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Maldon Portrait Prize 2022 I Be Human

Photography Finalists Exhibition:
20 - 27 February 2022

EDGE Galleries 35 - 37 Main St Maldon
10am - 4pm

I Be Human Online exhibition and
People's Choice Award audience
voting:
1 March - 15 June 2022

Maldon Artist Network



Tarrangower Prison rehabilitates 500th greyhound

☆ The prisoners learn valuable skills, which helps in their rehabilitation and reduces the risk of reoffending after they complete their sentence. *Article on page 3.*

A Maldon grandfather wins \$2.5 million

The Lott contacted the winner Wednesday morning and he nervously asked, "You're not going to tell me I've won \$2.5 million?"

"Oh my! I went into the newsagency yesterday to purchase an entry into Oz Lotto and Powerball and I noticed the sign saying they had sold another division one winning entry."

"I told the team member, 'Congratulations,' and asked, 'Do you know who won it?' "I was curious as they sold another division one winning entry recently. The team member told me the winner hadn't come forward yet!

"They said officials from The Lott would reach out to the winner on Monday morning if the entry was registered, and here we are! "I didn't even bother to check my TattsLotto entry while I was there! I like to

check my lottery entries all at once." When the Maldon resident was told he'd won he said, "I can't believe it. You'd better call a paramedic!" "I've been playing TattsLotto since lottery entries were

hand-written. It's been a long time coming and I'm over the moon. "I've had a few little bits here and there, but \$2.5 million is next level. This is

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Community Diary

If you have a community event that you would like publicised in this Community Diary, please email: karen@tarrangowertimes.com.au or send details to us at PO Box 18 Maldon 3463, or drop a note into the letterbox in the office door to have it listed.

This is a free community service.

It is a good idea to advertise closer to the event.

EVERY DAY EXCEPT MONDAY

LIONS CLUB OP SHOP, 10am to 2pm. Enq: Jenny 0407 158 833.

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

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, 97 High Street, Maldon. Open 10am-1pm includes book sales. Tina Fratta 0437 094 469.
MALDON MARKET: Hand Made, Home Grown, 9am – 1.30pm. Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve.
THE MALDON VINTAGE MACHINERY & MUSEUM is a haven for machinery enthusiast'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 Castle-maine. 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

LAP SWIMMING, Maldon Swimming Pool, 6pm - 7pm.

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

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 2-4pm. Suzette Phillips 0429 776 893.

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

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.

THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD MORNINGS from 10am MNC Community garden.

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

MOSTLY LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

NIGHT SKY APPRECIATION SOCIETY, Meet under the oak at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. 28 Feb, 28 Mar, 8.30pm; 2 May, 30 May, 27 Jun, 7.30pm.

EVERY TUESDAY

AQUA AEROBICS, Maldon Swimming Pool, 6pm. Cost \$9.50 (or \$6 with season pass).
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.
CONVERSATION HOUR: meet, greet & chat, Coffee & conversation in the garden. Tuesdays 10.30 - 11.30am. All welcome, free. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

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.

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. New members welcome. Enq. Damien Kennedy 0428 130 764.

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

YOGA AND RELAXATION, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre Hall. Open your body and mind with yoga and relaxation. First class free. Tuesdays 6pm – 7.30pm. \$12 casual.

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.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 2-4pm. Enqs Suzette Phillips 0429 776 893.
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.

LAP SWIMMING, Maldon Swiming Pool, 6pm - 7pm.

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), 5.30pm in Maldon. Further info and bookings 5479 1000.
THE MALDON VINTAGE MACHINERY & MUSEUM is a haven for machinery enthusiast'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

AQUA AEROBICS, Maldon Swimming Pool, 6pm. Cost \$9.50 (or \$6 with season pass).
GENTLE TAI CHI, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre 10.30-11.30. Starts 3 Feb. \$5 donation. Bookings: 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.

NORDIC POLE WALKING (during school terms), 9.30am at Castlemaine Botanical Gardens. 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 will resume fantastic films from Thursday 17 February 2022, Subject to COVID regulations from then on. BYO smart phone and green Vax tick to scan QR code. Maldon Community Centre, Francis Street

EVERY FRIDAY

ATHENAEUM LIBRARY, High Street, Maldon. 2-4pm. Enqs Suzette Phillips 0429 776 893.
CHAIR YOGA, For people who require special consideration. Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, 11am – 12 noon. Starts 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.

NORDIC POLE WALKING GROUP, for experienced walkers (during school terms), 9.30am at Castlemaine Botanical Gardens. Further info 5479 1000.

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. Enqs Suzette Phillips 0429 776 893.

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STARTING SATURDAY 5 FEBRUARY

HOMESICK EXHIBITION, running 10am-4pm each weekend in February at the Newstead Arts Hub.

STARTING WEDNESDAY 16 FEBRUARY

39TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASH WEDNESDAY FIRES, Exhibition every Wednesday and Saturday between 10am and 3pm. Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum, entry by donation. Enq: Daryl 0419 133 581.

FRIDAY 18 FEBRUARY

ORIGINAL MUSIC AND EP LAUNCH, Death and Rebirth. Josephine Emery at The Book Wolf 6pm.

SATURDAY 19 AND SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY

MALDON ANTIQUE FAIR, Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 8am-3pm at the Bill Woodfull Reserve.

SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY

MALDON SWIMMING POOL POOL PARTY starting at 1pm with fun and games and food.
CASTLEMAINE REPAIR CAFE, at Castlemaine Community House 30 Templeton St Castle-maine. 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.

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Tarrengower Prison rehabilitates 500th greyhound



☆ L-R: Minister for Corrections Natalie Hutchins, Program Manager Wil Dodson, MP Maree Edwards and Greyhound Racing Victoria Chief Executive Alan Clayton.



☆ Boston and the other greyhounds got to celebrate the milestone with a chicken mince cake.

