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Learning That Lasts a Lifetime
Our front cover features members of the South Gippsland Concert Band. (See page 18.) This is one of several community groups in Korumburra which develop members' skills as well as serve the rest of the community. Why not join the band or one of the other community groups featured in the Flyer?

Don & Gail Patterson

Editors’ Note

The best place to get up-to-date information about Korumburra is:

www.korumburracommunity.org.au

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**Southern Gippsland Sustainability Festival 2016**

Sunday 3rd April  10am to 3pm  
The Southern Gippsland Sustainability Festival is an event that focuses on sustainable living options in Southern Gippsland (Bass Coast & South Gippsland Shires).

With the event alternating between South Gippsland and Bass Coast Shires, this year's event will be held in the front car park of Korumburra's **Coal Creek Community Park and Museum**. Now in its seventh year the event focuses on sustainable living options in Southern Gippsland and showcases a range of exhibitors, eco-friendly products, practical information and demonstrations.

Local entertainment and children's activities mean that the day is not just about learning, but is also about fun for the whole family!

Find out more:  
www.sustainabilityfestival.com.au  
Phone: 5662 9200 or Email:  
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**EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

**Wednesday, 30th March**  
2 - 4 pm  
Anglican Parish Hall, 5 Bridge St, Korumburra  
*Join in the fun with Easter crafts, drama, stories, singing and more*

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**The Uniting Church invites the community to a presentation of ‘No Greater Love’**

**An Easter Cantata**  
written by John W. Peterson  
Musical Director Marion Stephens.  
Accompanist Annette McMaster  
*Sung by the ‘Just Harmony’ choir*  
This not-to-be-missed event will include other inspirational songs sung by Just Harmony  
**Sunday, 20th March at 2:00pm**  
**Korumburra Uniting Church**  
**Bridge St, Korumburra**  
**Admission $15 which includes afternoon tea after the performance.**  
Enquiries please contact Janet Wilson 5657 2267  
or Robert Harrison 5659 8221
Bridge Street was named for the bridge over the railway line but was previously called Church Street.

The Wesleyan church was opened in December 1891, the first church built in Korumburra. The block of land had been purchased for 40 pounds in March 1890 by the Wesleyan Church with James F Shepherd and Thomas Guy listed as trustees. It then became the Methodist Church for many years and is now Korumburra Uniting Church after the Presbyterian Church amalgamation with the Methodist Church in 1977. (The Presbyterian Church was on the corner of Queen & Radovick Sts and later sold.)

The Church of England's second church was built in Bridge Street and dedicated in 1927 (the first church building was in Queen St.). This land was purchased from Miss Emily Nuttall, originally purchased from the Crown by William Nuttall and Maxwell Hyman. A section of this land was sold to the trustees of the Roman Catholic Church who built St Joseph's Catholic School on the site. The Church of England Parish Hall was opened in 1953 and the church tower was dedicated in 1962.

The first school in Korumburra was in a tin shed in Bridge Street where the Alex Scott building is now located. In January 1891 the school moved to the Mechanics Hall in Station Street and then transferred to the present site in Mine Road. The tin shed was originally the Post Office and store owned by Shepherds.

The Rotary International Avenue of Honour is in Bridge Street. When the author was a kid going to school he remembers a tree being planted by Sir Robert Menzies in front of the Police Station in the Avenue of Honour in the early 1950's.

The Masonic Lodge in Bridge Street was built by Neil Falconer who also built the former Post Office on the corner of Bridge St and Mine Rd.

The Court House was built in 1900 by John Eadie from Jumbunna for the amount of 596 pounds 10 shillings. The original Court House was the first building shifted to Coal Creek Historical Park in the early 1970s. When the Court House was shifted by Wilsons' house removalists to Coal Creek, Jack McMaster rode on top of the building and held the electric wires up with a stick - it would not be allowed today!

The newly rebuilt Police Station in Bridge Street is the third Police Station to be built on this site. The original Police Station was shifted to Inverloch and turned into a house (the author pulled this house down).

The Korumburra Water Board offices were originally located in Bridge Street, there was a Blacksmith shop near the Railway Bridge owned by John Thomas Hassell and a private hospital in the house which the Wrench family now own.

The Austral Hotel (Top Pub) was originally called the Bridge Hotel and built before 1894. A big underground brick tank used for the hotel's water supply in the early days of Korumburra was discovered when repairs were made to the car parking area. It is believed that there is a covered mine shaft near this Hotel.

Bob Newton
The year 2016 brings a time for the Historical Society to celebrate fifty years since its inception. We’ve come through holding meetings in the former Korumburra Shire offices and storing our treasures at the back of the church building at Coal Creek. At the present time, and for the last twenty years, we have been holding meetings and storing many valuable documents detailing the history of the area in the former library building underneath the former Korumburra Shire offices.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, and there are workshop afternoons on Tuesdays from 1.30 pm. Meetings during the time covered by this Flyer will be held on Thursday 3rd March, Thursday 7th April and Thursday 5th May, all at 8.00 pm.

Our speaker at the 50th anniversary celebration is to be Lambis Englezos whose persistence led to finding the resting place of hundreds of those who died at the battle of Fromelles on the night of 19/20th July 1916. Almost two thousand Australian servicemen died in this battle, and the burial place of many remained undiscovered. The final arrangements for the 50th celebrations have not yet been finalised, so we are hopeful that we will be able to publish these in the winter Flyer. We would welcome attendance at this event, and for those reading this, there is a warm welcome guaranteed for anyone seeking membership of the Society.

Janet Wilson, Secretary.

The Korumburra Lions Club had a great day catering at the Korumburra Swap Day on Sunday 10th January at the showgrounds. It was a busy day starting at 6am with plenty of egg & bacon rolls, hamburgers, sausages and steak sandwiches sold. But a big thank you must go to all Lions Club members and to Lions supporters who helped on the day which is a good fundraiser for local projects.

Australia Day at Bena Hall was another egg and bacon morning - what perfect weather!

At the Korumburra Show on Saturday 13th February the Lions Club were at the pavilion providing cuppas and delicious scones. We will be at IGA holding a Mother’s Day raffle and your support will be appreciated.

The theme ‘Receive children. Receive me.’ reflects St Mark’s Gospel, 10:13-16, which is a reminder that everyone is a child of God and equally worthy of our love and respect. Cuba is the largest Caribbean island and suffered greatly due to the economic embargo imposed upon it in 1960 but has found strength within itself to move on and overcome many of its problems.

Friday March 4th, St Joseph’s Catholic Church, Korumburra, at 7.30 pm

This is an international, ecumenical, prayer movement that invites women, from a different part of the world each year, to prepare a worship service through which their hopes and fears for their country may be brought before the whole world in prayer.

On Friday 4 March an estimated 3 million men and women in over 170 countries and islands will gather to pray, using an order of service written by Christian women in Cuba.

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Events and Happenings
Korumburra's Swimming Squad – the Burracudas – are well into the summer carnival season. Training is held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5.45 - 7.00 pm at the Korumburra Outdoor Pool. Participation in the squad offers members the chance to refine their swimming technique to participate in competitive swimming.

