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Raising funds to fight depression, post traumatic stress and suicide

On Saturday 10 September Maldon's CFA Captain, Sean McCubbin, and 600 other firefighters and emergency services personnel will be climbing the 28 floors of Crown Metropol Hotel to raise funds for mental health.

Participants will be wearing 25kgs of turnout gear and breathing apparatus as they climb the steps for the ninth annual Melbourne Firefighter Stair Climb, which aims to break down the stigma around mental health, and be a leader in the emergency services community in the mental health space.

"It's one big family for a cause," said Captain McCubbin. "Members of all the emergency services family, joining together for an important cause, whether it be for personal experience or a professional work-life experience."

It is hoped this year's stair climb will raise \$600,000 to help improve services, fund research and remove stigma by supporting Lifeline, Fortem and the 000 Foundation.

Each year the Melbourne Firefighter Stair Climb helps to raise awareness of mental health issues such as: depression, post traumatic stress injury (PTSI) and suicide, particularly as it relates to those within the emergency service and defence communities. Over 65,000 Australians attempt to take their own life every year, and suicide rates in defence, emergency services and protective services is significantly elevated compared to other occupations. For each life lost to suicide, the impacts are felt by up to 135 people, including family, friends, work

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Above: Each month local CFA's from Maldon, Chewton, Harcourt, Castlemaine and Campbells Creek host a training exercise.

Left: In September Maldon CFA Captain, Sean McCubbin, will be completing his 6th Melbourne Firefighter's Stair Climb to raise money for depression, PTSI and suicide. More photos on the TT website.

Photos courtesy Stephen Cranby.



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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. Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve.

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

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD MORNINGS from 10am MNC Community garden.

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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](http://www.maldonnc.org.au/community-bus/) full timetable [www.maldonnc.org.au](http://www.maldonnc.org.au/community-bus/) full timetable [www.maldonnc.org.au](http://www.maldonnc.org.au/community-bus/) full timetable 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.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

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

EVERY FRIDAY

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

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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SUNDAY 31 JULY

TARRANGOWER CACTUS CONTROL COMMUNITY FIELD DAY, a few kms north of Maldon in Baringhup Road. Beginning at 10.30am and ending with a BBQ. Contact via the website which includes a location map www.cactuswarriors.org.

WEDNESDAY 3 AUGUST

ART LOVERS, 9.30am–3pm. Join others on an artful daytrip, taking in galleries and the occasional studio. Heading to Ballarat, cost \$20. Book: 5475 2093, info@maldonnc.org.au

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

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With funds raised from sales at the shop, the Maldon Lions Club run the yearly Carols by Candlelight for the residents of Maldon and always give generously to the local community by supporting the annual Easter Parade.

Like many businesses in town, the Lions Club Op-Shop has had a difficult couple of years and is struggling to make ends meet, so pop down and have a look and support those that support our town.

Open Tuesday to Sunday from 10am-2pm at shop 2 at 8 High Street.

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colleagues and first responders at time of death.

The Melbourne Firefighter Stair Climbers are inviting friends and supporters of the emergency services community to join the climb virtually and collectively climb a 'million steps for mental health,' by climbing at least 3,139

steps in a month, beginning 10 August and concluding 10 September.

Whether it be your back steps, some stairs at the local park or even a milk crate in the lounge room, the Melbourne Firefighter Stair Climbers urge you to 'step up'.

Visit: www.firefighterclimb.org.au for more information or to donate.

It's time to step up!



☆ Are you interested in preserving Maldon's history? Become a Trustee of the Maldon Cemetery and help keep this important asset in local hands.

AT a recent Maldon Cemetery Trust meeting, Trustee Adrian Hughes announced his resignation. Ian Grenda and two other long-term Trustees, Bill and Barrie McKnight, will be resigning at the AGM on August 17. Their reasons are varied, and we thank them for their support over the years of their tenure. But what happens next will depend on your response to this article.

Thanks mainly to Ian Grenda and Robbie Stockfeld, the office side of the cemetery is now manageable. Ian and a handful of volunteers have done a great job of tidying up the grounds and extending both the lawn and memorial areas. All work by Ian and Robbie has been voluntary, with no financial compensation sought by either of them, we owe it to them to keep things running smoothly.

But we need help!

Unless we can attract several new trustees who are willing to take on some of the tasks required, there are really only two options:

- Find another Trust prepared to take on our cemetery.
- Hand the running of the cemetery to the shire.

Neither option is ideal and either could take up to 12 months to accomplish. What happens in the interim, I'm not certain.

The Maldon Cemetery Trust AGM is scheduled for Wednesday, August 17 at the Cemetery, commencing at 1.30pm. Please give this matter serious consideration.

For further information please contact Christine Fitzgerald on 0419 347 408 or ckfitz5@bigpond.com.

Paper price rise

WHILE the Times is aware many people are struggling with the rising cost of living; petrol prices skyrocketing, rent and mortgages higher than ever before, and lettuce prices making the greenery available to only the most wealthy, we have to advise that we, like many other papers, are having to increase the cost of our paper.

Largely due to a rise in paper costs, we will have to increase the cost of the paper to \$1.90 as of Friday 5 August. This is the first price rise since January 2016.

We thank our loyal readers for their understanding and continued support and look forward to providing you with your weekly news, events and information.

Wheel Cactus knows no boundaries



☆ Neighbours treating a Wheel Cactus infestation together near Maldon.

THE most common manner that Wheel Cactus plants spread is by birds.

They love to eat the juicy, purple fruit, each containing hundreds of seeds, their beaks protecting them from the prickles. The birds then fly off to sit in a tree and digest their meal. But 'the grass is always greener on the other side of the fence' and they often perch in a tree on the next-door property. Then before they leave, they excrete the seeds under the neighbour's tree.

This means, unfortunately, that Wheel Cactus plants don't stop spreading when they reach the boundary fence. Inevitably, the best way to combat this problem is by communities working together, with neighbours offering a helping hand to clear each other's properties of Wheel Cactus infestations. To make things easier, the Tarrangower Cactus Control Group can loan you the injecting and digging equipment, and will even come out to advise how best to destroy this noxious weed.

Or come along to our next Community Field Day on Sunday 31 July where we'll demonstrate how to destroy Wheel Cactus. The location this month is a property a few kms north of Maldon in Baringhup Road, just after the turn-off from Bridgewater Road (the route will be signposted). The morning's activities begin at 10.30am and end with an enjoyable BBQ and friendly chat. If you have any queries, please contact us via our website at www.cactuswarriors.org where you'll also find a location map. Children are welcome but must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

Lee Mead

Joint effort to rescue man stuck in trench

MALDON CFA was called to an incident on Sunday 24 July at 4.21pm in High Street, where a gentleman had fallen into a shallow trench and was unable to get out.

Maldon T1, Pumper, SES, Police and Ambulance attended to assist. Newstead was initially paged, however was not required and returned to base.

Brigade members stayed with him until paramedics arrived. He was not moved until assessed by the paramedics. He was suffering with significant pain in his left hand-side. The patient was lifted from the trench at 5.05pm and transported by ambulance to hospital. The brigade wishes the gentleman the best in his recovery.

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Heritage and Planning in Maldon: a brief retrospect by Malcolm Crick

IN last week's edition of the *Times* (Friday 22 July) we published the first part of a three-part series; **Heritage and Planning in Maldon: a brief retrospect by Malcolm Crick**, first published in the *TT* in August 2001.

Below and right is the second part of the series, which explores what defines 'heritage', particularly in relation to the township of Maldon, an issue that has been hotly debated for at least the past 21 years.

Were you one of the residents that was involved in the 2001 debate? Write to editor@tarrangowertimes.com.au and let us know your thoughts on preserving Maldon's heritage.