TARRENGOWER Prison is celebrating the rehabilitation of its 500th foster greyhound, ‘Boston’, who was trained through the Greyhound Adoption Pro-

gram (GAP), which is designed to give four-legged companions and prisoners a new lease on life. For more than a decade, prisoners at Tarrengower have



☆ Boston is the 500th retired greyhound to be rehabilitated at Tarrengower Prison.

worked closely with retired racing dogs, taking them through a training regime to prepare them for adoption into new homes. The four-week program is part of the Prison Pet Partnership between Corrections Victoria and Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) and teaches selected prisoners valuable new skills to assist with their transition back into the community upon release. Prisoners are chosen to participate in the program based on good behaviour and an interest in animal welfare. They are then partnered with ex-racing dogs to help teach the dogs to settle in to new environments. The women take responsibility for feeding and exercising the dogs, as well as

teaching them basic obedience skills. They train them to become familiar with stairs, noisy household appliances and being walked on a lead. Prisoner Janet* said, “The program has been therapeutic, improving my physical fitness, mental health and has provided a positive focus whilst in custody. “The program has also increased my self-esteem and confidence, particularly seeing the dogs improve during the four-week training period. “Working in the GAP team at Tarrengower has increased my communication skills and resilience. We all work together to achieve a common goal - retraining Greyhounds to be adopted in the wider community.”

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A Maldon grandfather wins \$2.5 million



☆ Barb Ford, owner of Maldon Newsagency, is delighted the winner was a regular and loyal customer.

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incredible. You can ring me any day!”

When asked how he planned to enjoy being one

of eight division one winners across Australia the generous man said he would share it with his family.

“I can’t wait to help out my children, grandchildren and

great-grandchildren. I’m sure they’ll be very spoilt.”

Barb Ford owner of the Maldon Newsagency said she was delighted the division one win went to a regular and loyal customer.

“We’re absolutely thrilled to have sold our second division one winning entry in five months! It’s always great seeing it go to our local community,” said Barb.

“The winner came in yesterday to congratulate us on selling another division one winning entry, and he came back this morning. I was curious why he had returned! We’re so happy for him.” We wish him all the very best and a big congratulations on winning division one!”

Storm and flood response update

COUNCIL would like to thank residents for their patience while we work through more than 200 requests for assistance following the severe thunderstorm in the shire last month.

The storm occurred on Friday 28 January, and resulted in flooding and damage that impacted a large number of properties across the Mount Alexander Shire.

Council crews are responding to the high volume of requests, and undertaking repairs to drainage, pathways and roads as part of the clean-up.

Mayor, Cr Bill Maltby, thanked local emergency service teams and Council officers for their swift response during the storms, and acknowledged that the severe weather event impacted many members of the community.

“We know this is a very stressful time and our thoughts are with everyone who’s been impacted by the storms,” said Mayor Maltby.

“Our teams are out in our community working through requests for help – clearing drains and pits, and working as fast as possible to clean up,” said Mayor Maltby.

“We encourage you to report any damage as a result of the storm, but ask for your patience and understanding while we prioritise the work within our current resources.”

Along with Council, response groups included Victorian State Emergency Services, Country Fire Authority, Victorian Police, and Forest Fire Management Victoria.

“It’s really important people have their emergency plan ready. We are still in the summer season and potential

for fire, flood and storms remain a risk during this time of year,” said Mayor Maltby.

“Make sure you have a list of emergency numbers and an emergency kit ready.”

To help prepare for future floods, the SES has created a flood preparation guide which features simple and practical steps you can take to protect yourself, the people you love and the things you value most.

Do now – flood preparation:

- Check if your home and contents insurance covers flooding
- Keep a list of emergency numbers near the telephone
- Put together an emergency kit and prepare a home or business emergency plan – see ses.vic.gov.au for ideas.

When you hear a flood watch or weather warning:

- Listen to the radio and check the SES website for more information and advice
- Go over your emergency plan. Pack clothing and other extra items into your emergency kit and take this with you if you evacuate.

When flooding may happen soon (a flood warning):

- Make sure your family members and neighbours are aware of what is happening.
- Be ready to evacuate. Act early. Conditions change rapidly. Roads and escape routes can be covered or blocked. Don’t forget to take pets and medicine with you.

- Put household valuables and electrical items as high as possible.
- Turn off water, gas and electricity at the mains.
- Secure objects likely to float and cause damage. Raise chemicals and oils well above the forecast flood height.

During the flood:

- For emergency assistance call 132 500 for SES.
- Never drive, ride or walk through floodwater. This is the main cause of death during floods.
- Never allow children to play in floodwater. This is the main cause of death during floods for children and young people.
- Stay away from drains, culverts and waterways. Water can flow quickly with strong currents.
- Stay well clear of fallen trees, power lines and damaged buildings.

After the flood – recovery:

- If your property has been flooded, check with your local council for information and advice.
- Have all electrical and gas equipment professionally tested before use.

“We know from experience that residents who have a flood plan in place are better able to respond to, and recover from, emergencies. It’s something to consider now before we experience any further heavy rain this year,” said Mayor Maltby.

To find your local flood and flood preparation guide follow the links from ses.vic.gov.au/get-ready.

The great divide



JOSEPHINE Emery has been working on her EP for the last four years and is thrilled to finally be launching it at The Book Wolf this Friday 18 February at 6pm. The launch is just in time for her 75th birthday celebrations.

Josephine told the *Times* she comes from a musical family, whose idea of entertainment in the 1950s was sitting around playing music, her mum on the piano, her dad playing trumpet and Josephine on guitar.

“I grew up thinking practising was normal. In my late

teens, I shifted most of my energy into writing, although I still played in a few bands, all amateur stuff.

“Then five years ago I found I was unable to write. One day when I was driving along the coast I saw a sign for the Great Dividing Range. The minute I saw it lyrics started pouring down my head and kept coming all weekend.”

Josephine, who was born a man and has since transitioned into a woman, told the *Times* that voice was the hardest challenge of all.

