

his vear's 2021 Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Good Friday Appeal captured many generous donations from Newstead businesses, locals and transiting visitors.

The Newstead Brigade and its helpers (pictured) pulled in

a very pleasing \$4,642, compared to the \$839 raised when the brigade commenced collecting for the Appeal back in 2011.

Thank you to all those who contributed to this most worthy and essential hospital appeal.

The RCH hospital was established in 1870; the RCH Good Friday Appeal commenced in 1931. Christopher Simmins, Local Area Manager RCH Good Friday Appeal 5476 2310

Photo courtesy Ray Hodges

Let's talk cats and dogs, says Council

he wheels are in motion to implement a 24hour cat curfew and to ban dogs from the playing surfaces of certain sporting grounds across the shire with new legislation due to come

into effect next year.

As previously reported in the TT, Mount Alexander Shire Council has developed a new Domestic Animal Management Plan and it is now seeking feedback from the community.

The proposed changes

in the draft plan include applying different controls for animals in urban and non-urban areas of the municipality.

It has been stressed by a Council officer that if the plan is adopted by Council later this year, staff will

undertake a shire-wide education program for residents and visitors.

Council recently received more than 450 responses from residents regarding pet ownership in the shire, which has been incorporated into the draft plan and draft Order of Council.

The Council's Community Safety and Amenity coordinator Jeffry Amy said the response to the online survey last year provided Council with information on how the community wants dogs and cats controlled in

the shire.

"This wonderful feedback enabled officers to draft controls that will ultimately become law," Mr Amy said.

"The survey indicated that 60 per cent of all responders wanted all dogs on lead at Continued on page 4

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5475 1326.

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ANZAC DAY Services return



ightarrow Brian Fitzgerald speaking at the Nuggetty ANZAC Day Service in 2019.

ANZAC Day has evolved over the years, says Brian Fitzgerald, President of Maldon RSL Sub Branch.

"The first ANZAC Day commemorations in 1916 saw all regular service members marching," Brian said. "But after WWII, it became a yearly reunion for a substantial number of people who had served, with the public coming along to cheer them on.

"Now we find there are very few WWII vets left and we have people from all other conflicts attending, plus lots of children and their families. It's become a time to remember and respect

those who served as well as a reunion and a celebration. "I think we've made great

progress with the day itself." It's a far cry to this time last year, when COVID-19 restrictions saw ANZAC Day services cancelled across the country and people told to stay at home.

But the spirit lived on with people standing in their driveways at dawn on 25 April, 2020, rememberig those who served, albeit in a different way.

Brian set up a fire pit and a Public Address system at his farm on the outskirts of Maldon and at 6am he played the *Last Post* full bore.

"You could hear it for miles," he said.

"Then we had a minute's silence, played Reveille and my wife, Christine, and I stood there by the fire. That was ANZAC Day in Nuggetty last year."

In 2021, it will be a different story with the COVID restrictions relaxed significantly thanks to no community transmissions of the virus being recorded in Victoria for the past few months.

"I think it's great we can now have a fairly normal ANZAC Day, although we do need to take precautions with some COVID

requirements in place such as social distancing and people will be required to sign in or use the QR code on the day."

For the full list of ANZAC Day services in Maldon, see Page 15.

Brian said the focus this year will be on the 100th anniversary of the Air Force and the guest speaker at the Main Service will be Clinton Breeze, a Squadron Leader, who will talk about his service in the Air Force.

Brian, who will be the MC at the Main Service in Maldon, has just retired after serving 50 years in the Australian Army.

"I was in the Signal Corps ... my final rank was Lieutenant Colonel."

Brian was also the Commanding Officer of the 6th Signal Regiment and Commanding Officer for the Australian contingent in Cambodia.

He said army life is good, particularly for young people.

"You can focus on what you need to achieve and gain work skills for a whole range of jobs in the army - everything from a blacksmith to helicopter pilot, driving tanks or training to be an infantry soldier, which is a very skilful occupation these days.

"And when you leave the army, you will have a skill vou can use in civilian life."

Campbell the Swaggie is heading north again



 \cancel{x} Campbell the Swaggie performs an impromptu poem in the Shire Gardens at Maldon.

WHEN Campbell the them, 'I live here'," Camp-Swaggie strolled back into bell says. Maldon lugging all of his worldly possessions last year, little did this wandering poet expect to be stuck here for over 12 months because

of a global pandemic. The Swaggie has been 'on the hoof' as he describes his nomadic hikes, ever since he heard a folk and country band called The Bushwackers in Melbourne back in the late '70s.

Campbell, a Maori, had made the trip across 'the ditch' from New Zealand to Australia in 1975 and after hearing The Bushwackers' songs about all things Australian including drovers, stockmen and swaggies, he fell in love with Australia and has been here ever since.

He took to the road following The Bushwackers to festivals all over the eastern side of Australia and he's kept visiting these festivals for over four decades now.

In the early days he did it on hoof, walking the country roads and stopping of a night by a river to build a campfire, do a bit of fishing and to sleep under a tree, a bridge or whatever shelter he could find.

"People always ask me, where do I live and where ever I am in Australia I tell

A gentle man with a white beard and long white hair that's struggling to be contained under a well-worn hat that is 'only 15 years old', Campbell's face lights up when he smiles and you can't help but smile right back at him.

"Maldon is definitely like being home. I have been coming here for the Maldon Folk Festival since 1987. Maldon has always had an attachment for me - the old buildings, the history, the people ...'

And after spending a solid year in Maldon, the Swaggie was finally able to hit the road again earlier this month. He attended the Man From Snowy River Festival in Corryong, New South Wales, and loved every minute of it.

"It was great to hear some bush music and sit around the campfire again," he said.

Campbell is well known at festivals from Maldon to Port Fairy and as far as Darwin for his busking and poetry performances, usually at The Poet's Breakfast.

And he is constantly writing, according to Michael Coates who Campbell has been staying with in Maldon.

"He always writes poems,



 \Rightarrow The boys in blue were there with a speed camera to clock each entrant in the billy cart race back in 2018.

THE Maldon Easter Fair proved to be a great success over the Easter long weekend **but behind the scenes it** Easter Parade on Monday 5

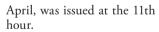
appears there were a few anxious moments.

The permit to run the

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Behind the scenes

Maldon Easter Fair Director Peter Thompson says he received it at 4.30pm on Thursday, 1 April.

"In the permit, it states we need to give 10 days notice to a range of people before the event is held," Mr Thompson said.