Heritage & Planning in Maldon

Continuing Malcolm Crick's article which the *Times* began last week, Malcolm goes on to discuss Maldon as a 'Guinea Pig' for early Heritage conservation and planning controls - in the early stages of Maldon's becoming 'notable', it was very much a matter of outsiders imposing their expert and external values. Today, the label which would be given to Maldon is the very much less impressive 'urban conservation zone', of which there are, of course, many around the state. Heritage has, in fact, moved on quite considerably over the past forty years.

THERE were attempts to involve the community of Maldon as a whole and the Maldon Shire Council, but they were not very successful. Even had the majority of Shire Councillors at the time been more forward looking, it would have proven completely beyond their collective abilities to undertake the necessary specialist work. For what Maldon ended up with in 1973 was not simply a 'planning scheme', but what, for the time, was the most detailed of any such schemes applied to a locality where the conservation of heritage was a prime concern. History was literally being made. This is perhaps Maldon's real claim to fame: she was the 'guinea pig' community for which modern, detailed conservation legislation was first worked out then applied.

Some of the elderly residents of Maldon will recall that the 1970's were troubled times for a small country town that had previously pretty much been left to itself. Property owners had to get used to the fact that there were now in force strict regulations about roof pitches, paint colours, fence styles, signage, and so on. For many, what had always been their own business was now a complex and often time-consuming bureaucratic process. Disaffection was so great over

the sheer weight of all of the planning controls that in 1973 the Shire Council even voted for the National Trust to remove its 'Notable Town' classification so that the townsfolk could, once again, take control of their own affairs. It was, indeed, a time of great conflict, partly because Maldon was, as said, a 'guinea pig' in the history of heritage planning; she was the first community in Australia to experience such planning pressures.

Things did improve with time, and most townsfolk gradually came to terms with all of the controls. It might be the case that the regulations first time around were a little too tough. It is certain that things could have been done better. When the National Trust plaque was conferred on the so-called 'Penny School' Rodney Davidson, President of the National Trust publicly admitted some errors. Miles Lewis, whose work in Maldon in 1964 as an architecture student partly led to the official involvement of the National Trust, spoke about how Maldon hated him when he launched The Essential Maldon here in 1983. But, as said, things did improve. By the end of the 1970's Maldon not only had its own Heritage Advisor (Nigel Lewis), a first for Australia, it also had a Restoration Fund which provided cheap loans to home owners wanting to maintain their homes properly. This Fund, again, was a first for Australia. With both funding available and free expert advice, plus the changes which took place in the Shire Council's outlook from the late 1970's onwards, the issue of planning to protect heritage settled down considerably, although there were always one or two particular cases in the air which caused ructions. During this time also, the

Shire Council became the administrator of all of the planning provisions which covered the commercial heart of the town as well as the rural zones; earlier on the Shire had been allowed to deal only with the latter whilst the Board itself, advised by the National Trust had handled the urban heritage precinct, thus perpetuating the grievance of many locals that they were being dictated to by Melbourne.

There is no doubt that Nigel Lewis, the first Heritage Advisor, saw to it that the principles enshrined in the Maldon Planning Scheme were not compromised. Money from the Restoration Fund was used wisely and dilapidated homes were returned to a much better condition, but still in keeping with proper heritage considerations. Through the 1980's, too, the Shire Planning Subcommittee, working with Bill Moore, the Shire Engineer, saw to it that the very considerable number of planning applications were vetted in accordance with the strictures of the Maldon Planning Scheme. If Maldon today still displays an ambience of unaffected historical authenticity, it is largely due to the efforts of such individuals. No doubt there were some serious battles along the way, but few residents are likely to look back now, I suspect, and suggest that it would have been better had the National Trust and the Town and Country Planning Authority never taken an interest in Maldon.



☆ Issues regarding the heritage and planning of Maldon township have been hotly debated since at least 2001.

What of the situation today? Much has changed, of course. The Shire of Maldon no longer exists, and, because of that, the Maldon Planning Scheme, which went through a number of amendments and revisions between 1973 and 1999, no longer exists. The 1996 'Maldon Design Guidelines' are formally incorporated into the Mount Alexander Planning Scheme, but otherwise, Maldon is only one short 'local section' out of many covered by the scheme, and much of the 'heritage overlay' which applies to Maldon applies elsewhere, and is based upon state-wide criteria. In a planning and heritage sense, then, much of the uniqueness of Maldon has now disappeared, although we should add, in this context, that this is partly because many of the guidelines first enacted at Maldon have since become commonplace. Maldon's historical importance, in that regard, is in no way diminished, for Maldon truly is the gestation place of much of the heritage legislation which now applies around the state.

The ongoing protection of Maldon's heritage is clearly important, and thus the community cannot afford to ignore the sense, expressed over the past few weeks by several people in the community, that perhaps our standards are slipping, that heritage has been 'watered down', that perhaps it is easier now than it was before to ignore the raft of protective devices that exist, that something should be done to remind residents and visitors alike of the controls which apply in the township. If the Maldon Planning Scheme has gone, of course, the Maldon Historic Reserve is still intact, with its stewardship now officially being in the hands, not of the Commons Managers, but of Parks Victoria, which like other government bodies has to try to meet its objectives under conditions of chronic budgetary restraint. Local landcare groups, the Maldon Heritage Advisory Committee, and so on, working collaboratively with Parks Victoria is possibly the best way to retain some local 'ownership' of the active management processes in place in the woodlands and mining sites which surround the town.

But who is nowadays responsible for maintaining Maldon's urban heritage? Clearly one body with central responsibility

is the Shire of Mount Alexander itself, under whose planning scheme the township of Maldon now falls. All Council staff, whether in the engineering, public works or town planning sections, should be apprised of what heritage values Maldon represents. Maldon still has its own Heritage Advisor, now one of a handful employed by various councils around the state, and he also has a role in seeing that, after the heartache of a previous generation coming to terms with rigorous local planning rules, the present inhabitants of Maldon do not lower their guard. The Maldon Heritage Advisory Committee also has a clear role to inform the local community, to watch over developments in the town, and to insist that the Shire meets its obligations under the current planning scheme. That committee still administers a Maldon Restoration Fund, so cheap finance is still available to residents who may find some difficulty, without assistance, in maintaining their homes properly. Beyond these particular bodies, however, there is a more diffuse responsibility for protecting Maldon's heritage which lies with all of the residents of the town and all of the visitors to the town. Heritage is something we necessarily hold in trust for the nation as well as for locals and in that sense the answer to the question: 'Who is responsible for protecting our heritage?' is easy. The answer is: all of us.

Whilst some issues are answered simply, it will not do to pretend that matters to do with heritage, conservation, planning controls, and the like, are not sometimes very complex indeed. Past episodes of divisive strife within Maldon itself is more than sufficient evidence of that fact. One complexity derives from the fact that heritage grows because history does not stand still. And naturally, if heritage is what we particularly value from the past, of course, different ages value different things. Maldon has done well to preserve the Beehive site, the North British, the Government Battery, and similar mining sites. But we have to acknowledge that the petrol station on 'Bank Corner', the brick veneer former Shire Offices and the SEC poles are all now a part of Maldon's heritage. In the 1930's, 1950's and 1960's Maldon experienced some very important historical

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Take care and stay well this winter

COUNCIL urges the community to help reduce the spread of the flu and COVID-19 by taking extra care this winter.

All Victorians are encouraged to wear a mask when indoors and when you cannot physically distance from others, including outdoors, and to work from home if you can.

Council's Emergency Management Coordinator, Luke Ryan, said that COVID-19 cases are increasing across the state and that we all need to take the necessary measures to keep our community safe.