“There are a lot of things you can change with surgery

and hormones, but not voice. I’ve realised I’m most powerful when I sing in my natural voice.

“The Great Divide is my gender transition song. It makes me feel powerful. A lot of people like it and thank me for it.

“My music is hard to define, folk, anti-folk, punk-folk, one of my friends said I was inventing my own genre, trans-folk,” Josephine laughs. “My songs, they’re not pub songs, they’re lyric-driven. Songs that need to be listened to.”

New rules for Central Victorian firewood collection areas

TO ensure local communities gain greater access to available firewood into the future, changes to firewood collection regulations on public land in Central Victoria will take effect on Tuesday 1 March 2022.

Under the new changes, firewood collection from designated areas in state forests within parts of Central Victoria will be restricted to residents of specific local shires.

Visitors from interstate and other parts of Victoria, will no longer be able to access firewood from state forests in Central Victoria.

Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMVic) Forest Planning Team Leader Amy Groch said the changes will maintain a more sustainable domestic firewood supply for local residents and communities in Central Victoria.

“While firewood is free to collect, supply is not unlimited. This means firewood needs to be managed

responsibly to ensure environmental sustainability,” Ms Groch said.

“These new restrictions have been introduced following extensive community consultation.

“We want to remind the community that firewood can only be taken from designated firewood collection areas in state forests during approved Autumn and Spring collection seasons, from 1 March to 30 June and from 1 September to 30 November, respectively.

“Designated firewood collection areas are selected for a range of reasons including the availability of firewood, community safety, and to protect sites of cultural and environmental significance.”

The permitted Local Government Areas who will have access to firewood from Central Victorian state forests are Buloke Shire Council, Campaspe Shire Council, Central Goldfields Shire Council, Gannawarra Shire Council, City of Greater

Bendigo, Greater Shepparton City Council, Hepburn Shire Council, Loddon Shire Council, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Mitchell Shire Council, Mt Alexander Shire Council, Northern Grampians Shire Council, Pyrenees Shire Council and Strathbogie Shire Council.

A list of the Central Victorian state forests with the new restrictions can be found at www.ffmpeg.vic.gov.au/firewood.

Restrictions are still in place for firewood collection near Cohuna. Only residents from Campaspe Shire Council, Gannawarra Shire Council, Loddon Shire Council and Swan Hill Rural City Council can collect from Gunbower State Forest.

Firewood collectors may be asked to prove their address when collecting firewood. An interactive map of designated firewood collection area locations will be available on Tuesday 1 March until 30 June at www.ffmpeg.vic.gov.au/firewood.

Maldon CFA report

AT 1.07pm on Friday 11 February Maldon Brigade was called to a wash-away as the result of an accident near the intersection of Bridgewater-Maldon Road and Golf Links Road.

The incident involved two motorbikes and a car,

it appears that there was a degree of road rage involved, wherein the car ran straight at one of the bikes running over it. The rider luckily was not harmed to any extent. The car decamped, Victoria Police attended and their investigation is ongoing.

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NIMROD COTTAGE circa 1800s ON BEAUTIFUL TEMPLETON STREET

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Historic Nimrod Cottage is one of a handful of original handmade brick miners cottages positioned on tree lined Templeton Street. This very pretty cottage is framed by a picket fence and leafy gardens on a private quarter acre (1,000m2) lot. Enjoyed by the current owner for 16 years as a weekender, Nimrod is in original condition and offers great character and space. The home features a front verandah entry, rear verandah with pergola-outdoor area and original semi-above ground stone cellar. The home has 2 double bedrooms, 2 sitting rooms with a wood fire, polished timber floors, and dine-in timber kitchen with old cast iron bread oven. There is a bathroom, laundry and toilet. The gardens offer a private space with room to extend or enhance, plus there is great shade from numerous deciduous and fruit trees. Nimrod is a special cottage, in a special locale that offers the shopping hub of town an easy 750m stroll away.

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Welshmans Reef
20 Dunn Lane

COUNTRY LIVING ON THE PRAIRIE - 10 ACRES AT WELSHMANS REEF

4 1 4

Atop of 10 acres of grazing with a spectacular outlook this country home features a brick facade and so much more. The generous outlook over a lake and central hallway, timber floors, double bedrooms with robes, a central bathroom and a study too. There is a very large lounge room with wood fireplace, and reverse cycle air, adjoining dining room and country kitchen with an outlook and meals area.



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Perfect for a down-sizer or investor, this fully maintained Brick Veneer unit with a leafy garden that is a great backyard, covered patio and a single lock up garage and direct access. The spacious living rooms with built-in robes, large bathroom with shower, separate toilet and a great laundry with excellent storage. The living space comprises a lounge sitting room, spacious dining-family area with reverse cycle air, adjoining kitchen.



Maldon
5 McIntyre Street

COTTAGE CHARMER WITH STUDIO, OUTDOOR LIVING & PRODUCTIVE GARDENS

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In quiet semi-rural surrounds, just minutes from the historic shopping precinct, this beautifully preserved and renovated home is a classic 1860s three red brick chimney house with a view stretching across the Beechworth town and Mt Tarrangower. The light and airy home features lounge and dining rooms both with open fire places, 2 double bedrooms, reverse cycle air to all main rooms.



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Normie Rowe returns

IT all started at the mesmerising Russell Morris concert the week before Christmas under the full moon at the Maldon Golf Club.

As the crowd was leaving the talk was all about, 'This is the best show you have ever done.' 'The best SteamPacket ever.' 'How good was Russell?' 'When will you have him back?'

And then a voice piped up, 'What about Normie Rowe, at Maldon station? That was a show to remember.' And it was. An all-electric band of super-players and the golden voice.

The discussion about which was the better show didn't stop for two weeks until Clif

had had enough and rang the man. Within a few minutes, Normie had eagerly booked himself for the same stage as Russell had played at the Golf Club, for Saturday, March 12.