The notification includes advertising the road closure in local papers, placing appropriate signage to notify traffic travelling in both directions seven days prior to the closure, and notifying bus companies and public transport providers and all

be compliant if they can't get their timelines right?

ness, we wouldn't survive if we worked like that."

Easter Fair Committee is not

the only group in the shire to receive a late permit for road closures.

The TT checked with several event organisers who said they had no problems with the issue of road closure permits at their most recent events.

A Mount Alexander Shire spokesman said, "Council encourages event managers within the Shire to register their event with us so we can help identify areas where there are regulatory obligations such as permits, but also identify opportunities for us to provide grants, venue support, and promotion.

"Event organisers of the Maldon Easter Fair submitted a road closure permit application to Mount Alexander Shire Council on 11 March 2021, which Council was unable to Continued on page 10





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adjoining landowners. "How are we supposed to "If we were a private busi-Mr Thompson said the

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Campbell the Swaggie is heading north again



 $\stackrel{\scriptstyle }{\simeq}$ Campbell the Swaggie (left) with his Maldon mate Michael Coates.

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entries in his diaries and he collects festival programs, and all of them are stored in an old caravan he's got up in Queensland."

Campbell says he spends six months up north, mainly in Darwin, and then six months down south.

And he says he has survived the last 40 years on money he's raised from his busking, donating whatever he can to the charities like the Starlight Foundation, Fred Hollows and the Flying Doctor along the way.

And after some persuasion, the Swaggie has accepted some sort of financial help.

"He's finally gone on the pension," says Michael, "And he'll be getting a hearing aid the day before he leaves on his next trip."

So where are you heading Campbell?

"I'm finally getting out of jail next week and heading to Queensland for the Wintermoon Festival but I'll

be back for the Maldon Folk Festival later in the year."

These days the 69-year-old doesn't travel the long distances on the hoof as much, although he has been seen trekking up Mt Tarrengower, sometimes several times a day, while he's been in Maldon.

"No, I won't be hoofing it to Queensland, I'll be riding turbulence (flying)," he says. "I can also use my concession for coach and train travel now too."

Before he leaves, I ask him what ANZAC Day means to him?

"A lot," he says. "There are three pyramids of life: Waltzing Matilda the AFL and the ANZACs.

"Waltzing Matilda should be the national anthem," he declares. "It connects everything."

As for the AFL, Campbell is a mad Collingwood supporter, although lately he's been a bit torn tossing up whether to follow the Pies

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"I wrote a poem about them," he says. "I'll send it to you."

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Now in the ranks I see the crippled, the wounded and the maimed, And the Diggers in the wheelchair brigade, who returned home again. To these old comrades gathered here, lest they shall not forget

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all times. Interestingly 72 per cent of those from the Tarrengower Ward agreed with this.

"With regards to a cat curfew, 60 per cent of all responders wanted a 24-hour cat curfew with 62 per cent of those from Tarrengower Ward wanting the same.

"With regard to something like a cat curfew, Council needs to give the community time to adjust, install appropriate controls and train their pet to be more housebound.'

Mr Amy said to achieve this, Council will work with the community to educate them and assist where possible.

"(We want to) allow the law to evolve in the community not use this as a weapon against people.

"Ultimately, good law is best done with community engagement and ensuring it reflects the needs of the community.'

Mr Amy said the proposed Domestic Animal Management Plan covers barking dogs which can be a source of great irritation within the community and are extremely time consuming and difficult for Council officers to resolve.

"The law requires proof beyond reasonable doubt and as such the investigation can be a long process as Council officers have to gather sufficient evidence to prove the nuisance exists. This is often subjective and the problem can stop and then start again some-

time later." He said Council provides information to barking dog owners on techniques that can be used to abate the nuisance, then it will work with the dog owner to try to minimise the barking.

"There has been a reduction in the last three years of reports to Council of barking complaints."

Residents are encouraged to read the draft plan and draft Order of Council (which includes the proposed timeline for implementation) and complete a short online survey at shape. mountalexander.vic.gov.au/ animal-management.

"The community can complete an online survey and have their say on what (if any) sporting grounds should have dogs banned from the playing surfaces and express their views on a 24-hour cat curfew," Mr Amy said.

Hard copy surveys are available and can be requested by calling 5471 1700 or emailing j.amy@ mountalexander.vic.gov.au.

Surveys close Friday 14 May at 5pm.

Following a review of community feedback, Council staff will present the final documents to Councillors at a public meeting later in the year.



Listening Posts are postponed until further notice.

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Rates up 1.5%, waste collection charges frozen

THE proposed budget for 2021-22 was presented to Mount Alexander Shire Council for review at its meeting on Tuesday 20 April, prior to being placed on public exhibition.

It proposes to cap average property rate increases at 1.5 per cent across the shire and to freeze waste collection charges for the next financial vear at current rates.

Of a planned total spend of \$39.6 million for the financial year, \$10.2 million is earmarked for new and ongoing capital works to create footpaths, renew and upgrade recreation facilities, improve streetscapes and improve flood protection among other things.

Mount Alexander Shire Mayor Tony Cordy said, "We're investing



 $\stackrel{\scriptstyle }{\curvearrowright}$ Most schools are back from holidays this week so please remember to slow down to 40km/h in signposted areas around the schools. Also look out for kids riding bikes and walking to school.

News in Brief

Morning tea

year's This Biggest Morning Tea at Plaistow Homestead Gardens will be held on Thursday 27 May and Saturday 29 May. All proceeds to Cancer Council. For further details call Lilian and Peter Skilbeck on 5476 245.

Yapeen petition

Council has received a petition on 1 April from residents of Yapeen with 75 signed letters requesting a reduction to the current 100 km/h speed limit on Vaughan Springs Road.

Council has asked for a report on the petition, which is expected to be considered at its next meeting on Tuesday 18 May.

Apple juicing

Growing Abundance will hold a Community Apple Juicing Day at The Hub, corner of Barker and Templeton streets, Castlemaine from 11am on Sunday 25 April.

BYO snacks, bottles and lids for your fresh Apple juice, cutting board and knife, and a hand towel to wash your hands with. All welcome.

Letters to the Editor

Rubbish

The rubbish and recycling bins for the Maldon Market, clearly marked as such, have twice been filled up with someone else's garbage.

Whoever it is, either they can't read, and don't know the difference between recycling and ordinary rubbish, or they just don't care.

Listen mate, can you desist? And no building materials allowed, so please collect the corrugated iron off-cuts I had to remove from a bin. They're propped against a nearby tree. Strewth.

Lauren Williams,

Maldon Neighbourhood Centre Volunteer

More rubbish!

