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Cats Coach Maldon!



☆ Snapped last Thursday night with some of the MFNC's junior players: that's Matt Scarlett to the left of MFNC President Jamie Cox and Darren Milburn on the far right.

It's not often that locals get the chance to rub shoulders with footballing legends, but this is what happened when ex-Geelong players Matthew Scarlett and Darren Milburn came to MFNC training last Thursday night. They were generous with their time and gave sound advice to both junior and senior footballers.

Both defenders, Matthew and Darren were outstanding players at a time when Geelong was one of the best teams in the competition. Darren played in 2007 and 2009 when the Cats won premierships, while Matthew played in the 2011 win as well as in 2007 and 2009. They had long careers; Darren played 292 games while Matt chalked up 284.

On retirement, both Matt and Darren took on coaching roles. Darren was assistant coach at Adelaide, while Matt went to Footscray as development coach before heading back to Geelong as assistant coach. These days, Matt coaches alongside Brendan McCartney at a high school in the Geelong area and Darren works for Geelong firm Shojun Concrete. Neither of them have strayed too far from the Cattery!

Toughest opponent they have ever played against? "Matthew Lloyd," Matt said. "That would have to be Michael Voss" was Darren's reply.

A cheeky question, but who is Geelong's best player in the 2022 team? Matt chose Tom Stewart, while Darren opted for Tom Hawkins.

And who's likely to win the AFL premiership this year? Geelong, of course!

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FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

CASTLEMAINE FARMERS MARKET, 9am to 1pm Western Reserve, Forest Street.

Enq: www.castlemainefarmersmarket.org or 0455 332 692.

MALDON PONY CLUB RALLY at the Maldon Campdraft grounds at 9.30am for gear checks for a 10am kick off. Enq: Kira Chalmers 0407 140 580.

EVERY SUNDAY

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 1pm for a 1.30pm start. Enq: Sandy Noble 0429 006 130. Andrew Leckie 5400 1054.

SOCIAL PÉTANQUE is played on the Penny School pistes every second Sunday, alternating with MPC, at 1.45 for a 2pm start, unless rain is bucketing down, or it is over 30°. Enq: 0459 093 452.

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

MALDON MARKET: Hand Made, Home Grown, 9am – 1.30pm. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

THE MALDON VINTAGE MACHINERY & MUSEUM is a haven for machinery enthusiasts's before and after the industrial revolution, but with more. Open 10am–4pm. Entry free - donations welcome. More info: Peter 0408 146 537.

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

CASTLEMAINE REPAIR CAFE, at Castlemaine Community House 30 Templeton St Castlemaine. behind the Town Hall. 10 till 1. Bring along broken household appliances and sewing repairs. First in first served. For further info call Chris 5470 5508.

EVERY MONDAY

OCCASIONAL CHILDCARE, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre 9.30am–2.30pm. Enq. 5475 2093 or info@maldonnc.org.au.

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 2–4pm. Library Contact 0437 094 469.

SOCIAL WALKS, No booking required, all welcome! Meet at the Neighbourhood Centre, 9.30am–11am. \$1 donation for cuppa.

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

YOGA AND RELAXATION, Maldon Community Centre, 6pm – 7.30pm. \$12 casual. Open your body and mind with yoga and relaxation. First class free. Ph. Andrea 0427 772 878.

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD MORNINGS from 10am MNC Community garden.

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SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

THE MALDON GARDEN, FLORAL ART AND CRAFT CLUB, 2pm. Enqs: Carmel 0417 014 763.

THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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MOSTLY LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

NIGHT SKY APPRECIATION SOCIETY, Meet under the oak at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. 29 Aug, 26 Sept 7pm, 24 Oct, 21 Nov 8.30pm.

EVERY TUESDAY

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICE. Book the day prior for your door to door service. Travel to Castlemaine, Kangaroo Flat or Maryborough, round trip, departing Maldon 9.50 or 11.55. \$3 one-way, \$5 return. Phone 5475 2093, email info@maldonnc.org.au full timetable www.maldonnc.org.au/community-bus/community-bus-transport-service.

CASTLEMAINE SAFE SPACES, Castlemaine Senior Citizens Centre, Mechanics Lane (next to the library) and will run from 6pm–8.30pm. No appointment or referrals are required and all are welcome to attend.

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

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

MALDON BRISK WALKING GROUP, No booking required, all welcome! Meet at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre 7.30am - 8.15am. No cost.

TABLE TENNIS for seniors, 1.30–3.30pm at Maldon Community Centre. Beginners welcome. Enq. John 0418 995 164.

MALDON CROQUET CLUB, 9.30am. New members welcome. Enq. Damien Kennedy 0428 130 764.

NORDIC POLE WALKING (during school terms), 6.30pm at Castlemaine Botanical Gardens. Further info and bookings 5479 1000.

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

DIABETES SOCIAL GROUP, 2 – 3pm. \$2 includes tea & coffee. Info: Jo Ann 0412 640 818.

NUGGETTY LAND PROTECTION GROUP meeting. For further info contact Christine Fitzgerald – ckfitz5@bigpond.com – 0419 347 408.

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ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 2–4pm. Library Contact 0437 094 469.

CANASTA for seniors 10am at Maldon Community Centre. Beginners welcome. Enquiries: Lyn 0409 566 551.

COMMUNITY LUNCH 12.00 noon, Maldon Community Centre, \$7 donation.

EASY STEPS TO FITNESS, Fitness through simple dance steps. MNC 9am – 9.45am. \$10. Bookings: Sean 0419 210 043.

HATHA YOGA, Gentle yoga class. All levels of ability. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre 5 – 6.30pm. \$15/casual or \$120/10 classes. Bookings: text Wendy 0490 064 084.

MALDON MEN'S SHED, 10am to 4pm at rear of Vintage Machinery Museum (accessed from Phoenix Street). All welcome. Contact Barry Murfett 0403 352 753. (Note: Closed on days of Total Fire Ban or over 38°).

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

NORDIC POLE WALKING (during school terms), 4.30pm at Maldon Train Station. Further info and bookings 5479 1000.

MALDON RSL HALL, behind the Library on High Street. Open from 12 – 3pm. Drop in to discuss membership, family military history or just a chat and a cuppa.

THE MALDON VINTAGE MACHINERY & MUSEUM is a haven for machinery enthusiasts's before and after the industrial revolution, but with more. Open 11am–3pm. Entry free - donations welcome. More info: Peter 0408 146 537.

YOUNG AT HEART PLAYGROUP, Meet other local families in a fun and friendly environment. Wednesdays 10am – 11.30am at MNC. No cost.

EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY

MALDON CEMETERY FRIENDS WORKING BEE, 9.30am - 11.30am. Our cemetery grounds and buildings need a little care and attention from some willing helpers on a regular basis. Training, equipment and morning tea provided. BYO Hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and especially gardening gloves.

EVERY THURSDAY

TAI CHI EXERCISE GROUP (CHIRP), 11am–12 midday at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, \$5. Contact Jenny 0417 475 270.

MALDON BOWLS CLUB, Bowls practice anytime Thursday until dark.

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB, 12.45pm to 4.30pm at the Maldon Hotel. New players welcome including solo players. Enq: Danny Murphy 0430 733 782.

MALDON CROQUET CLUB, 9.30am. New members welcome. Enq. Damien Kennedy 0428 130 764.

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

MALDON SPINNERS AND WEAVERS have joined with the Yarnies. If you are interested in craft you are welcome to join us on Thursday mornings between 10 and 12 at the Festival Rooms, High Street Maldon.

NORDIC POLE WALKING (during school terms), 9.30am at Newstead. Further info and bookings 5479 1000.

TECH HELP TO STAY CONNECTED Be Connected program and supported by friendly volunteer digital mentors. No experience needed! Thur 9.30 – 11.00am. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. FREE.

SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

FREEMASONS MALDON meet at 7.30pm. Enq: Peter 5472 2202.

THIRD THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH 2022

MALDON GOLDEN MOVIES have resumed with fantastic films, subject to COVID regulations. BYO smart phone and green Vax tick to scan QR code. Maldon Community Centre, Francis Street

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CHAIR YOGA, For people who require special consideration. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, 11am – 12 noon. Started 4 Feb. \$15/casual or \$120/10 classes. Bookings: text Wendy 0490 064 084.

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MALDON MUSEUM HISTORY RESEARCH CENTRE, 10am - 1pm. Please phone 0427 752 598 for appointment.

MALDON SOCIAL WALKING GROUP, No booking required, all welcome! Meet at the Neighbourhood Centre. Fridays 9.30am - 11am \$1 donation for cuppa.

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

SECOND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

MALDON RSL SUB-BRANCH Monthly meeting in the Maldon RSL Hall behind the Athenaeum Library at 3pm. All Service and ex Service members are welcome to attend. No meeting in January.

LAST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

MAREE EDWARDS LISTENING POSTS are postponed until further notice. My office is still available for assistance, please contact us on 5410 2444 or maree.edwards@parliament.vic.gov.au.

TARRANGOWER DEMENTIA ALLIANCE, meetings from 10.30 – 12.00, Maldon Athenaeum Library.

EVERY SATURDAY

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 9.30am - noon. Library Contact 0437 094 469.

CASTLEMAINE SAFE SPACES, Salvation Army Hall (next to the Castlemaine train station) will run 1.30pm–4pm. No appointment or referrals are required and all are welcome to attend.

