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There was something in the air around Maldon last weekend.

Excitement returned to the town in a big way and so did the people. They came in droves to celebrate the 144th Maldon Easter Fair in

person for the first time in two years.

While the innovative Maldon Easter Fair Committee kept the ball

rolling in 2020 with an online version of the parade, there's nothing like the real thing to get the blood

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MALDON MUSEUM, Shire Gardens, 11.30am - 2pm. Admission \$2.50 adults, children free.

EVERY SUNDAY FORTNIGHT

MALDON PÉTANQUE CLUB games every second Sunday at St. Brigid's at 1.30 for a 2pm start. Enq: Sandy Noble 0429 006 130. Andrew Leckie 5400 1054.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

MALDON MARKET: Hand Made, Home Grown, 9am – 1.30pm. Next market 13 December, Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve.

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

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ATHENAEUM LIBRARY High Street, Maldon. 2-4pm. Enqs Joy 5475 1326.

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB at the Maldon Hotel, 1.15pm - 4.30pm. New players welcome including solo players. Enq: Danny Murphy 0430 733 782.

MALDON WALKING GROUP, starting at 9.30am for a gentle walk. Start at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. No booking required. Cancelled if heavy rain or a Code Red Day. Enq: 5479 1000.

SOCIAL GOLF – 8.30am – 9 holes, free for members or \$10 green fees. Enq: maldongolf4u@gmail.com or Gay Reid 0413 013 766.

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD MORNINGS from 10am MNC Community garden.

SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

THE MALDON GARDEN, FLORAL ART AND CRAFT CLUB, 2pm. Enqs: Carmel 0417 014 763 or Robyn 0418 544 966.

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COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICE. Book the day prior for your door-to-door service. Trips within and to Maldon & Castlemaine in the morning, fortnightly trips to Maryborough and Kangaroo Flat. Phone 5475 2093. \$3 one way, \$5 return. More info: www.maldonnc.org.au/community-bus.

MAH JONG for seniors 10am-1pm at Maldon Community Centre. Beginners welcome. Enquiries: Kerry 0407 738 855.

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MALDON BOWLING CLUB, at 10am, as long as COVID restrictions allow.

MALDON BRISK WALKING GROUP, 7.30am meet at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

MALDON SOCIAL TABLE TENNIS 1.30pm-3.30pm, Maldon Community Centre. Cost \$10 subscription to Maldon Seniors, \$2 donation on the day. Enq. Anne 0425 859 662.

MALDON CROQUET CLUB 9.30am and 7pm. New members welcome. Enq. Ray Austin 0448 338 251.

YOGA AND RELAXATION, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre Hall. Mornings 9-10.30am, evenings 6-7.30pm. Come and try, first class free. Enq: Andrea 0427 772 878.

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MALDON MUSEUM, Shire Gardens, 11.30am - 2pm. Admission \$2.50 adults, children free.

HATHA YOGA WITH WENDY 5 – 6.30pm at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

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ART & CRAFT GROUP 1.30pm – 4pm at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

EVERY THURSDAY

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MALDON BOWLS CLUB, Bowls practice anytime Thursday until dark.

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MALDON CHESS CLUB 10.30am. Do you play? Come along. Do you want to learn? Come along. For enquiries contact John 0438 012 076.

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MALDON MUSEUM HISTORY RESEARCH CENTRE 10am - 1pm.

MALDON SOCIAL WALKING GROUP, Gentle walking. 9.30am meet at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

HATHA YOGA WITH WENDY 9 – 10.30am at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

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MONDAY 12 APRIL

THE MALDON GARDEN, FLORAL ART AND CRAFT CLUB, members meet in the Clubroom at 2pm followed by a visit to Judy Hopley then Molly O'Grady Hanrahan's garden. BYO mug and plate to share.

THURSDAY 15 APRIL

MALDON GOLDEN MOVIES *presents: Ballon*, 7.15pm for a 7.30 start, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. Bring your smart phone to use the QR Code on the door. Enquiries: 5475 2093 or www.maldonnc.org.au.

SATURDAY 24 APRIL

IMAGINE, Celebrating the music of John Lennon. Bookings: steampacket.com.au.

FRIDAY 30 APRIL

TARRANGOWER DEMENTIA ALLIANCE *Devonshire Tea and casual discussion* from 10.30am to 11.15am, MNC. Enq: 5475 2093 or info@maldonnc.org.au.

Please let us know if there are any changes to the Community Diary.
Contact Karen on 0404 357 556 or email karen@tarrangowertimes.com.au

And the winners are ...

THE winning entries in the Maldon Easter Fair Grand Procession this year were:
BEST COMMUNITY ENTRY

- 1st Maldon Primary School
- 2nd Maldon Garden Club.

BEST COMMERCIAL ENTRY

- 1st Porcupine Village
 - 2nd Maldon Today FM
- BEST PRIVATE ENTRY**
- 1st Peggsie (No second name sorry)
 - 2nd Maldon Vaccine Clinic

BEST CHARACTER SET

- 1st Penny-Farthing Bikes
- MOST HUMOROUS**
- 1st Maldon Vaccine Clinic

BEST VEHICLE ENTRY

- 1st Hein Oltern 1914
- 2nd Bob Pratt

BEST HISTORICAL VEHICLE/MOTOR BIKE

- 1st Barry Murfett - 1915 Motor Bike
 - 2nd Ken James
- The winner and placegetters in the Maldon Easter Fair Raffle were: 1st Denti, 2nd Kelly and 3rd Yvonne. Congratulations to all.

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pumping and the heart racing.

From the delicious delights of the Great Aussie Scone Bake Competition, held this year at the Maldon Hotel last Thursday night, to the packed Maldon Brass Band Concert in the Shire Gardens on Sunday afternoon, this year's Easter Fair was just the tonic everyone needed after the year we've had.

The Grand Procession on Easter Monday was one of the many highlights, with the vintage bicycles, cars and trucks, a great range of agricultural machines and vehicles, colourful floats, the local emergency services' vehicles out in force and of course the brilliant pipe and brass bands all on show. (See Page 2 for the winning entries).

There was a massive crowd at the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve on Good Friday for the local derby between Maldon and Newstead football netball clubs. At the end of the day, the Bombers reigned supreme and retained the



☆ Maldon Vaccine Clinic came first in the Most Humorous section.

Photo courtesy Barry Robinson

cup.

Other highlights included the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum, the Maldon Easter Market at the Beehive Chimney and Dancing on the Woody, which attracted more than 1000 people to dance the night away at the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve.

The Maldon Brass Band Concert attracted a bumper crowd at the Shire Gardens last Sunday and over at the Maldon Golf Course, well-known local John Purcell won the \$2000 up for grabs, courtesy of the Maldon and District Community Bank,

for potting a hole in one.

It was a huge effort by the Maldon Easter Fair Committee and they deserve a standing ovation for all the work they put in to make this year's event a reality and a great success.

The committee's President Peter Thompson said this year's Maldon Easter Fair provided a big boost for the whole economy and everyone in the town.