I am constantly amazed at how slack some people are when there is an empty bin just nearby in the Maldon Shire Gardens.

Not impressed. Name and address supplied, Maldon



significantly in enhancing recreational opportunities right across the shire from adding lighting to some sporting reserves, improving amenity at local pools and adding a footpath along part of Campbells Creek-Fryers Road.

"Our commitment to enhancing streetscapes continues and we'll embark on an important shopfront study in Maldon to understand the heritage significance of shopfronts to ensure their heritage. "This will ensure value is preserved as part of \$2 million earmarked this financial year for the ongoing work to revitalise Maldon's street."

Other local initiatives in the budget include:

- Finalising preparations for upgrading Newstead's levee bank;
- Widening Fogarty's Gap Road between Woodbrook and Leversha Roads to make it safer, subject to receiving funds from the Federal Government; and
- Designing works for female-friendly change facilities at the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve in Maldon.

"Most importantly we have a good spread of capital works planned right across the shire," Cr Cordy said.

He said Council's overall position remains reasonably healthy for a rural council.

Borrowings level are low and cash holdings are enough to cover monies owed, short and long term, he said.

"The challenge for rural councils like ours, compared with metropolitan councils, is that a low number of ratepayers are responsible for a significant number of community assets.

"Rates comprise more than 50 per cent of our income," he said.

The proposed budget is now available for public feedback by visiting www. mountalexander.vic.gov.au/ budget.

Submissions must be in writing and lodged by 5pm on Wednesday 19 May, 2021. Council will seek to adopt the budget in June.



The War on Wheel Cactus is Rebooting



🛣 Cactus Warriors: A community field day activity near Maldon.

THE Tarrangower Cactus Control Group continues to 'wage war on Wheel Cactus' and is planning to launch the 2021 field day season on Sunday 2 May at 10.30am.

Photo courtesy Lee Mead Thanks to our sponsors and supporters, including Parks Victoria and Mount

Alexander Shire Council, we hold these field days on the last Sunday of every month

Come one, Come all to the Maldon

Cemetery Working Bee!

even more mess," Ian said.

all hands on deck at the

working bee, whether you

are a gardener, a handy person or someone interested

in history and the preserva-

The working bees will

be held on the fourth

Wednesday of the month

and all manner of tasks will

be available; training will be

provided where necessary.

And of course, there will

be a lovely cuppa to enjoy

with others on the day.

The working bee will be a

The Sexton's Cottage at

Maldon Cemetery will be

open on Wednesdays from

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Lee Mead

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nied by a parent at all times.

field day will be confirmed

and advised next week. If

you have any queries please

contact us via our website at

www.cactuswarriors.org.

The location for this

lunch and friendly chat.

for a rewarding morning in

infestations.

the outdoors.



 $\stackrel{\scriptstyle }{\curvearrowright}$ Some of the pieces of plastic flowers recently collected outside the Maldon Cemetery. Photo: Lee Mead.

A working bee will be held at Maldon Cemetery on Wednesday 28 April from 9.30am-11.30am and everyone's welcome to come

along. It will be the first community working bee at the cemetery for quite a while.

"This first one is an orientation day to have a good look around and see what we're going to do in the future," said Maldon Cemetery Trust Secretary Ian Grenda.

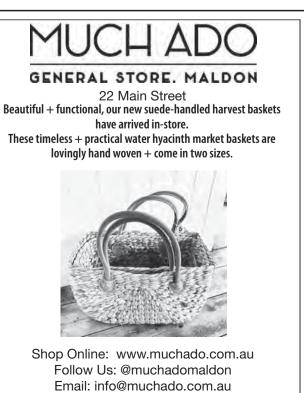
One job that will be on the agenda will be picking up pieces of plastic flowers that are scattered through the cemetery.

Local resident Lee Mead recently found 87 pieces of these flowers in a 50 metre

"These pieces of plastic flowers blow all through the cemetery and get chopped up by the mower, making

10am-2pm for anyone who wants to come and have a chat about past relatives. Ian gave special thanks to Robbie Stockfeld who has area outside the cemetery.

come on board to help the Trust with its social media and to help people with their enquiries about their ancestors.





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Friendly rivals

 $m \AA~$ A great time was had by all in the latest encounter between Maldon and Maryborough Croquet clubs. Playing at home, Maryborough won by 15 games and 94 hoops to Maldon's 1 game and 73 hoops, on Saturday, 20 March. The teams have been playing these matches twice a year since 1990.

A celebration of diversity and equality



THE Mount Alexander LGBTIQA+ Steering Group is back for 2021, with eight new members and a new logo. The group has also welcomed back six original members and three Council representatives to the group, including Mount Alexander Shire Councillor Bill Maltby.

"I'm happy to be representing Councillors as a member of this group, and I'm looking forward to working closely with our LGBTIQA+ community,"

Cr Maltby said.

"It's an opportunity to listen, learn and support, and continue to grow as an inclusive community ensuring the shire is a welcoming and safe space for everyone."

The group's new logo, which incorporates multi-coloured gum leaves, was created to symbolise the diverse community it represents.

The colours of the leaves

reflect the colours of the LGBTIQA+ Pride flag, with the addition of pink, blue, black and brown to represent the transgender community and LGBTIQA+ First Nations people and people of colour.

The gum leaf also represents the rich environment of the lands of the Dja Dja Wurrung people, upon

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perfect

east facing dining room with sunny reading nook, and a central, classic kitchen with great storage.



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Behind a pretty picket fence, this early 1900s worker cottage offers spacious character

living with large rooms, a north facing verandah entry and private well fenced gardens.

hallway, large central lounge room with fireplace/combustion fire, reverse cycle air and

The home offers 2 generous double bedrooms with built-in robes, a long lovely side

ornate ceiling. A well appointed country kitchen features timber benches, modern

appliances, a meals area and fireplace with a pot belly wood heater. Combined

bathroom/laundry has a shower over the bath, toilet and a patterned tile floor. A

rear verandah overlooks a deep, leafy garden with established trees, veggie boxes,

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Carisbrook leads way with women's football



 $ightarrow \,$ Clint Bennett, Damien Wilson and Greg Butler head the coaching team for the Carisbrook 'Lady Redbacks'. **INTEREST** in women's football is growing across Australia.

The AFLW is up and running in its fifth season, while Victorian community clubs are seeing more women and girls looking to try out the fastest growing sport in Australia and signing up for 2021.

Carisbrook Football Netball Club is the only club in this region with women's teams.

The club has enjoyed great success since welcoming the women's teams in 2018, with their senior team winning the AFL Goldfields Premiership Cup that year.

