they wanted for Korumburra. Letters were sent to over another twenty groups, requesting the same information.

Arising from these consultations and information received, a list of projects was then compiled by the KRT and sent back to all of these organisations for voting purposes. It was also published in the Burra Flyer, posted on the community notice board and on the Facebook site, as well as placed in the Library, the Post Office and Milpara Neighbourhood House, so that we could give as many people as possible the chance to vote.

The votes were finally collated, and a draft document completed.

Now, three years on, we thought it would be interesting to look back at how far we have come and how the town is progressing with its plan.

So below is the original Community Plan, with

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<td>Implement Streetscape Plan</td>
<td>The Streetscape will be completed in next two years from the original plans. Recommendations for loans for funding currently in place</td>
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<td>Repurpose Station Buildings</td>
<td>Although initially successful in its funding application, the State Govt then advised of no funding in the budget. The Community Hub has moved to one of the original identified sites due to rail land lease issues. The Station Group are working on an awareness campaign to ensure that the heritage building will be maintained. The Subway is undergoing a makeover via arts project “Girls Own Space”</td>
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<td>Beautify station area with gardens &amp; rotunda</td>
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<td>Create Skate park/Youth Precinct</td>
<td>Funding received – may be located at original venue on application i.e. - the station area; but no decision made yet. Needs to be completed in this financial year. Could be good to link with Rail Trail, exercise etc.</td>
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<td>Repurpose old nursery site</td>
<td>Highly successful Brewery established onsite - private venture</td>
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<td>Botanic Park development – tree identification, tracks etc.</td>
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<td>Upgrade walking track to Secondary College</td>
<td>Tenders to be awarded in January 2020, job to start asap</td>
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<td>Walking track from town to industrial estate along Highway and to the wayside stop</td>
<td>KBA have had this included in the Footpath Extension Program but not funded.</td>
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<td>Korumburra Recreation Centre (Capital Works—Our Say)</td>
<td>Roads and carpark upgrade completed</td>
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<td>Korumburra Soccer Club (Capital Works—Our Say)</td>
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Looking forward to speaking to you in the next edition, and in the meantime look out for KRT monthly updates in the local newspapers, or on the KRT Facebook page.

And have a lovely Autumn!

Pee-Wee Lewis
President.

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<td>Rail Trail to Leongatha/Loch</td>
<td>Rail Trail contract, tenders closed, applications being considered, no date yet for awarding the contract but work to commence within months.</td>
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<td>Modernise outdoor pool facilities</td>
<td>Swimming Pool Committee are working with Shire. Master Plan for upgrade has been completed with funding allocated in 2021/22.</td>
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<td>A centrally located Community Hub</td>
<td>Venue as identified in original consultation, should be completed by October 2021. Milpara and Library to be two of the lead tenants</td>
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<td>Create a range of events—food, wine, arts, dance</td>
<td>New events: Successful annual Southern Lights Festival at the Showgrounds, thanks to the KBA AND the amazing 6-week, ‘Walk-the-Main-Street Light Exhibition’. On again this Winter.</td>
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<td>Surveillance cameras around main street</td>
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<td>Free Wi-Fi in town</td>
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<td>Establish a Junior Men’s Shed</td>
<td>Korumburra Men’s Sheds has been approached to gain interest in helping to get a Junior Men’s Shed up and running with mentoring provided by KMS members.</td>
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Scrabble Group

If you're looking for word games in Korumburra, you can find scrabblers playing every Thursday afternoon commencing 1pm at the KCDA meeting rooms in Radovick Street. We meet come rain, hail or shine. This is a relaxed group who also enjoy the social aspects of getting together with other like-minded people. Numbers fluctuate and vary between four and nine at the moment. New players are always welcome. There is no committee, no other meetings, just turn up and play a few games. Contact Nancye on 5658 1835.

Korumburra District Darts Association

As another season comes to an end, we would like to congratulate Kevin Clink and Peter Kimmer on winning the twisted doubles night. This season has been a lot of fun with a few new players, and we do hope they return next season. Our next competition starts on the 20th April and goes until September. If anyone would like to give darts a go, or put in a team, please ring Rob 0497 901 372, or Glenn 0417 566 196

Stamp Clubs

Korumburra Stamp Club meets at the Anglican hall in Bridge St, down under the main hall on the third Thursday of each month. March will be on the 19th, April on the 16th and May on the 21st. Anderson Inlet Stamp Club are conducting their Annual Stamp Fair on Saturday March 7th at the Uniting Church William Street Inverloch. Entry is $2.00 Stamp and Coin dealers will be in attendance. The club will meet on the second Tuesday of each month; March on the 11th, April on the 8th and May on the 13th. Tea and coffee are available all are welcome. Both clubs start at 7.30pm For more information call Peter on 9024 0206.