"Prevention is our best protection," said Mr Ryan.

"We can all take steps right now to protect ourselves, those close to us and vulnerable people, and reduce illness in our community."

Wear a mask: wear a mask when meeting other people indoors and when you cannot physically distance.

Let fresh air in: you are less likely to catch COVID-19 in places that are well ventilated.

Stay home if unwell: even if you test negative for COVID-19.

Get tested: 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: check the coronavirus website for eligibility.

Get vaccinated: being up-to-date with your vaccinations is the best protection against severe illness.

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 seven 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.



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MALDON Community Centre in Francis Street is a council-owned facility which is home to the Maldon Senior Citizens, the Maldon Brass Band, the Maldon Community lunch and Maldon Golden Movies. It is also regularly hired out for weddings, funerals, theatre rehearsals, birthday parties and more. It is a community facility which is available to the community at reasonable prices and is run by a group of community volunteers. And we need your help!

We are holding our AGM next Monday 1 August, at 6.30pm at the Community Centre and are looking for

new volunteer members to take the reins and move the committee forward. Meetings are held four times a year and are usually less than an hour in duration. Our committee currently has a President (Glenn Roy) and a combined Secretary/Treasurer/Booking officer role (Debra Watson) which would ideally be best split into two roles - Secretary and Booking officer/Treasurer. Office bearer duties take up no more than two hours per week, often less. We need to recruit new committee members who can work beside the current two office bearers to 'learn the ropes' as both Kinga (Glenn Roy) and myself are looking to move on

from the committee within the next six months and want to see it in good hands so that we can do that. Neither of us are leaving town and we won't just dump everything on new members, we just need a change and a succession plan!!!

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity or a way to give back to your community that doesn't involve a huge time commitment, this might be the one for you!!

Please give Debra a call on 0414 995 124 if you would like to know more about the committee and how you can help or just come along to the AGM on Monday.

Debra Watson

One million Victorians bust energy bills

MORE Victorians can receive immediate bill relief and cut their energy costs, thanks to the State Government \$250 Power Saving Bonus, already taken up by one million households.

Minister for Energy Lily D'Ambrosio today announced a \$205 million boost to the popular program, where every Victorian household can receive \$250 to seek out a better energy deal on Victoria's Energy Compare website.

"Three weeks after launching this bill-busting bonus, we are proud to have supported one million Victorian households with their energy bills while helping them find the

cheapest deal available," said Minister D'Ambrosio.

Since 1 July, one million Victorians have applied for the one-off payment, providing immediate support and driving down the cost of living right across the state.

Since the beginning of the scheme residents of Maldon have already claimed 256 of the bonuses, Baringhup 34, Newstead 105, Welshman's Reef 30 and Castlemaine 934, a collective saving of over \$200,000.

All Victorian households are eligible for the \$250 payment, including the nearly 400,000 concession card holders who previously claimed the payment under an earlier phase of the program.

The State Government is adding another \$205 million to meet the popularity of the program, on top of the initial \$250 million funding. The \$250 Power Saving Bonus is available until 30 June 2023 and there are no caps on the number of households that can receive the once-off payment.

User data shows that over the past 12 months, seven out of every 10 users saved an average of \$330 by switching energy offers.

Households can claim the \$250 payment by heading to the Victorian Energy Compare website and comparing energy offers to see if they can get a better deal, or by engaging with a participating community outreach partner.

The Victorian Energy Compare website is the only free and independent online energy price comparison service available to Victorian energy consumers.

Other programs helping households and businesses to slash energy bills include Victorian Energy Upgrades, which provides upfront incentives for low-cost-to-free energy-efficient products, and Solar Victoria, which offers households and businesses discounted solar panels, batteries and efficient heating and cooling.

To apply and for more information go to: compare.energy.vic.gov.au.

Letters to the Editor

New heritage vs old heritage

In reference to the letter by Lauren Williams in the *TT* on 22 July 2022, and the various comments in the Councillor Column by Cr Gardner over a period of time in regards to the Streetscape Project have pushed me to print. I hope that you are able to spare some space in your newspaper for a few further thoughts and comments on the 'new heritage' discussion.

Is Cr Gardner's comments on the rejuvenation of the Maldon Streetscape as 'new heritage' being the recreation of heritage, creation of heritage, or the restoration of the Maldon heritage which the town has been recognised for since the mid-1960s by organisations like the National Trust and the various government instrumentalities through planning protection and various heritage listings/registrations to protect the 'old heritage' which Maldon's image has been built on since that time?

I am concerned that if the Mt Alexander Council continue with the 'new heritage' platform it will significantly change the 'old heritage' that Maldon's notability is identified with. This could then lead to Maldon having to re-brand itself and have to market itself as the 'New Notable Town' in connection with its 'new heritage'.

I would also like to know Cr Gardner's understanding

of where his term 'new heritage' fits within the *Burra Charter*, or whether his 'new heritage' is restoration and protection of the 'old heritage'. If it is restoration and protection of the 'old heritage', then the *Burra Charter* is one of the cornerstones of this process. Then if it is the protection and restoration of the 'old heritage' that is trying to be achieved, the question needs to be asked 'what time period of Maldon's development and heritage are we trying to protect?'. Because as a community we need to decide which of the two 'heritage' we want to save and protect for the next generation, along with how the various 'heritage' aspects get recorded via the various forms of documentation.

As Cr Gardner has commented on (TT 1 July 2022), I also would like to thank the volunteers that have worked so hard on the various committees looking at the different aspects of the streetscape project, even though there may be discrepancies in the concepts of Cr Gardner's 'new heritage' and the 'old heritage' which Maldon has been so well known for in the past.

Yours &c.
Slowly Decaying

Platypus sighting

I would like to share my latest Platypus encounter with you. While crossing the Loddon River (on foot) at Baringhup (8.30am 25 July 2022) I spotted a Platypus.

He did a few dives then went over to the bank and searched amongst some big rocks. Then, to my amazement he popped right out of the water and sat on a rock, having a good scratch before taking off under the bridge and heading up the river. At this point, I decided to follow him.

The river in the caravan park area in places is quite shallow and narrow, so I had brilliant views of him feeding underwater. I continued following him for one and a quarter hours. He used the whole river, diving and swimming looking for food.

This side of the river gives you clear viewing, so it was not difficult to follow his progress, he eventually disappeared under some reeds and never came out.

I was very wet and cold, but it was well worth it.

So, don't let a bit of rain put you off.

Rocky Huxley

Maldonia

'Maldonian' as used by Malcolm Crick is probably the better term for the town's inhabitants.

In the past locals often referred, usually humorously, to the town as 'Maldonia'. So when the tower on the

Mount was opened in 1924 it was known as the 'Tower of Maldonia'. Also in the 1800s the *Tarrangower Times* often published articles under the heading 'Chronicles of Maldonia'. Written in biblical language, they lampooned local dignitaries.

Maldonite has a specific meaning. It is a rare naturally occurring alloy of gold and bismuth. Geologist George Ulrich first identified it in 1864 in a sample taken from a mine at Nuggetty.

Having said all that, I must admit that in the past I have referred to the locals as 'Maldonites'.

Regards
Tony Kane

Maldonite vs Maldonians

Maldonite is the type of rock that is only found at a couple of locations worldwide, with Maldon being the main locality, so that was where the name of the rock came from. So, possibly the locals who prefer Maldonite could be seen as rock-solid philistines, whereas the locals who are more open-minded could be referred to as Maldonians.

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Four novels are reviewed this week – all great reading for these wintry days!