Carisbrook is setting itself up to be the hub of women's sports in the region.

The club has been investing a lot into developing the women's teams, including obtaining funding to upgrade the Carisbrook Recreation Reserve to make it more female friendly.

The reserve is also home to the Carisbrook Cricket Club Carisbrook Bowling and Club.

The success in attaining

the funding was in large part due to the growing number of women involved in the club and the lack of facilities and amenities to accommodate that growth.

Carisbrook FNC president Phil Hooper said the Reserve has needed redevelopment for many years.

"With the construction of the new change rooms complex project, which will incorporate female-friendly medical, shower and toilet facilities, started in March, this is a very exciting time to be involved with our female football program," Phil said. Carisbrook has a lot to

look forward to in 2021. The Lady Redbacks are itching to get back on the

oval and the club is excited to announce a new senior coach. Damien Wilson is the

new senior coach, who plans to build on the supportive training environment of Graham Pratt, who is stepping down after two years.

He will be assisted by Matthew Johns, who has been involved with the side in previous seasons.

Damien has been involved with women's footy for a couple of years and comes to Carisbrook with a good understanding of the game.

"I plan to really encourage the girls and focus on enhancing their skills and game sense," Damien said.

"The plan is to build the number of players so we can have a fully functioning and reliable side of girls dedicated to the team.

"I am particularly looking forward to working with any girls who are completely new to the game.

"We will be running a 'rules night' so all players will have a better understanding of the game."

Damien said training would use a combination of skills and game-based drills to improve the player's skills and sense of the game.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge," he said.

Carisbrook FNC has begun recruiting players for its U14, U18 and senior teams.

The U18 team will again be coached by Greg Butler, while the Under 14 team will be coached by Clint Bennett.

The club is inviting girls, even if they have never played football before, to get in touch and give it a go.

For Seniors and U18s enquiries contact Greg Butler on 0418 863 253 for U14s enquiries call Clint on 0477 282 281. For general enquiries contact Jo Butler on 0429 612 975 or email carisbrookfnc@gmail.com.

A celebration of diversity and equality

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which members of the group are proud to live.

To celebrate diversity and equality in our shire, Council is encouraging residents to join the celebrations during Castlemaine Pride Week, running from Monday 19 April until Saturday 24 April.

Castlemaine Community House and Castlemaine Pride have a week of activities

planned, including the Castlemaine Pride - Picnic in the Park on Saturday 24 April from 11am-5pm at the Castlemaine Botanical Gardens.

The event is a celebration of diversity and equality for all ages, where everyone (and their dog) is welcome to come along.

Visit www.cch.org.au/ castlemaine-pride for more details.



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Vale Ian Robert Hammond 20 November 1942 – 10 April 2021

I have known Ian Hammond since he was my husband Geoff's little 14-year-old brother, with his little gang of mates in East St Kilda.

I used to know their names (which are lost in the mists of time). He had a very hard life because he was severely dyslexic. In those days, teachers presumed you were lazy or stupid if you couldn't read, because no one had heard of dyslexia or understood the associated problems.

So he left school at 14 and went to work as an apprentice to a Jewish pastry cook, in St Kilda. He had to start at 4am every morning for a long hard day. He worked there until his family moved to Port Moresby in PNG in about 1962.

However, Ian had a wonderful supportive mother Flo, who helped him throughout his life in every way she could.

About that time, Ian went to work as a forklift driver on Bougainville, which he really enjoyed, particularly the camaraderie with the rest of the miners who nicknamed him Tiny.

Eventually, his parents retired to Southport. Ian moved with them. His mother helped him to build up a business, which made and sold bread and cakes, including custom designed wedding cakes. He kept an amazing album of all his wedding cake designs. Flo worked in the shop with him, managing the counter and finances until she became ill and unable to help physically.

So Ian started a lawn mowing business in the tropical Queensland heat which was not an easy life. It was exacerbated by some of his rich clients taking advantage of his good nature and generosity, by expecting much more than they were willing to pay. That was Ian's last job after his mother died. Eventually, my son Sam convinced him to come and live in Maldon. Geoff and I managed to help him into a unit at the Tarrangower Village.

Ian took to life in Maldon like a duck to water, he loved 'going down the street' where he enjoyed getting to know people and chatting to everyone. I think it was probably the happiest time of his life. It also gave him a chance to be close to his brother Geoff and nephew Sam as well as his great nephews Forest and Finny. He liked nothing better than being involved in family events like barbecues and Christmas get togethers. He always insisted on contributing very generously to the meals.

Not only did Ian enjoy the ambience of Maldon, but for a time he had a job with his brother Geoff, the then Editor of the *Tarrangower Times*. Ian was very proud of being the person who packed and posted papers to *TT* subscribers from the room at the back, that is now Camille's hairdressing salon.

Unfortunately his health deteriorated so much that he had to leave his unit at the village and move into Ellery House, where once again he found so many people to talk to while being cared for. The staff there thought he was a really lovely person. His motto in life was to make the best of things regardless of his circumstances.

After a hard start in life, he eventually had a much happier end of life in Maldon. Ian died on Saturday 10 April, aged 78 in Ellery House. Ian is sadly missed by his local family, Nancy, Sam, Sonia, Alex, Forest and Finley. *Nancy Hammond* (née Whittaker)



☆ Ian Hammond.



 $\stackrel{\text{\tiny three}}{\longrightarrow}$ Three generations of Hammonds.



 \Rightarrow Flo with Geoff, Ian and Clem Hammond.

Transition Care program helps older people to make a full recovery



Transition Care can be provided in either a home-like residential setting at Maldon Hospital or in your own home.

MALDON Hospital is pleased to announce the ability to offer our community local access to the Transitional Care Program.

The program facilitates care for older people who have completed their hospital stay, returning home and may need additional support, for up to 12 weeks, until they have fully recovered.

It also allows people time and support to decide on their long-term aged care options. It is an excellent way to assist people over 65, or over 55 if Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, to recover in their own homes but with the safety of knowing they can still have access to health professionals.

Transition Care is goal orientated, time limited and therapy focused. To be able to access this program you have to be transferred directly from hospital and it must be arranged whilst you are in hospital.

The Transitional Care Program can provide a package of services that includes low intensity therapy (such as physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work) and nursing support and/or personal care.

Maldon Hospital's Executive Director of Nursing Katrina Sparrow said, "The Transitional Care Program will help older people in our community complete their recovery and optimise their physical capabilities.

"People involved in the program have a lot of input and control on what services will best suit their needs."

Transition Care can be provided in either a homelike residential setting at Maldon Hospital or in your own home. Participants have the ability to be transferred between home and supported care as required.