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Wednesday 25th March 2020
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BBQ, Drinks & Supper available to purchase

Tickets available from Eltons Motors or online
https://festivalofsmallhalls.com/loch-2020/
Adults $25, Concession $20, Under 12 free

This is a fundraising initiative supporting Loch Primary School
The Burra Art Group has held its first exhibition in the Federation Gallery in Korumburra with much thanks going to the Rotary Club for its support.
The aim of the exhibition was to promote the group, the artists and the endeavour of the Korumburra Baptist Church. The exhibition received generous support from local established artists giving it depth and versatility. Overall, it was successful and well received by all who visited, including overseas visitors who returned to talk to the artist the next day. It is hoped that there will be another opportunity for an exhibition next year to highlight Korumburra’s artistic talents. The group meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month and all locals are welcome. Please contact Clint 0400 270 908

500 card club
A card club is meeting at the Poowong Football club rooms each Tuesday to play 500. Anyone interested come and join us, starting at 1.30pm each Tuesday. New players welcome, tea and coffee provided. For more details, please contact Bev Bell on 0448 242 995 or Lillian on 0490 813 640.
We’ve had an excellent start to the school year with children settling into their new classes very well. The house swimming sports took place on the 14th February with District and Regional Sports to follow. In March, students in Years 3 to 6 will participate in the aquatic education program at the Korumburra pool. The aim of this program is to develop children’s water confidence, water skills and understanding of water safety so that they can participate safely in water activities. The Year 6s attend Wilson’s Prom from 10th to 13th March for their annual camp. KPS is entering a team in ‘Relay for Life’ on the weekend of 14th/15th March. The whole school House Athletics Sports will be held on the Pony Paddock on Thursday 19th March. All are encouraged to come along and cheer on the students.

Term 1 finishes on Friday 27th March and resumes for Term 2 on Tuesday 14th April. Anzac Day will be commemorated with a special assembly at school and student leaders, choir and staff will attend the Dawn Service at the Korumburra Cenotaph.

Naplan testing for Years 3 and 5 will take place in May. Education Week is also celebrated in May.

Just a reminder: breakfast club runs every morning from 8:15am to 8:50am at the canteen and reading club runs Tuesday to Thursday mornings from 8:30am to 8:55am in the library. If you haven’t done so already, don’t forget to check out our Facebook page to see what’s been happening at KPS. https://m.facebook.com/Korumburra-Primary-School-2308864219390313/

KPS can be contacted on 5655 1309, korumburra.ps@edumail.vic.edu.au

2020 Student Leadership Group
The Korumburra branch of the CWA has been a part of the town of Korumburra for many decades and while there have been many changes in that time, the fundamental principles have remained the same. The CWA work to help women and children in need, to provide support and friendship. If this appeals to you then come and join in.

We are always looking for new ways to raise money for local charities, schools and services. If you would like to contribute any ideas, come and join us on the second Monday of the month at 1pm at Milpara Community House, 21 Shellcot Rd Korumburra and add to the think tank. After the meeting we enjoy an hour or two of craft so bring along your latest project or just stay for a cuppa and chat.

Regards
Louise Knight
Secretary/Treasurer
CWA Korumburra

Koringal Womens Service Club

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.

Our Annual General Meeting was held at the end of November which included an interesting talk by Heather from the West Gippsland Library Service on all the services now provided by the Library. Not just books and newspapers, but all types of digital media and varied services. Office bearers for 2020 are: President: Chris Grigg, Vice-President: Wendy Green, Secretary: Sue VanSinderen, Treasurer: Renate Dennemoser, Catering Officer: Bev Hall, Flower Secretary: Jess Cruickshank and Publicity: Julie Watt. We look forward to a happy and productive working relationship with all our members during the year.

In December we held our Christmas Party Luncheon at the home of Renate and Alf Dennemosre, 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 have donated a defibrilator to the Bena Tennis Club, and also donated $1000.00 to the Korumburra CFA for their entry in Relay-For-Life for Cancer Research, in memory of our much loved and missed member Maureen Rodda. Hopefully there will be many more donations during this year throughout the community.

We entered some craft and cooking in the Korumburra Show, coming first and second in the organisational sections, and provided prizes for the junior entries. We have catered for a few funerals this year already, also washing dishes and waiting or serving food when asked. We meet on the last Tuesday of the month, so 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.

President Chris Grigg, 0423 381793 or Secretary Sue Van Sinderen, 0401 039824.
The Korumburra Italian Social Club, located at 38 Bridge Street, has been running for 46 years. Members get together to play cards and tombola (bingo) twice a week. New members are always welcome.