So it's time to find out. 'Which was the better show?'

But they're both different men with different back-stories. And Normie's back-story is one of overcoming the bitterness of being set up by the Australian government in 1968, plucked from being

King of Pop to being drafted into the Army and thrown straight into battle in Vietnam. All to bolster a failing government.

That political move killed his pop career dead. He responded by throwing himself into musical theatre, film and television. He built an enviable reputation on the club circuit. His voice was always too good for pop music. Like in his big hit, 'It Ain't

Necessarily So,' from the opera, 'Porgy and Bess'.

It's a golden voice. A high tenor. And it comes with the rich overtones of a life lived hard and full. He's as much 'The Real Thing' as is Russell Morris.

Tickets \$40 at SteamPacket, 26 High Street or www.steampacket.com.au with 20 tickets at The Shop to be upgraded to the Priority area at the front of the stage.

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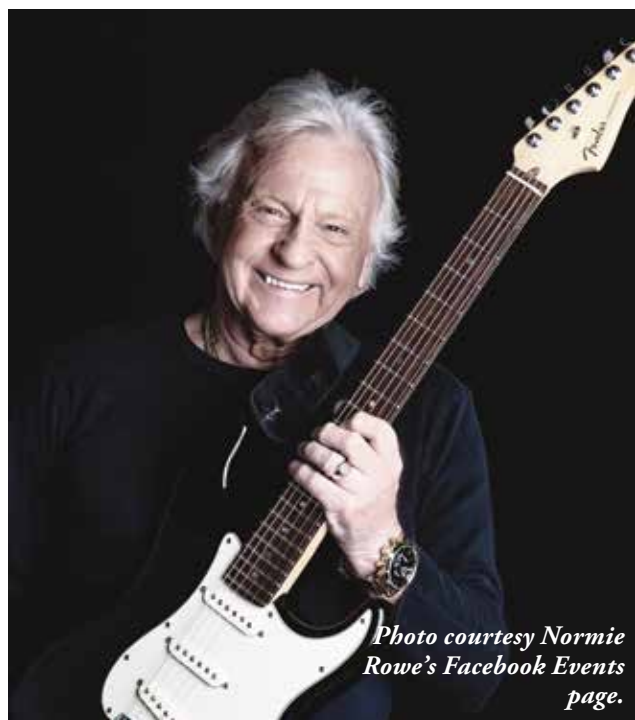


Photo courtesy Normie Rowe's Facebook Events page.

Tarrengower Prison rehabilitates 500th greyhound

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The GAP at Tarrengower Prison has been operating since 2009, two years after the program began at Dhurringile Prison, near Murchison, in 2007.

GRV provides food and veterinary care for the greyhounds and delivers weekly training for the prisoners, which was moved online due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Training and work programs play a vital role in

providing prisoners with new skills to assist with their rehabilitation and help reduce their risk of reoffending, while also boosting self-esteem - giving them the best chance of being productive members of the community when they're released.

Minister for Corrections Natalie Hutchins who visited the minimum-security women's prison on Monday to mark the major milestone said, "Rehabilitation and

reintegration programs play a vital role in helping to break the cycle of re-offending, and programs like this provide prisoners with new skills and a sense of pride.

"It has been great to see the bond between the prisoners and the greyhounds today. The dogs will now prosper as pets thanks to the Greyhound Adoption Program and the women who have been so dedicated to training them."

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Lifeguard shortage to impact final weeks of outdoor pool season



☆ To view the adjusted timetable of Maldon Swimming Pool see the Health & Fitness Directory on page 12.

DUE to lifeguard staffing issues, operating hours at Council’s outdoor swimming pools in Castlemaine, Harcourt, Maldon and Newstead will be adjusted for the remaining four weeks of the pool season.

Changes to hours of operation will be in place from Monday 14 February to the end of the pool season on Sunday 13 March.

Details of revised pool opening hours are:

- Weekends - all outdoor pools in Castlemaine, Harcourt, Maldon and

Newstead to open as per normal operating hours.

- Weekdays – each outdoor pool will be open at least two weekdays, allowing for programming such as Aqua Aerobics and lap swimming to take place.

In Maldon the aqua aerobics sessions will remain on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6pm but instead of lap swimming sessions there’ll be a lap lane in the pool at all times.

Maldon Swimming Pool will still have the end-of-season pool party on Sunday 27

February with lots of fun and food.

Mount Alexander Shire Council’s Acting Manager of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, Karen Evennett said the decision to adjust pool opening hours was unfortunate but necessary, given the current lifeguard staffing challenges experienced by our contract partner YMCA Victoria.

“Our outdoor swimming pools are much-loved and well-used by our communities, and we’ve been working in partnership with YMCA

Victoria to ensure pool opening hours remain unchanged this year,” said Ms Evennett.

“Unfortunately there’s a lack of available trained lifeguards in the region, which is also reflected in the wider aquatic and recreation industry at the moment.

“Staff levels have been reduced due to COVID-19, and now as schools and universities return, many of our existing staff are unavailable to work.”

“Water safety is always our highest priority, and we understand the expectation from our community for pools to be open as normal.

“The reality is that there isn’t enough staff to operate seven days a week across all townships, and to do so safely,” said Ms Evennett.

Council is encouraging community members with the relevant lifeguard qualifications who are interested in supporting the shire’s outdoor swimming pools to stay open to contact Council’s contract partner YMCA Victoria on 5446 9222 or to apply directly here adr.to/2uv3g.

To view the adjusted timetable of outdoor pool opening hours, visit mountalexander-pools.com.au.



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Letters to the Editor

Congratulations Tina

I’d like to express my public congratulations to Tina Fratta who was elected as the president of the Maldon Athenaeum Library at the recent AGM.

Tina has shown great versatility and dedication to the library over a number of years. The library has had some ‘ups and down’ during the past 12 months but I’m sure that if Tina is lucky enough to have, as talented and dedicated a team as I had during my long time as president, the Maldon Athenaeum Library will be in good hands for many years to come.