If you think this service may benefit you or a loved one, please visit more information on the Maldon Hospital website www. maldhosp.vc.gov.au for more information.





Rest and recover in one of the quiet recreation areas at Maldon Hospital.

RSA Renewals Due in May



people who completed the Responsible Service of

 $\stackrel{\scriptstyle }{\curvearrowright}$ The RSA Class of 2018 - before social distancing. WERE you one of the 22 Alcohol (RSA) course at The Maldon Golf Club a couple of years ago? Well, that was May 2018 and your RSA is coming up for renewal.

The renewal and registration are free and available online at https://liquor.vcglr. vic.gov.au/rsa_refresher/ - you can also find your current registration number on the page.

SteamPacket's Clif Edwards, organiser of the 2018 course, said, "I completed my renewal a few months ago. It is a simple

multiple choice questionnaire, takes less than half an hour, you can print your new certificate on completion but you must commence the renewal before your licence expiry date or you will have to do the entire course again - and pay again."

The additional RSA registrations have assisted organisations who had members and volunteers complete the course

including VGR, Maldon Vintage Machinery & Museum, Walmer CFA, Buda and Maldon Golf Club. Volunteers have been assisting these groups at events including The Twilight Dinner, Maldon Folk Festival, SteamPacket, and will run the bar at this weekend's IMAGINE concert at The Machinery Museum.

Behind the scenes

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approve due to the absence of provision of the necessary Memorandum of Authority, (MOA) from Regional Roads Victoria.

"Council received the MOA from the event organisers on 30 March 2021, and promptly issued a permit within 48 hours. Officers promptly processed this request, cognisant of the importance of the event to the Maldon community, as well as visitors from within the Shire and across Victoria.

"The process for issuing event permit applications usually takes five working days; this time frame can however be impacted by the complexities of an event and when the event is scheduled to occur."

Mr Thompson said he started the application process for the permit on February 10 believing that would be more than enough time for it to be processed.

He said he was advised to apply to VicRoads for the MOA and was later advised he had to apply to Regional Roads Victoria, which is what appears to have caused the delay.

The landscape in applying for permits to run events in the shire has changed dramatically in the past few years, moving from a one-stop shop approach to event organisers now having to deal with multiple Council officers as well as other authorities.

"The whole thing is a little bit confusing for event organisers," Mr Thompson said. "I think if Council approached committees a little bit earlier and said, 'we know you've got an event coming up, let's work through a plan together on what we need to do to set it up' – then it would go a long way."

On another matter, Mr Thompson said events like the Torchlight Procession, the Billy Cart Races and the Egg Toss, which were not held this year, may return next year.

"If it's allowable and we can get permits and our road closure issues sorted out with Council, we'll have them back," Mr Thompson said.

"We will definitely have the emergency services involved next year and we are working with them to see how we can support them."

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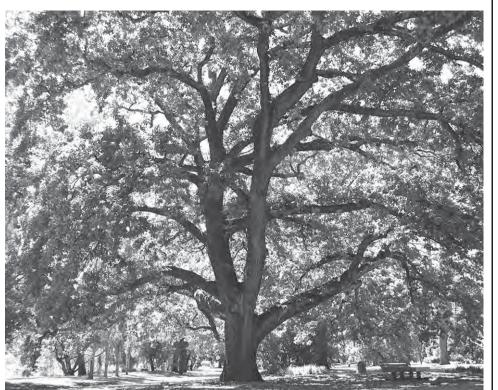
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Castlemaine tree in the running for top honour



BLAST FROM THE PAST FOUR TRAMPS

On Wednesday, 9 February, 1881 the *Tarrangower Times* reported that during the summer more tramps than usual had visited Maldon. On the previous Saturday four tramps had been seen about town.

The *Times* described the men as four of the dirtiest beggars you would ever have the misfortune to meet. The *Times* however also said that they were four strong looking men fit to do a day's work if they wished, but it seemed that they would much rather beg and spend the money they obtained on drink.

A few days earlier one of the tramps had visited the hut of a shepherd at Cairn Curran. He asked for food and when the shepherd said he didn't have much to offer, the tramp abused him and made threats that he might set fire to the shepherd's hut.

The Times described the first tramp to appear in town as a fine built fellow almost six foot tall and weighing about 15 stone. Apart from the beer stains and filth on his clothing, he could be said to be well dressed. He was first sighted at Edward Brown's Foresters' Arms Hotel at Porcupine Flat. When he asked Brown for some meat, Brown offered him work that the tramp refused. The tramp was next seen at the Kangaroo Hotel where publican Michael Butler told him to leave after he tried to get other customers to buy him drinks.

Meanwhile two other tramps had begun a begging tour of the town. Armed with a sugar bag they proceeded from door to door down Main Street into High Street. Although they passed some doors, they did not pass a public house without going in. One of the tramps pretended to be blind while the other led him. By the time they reached William Blair Gray's residence, (now Palm House), their sack was filled with provisions. There the pair met a third tramp to whom they handed over their full bag and then with another sack started up the other side of High Street.

Later in the day these three tramps were seen on the outskirts of the town. The blind man's sight had been fully restored and they were taking stock of what they had collected. That evening they tried to exchange quantities of meat and bread for beer.

The *Times* condemned the tramps saying that a month in gaol on a diet of bread and water would do such 'a dirty lot' the world of good.

This information was supplied by the Maldon Museum and Archives.

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The 158-year-old majestic English Oak tree in Castlemaine is one of nine trees to be shortlisted in the National Trust of Australia (Victoria's) annual Victorian Tree of the Year competition.

"Our much loved botanical gardens feature an outstanding collection of mature trees, including many conifers, Elms and Oaks, as well as stunning individual specimens of Indian Bean Tree, Peppercorn and Eucalypts," said Council's Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities Manager Cath Olive.

"The English Oak tree that's nominated for the 2021 Victorian Tree of the Year is one the largest and oldest known English Oaks in Victoria, and the oldest tree in the Castlemaine Botanic Gardens."

Planted in 1863 to celebrate the marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales, the tree is a muchloved landmark within the gardens, providing shade to the playground area.

"Many children who visit the botanical gardens will be familiar with this majestic oak, due to its proximity to the playground," Ms Olive aid.

People can view the finalists via the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) website https://www.nationaltrust. org.au/treeoftheyear and cast their vote via the Facebook page.

Voting closes on Sunday 2 May 2021. The winner will be announced shortly after.

40 years on the airwaves



APRIL next year marks the 40th anniversary of the first official FM radio broadcast outside of Melbourne and it had its beginning in Castlemaine.