We hold meetings every first Friday of the Month and our AGM was held on Friday the 21st February. The committee plans events for all of the community to enjoy. These include our famous homemade “Pizza and Pasta Nights.”

Our most recent night was held on Saturday 1st February 2020. We held a very successful night where we gave back to the community. A total of $5621.85 was raised and donated to Carinya’s fundraising efforts, and will go towards their current building project where development is currently underway.

We thank all those that attend. All enjoyed their yummy lasagna, numerous varieties of pizza, Italian garden salad and of course dessert, cannoli and tiramisu ice cream which were all made by our Italian mammas and papas. Let’s not forget our great entertainers J&C Duo from Melbourne who also put back to our community by staying the weekend at our lovely caravan park and enjoying the lovely choices of dining and scenery.

Stay tuned on the Burra Flyer and our Facebook page for updates and details of our upcoming events.

Bookings are essential for all our events. Tickets are required for entry and to be paid prior to the event to avoid disappointment. (Tickets are non-refundable).

Our venues are also available to hire for any occasion.

For all enquiries and tickets contact:
Arc Gammaldi (President) 0419 507 410
Frank Parini (Treasurer) 0456 056 507
Maria Condoluci (Vice President) 0437 288 822
Sarina (Secretary) Email: korumburraitaliansocialclub@gmail.com

Korumburra Business Association

We have been very blessed here in South Gippsland to not be directly affected by bushfires this summer. However, due to tourists not understanding that Gippsland covers a big area of Victoria, we have noticed that our visitor numbers to the area are lower than normal.

We have been actively promoting on our Facebook pages that we are safe here and that we really need the visitors so we can continue to support our Gippsland cousins. We have had some fantastic responses to the various fund raising efforts that have been undertaken by local businesses. So now, more than ever, we need to support our local traders.

We may not have everything here, but unless you ask, you won’t know. Take some time to explore, if they don’t have it, they may be able to order it for you.
Well, summer has almost passed us by, all of our orchids we re-potted, cleaned up and gave some tender loving care to will now have new growth starting (YOU DID RE-POT THE ONES IN THE BACK CORNER THAT YOU KEEP TO DO NEXT YEAR. DIDN'T YOU?) Just in case you overlooked one or two it’s still not too late, but you must be very careful not to break off any new growth and please remember "Good Quality Potting Mix" and liquid fertilise regularly and keep up the water.

To learn more about growing orchids, come and meet our friendly group of orchid lovers, you are assured of a warm welcome.

Our guest speaker for March is Stephen Stebbings of "Orchids on Newbold." Stephen will help us with any problems we may be having with our orchids.

In April, Peter Millar from "The Hanging Gardens" nursery will conduct a hands on evening, this is always well received.

May will be a Q&A night. June is our A.G.M. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at the Angling Club rooms Recreation Reserve Korumburra Rd Wonthaggi.

Doors are open from 7:00 pm. Enquiries to 0428 547 466

Come along, you will be made most welcome.
Korumburra Scout Hall was abuzz with noise, laughter and fun as all ages, 5 years to 18 years, girls and boys, recently restarted Term 1 of scouting in Korumburra.

Our Joey Scouts (5 - 8 yrs) have just returned from their very first camp under canvas. The weekend camp was full of amazing activities – ice blocking, water slide, cooking, monkey bridge, archery, crate stacking and much more. A very successful weekend. If you have a 5, 6, or 7 year old who wants fun, adventure and learning by doing come and join our group: contact Michael 5659 2122.

Cub Scouts, 8 - 11 years old, started term 1 with lots of water games, a water day, designing of water boats and getting ready to celebrate Baden Powell’s birthday. First major event for Term 1 is the Family Water Day at Walkerville South.

Scouts, 11-15 years old, spent their first night back with an ‘Amazing Race and Navigation’ night. These vibrant young boys and girls have a Term 1 program covering Commands Course, Sand Skimming, First Aid, Camp cooking, preparation for “Top Gear” activity. Relay for Life, Clean Up Australia Day and much much more.

Our Coal Creek Venturers (15 to 18 year old) – where the adult leader provides advice and guidance as these young people run their own programs – is a mix of adventure, fun, personal development and friendship.

Currently these young people are are short of funds to attend some major Venturer events. Call in and say hello to them at Farmers Markets – you will find them cooking breakfast. First big activity for this age group “Anything Goes” weekend at the end of February at Lardner Park. We would love you to join us:

Joey Scouts is for those aged 5 to 8 years. Please ring Michael on 5659 2122 for information.

Cub Scouts are for children aged 8 to 11 years. Please contact Heidi on 0418 384 128.

Scouts is for youth aged 11 to 15 years; leader Debra can be reached on 0409 404 820.