***Sense and Sensibility* by Joanna Trollope**

John Dashwood promised his dying father he would take care of his half-sisters. But his wife, Fanny, has no desire to share their newly inherited estate with Belle Dashwood's daughters. When she descends upon Norland Park with her Romanian nanny and her mood boards, the three Dashwood girls—Elinor, Marianne, and Margaret—are suddenly faced with the cruelties of life without their father their home, or their money.

As they come to terms with life without the status of their country house, the protection of the family name, or the comfort of an inheritance, Elinor and Marianne are confronted by the cold hard reality of a world where people's attitudes can change as drastically as their circumstances.

With her sparkling wit, Joanna Trollope casts a clever, satirical eye on the tales of Elinor and Marianne Dashwood. Reimagining *Sense and Sensibility* in a fresh, modern

new light, she spins the novel's romance, bonnets, and betrothals into a wonderfully witty coming-of-age story about the stuff that really makes the world go around. For when it comes to money, some things never change.

***The Alexandria Connection* by Adrian d'Hage**

In the shifting desert sands of Egypt, rumours abound of a lost papyrus that will reveal the true purpose of the Pyramids of Giza. Could these ancient monoliths be the source of a new kind of energy, one that comes at no cost to the planet? CIA agent Curtis O'Connor and archaeologist Aleta Weizman are determined to find out.

Close by, a shadowy and powerful group known as Pharos meets in Alexandria, its membership a closely guarded secret. Its first order of business: was to orchestrate chaos on international financial markets with a series of spectacular terrorist attacks on the world's fossil-fuel supplies.

And in Cairo, amid the anarchy of Tahrir Square, thieves have broken into the famed Museum of Antiquities

and stolen one of the world's priceless artefacts: the mask of Tutankhamun. Is the audacious theft linked to the Pharos Group?

Nimbly weaving politics, history and science through a rip-roaring plot, from Afghanistan to Washington, Sydney to London, The Alexandria Connection is a spectacular and stylish ride.

***The other side of Beautiful* by Kim Lock**

Meet Mercy Blain, whose house has just burnt down. Unfortunately for Mercy, this goes beyond the disaster it would be for most people: she hasn't been outside that house for two years.

Flung out into the world she's been studiously ignoring, Mercy goes to the only place she can. Her not-quite-ex-husband Eugene's house.

But it turns out she can't stay there, either.

And so begins Mercy's unwilling journey. After the chance purchase of a cult classic campervan (read tiny, old and smelly), with the company of her sausage dog, Wasabi, and a mysterious box of cremated remains, Mercy heads north from Adelaide to Darwin.

On the road, through badly timed breakdowns, gregarious troupes of grey nomads, and run-ins with a rogue adversary, Mercy's carefully constructed walls start crumbling. But what was Mercy hiding from in her house? And why is Eugene desperate to have her back in the city? They say you can't run forever.

Sparkles

by Louise Bagshawe

From the UK mega-bestselling author Louise Bagshawe

BLAST FROM THE PAST

SEEDSMAN'S CORDIAL FACTORY



On Thursday, 9 March 1899, a reporter from the *Tarrangower Times* visited William Seedsman and Sons cordial factory at the corner of Camp and Templeton streets. Edward Jones had purchased the site in 1857, and soon after started manufacturing cordials and aerated drinks there. He also had factories at Chewton and Malmsbury. Following Jones' death in 1862, the factory had several owners before William Seedsman and his son, Henry, purchased it in the mid-1880s.

When the reporter arrived at the factory, William Seedsman was busy in the bottling department. Seedsman immediately stopped operations and showed the reporter over the factory. In the previous year, changes had been made to the buildings to accommodate the expansion of the business and to ensure that every square foot of space was used efficiently.

The factory used a powerful 'Gas Engine' that could be put to work within minutes to provide power. The engine was attached to the soda water machines via a gas generator. Under pressure, the apparatus combined water and carbon dioxide to form carbonic acid. An up-to-date turning rack had recently been installed in the bottling room that also contained an array of casks and vats.

Seedsman said that it was essential that clean bottles were used. First brushes driven by the gas engine scrubbed the bottles. Next, they were thoroughly washed with warm soda water and, after inspection to ensure they were clean, they were sprayed with clean cold water and allowed to air dry.

New equipment had recently been installed to produce kola beer and tonic ale. The large coppers and casks used for the brew were scrupulously clean, and only the best quality ingredients were used. The factory also contained ingenious corking machines, and a 14-foot deep underground tank had recently been cut out of solid rock. Once filled with pure rain-water, it would ensure the quality of the company's products.

Among the aerated drinks manufactured by Seedsman were lemonade, ginger ale, kola beer, soda water and tonic ale. The factory also produced peppermint, raspberry, clove and lemon juice cordials. In addition to supplying Maldon businesses, Seedsman was doing an increasing business in Newstead, Baringhup and Shelbourne. The factory was working night and day, and production was only limited by the supply of bottles.

Seedsman told the reporter that he was considering adding ice works to the factory. This would meet a long-felt need in Maldon and its surrounds during the summer months. The *Times* said that Seedsman's factory was one of the town's most important industries and urged its readers to support its excellent products.

This information was supplied by the Maldon Museum and Archives.

comes a delicious story of a diamond heiress in Paris. Spanning continents and decades, *Sparkles* is an addictive tale of ambition, betrayal, and romance.

The glittering fortunes of the Massot family, vastly wealthy owners of one of the last great jewellery firms in Paris, were plunged into confusion seven years ago by

the disappearance of Pierre Massot, its charismatic head. Now, his widow Sophie has decided the family and the firm must move on to survive, but her enemies have other ideas.

With thanks to reviews from Good Reads.

The Maldon Athenaeum Library Team

MALDON BRIDGE CLUB
RULES, RULES AND MORE ...



A cheery group arrived for Bridge this week. They were very proactive with mask-wearing, which was good to see. Hopefully, this will help in keeping us safe from the dreaded COVID, which is still prevailing.

Play this week was somewhat hard to follow as different rules were applied to certain contracts which did, in some cases, bewilder partners and the opposition.

So, do we need so many rules? It's simple right? Wrong! I believe! Just keep it simple!

Are rules there to be broken, or are they only there if you don't know what you're doing, feel they don't apply to me, or they are hard to remember and so on. Possibly all of these apply as we valiantly try to go one better in trick-taking, and so defeat our opponents. One thing is for sure; you have to keep your wits about you as you try to understand the play of each partnership as they arrive at your table and the boards as we progress. With all that said, Danny had it all under control as he tallied the final scores, with the help of Werner and Ken, to enter into the computer.



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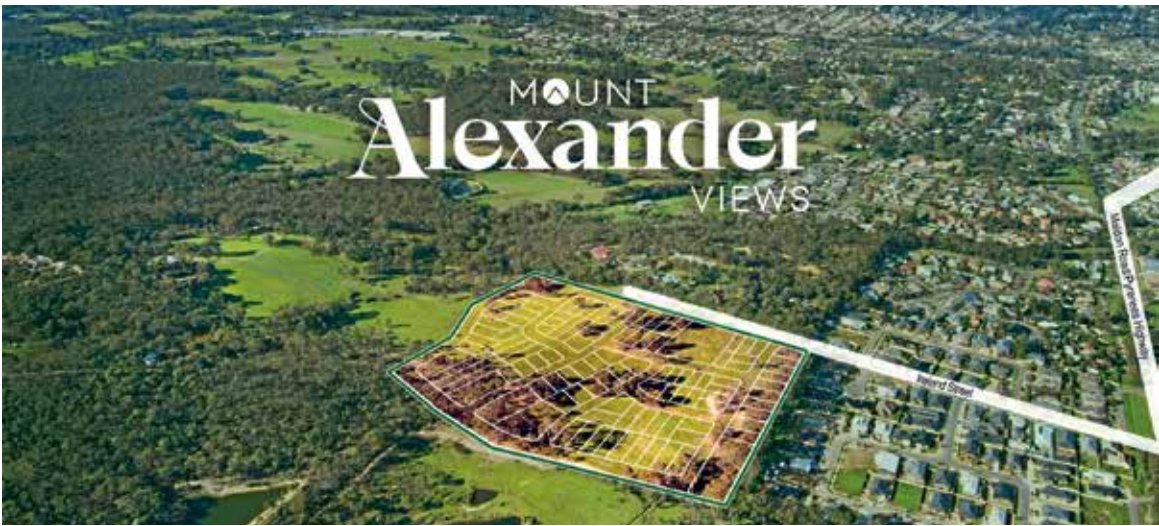
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☆ John's acting career has spanned 35 years. He loves making people laugh and having fun.