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MONDAY 15 AUGUST

OUT OF TOWN WALK, 9.30am start (meet at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre). Join others on a scenic walk in our region - this time at Black Hill Reserve in Kyneton. \$7 includes morning tea. Book: 5475 2093, info@maldonnc.org.au

THURSDAY 18 AUGUST

MALDON GOLDEN MOVIES presents *Klute* 7.15pm for 7.30pm start at Maldon Community Centre, Francis Street.

WEDNESDAY 24 AUGUST

MYSTERY PICNIC, 10.30am–3pm destination to be determined (will include garden setting and walking paths). \$20 includes picnic lunch, tea/ coffee. All welcome. Bookings required: 5475 2093, info@maldonnc.org.au

WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

MAKERS TOUR, 9.30am–3pm. Join others for a curated tour visiting makers' studios and places of creative inspiration. \$25 - all welcome. Bookings required:info@maldonnc.org.au or 5475 2093.

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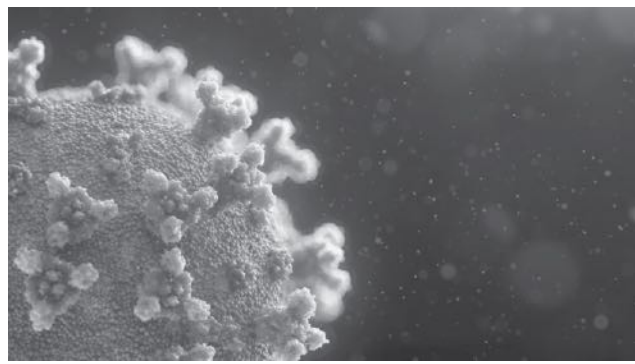
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COVID: When Will It Be Over?



THE short answer is - not yet! So you're advised to take extra care while there's still more cold weather to come and while COVID-19 cases are still surging across the State. Then there's the flu to consider, and let's not get started on RSV.

Word Worm? What's That?!

INTRODUCING Word Worm, the five-letter word game brought to you by the *Tarrangower Times*. It's fun, it's addictive and you can play it every day.

For those of you who've played Wordle, then you know how it works. You begin with five blank squares and you have six chances to guess the word.

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If it takes you two attempts, then you're a genius.

Three goes and you're cooking!

Four and you're not doing too badly.

Five tries and you might like to do better next time.

Six and you've just managed to squeak it in!

How do you get access to Word Worm? It's absolutely free; go to www.tarrangowertimes.com.au/tt-word-worm, or scan the QR code below and start playing - there's a new one every day.



If you love words, you'll love Word Worm!

But Wait, There's More!!

If you love figures more than words - or maybe you're a fan of both - you should try out the new sudoku puzzle that is in this week's *Tarrangower Times* on page 18. Give it a go!

The recent increase in the number of cases within the Shire caused by the two new COVID-19 variants is a strong reminder that the virus is still a very real danger in our community. Bendigo Health is recording high numbers of people hospitalised due to COVID-19 and doctors' clinics are overflowing. The good news is that - if anecdotal evidence is to be trusted - vaccination rates, particularly among the over 65 group - are high.

Recent changes to Pandemic Orders have included a shortening of the immunity period from 12 weeks to four weeks. This means that if you develop symptoms four weeks or more after having had COVID-19, you need to stay home and get tested.

Here's some simple and easy-to-follow advice to help reduce the spread of the flu and COVID-19:

Wear a mask

- wear a mask when meeting other people indoors and when you cannot physically distance, including in outdoor areas.
- good quality face masks can stop viruses spreading.

Let fresh air in

- good ventilation comes from opening windows and doors, using fans and air purifiers, and meeting outside.
- you are less likely to catch COVID-19 in places that are well ventilated.

Stay home if unwell

- stay home if you have any symptoms, even if you test negative for COVID-19.

Get tested

- get tested as soon as you develop any symptoms.
- if you test positive you must isolate for seven days and tell people you have had contact with that you have COVID.
- if you test negative you should stay home until your symptoms have cleared.
- a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) is the quickest and easiest way for most people to test if they have COVID-19.

Get medication if at risk

- Victorians who are more at risk from COVID-19 may be eligible for medication that reduces severe illness if taken soon after symptoms appear.
- to be eligible, you need to:
 - have a positive RAT or PCR test
 - be over 70 years of age
 - be over 50 years of age with other health problems
 - be over 30 and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander with other health problems
 - have a severe disability or are immune-compromised
- if you have a positive test and are eligible for COVID-19 medication, speak with your GP or a GP Respiratory Clinic as soon as possible.

Get vaccinated

- being up-to-date with your vaccinations is the best protection against severe illness.
- book your third dose or winter fourth dose with your GP or pharmacist now.
- you can get your flu vaccination and COVID-19 booster at the same time.

Persons testing positive to COVID-19 must report their result to the Department of Health www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/report-your-rapid-antigen-test-result, or call 1800 675 398 and immediately isolate for 7 days.

Isolation Support payment has also been reintroduced and available to eligible Victorian workers who have to self-isolate at home after testing positive to COVID-19.

Local residents, businesses and community groups can also find more information or make an online request at our virtual emergency relief centre at www.connectmountalexander.com.au.

For the latest state-wide information, general information on coronavirus and statistics visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus.

Maldon Primary turns 150 - do you want to celebrate?



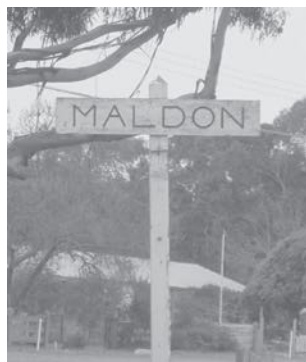
NEXT year, Maldon Primary School will be celebrating 150 years of public education which certainly deserves to be celebrated. The question is how to celebrate and how big to make the celebration!

Students and staff at the school are planning a small internal celebration but does the community want something bigger? Are ex-students and other community members keen for a back-to-style celebration, a commemorative booklet, an open day or something else?

If a bigger celebration is desired or expected we need people with passion and the time to organise and drive it as staff are busy educating the current generation of students. If you are interested in organising a celebration for 2023 or being part of a working group, please contact the school at maldon.ps@education.vic.gov.au or call the office on 5475 1484.

The decision is now in the hands of the Maldon community!

Maldon Township Entry Sign



DOES Maldon need a new township entry sign? Mount Alexander Shire Council believes that is the case. It is calling for input from Maldon residents on an icon, picture or visual that best represents the unique qualities of the town.

Community feedback will help inform the design of a new township entry sign for Maldon. Design ideas could include (and are not limited

to) features such as the Beehive Chimney, an historic shop front, local flora or fauna, and the Mt Tarrenower lookout tower.

Maldon residents are invited to consider what best reflects their township, and share their feedback via Council's online engagement platform <https://shape.mountalexander.vic.gov.au/maldon-picture>.

Feedback received will be used to create a number of design options for the sign, which Council will bring back to the community for voting on in late August.

The design option that receives the most votes will be manufactured and installed in September. The chosen icon, picture or visual will act as a background to the township entry sign's text, and need to work well as an outline or silhouette.

This project is part of Council's plan to progressively update township entry signs across the Shire as they age.

And speaking of ageing, the *Times* went looking for the two wooden signs (black capitals painted on a white background) which graced the Castlemaine and Bendigo entries to Maldon for many years. From memory, the words, in a simple font, were: Maldon - Australia's First Notable Town.

The Castlemaine Road sign appears to have disappeared completely. The Bendigo Road sign is, sadly, only half there (see the photo). These simple signs, that were in keeping with other white wooden infrastructure throughout Maldon (e.g. railings, fences, signposts) served as heritage-friendly township entry signs for over 50 years.

Highview hits the Headlines

MARYBOROUGH'S Highview College hit the headlines last week when two girls were asked not to attend classes until they tied up their hair.

The girls, according to an ABC report, are from Ghana and their braided African hair is too painful to wear tied back.

In the ABC article, Highview's Principal is quoted as saying that while the girls' cultural requirements were being accommodated, there were still uniform protocols that needed to be followed.

A complaint regarding the case is reportedly being made to the Human Rights Commission.



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Maldon Market moves back home



☆ Thrilled to be back at the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre and dogs are welcome! Pictured outside the MNC this week were, from l. to r.: Market Advisory Group members John Arnold, Carolyn Vickers, Danny Murphy, Lynn McShanag (Market Manager), Geoff Vickers (with Kelpie/Rhodesian Ridgeback cross Maisie) and MNC Coordinator John Bainbridge.

SUNDAY 14 August, 9am to 1.30pm

MALDON Market is ever evolving and there are exciting changes ahead. This month we are on the move back to our original site, the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre (MNC). Full circle!

The Market has had a long history, with many community members contributing to its growth. In its early days, over a decade ago, it was a small community market, with its home at the MNC. In its next chapter, building on what had been established, a working group got together to come up with a new concept for the Market, and plan for its future.

Funding was sourced to re-brand and launch a bigger market, one that offered a broader range of stalls, focused on local sustainable product, and had a 'Hand Made & Home Grown' philosophy. A new site was decided on: Fountain Street and the Maldon municipal gardens. And so the new look, new directions market was

launched with great fanfare in 2013.

Over the following years, the Market grew bigger and better, attracting thousands of visitors to our town every month. Then COVID hit and, like most Victorian businesses, the Market was shut down for many months. When it re-opened, a new site was needed, one that enabled stallholders and shoppers alike to participate safely, in line with COVID restrictions. The Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve (BWRR) came to the rescue!