Finally, the Coal Creek Venturers is for those 15 to 18 years. Further information can be obtained from Belinda 0407 838 268.

If you are over 18 and interested in leadership role please call Shane 0417 127 420.
Citizens Advice Bureau

MEDICARE & CENTRELINK
The Leongatha Centrelink Agent (which operates from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm each weekday, not including public holidays) handles Medicare matters also. The branch is located in the Memorial Hall complex in Michael Place, up the stairs opposite the rear part of the post office. Clients may use the phone and computer to do Medicare business or have the friendly staff download forms and information. Although Centrelink agents do not have system access, they can provide information on payments and services, and help with forms and claim lodgement. Agent staff can even sight and photocopy Centrelink Proof of Identity documents, which can save a lot of travel time. Centrelink Agents can also refer you to Centrelink staff (including specialists) if you require further support. The Centrelink agency handles almost 300 clients per month, and about 100 Medicare clients.

BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING
Volunteering makes a difference. People who volunteer their time and energies for the benefit of others experience greater happiness and better health- they have less stress- they are better adjusted to life and they have fewer feelings of hopelessness.

If you like to help others and have a spare three hours a week to do voluntary work with a great team of people, call in to The South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau (SGCAB, including the Community and Visitor Information Centre) to find out more.

BUS TIMETABLES AVAILABLE AT CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU
The latest bus timetables for services in South Gippsland are available at the South Gippsland Citizens Advice Bureau. This is just one of the services which the bureau provides to the community. For over forty years the bureau has been helping South Gippsland residents in a variety of ways.

Korumburra Badminton
Badminton is one of the easiest sports to take up. Age is no barrier. We are currently gearing up for our 2020 Winter competition which starts on Wednesday 15 April, and competition times are 7.30pm to 9.15pm.
If you’re looking for an energetic, inexpensive play, come along for a hit. For enquiries, contact Ian Cole on 5678 2014 or 0427 553 755. We play in the sports stadium at Korumburra Secondary College. See details of our come and try night in the flyer below!
Local film maker Tom Baricevic premiered two of his short films at the hall in January. A full house enjoyed food and drinks before watching the entertaining films. One was filmed in the local area around Bena and Nyora with residents taking on the main acting roles. The other was filmed in the Shepparton area.

The Bena Hall Committee launched the Café Culture Series for 2020 recently. An appreciative crowd enjoyed the brilliant ‘The Royal High Jinx,’ a talented group of four. The next show is to be held on May 15th featuring Canyon Callers who will present a program of Western Swing music (see picture). This group features Brooke Russell who has played to our crowds before as a member of the all-girl group Fever! The series of shows is presented four times a year at Bena and all are high class musical acts from Melbourne.

The cost is $25, concession $22 which includes a home cooked tasty supper. Check out the Bena Hall website for booking information. Our next community event will be a BBQ on Sunday March 15th. Anyone interested in attending can contact the committee for more details via facebook or the website.

The Biggest Morning Tea is on again this year on Monday 25th May. The hall committee, in conjunction with the Bena CWA, will put on this important fundraiser for cancer research. All welcome to come along and enjoy a cuppa and homemade cakes. There will be stalls and other activities on the day too.

The piano in the hall has recently been restored and tuned. It is often used by our visiting groups. If anyone in the community knows the history of this piano can you, please contact the committee via the website.

For further information please refer to our website www.benahall.com.au or Bena Community Hall on Facebook. Email info@benahall.com.au
Korumburra Croquet Club

The Korumburra Croquet Club is looking forward to their #99 Not Out event on Saturday April 4th which celebrates the 99 years they've been in the town.

The region’s croquet fraternity have been invited to attend and share in the entertainment which will involve a twist on our usual croquet games. The annual Singles Golf Croquet tournament will be held on 7th and 8th March, then on April 18th club members will do battle with Leongatha Croquet Club at the annual LeonBurra Shield. In May, Korumburra joins Leongatha, Wonthaggi & Phillip Island clubs for the Bass Coast Shield competition.

Also in March, the Scouts will be down for a twilight introduction to croquet. Along with Easter, it's a busy time of year for this small but energetic group. Secretary Joan Hopkins was successful in obtaining a grant to update our 6 sets of hoops which were sand blasted and powder coated in Leongatha and now look brand new.

Anyone wishing to try out or learn croquet is welcome to call in at the club which is located at 44 Victoria Street on Tuesday mornings from 10am or Saturday afternoon from 12.30. Contacts are Helen on 5655 2247 or Joan on 5655 2126, or email korumburraacroquetclub@gmail.com

The club also has a Facebook page and features on the Croquet Victoria website.

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Once again, the Weather Gods have smiled on us here in South Gippsland - we’ve had plenty of sunshine and decent rainfalls that have kept our gardens (and us) happy and productive.