☆ John started making hats many years ago, they take around 10 hours to make. This one is made of strips of leather in the shape of gum leaves.

JOHN, born in Kew, moved to Mordialloc at the age of eight. One of four boys, John and his brothers were accepted to Hailebury Private School after one of the brothers won a scholarship to the school. The school decided the other three boys must be of 'good stock' and invited them to attend as well.

"I was very quiet, but I had an ear for accents and became known as funny. My brother was in a play and they needed one more in the cast. I was 17 or 18 and I suppose - I loved it. It was the first time in my life I had a sense I was good at something, which gave me confidence. I played the role of a

photographer for a newspaper in Northern England in a play called 'When We Are Married'.

"I did lots of amateur plays and at one stage there was a festival in Melbourne for amateur performances. Two weeks later I was cast in 'Bellbird', where I played a 15-year-old lad with a drinking problem who would smoke in the school toilets.

"I was 25 years old. There weren't many young actors then, Neighbours and all that hadn't been born, and I had a very young face and a small body.

"I rolled from one job to another and went the way of 95 per cent of actors, I was an actor and a petrol pump attendant, waiter and barman.

"I worked at Dracula's in Melbourne (a dinner performance) where I played a little hunchback called 'grunter'.

"Anything I do with the public, I try to find a way to play, it gives you a high. It's a moment when whatever you're doing clicks. Yeah, it's lovely."

"My acting career spanned 35 years, with periods of nothing for 12 months. One of my most enjoyable jobs was a play that toured in the schools about a paddle-steamer in Victoria in the 1800s, life on the Murray. We did it dead straight, the kids could feel the tension in a fight scene and then we'd make a joke. That went for two years, two periods of nine weeks of solid work. That was fabulous."

In 2004 John moved to Welshman's Reef and bought the chocolate shop- 'Chocolade', which he ran for two years.

"I love to play. If there was one customer in the shop I'd yell out ticket H4, ticket H4! And the customer would look around in shock, I'd laugh and they'd get it. Plus I knew if I could make someone smile they'd buy something!

"You know, you move to the country for the peace and quiet...well my neighbour got a rooster and some chooks. The rooster population began to grow and then he got geese and the geese population began to grow..."

John then bought a house in Maldon and went to work at the antique complex in Castlemaine for a few years. And for the past eight years, he's been gardening for locals.

"Moving into Maldon I bought a house that no one wanted, nothing had been done to it since it was built. It was chocolate brown brick, with floor-to-ceiling aluminium windows 2.5 by 2.5 metres. It's a great corner block, elevated. When you'd open the curtains it felt like 'The Life of Brian'!

"I've spent the last 10 years revitalising it, taken out all the aluminium and replaced them with sash windows.

"It was ugly, but sound and I was able to pay cash and have no mortgage. I just love it now.

"I try and keep in touch with the community by doing bits and pieces, like putting the signs out for the market, Twilight dinners and I used to MC for the Australia Day Ceremony for seven years. I'd never been an MC before, but I did this skit pretending to be Corey Worthington, throwing a party and I'd get pulled off stage by some of the guys in the CERT team.

"The hat? It started when I was working at Dracula's. I needed a hat so I stuck things in it that gave me my character. I then started making them for kids who wouldn't wear a hat to school, sticking puppets and things on - they were the coolest kids in school.

"I was trying to find something Australian-made, so I started cutting layers out of leather into gum leaves. I've been making hats for 30 years - they take around 10 hours. I find playing with craft calming and cleansing."

Tree bases on Main Street



☆ Trial infill material for tree bases - granite sand.



☆ Trial infill material for tree bases - crushed granite.

MANY residents have questioned what's in store for the newly created beds underneath the trees on Main Street. Will they become flower beds? What will be planted? Will there be a repeat of the disastrous out-stand debacle of 2021?

In recent weeks two of the beds, near the bakery, have been filled with granite and sand, leading the *Times* to contact council for more information.

According to council the tree bases have always been part of the design approved by the steering committee and are a permanent fixture. The use of crushed granite as the permeable

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Maldon CEO selected for innovative leadership program



☆ Local resident and CEO of the Foundation for Regional & Rural Renewal, Natalie Egleton, has been selected to participate in the Social Impact Leadership Australia (SILA) Program.

LOCAL resident and CEO of the Foundation for Regional & Rural Renewal (FRRR), Natalie Egleton, has been selected, along with 23 other not-for-profit (NFP) leaders to be a participant in the Social Impact Leadership Australia (SILA) Program.

This is the second cohort to participate in SILA, a five-year, \$9.6 million capacity building and leadership program, funded by four of Australia's major philanthropic foundations.

As CEO of FRRR (a NFP who works to provide funding and capacity-building support

to both big, and small, community-led solutions that build resilience and long-term viability), Natalie understands the importance of having healthy, strong and vibrant remote, rural and regional communities in Australia.

"In an environment of scarce resources and complex problems, we need to value the deep knowledge and know-how in our communities, institutions, and not-for-profits align capabilities with resources and common purposes to drive change. FRRR can play a role in fostering this system change, and SILA will help

me to focus on how I lead in this change".

Built from a collective desire to support NFP leaders to positively influence their organisations and create a strategic network of more than 100 social impact leaders across the country, The Myer Foundation, Sidney

Myer Fund, Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation and Paul Ramsay Foundation came together in 2020 to fund the SILA Program, which is being delivered by the Centre for Social Impact (CSI).

Cohort Two participants – made up of CEOs from Victoria and Tasmania within

the climate, arts, agriculture, health, and community services sectors – will experience a series of immersive learning experiences, one-on-one coaching, dedicated capacity-building support, and a fully funded three-month sabbatical over the 10-month program.

Armine Nalbandian, CEO of CSI, said the SILA Program aims to strengthen the entire for-purpose sector through its innovative and immersive approach – an Australian-first and fully funded offering.

"SILA is a ground-breaking way for us to bring leaders

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Councillor's Column

with Tarrengower Ward Councillor Stephen Gardner



July Council meeting

Last week's council meeting was mainly an administrative-type meeting with no planning applications. Public question time was dominated by the Froomes Road Bridge in Castlemaine. Several people asking the same or similar questions expecting to get a different answer or to confirm their alternative theories. I love a good alternative theory, but really?

For background, Froomes Road Bridge is next to the Castlemaine botanic garden and two years ago council officers put a proposal to councillors to essentially build a two-lane bridge, which was rejected by the majority of councillors. It is an old bridge, and something needs to be done about it. The council has recently undertaken a community consultation to inform a recommendation for a council meeting in the future – probably in September. I am hoping this matter is then done with, as the constant questions, emails, and actions groups are becoming a bit draining and don't really help the cause.