Joy Leneaux-Gale.

Field Bindweed

I moved to Maldon a year ago now. I have it (field bindweed), growing along the fence line of my property.... I have dug it up a few times. I have tried to poison (it) but up it shoots again, bastard stuff.

It must be happily growing under my new water tanks that are now in this area.

I know about the common Morning Glory, but had kinda dismissed this one as being a bit more benign. Wrong.

It’s such a pity it is so pretty as this will mean there are people who are resistant to treating it like a weed.

Rick Harvest

Lee Mead

for a year and learnt to speak Swedish.

"I'd always wanted to learn a language, but was always so busy with Maths and Science. It was great to be able to immerse myself in it. It was amazing living in a social-democratic country, women were treated so well. If a woman was raped in Sweden it would be front-page news - so different to Australia."

When Lee returned to Victoria, she went back to university to study science, now as a mature aged student. Majoring in genetics and psychology, she also completed her masters in cancer genetics.

"It's mind-boggling to me the technology these days. What used to take us days, now only takes them hours."

Lee was involved in various research projects at Peter Mac and Melbourne University and while she found it exciting to be in Melbourne, she felt she didn't belong there, a country girl at heart.

A few years earlier, on her return from Sweden, Lee met her partner Jan at a lab where they were both working. The pair have now been together for 35 years. When I asked what the key to a successful long term relationship is Lee said, "We like the same things. We're both active, both love camping, skiing and we've been on so many cycling holidays it's not funny. We're just...compatible - well, most of the time," Lee laughs.

Lee (who still longed for the country) and Jan (born and bred in Brunswick) bought a house in Castlemaine in 2000 and would spend most weekends there, before moving permanently.

Both women were ready to leave Science and saw an ad for the Chewton Post Office and thought, "how hard can it be to sell stamps, we're both scientists." They decided against buying the business, but when the Maldon Post Office came up for sale they decided to go for it.

"It was such a steep learning curve. There was so much to learn; passports, banking and water tokens. We were so naive. We worked harder than we'd ever worked in our lives,

"It was the best way to move into a country town. People were so welcoming. We'd been concerned about how it would go because we were a same-sex couple. There were a few oldies who thought we were sisters. Actually, we'd get asked so often if we were twins!

"The first few years we were absolutely flat out. We hadn't expected that we would have a certain standing in the community. But we were too busy at first to be very involved. Gradually we started joining

groups. I learnt growing up in the country that if you want something done, you have to do it yourself or if someone else needs something done, you help.

"We were at the post office for six and a half years. But it was tiring, we were both too old - we'd turned 50. There are a lot of heavy parcels! We sold to Brooke and Leon. When we first sold we moved to Castlemaine - too many people knew us as the Post Office girls. But we found we were coming back to Maldon most days anyway. We've now built our own house here, which we designed. We're here to stay. We love it."

Lee is a very active member of the Maldon community,

heavily involved in the Swimming Pool and the Cactus Warriors, amongst other things.

"I've always been a greenie. I used to come to a boyfriend's house on Mountback Road in the 80s, we'd camp and I never saw any wheel cactus. Now when you see what it's like - it's unbelievable. I don't think it'll ever be gone, but we need to keep a lid on it, particularly with the help of property owners.

"I love volunteer work, I really care about health and wellbeing and doing volunteer work is so healthy, especially outdoors. It gives people a sense of self-satisfaction."

Entries open for the COscars Youth Film Festival



☆ Get your film entries in before 20 March.

CALLING young budding filmmakers! Here's a chance to kick off your film career.

Entries are now open for the third COscars Youth Film Festival, a short film competition for filmmakers aged eight to 25 years.

Films can be anywhere up to 10 minutes, with seven categories open to different age groups.

Cash prizes of \$50 to \$150 are up for grabs and the organisers at the Mount Alexander Shire Council's Youth Advisory Group (YAG) said the competition would be keen.

"This is our local version of the Oscars and we're looking

for action, comedy, drama, stop motion, animation and anything in-between," YAG member Billy Lister said.

"This is a great opportunity for young people to get their films in front of audiences so if you're young, live in Central Victoria and fancy yourself as a filmmaker, or just like experimenting with your phone camera or something more sophisticated, then get cracking."

Categories are:

1. Snapshot (runtime less than or equal to one minute):

8-13 years

14-18 years

18-25 years

2. Short (runtime between one and five minutes):

8-13 years

14-18 years

18-25 years

3. Short Film (runtime between 5 and 10 minutes):

14-25 years

Entries are open now and close at midnight on Sunday 20 March.

Winning films and a selection of entries will be screened at the COscars Youth Film Festival on Friday 8 April in Castlemaine.

For entry forms and guidelines visit mountalexandershireyouth.com.au, the Castlemaine Library and Castlemaine Secondary College reception.

To find out more, call Council's Youth Development Unit on 5471 1700 or email youth@mountalexander.vic.gov.au.

To stay up to date with youth events, activities and training opportunities, follow the team on Facebook @MountAlexanderShireYouth or on Instagram @mountalexandershire_youth.

BORN and bred in the Mallee in a tiny town called Underbool in the 1950s and 60s, Lee had what she describes as a healthy and simple childhood, growing up outdoors.

"It became so much a part of me," said Lee. "My parents were wheat farmers and I loved going out with dad. I would sit in the wheat bin, with wheat pouring over me. It was so hot and dry. We ran sheep too so I'd spend time rounding up the sheep or going bushwalking and riding my bike in the bush.

"It was a very sexist, very racist and homophobic town. I knew I was a feminist from the moment I was born. My mother would treat my brother so differently to me and my sister. I couldn't understand why he didn't have to do the dishes.

"At high school, girls had to do cooking and sewing classes. I hated it."