Summer is always a busy time for gardeners, and as much as we love it, we are always thinking of the next season - and so it is the case with our local gardener’s group.

We are involved in some great activities that also benefit the local community whilst we enjoy the company of like minded enthusiasts. On the first Tuesday morning of every month, we meet at the Leongatha Hospital car park for a Working Bee at 9am.

Equipped with our tools of choice, we tackle the weeds and rogue foliage and spread some mulch where needed for about an hour or so. Before you know it, the garden is tidied and transformed - providing a therapeutic ‘green space’ for everyone to enjoy. The following is a snap-shot of what our club has to offer in the Autumn.

March 10th, 2020: We are inviting everyone to help us ‘pot up’ some seedlings that are in need of bigger pots at The Leongatha Community Garden, starting at 9am. Late last year, we gathered plant material to be propagated as plants for sale at our next big event, The Daffodil and Floral Show on the 29th, 30th and 31st August 2020.

March 26th, 2020: At this meeting, Joanne Lester will be our guest speaker - she is a well-known and passionate gardener who has provided a wealth of knowledge to the local community in her capacity as a nursery woman, currently employed at The Burra Garden Centre in Korrumburra.

*April 23rd, 2020: This month our members bring along their own plants and seeds to swap with each other - its a fun evening and an opportunity to add some rare or hard-to-get specimens from other gardeners. * Apology - I listed Andrew Briginshaw from Richgrow as this month’s speaker in error in the Summer edition of The Burra Flyer - he will be our guest in May 2020.

April 27th, 28th and 29th, 2020: Autumn Bus Trip. Heather, our tour organiser has arranged an extra special 3 day trip for our members this month. Highlights will include visits to the Melton Botanic Gardens, the Ballarat Botanic Gardens, Lambleys Nursery and to Mount Macedon for a visit to Stephen Ryan’s rare plant nursery.

May 28th, 2020: Andrew Briginshaw from Richgrow will be our guest speaker this month. Richgrow is an Australian-owned, fourth generation family business who specialise in manufacturing premium garden products, ie, potting mixes, fertilisers, water savers, etc.

We love to meet new members or other out-of-town gardeners, so please do join us if you’re in Leongatha and would like a gardening fix.

Our meetings are held in the Leongatha Memorial Hall, Meeting Room 1 on the fourth Thursday of every month at 8.00pm.

Facebook: leongatha horticultural society inc
What’s on at the Library - Autumn 2020

Unless specified, bookings for the following events are essential and can be made at wgrlc.eventbrite.com or by contacting the library on 5655 1105

Regular Events

Storytime 10:30am to 11am
Every Monday
Help your child develop a love for stories with these fun sessions for kids up to school age.

For adults
1pm - 2pm Thursday 19 March
Tiny Houses Hear all about the tiny home movement and Ric Butler’s journey setting up the company Tiny Houses 2 Go.

2pm – 3pm Wednesday 15th April
My Blogging Life by Sarah Rasmussen From Korumburra, Sarah reviews children’s books and encourages parents to read with their children. She’ll share with us how she came to be a blogger and how she fits it all in her busy life. Check out her blog www.ragamuffinbooks.home.blog.

1pm – 2pm Wednesday 6th May
Community Houses What are they? Are they for you? How can you live better with a community house? What happens at our Milpara Community House? Join in our discussion.

2pm – 5pm Monday 6th April
Meet Up 2020 in Youth Week 2020
An introduction to Warhammer 40,000
In this session you will be able to learn how to play using the spectacular Orky forces of Waaagh! Snaggettoof against the traitorous Chaos Space Marines of the Blood Drinker Legion.

11am – 12noon Thursday 9th April
Cartooning with Bernard Calco. Pens, pencils ready and let’s draw!

School Holiday Programs

11am - 12noon Tuesday 31st March
Lego Club: Come and create Lego together

2pm – 3pm Wednesday 1st April
Cardboard Box Cubbies All materials supplied to make your own den. Optional take home with you! Please book: ring 5655 1105

2pm – 3pm Wednesday 8th April
Learn Face Painting! Come prepared to be a model, and have a go. Please book: ring 5655 1105

Virtual Reality
Put on the viewing mask and be taken to another world! Contact the library to confirm times.

National Simultaneous Storytime
11am Wednesday 22 May
Join us and a ‘very special reader’ to read Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas by Lucinda Gifford – at the same time as millions of other Australian children.

Poowong Library

Poowong Library Hours
18 Ranceby Road
Thursday 3:30 - 5:30pm
Friday 11am - 12:30pm 1:30pm - 4:30pm
Closed Sat Wed and Public Holidays

Nyora Mobile Library
The Mobile Library visits Nyora every second Saturday in Mitchell Street opposite the General Store from 10:15am to 12:45pm.