The Burracudas have more than 40 current members, from age 7 to adult, who compete in swimming carnivals throughout February and March. Carnivals are held in Wonthaggi, Phillip Island, Toora, Mirboo North, Leongatha and Korumburra.

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

Burracudas 2016 Club Captains and Coaches, L to R, Amelia Riseley (Captain), Katelyn Blogg (Coach), Elizabeth Harms (Captain), Davin Nicholas (Coach)
Koringal Women’s Service Club

Koringal Women’s Service Club has been working hard to raise money for Korumburra and surrounds for over 40 years. Last November was the 40th Anniversary of the inaugural meeting in 1975, and a wonderful Celebration Luncheon was held at the Amenities Complex for a large number of our past and present members, their partners, and distinguished guests. Members from the Rotary and Lions Club attended and Local Member of Parliament Mr. Russell Broadbent spoke about the importance of volunteering and groups such as ours within today’s world economic climate.

It has been fantastic to have strong support over those many years, and it was wonderful to have the chance to catch up with old friends and reminisce over those first efforts to be of service. While the methods may have changed, the spirit of friendship and community is the same.

After an eventful year we were happy to wind up with our AGM and new committee, and a financial position in which we were able to donate funds to many individuals and groups once again. A lovely Christmas break up dinner was held at “Urban 61” in Korumburra a week later. On this evening our newest Life Membership Award was announced, going to long time member Jean White who has worked diligently over more than 30 years to help Koringal become what it is today. She has held various committee positions and happily contributed to whatever venture was forthcoming.

Our plan for the coming year is to continue the work we started 40 years ago. We raise money through catering, raffles, washing dishes, waitressing or whatever we are asked if we can, and contribute our time and efforts to community service activities. We also have days out and interesting guest speakers.

If you are available to volunteer with a friendly group, Koringal Women’s Service Club might be for you. We meet on the last Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm. Contact our new President Bev Hall on 0408 595 460, or Secretary Sue VanSinderen on 0401 039 824.

Korumburra Croquet Club

We are right into our 2016 playing season with members playing and competing at many croquet venues across Gippsland. It is a little dry but the lawns look great, especially after that downpour we had. We have two new members, both male, who have come to swell our numbers.

On Saturday 5th February we had a celebration for the life of former member Maureen Rodda, who was part of our Club from 2002 to 2015. Sixty-two players from all over Gippsland came to remember and honour Maureen. This day was held as a Fun Day at the Club with many family members also attending.

Club members are reminded that the Club Championships are to be held during April, 2016.

You are most welcome to come and join our friendly members at the Club. Please ring Joan on 5655 2126 or Ruth on 5655 2175.

Korumburra CWA

We started 2016 with a very successful High Tea held at member Joy Williams’ home. Many members of branches in our group were present. There was a raffle, stall, lucky prizes and of course yummy food. All who attended had a very enjoyable afternoon. We have a new member and I’m sure there are some clever ladies that can sew, knit etc. who would like to join us. We meet on the 4th Friday of the month at 1.30 pm at Milpara Community House. For more information phone President Dot Parr 5655 2004 or Secretary Norma Head 5655 1717.
One of the major local Rotary projects over the past couple of years has been the “Skip Walking Track”, starting near the bottom of Coal Creek and following Coalition Creek to Richie’s Reserve. Led by Rotarian, Ken Sim, the walking track has been prepared for about the first kilometre. Other members of our community are assisting with identification of flora, explaining the historical significance of this old mining area, making furniture for rest areas, as well as plans for the connection of the track to Richie’s Reserve.

During 2014, the Rotary Club of Korumburra formed the Robyn Holmes Foundation. The main purpose of the Foundation is to support education within the local community. Nominations are now being called for applications for grants from the Foundation for 2016. The guidelines and criteria information and the grant application form can be obtained by emailing the chairperson of the Foundation, Peter Biggins, on pdbiggins@outlook.com. Applications close on Friday 25th March 2016.

The Federation Art Gallery in Korumburra has hosted many exhibitions over the past two years and is getting more popular with artists as an exhibit space as it gets more widely known. The list of most recent exhibitions below is an indication of the versatility of the Gallery.

- September/October 2014: Rotary Collection of Award Winning Paintings, part 1
- February 2015: Rotary 38th Annual Art Show
- March/April 2015: Rotary Collection of Award Winning Paintings, part 2
- October/November 2015: Korumburra Primary School Exhibition
- November 2015: Local Artists’ Exhibition
- December 2015: Wendy Rahilly’s “Creative Kids” Exhibition
- January 2016: Rotary Collection of Award Winning Paintings, part 3
- February 2016: Rotary 39th Annual Art Show
- February 19th – March 4th, 2016: Bruce Plant’s Exhibition
- March 11th – March 20th, 2016: Horse Arts Anzac Exhibition 10 am - 4 pm

For future bookings of the gallery, please contact Mark Holmes on 0418 544 127.

The Korumburra Indoor Pool is managed by a volunteer committee as a private facility. Rehabilitation and Self-Help Sessions are available for anyone who requires rehabilitation from injuries, accidents or medical conditions. These sessions are held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1.30 to 3.00 pm at a cost of $2 per session.

Bookings can also be made for private swimming sessions by phoning the message bank on 5655 1681.

Children’s swimming lessons are available at the pool.

For water babies and pre-school lessons contact Kaye Tipping on 5657 3317.

For school age lessons contact Colette Pearl on 0417 058 154.

Yay!! Mark your diaries
St Paul’s Anglican Church is having another fabulous

Trivia Night
Saturday, April 16th, 7.30 pm

$10 entry Raffle
The Autumn leaves. Well, they are not here yet but what a bounty when they arrive. These days they are not seen burning smokily in backyards or nature strips. They make a very useful mulch. In a smaller garden with large trees they can be a bit too much and I have been gratefully accepting them from a friend to use in my garden.

It is not too late to take cuttings for propagation, an excellent way to get free plants to plant out or to swap with friends. This can be done with many popular garden shrubs. A useful tip I learned recently is to select the piece you want and find the highest point up the stem at which it will snap in half. This is the piece you want. Cut it cleanly just below a leaf node on the stem. If you haven’t tried it, possibly the easiest is with pelargoniums, commonly known as geraniums. Just take a piece of this year’s growth about 100 to 150mm long and pop it into some propagating mix or potting mix, after removing most of the leaves, leaving two or three but cutting off half of each. You can use cutting powder as a stimulant but it isn’t essential. On plants which are slow to strike, such as Rhododendrons, try honey which helps to prevent infections. Keep your cuttings in a shady spot and keep them moist until they strike which may be a few weeks or even months. Then treat them as any other small plant. Of course you should label them so you will know what they are later. Experiment with any plants that take your fancy. Some will work and some won’t.

Autumn is harvest time too. We are getting lots of vegies which, if we can’t use them now are frozen or preserved. Not to mention those we give away. Potatoes, corn, tomatoes, cucumbers beans and many others. The tomatoes were a bit of a challenge this year. It was hard to keep enough water into them during the hot, dry January spell and the early-ripening fruit tended to split after the rain came. But they all came good later.