After high school, Lee moved to Melbourne and enrolled in a Bachelor of Science, but she left before the end of

the first year to earn money as a clerk for Telecom.

"I just wanted to have fun. Then I started backpacking. I went to Britain first, this was in the 70s, it was so much fun. I worked in a pub in Scotland for a summer in the Highlands and travelled to Turkey, which was such an eye-opener. There were no women on the street, men would accost me, so my Canadian boyfriend and I pretended to be married. It was really very scary, but exciting at the same time. We stayed in Turkey for three months and then went to Canada. By this stage, I'd been travelling for 18 months and was getting very homesick. Travel does so much for your appreciation of where you come from."

On her return to Australia in 1980 Lee moved to Bendigo and began her science career, working in a lab at the Victorian Agriculture Department as a technical assistant. She lived in Bendigo for five years while saving to travel again. During her second round of travelling, Lee lived in Sweden

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ALISA Burdett, Maldon Primary School Acting Principal said, "Welcome to the 2022 school year at Maldon Primary School."

The start of the year always includes our 'Start Up' program, where routines are set; expectations and school values are discussed and agreed on; and staff and students spend some time to get to know each other. We have lots of exciting things planned for the year and we look forward to sharing our work and progress with the readers of the *TT Echo* Page."



☆ Will, Oliver, Liam and Dean working on their drama skit (Grade 3/4 class).



☆ Koebi, Blake and Bjorn enjoying creating drama skits for the class in Performing Arts (Grade 3/4 class).



☆ The Grade 5/6 students, Chloe, Evi and Isla learning Japanese.



☆ Nash and Archie (Grade 2/3 class) love reading sessions.



☆ Seth, Wilbur, Olivia and Moirah building a tower during Start Up Week team building activities.



☆ Isobelle (Grade 1) reading in the daily Literacy Block.



☆ Addi, Nicholas and Freycie creating their 'All About Me' portraits in Visual Arts (Grade 2/3 class).



☆ Darien (Grade 2) participating in getting to know you activities in Visual Arts.

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Letter to the Editor



'Bus shelters' for netball court and football ground

Anyone walking on or near the Bill Woodfull recreation area recently will have noticed two coaches' boxes have disappeared and now larger foundations are in their place. The netball shelter was demolished last Friday. The Shire's Active Communities Team Leader informed me that longer shelters were needed, six metres for each building on the oval and the netball courts' shelter was to be lengthened and moved away from the court and closer to the street. All that made sense. But I was astonished to hear the replacements would not look similar. Instead, they will look like 'bus shelters', the aesthetics being the 'preference of the stakeholders'. The black powder-coated frames are apparently thought to match the low black boundary cyclone-wire fence. The

netball shelter is to be perspex and the Team Leader believes the footy ground's shelters are also perspex. It saddens me that 'stakeholders', including the Shire, ignore the uniqueness of the Bill Woodfull recreation area. Surely there is a better option of design and building materials that serve the same purpose, respect heritage values and enhance the recreation area which is situated in such a unique and magnificent heritage site. Such inappropriate structures, I believe, make a mockery of the aim and investment in the Streetscape Revitalisation Project. The decision-makers perhaps need us to remind them of this project and their role in maintaining Maldon's uniqueness. I hope the Shire and the stakeholders reconsider their plans and construct shelters that respect Maldon's heritage values. Barbara Browne

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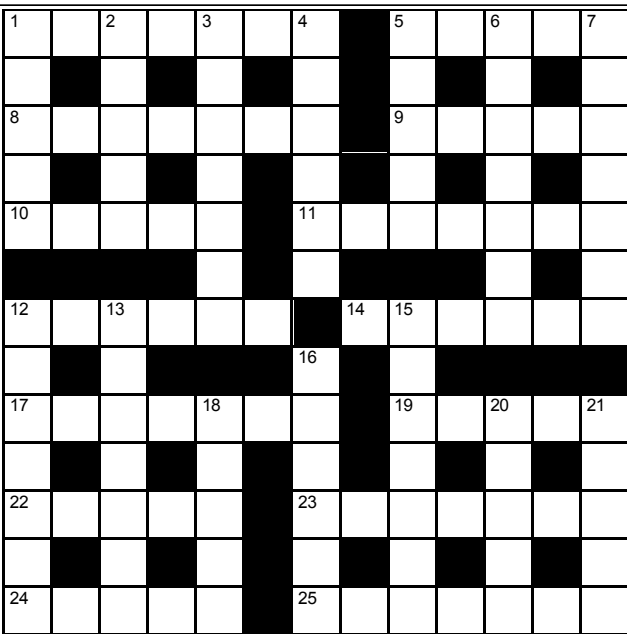
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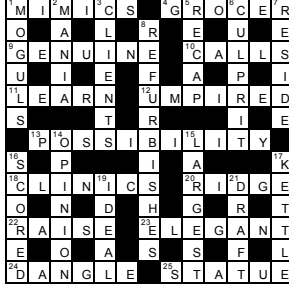
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How We Love: Notes on a Life by Clementine Ford

A deeply personal exploration of love in all its forms from a feminist icon and best-selling author of *Fight Like a Girl* and *Boys Will Be Boys*.

There is love in this place, just like there is love everywhere we care to look for it. There is beauty and there is hope and there is a boy and there is a mother and there is the past and there is the future but most importantly there is the now, and everything that exists between them that has got them from one moment to the next.

Apples Never Fall by Liane Moriarty

If your mother was missing, would you tell the police? Even if the most obvious suspect was your father?

The Delaneys are fixtures in their community. The parents, Stan, and Joy are the envy of all their friends. They're killers on the tennis court, and off it their chemistry is palpable. But after 50 years of marriage, they've finally sold their famed tennis academy and are ready to start what should be the golden years of their lives. So why are Stan and Joy so miserable?