Coming dates:
March 7th & 21st
April 4th & 18th
May 2nd & 16th

Korumburra Library Hours
Monday - Thursday 10:00am - 5:30pm
Fridays and Public Holidays closed
Saturday 10:00am - 12noon

Phone/Fax 5655 1105
### Friends of Hillside Lodge Inc. Op Shop
36-40 Commercial St Korumburra
Open Monday - Saturday 9am-4pm
Anne: 0434 215 171
facebook.com/youropshop
Free pick-up and delivery (including furniture)
All monies stay in Korumburra

### Korumburra Uniting Church Opportunity Shop
93 Commercial St Korumburra

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### The Anglican Parish Op Shop
7 Mine road Korumburra
Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm

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

### Vinnies Op Shop
145 Little Commercial St Korumburra
Monday 9am - 5pm
Tuesday 9am - 5pm
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Saturday 9am-1pm
ph. 5658 1103

### Korumburra RSL
RSL Active Stretching Exercise is restarting in March at the hall on Saturdays at 10am. Other RSL Active events include biliards/snooker practise on Tuesdays at 10am.

A library is being set up in the hall for those interested in military history, and we have further RSL active events coming along. The hall refurbishments are going forward with proposed grants from the Australian Government DVA community grants.

Our centenary dinner will be in the later part of the year and we are interested in learning of those who may wish to attend, so let us know ASAP. Anzac Day this year is Saturday April 25th.

We will conduct dawn service at 5:45am, and a mid morning service at 10:30am. Contact David Jackson, President on 0474 136 469, for more information.
**Church Service Times**

**St Paul’s Korumburra**

- **2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday**
  - 9:30am Holy Communion
- **1st Sunday**
  - 9:30am Family Service
- **5th Sunday**
  - 9:30am All Parish Worship

**All Saints Poowong**

- **1st Sunday**
  - 11am Holy Communion
- **3rd Sunday**
  - 11am Family Service

**Mainly Music**

Every Wednesday term time

- 9:30am Parish Hall, Bridge St

**Know Your Bible**

Ladies Bible study group meets

- Monday 10am (term time)
- St Paul’s Hall Meeting Room Korumburra

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**Community Meal**

Once a month on Friday evenings, at 5:30pm.

Dates are March 6th, April 3rd and May 1st.
Everyone is welcome

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**World Day of Prayer**

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christians of all traditions. People in over 170 countries come together in prayer on the first Friday of March each year. This year the service has been written by the women of Zimbabwe.

Come and join us as we pray for the world, especially the women of Zimbabwe who care for children with special needs and disabilities.

Supper will be provided and all are most welcome.

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**St Joseph’s Catholic Parish**

St Joseph’s Church, Guy’s Road, Korumburra. St Vincent’s Church, Victoria St, Loch

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Korumburra:** Sunday at 9:30am

**Loch:** 5pm, 1st Sunday of the month

**Weekday Mass Time**

Wed 10.15am

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**Korumburra Church Times**

**Korumburra Anglican Church**

Sundays, 9:30am, Bridge Street
(see full details on this page)

**Korumburra Baptist Church**

Sundays, 10:30am, Mine Road

**Korumburra Uniting Church**

Sundays, 10:00am, Bridge Street (see article p. 41)

**Southern Hills Assembly of God**

Sundays, 10:00am, 4 Mine Road
Pastor Rob Davey, 5655 2478

**St Joseph’s Catholic Church**

Sundays, 9:30am, Guys Road
(see full details this page)
Our Pastors, Sue and Gavin Sharp, retired at the end of January, and we are missing their presence with us greatly. We thank them for ten years of leadership.

Services of worship are continuing in both in the Korumburra area and at Loch/Poowong. There are some special dates and times that have been arranged.

Sunday 8th. March: Blessing of the Pets service at Arawata at 1.00 p.m.
Sunday 15th. March: Combined worship at Loch at 10.00 a.m.
Sunday 29th. March: Combined worship at Korumburra at 10.00 a.m.

Easter:

Good Friday, Friday 10th. April: Combined worship at Poowong 10.00 a.m.
Easter Day, Sunday 12th. April: Combined with Anglican Church at Pioneer Chapel at Poowong, at sunrise.
and Combined Uniting Church worship at Korumburra at 10.00 a.m.
Please join us at any of these times, or at the regular Sunday worship times at our churches at Korumburra, Arawata, Kongwak, Poowong, Loch, Strzelecki and Kernot.
You would be warmly welcomed.
Janet Wilson, Secretary of Church Council, Korumburra.