He thanked everyone who helped make all of the events so wonderful.

"Even with the shortened program and the shortened period of time, we had to

get organised due to the ever changing COVID event rulings and dealing with local shire permits - our small committee of volunteers, made it all happen," Peter said.

"To our community, we thank you for coming out with your smiles, goodwill, support and encouragement.

"Hopefully next year we will be able to enjoy a much larger program of events with some of the old favourites like the Torchlight Parade, The Billy Carts and the Egg Toss able to be held.

"Well done Maldon for all the fun of the fair."

A new face on the beat



THERE'S a new policeman on the beat in Maldon.

Senior Constable Matt Lewis is filling in for two months pending the return of Leading Senior Constable David Rose, who is on leave.

SC Lewis has been a policeman for 12 years and has worked in Melbourne, Bendigo and Maryborough. And for the past six years, he has been stationed at Castlemaine.

His first day on the job in Maldon was last Monday

and he says he loves the town.

"It's great. I went for a walk (around town) to introduce myself and I've been made to feel welcome by shop owners in the area," SC Lewis said.

"I'll basically be doing Dave's role while he's away and Maldon will be my main area."

SC Lewis has also introduced himself to a couple of motorists who were driving too fast through the School Zone on High Street last

week.

"If I see you speeding through school zones, using your mobile phone while you're driving or drink driving, then you're guaranteed to get my attention," he said.

"I'm here to help the community. If someone has an issue and you need a police member, come to the station or give me a call on 5475 2210 or 0438 242 101."

A little lost and found dog

ON Sunday around 3pm, we were coming home after having lunch with family in Maldon.

It was me, my sister, mum, dad and my Uncle Simon from Sydney. We were driving on the western side of Mt Tarrengower and we were held up by a black 4WD, which was driving very slowly in front of us.

It seemed strange that they were driving so slowly. We pulled up at our front gate and expecting the car to keep on going, it suddenly turned in and parked next to us. There was a man, a lady, a big dog and a child. They were looking a bit down and discouraged.

The man got out and said they had been camping nearby in the bush. He said their dog, named Jacky, was missing and had been since the previous night.

The man said they had been looking everywhere all day and still couldn't find him - they asked if we had seen a little white Jack

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Maldon Market continues in COVID Safe mode



CENTRAL Victoria's favourite Hand Made and Home Grown Market has everything lined up for another spectacular Sunday market on Sunday April 11 at its new COVID Safe home at Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve, Francis St Maldon.

The market will run from 9am to 1.30pm.

Market Manager Chris Hain said, "We were so glad to return last month after our brief shutdown in February. The weather was perfect and the locals and visitors alike came out in numbers to enjoy everything that we had to offer.

"This weekend's market is right in the middle of the school holidays so get your friends and family together and come along to support the best local makers and growers in Central Victoria and surrounds.

"There will be hot food and great coffee, a community

BBQ and live music all in the picturesque Village Green of the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve."

The Market is operating under strict COVID Safe conditions as laid out by DHHS.

Be mindful to:

- Keep 1.5m distance at all times, especially when queuing;
- Sanitise on the way in, after each purchase and on the way out;
- Use card payments where possible;
- Do not touch produce or products until you have purchased them;
- Limit the size of your shopping party if you can;
- Drink your coffee and eat your hot food away from the market area; and,
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"We hope you will join us," Chris said.

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SENIOR FOOTBALL

Maldon 20.8-128 def.

Newstead 8.9-57

After almost 600 days between games, it was great to be back playing footy on a very warm day and the boys were pumped to get out and show what they will bring for the 2021 season! Newstead brought great intensity and are certainly going to scare a few sides this year if they aren't switched on.

The first half was a great battle, but we always had faith in our own boys that at some stage we would break the game open. Tommy Horne was excellent all day with his ability to break the lines and hit up Rhys Ford at full forward who ended up with eight goals for the day! As we started to get on top in the midfield with plenty of rotations, we saw more of our on-ballers step up and hit the scoreboard through Brendan Josey and Hayden Kelly.

For our first hit out it was a great effort by the whole 22 players and we look forward to playing our second game against Carisbrook on 24 April.

Best players: Tommy Horne, Rhys Ford, Kyle Gillingham, Jack Fowler, Hayden Kelly and Brendan Josey.

Goal scorers: Rhys Ford 8, Tommy Horne 4, Brendan Josey 3, Hayden Kelly 1, Bryce Roberts 1, Nick Kelly 1, David Carroll 1, and Alex Farrow 1.

RESERVES FOOTBALL

Maldon 16.9-105 def.

Newstead 10.3-63

After a slow start trailing at quarter time, the reserves were able to get their

running game going taking a 27 point lead at the main break. Four goals in each of the third and fourth quarter saw us win by 42 points. Andrew Wilson and Loche Brennan were important in that second quarter blitz with Bailey Muscat capitalising up forward on the opportunities up forward with four goals. Dylan White and Jordan Baker were also good down back.

Best players: Bailey Muscat, Isaiah Hartley, Coby Bennett, Jordan Baker, Beau Brackley and Dylan White.

Goal scorers: Jamie Cox 5, Brett Cole 4, Bailey Muscat 4, Harley Muscat 1, Kallem Turner 1 and Beau Kitchingman 1.

UNDER 17.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 20.11-131 def.

Newstead 3.2-20

After a long 2020 with

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Huge variety on show at inaugural exhibition



☆ Talented artists: (l-r) Leonie Auhl, Chris Moule, Vivien Pells and Sophie Dessens at Hoppers Gallery in Maldon.

THE official opening of Castlemaine Creative Artists' latest exhibition at the new Hoppers Gallery in Vincents Road, Maldon proved to be a great success on Easter Saturday 3 April.

The talented group comprises Leonie Auhl, Sophie Dessens, Vivien Pells, Rita Mills, Alex Hall and Anne McAlpin.

"We are the only group in Castlemaine that does the whole range including sculptures, oils, pastels, crayons, water colours, pencil and acrylics," Chris Moule said.

And they are all on show in this exhibition.

"Leonie is one of the leading print makers in the area and Sophie is very

talented at creating beautiful glassware."

Chris said the exhibition officially opened at 10am last Saturday and the first sales were chalked up very quickly.

The exhibition features a collection of oils and water-colour landscapes, portraits, glass and sculpture and pen and ink drawings.

Chris said he has been painting since he was two years old.

"My father was a scenic artist at Doiley Carte Opera Company and also at Covent Garden - he sometimes let me dabble at the foot of some of the backdrops.

"I was basically shipped out, given a brush and told

to paint even though I couldn't reach very high," Chris laughed.

And he's been painting ever since, to strong acclaim.

Chris has won stacks of awards over the years including the 'Art in the Street' competition in Ballarat and more recently Best Watercolour at the Harcourt Applefest Art Show.

His work appears in many overseas countries including Poland, Singapore, China, India and the UK.