On 25 April, ANZAC Day 1982, 3CCCfm hit the airwaves from the former Harcourt railway station building.

Today, four community radio stations operate in the Bendigo region: Phoenix fm, KLFM, Freshfm and Mainfm. The latter began life in Castlemaine as WMAfm in 2006.

Two of those present on opening day at Harcourt were Ian Braybrook and Marilyn Bennet.

They have now embarked on recording the beginnings, and development of all four stations in a book to be launched on ANZAC Day next year. A big birthday party is expected to be part of the day.

It is an ambitious undertaking that is already well underway, but they need help.

The couple are calling on those who were involved from the beginning to the present day to contribute.

Marilyn says, "We are seeking input from any of the hundreds of people who had a role in either station along the way.

"We want to gather facts, anecdotes and photos for inclusion in the book. We want it to reflect the human side of the story - not just facts and figures.

"We ask people to write short pieces, say 400 to 600 words, to forward to us. In fact, we are depending on this to make the book interesting all round."

For further details: email ianandmazza@gmail.com, phone 0457 676 327 or visit Facebook: Community Radio in Central Victoria.

In Maldon Today



TODAY'S show will be cohosted by Alison and Kev, whose guest will be that charming Irish raconteur and songbird Maggie Jackson.

Last week Nancy, Alison and Slats got together in Studio One and discussed all manner of things including kangaroos. Alison had prepared a Quiz based on facts about kangaroos, which Nancy almost won against the expert Wild Life Rescuer, Slats. Our chat was accompanied by music Slats played on Stevo's truck in the Easter Parade. We were beaten to first prize in the Parade by the Porcupine Village float, so we hope to invite the new manager on to IMT to discover their secrets. Today's photo shows Alison mighty impressed with Slats' vocal exercising before going on air.

Next Friday Catherine Abel from the lovely new gallery next door to Poppy's of Maldon will reveal all about her life and art, both here and overseas. Maree Edwards will also pop in with an update on Premier Dan's health.

To catch up on our previous programs click on https://www.mixcloud.com/ nancymay007/.

See our ad on page 15. *Mike Smythe*

Cairn Curran works underway



VEHICLE access to Cairn Curran Reservoir has temporarily changed and the embankment closed to the public from Monday 19 April while Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) undertakes a series of upgrade and maintenance works. The works are scheduled

to be undertaken from

mid-April through to late

August 2021, depending on

Access to the embankment will be closed to the public for the duration of the works, however the rest of the storage and its facilities

will remain open. Vehicles will no longer be able to access Cairn Curran Reservoir via the main entrance, but alternative access via Woolshed Bay will remain open. Campaspe storage manager Paul Wakenshaw said the works were an important part of the maintenance schedule for the water corporation's assets.

"Undertaking upgrades and maintenance works means our storages remain safe and fit-for-purpose, and we can continue to harvest, store and deliver water to our customers," he said.

"There will be no change to the storage capacity of Cairn Curran Reservoir while we undertake the works, and there will be no change to the quality of water in the reservoir during and after the upgrade.

"We ask the public to be aware of the works if they are planning to visit Cairn Curran Reservoir, and to avoid the works area whilst still enjoying the public facilities.

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☆ Darren Collins was shocked to learn the percentage of young-onset sufferers of Parkinson's Disease.

DARREN Collins was 44 years old when he was diagnosed with young-onset Parkinson's Disease. His symptoms started to occur at least two years prior.

And it took that long before a diagnosis could be reached. That's two years of tests, doctors' and specialists' appointments – two years of waiting to find out what was wrong – and during that time, his condition gradually worsened.

As a former army medic, Mr Collins had some understanding that Parkinson's Disease could affect people at a younger age but was shocked to learn the percentage of young-onset sufferers.

"Currently, my condition manifests itself primarily as an asymmetric, unilateral

Photo courtesy of Emi Berry. tremor on my right side," he said.

"I first noticed the slightest of tremors in my right hand, mainly my ring and little finger in 2013. The tremors have increased in intensity and frequency. Also, I have developed an unusual gait when walking, as if I'm stepping over a log with my right foot. This is accompanied by an extended right arm swing."

Mr Collins said apart from the physical manifestations of the condition, his greatest challenge is dealing with the psychological (depression) and social aspects (confidence and relationships).

"I'm very conscious of my appearance in public and if I notice people staring at the tremors, it often exacerbates the condition through

Pause for Parkinson's

anxiety and causes the tremors to increase.

"This impacts my confidence in everyday situations, social interactions, work interactions and public speaking. I have developed an almost constant 'tennis elbow' pain in my right forearm due to my habit of sitting on my hand to hide the tremors in public.

"I've been refused entry and service in pubs. In all instances, I have managed to convince the staff I have a condition, yet the need to explain myself and my appearance is both embarrassing and tiring," he said.

A recent breakthrough in Parkinson's Disease research by a team at the University of New South Wales means early and accurate diagnosis, which will lead to better outcomes for patients.

The research team includes Dr Emma Sierecki who said there is hope for people who have not yet been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease.

Early diagnosis also means therapeutic intervention can commence sooner, delaying and potentially preventing the apparition of more developed symptoms.

April is Parkinson's Awareness Month.

Mr Collins said that so far, his Parkinson's Disease journey has been minor in comparison to other sufferers, and he feels fortunate. However, the research at UNSW provides hope for the Parkinson's Disease community.

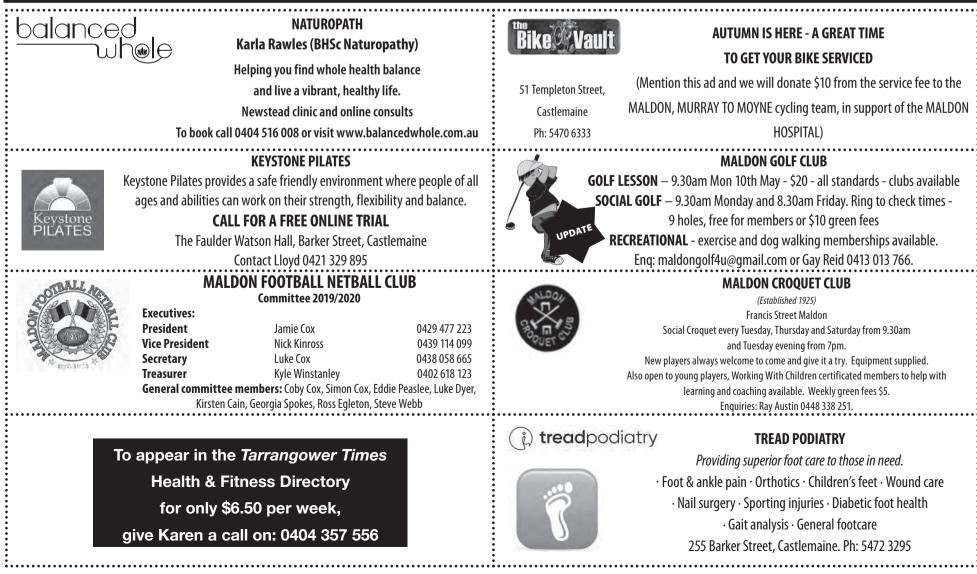
"The UNSW research in developing an early and reliable test to detect and definitively diagnose Parkinson's Disease is a massive development," Mr Collins said.