If you are interested in gardening and want to meet others with a similar interest, why not come along to one of our monthly meetings. These are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 1.30 pm in the meeting room at Coal Creek. We are a friendly lot. It is usual to have a guest speaker or a garden visit and complimentary afternoon tea is provided. For further information, please contact Ron or Carole Davis on 5655 2652.
Korumburra Community Development & Action Inc.

KCDA is in the process of running the annual Stag’s wheel barrow raffle full of garden goodies. Look out for people selling tickets in the street and at Michaels IGA. The raffle is drawn on Anzac Day, 25th April.

Has anybody had a look at the garden retaining wall in Station Street recently? Thanks to Helen Pearce the plants are looking healthy and flowering in profusion.

Did you know? That over the past 20 years the South Gippsland Tourist Railway has carried somewhere between 80,000 and 100,000 passengers. We are sorry it has now closed.

Benefits for your Community Group through KCDA Inc.:
- 3mfm use for free advertising of Korumburra Community Events.
- Community Groups wishing to run a raffle may do so under the auspice of KCDA Inc.
- Korumburra Community Website www.korumburracommunity.org.au
  Community groups are encouraged to use the website. Email your articles to Lorelle at lorelle@southgippsland.vic.gov.au

Notice Board situated outside the Korumburra “Middle” Hotel. Use the Community Notice Board to publicise events in the Korumburra area and neighbouring towns. Have a look and find out what’s happening in our town.

Welcome Kits New to the area? Ask your Estate Agent about receiving a kit.

Korumburra Working Horse & Tractor Rally

Members of the Working Horse & Tractor Rally Committee are busy preparing for the Rally on 19th & 20th March 2016. The theme for the Rally is Veteran Cars, Trucks, Machinery and Hay making.

Clydesdale horses working in the paddocks will again be a feature as everyone loves these gentle giants, showing the work they did on farms so long ago. Sheep shearing, wood chopping, blacksmiths forging tools, etc., whip cracking, so much living history to see. Many small engines will be at work, pumping water etc.

The Leongatha Woodworkers will be there with their wide variety of projects including pyrography (using a burning tool to make pictures on wood) - children love this activity.

Food stalls, craft stalls, historical displays and pioneer skills will all be part of the activities.

Families are especially catered for as children love to see how farming was done in the early days in South Gippsland. The Tractor Pull is a fun activity to watch. Do come along, you will not be disappointed.

Admission fees are very reasonable at $12.00 per adult, under 16 free. Two Day Pass $18.00. Strictly no dogs & no alcohol.

Further information contact Pat on 0407 749 223.

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Korumburra Primary School – Challenge and Achieve

Red House Captains, Charlee Walker and Luke Walker
Blue House Captains, Sophie McKenzie and Travis Hall

You are invited to
a Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration
at St Paul’s, Bridge Street, Korumburra
Sunday, March 6th at 2.00 pm.

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The Korumburra Bowling Club welcomes new members and is inviting anyone who is interested to come and have a roll on each Sunday in February so come along to the last one on the 28th, commencing at 1.30 pm. Just flat shoes and comfortable clothing are required.

On Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays (after Pennant season finishes early in March) we have social bowls. Just make a phone call to the Club on 5655 1246 and put your name down. The Ladies Section has two pennant teams in the finals and the Mens Section has one team participating in the finals. The Club rooms are situated in Charles Street, near the Show Grounds complex and anyone interested may contact President Rob: 5655 2434 Secretary John: 5658 1908 Email: korumburrabowlingclub@gmail.com

Korumburra Primary School – Challenge and Achieve

KPS has welcomed many new students and families for 2016. It is a particularly exciting time for new Prep students and an important transition in their lives. KPS recognises the importance of a successful start to school and hosts a number of events to bring the school community together. These include a Cheers and Tears morning tea for Prep parents on the first day of school, and a free BBQ and bush dance early in Term One. The evening Bush Dance includes informal classroom visits and an opportunity for parents to meet their child’s teacher for 2016.

Sporting events also keep us busy in Term One. The House Swimming Sports were held in February. Congratulations to Sophie McKenzie and Blake Webb our Year 6 swimming champions, and to Shelley Snooks for once again organising and running a fantastic day. The winning House on the day was Blue House, with Red House taking out the Participation Award. On March 23rd the whole school will be on-the-go for the House Athletic Sports. It’s a great day for parents and friends to come and support the students, and an opportunity to appreciate the fabulous school grounds and facilities we have available for these events.

For anyone who wants to stay in touch with KPS news and events, a free smart phone app is available. The app includes regular newsletters, event notifications, school calendar and contact links. Of course, you can still contact the school Office directly for more information about KPS activities or enrolments: 5655 1309, korumburra.ps@edumail.vic.edu.au
Author Talk: Alli Sinclair & Kathryn Ledson - March 5, 10.30 am
Alli Sinclair, author of Under The Spanish Stars and Kathryn Ledson, author of Grand Slam will be talking about all things romance from a fiction point of view. Find out about the emerging romance writing scene in Australia. Discover some new authors and the many sub-genres of romance fiction.

Basic Coding using Scratch - 29 March, 11.30 am & 1.00 pm
Learn how to animate Scratch (the cat) and other sprites using basic computer coding. Limited spots available for this 45min session with Andrew Wilson from Regional Programming Solutions.

Getting the most from your library card - April 11,18 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm
Find out how to access items found in over 100 libraries throughout Victoria. Place requests for books, DVDs, music and magazines from our partner libraries. Try out the databases and online resources available. Bring your own WiFi-connected laptop or device, or use one of our PCs.

CWA State President - Poowong April 22, 2.30 - 3.30 pm
Machelle Crichton, state president of the Country Women's Association, will talk on the community work done by the CWA in rural and urban areas across Victoria and Gippsland in particular—it’s not all just tea and scones.

Korumburra Library hours
Monday - Thursday 10.00 am - 5.30 pm
Friday closed
Saturday 10.00 am - 12 noon
Phone/Fax: 5655 1105

Poowong Library
Poowong Library hours:
Thursday 3.30 – 5.30 pm
Friday 11.00 am – 12.30 pm 1.30 – 4.30 pm
Phone: 5659 2349

Nyora Mobile Library
The mobile library visits Nyora every second Saturday in Mitchell Street opposite the General Store from 10.15 am – 12.45 pm.
Coming dates:
March 12, (not operating Easter Saturday)
April 9, 23
May 7, 21

We are so fortunate to have the facility in Korumburra and visitors are always welcome. Originally Carinya Lodge had 32 beds when it was opened in 1979. The first two units were built 10 years before the Lodge which is now 37 years old. Korumburra’s elderly are very well cared for and our Auxiliary is pleased to support Carinya Lodge.

Carinya Lodge Auxiliary
Our meeting is held at Carinya Lodge at 1.30pm on the third Monday of each month. We each bring something for afternoon tea to share with all the residents and have an opportunity for a friendly chat which is always appreciated. There are 42 residents in the Lodge and another activity our members share is to visit each resident on their birthday. Over the years the Auxiliary has raised money to pay for special needs which staff may suggest.
Our main fundraiser is our Soup, Sandwich and Sweet luncheon held in September at the Senior Citizens Centre in Korumburra. Occasionally we will host a special musical afternoon for the residents.