From late 2020 until now, the BWRR has been a wonderful support to the Maldon Market. Our heartfelt thanks to the BWRR Committee for their generosity. However, new Shire regulations now mean that sporting ovals are no longer able to host events like the market, where vehicles can damage the playing surface, particularly during the wetter months.

So here we are in mid-2022, bidding a fond farewell to BWRR, and an excited 'hello' to our new site - the Maldon

Neighbourhood Centre - home of the market on many levels.

All your regular and favourite stalls, and an array of new ones, will now be gathered around the MNC Hall and along both sides of Edwards street. With access to the Centre's facilities, we will create a lovely atmosphere with a children's playground on site, and doggies on leads warmly welcomed.

There will be plenty of places to enjoy a hot drink or lunch from our delicious food makers, while listening to local musos and browsing the fantastic produce and products on offer. Lots of reasons to linger.

So come along and celebrate our new home, the resilience of our lovely market and the community behind it, and our town. As it settles at the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, this much-loved community institution will now truly be on home ground.

Contact: Market Manager, Lynn McShanag market@maldonnc.org.au or 0493 368 443.

Letters to the Editor

Water Works

Editor's note: many thanks to Times subscriber Kel York with his memories of Maldon:

Regarding the *Looking Back* article of 22 July, I can recall in the 1950s, drinking mineral water from a hand-operated pump in Fountain Street, almost opposite the Methodist Church. There was a metal cup attached to the pump by a chain. The pump was later removed due to concern about possible contamination of the water by septic tank discharge.

Around the same time, there was a well in the yard behind my Aunt Gladys Jenkins' Central Cafe in Main Street, three doors down from the Maldon Hotel. It was brick-lined with a cement-rendered dome-shaped collar.

*Kind regards
Kel York
Wattle Glen*

These Jokes Are The Pitts!

'I used to love making sand-castles with my grandfather but then Mum took the urn away'. This is typical of the so-called 'jokes' that appear regularly in the front window of 'Brad Hooper, Architect' 35-37 Main Street Maldon. As President of the Society For The Prevention of Bad Jokes, I have written to your esteemed newspaper before, pleading that something be done to remove such salubrious attempts at humour from our beloved Main Street streetscape.

'It takes guts to be an organ donor' and 'What invention allows you to see through walls? A window.' are further examples of the egregious assault upon our standards by Brad Hooper, Architect. And as all efforts by The Society For The Prevention of Bad Jokes to encourage citizen-led social resistance have failed, it is with utter sorrow that I announce the closing down of The Society.

'What's the main cause of divorce? Marriage.' and 'I tried to organise a hide and seek championship but good players are hard to find.' were almost the last straw for our

Society members. That normally ebullient man-about-town Ross Hinckley (and one of our former most valued members), for example, began to mutter imprecations of a shocking nature and our Secretary, the well-known athlete and mud-wrestler Nancy Whittaker, quite simply wept. 'What is the difference between a Hippo and a Zippo? One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter.' and 'Two birds walk into a bar. The third one ducks.' were the final nail in the coffin. What is the point of trying to uphold reason and decency if such so-called 'witticisms' are tolerated? We sought to warn the people of Maldon of the moral degeneracy that inevitably follows such public displays of degradation. We failed.

'Why do you never see elephants hiding in trees? Because they're so good at

it.' The grief that has struck down every member cannot be measured. It's all disgusting. 'What do you call a priest who becomes a lawyer? A father-in-law!' and 'She said I was too old but actually I have sex almost every day. Almost on Sundays, almost on Mondays, almost on Tuesdays ...'. We are well and truly defunct. And someone actually thinks these things are funny?! How much better would it be if Brad Hooper, Architect were more mature, more groan up? *Yours sincerely,
Graham Pitts,
President of The Society For The Prevention of Bad Jokes. (Defunct.)*

Editor's note: for more good jokes, you can't go past Camille the Hairdresser's blackboard; her salon is behind the Times office in Francis Street. Worth a look!

Maldon's Little Library



☆ Maldon's cute and quirky little library, on the corner of Allans Road and High Street.

ON the corner of Allans Road and High Street is a little library that is crammed full of books waiting to be read. It's the brainchild of local residents Doug and Glenda, who created it just before the pandemic arrived.

During COVID, when the Athenaeum Library and the Castlemaine Library were closed, Doug's and Glenda's library was many a reader's salvation. "People would choose a couple of books when they were out walking," Glenda said. "They were very grateful. Some left little thank you notes and gifts."

Doug built the library from recycled materials, starting with one little book 'house' and then adding another further on down the track. There's now a bench so that readers have somewhere to place their books while having a browse.

Glenda is a great reader and keeps the library topped up with books she has just finished. "People knock on the door with big bags of books, and that keeps the supply up as well," she said. "When you take a book, you can replace it if you wish. But it's up to you - there are plenty of books out there, and they should be shared!"

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Funds and Practical Advice for Clubs

THE Tarrangower Dementia Alliance is offering support to clubs in Maldon who want to become more dementia friendly, including small grants and practical advice.

The alliance, with the support of a Mount Alexander Shire Council Community Grant, is offering a total of \$500, to be shared by clubs

interested in being more inclusive.

The aim of this funding is to assist people living with dementia to feel understood, accepted, and included in local clubs. Interested clubs can also be supported by the alliance to develop a plan on how to make their club more dementia friendly.

Alliance member Lyn said people living with dementia

can continue to live active lives many years after diagnosis and the social connection remains very important.

"Maintaining social networks can sometimes be challenging for people living with dementia, so our alliance is committed to having more dementia-inclusive clubs in Maldon," she said.

"There are lots of potential actions to consider by clubs wanting to make it easier for people living with dementia to join them.

"For example, club members could wear name badges at all times. Signage also makes it easier for people living with dementia to find the exit or bathroom."

Completion of Dementia Australia's Dementia Friends awareness program is a prerequisite for receiving this funding. This free, short online session is designed to help you to learn more about dementia and the challenges



☆ Some Tarrangower Dementia Alliance members outside Maldon Atheneum Library, a previous dementia-friendly small grant recipient.

faced by people living with dementia. Participants will also learn how to help people with

dementia remain connected. To access the training please go to <https://www.dementia-friendly.org.au/get-involved/as-an-individual>

If you are interested in finding out more about how

to make your club more dementia friendly, please contact Maldon Neighbourhood Centre on 5475 2093 or email info@maldonnc.org.au.

Liza Shaw

August is National Pet Dental Month



IT'S that time of year again...Pet Dental Month! It is a good reminder to check on your pet's oral hygiene – does their breath smell, do they have brown staining on their teeth, broken or rotten teeth, or inflamed gums? Are they still eating comfortably or are they showing signs of oral pain?

Your pet should have a dental check each year as part of their annual health check - especially if they are older, have other health conditions, or are a breed that is more susceptible to dental disease. There are many things you can do at home to keep your pet's teeth clean. The best way to do this is actually to brush their teeth! If you are able to brush your pet's teeth daily or at least several

times a week, you will help to reduce plaque build-up, keep their gums healthy and their breath fresh, and importantly, prevent or delay the need for a dental procedure at the vet.

If you have a new puppy or kitten, you can get them used to having their teeth brushed right from day one. Start by getting them used to having their mouth touched – lift their lips and gently rub their gums, giving plenty of praise and treats. You can start by brushing their teeth just with your finger or a piece of gauze; start from the front teeth and use circular motions over their teeth and gums, making your way right to the back teeth. You can use a pet toothpaste which comes in a variety of flavours and is safe for pets if ingested. Once your pet is comfortable having their teeth brushed, you can move up to using a finger brush or a very soft bristle brush. With time and regular training, it really is possible to brush your pet's teeth. While tooth brushing is the gold standard when it comes to preventing dental disease, it may not always be feasible depending on your pet's temperament and your lifestyle. Luckily, there are plenty of other options to prevent plaque build-up and freshen their breath. For the month of August, Maldon Vet Clinic is giving out dental awareness packs with handy information and product samples for pet dental care – visit or call us to find out more.

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Castlemaine Central Wine Store is committed to sourcing great wines from smaller family-owned producers that you may not easily find elsewhere. However many readers will be familiar with the wines of Whitlocks Vineyard. Located by the banks of Lake Cairn Curran, Whitlocks Vineyard produce excellent shiraz wine indicative of the Bendigo wine region.

The 2017 Smiths Paddock Shiraz, made from grapes that revelled during the wet spring of 2016 and the following, cooler-than-usual summer. The handpicked fruit, following fermentation had almost 12 months in French oak barrels, resulting in a substantial wine of considerable complexity. With not insignificant bottle age, the 2017 Smiths Paddock Shiraz has a bouquet of red fruits and spice, beautifully balanced tannins on the palate and is drinking very nicely right now. Cheers!