Don't miss this inaugural exhibition at Maldon's newest gallery - Hoppers Gallery, Vincents Road, Maldon (right next door to the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum).

The exhibition is open daily from 10am to 4pm (closed Tuesdays and Thursdays) and it runs until Sunday 18 April. Admission is free.

Here's a tip - take your lunch and drinks and enjoy a picnic under the shady trees in the beautiful surrounds of Hoppers Gallery.

Worth its weight in gold

ONE hundred and seventy years on from the start of the gold rush, budding explorers are retracing the steps of pioneers and discovering that regional Victoria remains scattered with gold.

A new Guide to Recreational Prospecting in Victoria has been produced by Earth Resources Regulation to ensure fossickers know the rules as well as providing some handy tips for both newcomers and the more experienced alike.

With the school holidays under way and beautiful autumn weather upon us, now is the perfect time to download a copy of the guide and head out to the Victorian bush.

Recreational fossicking is a great activity for all including families, friends and seniors, providing opportunities to exercise, relax and socialise as well as connect with Central Victoria's rich history.

Prospecting is permitted in some national parks, state parks and waterways,

as well as on private property, provided you have permission.

While prospecting may involve the use of metal detectors, picks, shovels, sieves and pans, all you really need to get started is a document known as a miner's right and an ounce of common sense.

Searching for gold can still result in Eureka moments, in 2019 a family discovered a \$35,000 gold nugget while walking their dog north of Bendigo. Earlier that same year a gold nugget worth about \$150,000 was discovered near Dunolly.

For more information about miner's rights, where prospecting can take place and the obligations of recreational prospectors, visit earthresources.vic.gov.au/prospecting and watch a helpful video.

A word of warning: prospectors should always tell someone where they are going, when they will return and should always be beware of any old mine shafts in the area.

A little lost and found dog

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Russell around at all? We hadn't but we said we would look for it and the man gave my dad his phone number in case we saw Jacky or heard anything of it.

Later, the owners sent a photo of the dog and it was just what I imagined.

My dad called the neighbours and my mum posted a notice on the local Maldon Facebook group to see if anyone had seen Jacky? A lot of people were worried and were on the lookout - they were putting out food and blankets at the campsite.

A day later there was no sign of little Jacky so we all went up the mountain and looked around where they had camped. We didn't find anything so we went back to the house thinking of where he could be and thought he was gone for ever.

The next morning I woke up to my dad saying my name over and over, then I saw that he was holding a little white dog that was Jacky! My dad called Jack, the owner of Jacky, to tell him that he had found the little dog sitting next to the fence line of our paddocks, shivering.

Jack (the owner of Jacky) was on his way to Perth so after he had heard the news he contacted his wife and daughter (Lisa and Madi). When they first heard from Jack, they thought Jacky had passed away so they started to cry but then Jack said, 'No, no, no, he's alive!'. Lisa and Madi said they would drive straight back up to get Jacky.

So we got him some comfy blankets and a hot water bottle to keep him warm and some water and food so that he could have something to eat after not eating for two days. Then he slept for about two hours after his long adventure out in the bush.

About two-and-a-half hours later Lisa and Madi arrived. As soon as they saw Jacky they were so happy



and teary, the mum picked him up and hugged him. She started telling us about how he was originally from Maldon and was her mum's dog. Her mum got him from the dog rescue in Bendigo and lived in Maldon with Jacky for about two years but then she moved to a retirement home and could not keep him. But then Lisa

said that she, Jack and Madi would look after Jacky and keep him forever.

It was a nice ending to a big weekend in Maldon and it's great to know we live in a dog-caring community and ... if you're going to lose your dog anywhere, Maldon would be the place.

Article by Essie Eggleton, 10 years old, of Maldon.

Letter to the Editor

Gaslighting in Maldon

It was only the thought of CEO Marcus Phillips pronouncing a gaslit Lover's Walk up ANZAC Hill as "deeply romantic" that made me feel the tug of my leg being pulled. And yet I read on.

Stranger projects are successfully winning government grants in these weird economic times. Charging for selfies, Town Crier costumes being construed as provocative ... the leg tugs got sharper and harder to ignore. Then came the suggestion of filming MAFS in Maldon

Years ago, I spotted the

Great Maldon-Newstead Footy Amalgamation April Fool's Day story at the headline. This just could not be so! Congratulations Jeff and team! This story was entirely plausible. (Or else I'm getting more gullible with age!)

Ines Jewell, Maldon.

Editor's Note - Thanks for your letter, Ines. I've been away for a couple of weeks on leave, and all the accolades for the terrific content in the TT over the past fortnight belong to Viv Markham, who kindly filled in for me at very late notice. The April Fool's Day article was written by Viv's partner, talented scribe Andrew Leckie. Well done Viv and Andrew! - Jeff Jones

Rubbish!



☆ After more than a year of COVID restrictions, it's great to be out and about and having a drink with friends. But please do the right thing and take your rubbish with you or pop it in the bin.

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Pets bring joy and delight



MALDON Hospital hosted Pets 2 U last Wednesday and this visit, featuring a small menagerie of beautiful animals, brought joy and delight to their residents.

It was a gorgeous autumn day and the delightful courtyard was the perfect place to enjoy seeing and petting the animals. There were dogs, ducks, chickens, white bunnies, guinea pigs and goats plus a lamb, horse and an adorable cat.

☆ **Left:** Thelma loved her cuddle with this little cutie.

☆ **Below:** Lillian Long with the Easter Bunny and Joan Birmingham the cat whisperer.



Car impounded at Faraday on Easter Monday

STATE Highway Patrol officers allegedly detected a driver travelling at 143 km/h in a 110 km/h zone on the Calder Highway at Faraday last Sunday, 5 April.

Before being able to intercept the driver, police say his speed increased to an alleged 170 km/h.

When police did intercept the vehicle, they found an infant in a baby capsule and another small child in a baby seat in the rear seat of the car.

The driver, a 35-year-old man, underwent a road-side drug test which returned a positive result.

The man refused to accompany police for a further oral fluid test.

The man's vehicle was impounded for 30 days and he is expected to be charged with dangerous driving, refusal to accompany police for an oral fluid test and exceeding the speed limit.

This impound was part of Operation Nexus, a five-day focus on keeping the community safe on the roads over the Easter long weekend.

The state-wide operation aimed to reduce road

trauma, including the number of lives lost and injuries on our roads.

The operation started at 12.01am on Thursday 1 April and ended at 11.59pm on Monday 5 April.

Easter Bonnets!



☆ Just gorgeous... Maldon Primary School students Daisy (left) and Frances wearing their Easter hats last week.



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With frontage to the sealed Vaughan – Chewton Rd and on the corner of Jacobs Track this remnant bushland is gently elevating with views of the surrounding eucalypt forests. The Castlemaine Diggings National Park offers lots of weekend entertainment for bush walking, relaxing and birdwatching. Less than 3km to the inviting hamlet of Chewton, this farming zone property has a road reserve around its perimeter that allows for dual access to the property. There is a spacious clearing which is the original site of the Cherry Tree Hotel which burned down in 1939. Long time between drinks. There is a remnant fruit tree amid the clearing waiting for the next custodian.