Shirley Holland (Sec.)
Our single incident volunteer was involved in helping out with emergency support after a house fire.

Members continue to be involved in the delivery of Meals-On-Wheels.

A large amount of goods has been sent to Melbourne Headquarters to help rehouse refugees. More donations of household goods are always needed and appreciated. These can be sent directly to Melbourne or left at 80 Bridge Street, Korumburra.

Our branch is going through the process of becoming 'Friends of Red Cross'. We will be continuing as before but with less formality. New members are always welcome. We meet at the Senior Citizens Centre on the first Monday of each month at 10.30 am.

March is Red Cross Calling month.

As we no longer ask for donations door-to-door, our members will be sitting at IGA Supermarket accepting donations for this worthy cause from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm on the following dates in March: Wednesday 2nd, 9th and 16th and Saturday 26th. Donations can also be sent directly to Melbourne at www.redcross.org.au and click on the 'Donate Now' button at the top right.

Our Christmas raffle raised $164 and from accumulated revenue $700 was forwarded to headquarters.

Trauma Teddies have been distributed to the Korumburra hospital, the medical clinic, kindergarten, Biralee, etc.

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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 12 years young and we have many varied activities: dine-out club, book exchange and tours; these are just a few of the interesting things we do.

In the last few months we have been to the MCG and Sports Museum, Mornington Market and Santa's House, a trip to Daylesford and Castlemaine and also enjoyed the musical “Georgy Girl”. Coming up we have a day on the Tram Boat, a wine and cheese tour and a trip to Lakes Entrance. Later on in the year we are going to Broken Hill.

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

Our meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month, commencing at 10 am at the Korumburra Golf Club.

President: Peter Hosking  5655 1291
Secretary: Cheryl Routley  5658 1074

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South Gippsland Singers Inc.

Based in South Gippsland for the last 40 years, this 30-odd strong choir has been delighting locals with choral productions on a regular basis. Under choir mistress Jen Holm and accompanied by pianist Dorothy Warren, we meet for practice on a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm at the Dakers Center, cnr. Smith St and Watts St., Leongatha.

Our next concert will be in late May or early June (to be advertised) and we will be singing music from stage and screen. Keep an eye out for this concert date.

Singing in harmony with other people is a great way to ease your soul and spread happiness to others. We are always seeking out people who love to sing (especially Basses and Tenors!) and if you would be interested in trying out for a place in the choir please contact:

Lionel Wood, President
South Gippsland Singers Inc.
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Email: ljwood4@bigpond.com
The South Gippsland Concert Band was formed forty years ago with the aim of bringing together musicians who had left school, school students who needed more opportunities to play and older players who needed an outlet for their skills. Originally known as Leongatha Concert Band, then South Gippsland Wind Orchestra, today we are a diverse group in both age and experience. We welcome every musician no matter what your age or experience. Our repertoire comprises Classics, Musical Theatre, Marches, Standards and the best new modern works.

Now that our very busy Christmas season is over, Conductor Syd Jackson has reorganised our music folders ready for 2016.

Our first performance for the year will be at Music for the People at Mossvale Park on February 28th. In mid March, some of us are combining with the East Gippsland Symphonia to appear at the prestigious “Opera by the Lakes” at Nyerimilang Park near Lakes Entrance, a great honour for us.

Once Easter is over, we will be preparing for the Cranbourne Concert Band Music Festival in May. We were invited to participate in this for the first time last year (the organisers had discovered our website), a fantastic experience to join with six other Gippsland Concert Bands. A whole day of Concert Band music was outstanding and it was gratifying to be invited back again this year.

As usual at this time of year, a number of our players have had to move owing to study or employment opportunities, a big loss for us but we wish them every success in their endeavours. This leaves vacancies in most sections. We invite you to join our happy band of musicians on Monday nights in the Auditorium at Coal Creek from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Supper provided.

Do you have music skills that have become rusty through lack of use? Are you new to the area and would love to join a Concert Band again? Perhaps you’ve decided that 2016 is a chance for you to finally learn a musical instrument? We would love to hear from you – the only criteria for joining us are a love of music and having fun.

If you would like to know more about us,
Email: admin@sgconband.net
Phone: Em on 5655 1767
Web: www.sgconband.net
or just come along to a rehearsal and meet our friendly talented group.

Korumburra Business Association

There are a few changes taking place in Korumburra at the moment. We have a new business opening in Mine Rd (Dogtopia, dog supplies for your K9), Hopwood’s are winding down the retail side of their business and are relocating their service business to the Industrial Estate and Cosson’s Dairy Systems has been sold. Rob and Noelene are still running a wholesale business at the rear of CDS.

KBA will be running a town business promotion with a Golden Easter Egg Hunt in March 2016. The children will have to follow the list of all participating businesses and search their shop windows or fences for the Golden Egg and find its special number. Once they have collected all the numbers they can submit the form and the first five correct entries drawn will win a basket of Easter Eggs. Check out the notices in shop windows.

Committee members for 2016 are:
President Steve Bone (Manager of the CBA Bank),
Vice President Heidi Chisholm (Korumburra Tourist Park),
Treasurer Noelene Cosson (Cosson’s Dairy Supplies),
Secretary Shirley Arestia (MJA Accounting and Ricks Hairdressers),
Membership Secretary Jenny Rowe (Jenny’s Picture this framed)
Committee member Brian Hess (Korumburra Florist).
Events and Happenings

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Fridays 10 am - 11.30 am (during school terms)

For children, parents, grandparents and carers to make new friends and have fun.

A great outdoor area with our new children’s garden.

$4 per session per family, $20 annual membership

For further information ring Milpara Community House 5655 2524

Term 2 commences 15th April
Milpara Men’s Shed

Some of the members of the Men’s Shed at the new location at the Railway Station Goods Shed in Station Street. They are in the process of refurbishing and refitting this shed, and having a great time too.

Coal Creek

Events for 2016

Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday 27 March
10.00am to 1.30pm Egg Hunt $5.00 per child

Sustainability Festival
Sunday 3 April 10.00am to 3.00pm Free Entry & Activities

Teddy Bears Picnic
Sunday 12 June 10.00am to 4.00pm Bear Hunt $5.00 per child

Pirates Day
Sunday 25 September 10.00am to 4.00pm Hunt for the Pirates Treasure

Halloween
Saturday 29 October 5.30pm to 10.00pm Trick & Treat and Ghost Train

Steam Train $10.00 per person

Diesel Train Every Saturday and Sunday

MONTHLY EVENTS

Craft & Farmers Market 2nd Saturday
Ghost Tour 3rd Saturday
Magic Lantern Show Last Sunday

Meet Easter Bunny
Lucky Door Prize
Non-denominational Church Service

Learn how to draw an Easter Bunny or Bilby $2.00 per Ticket

Paint and Take Miniatures $10.00 per child.
Table-moore Miniature included
No experience is needed – booking Essential

Coal Creek Community Park & Museum 12 Silkestone Rd Korumburra 3950
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www.coalcreekvillage.com.au

Easter Hunt $5.00 per child

The Men’s Shed is now located at the Railway Goods Shed in Station Street, Korumburra. This is just behind Australia Post and beside the Korumburra Rotary Shelter. The Shed is open two days a week on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.30 am till 1.00 pm. We’re still in the process of refurbishing and refitting this building. The work is progressing well and it is starting to look good. If you know of some blokes who may be interested in coming along and getting involved, let them know they can drop in to say hello or if you’d like more information about the Shed just ring Milpara on 5655 2524 or John on 0411 485 113.