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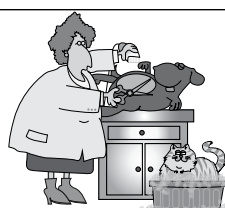
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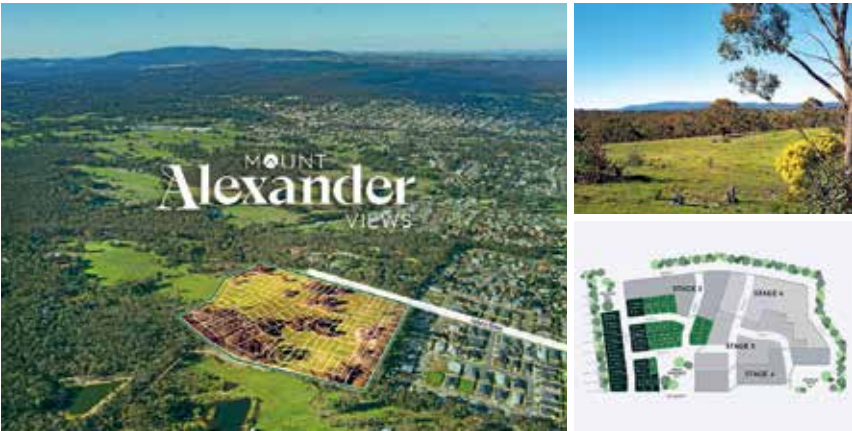
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Busy Days at the Men’s Shed



☆ Signage samples, being prepared for eventual use at Tarrangower Village.

DESPITE some bitterly cold weather, work has continued on the outdoor/barbeque area with plans underway for an ‘official’ opening sometime in the Spring.

Alan is pictured above completing the extension of the pipe work to enable watering of the raised garden beds. There is still some heavy earth moving to be done to rescue the fence line but that must wait for Mother Nature.



☆ Alan, in the process of completing the pipe work for the garden bed watering system.

We have been asked by the Tarrangower Village Treasurer Sharon Telford to prepare prototypes for signage to be placed around the Village. The signage is required to be consistent with that of the main street so models are being prepared for her approval. When that is signed off we will complete and install the signs at the appropriate points around the Village. The other major team activity is preparing the outdoor furniture piece for the Maldon Show. As you can see from the



☆ These pieces of timber will be milled to make outdoor furniture for the Maldon & Baringhup Show.

photo, the timber is milled from very large rough sawn pieces to finely finished wood. If all that seems a bit hectic, you are still welcome to sit by the fire, have a yarn and stay warm. Housekeeping note – we are reminded that COVID is alive and well and should be treated with the greatest of respect. Don’t regret your failure to act on the science. The Government rebate for Energy should be accessed by all households – don’t leave your \$250 behind.

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Makarrata = ‘coming together after a struggle, facing the facts of wrongs and living again in peace.’



The Seven Sisters

The Seven Sisters dreaming story is widely known by First Nations people. Although it has many names and variations, the theme remains constant: a story of a forbidden pursuit and a daring escape, of desire, magic and family bonds.



The star cluster named the Seven Sisters, or Pleiades, consists of about 300 stars, with seven of the brightest named for the daughters of Atlas and a nymph, Pleione, from the Greek myth about the Pleiades. Seen from southern skies, the constellation is part of the



Milky Way and rises above the horizon near Orion in the warmer months.

Desert people know the Seven Sisters as a creation story. As the sisters flee from their pursuer, they form features of the landscape, rocks, water holes and springs. They escape by transforming into stars.

The songline for the dreaming story goes from deep in the Central Desert out to the west coast, travelling through many different language groups. It teaches vital skills and lessons of surviving on the land, of changing seasons, of the bonds of family and relationships – how to live with each other, how to live in the environment, and how to be in tune with the spiritual realm.

An evil sorcerer, Yurlu (Orion), admired the beautiful sisters. He wanted one as his wife but he was not of the correct skin group, so marriage was forbidden. In spite of that, he pursued the sisters back and forth across the deserts. They escaped capture every time; once



☆ The Pleiades.

they dug a hole through the back of the cave where he had ambushed them.

Yurlu sent a magic carpet snake slithering over the rocks. The sisters grabbed it, thinking it would be good to eat. But the moment they saw Yurlu prowling they realised it was magic, and threw it away. Desperately they sought refuge in the sky. The trickster followed them and the pursuit continues today, with the Pleiades stars being chased across the sky by the Orion constellation.

Amongst its many uses, the story teaches that when Orion can be seen appearing above the horizon in Central Australian springtime, the snakes come out. Beware they don’t catch you! Here in Dja Dja Wurrung country Orion is Kulkan Bulla. He is an old man teaching a younger one how to dance a special dance, part of men’s business. The Pleiades or Seven Sisters might be the women playing their possum skin drums for the dancers at public ceremonies.

Creation is made visible through such teaching stories, songlines, ceremony and art. *Nalderun Education Aboriginal Corporation is a service that supports the Aboriginal Community, led by Aboriginal people. Many people and organisations in the Mount Alexander Shire contribute to Nalderun; the name is a Dja Dja Wurrung word meaning ‘all together’.* More information can be found at www.nalderun.net.au.

Castlemaine Station Precinct Master Plan

THE State Government is helping fund a plan, to be developed by Mount Alexander Shire Council, that will help enhance the role and function of the precinct surrounding Castlemaine Railway Station. Maintaining the area’s historic value, the Castlemaine Station Precinct Master Plan will identify and assess the feasibility of developable land and commercial activities near the station. At present, there is a large parcel of vacant land extending from the station and the goods shed. Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards said the precinct provides a pivotal link between the Castlemaine Commercial Centre to the south-east, the Mill and Botanical Gardens to the North, and the Camp Reserve and Old Castlemaine Gaol to the West. At present, the area includes Victorian Goldfields Railway, Castlemaine State Festival Office and Castlemaine Circus. The Flexible Local Transport Solutions Program (supporting small-scale local transport initiatives and transport solutions in Victoria) will provide \$20,000 for this project and Mount Alexander Shire Council will provide \$20,000.



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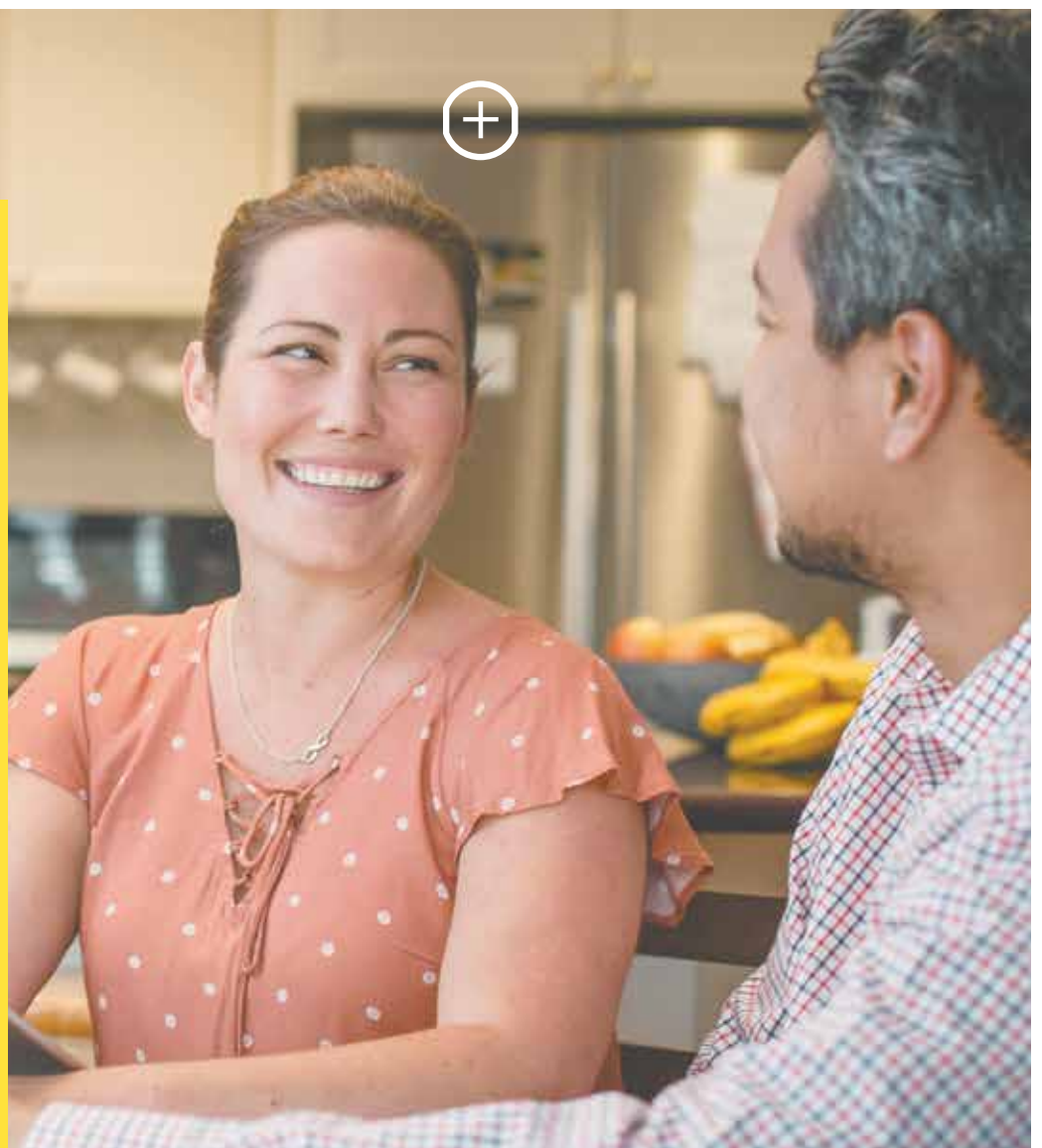
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☆ Richard Leach, a familiar Maldon face.

THERE are few people in Australia today who know as much about folk music as Richard Leach does.