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MALDON EASTER FAIR 2021

Easter Fair Market

Easter Parade



☆ Sarah and Pinar travelled from Melbourne to sell Easter hampers at the Maldon Easter Fair Market.



☆ Shelley and Audrey pan for gold at the Maldon Easter Market.

Winners are grinners!



CONGRATULATIONS to well-known Maldon resident John Purcell who won the Hole in One Competition prize of \$2000 last weekend.

The annual competition is proudly presented by the Maldon Golf Club, the Maldon and District Community Bank and the Maldon Easter Fair.

A very happy John was spotted waving his golf club out the side of a golf cart in the Grand Procession last Monday, calling out to all and sundry, 'Winners are grinners!'

Indeed they are. Congratulations mate.

Photo courtesy of Bob Briggs



☆ Maldon Primary School won Best Community Entry in this year's Easter Parade.



☆ Classic and vintage cars proved popular at this year's parade.



☆ The Porcupine Village float got the word out that the Maldon tourist attraction will be reopening soon.



☆ The Cactus Warriors were out in force.



☆ Waller Realty had fun with a super hero theme for their float.



☆ Members of the Maldon Garden Club still looked as fresh as daisies after the parade.



☆ Maldon Fire Brigade was one of the many local emergency services units represented in this year's parade.



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MALDON EASTER FAIR 2021

Lots to see at the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum



☆ This beautiful table made of California Redwood sits in the dining area at the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum.

THERE were a few surprises in store when I visited the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum last Sunday to see how things were going with this year's Easter Fair.

"It's brilliant," said gate attendant Dave Brown when

asked about the huge crowd in Maldon on the day.

"People are overflowing from the market (at the Beehive Chimney) to here and then into the town."

Dave said everything was 'up and running' at



☆ Charles Hall takes a break at the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum.

the Machinery Museum ... 'we've even got people bringing in things from home to demonstrate'.

Just inside the gate, sits a model of the *Tarrangower Times*' delivery van, atop a truck, and directly opposite

is a shed housing the *TT*'s old flat-bed printing press that is still in working order.

A little further up the road I run into Charles Hall sitting on a bench. He's got a long grey beard, a twinkle in his eye and he doesn't mind



☆ Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum President Alan Miller.

a chat.

"I'm from Korweinguboorra," he says.

"That's easy for you to say - where's that?"

"It's south of Daylesford, on top of the Great Dividing Range."

Charles tells me he's been collecting machines, cars and bits and pieces for many years and that he's slowed down a bit now but 'that doesn't matter'.

"Have you seen the redwood table in the dining area? Have a look on your way out. I made it out of an old tree that was out back of the Maldon Fire Station. It's a California Redwood."

I did check the table out as I was leaving and it's a beauty. It'd look nice in the dining room at home but I'm told it's too bloody heavy to lift and besides it won't fit through the tiny front door of an old miner's cottage.

As I mosey into the main shed at the Museum, I come across a man who looks like the Mayor of Maldon, Alan Miller.

Alan looks resplendent in a beautiful suit, bowler hat and he's even wearing a badge declaring he's the President of the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum.

"It's been a really good weekend," he said. "We had

about 100 people through yesterday and that was supposed to be the set-up day. Today's a bit slower but that's ok."

Inside the shed, Alan shows me a huge condenser pump.

"I think it dates back to the 1920s and it's believed Thompsons in Castlemaine used it to pump water over to the foundry."

"We got it in here - oiled and cleaned it, connected it to air, turned it over and away it went."

Near the front gate, John Conn, shows me an even bigger pump that was also made by Thompsons in Castlemaine, this one in the 1950s.

"It once worked up at Mildura on irrigation and pumped 22,500 gallons of water a minute."

The final surprise was an outside toilet.

John says poke your head inside the door and tell me what you see.

It's a toilet with two holes in the seat, instead of one.

John explains that in the old days they built toilets for families with up to four holes in the long seat so that no one had to wait when nature called.

Jeff Jones

Dancing in the dark proves to be a whole lot of fun



☆ Colourful balloons were popular at the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve last Saturday night.

Photo courtesy Barry Robinson



☆ Janice has attended the Maldon Easter Fair for the past 25 years only missing last year because of COVID restrictions.

WHEN was the last time you did something for the first time?

For some people, it was last Saturday night when they did the *Time Warp* and *The Macarena* on the Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve in Maldon.

Dancing in the Street, a very popular part of the annual Maldon Easter

Fair, was held at the reserve instead of Main Street this year because of COVID-19 restrictions.

The reserve doesn't have flood lights but that didn't deter hundreds of people, including lots of families, from turning up to dance the light fantastic in the dark.

Janice travelled from



☆ Youngsters get into the swing of things at 'Dancing on the Woody'.



☆ Committee member Noel Muller and President Peter Thompson selling tickets for the Maldon Easter Fair Raffle.

Melbourne once again to attend the event. The *TT* caught up with her having a great old time jiving to the music in her brightly decorated wheelchair.

"I've been coming to the Easter Fair for the past 25 years ... the only year I've missed was last year because of COVID," Janice said.

"I'd dance if I could but

it's good fun watching."

The event, which was renamed 'Dancing on the Woody', also proved to be a terrific fundraiser for the Maldon Football and Netball Club whose bar and kiosk was kept busy all night keeping the enthusiastic dancers hydrated and well fed.



☆ Two hole toilet.

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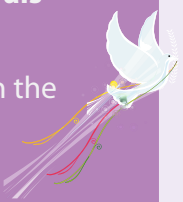
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Peter Thompson and family of Thompson family Funerals congratulates the Easter Fair Committee on the success of their 144th Easter Fair

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MALDON EASTER FAIR 2021

Blessed with perfect weather



☆ Locals enjoy some nibbles and drinks while attending the Open Air Combined Church Service at the Beehive Chimney in Maldon.

GLORIOUS autumn weather greeted the huge crowd who gathered at the Beehive Chimney in Maldon for the Open Air Combined Church Service on Good Friday, 2 April.

"We were very pleased to have 150-plus people attend the Good Friday service this year, after everything being cancelled last year. We were blessed with perfect weather," said Maldon

Baptist Church Pastor Gavin Alexander, who led the service.

"Easter marks such a pivotal event in the Christian calendar and it was wonderful to be able to meet together at the Beehive as a community.

"Representatives from the local churches brought a moving presentation of the events leading up to and including Jesus' crucifixion.

There was also an explanation of why Good Friday is called good.

"We are extremely thankful to the Easter Fair Committee for their persistence in getting the permits needed to hold the service. Without their efforts it would not have happened.

"Also thanks to the Maldon Brass Band for their valuable support in supplying the music."

Athenaeum Easter Book Sale: great success



WHAT a beautiful day we had on Monday for the Easter Parade and our Maldon Athenaeum Library Book Sale. Both were a lot of fun.