A Men’s Shed is a version of the shed in the backyard. It’s a men’s space that has long been a part of Australian culture. Not all Men’s Sheds are the same - if you looked inside you might see a number of men making furniture, perhaps restoring bicycles, making bird traps, fixing lawn mowers or making a cubby house. You might also see a few young men working with the older men obtaining new skills and learning something about life. You will see tea-bags, coffee cups and a comfortable area where men can sit and talk. On a typical Shed day in Korumburra you will find around 10 - 15 men working on a variety of projects.

Good health is based on many factors including feeling good about ourselves, being productive, contributing to your community, connecting with friends and maintaining an active body and mind. Becoming a member of a Men’s Shed provides a place where men can find many of these things in an atmosphere of old-fashioned mateship. And, importantly, there is no pressure. Men can just come and have a yarn and a cuppa if that is all they’re looking for.

One of the benefits of belonging to the Shed is the sharing of skills and experience. If you get stuck doing something, there is always someone there to help, but by far the greatest benefit of belonging to the Shed is the “mateship” that has developed. The success of a Men’s Shed is not measured in the output of things made but by the fact that men keep coming back to enjoy the company of other men in an environment that they are comfortable with. Some days the “output” from the Shed is measured more in the amount of talking done and coffee or tea that is drunk than things made.

Milpara Men’s Shed

Milpara will be celebrating Neighbourhood House Week and National Volunteers Week during the week 9 to 13 May. We’ll be hosting an afternoon tea to recognise the valuable contribution of our volunteers who give so much to what happens at Milpara and also to celebrate the opportunities available at this House. Please drop in and say hello.

Milpara Community House is a great place to meet people with similar interests, to share knowledge and skills with others, to learn something new, and in some circumstances, get support and assistance. Over 10,000 people attend the House annually and if it wasn’t for the contribution of our volunteers we quite simply could not function. The House offers a very broad range of experiences, from Adult Education classes and Accredited Courses to lifestyle, health and well-being sessions.

This Term we will be offering an Introduction to Community Services which will run over a four week period. During these sessions participants will come to understand just what skills, experiences and knowledge is required to work in the different community service environments such as Aged Care, Children’s Services, Home and Community Care and Disability Services. This sector has consistent employment opportunities so if this is an area of interest, these sessions will be of benefit.

We are open Monday to Friday during school terms, from 9.30 am - 4.30 pm, with friendly staff ready to welcome and help you or call 5655 2524. Like us on Facebook or check out our webpage at www.milparacommunityhouse.org.au for regular updates of classes on offer plus information about the Volunteers afternoon tea.
Korumburra Anglican Parish
Rector: Reverend Jenny Ramage. Phone: 5655 1007 or 0407 369 486

What’s On

Youth Group: Wednesday 3.30 – 5.30 pm.
A range of activities for young people to enjoy.

Creative Art for heart
1st and 3rd Friday afternoons of the month from
1pm to 4pm in the meeting room under the
Parish hall.

Preparing for Easter
Rev Jenny will be leading a Bible study for
Lent titled Walking with Luke through Lent,
Wednesdays during March in the Youth room
under the Parish hall from 10 am to 11.30 am.
Please join us as we learn from each other and
as we listen to God’s story and God’s desire for a
world of peace.

Easter Services:
St Pauls, Korumburra
   Palm Sunday, 20th March: 9.30 am
   Maundy Thursday, 24th March, 7.30 pm
   Good Friday, 25th March, 9.30 am
      followed by hot cross buns in the
      Hall.
   Easter morning, 9.30 am
All Saints, Poowong
   Easter morning, 8.00 am

FREE EASTER ACTIVITIES
FOR CHILDREN
Following our very successful
Christmas activity days we are
holding another afternoon in the
school holidays

Wednesday, 30th March, 2.00 - 4.00 pm
   6 - 14 yr olds
Anglican Parish Hall, 5 Bridge St, Korumburra

Planned Fundraising Events
16th April: Trivia Night, 7.30 pm
28th May: Parish Dinner, 6.00 pm
18th June: Sit, Sew and Be Inspired Day.
   10 am to 3 pm. Sewing, demonstration and
   craft activities

Church Service Times:
St Paul’s, Korumburra
   1st Sunday of the month:
      9.30 am: Contemporary Service:
   2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday:
      9.30 am: Holy Communion
   5th Sunday:
      9.30 am: Parish Worship
All Saints, Poowong
   2nd and 4th Sunday:
      11 am: Holy Communion

St Joseph’s Catholic Parish
St Joseph’s Church, Guys Road, Korumburra. St Vincent’s Church, Victoria Street, Loch.

Weekend Mass Times:
Korumburra   Sunday at 9.30 am
Loch:         5 pm (6 pm daylight saving)

Weekday Mass Times:
Wed. 10.15 am in Walsh Parish Centre
Thur. 9.45 am in Walsh Parish Centre Chapel
Fri 9.30 am at Hillside Lodge
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Email: stjoeskor@vtown.com.au

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Parish Priest: Fr Aju Vaghese
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Phone: 5662 2020

Easter at the Creek
On Easter Sunday 27 March 2016 there will be a worship service in the Coal Creek Church
at 10.30 am. Special guest Lynton Allan will be exploring themes of
spirituality and life with live art and creative storytelling.
Everyone is welcome to join this celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.
With the coming of March, we find ourselves into the period of Lent. Services for Easter will be held at Korumburra on Good Friday 25th March at 9.30 am and there will be Easter Day worship on Sunday 27th March at 9.30 am. All are welcome to attend these services.

Also on Easter Day, 27th March there will be a special time of gathering at Arawata at 6.30 am for a sunrise service. Over the years we have enjoyed a range of weather to welcome the day, and only once was the sun totally obscured by the thick fog; something like the love of God which we sometimes don’t see, but is always there. Following the time of worship, which takes place outside, sometimes accompanied by a log fire, those attending go to the hall for tea, coffee and hot cross buns.

We are most fortunate to be hosting ‘Just Harmony’, a group from Berwick, on Sunday 20th March in their performance of an Easter Cantata ‘No Greater Love’. This will take place at Korumburra Uniting Church at 2.00 pm. Cost $15.00. Afternoon tea will follow the performance. The group is looking forward to performing for a large audience, and what an opportunity they are giving us to begin Holy Week in a very inspirational manner.

Janet Wilson, Secretary, Church Council

Heaven must be there

Every now and again popular music turns its attention to heaven. The most recent excursion was by David Bowie who, just days before his death, released the song ‘Lazarus’. In the song Bowie wonders about the view from heaven - “Look up here, I’m in heaven”.