Cell capping of Castlemaine tip

The issue of capping the cell at Castlemaine tip has been an issue for years and it is great to see that it will finally be done.

All councillors supported the recommendation of letting the tender for nearly \$7.5million dollars. Capping a tip is very complex and involves long-term monitoring by the EPA. I, for one, was glad to see a well-developed plan and independent monitoring of the tip. This tender was fully funded by the waste reserve which has been built up by previous councils for this very reason.

This also means that council can now look at wider options in regard to waste – like a recovery centre, more recycling options and greater support to the community regarding waste.

Cr Driscoll's Tiny House review

Cr Driscoll moved a motion to have the by-laws reviewed as a matter of urgency, and recommendations come before council, which would support landowners having

tiny houses. I fully supported this motion as did all councillors.

The reason for Cr Driscoll moving this (motion), is we have a need for affordable housing in our shire and this could be one of many options that can be considered. Obviously, it won't resolve the issue, but it could help. All councillors are keen to do what can be done to see greater housing options and more affordable houses for those who need it. Post-COVID house prices and rentals have skyrocketed.

As people would know we are in another wave of COVID-19 which is expected to peak in August so try and stay safe, be kind to everyone and please bear in mind that people experience and deal with COVID-19 in different ways, it's best to not be judgemental.



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Celebrating 100 years on the railway



☆ Retired Railway Association members came from all over Victoria last week to celebrate their 100-year anniversary aboard the VGR steam train.

THE Retired Railway Employees Association celebrated 100 years last week, with a visit to Maldon on the Victorian Goldfields Railway.

The group, which comprises former employees of the Victorian Railways, was formed in 1922, when a group of retired railway men met and decided it would be nice if retired railway workers were to meet occasionally, with the aim of exchanging reminiscences and retaining their many friendships which had been cemented during the many years with one another.

The group meets monthly and has regular social outings, but this year it was considered appropriate to celebrate the past 100 years by travelling on a steam train. The group enjoyed lunch in the First Class section of the train, along with bar service.

Retired Electric Train Driver and President of the Association, Richard Gilbert said, “On departure from Castlemaine the stewards filled glasses of champagne and orange juice and the passengers raised them in a ‘toast’ to the success of the 100 years of the Retired Railway Employees Association.

“The ‘J’ class steam locomotive chugging through the scenic bush countryside brought back many memories for the retired members having served the railways in various occupations. The former drivers commented on how the locomotive was working, others spoke of the quality of the ride on the track,

Winter lunch at Maldon Hospital



☆ Residents at Maldon Hospital enjoyed their delicious winter luncheon last week.

MALDON Hospital celebrated the cold winter months with a special winter luncheon last week. Residents had an option of schnitzel or lasagne, french onion soup and golden syrup dumplings or lemon delicious.

The tables were decorated with Cootamundra wattle, fairy lights and candles, with royal blue serviettes.

23 residents attended. Those who couldn't join in the festivities in the dining room had specially decorated trays.

Maldon Hospital usually host luncheons, celebrating the seasons or special events like Oaks Day, using colour, the natural world and displays to create the atmosphere. Events like these create and foster community and relationship, provide opportunities to anticipate and plan to go to a special event and provide social, emotional and sensory stimulation. These luncheons have been occurring for around 10 years and Ryan McDonald is the head Chef at Castlemaine.

Jacinta Onans
Health and Wellbeing Coordinator

and others commented on the quality of the carriages in comparing them to the famous trains of the past.”

There are now around 100 members of the association, with around 50 of the members travelling from Melbourne, Seymour, Bendigo, Geelong and Ballarat. members of the

Good looking community self-portrait



☆ Maldon Neighbourhood Centre Program Support Worker, Kir Larwell, with the wonderfully expressive self-portraits.

WAY back in the first lockdown, about a dozen people got together, over Zoom, for some self-portrait drawing with a difference.

Two Good Looking drawing workshops were held, virtually, through the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

Organised as part of the Connect Maldon Project, the aim was to let drawing encourage reflection about connection (while in COVID isolation) and what we know and love about community.

Everyone received a package on their doorsteps (paper, drawing materials, glue for collage) and then tuned in, with mirrors at the ready, to work through a series of blind drawing exercises. Looking at themselves in the mirror, without breaking their gaze, everyone drew themselves (over and over again!) without looking down at the pages they were drawing on.

Each participant finished with a collection of drawings for themselves, as well as contributing some to the group as a whole. This led to more parcels being delivered during iso ... bundles of portraits gathering on the front verandah of the Neighbourhood Centre! The result was a large collaborative piece – a piece that is now timber-mounted and installed, ready to be viewed and celebrated at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre.

So join portrait drawers and others for a long-delayed unveiling, a toast to iso-resilience and some very quirky self-portraits!

Friday 29 July, 2.30 – 4 pm

Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, 1 Church Street, Maldon.
RSVP info@maldonnc.org.au or 54752093. www.maldonnc.org.au/.

association are from all areas of the Victorian Railways such as locomotive drivers, electric train drivers, salaried staff from head office, refreshment room staff, stationmasters, ticket sales staff, roster clerks, track maintenance workers and clerical staff.

Take A Breath Wellness Studio



☆ Amy Sonsie owner and facilitator of ‘Take A Breath Wellness Studio’.

WELSHMAN’S Reef resident, and experienced yoga teacher, Amy Sonsie, opened Take a Breath Wellness Studio at the beginning of 2022.

Amy offers a range of well-being services to people who are feeling overwhelmed and need valuable skills to help in times of stress, mental illness, and anxiety. Take a Breath provides new and practical ways to improve mental health and self-care skills, through classes, workshops, programs, and wellbeing packages.

Take a Breath aims to help teach people how to care for themselves and the community they live in.

Take A Breath is running two new programs during the month of August: Self-Care for Sole Traders and Wellbeing Relationships in the Workplace.

The first program, Self-Care for Sole Traders, is designed to provide self-care techniques and assist in finding ways to implement them into daily life. The program also teaches effective communication methods, that can improve business relationships. Operating via zoom, the program will run from Wednesday 17 August 12pm-1pm and Thursday 18 August 6pm-7pm. Cost is \$40 per person.

The second program being offered is a two-hour zoom session, which is aimed at anyone who works in a team environment, that may be looking for ways to improve workplace dynamics and create a less stressful environment. The program provides tools for effective communication and helps to identify and implement early prevention of mental illness.

Wellbeing Relationships in the Workplace will run on Wednesday 24 August 11am-1pm and Thursday 25 August 6pm-8pm. Cost is \$60 per person and group discounts are available.

For more information contact Amy Sonsie on 0433 364 025 or at takeabreathwellnessstudio@gmail.com.

Tree bases on Main Street

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tree base material, rather than using granite sand, was unanimously agreed upon by the Trees Working Group and Heritage Sub-Committee.

According to council, the infill material used at present, is currently there on a trial basis.

“After community consultation in March 2021, which involved trial tree bases and planting, and a survey, the community decided on sand and granite bases,” said a Mount Alexander Shire Council representative. “The community response indicated that a planted bed at this location may not be sustainable because of cars

driving over the plants and destroying them, and litter being left in the area,” said the council representative. “The Steering Committee supported the community’s response which resulted in the current tree bases.”

Write to editor@tarrangowertimes.com.au and tell us: what are your thoughts on the new tree bases?

Maldon CEO selected for innovative leadership program

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together to learn from each other, while also strengthening their personal and organisational capabilities and giving them an opportunity to refresh and re-energise their organisation’s strategic direction,” she said.

“This new cohort of SILA leaders are already driving positive social change for their communities, and SILA will take them to the next level as part of a network of 100 CEOs across Australia.”