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**Scots Pioneer Church Mordan South**

*Ecumenical Pleasant Sunday Afternoon*

*28th April 2019 at 2 pm*

*Anzac Theme*

*Event includes Musical Items & Community Singing Afternoon tea*

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**Mardan Ecumenical Pleasant Sunday Afternoon**

*Scots Pioneer Church*

*May 30th 2020 2pm*

*Presentation By: Dennis Leversha*

*Artist & Local Mural painter*

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**Concert afternoon & B.B.Q.**

*Sun. March 29th*

*All entertainers welcome*

*Ecumenical Church grounds Mordan*

*(contact Sam 03 56649306 or email samnicita@outlook.com)*
in South Gippsland, particularly those grown from open-pollinated seed, and find out more and share our knowledge about food plant varieties which grow well in South Gippsland, including native Australian food plants. And we do, so call in to the Green Grocer at 25 Commercial St, next to the newsagent for beautiful fresh local produce, or join our Facebook page or use the contact form on our website to sign up for our newsletter and you will get all the news, hear about our events and specials in the shop. Just search for Grow Lightly in your search engine and a world of goodness opens up.

Grow Lightly Food Hub

The Grow Lightly Community

Grow Lightly, as an organisation, has grown and developed over the years since its inception. Recently we have been considering our beginnings and where we have come from, leading to a workshop where the Board reflected on its values and clarified them.

We reflected on a statement made a decade earlier: “Grow Lightly grew from a concern about global environmental trends, particularly global warming, peak oil and the depletion of our soils, and the prospect of ongoing water shortages. People must eat and we believe it’s important to make truly fresh food available; to reduce food miles to an absolute minimum; and to recognise the cost of global food production.”

A visionary statement given the summer we are having. Grow Lightly is needed now more than ever to do the work that it set itself when it started about fifteen years ago.

Then a vegie box scheme distributing surplus vegies to family and friends, it is now a retail shop in the main street of Korumburra. It is also a wholesale ordering scheme, a weekly or fortnightly, subscriber based vegie bag program, supplier of produce to local Farmers Markets and festivals and a community hub where workshops are held, musical events and film nights happen and the home of Boomerang Bags Korumburra.

It was clear that the values shown in our founding documents were upheld and the early ideas have stood the test of time.

Some of the values we articulated at the Board workshop on values were about being a welcoming, collaborative and inclusive community, to provide an alternative choice to industrially produced food, to show leadership in the community, to be environmentally and organisationally sustainable, to focus on local, organically grown food.

Our constitution exhorts us to work with natural systems, maintain and increase the biological activity in and fertility of our soil, use renewable resources as much as possible, giving priority to those produced locally, extend the range of locally organically grown foods available in South Gippsland, particularly those grown from open-pollinated seed, and find out more and share our knowledge about food plant varieties which grow well in South Gippsland, including native Australian food plants. And we do, so call in to the Green Grocer at 25 Commercial St, next to the newsagent for beautiful fresh local produce, or join our Facebook page or use the contact form on our website to sign up for our newsletter and you will get all the news, hear about our events and specials in the shop. Just search for Grow Lightly in your search engine and a world of goodness opens up.
Korumburra & District Historical Society

Did you see our display at the Korumburra Show? Some of the items were already in the possession of the Historical Society, others were provided by Sue Ritchie and Rhonda Brooks. We are thankful for their research and collecting ability. The combined effort made for a wonderful display for 125 years of the Korumburra Show. At our first meeting of the year, Hughie Hendry spoke to us about the beginnings and life of Korumburra’s pink worm “Karmai”. We thank Hughie for an interesting, entertaining and enjoyable telling of the story. Our meetings in the next three months will be held at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 5th March, Thursday 2nd April and Thursday 7th May. Speakers for the April and May meetings have not yet been finalised. Elini Courvisanos, who is working at the South Gippsland Shire for six months updating the heritage study of 2004, will be the speaker at our March meeting. Please feel welcome to join us. We would welcome new members, so please consider coming to our meetings.

We’re hearing that our local papers which are being digitised by the National Library, and becoming available on ‘Trove’ will take us into the 1940s. There have been some hiccups with this latest tranche of digitizing, but what a wonderful result for us all, in being able to search for local history in such an easily accessible manner. Check it out. Janet Wilson, Secretary. 0409 248 603, or email janet.wil@outlook.com.

Korumburra Landcare

Summer in South Gippsland was relatively pleasant, although the grass didn’t stop growing! Our hearts go out to the people, communities, wildlife and bushland habitats that were lost in the summer bushfires. Due to the mild and fairly wet summer, a lot of blackberries are still fruiting, it can still be a good time to get onto sending them a message!
Thank you and well done to all the Korumburra Landcare members who manned the gates for the Korumburra Show. Autumn is a time for site preparation for plantings in winter. Autumn is the time we get out the warm clothes and prefer to cuddle up indoors. Crisp mornings and sunny days.