It was brilliant to see so many folks out and about enjoying Maldon in the balmy, autumn weather.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped out with the two days of sales. We have done very well.

Thank you also to all the locals and visitors who bought books and raffle tickets in support of our unique volunteer community library; we greatly appreciate your help and encouragement.

As beginner's luck would have it, local and new library volunteer Sue Lane won the prize - our thanks to Aunt Madge, Maldon IGA and the library for their donations to

the raffle.

Pictured are two locals, Sylvia Dalton and Eyvonne Sonsie, visiting the book sale, Eyvonne took a detour from the Easter Parade where she was a participant in her beautifully decorated mobile scooter; she was part of the Garden Club's entry in the parade.

Photo and words courtesy of Tina Fratta

Band strikes a chord with big crowds



☆ Musical Director Daniel Clarke said the concert in the park last Sunday was a highlight for the Maldon Brass Band.

Great Aussie Scone Bake



☆ Scone Baker winner, Kimberlei Rose.
Photo courtesy of Peter Thompson.



☆ Winning sisters of the Junior Scone Bake section.
Photo courtesy of Kerry Cain

IT was a big weekend for our own Maldon Brass Band at the 144th Maldon Easter Fair.

The band played at four events over Easter, plus they had a fairly intensive rehearsal at Saturday lunchtime.

"The highlight for us was definitely our concert in the park on Sunday afternoon which was extremely well attended with the great weather," said the band's Musical Director, Daniel Clarke.

He said the concert was also live streamed simultaneously with the pre-recorded National band championships as the only live performance happening in Australia at the time!

"The crowd definitely seemed larger than previous years, with obviously larger attendance at some of the smaller events.

"In previous years at our Sunday night band concert, we may have had 60 people but in the park this year it was around 250 people, which was very encouraging."

Daniel agreed that the atmosphere at this year's Easter Fair was full of excitement adding, 'we were really delighted to be able to assist in making it a success'.

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Relaxing Reading

The new books this week should provide some relaxing and interesting reading for our adult readers and our younger ones too.

The Other Passenger is by Louise Candlish and was just printed last year. This exciting story is based in London where the narrator Jamie goes to work by river-boat avoiding traffic snarls and tube mayhem but when Kit, his friend and neighbour who usually catches the same boat doesn't turn up one morning, trouble really starts with a vengeance. Due to the fact that the two chaps had had an argument after drinks the night before and now Kit is missing, the police think that foul play has taken place. This easily read and extremely well written book has so many twists and turns and I think that you will find it hard to put down.

The Midsummer Garden is another Kirsty Manning book and should be as popular as **The Lost Jewels**. We have another Kirsty Manning book 'up our sleeves', so watch for that in the coming weeks. In **The Midsummer Garden** we

again have two stories centuries and continents apart but which come together in a wonderfully fascinating way. In 1487 in France a young 14-year-old is working in the kitchen of a Chateau and overseeing the wedding feast of Lord Boschaud and his bride. In 2014 we meet Pip Arnet an environmental expert living in Tasmania and passionate about the Tasmanian coastline. The two stories of these amazing women illustrate a rich celebration of family and love.

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine written by Gail Honeyman is the story of a girl who lives her life to a pattern. She wears the same clothes to work every day, eats the same food for lunch every day and buys two bottles of vodka to drink every weekend. She's happy with her carefully timetabled life but then a simple act of kindness shatters her walls and she has to navigate the world that everyone else seems to take for granted. This very original book is funny and sad and very cleverly written to keep the reader enthralled and interested in this most unusual

person.
Now for two junior books which, if you're an adult like me (probably not I hear you saying), you may find these two real fun to read. Certainly our young readers will enjoy them and you could always have the excuse to read them to the younger ones.

I'm Really Ever So Not Well is the first of the two books by Lauren Child. These books are about Charlie, a very kind and caring boy whose little sister Lola tries his patience to the limit but he always understands and looks after her very well. In this book, you've guessed that it's Lola who is 'really ever so not well' and Charlie looks after her with a bad result for him.

Again in **But Excuse Me That Is My Book** Lola is proving difficult by claiming a library book is her personal property while Charlie tries to divert her with suggestions of other books. Really these are two gems and the illustrations are excellent, funny yet appealing.

At the Athenaeum Library we have been saddened this week by the death of our long time member and volunteer Margaret Shanks (see death notice) and by the death of member and local author Janet Doyle.

I hope you enjoy one of the books I've mentioned this week or as I've said many times, one of the other great books on the Athenaeum shelves.

Joy Leneaux-Gale.

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB RESULTS

THE EASTER BUNNY CALLED IN!



WE had a great turn-out for Bridge this week with five tables in play and back to the regular direction seating once more.

We settled in to play out the cards and carefully noting that we had the correct set of boards to contend. It was heads down and great concentration on the hands dealt.

As we were part way through our particular rounds of cards there was an ever so slight tapping at the door. Who could that be we wondered? My goodness, it was the **Barkers Creek Easter Bunny** with a basket of easter eggs. All were beautifully, and individually, wrapped in cellophane and tied with ribbon. One for each player. As I observed 'bunny' carefully negotiating the tables and distributing the special Easter gift to everyone, I recalled a poem which went:

THE EASTER BUNNY

*I met a little rabbit once
A hopping on his way
I said, "Where are you going on
Such a lovely day?"
He said, with just the slightest frown
"Don't hinder me I pray
I'm taking round the Easter Eggs
Because it's Easter Day"*

As we know Easter is a time for reflection, a time for family, and of course the Easter Eggs are ever so special to all the beautiful children who just love running around gathering the hidden eggs left by *'The Easter Bunny'*.

Now onto the scores for the day which



went to sixth place. In first place were Ken and Mark with 111 points East-West. Two great players who combined so well. Congratulations and a hat trick to Ken. Well done! Second place went to Lyn and Lillian with 110 points and the best of the North-South pairs. Louise and Judy Mac were third with 106 points and also from the North-South ends. Castlemaine Jan and Maldon Jo were fourth with 103 points. Fifth place went to Fred and Prakash with 100 points, followed in sixth place by Sandy and new player Judy who was welcomed to our group with 98 points. The latter all from the East-West direction.

We had delicious warm scones, jam and cream supplied by Maldon Hotel staff, Sherrie I believe, and were thoroughly enjoyed by all. A special tray of Hot Cross Buns arrived to enjoy as well and a big thank you to Barkers Creek Jan for these.

We hope everyone enjoyed the Easter Break and all the activities in town as we emerged from the virus restrictions. Keep safe everyone.

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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An occasional column about the future of our region by *Melanie Scaife*.



☆ Brightly coloured melamine plates, bowls, cups and serving dishes available for hire from Mount Alexander Sustainability Group's wash against waste service.

MY grandmother knew how to throw a tea party. Her finest china, her best silverware, the linen napkins crisply ironed – all would be laid out on the table in readiness for Sunday afternoon tea.

Standing on my tip-toes, I'd ring the doorbell to alert my 'Nanna of the Cake' to our family's arrival, the smell of freshly baked scones

wafting through the fly-wire door.