Leonard Vary, CEO of The Myer Foundation and Sidney Myer Fund, doubled down on the importance of SILA to prop up the underinvestment in tailored executive

professional development within the for-purpose sector.

“The for-purpose sector is crucial to communities all across the country and we must continue to drive best-practice leadership. We are proud to be supporting this second cohort of experienced leaders who are working to find solutions for climate action, community arts, family violence, and more,” he said.

“We know from Cohort One and the CEOs who have already experienced the program, that SILA will strengthen this new cohort’s professional networks and equip them with the latest leadership skills to manage complex

organisational change and collaboration beyond completion of the program.”

Maldon resident and mother of two, Natalie said, “The SILA program is designed for CEOs who are leading significant social change organisations. It recognises the particular challenges and pressures we experience and manage, and for me, I’m looking forward to stepping out of the pressure of running the strategy and operations, learning from and with other CEOs, taking time to focus on my own wellbeing, and giving others in FRRR a chance to step up and experience the CEO role.”

A song for NAIDOC Week



I hope you had a great NAIDOC week celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, peoples.

Some of us may know that the history of NAIDOC Week can be traced back to a Yorta Yorta man named William Cooper, who grew up in Maloga, a mission on the banks of the Murray River.

But did you know about the ensemble of African American choristers who travelled all the way from Nashville Tennessee to Maloga in 1886? They were known as the Jubilee Singers. One of the spirituals that the Jubilee Singers sang in Maloga was ‘Turn Back Pharaoh’s Army’. This song was itself inspired by a Hebrew song, some 4,000 years old, about the Jewish people escaping Pharaoh’s oppression, which had eventually been taken up by African slaves in America.

When this song was brought to Australia and performed for the people at Maloga they took it up as a freedom song of their own. Those who were oppressed were to cry unto the Lord; it was God who would ultimately overcome the violence and oppression they faced.

Cooper went on to be a fearless and inspiring voice for truth and justice. In 1887 a young William Cooper petitioned Queen Victoria herself to grant the Maloga community with land. In 1888 he was part of the Maloga protest against the harsh treatment the community received on the mission.

And eventually William Cooper went on to form the Australian Aborigines League. In 1938 Cooper led a delegation of the League to Collins St to protest the

oppression of the Jews under the Nazi regime in Germany. That same year Cooper led protestors through the streets of Sydney, advocating for national policies for Aboriginal people. It came to be known as the Day of Mourning. This became an annual event, held by churches across Australia, and over the subsequent years became our national NAIDOC week. And at the Australian Aborigines League meetings, what song did they sing? ‘Ngurra Bura Fera’, ‘Turn Back Pharaoh’s Army’!

I love celebrating NAIDOC week each year in our church and being reminded of this special history of faith and courage for justice.

Revd Darcy Vaughan
Anglican Parish of Maldon.

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Rainfall Baringhup

Week Ending 27.7.22

31.7mm

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	39.5	63.1	23.5
Aug		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	342.3	596.0	535.8

Rainfall Maldon

Week Ending 27.7.22

43.5mm

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	54.3	82.8	32.8
Aug		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	407.5	683.8	685.0

Rainfall Newstead

Week Ending 27.7.22

32.2mm

Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2022	2021	2020
Jan	103.4	101.6	53.6
Feb	0.0	13.6	38.0
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	43.8	68.2	29.4
Aug		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	353.8	666.2	593.8

Water Storage Capacity as at 27.7.22

Site	Cairn Curran	Max ML	147,130	Current ML	80,320	% Full	54.59
Site	Malmsbury	Max ML	12,118	Current ML	7,016	% Full	59.5

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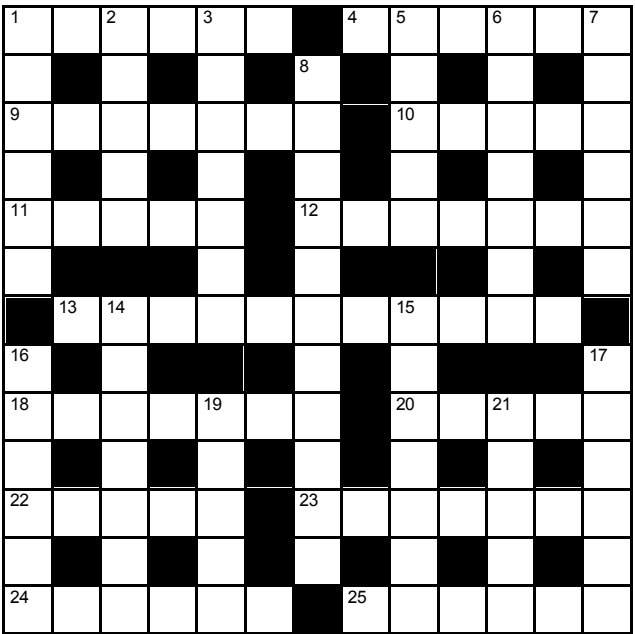
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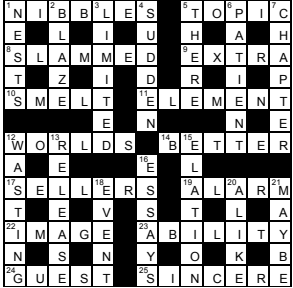
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MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

Round 12 v Carisbrook



☆ Reserves - S. Burchell.
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The team were sitting in third on the ladder and took on second place after this week's win. The team have hit their straps, playing some really good footy at the right time of the year.
Best: Jack Smith, Brodie Doyle, Izaak Mason, Ryan Burchell, Angus Layne and Levi Mason.

11.5s
Maldon 0 Def by Carisbrook 53
Maldon didn't score but won a lot of praise for a gutsy effort against a formidable Carisbrook. Players again rose to the occasion to make a competitive game. Seth again played like three players. Big Zav nailing some massive tackles. Yoshi getting a strong appetite for the ball with an explosive pace. Will G was strong in defence, Essie continued to get quick kicks, Auzzie used his strength, and Heath continued like a train.
Best: Z. Turner, Y. Turner, W. Govier, A Webster, N. Jennings and H. Powell.

Netball

A Grade
Maldon 35 Def by Carisbrook 51
The A Grade team started a little slow with lots of pressure in the goal circle from the Carisbrook defence, making it hard to secure goals. The second half of the game saw the team pull together and were able to bring the margin back to 8 goals in the third quarter. However, the Carisbrook team responded, and the margin again went out, with Carisbrook getting a hard-fought victory.
Best: Georgia Spokes.

B Grade
Maldon 31 Draw Carisbrook 31
The B Grade team was always going to have a tight game, and from the first whistle, the game was a nail-biter, with Maldon getting the upper hand earlier in the game. The Carisbrook team were always going to challenge us; however, we held tight and were able to keep the scores even at the end of the game in their third draw for the season.
Best: Alex Cummins.

C Grade
Maldon 26 Def Carisbrook 24
This was an important game, with both teams having to win to get into the top 8, and our girls took up the challenge. They put in 100 per cent and wanted the 4 points more in the end. This team is coming into form at the right time of the year.

Best: Kirsten Cain.
Under 17s
Maldon 18 Def by Carisbrook 20
The U17s game was always going to be a tight game, and the girls certainly had to bring all their tactics and athletic ability to the game. The Carisbrook team were very defensive, but the Maldon team were able to come back into the game and put the game right up to Carisbrook after being behind by 7 goals.
Best: Sophie Zammit.

Under 15s
Maldon 21 Def Carisbrook 14
The U15s were again victorious on the weekend, with Carisbrook certainly bringing their game on. The team came out fast in the first quarter and were able to lead 8-1 Maldon's way. The second half saw the Maldon team keep that lead and were able to win a tight game.
Best: Maddy Drummond and Stella MacLaruin.