"The two years I spent between the tremors first appearing, to the appointment at Westmead Hospital when I was told I had Parkinson's Disease was an extremely anxious and frustrating period. Quick, definitive diagnosis will lead to earlier interventions and peace of mind."

For further information on Parkinson's Disease visit the Shake It Up Foundation at www.shakeitup.org.au.



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Some books to celebrate **ANZAC Day**

Many readers may not be aware that at the Athenaeum we have an excellent collection of books dealing with the events of the two world wars. Any war is a terrible thing but the number of lives lost during WWI was a tragic and unprecedented thing. There are many books that have been written about that war, but perhaps none are as moving as two written by Anthony Hill. Soldier Boy tells the story of James Martin who at only 14 sailed from Melbourne to Gallipoli. He was the youngest ANZAC and this is also the story of his loving

mother. Young Digger is the other book and in this amazing story we read about a young boy who wandered into the Australian Airmen's Mess in Germany on Christmas Day 1918. He became their mascot and eventually he was smuggled back to Australia to begin a new life.

Two books that have been written by Nigel Cawthorne deal with significant events in WWII. In Turning The Tide Cawthorne looks at the crucial battles that decided the outcome of the Second World War. The evacuation of Dunkirk in 1940 boosted



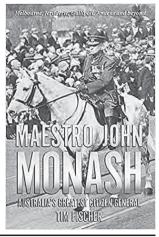
the morale of the people of the UK during what had been their darkest hour. The Siege of Tobruk is carefully dealt with and Operation Barbarossa explains the actions on the Russian Front. There is a careful analysis of the War in the Pacific and the book concludes with chapters dealing with victory in Europe and then victory in the Pacific.

The second book by Nigel Cawthorne deals with the introduction by the German nation of tanks (Panzerkampfwagen) known simply as Panzers. This followed the successful use of tanks by the Allies in WWI and the Germans pinned their hopes on the panzers during WWII. This book tells the story of how they formed the spearhead of the German assaults and how they were finally defeated by the Allies.

We Were The Rats is written by Lawson Glassop and is in fact a novel, although it tells the true story of the famous 'Rats of Tobruk'. Glassop was himself a survivor of Tobruk so he has used his personal experience to create this story. The 'Rats' were the Allied forces who were bombarded for nearly nine months by the Germans on the North African coast. They endured awful conditions and a great sense of futility as the survivors watched so many of their comrades slaughtered by the enemy forces. This book captures the Aussie Digger with his defiant attitudes, his larrikinism and his cadence of speech.

by Tim Fischer is a great book about this outstanding Australian. Tim Fischer brings his knowledge of the political and military world with great flair and style. Monash for many of us is the name of our university and possibly few think past that to the great man who gave his name to it. Due to Prime Minister Billy Hughes' dislike of him, Monash really was not given his proper due during his life time and this

might best be summed up by a quote from Sir Donald Bradman. "It was Billy Hughes' extreme dislike for John Monash that caused Hughes to say to me that 'I was the greatest Australian' and of course Billy Hughes was wrong." With some good photographs and clear print, this is a book that will reward the reader with insight into a great man and a great soldier. Joy Leneaux-Gale.



MALDON BRIDGE CLUB RESULTS



A great turnout this week with five table in play and a sit-out table was included to accommodate the extra two players who arrived. Roger was called in as emergency player so there was not a table of three which gives everyone the opportunity to play all boards.

We welcomed two visitors from Melbourne, Peter and Robin, who were guests of Jan and Mark, and they eagerly joined in our happy, social, perhaps a little competitive, afternoon's play.

After a long afternoon's play, it was onto the scoring which is always capably handled by Danny, Maldon Jo, Werner and helpers. Maestro John Monash | How pleasing it was to have

Great Turn-out! Paul arrive to 'call the card'

with his clear and accurate analysing of the score sheets. A big help to Danny and Jo no doubt.

The top scorers this week were Danny and Aileen with 154 points earned from the North-South cards. Both players are eager bridge players with Danny venturing to Bendigo each week and Aileen playing on-line and in Maryborough. It certainly shows how practice makes perfect. Congratulations to both players.

Second place went to Werner and Roger, our emergency player, with 134 points and the best of the East-West ends. Bob and Annie played well to earn 130 points, North-South, followed in fourth place by the two Judys with 129 points, East-West. Fred and Sandy were fifth with 127 points, East-West, and sixth place went to Lillian and Ken with 114 points, North-South. Well done everyone.

We always look forward to our afternoon tea break. With the smell of freshly cooked cheese scones wafting through the room we had no hesitation in quickly lining up for our 'refresher' applying lashings of butter and, along with a nice hot drink relaxed for a short time until it was time to go again and battle those cards!

Thank you Sherie and Maldon Hotel team once again.

At day's end we gathered for a social get-together and a drink or two to catch-up on happenings and perhaps lament tricks lost which would put us in the 'what if' category.

Whatever your age group or skills, please feel free to join us to, 'dip your toe in the water' each Thursday from 12.45pm to 4.30pm or on Mondays 1.15pm to 4.30pm to help us in our endeavour to:

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MALDON ROSE CAFE - MALDON

6 Main Street (formally Zen Cafe) Everything baked on premise. All Press coffee, Harney & Sons tea. High teas available. Open 10am - 4pm Saturday & Sunday.

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46 Main Street - 0439 368 077 Open 7 days Limited dine-in and takeaway. Monday-Friday from 6.45am-3pm and Saturday and Sunday from 7.30am-3pm.