Some 40 years later, and I wonder what she'd make of my own efforts to organise an afternoon tea party – on this occasion to celebrate my daughter's fifth birthday. The crockery and cutlery are different but equally cheery: brightly coloured melamine plates, bowls, cups and serving dishes, together with

a swathe of party bunting, all hired from Mount Alexander Sustainability Group's wash against waste service, which has been serving local communities for more than a decade.

"We started off with just the regular party hire, which is white crockery and tumblers, wine glasses and serving platters," says the group's Sarah Myles. "When I joined the organisation a couple of years ago, we looked at introducing the kids' party hire, so lots of bright coloured crockery and bunting, that would appeal more for children's parties. We are focused on keeping it really affordable, so that it's a viable option for people when they're having parties."

The service also comprises a locally designed and developed trailer, which enables events to dramatically reduce the waste they produce. The trailer includes quality cutlery and crockery to cater for up to 5,000 people and over the years has been a regular feature at the Harcourt Applefest, Castlemaine Steiner School

and Kindergarten Spring Fair and Malmsbury Village Fayre, to name a few.

"Our ultimate goal is to reduce waste from any kind of disposable party hire or at events, but it's also about raising people's awareness – even if they don't use our service – to make them think twice about things that get thrown out, at events or in their own home," says Sarah. "That's anything going into landfill and causing emissions, which then contributes to climate change."

In many ways, Mount Alexander Sustainability Group's wash against waste service is ahead of its time.

With Mount Alexander Shire Council recently signalling its interest in working towards a circular economy within the shire as part of its community transition plan, the service is an excellent example of how

No time to waste

MOUNT Alexander Shire Council is seeking a diverse group of people interested in waste management in the shire to join a new Community Waste Reference Group.

The group will play an important role in providing input and advice on future plans to better manage waste and recycling in our shire.

It will assist Council in facilitating meaningful conversations with the wider community around waste management, focusing on waste reduction and recycling opportunities, the separation of glass and Food and Garden Organics, and also the development of a Resource Recovery Centre at the Castlemaine Landfill Site.

The group will comprise up to eight community members and at least one Councillor, in addition to Council officers.

Membership of the CWRG will be for at least one year with meetings held bi-monthly. Meetings will generally be conducted on Mondays from 5pm- 6.30pm.

Expressions of Interest are open until 5pm on Monday 26 April.

For further details visit www.bit.ly/MtAlexWasteGroup.

we can minimise waste and share resources within our community.

It's also a service whose time has absolutely come, with the Victorian Government announcing that single-use plastic items including straws, cutlery and plates will be banned in Victoria by 2023 in a bid to reduce the amount of plastic waste going into landfill.

In my Nanna's day, things were built to last (her hand-held egg-beater yet again deployed for the mixing of this year's party cake). If

we haven't quite come full circle, we've at least come around to something equally sensible and life-affirming: to sharing resources with each other, reducing waste and cost in the process.

For party hire or event trailer enquiries or bookings, contact the Mount Alexander Sustainability Group at www.waw.org.au.

Melanie Scaife is a Maldon resident and participant in the ADAPT Loddon Mallee Region Climate Leadership Program.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

MATILDA GUYMER'S CLAIM

On the morning of Tuesday, 9 August 1898, 27-year-old William Guymer was working with his mate Henry Goldsmith at the 1,600-foot level of the South German mine. Supervised by the mine manager, Thomas Hayes, they were installing 'stulls' or timber props to support the roof of the drive.

Without any warning a large slab of rock, weighing about four tons, fell from the roof of the drive killing Guymer and partially burying Goldsmith. Hayes and other miners working nearby managed to clear the debris from Goldsmith and take him to the surface badly injured. They eventually extracted Guymer's body and took it to the surface where Dr Arthur Farr declared that Guymer had died from a broken neck.

William Guymer left a young widow, Matilda Guymer, and two young daughters. Three months after his death, Matilda through her solicitor, served a notice of action on the South German directors claiming £3,000 compensation for herself and her daughters. Initially Matilda's solicitor asked for her case to be heard by Victoria's Supreme Court due to the new issues of law it raised. This request however was refused and the case was referred to the County Court.

On Wednesday, 10 May 1899, Matilda's case commenced in the County Court in Maryborough before a judge and a six-man jury. The case was closely followed as the 1897 Mines Act had shifted the onus of proof that negligence

had not occurred onto the employer. Matilda's barrister's argument centred on the Acc's requirement that mine managers ensure underground drives were safe for those working in them.

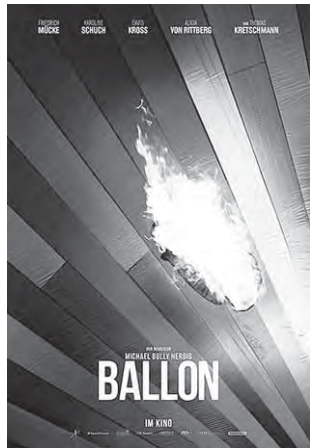
The South German's barrister argued that there was no negligence on the part of the Company and that there was contributory negligence on the part of William Guymer in that he had not put in timbering to secure the area he was working in. The Company also claimed that they had made all reasonable efforts to observe the regulations and any non-observance was due to the negligence of the men who were injured.

On the first day of the case much evidence was heard from miners who had been working at the South German on the day of the accident. Most of them claimed that nothing had been out of the ordinary. On the second day however George Tollitt, the boss of an earlier shift, testified that some days before a 'truck of dirt' had fallen where the accident took place. Guymer's mate, Henry Goldsmith, then told the Court that they had never been told about the earlier fall and, if they had been, they would have been more careful.

The jury found for Matilda Guymer and awarded her family £1,000. Soon after Henry Goldsmith also sued the South German directors and was eventually awarded £1,166.

This information was supplied by the Maldon Museum and Archives.

MGM screens political thriller Ballon



MALDON Golden Movies (MGM) will be screening Ballon (2018) at the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre hall on Thursday, 15 April at 7.15 for a 7.30pm start. Ballon is a solidly made and often engrossing political thriller.

You could probably choose a less conspicuous method of defecting than floating across the border in what looks like a giant glowing light bulb. Yet a spectacular nocturnal breakout from

communist East Germany by hot-air balloon is exactly what two families did in September 1979 – the basis of this glossy mainstream thriller released in Germany for the anniversary of reunification.

The true story of the East German balloon escape takes place almost entirely in a small community in southern East Germany, near Jena. Two families laboured in secret for two years to construct a home-made hot-air balloon to cross the border at night into West Germany, if only they can just get the science right – weight, height, trajectory, winds – not to mention their own nerves given border guards who have orders to shoot to kill.

The Strelzks are a disaffected electrician and his wife who, wanting a better future for their two sons, decide to float out of the



GDR. When a northerly wind blows up, they break out the balloon they have painstakingly constructed with their friends the Kretzels, before realising that it will hold only one family. So the Strelzks go it alone in their jerry built rig (pun intended).