What’s coming up for us? We will have a meeting with a guest speaker: keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information.
You can become a member at any time, and you don’t have to own land or be living on acreage to join or volunteer. If you are interested in nature, wildlife, soils, biodiversity and meeting new people, Korumburra Landcare would love to meet you.
Look up Korumburra Landcare on Facebook.

Leongatha Lyric Theatre

Kinky Boots

Coming in July to the Leongatha Lyric Theatre is a fabulous production of the hit musical Kinky Boots. Rehearsals are underway and the cast will feature many local faces.
Tickets will be on sale at the end of March. Keep an eye out on the Leongatha Lyric Theatre website www.lyrictheatre.net.au, or TryBooking.
Korumburra Senior Citizens
Cnr Radovick & Victoria Streets
Korumburra
Luncheons held first and third Tuesday each month, 12 noon, $13
Lunch bookings: Jan McLaren 5655 1458
Every Tuesday: Bingo 1:00pm,
Morning coffee on the last Thursday of the month, 10am, $5
Come along and enjoy the friendly atmosphere.
Pres: Janne Grenon, Sec Jan McLaren
ph 5455 1458

Sth Gippsland Arthritis Support Group Coffee and Chat
1st Tuesday each month
2-4pm, Korumburra
Indoor Recreation Centre
For more information:
contact: Adam 0408 353 785
phomdin2@bigpond.com
or contact Diane 5658 1443
cost: gold coin donation

South Gippsland/Bass Ostomy Social Group
This group meets on the first Tuesday of each month.
Call Thea on 0447 942 406 for the meeting place.
All interested persons are welcome to come. Cost free.

Nyora Opp Shop
Nyora Railway Station
Open Monday - Saturday
9am - 1pm
For information ph. 5659 0089
We no longer have bags of rags on hand
but will cut up if ordered

Need a room for your meeting?
The KCDA Meeting Room (3 Radovick St.) is available for use by non-profit community groups.
The room has 18 chairs + tables.
Tea and coffee facilities are available.
There is no charge to use the room.
For more information or for an inspection call Don (5658 1083) or email korumburracommunity.org.au.
What’s on in Poowong?

Poowong Garden Club: Every first Tuesday at the Poowong Uniting Church at 7:30pm. For further details contact Diane Sheedy on 0404 042 619

Poowong to Warragul Bus: Every Thursday a bus departs at 9:40am from the Poowong Post Office, returning to Poowong at 2:30pm

Myn Myn Cafe: Poowong Uniting Church, every Wednesday from 9:30am to 3:00pm

Line Dancing classes for beginners: Every Wednesday and Friday from 9.30am - 12pm, Poowong East Hall. For further details ring Rose on 0418 992 703

What's on in Poowong?

Jumbunna Hall and Bush Market

Jumbunna have been holding their market for over 30 years on the first Sunday of the month, in the hall on Cruickshank Road. They have also been raising funds selling their products at the Farmers Market in Korumburra with all proceeds going towards running of the hall and restoration of the building.

They have an updated barbecue so why not come out and have a sausage and or a cuppa. The hall now has new trestle tables which are easier to handle. Bunnings have been most helpful. Thanks also to the ladies who gave the hall an additional lift for the last market. Come and see the effect they have made. Enjoy a cuppa and luscious cakes made by the ladies at our bush market.

Perhaps you would like to have a stall inside the hall away from the elements. Cost is only $6 for a stall all under cover. Why not go for a pleasant Sunday drive and see what the market has to offer.

The hall is available for hiring.

For details regarding the hall or the market contact Brian on 5657 3261, Peter Walker on 5657 3319, or Dawn on 5657 3253

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FREE community

1st Friday of the Month
March 6, April 3, May 1
Anglican Parish Hall - 5 Bridge Street Korumburra
5:30 pm

Join us for a FREE monthly community meal to celebrate our vibrant community - families welcome.

Need a lift to attend?
For transport assistance please call 5655 1007

Proudly brought to you by the following community organisations:
Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, 12 April 2020

Join us for an egg-cellent day:
• Egg hunting licence $6
• Non-Denominational Church Service
  10.30am - 11.30am
• Meet the Easter Bunny
  12.30pm - 1.00pm
• Colouring Competition
  Winners announced at 4pm (foyer)
• Coffee van and food vendor on site
• Diesel train will be running
  12pm, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm


Open Thur - Mon, 10.00am - 4.30pm (Free entry)
(7 days per week during Victorian School Holidays)
coalcreekcommunityparkandmuseum.com