Well Hello: Meanderings from the world of Chat 10 Looks 3

by Annabel Crabb & Leigh Sales

In 2014, two of Australia's most high-profile journalists sat at a kitchen table, hit record on a phone and started a rambling conversation that's still going on (and on). From books to TV, music to cooking, friendship to films, there's little cultural terrain Annabel Crabb and Leigh Sales haven't traversed in their oddly named but nonetheless wildly popular podcast *Chat 10 Looks 3*.

Thanks to Goodreads for the reviews.

The Maldon Athenaeum Library Team

New library committee



☆ The newly elected committee for the Maldon Athenaeum library. Front Row: Jean Wyldbore Treasurer, Tina Fratta President, Brenda Shingles Secretary. Back Row: Ross Hinkley Vice President, Desiree Lammerts, Fiona Farley, and Suzette Phillips committee members.

ON Tuesday 8 February the Maldon Athenaeum Library held its 2022 AGM and voted in a new volunteer committee of management.

This committee oversees the running of the library and supports a team of approximately 30 volunteers who help to keep the library open and operating.

The Athenaeum has been providing a voluntary library service to the people of

Maldon and surrounds since 1863, that's 159 years, not a bad effort really.

We always welcome new members and new volunteers, so come and say hello. We are open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 2pm-4pm Saturdays 9.30am to 12pm and market day Sundays from 10am to 1pm. You can contact us on maldonathenaeumlibrary@gmail.com.

Tina Fratta

IMT - In Maldon Today Radio Program



TUNE in today when Peter Christen from Panacea Estate winery and vineyard is our guest; Nancy and Mike will be asking alcoholic questions and don't be alarmed if at some stage that spiritual drunkard Des Dodgy makes an entrance.

Last Friday was another guestless day. KS (see photo) and EC managed to talk their way through the many happenings in Maldon ranging from the Maldon Portrait Prize and the resumption of MGM's movie program to the sad loss of musician Mick O'Connor and the repair, at last, to the road on the corner of Spring and Chapel

Streets. KS played a wonderful selection of works by local musicians and there was a brief studio takeover from a 1960s DJ who treated us to the early music of the Kinks and Pink Floyd.

Next Friday local musician Steve Howard meets agile Alison and loquacious Loz on IMT. We are also hoping to have State MP Maree Edwards pop in for a political update.

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Mike Smythe

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB WE ARE BACK.....!!



It seems to have been a long time since we gathered for our regular Bridge afternoons at the Maldon Hotel, and happily we announce, 'We Are Back'!

How pleasing it was to see our friends return with smiling faces, eager to catch up on each other's 'happenings' over the past weeks. Many a tale was told and of course, lamenting the current situation of the ever-concerning COVID problems that are affecting so many lives and businesses. Quite a few players have been playing on-line and when able, journeyed to Bendigo or Castlemaine to join in the groups there to keep their hand in. Doing well by viewing the results against all comers.

As everyone settled down to the tables, which were strategically placed at social distancing requirements, the draw was announced by Danny. There were four tables and 18 boards in play and we had to be mindful of our partnership numbers so that

we could check the direction, from the card advice on the table, to make sure we moved to the correct table for the next round. All seemed to go well and it was 'game on'.

The final scores were quickly computed by Danny and revealed a fairly close result for the afternoon. In first place was the strong partnership of the two Jo's, Newstead Jo and Maldon Jo with 50 points. There was an equal second between Judy Mac and Danny along with Werner and Ken with 47 points each. Sandy and Mark were fourth with 41 points.

Our usual afternoon tea break is always welcome and we thoroughly enjoyed the delicious, freshly cut and filled sandwiches which were prepared for us by Sherrie and her fellow helpers. A big thank you once again to the Maldon Hotel team.

We look forward to meeting again next week and hopefully a few of the 'sickies' will be able to return and enjoy the afternoon followed by a social get-together drink at the end of play.

Whatever your age group or skills please feel free to join us each Thursday from 12.45 pm to 4.30 pm to help us in our endeavour to USE IT OR LOSE IT
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To download the application form and to find out more visit bit.ly/PheeBroadwayTheatre or email arts@mountalexander.vic.gov.au.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

NEIGHBOURS, BUT NOT GOOD FRIENDS

In the 1870s the Yellands lived in Church Street. They did not get on with their neighbours, particularly the Hosking family. On Thursday 7 October 1875 some of this animosity came out in three cases in the Maldon Court of Petty Sessions.

In the first case, John Elliott charged Mrs Mary Yelland with assaulting his four-year-old daughter, Zoe. Adelaide Hosking, a young girl, gave evidence that she saw Mrs Yelland beat Zoe with a stick. She also told the Court that Mrs Yelland called Zoe a 'stinking lousy little wretch'. Mrs Yelland's solicitor said that his client had constantly suffered annoyance and stone-throwing from the Hosking and Elliott children. Other witnesses supported Mrs Yelland's claim that she only hit the child with a light vine cutting.

William Yelland, on his wife's behalf, then charged William Hosking with breaching the peace. Mrs Yelland said that after she refused to give the Elliott and Hosking girls flowers from her garden one of them had called her a 'lame old bitch'. It was only then that she struck young Elliott with a cutting. Hosking then came out of his house and abused and threatened her. Mrs Yelland said she had a weak heart and her condition was exacerbated by the children's constant annoyance.

John Elliott, giving evidence for William Hosking, said the worst he had heard Hosking say about Mrs Yelland was that she was a 'damned liar'. Hosking said in his own defence that he had lived in Maldon for 21 years and this was the first time he had appeared in Court. After all the evidence was heard, William Yelland said he was sorry to charge his neighbour and if Hosking apologised he would withdraw the charge. In the final case, Yelland charged Mrs Letitia Elliott with using abusive language towards his wife.

The Magistrate dismissed the first and third cases. On the second case, he criticised all concerned for their unneighbourly behaviour. He then ordered William Hosking not to molest the Yellands and ordered him to pay two guineas cost.

Relations between the Yellands and Hoskings did not improve. In March 1876 William Yelland applied to the Court to order the Hosking family to keep the peace.