MGM membership of \$25 pp for 2021 can be paid on the night of the screening. Membership entitles you to monthly screenings of a varied range of films with other film-lovers in the climate controlled Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. Twelve films for \$25 is a bargain! The good news is that all memberships that were paid for 2020 have been carried over to 2021. New members are very welcome. *Ines Jewell*
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Pole walking is back: Castlemaine



THE popular 10-week Nordic Pole Walking introduction groups will again be happening in Castlemaine. The weekly one-hour Lynne is a current

participant, who describes herself as very inactive prior to starting Nordic Pole Walking. “My aim is to be a better walker and I’m improving. It’s a slow process; I’ve got a long way to go yet,” says Lynne. “It’s a social group, it gets me out of the house. You make the effort to go and then you thoroughly enjoy it. I don’t want to miss it now.” This project is a CHIRP Community Health and Castlemaine Community House partnership. For further information or to book, call CHIRP Community Health on 5479 1000. Bookings are essential as groups will be purposely kept small to maximise participant safety.

Looking back ...



AVID *TT* reader Kel York sent in this cracker photo of the Jenkins family, taken circa 1877, outside the family home in what is now Cox Street. Pictured here are: William, baby Lewis, Margaret, (unnamed person), Jane, Maggie, John, David, and Daniel. William died in 1881. The house is still occupied, but no longer in the Jenkins’ hands.

Maldon Croquet Club aims for access



★ Strong support: (l-r) Melissa Pollock (croquet), Peter Guntrip (croquet), Tarrangower Dementia Alliance members Liza Shaw and Lyn Rogers, and Cheryl Lang (croquet club).

THE Tarrangower Dementia Alliance has funded and is supporting the Maldon Croquet Club to make their club more accessible for people living with dementia. Maldon Hospital’s Liza Shaw chairs the Tarrangower Dementia Alliance and says that the club’s plan aligns with Dementia Australia’s ‘Creating Dementia Friendly Communities’ checklist. “Practical things such as name badges for members and good signage (both

indoors and outdoors) make it easier for people living with dementia to attend. “Alliance members, including someone living with dementia, visited Maldon Croquet Club and identified potential changes to improve access. We’re also supporting the club with some finances to make these changes. “We’re pleased the club is being proactive about supporting members living with dementia to continue participating, as social

interaction is important for everyone’s health and wellbeing. “Tarrangower Dementia Alliance is making Maldon more dementia friendly and welcomes new members, particularly those living with dementia or caring for someone with dementia.” Contact Maldon Neighbourhood Centre if you are interested in joining the alliance or finding out more. Call 5475 2093 or email info@maldonnc.org.au.

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MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT



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no football, 17.5s were super excited to be back on the field playing the game they love. Maldon 17.5s proved too strong for Newstead turning out winners kicking 17 more goals than Newstead. Fitness was the key to Maldon's success having winners across all lines. Their run and carry was great to watch and it was a fantastic four quarters by the boys. Billy Miller played a great captain's game kicking six goals. Billy's younger brother Harry Miller also had a great game kicking five.

Best players: Billy Miller, Dylan Ross, Xavier Noy, Harry Miller, Robbie Muscat, Jesse Miller and Jackson Rewell.

Goal scorers: Billy Miller 6, Harry Miller 5, Robbie Muscat 2, Tait Webb 2, Dylan Ross 1, Xavier Noy 1, Mitch Smolak 1, Bailey O'Dell 1 and Jesse Miller 1.

UNDER 14.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 21.1 -143 def.

Newstead 1.0-6

Maldon's Under 14.5s had a great first game for the season.

The boys moved the ball well with dominance out of the middle. And our forward line operated like clockwork. We believe 2021 is going to be a very exciting year for our under 14.5s.

Our backline was also strong. There wasn't a weak link on the day.

Best Players: Robbie Muscat, Brodie Doyle, Izaak Mason, Nash Turner, Brodie Roberts and Ryan Burchell.

Goal Kickers: Robbie Muscat 5, Angus Layne 3, Liam Anton 3, Izaak Mason 2, Callum Buchanan 2, Tadgh Cananzi 1, Nash Turner 1, Jake Parsons 1, Brodie Doyle 1 and Lachie Drohan 1.

UNDER 11.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 6.10-46 def.

Newstead 0.0-0

Great team win against

Newstead to kick off Good Friday Footy. Massive appreciation goes out to Tom Hamilton, James Peace, Heath Powell, Seth Gross, Florence Layne and Matilda Webster who played for the opposition and made it possible for everyone to have a game. Eight players experienced their first real game of football and it was wonderful to see the encouragement from supporters and players. A great start to the year.

Best Players: Perry Tansley, Jack Smith, Aihen Turner, Francis Walls, Kierah-Jayne Muscat and Lysander Tansley.

Goal Scorers: Francis Walls 2, Perry Tansley 1, Essie Eggleton 1, Jack Smith 1 and Aihen Turner 1.

A GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 40 def. by

Newstead 67

A fresh faced A grade line up stepped on the court ready for a tough game

against a well recruited Newstead.

Maldon started strong keeping in touch with Newstead for the first half. Maldon's mid court kept the game at a quick pace with some impressive turn overs.

In the second half, Newstead's accurate attacking end proved too strong pulling away and extending their lead.

Maldon put up a strong fight to the end showing that this newly formed team is looking at a very competitive season ahead.

Best Player: Danielle Bowe.

B GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 41 def.

Newstead 31

Lots of new faces joined our B grade side this year. A combination of old and new players proved the right combination with Maldon coming away with a good win.

In the heat, the Maldon

girls did not let up against a strong opposition.

Maldon's defensive end put a stop to many of Newstead's passages of play with the mid court delivering the ball to the goalers capitalising on their defence's hard work.

Maldon's B grade will be the team to watch this year.

Best Player: Alysha Mcknight.

C GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 40 def.

Newstead 15

C grade had a win 40-15 against Newstead on Good Friday with the weather extremely hot on the court, the girls played it out right to the end. They played as a team and with a lot of versatility and they all played amazing with a lot of changes made throughout the match. Proud of them all.

Best Player: Mikayla Stahl.

UNDER 17s NETBALL

Maldon 17 def. by

Newstead 30

The under 17 team had a great game with some 15 and under players filling in for the team, they played well with good team plays down the court. The Newstead team were a very worthy opponent and certainly challenged the Maldon team making converting the goals hard with their constant pressure. Maldon responded well and were able to finish out the game with an even last quarter going goal for goal with Newstead in the sizzling heat.

Best player: Tayah Doyle.

UNDER 15s NETBALL

Maldon 34 def.

Newstead 6

What a start to a brilliant game by the 15 and under team they came out the blocks fast and never slowed down showing Newstead no mercy in the win.

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A Private Cremation will be held

DOYLE, Janet Mary

19.4.1949 - 31.3.2021

Audiologist, university lecturer, restaurateur, author and passionate gardener.