Many ventured to the topic before him. In 1984 the Eurogliders sang ‘Heaven must be there’. We all sense that there is more to life and, in their song, heaven is the fulfilment of that longing. “Ooh I’m searching for a better place”, they sang.

Following the death of Connor, his toddler son, Eric Clapton released 'Tears in Heaven'. He thought of his son being in heaven and agonised in the song over whether or not they could be reunited; whether he belonged in heaven, and he pondered the hope of heaven as a source of strength to carry on living.

Whenever death comes close to us these same questions run through our minds. Life seems so precious we cannot bear the thought that it ends in complete loss. One of the great promises of the Bible is of eternal life. Jesus claimed to be the true guide who can lead us to heavenly life. His own resurrection added an exclamation mark to his words. He has not only been an enduring source of comfort for those who mourn these past two thousand years, he has been a continuing inspiration for life here and now. His words are still well worth exploring today.

Ian Wilkinson

Regular Sunday Worship 10.30 am (at Coal Creek on Easter Sunday - see p. 24 for details)

Good Friday service 10 am

Play group: 10 am every Tuesday

Ladies Craft: 9.30 am 1st Wed each month

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Korumburra Church times

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

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

Korumburra Uniting Church
Sundays, 9.30 am, Bridge Street.
(see article this page)

Southern Hills Assembly of God Church
Sundays, 10 am, 4 Mine Road, K’burra
Pastor Rob Davey, 5655 2478

St Joseph’s Catholic Church
(see full details page 24)
The CWA Bass Group is holding its annual Creative Arts Exhibition in Loch once more. This year’s 62nd Annual Exhibition will again be held in the Public Hall at 11 Smith Street, Loch. Mark the weekend of 9th and 10th April on your calendar and look forward to a wonderful display and some exciting activities. Displays include members’ cooking, preserves, needlework, knitting, crochet, flora and photography. With cooking and craft demonstrations, raffles and trading table, there is something for all the family, even those who just want to sit and eat our famous scones with jam and cream.

Craft demonstrations include rug making, beading, lace making, crochet, spinning, felting and a variety of others. More information will be available on Facebook, or from Craft Convenor Annie Graham on 5678 8037.

The exhibition will be open from 10am to 4pm on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th April.

Admission is $3 adults, children with adults free. Morning/afternoon teas and light lunches available. There is a lot to see and do in Historic Loch Village in addition to the exhibition so it is well worth a trip. Hope to see you there.

The band has had a busy start to the year with Australia Day performances at Leongatha and Pound Creek CFA. Also at the Place of Reflection ceremony honouring those from the Leongatha district who served in the First World War. The Band performed at a free concert at Mossvale Park "Music for the People" in February. The Band always welcomes new members, of different age groups - age is no barrier. We play a wide variety of music from classics to pop. Perhaps you have just moved into the area, can play a brass instrument, or just want to learn. Present and former members of the South Gippsland Schools Music Programme would be most welcome.

We have a modest membership fee, and supply instruments and uniform.

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

**Friends of the South Gippsland Shire Brass Band.**

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

**Burra Artists**

Are you interested in art? Burra Artists is a group of people pursuing a variety of art forms. We meet to encourage each other and learn from one another. Beginners and more experienced artists are welcome.

The group meets once a month in the Baptist Church Hall on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7.00 pm. (March 24th, April 28th, May 26th)

For more information ring Bruce on 0429 948 609 or Ian on 5655 2077.
Korumburra Working Horse & Tractor Rally
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Well done and thank you to the Shire gardeners for this colourful display in the main street

Kardella CWA members celebrate a significant birthday for one of the members (see Kardella CWA article p. 29 opposite)
Other activities planned for 2016 include the Gippsland Hills Handicraft and Cooking Exhibition at the Meeniyan Hall from Friday 29th April - Sunday 1st May and an international lunch in June featuring the food from our nearest neighbours Papua New Guinea. As well as cooking and handicrafts, the CWA takes an active interest in local and international events and is currently preparing submissions to Government on issues as diverse as climate change and food production. We are always looking for new members to join any of the 10 branches which operate within the Gippsland Hills region. In addition to the Kardella branch, there are branches located in Bena, Korumburra, Leongatha, Meeniyan, Mirboo, Mirboo North and Inverloch. Some branches meet during the day and two branches meet at night.

For more information please call the number at left. Lill Roberts, Secretary Kardella CWA

The Kardella Branch of the CWA meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month (except December) at 1pm in the Ruby Hall, Dykes Rd Ruby. Afternoon tea is provided.

Before our meeting on Wednesday 25th May Maria Stuart will be demonstrating the uses of the Thermomix kitchen appliance. Described as a complete kitchen in one appliance, Thermomix has almost reached a cult status with many of its fans.

The presentation will be a ‘no sales pressure’ chance to find out more about whether this appliance is for you. Is it just an expensive food processor or will it revolutionise for the better the way you prepare your food? You’ll never know if you don’t come along. The demonstration will commence at 11am.

If you are interested in coming please RSVP Lill on 0409 571 201 before Wednesday 27th April.

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This recycling of water increases energy efficiency and means that less ‘town water’ is utilised by the plant. This is just one example of how Burra Foods is ensuring that we sustainably manage this precious resource.

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

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10 am - 4 pm

Visitor & Tourist Information: Monday to Friday 10 am - 4 pm, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays (except Christmas Day and Good Friday) 10 am - 2 pm

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Catching a bus to Melbourne

The trip takes about 2 hours each way, a bit longer in peak times. You can buy tickets at Korumburra Newsagents. A return trip is $28 for adults, and the concession fare is $14.

Buses leave from the bottom of Korumburra’s main street, near the library.


You can hail the bus at the stop on the other side of the Sth Gippsland Highway opposite Coal Creek but you should be there at least 10 minutes before the above times because sometimes the bus is early.

Buses from Melbourne to Korumburra leave Southern Cross Mon - Fri: 06:35, 09:15, 11:15, 13:10, 15:00, 17:10, 19:00, 21:00 and Sat & Sun: 08:50, 11:10, 15:00, 17:55.

For further (up-to-the-minute) information call VLine on 1800 800 007 (6 am - midnight) or visit www.vline.com.au.

Seniors: if you plan on using one of your seniors travel vouchers, take the voucher to the newsagent’s and exchange it for a (free) ticket.

Arthritis Support Group

Coffee and Chat

1st Monday of the month
6 pm - 8 pm, Leongatha RSL

1st Tuesday of the month, 2 pm - 4 pm, Korumburra Indoor Recreation Centre

Cost: Gold Coin Donation.

For more information please contact:
Adam: 0408 353 785, phomdin2@bigpond.com
Marg: 0417 154 057, Diane: 5658 1443

Arthritis Seminar to be held
Saturday April 16th 2016
More information on page 35
Korumburra Uniting Church Op Shop

Why not come and have a browse in our newly “restructured” Korumburra Uniting Church Op Shop in the main street of the town. Our interesting window displays of saleable goods, clothing, shoes, handbags, craft items, collectables & bric-a-brac, always attract passers by and those looking for a bargain.