In his lifetime, he has attended and performed at countless folk festivals and has built up an encyclopaedic knowledge of Scottish, Irish, English, American and Australian folk music. Richard also has a great love of poetry.

Richard was born on 18 June 1940 (“...the 125th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo!”, he said) in England, and grew up with a younger brother and sister in Northumberland as



☆ Can you see a guardian angel in the background?
Richard at the age of around three.

well as Sussex. “We shifted north during the war, where there was less bombing,” he said. He was five when WWII finished, and he can still remember the searchlights and the sound of anti-aircraft fire during bombing raids. “And of course rationing, which didn’t end until 1952,” Richard said.

Does Richard have a guardian angel? Possibly! “I had two lucky escapes when I was a child,” he said. “I fell into a freezing brook when very young, was rescued, then caught pneumonia and survived it. There was another time when my mother promised to take me to the pictures. My sister, who was a baby, wouldn’t stop crying and my mother said, ‘Well, we can’t take her while she’s in this state, so we’ll go another time.’ A bomb was dropped on the picture theatre at the time when we should have been there, and there were deaths and injuries. It could have been us.”

When growing up, Richard was immersed in folk music. “There were always people singing the old songs,” he said. “My maternal grandmother, who had a Scottish background, owned a lot of songbooks and poetry books. For a time we lived with our grandparents on a farm. She taught me how to read when I was three and had a great influence on me. Plus, I had a good music teacher in secondary school, as well as a good history teacher.”

After school, Richard served an apprenticeship as a chef, and then Australia started calling. “Two of my uncles came to Australia in the 1950s, and then my sister went in 1960,” he said. “From her letters, Australia sounded pretty good to me. When the Wilson government came to power, I decided it was time to go.”

In 1964, Richard flew into Essendon airport as a ten-pound Pom, and after staying with an uncle, he and his sister rented a house together. “My brother ended up coming out at the end of 1966 with his wife and child,” Richard said, “and my mother eventually came here to live as well.”

While working as a pastry cook at the Royal Children’s Hospital, Richard was enjoying Melbourne’s burgeoning folk scene. “The folk revival started in the late 1950s, and it really took off,” Richard said. “Skiffle music played a big part. The BBC realised that a lot of the old songs and stories were dying out and sent people all over Britain to record the old songs and music. I have a complete record collection of those radio programs.”

In the meantime, Richard was partying at folk clubs like the Little Riata, Frank Traynor’s and the Outpost Inn. “Dan O’Connell’s in Carlton was also a popular venue later on,” Richard said, “and together with an Irish mate, I ran the music side of O’Connell’s from 1974 to 1986.”

Along the way, Richard became a performer, with the professional name of ‘Skreitch’ given to him by friend Martyn Wyndham-Read at Frank Traynor’s. “Something had to give in the work department because it was hard to party in folk clubs all night and turn up early in the morning to work in a kitchen,” Richard said. “So I started working for Australia Post in 1967. First of all, I sorted mail and then I worked in admin. I was only going to stay six weeks, but I ended up working for Australia Post for 28 years. I retired in 1995 when they offered me a package I couldn’t refuse.”

Folk Festivals? Richard’s done them all, starting with the National Folk Festival in 1967, which was originally held in Melbourne before finding a home in Canberra via a circuitous route. The late Neville ‘Fattie’ Wilson was a good mate of Richard’s, so it comes as no surprise that since 1974 - when the inaugural Maldon Folk Festival was held - Richard has only missed one Maldon Folkie! “And that was when my nephew got married,” Richard said.

Neville was one of the reasons Richard eventually settled in Maldon. “First of all, I looked around in Chewton and couldn’t find anything I liked,” Richard said. “Then I found a pretty little cottage in Warnock Street.” After selling that cottage some years ago, Richard now lives in a comfortable and roomy brick unit in Adair Street.

It’s not just folk music that Richard enjoys listening to; he also has jazz and classical recordings. And then there’s his poetry collection, which include works of his favourite bards. “Scottish poets include Robert Burns and highland poets translated

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Castlemaine Central Wine Store



☆ The Castlemaine Central Wine Store stocks a wide range of good quality wines from around the State.

CASTLEMAINE Central Wine Store specialises in wine from small and medium-sized producers (mostly family owned and operated) from around Victoria.

You will find a wide range of varietals such as Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon - surely specialties of our part of Central Victoria - to wines made from less well-known grapes including Durif, Grenache, Nebbiolo, Sangiovese, Tempranillo, Mataro and of course Pinot Noir. Castlemaine Central Wine Store also has a selection of white and sparkling wines from around the state, including the acclaimed Macedon Ranges wine region - one of Australia’s best for premium white wines.

They stock Sparkling Whites, Prosecco, Sparkling Shiraz, Sparkling red blends and even a Sparkling Saperavi (the oldest grape varietal known to mankind, dating back some 5,000 years!). They also offer a selection of locally produced ciders made from Harcourt apples and pears and craft beers from some of Victoria’s best micro-breweries. And with winter in our midst, be sure to check out Castlemaine Central Wine Store’s range of fortified wines: Muscat, Tawny, Topaque and even a Dry Flor Apera (Sherry) sourced from the acclaimed northeast Victorian historic Rutherglen wine region.

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HELLO good folk of Maldon, winter is certainly with us. Many library members have commented on it being the coldest they can remember in a long time.

A few of our wonderful volunteers have been kept in bed with coughs and colds, myself included! Thank goodness for the restorative power of a good book to read when you are feeling low. If at any time you are not well enough to get to the library, please let us know and one of our volunteers will be happy to drop you off some books to read. Stay well and warm and enjoy a good book!

New to the library this week we have a novel set in Warrnambool, a thriller set in Manhattan and two books for young adults

IMT - In Maldon Today Radio Program



TODAY EC and Kev meet musos Terry and Jilly to talk about ... um ... music.

Last Friday Influenza Warriors Nancy and Mike courageously battled racism, queue-jumping, erotic thoughts steaming up the windows, the great Maldonian/Maldonite controversy and aggravated hunger pangs prompted by guest Lisa Speed's talk of international cuisines. See how excited Nancy was (picture) about Spanish food? Lisa has travelled the world in search of romance, new flavours and different versions of fried chicken. Keep your eye on the *TT* and social media in the coming weeks for news of where to find her delicious wares.

Next Friday the Stevens family is back – straight from Cambodia to the studio and fired up to find out what they can about Maldon's Men's Shed via a relentless grilling of Barry Murfett.

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

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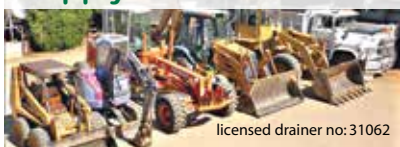
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***Pulling down the stars* by James Laidler**

Charlie Lansdowne's life is going nowhere ... fast.

Trapped at home with his eccentric father and his stroke-affected grandfather, he finds life a daily exercise in dysfunction as three generations of men strive to get along. But when Charlie meets the volatile and tempestuous Maxine – a surfer girl who works at the local abattoir – his life goes supernova. Friendships implode, passions ignite, and death comes stalking in the night.

Set in the seaside country town of Warrnambool, this is a contemporary Australian thriller likened to 'Jasper Jones'.

***Maximum impact* by Jack Henderson**

In 1993, a legendary hacker brainstorms the ultimate terrorist attack in a members-only online chat room. On September 11, 2001, he sees his dark vision materialising into a murderous reality. Jeannie Reese, a lead designer in the US government's Total Information Awareness program, begins a high-tech pursuit of this mythical figure.

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB ALONE TOGETHER!



BRIDGE is a user-friendly card game played with four people in two teams of two. The drawback is that it is sometimes difficult to bring everyone together at the same time and in the same place. Some are happy to play online but many prefer to play 'face to face'.

When we arrive for our friendly afternoon's play, we count the numbers ready to play out the boards. On occasions there will be an odd player without a partner so we have introduced playing alone with 'associates'. This can be a little confusing as the 'alone' player has to wait and call on any player who may be seated in the 'dummy' position. (Dummy means just that, with no input into the play).

On quite a few occasions the alone player and associates do very well but, as the scores will indicate, not this week! I, myself and me, drew the 'short straw' to play alone, and try as we may did not achieve a credible score. Was there a strategy in place? I think not as there was only a trick or two deciding who got the better scores on the day. All a bit of fun and confusion still reigned supreme!

The final scores were calculated with a great team effort by Danny, Werner and Ken who are always well organised. Also, I should note that other members are quick to shuffle the cards, replace the score sheets after tallying, fold and put away the cloths etc., which is greatly appreciated.

Danny was quickly onto the 'podium' and announced the winners as Liz and Danny with 51 points. It is great to have new member Liz in the winner's circle for the day. Second place went to the strong combination of Louise and Ken with 47 points. Annie and Lyn played well to achieve third place, one point away with 46 points. Aileen and Werner combined well for fourth place and 43 points. Well done to all and please do not mention where the 'lone player and associates ended up'! I suspect at the bar!

On such a cold day the hot sausage rolls and beverages were well received, so thank you to team Maldon Hotel and Chef.

Whatever your age group or skills please feel free to join us each Thursday from 12.45pm to 4.30pm to help us in our endeavour to

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***Ruby Redfort: Look into my eyes* by Lauren Child**

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***Ruby Redfort: Take your last breath* by Lauren Child**

Everyone's favourite girl detective is back for a second mind-blowing instalment, packed with all the off-the-wall humour, action, and friendship of the first book. This time, though, it's an adventure on the wide-open ocean, and Ruby is all at sea. . . . Can she crack the case of the Twinford pirates while evading the clutches of a vile sea monster as well as the evil Count von Viscount? Well, you wouldn't want to bet against her.