Ann Laura Yelland said that, while in her garden with her friend Mary Truran, Adelaide Hosking had started throwing gravel at them and called Truran 'a drunken Ballarat wretch and a streetwalker'. After other neighbours testified that they had seen Adelaide Hosking throwing stones, Magistrate Thomas Heron censured Hosking for not keeping his children under control. He then fined Hosking 5s plus costs.

Mary Truran also brought a charge against Adelaide Hosking, which the Hoskings' solicitor conceded at the outset. Hosking was fined a further 2s 6d with additional costs. The *Tarrangower Times* reported that the families' conduct was 'a most abominable annoyance to the neighbourhood'.

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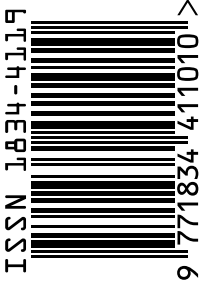
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MUCKLEFORD CRICKET REPORT



☆ Muckleford Cricket under 13.

IMPORTANT games for all teams over the weekend as different grades jostle for ladder positions.

A Grade travelled to Maiden Gully, in hopes of maintaining second position on the ladder.

Bowling first, Maiden Gully started slowly but was able to accelerate in the back end of the innings to finish up on 5/159.

Brett Cole was the pick of the bowlers with 2/14 with 2 wickets also to John Watson. In reply, much like Maiden Gully, it was a slow start and it was very much an even game at 5/110 with 10 overs to go. However, an unbroken 62 run stand between Brett Cole (55*) and Hadley Bassett (21*) saw us home with 11 balls to spare.

Daniel Peckham was the other batsman to pass 20 with 22. Despite the win, A Grade dropped to third just behind second on percentage.

A Reserve hosted Maiden Gully in a battle for second position.

Bowling first, Maiden Gully got off to a slow start, however a 91 3rd wicket

partnership saw them end up on 4/178. Asher Butcher was the only multiple wicket taker finishing with 2/32. In reply, it was a horror start being 7/58 at one stage. Asher Butcher (34) and James Cole (32*) added some respectability with A Reserve ending their allotted overs on 9/155. The loss sees A Reserve probably forfeit their chance of finishing second, however the teams on fourth and fifth are right on their tails.

The Maroon B Grade team hosted Castlemaine Gold at North Muckleford.

Despite a solid opening partnership of 56 between Toby Chapple (25) and Lachlan Coulthard (27), a collapse of 6/39 saw us in trouble at 6/95.

A super 7th wicket partnership of 89 between Ben Rossiter (31*) and Ian Bracken (52*) saw us end with a healthy score of 6/184. With the ball, Castlemaine Gold were never in the hunt after early wickets and were bowled out for 100. Chris Edwards led the way with 5/20. The win consolidates their position in the finals to be in second place.

The Gold B Grade headed to Harcourt in a very important game.

Batting first, only one batsman made it to double figures with Matt McEachran leading the way with 27 as we were bowled out for a disappointing 82. However, a superb bowling performance saw us get back into a winning position having Harcourt 9/72. Unfortunately, we couldn't quite get the last wicket as Harcourt were able to pass us with 16 balls to spare. Harry

Harvey (3/10) and Fionn Kennedy (3/10) led the way with the ball with Dave Edmonds chiming in with 2 wickets. The loss sees the Gold team drop to third position on the ladder.

The Under 16s were defending 86 against Harcourt.

Harcourt were able to pass our Under 16s only 1 wicket down as they ended their innings on 3/176. The wicket takers were Elliot Haywood, Jack McLeod and Seth Gross. The loss sees us in third position with one round to go.

The Under 13s squared off against each other.

The Maroon team batted first and did a great job in posting 120. Seth Gross top

scored with 30, with Auzzie Webster contributing with 7.

Miles Crilly led the way with 3 wickets, with 2 wickets apiece to James Peace, Tom Hamilton, Abe Isdale, Luca Venn and Jonah Edmonds.

In reply the Gold team proved a bit too strong posting 162. Tom Hamilton top scored with 19, with Abe Isdale (14), Theo McEachran (12) Miles Crilly (11), Francis Walls (11) and Jonah Edmonds (10) batting well. Cullen Foreman bowled extremely well taking 5/8, with Martha Gross taking 3 wickets. It was extremely pleasing to see, from our club's point

of view, six female players participating in the game.

Next Rounds Fixture – February 19

A Grade @ vs Newstead @ Mapson & Timmins Oval

A Reserve @ Newstead

B Grade Maroon vs Newstead @ North Muckleford

B Grade Gold @ Taradale

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Under 13 Gold vs Harcourt

@ Old Muckleford

Under 13 Maroon @

Newstead

Brett Cole

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However, the final score was a draw of 17 each. An amazing result with Maldon winning 13 of the 21 ends.

Kevin Simpson was filling in as skipper in team two and the team with Karen, Phil, and Dean played well. After 17 ends the score was even at 15 all, however they had a loss by 6 shots. The final score was 16 to 22.

Peter Sedgwick's team of Charlie, Sean and Ellen won 30 to 13. The team won 12 of the 21 ends. A terrific result by the team.

Remember that tonight, Friday 18, is the Community BBQ at the Club. Starting time 5.30pm and it's family friendly. See you there.

Good Bowling all.

Peter Sedgwick

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TENNIS REPORT



☆ Section 3 - Henry Carr.

THE season is drawing to an end for the junior Maldon teams. We only have one more week of the season to play with both teams playing in the finals.

Maldon Section 3 (Henry Carr, Arlen Hercott Atkinson, Archie Curran and Maggie Walmsley) played at Castlemaine this week. It was a fast and furious event with players

moving quickly through their singles and doubles games. Unfortunately we didn't come out with a win but everyone tried their best and had a great morning. Junior 1s are improving every week and it is great to see our younger players really enjoying the game and giving it a go!

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