A kind and generous woman who dared to dream

Will be sadly missed and always remembered.
Georgia and Kate

SHANKS

Margaret Irene

12/06/1944 - 06/04/2021



Loved Wife of Laurie.

Loving Mother of John & Kylie, Peter & Naomi.
Cherished Grandmother of Brianna, Tylin, Jonathon, Isabella, Kasey & Bianca
and Great Grandmother of Jamie, Oliver & Axel.

The Funeral Service to honour Margaret's life will be held in the Thompson Memorial Chapel, 123 Mostyn Street, Castlemaine on Saturday, April 17th 2021, commencing at 11am.

A Private Cremation will follow.



SHANKS, Margaret

A loyal and respected long time member and volunteer of the Maldon Athenaeum Library. Marg. was the driving force behind the bar coding of the book stock and the introduction of the Book Mark computerised borrowing system. Our sympathy to Laurie and family.

WATTERS (Beynon) Beverley Rose

Passed suddenly and peacefully on Thursday morning 1.4.21 wearing Chanel No5.

Forever Loved, Carol, Bruce, Kylie, Jordyn, Bob, Mitchell, Gage, Astrid and Baby Shay.

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For further information and the Position Description, please contact: Kerrily Jennings on 5472 4842 or foodlinks@cch.org.au

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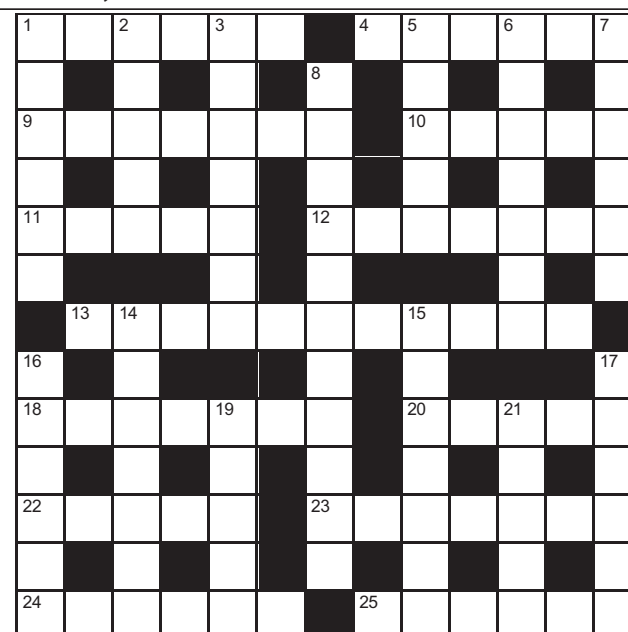
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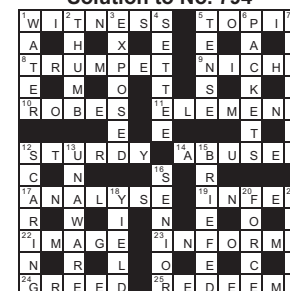
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MALDON GOLF CLUB

EASTER Hole in One - not one....but two!



☆ It was a great weekend for the Easter Hole-in-one competition.

PARTICIPATION in this year's Easter Fair Program of Events had been eagerly awaited since the cancellation last year and there was renewed enthusiasm this year within the latest COVID-19 regulations.

Maldon Golf Club Members had volunteered many hours towards the preparation for this year's Hole in One event and weren't to be disappointed by great attendances over Saturday and Sunday from very enthusiastic golfers

vying for the Maldon and District Community Bank \$2000 Bank Account for the winner.

In excess of 7000 golf balls were hit to the green by golfers attempting this year's challenge, and the result was both some disappointment and some elation to two particular golfers.

Visiting from Adelaide, Ryan Scovell scored his hole-in-one just after Midday on Sunday, and after enduring a nail-biting wait all through

the afternoon, he appeared a very probable 'winner in waiting'....BUT... as the result of a little prompting by his wife, Janet, Club Member John Purcell purchased the last two buckets of 'chances' and at 4.25pm (just five minutes from close), he scored a hole-in-one. Some will say this was a lucky result as John's ball hit another ball on the

green and deflected into the hole, but all was within the rules and that's golf.

So, to a play-off for the winner's cheque.... both Ryan and John were required to hit 10 balls each with the closest to the flag to be declared the Winner. The final result a victory to John with his shot just 10cm closer than Ryan.

Congratulations to both

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MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

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Newstead had no reply for the well-tuned Maldon side and were unable to put a score on the board until the second quarter. The Maldon team was able to maintain their excellent defence and convert their goals which allowed them a brilliant win at the end of the day.

Best Player: Abbi Shepherd.

UNDER 13s & 11s
NETBALL

U13s: Maldon 6 def. by Newstead 38

U11s: Maldon 1 def. by Newstead 16

The Easter and school term break excitement started early Good Friday morning with the U11s and U13s taking to the court bright and early, some for the very first time.

All very proudly donned their netball dress and bib as they were refreshed on where they could and couldn't

'run to'. The attacking ends worked really hard at working out which was the correct way to throw and we are sure that our defence all have sore calf muscles from defending the ball. All took a wee bit to get their nerves out and they all played really well for their first game together. Thank you to our U11s players who all filled in and played U13s also.

Jamie Cox,
President MFNC

In Maldon Today



TODAY'S guest on IMT is Simon Dow, telling all to EC and Nancy about life before Maldon in the world of ballet - and after, in the EDGE Gallery.

Last week we took a break for Easter and to get fired up for the Parade. What a triumph. Here's a photo of MLA for Bendigo West Maree Edwards, a regular on

our program.

Next Friday Alison and Nancy meet Jade from Maldon's new eatery, Maldon Rose. Make sure you have a good breakfast before tuning in.

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

Mike Smythe

MALDON PÉTANQUE CLUB



☆ The daughter and grandsons of valued and long time member the late John Burchell joined us for a game last Sunday. Adam, Susan and Michael showed impressive skill. John would be proud of them.

Chocolate eggs Boy-O-Boy
All part of the Easter Joy

Two weeks ago we were washed out through rain, however, last Sunday we were presented with a beautiful autumn day for our fortnightly games.

We were greeted by a basket of chocolate eggs to get our energy up and to treat our taste buds.

We welcomed the late John Burchell's daughter Susan and two grandsons Michael and Adam who

came to plant a small tree next to the pistes in John's honour, they also joined us by playing in the first round of games. We hope they may come back and play again.

At the end of three rounds of play there was only one player with 3 wins, Len Paul with 23 points. There was a plethora of players with 2 wins, second place for the day went to Barry Droney 20 points followed in third place was Andrew Leckie 15 points.

At the end of play we were treated to cakes courtesy of the St Brigid's community who had over-catered their morning tea.

There will be no competition games at St Brigid's next fortnight as the Club



is heading to Halls Gap to play in the North West Club Championship. We have entered two teams of five and hope to compete well against the bigger clubs, we did finish third at the last Challenge. Our next Club competition day at St Brigid's will be Sunday 2 May.

Geoff McLennan

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