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58 Main Street - 5475 2231 OPENING HOURS Monday & Tuesday: 4pm Wednesday - Sunday: Midday Lunch Specials: Wednesday - Friday Meat Tray Raffle: Friday nights

NEW BOOTS CAFE - NEWSTEAD

16 Lyons Street - 0492 867 319 Great menu - excellent Allpress coffee Golden North award winning ice-cream Open Thursday - Sunday 8.30am - 4pm Bookings advisable

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LOST



Whippet, brindle (pale stripes) lost from Parkins Reef Road area between 6.30-10.30pm last Friday night (16 April). Called Izzy, she is timid but usually comes when called. Last sighted on railtrail near Muckleford Sunday

> afternoon. Pink collar. Please call 0421 909 835.

ANZAC Day Services

Maldon ANZAC Hill Service, Saturday 24 April: Starts at 5.30pm Maldon ANZAC Day Dawn Service Sunday 25 April:

5.45am-6am - Assemble at Maldon Cenotaph 6.30am - Finish - Gunfire

Breakfast Maldon ANZAC Day Main Service Sunday 25 April: 10.30am-10.45am Assemble at Maldon Primary School for RSL members and all others marching

10.45am-11am March to the Cenotaph Main Service conducted, finishes at 11.55am

Nuggetty ANZAC Day Service Sunday 25 April Starts at 2pm and will be followed by afternoon tea

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(and what a great afternoon tea it is!). Newstead ANZAC Day Service Sunday April 25 The service will be held at Newstead Memorial Park at 11am. All welcome. Castlemaine ANZAC Day

Dawn Service 5.45am-6am - Assemble at Castlemaine Cenotaph in Mostyn Street.

Castlemaine ANZAC Day Main Service Sunday 25 April

The service will be held at 9.45am. Social distancing required. Please note there will be no Gunfire Breakfast this year. The Castlemaine scouts

and guides will form the catafalque party at both services.

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Feb	8.9	56.3	12.6	Feb	17.0	52.8	21.6	Feb	13.6	38.0	18.2	
Mar	72.3	32.8	4.3	Mar	83.8	37.0	7.6	Mar	67.2	35.8	6.2	
Apr	8.3	99.6	4.5	Apr	11.0	145.4	5.6	Apr	9.2	107.6	5.0	
May		49.2	100.8	May		66.2	115.5	May		56.2	113.6	
June		38.3	75.2	June		49.2	92.2	June		46.6	82.8	
July		23.5	35.3	July		32.8	53.6	July		29.4	43.0	
Aug		48.7	45.7	Aug		62.2	57.6	Aug		69.6	51.6	
Sept		40.9	19.1	Sept		54.6	29.4	Sept		46.8	31.2	
0ct		47.1	4.9	0ct		73.2	8.6	0ct		56.2	9.8	
Nov		25.7	38.6	Nov		37.2	43.0	Nov		22.8	42.0	
Dec		29.1	3.9	Dec		39.2	9.8	Dec		31.2	8.4	
TOTAL	182.4	535.8	348.1	TOTAL	195.2	685.0	449.4	TOTAL	191.0	593.8	416.8	

Water Storage Capacity as at 20.4.21											
Site	Cairn Curran	Max ML	147,130	Current ML	56,973	% Full	38.72				
Site	Malmsbury	Max ML	12,034	Current ML	2,938	% Full	24.4				

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MALDON BOWLS CLUB



☆ Cr Steve Gardner presents Dennis Prosser with the 2019-20 Club Championship Trophy.



ightarrow Peter Sedgwick 2019-20 100 Up and 21 End Champion with Dennis Prosser 2019-20 Club Champion.



☆ A big thank you to all who attended on Friday night to make it another successful Social Bowls night with many enjoying the event and club facilities.

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IT'S been a busy week at the Maldon Bowling Club. Wednesday afternoon saw the last of the Maldon

Triples Events for the season. This month's Triples Event was sponsored by the

Maldon Newsagency. Winners on the day with 81 points and 31 shots up

were Joe Svilicic's Avoca Team. Runners-up on 78 points and 19 shots up were Harold

Maryborough Patullo's Golf/Highland team.

The excellent Maldon Quality Butchers raffle was won by John Reid from Maryborough Highland Society, the second prize a bottle of wine went to Walter Mackey also from Maryborough Highland Society.

Card draw winners were Kevin Simpson, Lead Second Bernie Llanfrenchi, Skip Glyn Prosser.

A big thank you to all of our sponsors in what has been a hard year for us all, it's time now for us all to reconnect and enjoy all life has to offer.

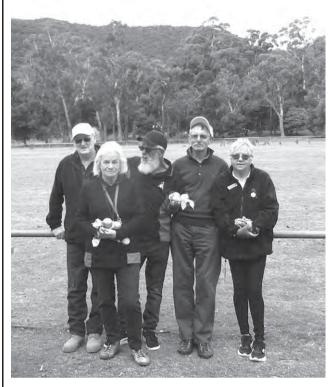
Championship presentations for 2019-20 Bowls season were made on Friday night. **Dennis** Prosser

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MALDON PÉTANQUE CLUB



 $m \overleftrightarrow{}$ The Maldon Black team at the Grampians last Sunday. Geoff McLennan, Beverley Forsyth, Chris Przygoda, Len Paull and Anne Kelsall.



We went hoping to be champions However that stayed with the

Grampians Last weekend two teams of five Maldon Petanquers headed to Halls Gap to play in the North West Club Championship. The venue for the pistes is in dramatic scenery with large rock outcrops looking down on the local football ground, which was the home to a large flock of kangaroos who were as intrigued by us as we were of them.

next four rounds. We had some very close games but struggled to get over the line. Congratulations to Susan Forster and Viv Markham who were both involved in four wins, a great effort. We congratulate the Grampians Club on again

years ago our club finished

third so we were full of hope

and expectation, however

that was not fulfilled. We

got away to a great start

in round one however our fortunes dwindled over the

winning the Championship, coming second was Smythesdale followed by Grampians 2, who said there was no such thing as home ground advantage.

On Sunday 2 May we return to the St Brigid's pistes for our regular club games. This will also be the start of practice for the 2022 Club Championship which will be held at Halls Gap again

When we played there two Geoff McLennan



A Stableford teams event, playing 4BBB format, was last Saturday's golfing challenge.

Well attended by the 22 competing golfers, the popular winners on the day were the father/son combination of Bill Moore and son Steve. From all reports Steve's tee-shots needed to

be seen to be believed, whilst the 'wily' golfing mantra of Bill was producing great shots around and to the scrapes.

MALDON GOLF CLUB

Congratulations to member Nick VanWamel when, playing a practice round with John Purcell and Col Francis, he 'aced' the 17th for a memorable hole-in-one. Unfortunately NO entry on the honour board or a win in the Eagle Nest, but nevertheless 'bragging rights' for some time to come.