With thanks to Good Reads

Maldon Athenaeum Library

Blast from the Past

ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

In January 1883 one hundred Maldon residents signed a petition to the Shire Council asking for a small part of the Town Park to be asphalted for recreational purposes. It was proposed that the area could be used for dancing, lawn tennis, bowling, skating and skittles. After considering the petition the Council said it could not afford to asphalt the area but would guarantee half the cost if the petitioners provided the balance.

Nothing became of the petition but on New Year's Day 1884, James Warnock and his family organised a game of tennis at the Butts. Later in September 1884, the *Tarrangower Times* reported a tennis club had been formed and had established a court in Fountain Street near the Wesleyan Church. The club included both female and male members. A *Times* reporter however said that the game was unlikely to become popular as it was 'somewhat effeminate' and only provided the opportunity for a 'little harmless flirtation'.

On Thursday 9 October 1884 a Castlemaine team visited and played the first inter-club match in Maldon. Maldon won the contest 33 games to 20. The visitors were said to have played a plucky game but were handicapped by the rough court. Soon after a visitor to Maldon described the tennis court as 'merely a square of gravel'.

On Thursday 20 August 1885 at a meeting at the Victoria Bank the club decided to level and asphalt the court. A sub-committee headed by Charles Calder was appointed to oversee the project and before the meeting ended £15 had been promised towards the cost of asphaltting. At about the same time a trophy was offered for a women's tournament.

Even though members of the town's upper classes usually played the game it soon became an accepted part of the town's social and sporting life. Regular matches were played against Castlemaine and Maryborough. In September 1886, when members of the Sandhurst branch of the Australian Natives Association visited Maldon, a tennis contest was arranged with the visitors. Later in August 1890, a group of tennis players from Brighton and Cheltenham visited Maldon playing as the 'Mikados'. Maldon defeated the Mikados 40 games to 24.

In Maldon tennis then developed largely around the Protestant churches. By the time of the First World War Maldon had four tennis clubs. Three of these were associated with the Wesleyan, Anglican and Presbyterian churches. The other was the Maldon Club whose court was located on the Shire Reserve adjacent to Francis Street.

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Celebration at Cascade Art Gallery



☆ Good company, good food and good wine was enjoyed at Cascade Art Gallery last weekend.

A crowd of well-wishers attended the Cascade Art gallery on Saturday evening to congratulate Valentina Tansley and Paul Kooperman who were the organisers of the Goldfield Gothic - Festival of Dark Ideas.

The Festival - a series of events held throughout the town - was a great success. Cascade Art Gallery climbed aboard the Gothic train, with its 'Gothic to Sublime'

exhibition, which closed last weekend. Kareen and Jeff also conducted classes during the Festival. Maldon's street traders welcomed the extra trade from the influx of visitors during the Festival. "A weekend almost as good as Easter!" Much Ado's Frank Hill said. The Book Wolf's Mike Smythe also had a bumper weekend. A comment from Val Evans of the Maldon Museum: "I

loved it because it was something different, as did other Museum volunteers who thought it was extremely well managed." Le Sel donated the warm canapés served on the evening, and other generous folk donated food and wine. The Gallery was decorated with beautiful bouquets of Wintercreek flowers. Here's looking forward to next year's Goldfield Gothic!

Great relationships make it work for learner drivers



☆ l. to r. George (learner), Lisa (mentor), Julie (Castlemaine Community House) and Sabrina (mentor).

GREAT local relationships are helping to keep the TAC L2P Program in central Castlemaine, ensuring the program continues to be easy to access for learner drivers and volunteers.

The TAC L2P program was previously run by CHIRP Community Health. But following integration with Castlemaine Health in 2021 and Maldon Hospital in

2022, Dhelkaya Health is now the organisation responsible for L2P. The L2P program is also supported by the Mount Alexander Shire Council. Lisa Cavallaro, Dhelkaya Health's L2P Coordinator, said: "When Community Health moved to Spencely House in the Cornish Street site, we were keen to maintain a presence for L2P in town. With the support of

Castlemaine Community House and the Castlemaine Police Station, we've managed to do this." Martyn Shaddick, Manager of Castlemaine Community House, was keen to offer his support for the arrangement. Martyn said: "New learners can meet their driver mentor

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Works underway in Maldon

The Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project is an exciting long-term initiative that aims to rejuvenate Maldon's historic streetscape. The project has three main areas - putting powerlines underground, restoring shopfronts and upgrading public spaces such as footpaths, crossovers, bins and seating.

Latest news

This week we'll be moving forward with the following works, depending on the wet weather:

- completion of High Street stone drain
- commencement of vehicle crossing installation
- commencement of seat installation
- revision of pedestrian bridge installation.

Stay informed

Get the latest project updates by subscribing to our email newsletter via our website mountalexander.vic.gov.au/maldonstreetscapeproject. Thanks for your support, patience and cooperation while works continue on this project.

The Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project received \$4.5 million funding from the State Government through its Crisis Committee of Cabinet - Infrastructure Stimulus Fund.

Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project



Project update – Friday 5 August 2022

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Background on Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project

The [Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project](#) is a long-term initiative to rejuvenate the historic town.

The project has three main areas:

- putting powerlines underground
- restoring shopfronts
- upgrading public spaces such as footpaths, road surfaces, drains, bins and seating.

More information

Want the latest updates on the Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project? Subscribe to our email newsletter [here](#) and we'll make sure you're kept in the loop.

Keep an eye on facebook.com/MountAlexanderShire for details on more improvements we have planned as part of the Maldon Streetscape Revitalisation Project.

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Great relationships make it work for learner drivers

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at Community House. We are just a few minutes' walk away from the school bus stop."

Dhelkaya Health's Community Health Information Hub recently opened at Community House, so the two organisations already had a co-location arrangement in place.

The L2P vehicle is now located at the Castlemaine Police Station for convenience and security. Senior Sargent Darren McQueen said, "From the Victoria Police's perspective, the L2P program means safer young drivers on our roads."

The TAC L2P program matches young learner drivers with a trained volunteer to help them achieve the necessary 120 hours of driving practice.

The program is currently looking for learners who face a barrier acquiring 120 hours to apply and volunteers with driving experience to help learner drivers gain on-the-road driving experience through the TAC L2P Program.

Anybody interested in becoming a volunteer mentor or joining as a learner driver should contact Dhelkaya Community Health on 5479 1000.

The TAC L2P Program is funded by TAC and managed by the Department of Transport. To find an L2P program in your area, visit the VicRoads website.

For more information online at <https://chirp.org.au/programs/mount-alexander-l2p-program> or www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/tac2p, or via the QR codes below.

Or contact Mount Alexander L2P Coordinator Lisa Cavallaro on 0429 708 707.



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Kids go Free at the Show



Photo by Rusty Watson on Unsplash.

KIDS will be able to go to the Melbourne Royal Show for free this year, thanks to \$3.5million of State Government Funding.

As the Show returns for the first time in two years, kids 14 years and younger will receive free entry, so more families can enjoy all the favourites including the wood-chop, arts and crafts, show bags and carnival rides - plus the new Show After Dark featuring 11 nights of live music.

Presented by the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria, the Show remains one of the state's largest and most iconic annual community events and is a tradition among families and friends, contributing \$244 million annually to Victoria's economy. In previous years, the Show has attracted up to 460,000 visitors.

Agriculture Victoria is also working closely with the Melbourne Royal Show organisers to ensure biosecurity measures are in place, including livestock movement ahead of this year's event which opens on Thursday 22 September.

The Government is working hand-in-glove with state and federal counterparts to monitor the threat of foot-and-mouth disease and other biosecurity concerns. There are over 300 dedicated biosecurity staff currently undertaking FMD-specific training, scenario planning, and participating in emergency exercises to ensure they're ready to respond quickly and effectively.

For more information about the Melbourne Royal Show, visit the royalshow.com.au.

Is Your Home Fire Escape Plan Up To Date?

WITH many Victorians working from home and spending more time inside this winter across the State, Victorian fire and rescue services are calling on families to make sure their Home Fire Escape Plan is up to date.

Statistics show that young children, along with older people, people with a disability, and smokers are at a higher risk of not surviving a fire in their home.

While the dangers of a fire are very real, there are many steps people can take to make sure their families and homes are safe.

Making a Home Fire Escape Plan, which details two ways to get out of every room and identifies a common place to meet, is vital for every home. Knowing how to quickly exit your home in case of an emergency could mean the difference between life and death.

Winter is one of the highest risk periods for residential fires in Victoria, due in part to the increased use of home heating, so it is the right time to revisit or establish a Home Fire Escape Plan, ensuring your family is well-prepared in the event of a fire.

CFA Chief Officer Jason Heffernan said it's imperative to know what to do if a fire occurs in your home. "Whether you live in your home as a homeowner or renter, you should have a Home Fire Escape Plan in place," Chief Officer Heffernan said.

"Two simple things that can save your life in a house fire include having working smoke alarms in the right places and having a practised Home Fire Escape Plan. Families who are well-prepared are more likely to escape their homes safely."

More information on how to make a Home Fire Escape Plan is available on the CFA website.