☆ C Grade - A. McKinnon.

Under 13s
Maldon 8 Def by Carisbrook 32
With a full team this week, they played well and worked hard all the way through the court. The final quarter was the best for the team finishing with 8 goals to our side.
Best: Amber Shepherd.

Under 11s
Maldon 2 Def by Carisbrook 26
We were able to move it slowly down the court through the rain opening up and creating space. Our defenders were very quick on their toes and were not given many opportunities to be still. Our girls had good vision in the ring and were able to intercept many but just had trouble getting the ball in our goal ring. Carisbrook were very smart with their moves making us have to work really hard.
Best: Primrose and Alice.

MALDON PÉTANQUE CLUB



☆ Ken Field with his second place winnings. Ken and wife Joy from the Pyrenees club joined us for the day, along with Rod from the Woodend/Hanging Rock club.



*For one thing you can really rely
Different weather each day in July*
AFTER a mixed bag of weather on Saturday, we were all surprised by a lovely day on Sunday for pétanque. The fire was lit to provide both heat and atmosphere and once again proved very popular.

Before play, the current results of the Golden Boule Round Robin Trophy were announced and told us there are only two undefeated teams: Maldon and Mt Macedon. With only one round to play on Saturday 13 August between these two clubs, it will be a GRAND FINAL.
We warmly welcomed Ken and Joy Field from the Pyrenees Club in Avoca who joined us for a friendly game.
Across the pistes there seemed to be a wide variety of results being reported after each game, some extremely good and some very ordinary. At the end of play, the computer told us the winner was Rod Gell, with a great score of 3 wins 33 points. Coming second was Ken from Avoca 3 wins 16 points and third was Sandra Hunter 2 wins 11 points.
After play, the Club held its Annual General Meeting at which the following committee was elected: President Andrew Leckie, Vice President Beverley Forsyth, Secretary George Forster, Treasurer Geoff McLennan, General Committee Viv Markham and Barry Droney. We wish them well.
Our next games will be on Sunday 7 August 2022 starting at 1.30pm on the St Brigid's pistes.
Geoff McLennan

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Round 12 v Carisbrook

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☆ Xavier Noy awarded the Ned Cameron Medal by the Lang Family (Ned's family).
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☆ C Grade - S.Lilly K.Cain and J.Roberts.

Overview

AFTER another week off with the Bye, we headed over to Carisbrook in what was a very wet day, which again was set to be another hard contest for all teams.

This was also an important day for both clubs as it was the Ned Cameron Memorial game, in memory of the late Ned Cameron, who played for both Maldon and Carisbrook in the Juniors. Xavier Noy won the Ned Cameron medal for Maldon, which was awarded by Ned's family after the game, which was a very special moment for both clubs.

With a lot of movements through the Senior Football teams with injuries, the pressure was on to get those wins on

the board. Although there was lingering pressure for both Senior Football sides, they gave what they had to give, but unfortunately, it wasn't enough to keep the winning streak going for the Reserves team.

The Senior Netball teams all had very close games against a very eager and strong Carisbrook, showcasing what finals may be like. Our Junior Football and Netball teams all played hard, with the under 17s Football Team coming out with another great game and our Under 15s Netball backing it up for another win on the board. With only four games left before the finals, the club is shaping up to take a strong lead into the finals campaign.

This week we take on Trentham at home, which will be yet another big weekend of sport, with Trentham Senior Football teams taking the top place on the ladders and fighting to keep their places in the top 8 for the Senior Netball; Maldon will sure be set to put on a hard fight. S2 Sport will also be at the game this weekend for all of your club merchandise needs; be sure to check it out! We are also hosting our Yobbo Lotto Function after the games, which is set to be one to remember with a sell-out of tables and, we're sure – some impressive outfits.

Football

Seniors

Maldon 49 Def by Carisbrook 150

It was a tough day for our Senior team, as we went into the game very undermanned against a definite contender for the flag. Even though the scoreboard didn't show it, the effort and endeavour to win the contest was still there, but we lacked the ability to move the ball forward and get some score on the board. The first half was a very even contest, but we had a couple of first-half injuries with those players not returning to the game, resulting in fewer rotations meaning some boys had to work tirelessly for the whole game.

Best: Billy Miller, Hayden Kelly, David Wilson, Julian Lockwood, Bryce Coffey and Hayden Coffey.

Reserves

Maldon 48 Def by Carisbrook 103

The Reserves went into their clash against Carisbrook undermanned due to a lot of injuries and unavailability. After a promising first quarter leading by 2 points, it was all Carisbrook, after that running out convincing winners by 55 points. Shaun Burchell worked all day tirelessly in the

middle with support from Kallem Turner and Brayden Saint. Very important clash this week against the top of the table Trentham at home.

Best: Shaun Burchell, Kallem Turner, Brayden Saint, Callum Cross, Patrick Cummins and Kody Girvan.

17.5s

Maldon 41 Def Carisbrook 36

It was a top-of-the-table clash with two unbeaten sides finally coming head to head. The team hit the scoreboard first and didn't really let up all game. Keeping a couple of goals lead throughout the day, until the last couple of minutes, Carisbrook received a free kick and goaled with two minutes to go. Xavier Noy won the Ned Cameron medal with an outstanding game. The team showed what they can do under pressure.

Best: Xavier Noy, Bailey O'Dell, Finian Mackenzie, Flynn Rowbottom, Noah Thompson and Kody Girvan.

14.5s

Maldon 95 Def Carisbrook 13

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MALDON GOLF CLUB



A great team event was the game of the day last Saturday as golfers competed with the adverse weather elements; thinking that an afternoon in front of the log fire would have been a better option.

The individual points score of each player in the 2-person team is multiplied together for the team score on each hole - a score of zero or one by one of the players means a low team score and often leads to some frustration within the team. Not so for the winning team of John Purcell and Oliver Messenger whose combination proved the difference on the day and a 6-point win over Bruce McGregor and Noel Olver.

Interesting about the combination of John and Oliver was the fact that they also competed in Round 2 of the Jack Long Matchplay against each other which meant on all holes, each player had the dilemma of supporting good play from their partner in the team's event or hoping for a faux-par to favour their Matchplay game - excellent sportsmanship prevailed from both players in a tight tussle with John Purcell the winner.

RESULTS

... STABLEFORD MULTIPLIER ...

WINNERS	John Purcell-Oliver Messenger	77 points
RUNNERS-UP	Bruce McGregor-Noel Olver	71 points
GOOD SCORE	Chris & Ryan Mulholland	70 points
	Bill Moore-Simon Saunders	58 points
	Wayne & Cody Brasher	43 points
NEAREST the PIN	Wayne Brasher	HOLE 4
	John Purcell	HOLE 10
Ca\$h-HOLE	Bruce McGregor	HOLE 17

...JACK LONG MATCHPLAY...

John Purcell defeated Oliver Messenger 4/2

GOLF TOMORROW

STABLEFORD...Round 2 FREIDRICH PLATE

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MALDON CROQUET CLUB

THE Maldon Croquet Club raffle was drawn on Sunday at the Maldon Newsagency.

The winners were:

1st prize - Load of firewood - Katie from Newstead.

2nd prize - Much Ado voucher - Marc from Maldon.

3rd prize - Hamper - Kerry from Maldon.

Thanks to the following members and friends who sold tickets:

Bonnie, Rod, Anne, Phil, Ann, Cheryl, Lee and Damien.

Thanks also to people who donated prizes, especially Cheryl and Alan Lang for the load of wood (which they delivered to the winner), Frank and Lauren at Much Ado and the various club members who provided goods for the hamper.

Damien Kennedy

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