We are ever grateful to our dedicated group of volunteers who are extremely valued for their time and talents that they bring to our uniquely beautiful, quaint little shop. They are the “life pulse” of our shop, always setting that friendly, helpful tone and maintain a true professional approach in everything they do.

The acknowledgement of our 2015 volunteers’ service was celebrated at our “Op Shop High Tea Thank you” at the end of the year. We also highlighted the magnificent contribution of Dorothy and Dennis Maxwell to our Shop who are retiring, after 8 years of co-ordination and mentoring! A presentation and a message of appreciation from our Uniting Church minister Sue Sharp for sharing part of their life’s journey with the Op Shop followed. Since the inception of the shop we have given out nearly $100,000 in donations, truly making a difference in the lives of many and making it a tremendous source of mission outreach within the local and wider community.

Our Op Shop opened and participated in the Korumburra Business groups Christmas extended hours trading, highlighting the joy, peace, hope and love that the season brings. A group of choristers singing carols reinforced the true meaning of Christmas and joyfully entertained shoppers.

We re-opened our shop after our Christmas break and a period of business restructuring to present a more open, workable Op Shop space for everyone to enjoy! We have developed management procedures and policies to comply with the ever changing demands of accountability of groups within the Uniting Church. This will ultimately “value add” to our wonderful image in our community, whilst embracing our degree of care and value we place in our volunteers. We have been overwhelmed by the positive comments and patience by our regular shoppers and visitors, so…….. thank you!

So at the moment, whilst still in a processing phase, our shop will be open for three days per week:

- THURSDAY 10 am – 4 pm
- FRIDAY 10 am – 4 pm
- SATURDAY 10 am – 12 noon

The journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step! Thank you for sharing your part of your life’s journey with our Korumburra Uniting Church Op Shop.

Friends of Coal Creek

Friends of Coal Creek hold their meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at the Coal Creek Village.

Work is commencing on the Lands Office. Members will be at Michaels IGA on 14th April for the Market Day to raise funds for the Auction Rooms which they will repair after the completion of the Lands Office.

They also encourage their members to join the FOCC customer tag (community benefit membership) at Michael’s IGA.

Membership $20 each, $40 a family; (the term begins from the 1st October each year.)

Anybody interested in assisting with the repairs to the buildings or in becoming a member, may contact Joan on 5655 2126, or Syd on 5655 1247.

Korumburra Community Website:
The Korumburra Community has a website to promote the town’s events.
Check it out at www.korumburracommunity.org.au
We meet at Coal Creek every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 10.30 am to 2.30 pm. There is no charge and tea and coffee are provided. The object is to have a ‘get together’ with craft, patchwork, knitting, crochet and U.F.O.s. Everyone is welcome to come. There are no classes provided. Enquiries: Nellie 5655 1371  Betty 5655 1378
One of the secret places of Korumburra....

Have you been for a wander through the hospital and community garden? Milpara Men's Shed members, men and women, have created a beautiful and bountiful garden.

This gem is located in the grounds of the Korumburra Hospital, Gordon Street, Korumburra. You can see this garden just opposite the main entrance.

Regular working bees are held in the garden each Thursday morning and if you have a little time and/or a passion for gardening, please drop in to say hello, or call past to have a look around.

If you'd like more information, please contact Milpara Community House on 5655 2524 and we can put you in touch with the members.
Consumer Affairs Victoria, Korumburra Courthouse

Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) is responsible for maintaining an effective framework for consumer protection services in Victoria and provides services to both consumers and businesses. CAV is working towards the vision of ‘informed and responsible consumers and traders’.

The main functions of CAV are to:
- provide information and advice to consumers, tenants, traders, landlords and the government on consumer and tenancy issues
- educate consumers and traders on their rights and responsibilities and changes to the law
- seek to reduce disputes between consumers and traders and tenants and landlords including the provision of a dispute resolution service
- ensure compliance with consumer laws
- promote product safety

CAV staff are available by appointment at the Korumburra Court House. Phone Gippsland region 5116 5701.

If you are caring for someone with a mental illness, it can be a stressful, lonely and difficult experience.

Our support group enables carers of the mentally ill to realise that they are not alone and, in the company of other carers, can find support, friendship and a laugh!

This particular carers group commenced nearly 20 years ago and we mainly meet at Inverloch once a month. We meet at the Bass Coast Community Health building, next door to the supermarket in Reilly Street, Inverloch, at 10.00am on the second Monday of every month, except January and June, and a couple of ‘odd’ weeks when we meet on the Wednesday at a bakery. Some meetings we have guest speakers who come to talk about different aspects of caring for a loved one with mental health issues.

Our group is covered by the Mental Illness Fellowship and we try also to keep in contact with other carer groups to try to provide a voice for carers and to maintain a carer focus in the community and in Government.

We are a friendly, supportive group for carers of family and friends suffering a mental illness.

If you would like to know more about our group or would like a copy of our 2016 programme, please phone Maggie 5658 1781 or Rosemary 5662 4352.

See page 36 for Mental Illness Fellowship contact information.
**KORUMBURRA SHOW**  
**Korumburra & District Agricultural & Pastoral Society**

The 121st Show was held in February with a large variety of activities enjoyed by all who attended. The fireworks display was a spectacular finale. There are more ideas to make next year’s show even more entertaining.

Thanks to President Doug Appleton for the many hours of hard work he has put in, not just on Show Day but also throughout the year, along with other committee members.

A big thank you to all our volunteers especially those who assisted with the successful Buskers Festival which was the Show’s first this year - thank you to the judges, stewards and masters of ceremony.

The facilities can be booked by phoning Bev Kurrle on 5674 3318.

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**Jumbunna Bush Market**

On the 1st Sunday of the month the Jumbunna Bush Market is held in the local hall on Cruickshank Road, Jumbunna. It runs from 9.00 am until 12.30 pm.

They often have an Historical walk around the countryside which commences at the hall. For anybody interested they may phone Dawn on 5657 3253.

For anyone in South Gippsland it is a pleasant Sunday drive to Jumbunna. A variety of stalls stock mostly home grown and home made goods for sale, as well as an array of plants and crafts.

They are always looking for more stallholders for their large hall. **A very nominal fee is charged ($6.00) for a market with all stalls under cover.** As it is under cover it doesn't matter what our weather does, whether it is hot or raining there is shelter from the elements.

There are delicious homemade cakes and sandwiches to have with a “cuppa” at the most reasonable price around in our community. Why not go for a picturesque drive and have a cuppa or if you are a late starter on Sundays, a sausage for lunch, or even breakfast?

There are many other wares too, ranging from jams, relishes, fresh vegetables, cards, knitted garments, wood burning art/craft, plants, homemade bags, trash and treasure and jewelry.

For the book worm who does not rely on the computer there are plenty of books for sale.

Come and have a browse in a friendly atmosphere.

All proceeds from the Bush Market go back into the Hall Funds for ongoing maintenance. Also look out for the Jumbunna ladies at the Coal Creek Bush Market and around the town selling raffle tickets (around Mothers’ Day) to raise funds for the hall.