When making your Home Fire Escape Plan, remember these important points:

- Know at least two ways out of every room.
- If it is safe, close the door to slow the spread of fire and smoke.
- Crawl low in smoke.
- Alert other people on your way out.
- Get out and stay out. Never go back inside!
- Meet at a safe place at the front of the house, such as near a letterbox.
- Phone Triple Zero (000) from the nearest available phone, such as a neighbour's house.

Protected species are collateral damage in recreational duck shooting.

Isn't it time Victoria followed the lead of other states and banned the killing?

What's happening in the Art Room?



☆ Decorated Plates from Grade 2 and 3 art class.

By Moirah

In art this week the 2/3s are creating beautiful patterns on plates and then will do some weaving on top. Here are the beginnings of the work – painted plates!

The Prep/1 students have been creating paper weaving to make stunning patterns. They first painted bubble wrap and then printed it on the background paper. They then worked with strips of paper to learn how to do paper weaving.

Well done Maldon PS Artists!



☆ France and Mabel sharing their turtle paper weaving in Art.

SPORT TALK



☆ Evi.



☆ Scarlett.

Hi I'm Chloe reporting on sport talk. This week is all about Maldon Primary School's little legends. We picked two in the whole school, but there are so many little legends that it was hard to choose. Let's go to the 2/3 room and take a look at who this little legend is and what sport they play!

Scarlett (above right)

Grade 3 – "I play netball for Campbell's Creek in under 11s. I love playing for this team and I normally play GA position. I also do swimming, and my favourite stroke is freestyle. I love playing sport."

Evi (above)

Grade 5 – "I play cricket for Castlemaine United Cricket Club for under 13s and in the women's team. I love playing for this team, because they are inclusive and it's a great club. I think you all should come and join!"

Next week we will be talking about some famous sports stars! See you then!

The Colouring Competition Winners

Students from all grades had an opportunity to enter our school colouring competition. The winners are....

Grade 5/6 winners: Florence and Olivia

Grade 3/4 winners: Liam and Abbey

Grade Prep-2 winners: Nash and Quinn

Congratulations to everyone for the amazing effort you put into your entry. Well done to the winners of this competition.

Book Talk with Lillie, Grade 2



National Parks by Alan Trussel-Cullen

I'm reading a book called *National Parks*. It's an information book about National Parks all over the world. In reading, our class has been working on finding interesting and important facts in our books.

An interesting fact I found from reading this book is:

- Every year more than 650,000 people come to see Uluru. I found lots of important facts. Some of these are:
- So many people are now on Earth that the places for plants and animals are getting smaller and smaller.
- Uluru is very important to Aboriginal people. They have been living at Uluru for more than 10,000 years.
- Some of the trees in the National Parks are being cut down.
- Every year hundreds of plants and animals become extinct. When they are extinct they are gone from our planet forever.

It is really important to have this book, because it tells the readers what's happening in the world. I learnt a lot from this book.

Jokes by Chayse

Q: Why shouldn't you tell a secret on a farm?

A: Because the potatoes have eyes and the corn has ears!

Q: What farm animal keeps the best time?

A: A watch dog

Q: Why don't cows have any money?

A: Because farmers milk them dry

Q: What did mama cow say to baby cow?

A: It's pasture bedtime.



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How to make butter using only milk

By Florence, Grade 6

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Shake the lid consistently for 5-10 minutes.

As you shake the milk it slowly turns into cream, then thick cream and finally butter.

Pour the excess milk out and you can add your butter to toast, cooking or add it on your crackers. Hope you enjoy!

Materials

- 100ml of full fat milk
- Small container with a lid

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Woman and a Fork

There was a young woman who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness and had been given three months to live. So as she was getting her things in order, she contacted her Pastor and had him come to her house to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted sung at the service, what scriptures she would like read and what outfit she wanted to be buried in. Everything was in order and the Pastor was preparing to leave when the young woman suddenly remembered something very important to her. "There is one more thing," she said excitedly... "What's that?" came the Pastor's reply.

"This is very important," the young woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my right hand." The Pastor stood looking at the young woman, not knowing quite what to say. "That surprises you, doesn't it?" the young woman asked. "Well, to be honest, I'm puzzled by the request," said the Pastor. The young woman explained. "My grandmother once told me this story, and from that time on I have always tried to pass along its message to those I love and those who are in need of encouragement. In all my years of attending socials and dinners, I always remember that when the dishes of the main

course were being cleared, someone would inevitably lean over and say, 'Keep your fork.' It was my favourite part because I knew that something better was coming... like velvety chocolate cake or deep-dish apple pie. Something wonderful, and with substance! "So, I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand and I want them to wonder, 'What's with the fork?' Then I want you to tell them, 'Keep your fork...the best is yet to come.'" The Pastor's eyes welled up with tears of joy as he hugged the young woman goodbye. He knew this would be one of the last times he would see her before her death. But he also

knew that the young woman had a better grasp of heaven than he did. She had a better grasp of what heaven would be like than many people twice her age, with twice as much experience and knowledge. She KNEW that something better was coming. At the funeral, people were walking by the young woman's casket and they saw the cloak she was wearing and the fork placed in her right hand. Over and over, the Pastor heard the question, 'What's with the fork?' And over and over he smiled. During his message, the Pastor told the people of the conversation he had with the young woman shortly before she died. He also told them about the fork and about what it symbolised to her. He told the people how he could not stop thinking about the fork and told them that they probably would not be able to stop thinking about it either. He was right. So the next time you reach down for your fork let it remind you, ever so gently, that the best is yet to come... And just remember...keep your fork! **Fr Wahid Riad**
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MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

Round 13 v Trentham/Carisbrook



☆ Deep concentration during last Saturday's A Grade netball game.



☆ Plenty of pressure, and a great mark during the Seniors game.



☆ A goal for Maldon during the A Grade game.



☆ On the run during last Saturday's Reserves game.



☆ It was tough competition against Trentham during last Saturday's Seniors match.

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Week Ending 3.8.22

11.8mm

Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2022	2021	2020
Jan	90.4	92.9	44.6
Feb	0.5	8.9	56.3
Mar	68.9	72.3	32.8
Apr	73.9	9.8	99.6
May	27.3	42.0	49.2
June	41.8	54.0	38.3
July	39.7	63.1	23.5
Aug	11.6	35.0	48.7
Sept		47.7	40.9
Oct		87.8	47.1
Nov		57.5	25.7
Dec		18.3	29.1
TOTAL	354.1	596.0	535.8

Rainfall Maldon

Week Ending 3.8.22

14.5mm

Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2022	2021	2020
Jan	90.0	83.4	35.2
Feb	1.0	17.0	52.8
Mar	74.4	83.8	37.0
Apr	91.0	14.4	145.4
May	32.2	53.6	66.2
June	64.6	81.0	49.2
July	55.3	82.8	32.8
Aug	13.5	41.8	62.2
Sept		49.2	54.6
Oct		76.8	73.2
Nov		62.4	37.2
Dec		18.8	39.2
TOTAL	422.0	683.8	685.0

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Mar	48.0	67.2	35.8
Apr	80.8	11.4	107.6
May	30.0	53.2	56.2
June	47.8	62.6	46.6
July	46.6	68.2	29.4
Aug	12.8	44.0	69.6
Sept		70.0	46.8
Oct		85.4	56.2
Nov		70.4	22.8
Dec		18.6	31.2
TOTAL	369.4	666.2	593.8

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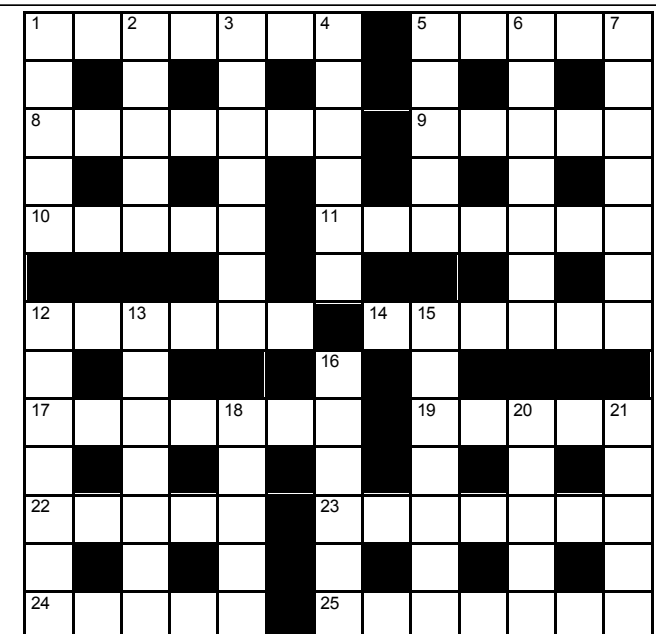
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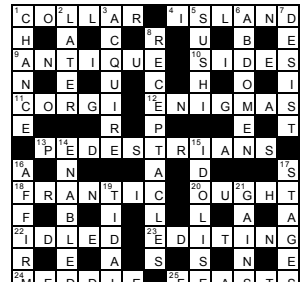
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Know Your Local - Richard Leach (aka Skreitch)

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from the Gaelic," Richard said. "My favourite English poets would have to be Kipling and I do like T.S. Eliot's *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. I like Henry Lawson - he was closer to the real people than Banjo Patterson, whose poetry is more contrived. I also like C.J. Dennis, Judith Wright (although I took time to grow into her). And Mary Gilmore."

From 2003 to 2016, Richard conducted poetry classes at Maldon Primary School - introducing students to the world of poetry and polishing their public performances. "I enjoyed it a lot, and I learnt as much from the kids as they did from me," Richard said.

Along the way, Richard learnt about Maldon's forgotten wartime poet - Grace Ethel Martyr. "Grace wrote very good poetry, mainly in the 1920s and 1930s, and won prizes for it," he said. "Some of Grace's poetry has been set to music by Margaret Sutherland."

It's not, however, all about music and poetry for Richard. "I'm something of an amateur birdwatcher," he said. "It's a fact that you see different birds in different places around Maldon. I love walking, and used to walk up on the Mount. These

days, however, I don't walk so far. But I like to come down the street every day to have a coffee and to see what's going on."

Richard is a staunch supporter of the MFNC, and often attends games. "I used to man the gate and was goal umpire for years, but I've given that away now," he said.

Petanque also figures largely in Richard's life, and he has been a member of the Maldon Petanque Club since the early days.

Richard's favourite place in Maldon? "That would have to be the view from the Rock of Ages," he said.

His favourite CD? A recording called Homecoming, that features Scottish favourites performed by classically trained Nicola Benedetti and others.

To close on a philosophical note, Richard has a couple of contributions from Scottish writers that he believes we can all learn something from:

Give a man a pipe he can smoke

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There's calm contentment there indeed.

James Thompson (poet)

I don't concern myself with the meaning of the universe.

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Thomas Carlyle (philosopher and historian)

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To solve: Each nine-number row, column and square must contain the numbers one through to nine.

Sudoku solution in next week's TT.

MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

Round 13 v Trentham/Carisbrook



☆ Some A Grade netball action at last Saturday's game...

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the jump in the first quarter, and the Maldon team could not bridge the gap.

Best: Sarah Blake.

C Grade

Maldon 27 Def by Trentham 38

The team went out and played a solid three-quarters of netball, holding the scores level going into the last quarter, but Trentham put their foot down and outran us.

Best: Bec Buchanan.



☆ ...with Trentham showing its attacking style in this photo...

Under 17s

Maldon 39 Def Trentham 13

The U17s played an excellent game, with the combinations working well down the court. With excellent accuracy at goals and a very tight defence line up, the Trentham team struggled to put goals on the board. The teamwork for a team that has just come together at the right time of the year with finals just around the corner.

Best: The whole team.

Under 15s

Maldon 41 Def Trentham 7

The U15s started the game well and were able to easily capitalise on their opponents right from the first whistle. The Trentham team were able to put up a good defence on the Maldon team; however, Maldon were much quicker on



☆ ...and this one as well.

their reaction time and were able to intercept and pressure Trentham causing many turnovers. It was a quick game for the team, and in the next couple of weeks, the girls will prove just how versatile and experienced they are as a team as they head to the finals.

Best: Maggi Walmsley.

Under13s

Maldon 9 Def by Trentham 26

The team worked well throughout the whole game. Defence pressure was strong, making Trentham work hard to get goals, unfortunately, Trentham outran us and came out with a big win.

Best: Holly Williams.

Under 11s

NO GAME.



☆ Kicking to the forward line during last Saturday's Reserves match.

WILL WE, OR WON'T WE?



☆ Michelin men and women.

ON Sunday 31 July, six teams of piste artistes decided to brave the inclement and erratic weather forecast. Like 'mad dogs and Englishmen' they played after the rain started to spit and cast doubt on the wisdom of playing on after the first games. We had a vague vote about whether to give up and go home to warm fires, but everyone wanted to get on with the second games.

The Penny School piste is really testing the all-terrain game rule, with the grassy knoll becoming a veritable lawn surrounded by a sand pit where the boules simply drop and refuse to roll any

further. Thus, skills previously unheard of, or untried, had to come to the fore.

Lumbering around like Michelin men and women the piste artistes had an ongoing discussion on the use, or not, of hankies in other cultures and climes. It was a two-hanky day!

First place and the winners' chocolates went to Phil, Judy, and Andrew with 2 wins and +13 points. Second place went to Kevin and Jenny, with 1 win and +8 points. Followed in third place by Antoine, Ann and Gaz with 1 win and +1 point.

Viv and Geoff AND Cap'n P, Mme Bleue and EC were



☆ Mid-air boules.

equal fourth, with 1 win and -4 points. Lucky last were Carole and Steve, with 0 wins and -4 points and the losers' chocolates. It should be noted that the chocolates are identical for winners and losers.

Our next games will be on Sunday 14 August, on the Penny School pistes, commencing at 2pm SHARP. See our notice and phone number in the *TT* Community Diary to get in touch if you would like to become part of this delightful group of piste artistes. We specialise in playing bravely on all terrains in all weathers.

Mme Bleue



☆ Close call (photo requested by the two teams who caused this nest of boules).

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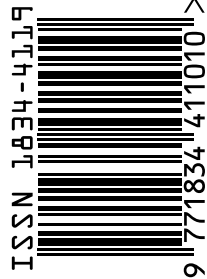
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MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

Round 13 v Trentham/Carisbrook



☆ Action on the oval during last Saturday's Reserves match.



☆ Maldon's Seniors fought hard during last weekend's game against Trentham.

Overview

Last weekend we hosted Trentham at home. Trentham came with a lot to prove and held a strong contest for Maldon. We saw some not-so-favourable scores on the board across all Senior teams/grades and another serious injury in the Reserves that will impact the team coming into finals. The U17.5 and U15.5 Football teams had some cracking games, with the 17.5s playing Carisbrook and coming out with a great win and the 15.5s victorious against Trentham. Again, our U17s and U15s Netball teams both came out with wins to take them to a good place on the ladder heading into our final few games.

MALDON GOLF CLUB



ON a great day for golf (there is no such thing as a bad day for golf, only bad results from the day's play), golfers were keen to finesse their game for this week's Monthly Medal and Round 2 Jack Long Matchplay matches.

This keenness resulted in some very good scores being carded with a very popular victory to Bill Moore in a close tussle with Jeremy and Ryan. Bill's success is most probably the benefit of his regular midweek practice sessions. It is pleasing for our Club to see an increasing number of visiting green-fee players enjoying the great course conditions and the challenges of the 18 holes as news of the uniqueness of our layout and facilities spreads to district golfers.

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		countback
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	John Purcell	33 points
	Steve Moore	33 points
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Ca\$h-HOLE	No Winner - Jackpots	HOLE 10

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Bob Briggs

The club only has one more home game left for the season, and next week we are back out at Talbot.

Football

Seniors

Maldon 57 Def by Trentham 95

What a great effort from the Seniors on Saturday, only going down to the top side by 38 points. It has been a difficult few weeks for the team with numerous injuries, but the effort and intensity has never been questioned, and that was no different on Saturday. If we can match that effort over the next couple of weeks, I'm sure we will get back on the winner's list heading into finals.

Best: Max Johns, Coby Bennett, Billy Miller, Hayden Kelly, David Wilson and Julian Lockwood.

Reserves

Maldon 58 Def by Trentham 75

The Reserves were looking to bounce back this week against top side Trentham. After a hot start kicking the first 3 goals of the game, the team went away from what was working and let Trentham back in it. It was a tight tussle in the middle 2 quarters with Trentham edging ahead. Unfortunately, the team couldn't bridge the gap in the final quarter, going down by 18 points. Jack Fowler was playing a lone hand up forward, kicking 5 before succumbing to a serious injury. We wish Jack well in his recovery. Shaun Burchell again was good in the midfield. A top four spot is up for grabs this week at Talbot.

Best: Jack Fowler, Shaun Burchell, Callum Cross, Brayden Saint and Macabe Turner.

17.5s

Maldon 49 Def Carisbrook 28

The team had the return game at home against second-place Carisbrook. It was a slow start by the team, but they eventually got going and made fairly light work of it.

To their credit, they stood up when they had to and had a good second half coming from 14 points down to win by 21 points.

Best: Finian Mackenzie, Flynn Rowbottom, Jovian Goulton, Noah Thompson, Xavier Noy and Kody Girvan.

14.5s

Maldon 17 Def Trentham 0

The team was sensational on the weekend, almost faultless. Brodie Doyle played his 150th game and topped it off with 15 goals to go with his best-on-ground performance. Well done Brodie and congratulations on playing 150 games for the Maldon Football Netball Club.

Best: Brodie Doyle, Angus Layne, Levi Mason, Jack Smith, Tully Rowbottom and Riley Skinner.

11.5s

Maldon 8 Def by Trentham 21

Maldon did not get the chocolates in a tight game against talented Trentham. Essie was everywhere. James, Vance and Chayse shut down their gun forwards with smotherers, tackles and close checking. Dean stuck two high marks; Heath bashed the packs; Mini Zav zipped around with a heap of the ball, and Piper played like a rover. Another great contest to watch, with the coach very pleased by the team and individual efforts.

Best: Essie Egleton, James Peace, Heath Powell, Xavier Silckerodt, Piper Marshall and Dean Wilson.

Netball

A Grade

Maldon 38 Def by Trentham 62

A grade were prepared for a tough game this week after quite a few losses over the past few weeks. Maldon certainly put the accelerator down and were able to lead coming out of the first quarter. Defensive pressure was good throughout the whole court; however, the Trentham Team were able to pull away with a comfortable victory.

Best: Morgan Walker.

B Grade

Maldon 32 Def by Trentham 36

The B Grade Team came out firing, and Trentham were certainly up for the challenge. The game was not going to be easy right from the first whistle, and the Maldon Team had to contest every ball. There were excellent combinations down the court from the whole team. However, Trentham had had

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