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

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**Mental Illness Fellowship contact information**

Mental Illness Fellowship has a Wonthaggi office, ph. 5672 3111 for those in crisis and needing information on local support services, respite services, financial entitlements, etc. or you can contact the Mental Illness Fellowship in Warragul, ph. 5622 4100.

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**CrossFit Korumburra**

$5 CrossFit Workout every Saturday.  
9.00 am at the Korumburra Showgrounds Exhibit Pavilion.  
Sessions also available on weekdays by appointment.  
Contact Simon on 0438 568 861
What’s on in Poowong?

Poowong Garden Club: Every first Tuesday at the Poowong Uniting Church at 7.30 pm. For further details contact Hannah on 5659 2034.

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

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

Line dancing classes for beginners: Every Wednesday and Friday 10am-12pm, Poowong East Hall. For further details ring Rose on 5659 2246.

Sth Gippsland Shire Council Briefs

Information about the following items is available on the Council’s website (www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au). Alternatively contact the council on 5662 9200.

* South Gippsland Shire Council would like to encourage all community groups and organisations holding an event to advise Council and complete an Event Guide to assist with their own planning. The Event Guide is a vital step in event planning as it helps to ensure that Council and emergency service providers are aware of the event.

* Council’s 2016 Animal Registration period is now open, giving dog and cat owners over a month free registration if registering that animal for the first time. Animals currently registered are still registered until 9 April. Council’s website makes it easy to pay your animal registration online, or scan the QR code onto your smartphone or device.

* South Gippsland Shire Council would like to remind new parents that free Whooping Cough vaccinations are available to eligible individuals through Council’s Maternal and Children’s Health Service. Those eligible under the National Immunisation Program include: Pregnant women in their third trimester and their partners and parents of newborn babies under six months of age.

* The refurbished ANZAC room at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum was opened by Mr Russell Broadbent MP in January. The project was funded by $6,000 from the Department of Veteran Affairs and the sale of handmade poppies by the Coal Creek Spinners.

* The Draft Korumburra Streetscape Master Plan project has attracted strong community interest with over 70 written responses and additional verbal feedback received through street stalls and community group meetings. Of the written responses received, 44% were from residents of Korumburra and surrounds, and 27% were from businesses in Korumburra’s retail centre.

* Construction works for the new Karmai Community Children’s Centre are on schedule, expected to be complete in December this year.

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**February**
- **Sun 28**  Music for the People (p 18, 26)

**March**
- **Tue 01**  Horticultural Society (p 11)
  - Arthritis Support Group (p 31, 35)
  - Poowong Garden Club (p 37)
- **Thu 03**  Historical Society (p 6)
- **Fri 04**  World Day of Prayer (p 6)
- **Sat 05**  Library - Authors talking Romance (p 16)
  - Baptist Church Garage Sale (p 25)
- **Sun 06**  Jumbunna Bush Market (p 36)
- **Mon 07**  Friends of Red Cross (p 17)
- **Wed 09**  FOCC (p 32)
- **Fri 11**  Horse Arts Anzac Exhibition starts (p 10)
- **Sat 12**  Coal Creek Farmers' Market (p 20)
  - Coal Creek Craft Market (p 39)
  - Loch Village Photo exhibition (p 31)
- **Sun 13**  Loch Village Photo exhibition (p 31)
- **Mon 14**  Labour Day holiday
  - Korumburra Probus (p 11)
- **Tue 15**  Coal Creek Probus (p 17)
- **Sat 19**  Working Horse & Tractor Rally (p 12)
- **Sun 20**  Anglican Church Palm Sunday service (p 24)
  - Working Horse & Tractor Rally (p 12)
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- **Mon 21**  Carinya Lodge Auxiliary (p 16)
- **Wed 23**  KPS House Athletic Sports (p 15)
- **Thu 24**  Anglican Church Maundy Thursday service (p 24)
- **Fri 25**  Good Friday
  - Good Friday Church services (p, 24, 25)
- **Sun 27**  Easter Day
  - Easter activities at Coal Creek (p 22, 24, 39)
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- **Tue 29**  Learn Basic Coding using Scratch (p 16)
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- **Wed 30**  Easter Holiday Program (p 4, 24)
- **Thu 31**  Senior Citizens morning tea (p 4)

**April**
- **Sun 03**  Sthn Gipps Sustainability Festival (p 4, 22)
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- **Wed 13**  Senior Citizens 55th B'day lunch (p 4)
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- **Sat 16**  Living Well with Arthritis Seminar (p 35)
  - Coal Creek Craft Market (p 39)
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- **Mon 18**  Carinya Lodge Auxiliary (p 16)
- **Tue 19**  Coal Creek Probus (p 17)
- **Fri 22**  CWA State President visits Poowong Library (P 16)
- **Mon 25**  Anzac Day
  - Tue 26  Koringal (p 9)
- **Thu 28**  Senior Citizens morning tea (p 4)
- **Fri 29**  Gipps. Hills CWA Handicraft & Cooking Exhibition (p 29)
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- **Sun 01**  Jumbunna Bush Market (p 36)
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For an updated calendar of events see [www.korumburracommunity.org.au](http://www.korumburracommunity.org.au)

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**A discussion group for inquisitive minds**

**History and Ideas**

*A bit like a book club but you don't have to pretend to have read the book*

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm in the hall at the rear of the Baptist Church. For more information call Don on 5658 1083.
Community Park & Museum

It’s Time.... to revisit today!

Bring the family and enjoy a picnic

Free Entry

The year ahead, as always, promises to be a bumper year with new exhibitions, activities and a variety of events at Coal Creek Community Park and Museum.

Join us for another fantastic Easter on Sunday 27 April 10.00 – 1.30 Hunt for golden blocks to exchange for Easter eggs. Kids learn to draw classes and Paint and Take miniatures. For more information please go to our website.

Coal Creek Craft Market
2nd Saturday of the month
FOR CRAFT LOVERS and CRAFT MAKERS
•Come along and look for that special present for family or friends.
•Stalls are in the Coal Creek Gallery
•Come along and see a variety of different crafts from around Gippsland.

Coal Creek’s Geekfest was a huge success again in January. The park entertained over 1400 visitors from across the region. Kids and adults enjoyed Minecraft, guest speakers and the medieval sword fight display. Lots of families extended their stay to explore South Gippsland.

Thank you for your ongoing support and looking forward to seeing you in 2016.

Coal Creek Community Park & Museum
5655 1811 www.coalcreekvillage.com.au

Coal Creek Events for 2016

Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday 27 March
10.00am – 1.30pm

Sustainability Festival
Sunday 3 April
10.00am – 3.00pm

Teddy Bears Picnic
Sunday 12 June
10.00am - 4.00pm

Pirates Day
Saturday 25 September
10.00am – 3.30pm

Halloween
Saturday 29 October
5.30pm – 10.30pm

Monthly Events

Craft / Farmers Market
2nd Saturday Monthly

Ghost Tours
3rd Saturday Monthly

Magic Lantern Show
Last Sunday of the month

Ride the
Count Strzelecki Steam Train
$10.00 per person
Sunday 10 April
Sunday 12 June
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